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COUNCIL BLUFFS

CHARGE HOLDUP TO CROWE

Bluffs Police Think He Engineered the Motor Car Robbery.

SAY HE WAS IN THE CITY THE DAY BEFORE

Chief Richmond Not Sanguine, However, of Being Able to Apprehend the Elusive Pat, but May Catch Companions.

Pat Crowe to the fore again. The elusive Pat is now suspected of being one of the two bandits who held up and robbed the crews of two motor cars last Sunday night. The elusive Pat is said to have been in Council Bluffs Sunday, hence the suspicion that he planned and carried out the holdup in order to replenish his pocketbook. After the holdup the noted kidnaper is said to have left the city on a vacation.

Chief of Police Richmond gave it as his opinion yesterday that it was not at all unlikely but Pat Crowe had a hand in the holdup, as reports have reached police headquarters that he was in the city at the time and is not here now. Major Richmond admitted that Crowe might come and go in Council Bluffs as much as he liked without fear of detection for the simple reason that there was not a single member of the police force who would know him, if he met him face to face.

That Pat Crowe has a number of firm friends in Council Bluffs is well known to the authorities and the police have been informed that a man answering Crowe's description was in a house not far from the east approach of the motor bridge Sunday night and left there when a short thickset man called for him.

Chief Richmond said last night:

"Of course this Pat Crowe business has become a standing joke to a great extent, but nevertheless I feel as certain as I can be that Crowe was the man who planned and carried out the robbery Sunday night. With the reward that the motor company has offered it is possible that some evidence may be secured to identify the bandits, but their capture is another question. Chief Donahue tells me that in his opinion Pat Crowe was mixed up in the holdup and this is the opinion of Detective Dunn also."

It was reported late last night that some local arrests might be looked for at any moment.

Strangers Promptly Pinched.

Two strangers giving the names of Thomas Abernathy and H. C. Martz were arrested last night for the theft of a coat and revolver belonging to William Plowd, enroute from Nebraska to Harlan, Ia., with a car of horses.

Plowd left the car for a few minutes at the Milwaukee yards to get a bucket of water for his horses and on returning noticed two men leaving the vicinity of the car. He missed the coat containing the revolver and word was telephoned to the police.

Detective Smith on Main street met Abernathy with a coat on his arm. He asked to be directed to a second hand goods store. The officer showed him the way, waited until he sold the coat, then arrested him. The coat proved to be the one stolen from Plowd. Shortly after Officer Peterson found the second man, who gave the name of Martz, at the K. C. restaurant, where he was trying to sell the revolver, and placed him under arrest.

Letters found on Abernathy lead the police to believe that he is wanted in Chicago.

Parents' Objection of No Avail.

To get married first and ask for the consent of the bride's parents after was the decision reached by Harry B. Ball and Myrtle Sells, a young couple of Neola, Pottawattamie county, and having determined on this course they came to Council Bluffs yesterday afternoon, secured a license and were married by Justice Gardiner. The ceremony safely performed the telephone was brought into requisition and the parents of the young woman at Neola notified.

The groom, whose home is in Illinois, has for some time been living in Neola, where he is a member of the hose team, and participated in the recent tournament in this city. He has quite a reputation as a sprinter. Miss Sells' parents, it is said, were opposed to the marriage, but the young woman being of lawful age, decided to take the matter into her own hands, and the result was the trip to Council Bluffs yesterday and the ceremony which made her Mrs. Ball.

Real Estate Transfers.

These transfers were reported to The Bee July 6 by the Title, Guaranty and Trust company of Council Bluffs:

Council Bluffs Savings bank to George C. Hanse, lot 1, Aud. sub., nw¼ nw¼ lot 3, Aud. sub. no4, nw¼, 32-75-43, w. d. $4,900

Emmet Tinley and wife to Ollie A. Carter, lots 11 and 12, block 34, Perry's 1st add., w. d. 75

J. J. Stewart, executor, to Mary E. Littlefield, lot 20, block 33, Central subdiv., q. d. 150

C. G. Saunders and wife to Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company, lot 1, block 33, Fleming & Davis' add., d. 1

August G. Stephan and wife to Benjamin Marks, lot 19, block 31, Manawa Park, w. d. 1,250

C. G. Saunders and wife to Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company, lots 15 and 16, block 42, Riddle's subdiv., d. 1

Six transfers, total $6,377

Hospital Corps in Camp.

The Council Bluffs detachment of the hospital corps of the Fifty-sixth regiment, Iowa National guard, left yesterday morning over the Rock Island to attend the annual encampment at Des Moines. The men were attired in khaki uniforms and carried canteens, haversacks, medical pouches and blanket rolls. They met at Dr. Macrae's office in the Merriam block and marched to the depot. The members of the detachment are Major Donald Macrae, jr., Sergeants A. E. Lane and M. F. Warner, Privates Lynn Baird, Herman Benjamin, Donald Cowles, James Macrae, Harry Evans, Charles Arnold, Thomas Hardin, Windsor Aylesworth, James Metcalf, Ray Beardsley, E. Hicks accompanied the detachment as cook.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Tel. 250. Night, F967.

Costs More Than Bill.

The defense in the suit of Hafer against Youngkin has moved for a change of venue from Justice Field's court to the court of one of the justices of Lewis township at Manawa. The case has been tried twice before a jury and each time the jury has failed to agree. The amount involved is about $40 and the costs already amount to over $150. Hafer sued Youngin for a lumber bill and later garnished Edward Blakeley, for whom Youngkin built a residence. Blakeley denied owing Youngkin anything, claiming that the latter had not built the house according to contract. Several weeks have already been consumed in the two trials of the suit and the plaintiff is determined to keep on trying it until a jury can be secured which will return a verdict one way or the other.

Young Marcus Insane.

Morris Marcus, the crippled youth who was recently arrested for breaking into a small candy and cigar store next to the Revere house and who was bound over to the grand jury some time ago for despoiling the shrubs in Cockran park of their bloom, was yesterday sent to St. Bernard's hospital for observation by the commissioners on insanity. Evidence befor the board showed that the young man had suffered for a year or more from epileptic fits and that he was not altogether mentally responsible. Young Marcus has been in trouble of one kind or another repeatedly for the last year and has been arrested on numerous occasions. It is expected that he will be later committed to Clarinda.

Spencer Smith to Help.

Spencer Smith, former member of the Iowa State Railroad commission, has been added to the Commercial club committee appointed to assist the city council in securing the necessary facts to lay before the state executive council in the attempt to have the assessment of the Union Pacific railroad in this city increased. Mr. Smith will act as attorney for the joint committee and will, it is expected, make the showing before the state executive council at its meeting next week in Des Moines. The joint committee held another meeting last evening at which, it is understood, the plan of campaign was mapped out.

Matters in District Court.

Mrs. Lena Bolio began suit for divorce yesterday from Louis Bolio, to whom she was married in Carson township March 20, 1896. She charges him with cruel and inhuman treatment and abandoning her in 1902. She asks to be awarded the custody of their four children.

The suit of Louisa Feuerhauken against Robert Enewald was dismissed.

In the case of Benjamin Douglas against F. C. and E. H. Lougee, the defendants yesterday withdrew their motion to suppress the deposition of Benjamin Douglas.

Marriage Licenses.

Licenses to wed were issued yesterday to the following:

Name and Residence.	Age.
J. L. Lynch, Omaha	40
Maud E. Brill, New York City	30
A. Hanneman, Indianapolis, Ind.	31
Dorothy Davis, Clarinda, Ia.	24
Henry B. Ball, Neola, Ia.	22
Myrtle B. Sells, Neola, Ia.	21

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs.

Stockert sells carpets.

Plumbing and heating. Bixby & Son.

Drs. Woodbury, dentists, 36 Pearl street.

Leffert's improved toric lenses give satisfaction.

Council Bluffs lodge of Elks will meet in regular session tonight.

Get your pictures and frames at Borwick's, 211 So. Main St. Tel. 283.

The city council will meet in adjourned session this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Woodring-Schmidt Undertaking Co., 236 B'way, successors to Lunkley. Tel 339.

Special attention given to pictures for wedding gifts. Alexander's, 333 B'way.

Duncan, 23 Main St., guarantees to do the best shoe repair work. Give him a trial.

Dr. Luella S. Dean, homeopath, diseases of women and children. Room 3, Brown Bldg. Tel. 909.

The funeral of the late Alexander Ritter will be held Saturday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Francis Xavier's church and burial will be in St. Joseph cemetery.

"The King Bee" march and two-step by Arthur E. Smith is full of melody and life and in the opinion of many one of the coming successes in musical composition. Published by Bouricius Music company, Council Bluffs, Ia.

J. I. Lynch of Omaha and Miss Maude E. Brill of New York City were married in this city yesterday noon by Rev. A. E. Buriff, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, at his residence. Mr. Lynch is in the employ of The Omaha Bee.

Charles Faealer, the high diver at Lake Manawa, charged with assaulting Constable Palmer of Justice Field's court, was taken into custody yesterday. He gave bail for his appearance and his hearing was set for Saturday morning before Justice Field.

Dr. J. M. Barstow of the Board of Commissioners for the Insane left last evening for Portland, Ore., to attend the meeting of the American Medical association to be held there next week. He is on the program for a paper on "Public Care of the Insane."

Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Houghton, who were severely injured in a runaway accident Tuesday night, were both reported to be greatly improved yesterday. Dr. Houghton was able to sit up for a short time and it is thought now that he will be able to leave the hospital in a few days.

Missouri Out of Banks.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., July 6.—(Special Telegram.)—Both the Missouri and the Big Sioux rivers are out of their banks in places and are higher than they have been since 1881. Residents along the banks of the Missouri have moved out of their homes. The Council Oak Boat club house at Riverside is flooded, and fears were entertained that damage might be done to the Sioux City and Riverside club houses. It is believed the height of the rise has been reached.

Second Wreck Victim.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., July 6.—(Special Telegram.)—Charles McCracken of Iowa City died today, the second death of the interurban wreck of July 4. His chest was crushed and head and leg hurt. Two others are expected to die. The coroner is investigating accident.

SOUTH DAKOTA SUPREME COURT

Box Car is Decided to Be Building Under the Law.

PIERRE, S. D., July 6.—(Special Telegram.)—In the supreme court today opinions were handed down in the following list of cases:

By Corson—State of South Dakota, defendant in error, against Edward Lintner, plaintiff in error. Lintner was convicted and sentenced on a charge of arson and came to the supreme court with a plea that he was not guilty of the crime charged, as he had burned a box car instead of a building. The court does not sustain his contention and affirmed the sentence. Charles E. Gibson, appellant, against Nathan L. Allen; Pennington; reversed. Edward Gariner against James Ross, appellant; Roberts county; reversed. E. L. Breckman and Arthur Spauiding, appellants, against James Mulhall et al.; McCook county; affirmed. George W. Glover against Manila Gold Mining and Milling Company; Lawrence county; affirmed. Mississippi Lumber and Coal Company, appellant, against Kelly; Brown county; reversed. J. C. Hardman against C. A. Kelly, appellant; Beadle county; reversed. Union National Bank of Omaha, appellant, against James Hailey and Richard Lake; Pennington county; reversed. William Gardner, trustee, against John C. Haines; Lawrence county; affirmed.

By Fuller—Amos N. McLenon against William A. Fenner and American Bonding and Trust Company, appellants; Fall River; affirmed. Abel Odell against Edward Petty, sheriff; Fall River county; reversed. Wellington Jackson, appellant, against John M. Bailey; Beadle county; affirmed; Irene Pringle, appellant, against Charles Canfield, sheriff; Pennington county; affirmed. Isiah Dickinson et al. against A. G. Holm, appellant; Hanson county; reversed.

By Haney—E. A. Braeman against Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railroad Company, appellant; Minnehaha county; affirmed. Frank R. Jackson and Harry Jackson, appellant, against Prior Hill Mining Company; Lawrence county; affirmed. Bon Homme County, appellant, against J. A. McLouth; Bon Homme county; affirmed. John B. Moran against W. R. Thomas et al.; Coddington county; affirmed.

H. H. Porter of Webster was admitted on a certificate from Minnesota, and Isaac T. Jones of Bonesteel on certificate from Colorado.

BOARD DEFENDS HOSPITAL

Food Furnished Inmates at Mount Pleasant Asylum Held to Be Adequate.

HAS ROCKEFELLER'S FATHER LOCATED

Des Moines Paper Thinks Much Talked of Man is a Resident of Shenandoah—Ready to Assess the Railroads.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, July 6.—(Special.)—In a fourteen-page letter the State Board of Control today answered the complaints of the Scott county commissioners of insanity that the food furnished the patients at the Mt. Pleasant hospital was of too meager variety. In brief, the letter states to the commissioners that the board believes they did not investigate sufficiently to gain a knowledge of what the food really was and mistook bean soup for a stew of beef and potatoes, and that the evidence they present of the insufficient variety of the food with the exception of one meal in one ward, "would not be received by any court to establish any fact, however trivial."

The letter of the Board of Control takes up carefully the complaint and affidavits of the commissioners, which state that the articles of food served "were of excellent quality and well cooked," and that with one exception they were "unanimous in finding the hospital all that could possibly be asked for." This one exception was that the variety was too meager. The board proceeds to show that the commissioners were present while the patients of one ward were finishing the noon meal and made no effort to thoroughly investigate; and further states that the meals are not all the same, as the commissioners seemed to think, varied each day. The Scott county commissioners claimed that eggs and milk should be served each day, and to this the Board of Control answers that all patients needing such articles are given them and that all the patients have such articles occasionally. In closing the board thanks the commissioners for making the complaints, but deplores the fact that the complaints were made public by the commissioners, thus causing "unnecessary anxiety to tens of thousands of people who have relatives and friends in the hospital."

Rockefeller's Father.

An evening paper here sent a reporter to Shenandoah today and claims to have located William A. Rockefeller, father of John D., in the person of John M. Phipps of that city. According to the story printed in the local paper this evening John M. Phipps of Shenandoah has been a mystery for twenty-five years. He keeps his own counsel and rarely talks unless spoken to. He resembles John D. Rockefeller in appearance and is worth about $25,000. All the copies of McClure's magazine containing the Tarbell article and picture of William A. Rockefeller have been sold that the dealers in Shenandoah had in stock and more sent for.

Increase Capital Stock.

Articles of incorporation were filed with the secretary of state today by the Interurban Railway company of this city increasing the capital from $550,000 to $1,050,000. The increase is to take care of the extension being built to Woodward and Boone.

Harrison County Loses.

Official figures given out today by the census department of the state house show that the population of Harrison county is 23,758, which is 1,738 less than five years ago, when the population was 25,537. Missouri Valley, the largest city in the county, also shows a loss, the population being now 3,378, and five years ago it was 4,010, or 632 more.

Fifty-Sixth in Camp.

The Fifty-sixth regiment went into camp at the permanent camp grounds south of the city today. The first company to arrive was Company F of Algona, which was ordered to guard duty for the day. Other companies arrived at all hours of the day. The regular camp program will begin tomorrow and continue for seven days, when the Fifty-sixth will be succeeded by the Fifty-fifth, which is located in the southwest quarter of the state.

Mayor May Stop Flower Fete.

The first annual flower fete planned by the women of the city may be a small affair tomorrow. It was the plan of the women to beautify the new city hall park by making numerous flower beds. Mayor George Mattern said today that if any flowers are planted in the park they will be planted in the iron urns, and that under no condition will he allow the newly laid sod to be torn up by the women.

Ready for Assessments.

The executive council Monday will begin the hearings on the assessments of the railroads. Only one road in the state shows a gain in the gross earnings, and that is the Great Western. All the others show a loss. The Burlington is the lowest assessed and the Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern is the highest assessed, according to figures given out by the executive council today. The percentage of assessment, according to the earnings, as given out by the executive council today is:

Company.	Main Line. 1903.	Main Line. 1904.	Entire Line. 1903.	Entire Line. 1904.
Burlington	57	65	87	97
Great Western	66	74	79	78
Milwaukee	79	88	91	98
Northwestern	62	67	91	98
Rock Island (main)	87	96	96	96
B., C. R. & N. (R. I.)	85	81	127	129
Total Rock Island	...	...	107	107
Illinois Central	98	99	105	103
Iowa Central	89	90	110	109

MORE SUITTS ARE PROMISED

Receiver for Black Hills Line May Add to the Pending Litigation.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., July 6.—(Special Telegram.)—On petition of William C. Coad of Rapid City, as attorney for Forest O. Murdock, Judge Carland of the United States court, in this city today, appointed George B. Horr of Chicago receiver for the Dakota, Wyoming & Missouri River Railroad company and the Missouri River & Northwestern Railroad company. The property involved connects Rapid City and Mystic in the Black Hills and consists of about thirty-one miles of railroad.

It was recently rumored that the Milwaukee Railroad company would purchase this road and utilize it in its extension from the Missouri river to the Pacific coast. Litigation over this little railroad already has gone through the state courts and two suits are now pending before the United States supreme court. It is thought Receiver Horr will find it necessary to institute several additional suits.

River Falling at Vermilion.

VERMILION, S. D., July 6.—(Special Telegram.)—The Missouri river is slowly falling here tonight. Vermilion river also is at a standstill. It is believed the worst is over. The big loss will be to farmers in the Vermilion valley, as their crops are destroyed.

Approves Refunding Bonds.

WASHINGTON, July 6.—President Roosevelt has approved the issue of $200,000 of bonds by the treasury of Hawaii to refund the gold bonds of the Republic of Hawaii, issued under an act of the legislature of June 13, 1896.

Dies as Result of Injuries.

STURGIS, S. D., July 6.—Special Telegram.)—Thomas Martin, the man who was struck on the head Tuesday morning by a freight engine near Piedmont and had his entire scalp torn off and an arm broken, died here this morning. He was unconscious when brought here but regained consciousness yesterday. His folks live at Holyoke, Mass., and were notified.

STATUE TO INDIAN WOMAN

Guide Who Conducted Lewis and Clark Reproduced in Stone at Portland.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 6.—Sacajawea, the Indian "bird-woman," who, bearing on her back her infant child, guided the explorers, Lewis and Clark, through "Old Oregon," received public recognition for her heroic services today at the Lewis and Clark exposition when the handsome bronze statue of the Indian woman and her pappoose was unveiled. The unveiling exercises were on an elaborate scale and were attended by an assemblage of several thousand people. They were conducted by the Sacajawea Statue association, which claims in its membership public-spirited women throughout Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Nebraska. The statue represents the patient work of the members in securing funds, their object being to bring one of the most heroic figures of western history out of an obscure niche in history into general recognition. The statue stands at a prominent place on Lakeview terrace, between statues of Captain Meriwether Lewis and William Clark.

It was draped in a huge American flag when unveiling ceremonies opened at 2 p. m. Invocation was pronounced by Rev. Anna H. Shaw and "America" was then sung by Charles Cutter, an Alaskan Indian, with a well-trained voice. The speaker of the day was Miss Susan B. Anthony, who addressed the assemblage on "Women in Discovery," recounting the patient, unfaltering deeds of Sacajawea in pointing out the tiresome, arduous trail to the explorers when hope of reaching their destination had been all but lost. Miss Anthony was followed by Mrs. Abigail Scott Runniway, who spoke eloquently on "The Pioneer Woman."

Orations were delivered by Dr. H. L. Henderson, grand sachem of Oregon for the Independent Order of Red Men, and by T. J. Bell of Tacoma, grand sachem of Washington. A Sacajawea poem was read by Mrs. G. H. Pettinger of Portland and the monument was then unveiled, Mrs. Eva Merry Dye, president of the Sacajawea association, presenting the statue to the city of Portland. Mayor Harry Lane accepted the statue in a brief speech on behalf of Portland.

The statue was designed by Miss Alice Cooper of Denver. It represents a hardy Indian woman with lines of strength, gracefulness and rugged beauty showing through a deerskin hunting costume. The pappoose is strapped to her back. It will remain on its present temporary pedestal during the exposition and then will be given a permanent place in Portland, probably on the grounds of the federal building.

BOB DRUSEDOW IS HELD UP

Hands Out Money While Gazing Down Long, Deep Corridors of Two Gatling Guns.

Robert C. Drusedow, residing at 1412 Sherman avenue, was held up and robbed of $21 while returning home at 11:30 Wednesday night. Mr. Drusedow was hastening to his bed and board when, while crossing a vacant lot at Sixteenth and Charles streets and mentally figuring his saving on the gas bill since his wife left town, he was accosted by two masked men, who emerged from a wagon on the lot.

"Hold up your hands," was the command that greeted Mr. Drusedow's ears, while two revolvers, with muzzles ten inches in diameter, instantly were placed in line with his face.

Mr. Drusedow lost no time in standing at attention. The strangers took a card case and $21 and then backed off into the darkness.

Mr. Drusedow says his business relations with the two holdup men were of the most expeditious sort. The strangers went at the work in hand without formalities and took their leave with a firm "good night."

Unlike many men who have experienced the novelty of being held up at the point of revolvers, Mr. Drusedow makes no claim to exhibiting any great amount of courage at the time.

"I was nearly scared to death," he frankly admitted Thursday, "and I haven't got over it yet. I guess their pistols were about thirty-twos or thirty-eights, but honestly, they looked as long as broom handles and as big around as cannons. When they got through with me they told me to 'git,' and you bet I got. I struck off at a 2:40 gait, and as I rounded the corner I met two other fellows going in the direction from which I was coming. At first I thought it was another pair of robbers—thought it was a 'coming and going' game—but I soon found out these men were all right.

"'Boys,' I said, 'for God's sake, don't go up there, I have just been held up.' And you ought to have seen those fellows put down the street. As badly scared as I was I had to laugh, it was so funny. They ran so fast that within a minute after I had warned them they were away out of sight and almost out of hearing distance.

"Just as luck would have it, I had put my watch in the jeweler's that day to have it repaired, so that was saved."

FOR AID OF PROPERTY OWNERS

Purpose of Ordinance Requiring Contractors to Get License and File Bonds.

Assistant City Engineer Craig says the proposed ordinance requiring artificial stone sidewalk contractors to take out licenses and file a bond with the city is for the protection of property owners.

"We have found a number of contractors doing business absolutely regardless of the specifications of the city and without fair dealing whatever toward the people that employ them," says the assistant engineer. "Some of these contractors take cement walk jobs at 10 cents a square foot when we know absolutely they can't make a cent on prices so low. The result is poor work, which deteriorates and goes to pieces quickly, leaving the property owner in the lurch. It would bankrupt the city to have an inspector on each of the many jobs of work all the time.

"The proposed ordinance requires a license costing $50 a year and the filing of a $2,000 bond to guarantee work fully in accordance with city specifications and the maintenance of the walk for five years. Doubtless this will result in higher prices among the contractors who have been doing poor work, but the property owner will be the gainer in the end, for he will be assured of a good walk for five years, and if a cement sidewalk lasts that long in good condition it is all right.

"The move, of course, is designed to help out the engineering department a good deal and reduce the cost of inspection. It is a new departure, not only in this city, but in the country, but we believe it to be a good one and one that is economical and proper."

Warrants Called In.

City Treasurer Hennings has issued a call for all outstanding warrants against the fire and police fund, about $15,000 in all, announcing that these will draw no interest after July 10. About July 12 all outstanding warrants against the school fund will be called in and redeemed.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Viaduct Over Q Street Will Not Be Closed Except for Repairs.

CITIZENS SEEK INFORMATION ON SUBJECT

Railroad Companies Have Kept Up Repairs, but Would Now Have Street Car Company Share Expense.

Since the report became current that there was a possibility of condemning the Q street viaduct residents in the southwestern portion of the city have been seeking information, but it was very little they secured. At the last meeting of the council City Engineer Beal was instructed to secure the services of a competent bridge engineer for the purpose of going with him and inspecting the bridge to ascertain if it was strong enough to carry the weight.

Talking about this matter Thursday afternoon, Mr. Beal said that he had not engaged an engineer and did not know that it was necessary. "About ten years ago a thorough inspection of this viaduct was made by outside engineers and the bridge was declared safe. I do not see the necessity for another inspection at this time, as all the viaduct needs is new planking. The piers and girders are strong, and in my opinion there is no necessity for closing the bridge to traffic," said Mr. Beal. Continuing, Mr. Beal said that he would refer the inspection matter to the report now on file concerning the safety of the structure. The statement is further made that Q street is a county road and therefore must be kept open to traffic.

For a number of years past the railroad companies have kept this viaduct in repair, although the viaduct is used by the street car company. So anxious were the people to have the car line extended out Q street that when the franchise ordinance was granted to the street car company it was stipulaed that the company was not to be compelled to pay for any repairs to the viaduct. Now the railroad companies assert that the wearing out of the bridge is due to a great extent to the street cars running over it and rumor has it that there is a desire on the part of the railroads to have steps taken to compel the street car company to pay a portion of the cost of repairs each year. At any rate the bridge will not be closed except for the purpose of making repairs.

Koutsky and Adkins Still Figuring.

Mayor Koutsky and President Adkins of the council are still figuring on the books to get some idea of the expenses of last year. When this point is reached it will not be a hard matter to determine the running expenses of the coming fiscal year. Three important items will be eliminated from this year's expenses. The cost of the packing house strike, the purchase of a fire hall site and the $1,500 paid to City Engineer Andrew Rosewater of Omaha for sewer plans. To offset these expenses there is a portion of the scavenger fund held back to help out on the levy. Then there is the 10 per cent reserve. But with all of the items that can be counted it is certain that not less than $170,000 will be needed to pay the running expenses of the city for the coming fiscal year.

Want Paving Case Up.

For several months the Missouri avenue paving case has been held up in the courts. Among city officials there is a feeling that before long this case will be called for a hearing. In case the city should win the statement is made that it will be along toward the middle of August before work could commence. The property owners are complaining about the condition of the roadway and want the council to hurry up the paving, if such a thing is possible.

Rock Island Pays Back Taxes.

Thursday afternoon City Treasurer Howe received checks from the Rock Island road paying personal taxes for the years 1892, 1893 and 1894. The check calls for $1,119. This includes nearly $200 in interest on the deferred payments. At the time these personal taxes were levied there was some talk of a protest and the city treasurer let the matter run along, knowing that sooner or later the road would be compelled to settle. Receipts were mailed at once to the Rock Island officials and the checks were banked before the closing of business hours. This payment settles a long drawn out correspondence, which has resulted in the payment of the taxes along with interest.

Gladhill Purchases Property.

Thomas Gladhill has purchased from Zack Cuddington the northeast corner of Twenty-fourth and O streets. This purchase was mentioned in The Bee a couple of days ago. Now an Omaha newspaper comes out and makes the statement that Mr. Gladhill is a director and a stockholder in the Packers' National bank and secured the property for a bank building. Regarding this statement, Frank J. Morlarty, cashier of the Packers' National bank, said last evening: "Mr. Gladhill is neither a director nor a stockholder in the Packers' National bank. He has been looking for an investment in South Omaha property for a year or more and has finally secured some property. The Packers' National bank will remain in its present location for some time to come."

Mrs. Hurley's Fine Paid.

A son of Mrs. Hurley called upon Judge King Thursday and paid the fine assessed against his mother and secured her release from the county jail during the afternoon. Mrs. Hurley had been fined $27 on three charges of disturbing the peace, and as she refused to pay her fine she was sent up to the county jail for twelve days. It is reported that Mrs. Hurley had the money to pay, but was just trying to bluff the judge. After she had spent one night in the county jail she sent word to her family to secure the money and get her out. The police sincerely hope that her short stay in the county jail will tame her so that she will not be so troublesome in the future.

Still Building Fence.

The Union Pacific Railroad company is still building a fence along the right-of-way. Thursday posts were set from O street to the present depot, and it will only be a few days now until the east side of the right-of-way through South Omaha is entirely fenced in. Gates are being constructed so as to permit free use of the city tracks, which are now located east of the fence, but on railroad property. It appears that no decision has been reached yet about the location of the proposed new depot, but the expectation is that this matter will soon be decided.

Magic City Gossip.

The Eastern Star will meet on Saturday night at Masonic hall.

T. C. Kerr, 216 North Nineteenth street, reports the birth of a son.

M. W. McNeal, Thirty-sixth and county line, reports the birth of a daughter.

Charles Allen is home again after a visit with his daughter at St. Joseph, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Cressey have not gone to Portland and do not expect to leave until about August 1.

Mrs. J. B. Ashe left Thursday afternoon for Portland, where she will visit relatives for a month or more.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Howe have returned from Lake Okoboji, Ia., where they visited friends for ten days.

Dr. W. S. White was reported to be very low yesterday. There appears to be little hopes of his recovery.

The city hall sewer is again out of order, and, of course, the odor around the building is not agreeable to the city officials.

Frank Smith was sentenced to thirty days in the county jail yesterday by Judge King for stealing two hams from a car in the yards.

The sanitary inspector is to be called upon to make an inspection of some of the alleys in the business portion of the city and order a removal of rubbish.

B. E. Wilcox has sold his home at the corner of Twenty-fourth and J streets to Chris Christianson. The dwelling is being moved to property on Twenty-third street between J and K streets.

MACLEOD THREATENS TO SUE

Defeated Aspirant for Finlayson's Job Refuses to Abide by Action of Board.

Samuel MacLeod proposes to see whether Superintendent of Buildings Finlayson of the school district is to be allowed to enjoy his $300 a year increase in the face of MacLeod's offer to take the job for $1,800 a year and charge nothing for "horse hire."

Mr. MacLeod was turned down by the Board of Education and Mr. Finlayson's wages boosted from $1,800 to $2,100 per annum. Mr. MacLeod has confided to friends that he intends to hire a lawyer and get a court injunction restraining the payment of Mr. Finlayson's first month's salary under the new rate. He says his grounds will be based on the theory that the school board is wasting money, as it could have the work performed for less money.

Mr. MacLeod served out an unexpired term as superintendent of buildings once, but was not retained, and at the first opportunity another man was elected to the place. Since then Mr. MacLeod has pined for the position, and now he proposes to pine in a legal way. School district officers say he has about as much chance to win out in court as Thomas W. Lawson would have in securing the price of a meal from Henry H. Rogers.

BANDA ROSSA HERE IN FALL

Sorrentino Will Give Perosa's "Resurrection of the Christ" at the Omaha Auditorium.

Sorrentino and his Banda Rossa will be in Omaha either during Ak-Sar-Ben week or the week beginning September 30. The Auditorium management have not settled on the date, but the preference seems to be for the Ak-Sar-Ben week.

The feature of the performances this year will be a concert illustrating Perosa's "Resurrection of the Christ," the music of which was recently played in the Vatican by the order of the pope. The new presentation is the conception of Sorrentino, and it will be given for the first time early in September at Minneapolis. The scenes are being painted in New York. The concert begins with house and stage darkened and dawn creeps gradually over Mary at the Saviour's tomb. The angel rolling away the stone, Christ on the way to Emmaus, the Last Supper and the ascension scene all will be pictured. The performance lasts an hour.

THROW ALL COST ON OWNERS

That Is What Dyball Advocates as to Expense of Grading Alleys.

The council probably will establish a new rule regarding the cost of grading alleys at an early meeting. Says Councilman Dyball:

"It has been customary where property owners demand the grading of an alley to order it done by resolution, charging one-half of the cost to abutting property owners and the other half to the general fund of the city. Many resolutions of this kind have gone through this summer and councilmen are just waking up to the fact that there is no justice in paying for part of the improvement out of the general fund. The abutting property owners are only persons possibly benefited. The old resolution will be rescinded and hereafter those who want alleys graded so that they can be used will have to stand all the cost. It is optional with the council whether they do this or not, and I, for one, will insist upon it every time in the future. Our general fund is small enough as it is."

BABY'S SHOE ON BELL CORD

Little Tot Loses Footgear and Mother Gets Off Without Observing It.

Something very unusual took place on a Farnam street car the other day. So far as known none of the company's rules was broken and it is not likely they provide for this contingency. It caused more smiles and chuckles, however, than anything has on that car or its associate cars for a long time and the good feeling among the passengers lasted all day. Some noticed the thing when they got on and some when they left, but all saw it and laughed in an amused and half-tender sort of way.

The cause of the humor was a small object on the rear platform. It hung on the bit of rope hanging from the bell cord which the conductor pulls to stop and start the car. It was a tiny baby's shoe that some youngster had kicked off in the car and whose mother never noted the loss.

FREMONT LAUGHS AT OMAHA

Mayor Wolz Pokes Fun at Metropolis Over the Hill Cut Off Matter.

Mayor George F. Wolz of Fremont is having a big laugh at the expense of Omaha, while at the same time he is uttering yells of joy at the thought that the Great Northern will build through his city. Mr. Wolz has written a member of the Omaha Commercial club, enclosing a newspaper cartoon which represents Small Boy Fremont receiving a big box of candy at the hands of Uncle Jim Hill, while Big Brother Omaha stands digging his fists into his sorrowing eyes. In the appended note the Fremont mayor says:

"I feel sorry for you, poor boy, but We are the People this time. Don't cry too hard, for you might get some of the candy later on in a roundabout way. All good things come to him who waits with patience. In the meantime, we will take care of the Great Northern. With good cheer.

NO COUNTERFEITING AT ALL

Not a Case Reported to Federal Officials at This Fourth of July Season.

There is almost invariably a greater or less amount of counterfeit money put in circulation about the Fourth of July, particularly at the parks and resorts, but thus far this year not a case of passing or receiving a counterfeit coin has been reported. Captain John Webb of the secret service department of the government said:

"We generally look for the appearance of counterfeit money, generally of the smaller coin denominations, about this time, and the proprietors of the resorts were asked to keep a close watch on the counterfeits. I have made diligent inquiry since the Fourth, but have yet to hear of a single case of bad money being put in circulation in this vicinity."

BODY FLOATS DOWN RIVER

Corpse Is Seen in the Missouri and Steps Taken to Recover It.

A floating body was noticed in the Missouri river Thursday morning by an engine crew while crossing the Union Pacific bridge. The office of the chief of police was immediately notified and the information forwarded to Plattsmouth, where it is believed the body will be recovered. As yet the identity or sex of the body is unknown.

LIFE IN A MINING CAMP

Pen Picture of the Strenuous Life as Seen in a Brand New Western Town.

In Harper's Magazine Philip Verrill Mighels gives a vivid picture of a western mining camp as he saw it on the night of his arrival. "It was twilight when we came in sight of the brand-new mining camp, built in a natural amphitheater, formed by the square-cut table mountains. It was a thickly studded constellation of tents, with straggling domiciles and dugouts scattered about over a space of ten square miles. In their whiteness and squareness the tents resembled countless dice at rest where the toss of fate and chance had left them to grasp at a foothold.

"The darkness closed in as we drove into town. Our teamster swung his animals at once into a large corral, where hundreds of mules, a dozen cows, scores of men, great dusty wagons and piles and heaps of baggage, lumber, cases, rolls of bedding, gaunt iron boilers and domestic necessities were mixed in hopeless confusion.

"I paid him my fare and told him I would willingly pay him more could he manage to provide me with a 6x1 accommodation in his blankets for the night. He knew men were walking the streets for lack of beds in the town, and, being a large-hearted teamster, he agreed to take me in, provided there was space sufficient under cover.

"'I sleep 'most anywheres in this corral,' he said. 'There's a tent over here that we may get in if there ain't too many beds there now.'

"In the semi-darkness we stumbled over to the tent, which he entered. A second later he let out a horrible whoop. He had bumped into something alive. It was merely a cow. She had gone inside in search either for news from home or hay in the mattresses. She came out hurriedly, bowling the writer aside in her haste. Then a match was lighted, its wavering light revealing nine rough beds in the tent, all on the ground, in a space so limited that many were, perforce, rolled up in order to squeeze into the space. But I could come here and bunk in with the teamster if nothing more inviting could be found. He seemed to believe there was room.

"A final storm of the day now broke before I could make my way from the strewn corral. In Nevada the rarest disturbance known is a storm of thunder and rain. But tonight above the brow of the somber mountains raged a mighty war of elements, terrific and ominous. Out of clouds as black as felt stabbed three-pronged lightning strokes, vicious and awful. A sudden wind hurled dust and rain and hail together in a tempest on the town. The street was ablaze with lights from a score of saloons and gambling halls. Music arose from these thronged abodes of carelessness. It swept in interrupted gushes on the storm, laughing out its frivolity against the stern, deep roar of thunder from the hill. To me it was threat and portent, fearful and majestic, that the gods were sounding."

MAYOR WANTS STREETS FIXED

Declares They Are Disgraceful and Lays Blame on Bullying of Paving Contractors.

"I hope the asphalt plant will get to doing business quick," says Mayor Moores. "I drive every evening and my observation permits me to make the statement with a perfectly clear conscience that the streets of this city would be considered a disgrace by any 10,000 population town in the land. Some of the pavements are simply awful. We have been balked and bullied by paving contractors long enough, and I am heartily glad that the matter of repairing is now in the hands of the city, and, what is better, in the hands of the engineering department. If the pavements are not kept in good shape from now on we know where to look to place the blame."

MERCHANTS LAST OF AUGUST

Retailers of Nebraska Will Hold Convention Before Pure Food Show Closes.

August 23 and 24 are the dates of the fifth annual convention of the Nebraska Retail Merchants' association, which will be held in Oma