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AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA. Much Interest Being Displayed in the Sewer Bond Proposition. SENTIMENT IS NOT YET CRYSTALIZED. All Admit Need of Sewers, but Some Inclined to Balk on Adding Anything to Already Large City Debt.

Property owners in particular and voters generally appear to be taking quite an interest in the sewer bond proposition. For the last two or three days dozens of property owners have called at the office of the city clerk for the purpose of looking at the sewer map. This is done by many to ascertain just how close the proposed sewers come to their property. There seems to be a feeling that the enlargement of the sewer system is a necessity. Positive opinions on the proposition are not being expressed to any great extent. The question is to be given a thorough canvass, as it is the intention to have the matter discussed at public meetings during the campaign. Just at the present time there seems to be more interest in the sewer bond than in many of the candidates for voters on November. Those advocating the sewers call attention to the cases in the federal court to compel the abatement of the Mud creek nuisance. It was with the understanding that the voters of South Omaha would soon consider a sewer question that Guy C. Barton and others agreed to let the present suits rest for the time being. From those who did not take kindly to the amount to be voted for sewers comes the statement that the bonded debt of the city is now high enough and that interest on \$50,000 sewer bonds will amount to nearly \$12,000 each year. The question of handling the count for sewer bonds on the voting machines is still unsettled. It has been suggested that in case there is any trouble the tally can be taken off the machines when the voting closes at 6 p. m. and then lock the machines and permit the voting of sewer bonds to continue until 7 o'clock. Some method will be devised for the voting on the sewer bond proposition to continue until 7 p. m. on the day of election, but no definite plan has been decided upon yet.

Vagrants Face Judge King. The South Omaha police are arresting all suspicious characters and vagrants and are keeping them in a nice cool place during the Omaha carnival. Of the dozen or more before Judge King Friday nearly all drew either a jail sentence or a half dozen days on the rocks. The heads of the police department here declare there is little thieving going on at the present time and they only hope that the police judge will keep up the good work of sentencing vagrants and suspicious characters to the rocks. Some of the idle class ordered to leave Omaha are drifting down this way, but the cars are watched closely and often arrests are made as soon as a landing is made here.

Celestial Pay Taxes. John Long Chang, a Chinaman, formerly of Chicago, but now a resident of Omaha, called at the city treasurer's office Friday afternoon and paid back taxes amounting to \$113. Chang owns lot 7, in block 92, which he purchased some years ago for \$4,000. The valuation on this lot is now \$2,400. Chang has recently returned from China, where he spent two years. He speaks English and was dressed in fashionable clothes.

Dr. McCrann Has Runaway. Friday afternoon Dr. W. J. McCrann was driving along Q street near Forty-first street, when his horse became frightened at an automobile and started to run away. The driver, a small-sized man, before the horse was stopped, Dr. McCrann was not injured. The buggy was partially demolished and portions of the harness broken. This is about the nineteenth runaway accident that Dr. McCrann has been mixed up in, but his next luck stayed with him and he was not injured.

Magie City Gossip. Dana Morrill has gone out into the state for a few days hunting. Mrs. H. G. Kiddoo is spending a few days at Excelsior Springs, Mo. The Cudahy company is preparing to install a new 250-ton ice machine. George McMichael has gone to Deadwood, S. D., to look after some business matters. J. L. Cohn has secured a permit for a dwelling at Twenty-seventh and I streets. Mrs. W. E. Carr of Danville, Va., was the guest this week of Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Wheeler. Dr. M. Sisson has arrived from Norfolk and will preach at the First Methodist Episcopal church on Sunday. There is a bad hole in the pavement on N street near Twenty-sixth. A leaky water pipe is the cause of the trouble. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sullivan have removed from Twenty-first and streets to 302 South Eighteenth street, Omaha. South Omaha people are pleased to learn that the Union Pacific will commence work the construction of a passenger station.

Edward Caplin has been arrested by the local police and will be returned to the reform school. He was out on parole, but has been getting into bad company lately.

MUNGER ALLOWS THE APPEAL. Federal Court Grants Order for Heirship Funds Case to Go Up Higher. Judge Munger signed the order Thursday afternoon allowing the appeal in the case of the Indian lands, against the county of Thurston, Neb., in the Indian heirship funds tax matter. Judge Munger recently decided that the funds realized from the sale of Indian lands were subject to taxation as considered by the official of Thurston county. The case was argued at length before him several weeks ago. District Attorney Baxter appearing for the government and County Attorney Whitcomb of Thurston county, contending for the right to tax this certain fund of approximately \$9,000 on deposit in the Security National bank of Sioux City.

The appeal is made on behalf of the United States by District Attorney Baxter, who maintained that the funds in question occupy the same trust relation as the lands themselves so long as the fund is held in trust by the government for the Indians. The case will now go to the United States court of appeals for the Eighth judicial circuit.

TEAM HAS NARROW ESCAPE. Two Horses Come Near Being Killed at the Brandeis Excavation on Douglas Street. An accident which might have killed a man occurred Friday morning at the excavation of the Brandeis store. A heavy load of dirt was being hauled from the hole up the incline to Douglas street. It was pulled by two teams, the front one of which was hitched to the wagon tongue by means of a trace chain. When the wagon was about half way up the incline the chain broke, and one team not being able to hold its head, it fell backward, dragging the horses with it. The wagon ran off the incline and dropped about fifteen feet, landing upside down. The horses, hanging by their heads to the tongue, which stood in an upright position, sat on their haunches on the top-

turned bottom of the wagon. Workmen ran in to cut the harness and they were quickly freed.

A YEAR'S JUNGLE KILLINGS. Appalling Record of Human Victims of Wild Beasts in British India. Year by year records are published of the destruction of human and cattle life by the wild beasts and snakes of British India. Last year 34,578 human beings and 92,238 cattle were killed, and of the people 2,827 deaths were attributed to snakes, while of the cattle 80,000 were killed by wild beasts, panthers being charged with 30,000 of this total; snakes accounted for 16,000. And this is but a trifling percentage of the actual annual mortality, as it excludes the feudatory states, with their 700,000 square miles and 60,000,000 inhabitants, where no records are obtainable.

Last year 1,283 tigers, 4,370 panthers and leopard, 2,000 bears and 2,086 wolves were killed; of snakes—the real scourge of India—no record is possible, and unfortunately comparatively few are destroyed.

The descent upon promising crops by deer and pigs and monkeys would be even more serious to India and more expensive to the natives were it not for the tiger, panther and leopard. This formidable trio of the cat family practically polices agricultural India where it pushes into the jungle and makes it possible for the poor native to exist through cultivation of his fields.

Undoubtedly the depredations of the tiger are overestimated, because it is so feared that wherever it prowls invariable panic spreads widely to its discredit. Panthers are bolder in attack, more active and more generally vicious than tigers; yet they inspire nothing like such awe among the natives. Indeed, I have seen natives rally to the defense of a dog, of which leopards are particularly fond, when had the intruder been a tiger they would have been paralyzed into inaction by very fear—Casper Whitney in Outing.

NEW CLOAK SHOP TO OPEN. S. Frederick Berger & Co. Have Farnam Street Quarters About Ready for Their Friends.

S. Frederick Berger & Co. have taken possession of the quarters at 1317 Farnam street, formerly occupied by the Nebraska Shirt company, and will open a new cloak shop in a few days. Mr. Berger, the senior member of the firm, has been interested in some of the large eastern factories for fifteen years and is therefore experienced in his line of business. He comes to Omaha feeling that the women of the city will appreciate tailor made garments in styles that are as up-to-date as anything that can be seen in New York, Paris or Berlin. The firm has representatives in New York City, who will see that the styles are transferred to Omaha immediately upon their appearance in New York. "It is the ambition of the firm," said Mr. Berger, "to create a demand for natty garments and to give the women of Omaha an opportunity of dressing in a manner equally as stylish as their eastern sisters. Omaha needs a specialty suit store on the order of this one." The company will deal in cloaks, furs, skirts and waists.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. Casper E. Yost, C. W. Lyman, E. M. Morsman and Vance Lane left Friday for Lake Okoboji for a short fishing trip.

Mrs. H. H. Hall of Iowa, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. White, returned to her home Thursday evening.

"Nick" Bouse, one of the oldest and most popular members of the St. Paul police force, is visiting his brother, Peter J. Bouse. Mr. Bouse will go from here to Cleveland on his regular trip.

Great preparations are being made for the laying of the corner stone to the addition of the Masonic home, which will take place some time between October 1 and 15 at Plattsmouth. Grand Master Hopewell will officiate.

Carroll D. Evans, grand commander of the grand commandery, stepped over in the city on his way home to St. Paul, incidentally took in the circuit fair, bought and distributed his share of confetti and went home feeling that he had had a jolly good time.

Ernest Werhner of New York arrived in the city Friday morning on a brief visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Werhner, South Thirty-second street. Mr. Werhner will be united in marriage Monday evening to Miss Jessie Myers, the ceremony taking place at the residence of the bride's parents on South Thirty-second street.

State arrivals last night were: Dr. Ford D. Finch, Walnut; T. E. Halsey and wife, Alliance; at the Her Grand, C. Wheeler and Wynore; E. O. Cole and wife, Monroe; W. W. Wheeler, North Platte; E. E. Leach, Lincoln; at the Murray, R. C. Horn and wife, Grand Island; L. J. Churchill, Hastings; at the Paxton, William Hughes and S. L. Boyd, Lincoln; G. N. Talbot, Holdrege; Thomas Adams, Beatrice; M. L. Dolan, Grand Island; at the Millard, J. A. Brandy, Grand Island; at the Millard, John H. Neils, Valentine; at the Arcade, A. C. Hayden, Wilsonville; J. A. Henry and Guy Drury, Surprise; J. L. Swisher and A. C. Baldwin, Lincoln; William A. Springer, Mitchell, at the Merchants.

Railway Notes and Personal. General Manager Bidwell of the Northwestern has gone to Chicago. M. G. Carter, trainmaster for the Washburn at Moberly, Mo., is in the city. F. W. Hopper, traveling passenger agent of the Grand Trunk, with headquarters at Kansas City, is in the city.

The Burlington announces that November 20 it will offer round-trip home visitors' rates to various districts in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, New York, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Ontario and West Virginia. These rates are to enable the pleasure travelers from the east who helped to build up this great western country to visit their old homes in the east, which they may not have seen for years.

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FIGHT ON ELECTRIC WIRES.

Street Railway and Electric Light Company Likely to Lock Horns. FORMER WANTS MORE TIME TO BURY WIRES. City Electrician Michelsen Also Opposes the Extension Because it Will Retard Reduction of Insurance Rates.

A sharp fight in the council is indicated over the ordinance introduced Tuesday night by Councilman Evans which seeks to extend the time when electric light, heat and power wires in the downtown districts are to be placed underground to October 1, 1906.

Councilman Evans said the measure was put in at the request of the street railway company, which has wires supplying electric current for light and power and cannot conveniently put its wires in conduits until next year. As the proposition came without warning it was simply referred to a committee, without debate.

The electric light people regard the move as one designated principally to give the street railway company additional grounds for assuming that its right to sell electric current for light and power purposes is good because undisturbed by the city and sanctioned on the "vested rights" theory. The street railway company has no franchise authorizing carrying on such a business, but for several years it has supplied current to Hayden Bros., the Kipp & Carlett Printing company, the Byrne-Lammer company and other large firms. The wires are run overhead and are affected by the general ordinances requiring the burying of all electric light wires.

For a long time the electric light interests have been promising a war on the street railway company, but the fight has not been brought to a crisis. The Evans ordinance is expected to bring this up, because it is regarded in the nature of an assent by the city to the street railway company's rights in the premises. The subject is an old and very tender spot between the two companies and intimations are given that the fight in the council will be a finish.

Michelsen Opposes Ordinance. City Electrician Michelsen says that he will oppose the ordinance. "Other and more important matters are involved than the squabble between the street railway and the electric light company. The insurance companies promised this city a material reduction in its rates if all electric wires in the downtown district were buried, poles removed, etc. This will be an accomplished fact within sixty days if the street railway light and power lines go below the surface. Then our insurance reduction will be due. The ordinance would give any company the right to overhead wires for at least another year. It is likely the insurance rate will be postponed as long. For two years I have been trying to get the street railway company to put its wires underground. The last conversation I had with General Manager Smith I was assured that the wires would be buried this fall. I cannot under-

stand why this company should be given a year's more time, as it has had ample notice and every opportunity to comply with the law."

BARGAIN DAY FOR CUPID. Saturday Economical Man Can Get His Marriage Expenses Cut Down Two Cents.

Attaches of the office of the county judge are watching for the appearance Saturday of a man who wants a bargain counter marriage ceremony. The man, who is thought to be an Ak-Sar-Ben visitor, called upon the county judge's office Friday morning and Martin Sugarman answered the 'phone.

"Is this where they sell marriage licenses?" asked the man. "Yes, sir." "What are they worth?" "Two dollars." "How much do you charge for marrying a couple?" "Three dollars. That will make \$5 cover all the expense."

"Three dollars? That's too much. I'm asking for a friend of mine and he doesn't want to spend \$5 for getting married. Can't you cut a little on the ceremony price?" "Well, we can't cut prices on Friday," sweetly replied Sugarman, "but tomorrow, you know, is bargain day. You can get the whole business done for \$4.98."

"Thank you, sir, thank you; we will be around in the morning." And the man rang off. He talked so seriously he is expected to call in the morning.

OMAHA KNOWN OVER SEAS. Gate City Attracts Attention of Englishman Who Has Money to Invest.

A letter has just been received at the office of the Commercial club from Wolverhampton, England, as follows: "President of the Board of Trade, Omaha—Dear Sir: Can you give me particulars of your town? I understand it is a pushing, progressive place. What have you in the line of manufactures for a man, engineer-trained, with a little capital? Respectfully, W. DALE JONES. Commissioner McVann will send Mr. Jones some literature on Omaha and will refer him to the investments of Sir Horace Plunkett here. He will also advise him to communicate with Matthew A. Hall, British consul at Omaha."

Y. M. C. A. PLEDGES ARE DUE. Promises to Pay on Building Fund Are Wanted on First of the Month.

Notice is being sent out from Young Men's Christian association headquarters that the 130 subscribers to the building fund that payment of one-fourth the amount they pledged will be due October 1. About 150 subscribers have paid in full, either at the time of making the subscription or since after. Almost \$16,000 has been paid in since the close of the campaign. One-fourth of the amount pledged is due October 1 and one-fourth every six months thereafter until paid.

OUR LETTER BOX.

In Defense of School Teachers. OMAHA, Sept. 28.—To the Editor of The Bee: Please let me thank Mr. James Richardson for his letter in The Bee defending our public school teachers. I do not know the particulars of the case in question and cannot express any views thereon, but I was very much pained and surprised when I saw such estimable men as my honored old friends, Dr. Miller and Mr. Samuel Burns rush into print censuring our Omaha public school teachers for punishing a child without first thoroughly inquiring into the facts which prompted the punishment. In the more than a quarter century I have been in Omaha I have had six of my own children in our public schools and I never once found the teacher do an injustice or a wrong to any child. As for my part I think we should be proud of our public schools, the great bulwark of our country, and that it is every citizen's, and particularly the parents', solemn duty to stand by the teachers. If we all do that there will be no trouble with "corporal punishment," simply because no child would need it. E. A. FOGELSTROM.

IN NEW AND OLD BUILDINGS. Kountze Memorial Begins in Permanent Home and All Saints in Temporary Sunday.

The first services in the new Kountze Memorial Lutheran church, Twenty-sixth and Farnam streets, will be held Sunday morning. The church is not completed and will not be for two or three months, but services will be held regularly there from now on. Chairs have been placed in the Sunday school room and this will be used until the church room proper is completed. All Saints' Episcopal church has rented the old Congregational church on St. Mary's avenue near Twenty-seventh street for a year and services will be held there Sunday. A vestry meeting will be held Saturday to determine whether a new church will be erected or the old one repaired.

YOUNGER MAN HURT IN FIGHT. C. H. Wilson is Laid Out by Adversary More Than Double His Own Age.

C. H. Wilson, 2015 Miami street, an electrician employed by the Western Electrical company, and a carpenter whose name has not been learned at police headquarters, had an altercation at the residence of C. F. Weller, 2002 Wirt street, this afternoon, in which Wilson was seriously injured. The police are looking for the carpenter, Wilson is about 25 years of age and single, while the carpenter is about 50. The former is said to have gone at the carpenter with a piece of lead pipe, when the elder man dealt him a blow in the back which felled him. At this juncture of proceedings the carpenter absented himself from the scene of hostilities. Wilson had to be carried home.

OMAHA SAME AS KAWVILLE. An Equal Footing for Both Rates on Sugar and Coffee as Kansas City.

Omaha has been put on an equal footing with Kansas City for railroad rates on coffee as well as sugar, or rather will be after October 7. The rate on coffee per hundred in carload lots has been 35 cents from New Orleans to Kansas City and 35 cents to Omaha. After October 7 the rates will be 35 cents to all Missouri river points, including Sioux City.

"The Killers" are coming. Mills Not Going to Denver. Park Commissioner George T. Mills would like to have it specifically, sympathetically and analytically denied that he has decided to change his residence to Denver, ever thought of doing so or desires to leave Omaha. In return for the papers in effect that Mr. Mills was about to do this thing has caused him lots of worry and trouble. He thinks it came about because his wife and daughter have gone to Denver to spend the winter there, personally all his interests are in the Gate city and he intends to stay.

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