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AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Twenty-Fourth Street Paving Injunction Served on City Officers.

CITY LIKELY TO HAVE BURDEN TO BEAR

Financial Statement of the City Treasurer Will Call for Some Discussion at Next Meeting of the City Council.

The usual fate of South Omaha in the matter of contracts has again overtaken it. Injunctions papers were served on the city treasurer yesterday morning to prevent any attempt on the part of the treasurer to collect the special taxes levied on the property owners for the paving of North Twenty-fourth street. In almost every case in the history of the city the special taxes have been invalidated and the burden thrown on the city at large. At the time of the first paving of North Twenty-fourth street the special taxes were invalidated by the same attorney who now has charge of the present case. The ground of the injunction will be on account of errors in the petitions for paving and other defects usually found in such cases. A. H. Murdock has the case in hand. Much caustic comment is heard on the streets as to the loyalty of the property owners along that street. Yet it is boastfully claimed by the antis that not one in ten nor one in a hundred on Twenty-fourth street are in favor of annexation and a firm and stable administration, one which would be able to make contracts which will stand the test of legal scrutiny. Mr. Murdock, the attorney prosecuting the case, is one of the eighteen anti-annexationists who presented that cause before the legislature last Monday night.

Banks Hold Much City Cash.

The city council in its meetings of the week passed over several interesting matters to consider the contracts for the cell work on the city jail. Among the matters which will find hearing at the next meeting of the council is the report of the city treasurer for the month of January. During that month there was received $100,586. The disbursements amounted to $36,865.67. The cash balance on hand is $560,499.21. To this must be added $42,000, approximately, as the proceeds of the sale of the park bonds, which will bring up the balance before the close of February to more than $600,000. All of this money is now on deposit at the three banks of the city. Of the cash on hand $250,000, the proceeds of the sale of the sewer bonds, is on a time deposit drawing 3 per cent interest. The rest draws interest at 2 per cent on the daily balances. A partial report shows that the general fund has been increased by $5,495.35, the street repair fund was boosted by $1,351.96 accruing from the road fund. After the injunction papers were served on the treasurer regarding the paving of North Twenty-fourth street he stated that of the special assessment delinquent at present and amounting to above $6,000 for the year, $4,000 had been paid in by the property owners, leaving only $2,000 unpaid and delinquent. It is likely that a refund will be demanded by the property owners in the event that the assessment is pronounced illegal.

Magic City Gossip.

George Frederickson, who was beaten over the head in a brawl in a barber shop several days ago, is now recovering from his wounds.

George Parks has returned from a business trip to Chicago.

John Kennedy is now recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Jetter's Gold Top Beer delivered to all parts of the city. Telephone No. 5.

Mrs. Herman Thielke, who underwent an operation last week, is reported much improved.

John Wilson was given thirty days yesterday morning for stealing a coat from Joe Moses.

The Home Circle Dancing club will give a ball at the Danish Brotherhood hall, Saturday evening.

The women of the Baptist church have planned a rummage sale at 237 N street, Friday, February 15.

E. A. Stevenson, Fifteenth and H streets, reports to the police the loss of $65. It was in a small pocketbook.

Charles Hoover, who has been confined in the South Omaha hospital on account of a surgical operation, was able to return to his home yesterday.

The funeral of Mrs. Guy W. Gillinbeck was conducted yesterday afternoon from the residence, to Laurel Hill cemetery. Dr. R. H. Wheeler conducted the services.

Anton Stanek, Nineteenth and W streets, reports the birth of a daughter. John Meidlick, Thirty-third and L streets, is rejoicing in the safe arrival of an infant son.

The expenditures for the city hall since the contract for the cells was made yesterday with A. C. Woodward, the representative of the Champion Iron works of Canton, O., are now estimated at $69,766.75. Leaving less than $3,000 to the credit of the city hall fund.

John Beham, Joe Eich, Mike Gleason, Martin Egan and Charles Curtin were put on a ration of bread and water yesterday because they balked at working on the streets in serving out their fines. They would rather be hungry than swing a hammer on the city rock pile.

A popular entertainment, known to the boys as "a pop" will be given at the Young Men's Christian associations gymnasium Saturday evening. The program is composed of a specialty act by the Kiddoo family and several athletic stunts by members of the association. At the close there will be a double-header basket ball game. Two junior teams will contest in the first and in the latter game a South Omaha team will compete with Omaha.

The entertainment committee of the South Omaha Country club promise a great surprise to the membership in the matter of decoration, refreshments and fitting entertainment at the first Washington party offered by the organization. This party is scheduled for February 19. Owing to the fact that the date of the Washington party this year is in Lent the management think it due to offer apologies to any whose scruples would prevent them from the full enjoyment of the occasion.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The trade extension committee of the Commercial club met Thursday noon, but did not succeed in completing the schedule for the trip to Portland in June.

R. & M. camp, No. 945, Modern Woodmen of America, will give a complimentary smoker to its members and friends at its lodge rooms in the Continental block Friday evening. The program will consist of several professional numbers and addresses by Assistant County Attorney George A. Magney and Hon. Nelson C. Pratt.

A large pattern hat, a la Gainsborough, of the most approved Parisian style, was stolen Wednesday morning by a sneak thief from the millinery store of Miss Chaifield, 638 South Sixteenth street. The hat will prove a striking clue to the identity of the thief if the miscreant should be so bold as to take it out of storage before Easter.

For making threats that he would burn down the house of Mr. McIntosh, 415 North Thirteenth street, because he was not treated with due respect, Fred Kirkpatrick, colored, was arrested Wednesday evening on the charge of disturbing the peace. The case was dismissed in police court Thursday morning, when no one appeared to prosecute the charges.

Alleging cruelty, Ida Steinberg asked the district court Thursday to award her a divorce from Joseph M. Steinberg, to whom she was married February 11, 1906. She says she gave him $500, which he invested in a grocery store at Twenty-sixth and Burdette. She says he took from her certain diamonds and jewels. At her request an injunction was issued to prevent her husband from disposing of this property.

Mrs. Binkley, 2212 Grace street, reported to the police that her young son, Curtis, has been missing from his home since last Tuesday morning and that she fears the boy has left the city in company with his chum, Frank Townley, who is also absent from his usual haunts. Young Binkley was an A. D. T. messenger boy and wore a uniform when he left home, by which it is hoped that he will be identified and arrested.

Railway Notes and Personals.

J. A. Munroe, freight traffic manager of the Union Pacific, accompanied by his family, left Wednesday for California.

W. R. McKeen, jr., superintendent of motive power and machinery of the Union Pacific, accompanied by Mrs. McKeen, left Wednesday for Los Angeles.

The Burlington's new yard office at Thirty-first street in Denver was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday night. The files of the office were saved and a new office opened in a boxcar.

J. C. Young, signal service engineer of the Union Pacific as head of the signal department, with headquarters in Omaha, will have charge of all matters pertaining to that department, and will report to the chief engineer on new construction and to the general superintendent on maintenance and operation. The signal supervisors will report to the signal engineer on all construction work and to the division engineer on maintenance and operation.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

What is Supposed to Be Last Act in Gas Tank Ordinance Play is Enacted.

COUNCIL BACK JUST WHERE IT STARTED

Ordinance is Passed Which is Expected to Regulate the Iceman and Protect the Interests of the Consumers.

The city council last evening took what was believed to have been the last whirl at gas tank legislation, the action of last evening being the defeat of Mr. Bridges' second ordinance to prohibit the gas company from erecting any more tanks within the city, except on the outskirts. The vote was 4 for the ordinance and 7 against, which vote, considering the absence of Councilman Elsasser, was the same that has been recorded on this question for some time. After a long struggle the council has brought up to the starting place, the ordinance it did pass, allowing the tank to be placed at Twentieth and Center streets, having been vetoed by the mayor and the veto sustained in the council. A resolution from the Real Estate exchange, urging that the gas tank be placed at Twentieth and Center streets, was read by the clerk.

A mandate is expected today or tomorrow from the supreme court in relation to a suit recently disposed of and in which the Omaha Gas company asked for relief in its efforts to locate the proposed tank at Twentieth and Center. In an opinion received from the supreme court forty days ago Commissioner Ames said the old ordinance requiring signatures of property owners within 1,000 feet was not valid and further stated that the city council had power to regulate the location of these tanks. Inasmuch as the council has not up to date passed any measure regulating the locations of these tanks, it leaves the way clear for the erection of the third tank at Twentieth and Center streets, if the mandate about to be received should be what it is generally believed it will be.

Regulating Ice Dealers.

There was no opposition to an ordinance introduced at Mayor Dahlman's suggestion and which will regulate ice dealers. This ordinance was passed last evening on its final reading. It holds all employes, servants, officers and any one connected with the sale of ice in Omaha responsible for correct weights and impartial service. Every wagon is to be licensed and the violation of the provisions of the ordinance subjects the offenders to revocation of licenses.

The present ordinance regulating express wagons was amended so as to include corporations doing an express or transfer business, it being cited that one Omaha company had been shirking the license because it could with impunity.

Mr. McGovern's ordinance to abolish the street lunch wagons was lost by a vote of eight to three. Mr. McGovern believed these vending vehicles were a menace to society. He was strongly opposed.

The ordinance to re-establish the Capitol avenue market house, upon recommendation of the committee of the whole, was laid on the table. It is understood this measure will be brought up again at an early date, as there is a strong sentiment in the council to locate the retail market place in the market house erected by the city. The absence of several of the strongest supporters from the committee meeting last Monday afternoon caused the expression which prevailed at that time and which was recorded in the committee report.

Regulating the Druggists.

Mr. Zimman introduced an ordinance to regulate the sale of liquors in drug stores, this ordinance being drawn after a drastic one fathered by W. J. Broatch of the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners had been turned down in the committee room. A petition from twenty-five druggists protesting against the Broatch ordinance was received last evening. The druggists thought the present law covered all needs and suggested that if the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners did its duty in the premises there would be no occasion for any complaint. Mr. Zimman's ordinance makes it unlawful for any druggist to display liquors in his store or to allow them to be consumed on the premises. It also requires that the druggist keep a record of all sales in his place of business and send a copy of such record every month to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

City Electrician Michaelsen sent a communication to the council in regard to four electric arc lamps under railroad subways at Seventh, Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Twentieth streets, there having been a controversy for years as to whether the city or the railroads should pay for the maintenance of these lamps. Councilman Funkhouser of the lighting committee, last evening said an ordinance exists whereby the railroads, in consideration for certain concessions, agreed to keep these lamps in service. The railroads having refused to honor the electric light company's bills the city has been called on to pay, which now amounts to something like $1,000. The former city council wrestled with the matter and handed it down as a legacy. Mr. Funkhouser believes his committee will get to the bottom of the matter and clear it up soon.

The city council resolved to make needed improvements in the surgeon's department at the city jail. On the recommendation of Health Commissioner Connell the room will be placed in first class sanitary condition, with white enameled walls.

Superintendent David Rowden of the city hall was authorized to dispose of an accumulation of castings and odds and ends now stored in the basement of the city hall.

The Union Pacific was granted the right to lay a side track between Sixth and Seventh streets, near Jackson.

MAIL WEIGHING CAMPAIGN

Quadrennial Job to Last Three Months Will Begin Within a Week.

The quadrennial weighing of the United States mails for the district east of the Missouri river will begin February 20 at Union Pacific transfer station, Council Bluffs; Union station, Omaha, and Burlington station, Omaha. The weighing will continue for three months and is for the purpose of establishing a basis of weights of the mails carried by the railways, upon which contracts for the mail transportation will be let for the ensuing four years.

Those who will do the weighing are: At the Union Pacific transfer station, Council Bluffs: R. E. McConnell, William C. Kirkpatrick, John N. Matthews, Charles B. Slade, all of Council Bluffs. At the Union station, Omaha: Lloyd Cramer, Percy Vandevoort, H. A. Hathaway, of Omaha and Holland S. Baker of Council Bluffs. At the Burlington station, Omaha: Harry Haas of South Omaha and William E. Whitlow of Wyoming, Neb.

All the mail on the through trains of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy road east and west bound, will be weighed at the Burlington station, Omaha, and on all through trains, east or west, of the Northwestern, Rock Island, Chicago Great Western, Wabash, Illinois Central and Milwaukee, arriving in Omaha, at the Union station.

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Mrs. Depew has a good appetite, sleeps well and enjoys perfect health, notwithstanding that the doctors gave her up to die 14 years ago, and she says she believes that she would have died if it were not for the prompt use of the great family medicine—Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey.

The following are Mrs. Depew's own words, written Aug. 17th, 1906, after she had celebrated her 101st birthday.

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NO CHANGE AMONG OTHER OFFICIALS

Action Taken by the Directors Immediately Upon the Arrival of C. B. Kountze from Denver.

Charles T. Kountze was elected president of the First National bank at a meeting Thursday morning of the board of directors of the bank. John D. Creighton was elected director to succeed his uncle, John A. Creighton. No other change in officials was made. F. H. Davis is vice president, L. L. Kountze cashier and T. L. Davis assistant cashier. The meeting was held immediately after the arrival of C. B. Kountze of Denver, one of the directors.

Charles T. Kountze, a few months ago was cashier of the bank. Upon the death of his father, Herman Kountze, he was advanced to the position of vice president, F. H. Davis being also a vice president. The death of John A. Creighton, who succeeded Herman Kountze as president, opened the way for Charles T. Kountze to the presidency.

F. H. Davis was only a few days ago made president of the Union Stock Yards National bank of South Omaha, to succeed John A. Creighton, and in view of this fact it was not generally supposed he would also be made president of the First National. After the election of the bank at South Omaha was held the public generally conceded that Mr. Kountze was to be head of the Omaha institution.

That John D. Creighton was elected to the directorate is taken as confirmation of the current report that he was selected by John A. Creighton to continue the life work of that philanthropist. It may be that he has inherited a large part of the fortune, but if not, it is believed he is to direct its use in charitable work.

SURFACE TRACKS FORSAKEN

Plan of Railway Company for Its Cars on Thirteenth Street Line.

The Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company will abandon the surface tracks now in use over the Missouri Pacific tracks and over the Northwestern tracks to be built to the new freight depot which that road is now building at Fourteenth and Davenport streets. A new line will be built by which the Thirteenth street line will be diverted west at Thirteenth and Davenport to Fifteenth and Davenport and thence north on Fifteenth street to Webster. This will avoid both the surface tracks.

This decision was reached because of the great danger in crossing surface tracks and also because of the delay which would be caused by the long freight trains which would be constantly switched over the new Northwestern tracks. The South Omaha line avoids these tracks, as it turns west at Cass street.

KENNARD WILL BUILD FLATS

Has Plans Drawn for Apartment House Where His Present Dwelling Stands.

Frank B. Kennard is having plans drawn for a $35,000 apartment house to be built at the northeast corner of Nineteenth and Dodge streets, where his home now is. It will be 80x100 feet and will be three stories in height, with a cafe in the basement. Construction will begin within three months. The lot on which the building is to be erected has been in the possession of the Kennard family since 1862. The Kennard home is to be torn down or sold.

CHARLES NEAL BOUND OVER

City Marshal and Hotel Keeper at Waterloo Held to Grand Jury.

Charles Neal, city marshal and hotel keeper at Waterloo, was bound over to the federal grand jury in the sum of $200 Thursday afternoon by United States Commissioner Anderson on the charge of selling liquor without first procuring the government license.

Deputy United States Marshal John Sides brought down Albert Logan from the Winnebago Indian reservation Thursday and lodged him in the Douglas county jail. Logan is held in $300 bonds for selling liquor without license on the Indian reservation. In default of bail he will remain in jail until the sitting of the federal grand jury in May.

MISS PETTUS AT BURWOOD

New Leading Woman Engaged by Manager Burgess to Be Here Sunday.

Manager Burgess of the Woodward Stock company has closed a contract with Miss Maria Pettus of the Forepaugh Stock company of Philadelphia for leading woman at the Burwood. Miss Pettus comes with the best of recommendations, both from the press and from the theater-going public of Philadelphia, and Manager Burgess hopes to be able to present a leading woman who will be satisfactory to the patrons of the Burwood. Miss Pettus will arrive in Omaha Saturday and should she be able to learn her part on the new production will go on Sunday night.

Business Men's Association.

The Omaha Business Men's association met Thursday and chose officers, re-electing those of last year. Euclid Martin is president, T. J. Mahoney, W. A. Smith and J. A. Sunderland first, second and third vice presidents, respectively. The executive committee will elect a secretary and probably will choose C. C. Montgomery to serve another year.

BASKET BALL TEAM DELAYED

Nebraska University Players Stop in Omaha on Route of Games.

The basket ball team of the University of Nebraska arrived in Omaha Thursday morning enroute to Fort Dodge. Owing to the belated trains the team was compelled to remain in Omaha until late Thursday afternoon. It took dinner at the Merchants. The team consists of E. O. Edgar, manager; Bauers, Walsh, Moses, Bell, Jones, Keake, Hoar and Bell. R. G. Clapp also accompanies the party.

The team is enroute on an extended trip. It will play at Fort Dodge Thursday evening; Minnesota university, Friday and Saturday; Hudson, Wis., Monday; Marshfield, Wis., Tuesday; Portage, Wis., Wednesday; University of Wisconsin, Madison, Thursday; Iowa university, Iowa City, Friday, and Grinnell (Ia.) college, Saturday, returning home Sunday.

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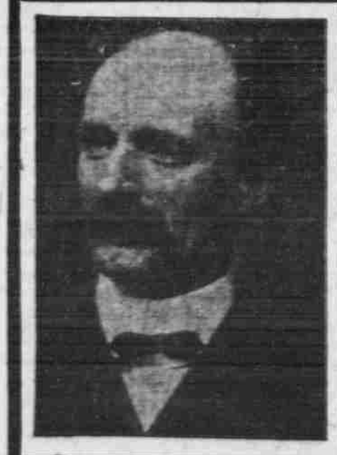

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