

WAGES MAY WAIT ON TAXES

Public Works Inspectors Likely Not to Draw on Time.

COUNCIL AND ENGINEER HITCH

Some Predicaments Technique in City Ordinances Threatens to Trip Ghost if He Attempts to Walk.

Unless the city engineer and council can get together on a plan for issuing money for the payment of inspectors of public works in certain cases the men who hold those positions in 1908 will be compelled to wait upon the collection of taxes for special improvements for at least a part of their monthly salaries.

This condition has been brought about through a study of the ordinances by the city engineer, following a demand by the council for repairs to wooden sidewalks in several parts of town. When a resolution requesting such repairs was presented Friday afternoon City Engineer Rosewater decided to ascertain exactly his duties in the matter. He found he had no right to remove a sidewalk in dangerous condition until he had received from the councilman of the ward where the sidewalk is a written certificate to the effect that the sidewalk is beyond repair. He also found that the cost of repairs to such walks could be assessed to abutting property owners without the formality of the council sitting as a board of equalization, or giving the property owners right to be heard on the matter.

He then decided that if the council could collect taxes for such repairs it was unjust to the public works department to cause it to advance the money to pay for repairs and have the tax, which is collected later, turned into the general fund of the city, when the council is authorized to advance the cost out of the general fund, which is later reimbursed for the expenditure.

Fund is Being Drained. Then it occurred to him the public works fund was being drained in the matter of the payment of inspectors of public works. Under the practice now existing the salaries of all inspectors are paid from the public works fund. The cost of inspection of work done in special improvement districts is taxed to the property owners and collected in special levies as part of the cost of improvement. This money goes into the general fund, the public works fund receiving nothing for the money advanced in salaries. The engineer then decided that this course should be abandoned and he has written a letter to the council informing that body that unless it provides for the payment of inspectors on special work from the general fund he will certify that part of their salary earned by work on special improvements for payment out of the special levy fund. Such certification would mean that no money for that part of the salary would be issued until taxes are levied for the improvements, which is generally sixty days after the work is done, and that inspectors would be compelled to wait that long for their warrant. After the warrant is issued it draws interest until paid, but it may be several months later before the men can get their cash.

WORLD'S GREATEST DECEIVER

Evangelist Bennett Continues Series of Sermons at North Side Church.

Last night at the North Side Christian church, Evangelist Bennett preached a sermon on "The World's Greatest Deceiver," and said among other things: "There are many deceivers in the world, but the chief deceiver is sin. It is cunning in its attacks, sly in its inducements and deceptive in promises of pleasure. No one who is fast in its coils today intended to be caught. Every drunkard took his first drink innocently, never expecting to become a victim of alcohol. Every gambler began his career in like manner. Of the many thousands in our jails and prisons not one planned to reach there. It was a matter of development. All the victims of nicotine, alcohol and opium never intended to become slaves of a debased appetite."

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BRIEF CITY NEWS

Theft of Boston Terror—A complaint was filed before Judge Crawford Saturday morning by Mrs. Dolly Wroth, charging Clyde Lake, 251 N. Street, South Omaha, with stealing her Boston terrier, which she values at \$4.

Steak Express Package

H. Alexander pleaded guilty in police court Saturday morning to stealing a package from the United States Express company containing an unfinished dress. He was fined \$5 and costs.

Chanukkah Celebration—The Omaha Zionist societies will give a Chanukkah celebration in Baright's hall, Nineteenth and Farnam streets, Sunday evening at 7:30 to which everybody is invited. A musical and literary program will be given.

Cure of Disease Without Drugs—Dr. L. A. Merriam will address the meeting of the Philosophical society on the fourth floor of the Rotunda building, Nineteenth and Farnam street, Sunday at 2 p. m. on "Cure of Disease Without Drugs."

Letter Day Saints—Elder J. R. Sutton of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints will deliver the first of a series of lectures or sermons Sunday night at the Belmont chapel, 1815 North Twenty-first street. His subject will be "Christianity as Seen in True Religion with No Christianity."

Suit for Sick Benefits—James G. Jewell has begun suit in county court against Excelsior lodge No. 110, the local lodge of colored Masons, for \$250, which he claims to be due him for sick benefits. Jewell asserts the refusal of the lodge to give him the benefits is due to a factional fight in the lodge and that his faction is in the minority.

Church Women Hold Sale—The women of St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church will hold a sale Thursday and Friday, December 5 and 6. Fancy work, infants' clothing, books, handkerchiefs, rugs and other household articles will be secured as well as toothsome delicacies in the pantry booth. There will also be a 50-cent turkey dinner on Thursday evening.

Negroes Gota Thirty Days—Belle McAfee, a colored woman, was given thirty days in the county jail by Judge Troup on a plea of guilty of petit larceny. She was charged with taking the pocket of Maurice McCallum of 26, but owing to the absence of the complaining witness, who lives in Iowa, County Attorney English consented to let her plead guilty to the lesser charge.

Foreest Duck Season—Lute White, the noted colored duck hunter of Clark, Neb., is in Omaha visiting friends. Mr. White says the season just past was the poorest in the memory of man for both ducks and geese. The warm weather held on so long that when a cold snap came the game birds simply kept on moving south without stopping for their usual visit in these parts.

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TOPICS OF THE DAY OF REST

Several Evangelistic Services Are Being Conducted or Begun.

REV. S. D. BARTLE ON MONUMENTS

Associate Pastor of the First Methodist Church in His Sermon Will Preach on This Subject.

Alonso Trevler Jones, a well-known evangelist and lecturer, will deliver a series of ten lectures at the People's church, Eighteenth and Cass streets, beginning Sunday night. The meetings will be held one week apart and will be preceded by a song service. Mr. Jones' subjects will be as follows: "The Spirit of the Times and the Spirit for the Times," "National Temperance and Intemperance," "Christian Health and How to Obtain It," "The Place of the Church Federation," "The Place of the Holy Spirit—In the World and in the Church," "The Study of the Bible," "Creation and Christianity," "Christianity the Life."

Beginning Monday, Bishop W. F. Hell of Highland Park, Ill., will conduct revival meetings in the First-United Evangelical church, on Franklin near Twenty-fourth street. Bishop Hell is a strong Bible teacher and gives very satisfactory services in Omaha last year. The song service will open at 7:45.

Beginning December 1 the First Reformed church, Twenty-third street and Central boulevard, will hold a series of evangelistic meetings. Rev. A. C. Chaselman of Wichita, Kan., a recognized evangelist, will have charge of the services. He has just concluded a very successful evangelistic campaign in Sioux City. Services will begin each evening at 8 o'clock. No services Saturday evening. There will be good gospel singing. The public is welcome.

A special musical service will be given at Trinity cathedral Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The morning service at Calvary Baptist church will be different in character from the ordinary. There is to be a "roll call" of members. One member will respond for a group. It is expected there will be a large attendance of the members. The pastor will give some facts concerning the church during his three years' ministry. The service is open to the public, as well as other services.

The Baran-class of the Second Presbyterian church will have charge of the song service Sunday evening, furnishing a male chorus. Mrs. J. H. Hill will also sing. The pastor, Rev. Newman H. Burdick, will speak particularly to young men.

Music at the First Congregational church, Nineteenth and Davenport streets: MORNING. Prelude—Communion on Plain Song. Theme—"The Only Cause and Creator." Anthem—"The Only Cause and Creator." Offertory—Aspiration Religious. Solo—Hymn for Communion Service—"The Only Cause and Creator." Shuman Choir, unaccompanied. Postlude—In B Flat Major. DUNCAN

Postlude—Chant Pastoral. Dubois Anthem—God, Who is the Only Cause and Creator. Offertory—Reveries. MacDowell Quartet—Reveries. Solo—Hymn for Communion Service—"The Only Cause and Creator." West Choir, unaccompanied. Mr. Martin W. Bush, organist; Mr. Ira E. Ferguson, director.

The Sunday evening service is held under the auspices of the Men's club of the church, recently organized. Rev. S. D. Bartle, associate pastor of First Methodist church will preach on "Monuments" Sunday evening, in a tour of the world. The subject is "The Study of Monuments." This will be his first sermon since assuming the office of associate pastor. Accompanying the preaching service Thomas J. Kelly, director of music, has prepared a special musical program: Time of Service 7:30 p. m. Sharp. The Chimes—Dinner. Prayer. The Vesper Hymn—Jesus Christ, the Only Cause and Creator. Solo—Hymn for Communion Service—"The Only Cause and Creator." Anthem—Praise to the Lord for His Goodness. D. Garrett Offertory Solo—My Redeemer and My Lord. Anthem—I Will Lay Me Down in Peace. The Chimes—Dinner.

Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Kirschstein of the North Side Christian church gave their fourth annual Thanksgiving dinner to all the young men and women of their congregation whose homes are not in the city. Plates were laid for eighteen. Miss Lulu Hughes of Lincoln was the out-of-town guest.

A large chorus choir, under the direction of Mrs. H. J. Kirschstein, will lead the song service at the Baptist evangelistic meetings at the North Side Christian church at Twenty-second and Locust streets, this evening at 7:30 o'clock, promptly. Mrs. T. E. Wilco, contra soloist, will sing "My Mother's Prayer" at this service. Evangelist Bennett's theme Sunday morning will be the battle in the wilderness of the evening, "Greatest Truth in the Bible."

At the Kountze Memorial Lutheran church, in connection with the sermon, "The Relation of the Church to the World," the choir will render special music. The following series of sermons will be preached at the church of St. Philip the deacon at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoons: December 1: "The Church Catholic." Rev. James Wise. December 2: "The Church Militant." Rev. A. E. Knickerbocker. December 3: "The Church Expectant." Rev. T. J. Mackay. December 4: "The Church Triumphant." Bishop A. L. Williams.

Y. W. C. A. Notes. O. G. Wallace will speak at the Sunday gospel service at 1:30 o'clock. Miss Julia E. Porter will sing. Rev. Newman Hall Burdick will continue his talks on "Side Lights from the Sunday School Lessons" in the association rooms during December. All young women are cordially invited to the meeting. About 150 young women enjoyed the Thanksgiving frolic at the association rooms from 7 to 9 o'clock. After a splendid program a delicious lunch was served, followed by games and other fun. Miss Mary Wallace will give a talk on "Medical Treatment of the Eye" at the library at 7:15 and is limited to the members of the circle and their invited guests.

The Business Girls' club will have a special program at their meeting next Tuesday night at 7 o'clock. Miss Frances Crittenden will give a talk on "The Things That Count for Success in a Business Woman's Life." An illustration of the right and wrong way to apply for a position will be given by Miss Mary K. Hughes of Penfold. Miss Flora Reed of the Omaha Commercial college and Miss L. E. Laidy, Premier Typewriter company. Cornet, violin and piano music will be furnished by Laidy and the Misses Madras and Blaine West. Visitors are welcome.

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ORIENTAL RUGS The new stock for Holiday Trade is now on exhibition and we are making great price inducements to our customers. We have three bales of beautiful Shirvan Rugs, regular values \$22.50 each, but during this sale we will offer them at, each, \$15.00.

Sale of Lace Curtains and Portieres This week we are offering many good values in Lace Curtains and Portieres. The end of the season finds us with many one-pair lots of Portieres and Small Lots of Lace Curtains which we must close out no matter what the loss may be.

We herewith quote a few of the many bargains which this sale offers: \$17.50 Portieres, plain red, velvet border, length 3 yards, sale price, per pair \$13.50 \$12.50 Armure Tap, Portieres, figured border, sale price, per pair \$8.50 \$25.00 Oriental Silk Portieres, sale price, per pair \$16.00 \$22.50 heavy-lined Velour Portieres, sale price, per pair \$17.50

\$7.75 Fringed Tapestry Portieres, sale price, per pair \$4.25 \$13.50 Novelty Tapestry Portieres, sale price, per pair \$9.95 \$7.75 Tapestry Portieres, fringed, sale price, per pair \$4.25 \$5.25 two-toned Tapestry Portieres, sale price, per pair \$3.25 \$9.75 fringed Damask Portieres, sale price, per pair \$6.95 \$25.00 Tapestry Portieres, silk fringe, sale price, per pair \$17.50 \$5.50 Tapestry Portieres, sale price, per pair \$6.00 1/2 pair lots of Portieres at from \$2.75 to \$7.50

List of Suitable Christmas Gifts Quarter-sawn Oak Ladies' Desk \$9.00 Mahogany finished Ladies' Desk \$9.00 Oak Desk Chair \$4.25 Oak Music Cabinet \$9.00 Mahogany Desk Chair \$4.25 Mahogany Music Cabinet \$10.75 Oak and Mahogany Shaving Stand \$13.50 Weathered Oak Foot Rests, leather top \$7.50 Solid Mahogany Crickets \$10.00 Oak and Mahogany Pedestals \$5.00 Weathered Oak and Mahogany Collarettes \$12.00

ORIENTAL TABLE COVERS AND SCARFS \$22.50 Table Cover, sale price \$12.75 \$17.00 Oriental Cover, 50 in. wide, 3 yards long \$11.25 \$15.00 Oriental Cover, 50 in. wide, 3 yards long \$9.00 \$50.00 Oriental Cover, hand embroidered \$20.00 \$8.00 Craftsman Scarf, 20 in. wide, 3 1/2 yards long \$6.40

Its Effect Upon Man's Life." Sunday school at noon; Epworth league at 6:15 p. m.; sermon at 7:30 by Rev. William Gorst, D. D., followed with the sacrament of the Lord's supper. Third Presbyterian, Twentieth and Leavenworth—Preaching by the pastor, Joseph B. Charney, 10:45 a. m., subject, "Retrospection Thanksgiving"; 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Junior Christian Endeavor at 4:30; evening worship at 7:30; theme, "Jesus and the Multitudes"; prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Calvary Baptist, Twenty-fifth and Hamilton, Rev. E. R. Curry, pastor. Services at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Reception of new members at morning service. Young People's meeting at 6:30 p. m. Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Calvary Baptist branch, Thirty-fourth and Seward. Bible school, 1:30 p. m.; gospel service, Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Saratoga and Parkvale Congregational, Rev. John E. Losey, pastor—Services at Parkvale Sunday school at 10 a. m., followed by preaching service at 11 a. m. At Saratoga Sunday school at 9:40 p. m. evening service at 7:30; theme, "The Christian Warfare"; singing by Saratoga male quartet chorus choir. Hillside Congregational, Thirtieth and Ohio, Rev. Herbert L. Mills, pastor—Morning service at 10:30 o'clock; subject, "The Christian Warfare"; singing by Saratoga male quartet chorus choir.

Fire in the Avery Building Looks Bad for a Time, but is Extinguished with Loss of Only Few Thousand Dollars. Fire, of unknown origin, which for a time threatened to consume the contents of the Avery Implement Manufacturing company's building, 1007 Leavenworth street, was discovered in the basement of that building about 10:45 Friday night and owing to its location in the wholesale district caused a general fire alarm to be turned in. The fire was extinguished by the fire department, however, with a loss that will not exceed \$5,000 on the building and contents, which loss is fully covered by insurance.

Battleships Getting Ready. BOSTON, Nov. 30.—The battleships Vermont sailed today for Newport, R. I., where a few additional men and torpedo mine outfits will be taken aboard, preparatory to its long cruise to the Pacific. The New Jersey will sail tomorrow and the Illinois and Missouri leave Tuesday.

Mental Laziness is even more fatal to success in life than the physical kind And Coffee by its dulling after-effects, is another of our troubles. The easiest way out of the "haze" is to quit coffee and drink POSTUM Take pains to make it right—boil it 15 minutes then its flavor is fine and all the food value is brought out. A test will prove. "There's A Reason."