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PROBLEM OF WATER BOARD

Dark Picture for the City Drawn by Howard Baldrige.

HEAVY TAX, BIG BONDED DEBT

He Urges Compromise Before Omaha Is Swamped Under the Burden of Leaky Requisitioned by Scheming Politicians.

Before the members of the Omaha Real Estate exchange, prominent city officials, members of the Water board and representatives of the Omaha Water company, H. H. Baldrige reviewed the history of the litigation between the city and water company and declared some compromise should be made at once, as he saw increased taxes coming to every owner of real estate in a lump sum...

"Looking at all the sides of the case and the positions which the attorneys for the Water board have taken, which I believe are strong ones, and it looks to me individually that the chances are against the city of Omaha in the case and that the supreme court will hold against the Water board."

Speaking of the hydrant rentals, which now amount to \$47,500, with \$29,000 interest besides, Mr. Baldrige said: "This sum sooner or later and the unjust thing about it is that it must be paid, not by those who own it, but by men who now own and will own Omaha property in the future. Since the amount has been accumulating there have been changes and the real estate owners who have sold their property will have to pay the hydrant rentals which give protection to their property."

As to owning plants, Mr. Baldrige said he found but nine cities of over 150,000 population which did not own their own water plants, yet he was not in favor of Omaha buying the present plant unless it could be secured at a reasonable figure and removed from politics, that it might not be used as the foot ball of contending political parties and to pay political debts.

"There is enough patronage distributed by the city officials now to make the highest office in the city only a place where a man may reward his friends and some city service rules should be adopted and rigidly enforced, so that the city buy the water works," he declared.

"I don't charge any wrongdoing to the Water board, but an error in judgment now and then has undoubtedly placed the city of Omaha in a very unfortunate position and piled up expenses, which are getting larger and if the supreme court decision is against us, the tax increase, costs which will almost swamp a city with only 150,000 population, assessed valuation of \$122,000,000 and a bonded indebtedness of \$12,000,000, such as we will have if we are compelled to take the water works plant and vote almost \$7,000,000 to buy it."

Mr. Baldrige offered no solution for the problem. He said he had none, but did think some compromise ought to be made and made at once, even if the franchise of the present company had to be extended with certain provisions and for a short time until some arrangement could be made to stop the growing debt which the city must sooner or later pay and which is expensive all the time.

UNCLE SAM GOOD OLD SLEUTH

Guards Against Mischief in Clandestine Correspondence and Saves Girls.

A peculiar system of bearing Uncle Sam out of his proper postage dues has been unearthed by the postoffice inspectors in Milwaukee and Chicago. The plan was of a party who wished to engage in clandestine correspondence to rent a postoffice box and secure duplicate keys. He would then place his letter unstamped in the box and the party having the duplicate key could get the letter and reply in the same way with a postageless letter. The system has come to grief and the parties hiring the box are liable to have some serious trouble with their duplicate keys. He would then place his letter unstamped in the box and the party having the duplicate key could get the letter and reply in the same way with a postageless letter. The system has come to grief and the parties hiring the box are liable to have some serious trouble with their duplicate keys.

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Or if it is Charge it to a Wedding that Just Left Perfumed.

If roses are scarce and high-priced Thursday it will be because a famine has been created through the wedding of Miss Rose A. Bruhn of Millard and Ferdinand Bock of South Omaha.

Miss Bruhn became Mrs. Bock at 12 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the office of the judge of the county court, Judge Leslie himself officiating. He was the only member of the party who was not garlanded and strewn with roses. The best man wore a few, the maid of honor a few more than he, the groom quite a cluster and the bride that it with roses to young women receiving letters at the general delivery. The rule applies to girls of 16 years or under. They are not permitted to receive letters at the general delivery unless they can show the best of authority and give their names.

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"I can't say that we will ask the legislature to repeal the law creating the Board of Water Commissioners, but we will do something and that is sure," said the councilman.

ZIEBEL FAMILY UNDER TEST

Man Who Killed Son and Others Will Be Examined as to Their Sanity.

A conclusion by the commissioners of insanity as to the case of August Ziebel will not be reached for some time. The matter now rests with Dr. George Tilden, who will make an examination of the man who shot his son and examine also other members of the family. Nor will Judge Leslie act for two weeks on the application to have a guardian appointed for Ziebel.

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\$95—New England—To close out—slightly used.
\$133—C. A. Smith—Beautiful ebony case.
\$165—Gramer—Handsome piano—ebony case.
\$172—Norwood—Used very short time—beautiful walnut finish.
\$188—Davis & Sons—Very fine mottled walnut case.
\$225—Steger—Used six months—oak case.
\$230—Schmoller & Mueller—Colonial style, mahogany case.
\$210—Kurtzman—New—walnut.
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NOTES ON OMAHA SOCIETY

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WEDNESDAY IS CROWDED FULL

Mrs. W. H. Butts and Mrs. Simon James Give Large Bridge Party—Several Informal Affairs for Nettlinger.

Complimentary to Miss Jeanne Wakefield whose marriage to Mr. Harry Street of Chicago will take place Saturday evening Miss Amy Gilmore was hostess at a Valentine luncheon party at 12 o'clock yesterday at the Omaha club. The guests were seated at the large round table. A low mound of red carnations formed a pretty centerpiece and heart-shaped place cards marked the places for Miss Jeanne Wakefield, Mrs. Spofford of Kansas City, Miss Ella Mae Brown, Miss Crankshaw of Hannibal, Mo., and Miss Lucile Kittson, Genevieve Johnston and Mrs. Clemense McMillan of Fort Crook, Miss Louisa Kennedy, Miss Ottila NeSmith and Mrs. W. N. Haskell of Fort Omaha, Miss Hortense Clarke, Miss Edith Locke, Miss Katharine McDonald, Miss Elizabeth Moorhead, Miss Frances Wessels, Miss Morton Connell, Miss Mary Galbraith, Mrs. Robert Lee Hamilton, Mrs. J. S. Weitzel, Mrs. W. T. Robinson, Mrs. Edward Lamhofer, Mrs. Herbert Gates, Mrs. Harley Moorhead, Mrs. E. S. Westhrook, Mrs. R. S. Gilmore and Mrs. Gilmore.

Bridge Party

Largest among social affairs of yesterday was the bridge party given in the afternoon by Mrs. W. H. Butts and Mrs. Simon James at the home of the former in Worthington Place. The guests included Mrs. C. W. Allen, Miss Alice Anson, May Auld, Joseph Baker, C. E. Balbach, J. C. Easard, John Battin, Frank Barrett, E. E. Bruce, Charles Bothwell, W. L. Clement, A. F. Cooley, John Cooper, Frank Crawford, J. C. Cunningham, James Cook, Charles Dundy, Clara Fowler, Fred Hamilton, Robert Lee Hamilton, Charles Harding, John Hask, H. M. C. Hodgin, Arvin Johnson, F. J. Jumper, Addison Knickerbocker, H. B. Lemore, Robert Manley, J. J. McMillen, J. H. Mulren, J. J. Nedd, Leon Nelson, Frank Potter, J. R. Scannell, M. C. Sherwood, R. A. Smith, W. A. Smith, George Strain, T. A. Thompson, W. L. Unicker, J. S. Weitzel, Herbert Wheelock, E. A. Weathers, C. W. Rainey, W. Newton, E. J. Updegraff, A. V. Frush, A. T. McAtee, E. J. Gilbert, C. L. Cameron, Stoddard of Nebraska City, Misses Bulfinch, Sorvance, Daisy Rogers, McConnell, Eric McIntyre, Downs, Alice Fredericks, Chamberlain and Balbach.

For Mr. Nettlinger.

Among the interesting affairs of the week was the parlor musicale given Tuesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Adams and Mrs. E. L. Stone at their beautiful new home, 730 Pacific street, in honor of their horse guest, Mr. William H. Nettlinger, the well known composer of Grange, N. J. Mr. Nettlinger gave a most enjoyable program of his own compositions and played his own accompaniment. The rooms were prettily trimmed with cut flowers and palms and refreshments were served the latter part of the evening. The affair was

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quite informal and the guests chiefly from among the neighbors and music loving friends of Mr. and Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Stone.

Mr. R. E. Sunderland entertained a few friends at luncheon today at the Loyal hotel for Mr. William H. Nettlinger, the other guests being Dr. H. B. Ward of Lincoln and Mr. F. J. Adams.

Husbands Entertained.

The husbands of the members of the Thimble club gave a dinner Tuesday evening at Hansen's, when the members of the club were the honor guests. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dumont, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sunderland, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sunderland, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. White, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Van Buren, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Phillip, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Koozer, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Steigler, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ryner, Misses Lynn Carpenter, Margaret Phillip, Alice Buchanan, Bess Dumont, Olive Carpenter, Elizabeth McConnell, Bertha White.

Afternoon Bridge.

Miss Edith Patrick was hostess yesterday at an afternoon bridge party in honor of Miss Schimmelseng of Warren, Pa., who is the guest of Miss Hilda Hammer. Red carnations were used in decoration through the rooms and the score cards were designed to match. There were six tables of players present.

Valentine Party.

A Valentine party was given at the home of Miss Antonia Pless, Monday evening. The evening was spent with games and music. Those present were Misses Agnes Hansen, Loretta Cain, Frances Roching, Clara Gottschalk, Dora Fagerburg, Clara Rockrig, Ida Chesley, Alfreda Schwarz, Lena Pless, Antonia Pless, Messrs. Will Roseng, Anton Schwarz, Amos W. Gies Fred Draw, Joseph Elias, Andrew Ideker, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Pless, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Pless and Mr. and Mrs. W. Mooney.

Linon Shower.

Mrs. H. Gross gave a linen shower Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. E. Alpin, for Miss Frumkin, whose wedding to Mr. D. Gross will take place Tuesday of next week. High five was played and prizes given to Mesdames D. Kendis, J. Corby and J. Harvis. Luncheon was served from one large table having a decoration of carnations. Those present were Mesdames R. Sherman, D. Kendis, C. Rasmussen, S. Winberg, S. M. Chernias, S. Snyder, L. Kendis, T. Pearman, Genellous, Lloyd, H. Wolf, Sol Brodsky, J. Corby, Goldsmith, E. Rosenberg, Chereck, R. Gross, Rypins, J. Harris, J. Shana, N. Horn, A. Wolf, H. Rosenblum, Hurwitz, Misses Lena Newman, Fannie Gross, Frumkin, Alpin and the hostess.

Prospective Pines.

Mrs. Frederick A. Nash has issued invitations for a luncheon next Monday at her home on South Thirty-third street.

Mrs. Alice Millie will entertain the Literary of Omaha Sunday evening, February 21, at her home, 624 Lake street, the subject to be discussed being "My Religion and My Reason for It."

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Mrs. Ben Cotton, who has been ill at the Wise Memorial hospital for the last week now, is greatly improved and may be able to return to her home by Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Nash, who have been attending the automobile show in Chicago, returned Tuesday. They stopped on the way in Dubuque, Ia., to spend a day as guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Myers and Miss Nathalie Myers accompanied them home.

Miss Alice McCullough of Omaha has been elected delegate to represent the University of Nebraska Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority at the annual convention of the national sorority to be held at Chicago next July.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Harwood gave a series of two bridge parties Monday and Tuesday of this week. Five-table players were present on each occasion.

What's in a Name? Perchance a good deal, despite Shakespeare's verse.

John Heller accuses Felix Graboyski of holding his son, Frank Heller, and refusing to surrender him to the father. Application for a writ of habeas corpus is now before Judge Leslie in county court. Innocents might insist that the real name of the defendant is Graboyski instead of Graboyski, but why spend a good time by insisting on such a small point?

DOCTOR ADVISED OPERATION

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LIGHTING FUND IS WASTED

May Not Be Sufficient to Supply Last Three Months.

ARCS PLACED WHERE NOT NEEDED

Democratic Council is Extravagant in Use of Money and the City Will Have to Pay the Consequences.

During 1908 the democrats on the city council installed 117 electric arc lights on the streets of the city of Omaha, more than were installed in any one year before.

This extravagance is the cause of the present deficiency in the lighting fund, to which City Electrician Michaelson called the council's attention in a report Tuesday night.

According to the city electrician unless an unusual amount of taxes is collected a large part of the city will be dark the last three months of the present year.

At the beginning of last year each councilman was apportioned a certain number of lights which he was at liberty to install. These were all installed, whether the lights were then needed or not.

Many were placed at the edge of the city limits and while three-fourths of the light from three of the arcs shine beyond the city limits, one-half of the light from more than half the arcs does not shine within the limits. Some have been placed as far as two blocks from human habitation.

Since the placing of these lamps in out-of-the-way locations, there has arisen urgent need for street lights where they would do much good, but the fund is exhausted and not a single arc light or even a gas lamp can be installed during 1909 without depleting the fund still more.

SAFETY DEVICE BEING TRIED

Street Railway Company Equips One Car with New Style of Platform.

Officials of the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company and the general public had an opportunity to inspect the Meyer's safety guard appliance Wednesday morning, when a public demonstration was made at the corner of Fifteenth and Farnam streets.

The device consists of gates at the front and rear platform which swing up instead of opening out as do gates heretofore tried. The gate for the rear steps is worked by the conductor from the rear platform or from any point within the car and the gate on the front platform is manipulated by the motorman.

A large percentage of street railway accidents are caused by people getting on and off the car while it is in motion, and this device puts a stop to this class of accidents by making it impossible for a passenger to get on or off a moving car.

The gates are light and easily handled and yet strong enough to withstand the weight of a person who should happen to rush against them.

The contrivance was placed on one of the regular cars of the company, which will be put in regular service to see if the car can make schedule time while the gates are in service.

The street railway company has been making a most active campaign during the last two years for the prevention of accidents and while this company has no interest in the invention, it is encouraging it by giving it a trial.

MORE LAND CASES COMING UP

Suits Involving Old Soldiers Stated for Hearing Before Federal Court.

The next term of the federal courts for Omaha will begin early in April with both a grand jury and petit jury. The term promises to be a busy one, particularly with land matters. The grand jury may be called upon to investigate another land-grabbing case that is alleged to be in working order up in Grant county.

A story has leaked out that some old soldiers from Omaha have been persuaded to go into the land business up there and are following out almost precisely the same methods that were developed in the matter of soldiers' locations during the Richards & Comstock and Ware cases a couple of years ago. One of the veterans is alleged to have confessed to making a location there for himself under the Kinkaid act and that he has induced several other of his comrades to do likewise. The soldiers have been provided with houses on their claims and are also provided with abundant food by the parties backing them, and in fact are at no expense whatever in making their filings or establishing a residence on the claims.

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TWO COUPLES MAY REUNITE

Burrs and Cackleys Are Liable to Ad-Just Domestic Difficulties and Drug Suits.

The suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Melinda Burr against Archer Burr of the Burr Incubator company may never come to trial because Mr. and Mrs. Burr, it is said, are on the point of settling their differences. Similarly a settlement is rumored between Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cackley.

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NEW GRAVE PROBLEM BOBS UP

On Which Side Should Caspador Be Placed? Thursday Dr. J. C. Davis.

Of equal weight with the question: "Why did the hen cross the road?" "How old is Nan?" and "Why is the Water board?" is a new question which is bothering the denizens of the city hall. This is: "On which side should caspadors be placed?"

Dr. John C. Davis, councilman from the Eighth ward, propounded the question at the meeting of the council Tuesday evening, but none was there who could answer him.

"Ever since I have been old enough to notice anything," said the doctor, "caspadors have been placed on the left side of the chair. This has been a custom ever since there were caspadors. But now since Emil Wahlstrom has become superintendent of the city hall the caspadors are all placed on the right side of the chairs. Possibly that is the Scandinavian way, but I would like to have the question settled."

Justice ought to continue in its sparkling flow from Judge Crawford's bench in police court and forever inculcate the doctrine of peace and brotherly love, for two doves, minus the proverbial laurels of peace, but withal most fittingly located in the sanctum of the people's bar visited that shrine Wednesday morning and are still mildly chirping messages of peace and happiness, unless the colored janitor has driven them out with a broomstick.

While his honor was weightily considering the merits of a certain case, in which one John Smith was arraigned for fighting the cup that cheers, in sailed the pair of doves and circled slowly about the brow of the judge. Then they perched on the frame of a picture that hung on the wall of the court room and blinked wisely down at the magistrate and the attorney's police officers and spectators. Quite a stir was occasioned by their visit and during the rest of the court session, many a glance was cast wonderingly at the two winged messengers of the blindfolded goddess.

See Want Ads Are Business Boosters.

SPEECH ON MUNICIPAL LIFE

Attendance at Address by C. R. Woodruff Urged by Omaha Real Estate Exchange.

Announcements and special invitations are being sent out by the Omaha Real Estate exchange to business men and city officials to attend the meeting at the Commercial club rooms Friday evening, when Clinton Rogers Woodruff, secretary of the National Municipal league, will deliver an address.

The meeting will be public, however, the invitations and tickets only being given reminders that the members of the city council and other occupants of the city hall who are supposed to see to keeping the city's business affairs in good shape, should have an address from a man who is an authority not only on city government and citizenship, but on scientific city building and ways of making cities more convenient, pleasant and beautiful.