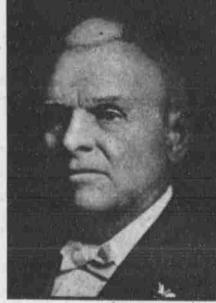
Some Prominent Executive and Administrative Officials of Omaha



LOUIS BERKA,



LOUIS BURMESTER,





FRED SCHROEDER,



A. C. KUGEL, Councilman,



CHARLES M. DAVIS,



GEORGE W. CRAIG, City Engineer,



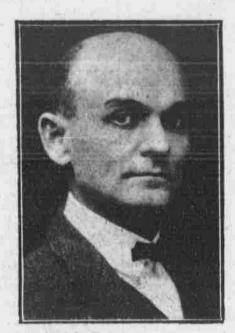
T. J. FLYNN, Street Commission



WALDERMAN MICHAELSEN, City Electrician.



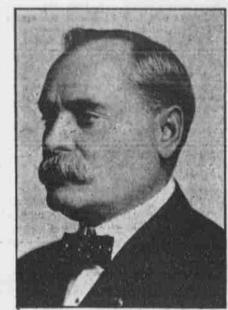
C. O. LOBECK, City Comptroller,



JAMES C. DAHLMAN, Mayor.



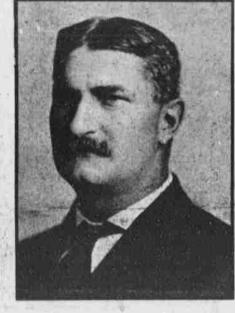
DAN B. BUTLER, City Clerk.







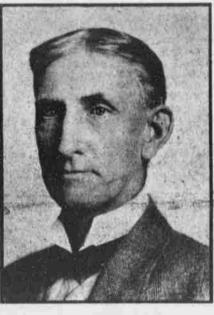
Boller Inspector.



G. R. YOUNG, D. V. S. City Veterinarian and Dairy Inspector,



BRYCE CRAWFORD, Police Judge.



C. T. DICKINSON.





J. J. DONAHUE, Chief of Police Department,

CITY GOVERNMENT

Some Details Concerning Immense Activities of Municipal Administration.

GREAT BUSINESS ORGANIZATION just a little short of the \$2,000,000 mark Affairs of the City Looked After by Cash in drawer.
Checks for deposit.

Balance in banks, city funds
First National.

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MILLIONS IN CITY IMPROVEMENTS

Parks, Buildings and Other Property of Much Value.

CASH BALANCE LOOKS LARGE

Some Tabloid Facts About the City and the Men on Whom the Con-

duct of Its Business Has Been Placed. Almost large enough for a state capital, Omaha's city hall building stands near the provement obligations of short time, aggre-

crest of the Farnam street hill, alongside the Bee building, an enduring monument to Omaha's municipal greatness. good showing. The Omaha city hall was built in 1891 at a cost of \$500,000 for construction, ex-

clusive of the value of the ground.

Take a glance at the rugged, solid public buildings and parks. Entering into cornerstones of the city hall, study the strength of its walls, contemplate the heights pierced by its tower-size up the massive building in all its beauty. Then you have an index to the solidity of the is as follows: business side of Omaha's government. The vast array of clerical details entering into the uffairs of the city requires an army of officials and attaches. The city's business is big. Immense sums of money must be handled and accounted for, and strict business system must be employed to order that the city may know whither it is drifting in a financial sense. You see the politician smoking his cigar and taking life easy, and you perhaps reach the conclusion that a city hall job is a anap. So it is sometimes for some individuals, but the fact remains nevertheless, that there is much work to be done and somebody is doing 't. The politician

find hard working clerks. They are the workers of the city administration. Back in the fifties, so history records, in those days that is, it passed sometimes, system. Other times it was refused. But those hardpan days have long since passed into a. The following names indicate the per-

with the black cigar is not all of the city

had force. Over there behind a big desk

and row after row of figures, you will

in various banks as follows:

Fortune in Public Buildings.

Omnha's Official Roster.

Harry E. Burnam, city attorney, Charles H. Withnell, building inspector, George W. Cralg city engineer. Thomas J. Flynn, street commissioner.

Thomas J. Flynh. street commissioner.
Raiph W. Connell. health commissioner.
Waldemar Michaelsen, city electrician.
John C. Lynch, plumbing inspector.
Joseph Scully, milk commissioner.
Charles F. Crowley, gas commissioner.
Robert J. Wolfe, boiler inspector.
Emil Wallistrom, custodian city hall.
C. T. Dickinson, city prosecutor.
John J. Malianey, clerk police court.
Wood W. Hartley, city abstracter.
A. B. Waggoner, pound master.
John J. Killian, market master.
Richard A. Schneider, license inspector.

Fleishman meat inspector.

Of the foregoing offices, all are elective

from mayor to city engineer. From street

Personnel of the City Council.

Esau Fleishman, meat insp. G. R. Young, city veterinary

G. Pegg, inspector weights and

tions, city jail and school properties.

WORK OF OMAHA'S mere bit of reminiscence, and today sonnel of Omaha's city council at the pres- guarding public health. There is a system ent time, and the ward represented by each Cash Balance August 9, 1910.

> Any firm or any institution, either private or public, that has almost \$2,000,000 in bank to its credit, is by the very nature of things, rather strong in a money sense. Omaha has the \$2,000,000, or nearly so, for the last W. S. Sheldon, Sixth ward.
> Fred Schroeder, Seventh ward.
> J. B. Hummel, Eighth ward.
> Thomas McGovern, Ninth ward.
> A. C. Kugel, Tenth ward.
> M. F. Funkhouser, Eleventh ward.
> C. M. Davis, Twelfth ward. financial statement issued by Comptroller Lobeck shows that on August 9, this year, the city of Omaha had a total balance of cash in bank, amounting to \$1,796,765.17-

Activity in Public Improvements. The money thus mentioned is distributed During the year 1909, Omaha expended \$855,471.64 for street improvements, dis-5.628 27 tributed as follows:

Halance in banks, city funds— First National	Pavements— 2.96 mi Irick 5-43 ml Stone and cement Hami	les l
U. S. National 281,251.31	Total 8.83 mi Cost, 4384,712.28. 8.83 mi Curbing 13.55 mi	
Kountze Bros., N. Y 55,153.60	Cost, \$384,712.28, Curbing	
City National 125,089.81	Curbing 13,55 mi	CB 7
Corn Exchange Nat'l 152.818,47—1,493,155.78 Balances in banks, school funds— First National	Cost, \$48,512.87.	1
Balances in Danks, school lunds—	Sewers-	
First National \$63,406.61 Merchants National 37,897.41	Pipe 5.8 mi	les (
Omaha National 49,022.61	Brick 1. mi Cement	es ,
U. S. National	Cement	les '
Kountze Bros., N. Y 1,963.31	10.44.14	
City National 72,856.00 287,734.50	Totals	les i
Police relief fund-	Sidewalks—	. 3
Merchants National\$ 111,36	Brick 5.08 mi	
U. S. National 633.86— 745.22	Cement 19.02 mi	cs .
Special fund-		
Merchants National 1:000.00	Total	100
	Court #50 455 51	ten l
Total cash on hand	Grading 65 860 cubic you	de Y
The bonded debt of Omaha at the pres-	Grading	caes
ent time, exclusive of special street im-	Grading repairs, \$8,105 53.	
The same of the sa	Miles and the state of the stat	

The year 1919, now turning into its fin-It is estimated that the city of Omaha has approximately \$5,000,000 represented in this \$5,000,000 total are such items as city hall, public library, several parks, fire stapaving, and each year sees the mileage each place: lengthened. If all the paving in Omaha were stretched out in a straight line, it The personnel of the city's official roster would form a continuous walk linking Omaha with Sloux Falls, S. D., or if James C. Dahlman, mayor, Dan B. Butler, city clerk. Frank A. Furay, city and county treasturned around the other way, it would lead

from Omaha to St. Joseph, Mo.

Omaha is a Reading Center.

Judging from the vast array of figures always in evidence attesting Omaha's commercial supremacy, one might deduce that Omaha is given to cold. sordid business to the exclusion of the finer things

Hose Companies—
No. 5. Eight and Pierce.
No. 6. 914-916 North Twenty-fourth.
No. 7. Thirty-sixth and Jackson.
No. 8. Forty-first and Hamilton.
No. 9. Twenty-first and Spring.
No. 10. Twenty-ninth and Dorcas.
No. 11. Thirtieth and Spruiding. Omnha Is a Reading Center. that go to make up a city. Such, however, is not the case. Witness in support of Omaha's claim to culture, the attention that is given to the splendid public library which occupies its own \$196,000 home on Harney and Eighteenth streets. . This library contains almost any book that is in circulation, with the exception, of course, First assistant chief. of such publications that are barred from libraries in general.

The official roster of the public library is as follows: F. L. Haller, president; H. P. brarian.

Deuel, vice president; A. D. Fetterman, secretary. Directors: Lucien Stevens, J. J. Omaha as a municipality, was far from commissioner to the end of the list, the Ryder, Edward Black, L. J. TePoel, A. J. wealthy. City scrip passed in lieu of money officers coming under the appointive Collett, T. L. Ringwalt, Edith Tobitt, H. Omaha, and a fact of which every Omaha and a ready market for its securities. brarian; Margaret O'Brien, assistant li- citizen has reason to be proud, is the Such is the Omaha of 1910, the same city

ent time, and the ward represented by each: of rigid inspection of milk and other RAILROADS SPREAD LIKE FAN G. F. Brucker, president city council, Charles M. Davis, temporary president. Louis Berka, First ward.
Lee Bridges, Second Ward.
Louis Burmeister, Third ward.
G. F. Brucker, Fifth ward.
W. S. Sheldon, Sixth ward.
W. S. Sheldon, Sixth ward.

G. F. Brucker, president city council, edibles such as are subject to contamination and the rate of mortality in proportion to population is notably small. Not for many years has there been anything even approaching a serious epidemic, and Dr. Ralph Connell, health officer, is on tion to population is notably small. Not Vast Network Radiates from Omaha thousands of tons pour into Omaha from middle of August. The recent block sigeven approaching a serious epidemic, and record with the statement that so far as sanitary precautions are concerned Omaha is in excellent condition. In all that pertains to "first aid to the injured," Omaha Big Improvements Have Been Caris up to the minute in comparison with

other metropolitan cities. City is Well Policed. Chief of Police John J. Donahue has 135 men in his department. In the selection of policemen, Omaha applies all of the tests be found anywhere. Police headquarters service. old-time "Black Maria" and the substitu- northern Nebraska and Iowa. tion of an up-to-date automobile patrol

Ready to Fight Fire.

gates \$5,700,000, which by comparison with shing half, will bring many other public mand of Chief Charles A. Salter, is one of by the long strings of cars. The line from a total of 62,993 cars on the entire road the best in the United States. All that is Lander, on what is known as the Wyoming In the state of Nebraska there are emis considered by municipal experts to be a which is ten miles of new paving which effective and modern has been included in and Northwestern division of the road, ployed 6,000 people, Omaha taking a goodly Steady Increase is Shown Month by will be completed before the end of the the fire-fighting paraphernalia, and the peryear. There is also a vast expansion of centage of loss from fires in Omaha is re- leys, through the greatest crop raising part sewer facilities, and new sidewalks have become so common that they no longer attract more than passing comment. Omaha now, exclusive of the work now under dicates the location of the stations, toway, but as yet unfinished, has 132 miles of gether with the officers and men on duty in Omaha's Fire Force.

Engine Companies— No. 1. L. eventh and Jackson... No. 2, 211 South Tenth......

No. 14, Twenty-second and Lake. Hook and Ladder Companies Eleventh and Jackson 914-916 North Twenty-fourth Eleventh and Dorcas No. 3. Eleventh and Dorcas...... No. 4. Twenty-seventh and Jones. Twenty-second and Ames nd assistant chief. Secretary

Grand total Credit of the City. splendid credit of the city. Bradstreet's, that fifty years ago found difficulty in Omaha has ample provision for safe from which agency emanates cold facts peddling its script.

as a Center.

MANY MILES OF NEW TRAINS

ried Out and Many Are Contemplated for the Near Future In and Around Omaha.

In the last year there has been put in that experience in policing a large city has service a number of new passenger trains proven to be necessary. Omaha policemen between Omaha and Seattle and Chicago are physical giants, comparing well in and Omaha. The Omaha-Seattle line conphysique with the Broadway squad in New nects with the Great Northern road from York or the best to be found in any other Billings through the Judith Basin, thus city. The character of man is also a mat- opening up new commerce to Omaha. In ter of concern and taken in the agg egate, all there was an increase of over 65,000 most traveled road for passengers coming Omaha has as clean a police force as can miles of transportation a month put in from the Windy City to the Pacific coast.

are at Eleventh and Dodge streets, and Spreading from Omaha like a huge fan, from that central station all of the men in the lines of the Northwestern road are the department operate. Among the other tributary to this city from Lander in modern advances made by the Omaha Wyoming, from Deadwood and Dalias in pacity in some seasons. police department is the relegating of the South Dakota and all the great country in

the east. Omaha has direct connections the recent additions to the service there with an immense amount of freight and are at the present time 1.543 locomotives The Omaha fire department, under com- passenger trade being brought to its doors 1.450 cars, and 60.600 freight cars, making will not have large shipments of grain the rain has fallen steadily in this territory and the biggest crop of years will be

concerning the financial status and the credit of municipalities as well as individual firms and corporations, gave to Omaha a strikingly strong editorial mention in the last January Annual Review, Under the capton, "Expansion at Omaha," Bradstreet's says in the course of a general article:

total permits taken out during 1909 being \$7,300,600, an increase of \$3,500,000 over 1908; Some steel structure buildings and a new ern road with its 8,000 miles of trackage court house were included, but there were have been connected with what was the 1,300 new dwellings, making the fourth Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha consecutive year during which more than rold, the Pierre, Rapid City and North-1.660 new places for people to live were western railway, and the Wyoming and erected in twelve months; 4,200 new homes Northwestern road, making a total milein four years. Real estate values in age of the system of 3,665 miles, covering creased 25 to 50 per cent on business prop- a vast teritory from the take shore lines erty: 15 to 25 per cent on residence lots. 206 Transfers, \$12,360,000."

Obviously then, a city with such a Brad- arid region of the west, which the road One of the gratifying facts concerning street rating naturally has gilt-edged credit is doing its utmost to improve.

the Missouri river region, except for the fic mark of other roads holds until the branch going to Deadwood to the big min- end of July or perhaps only the middle, ing districts of the Black Hills. Wheat in the Northwestern holds its own until the here, an unofficial estimate of the amount hals put on between Chicago and here, being that Omaha received over 60 per cent although the track was a double track

New Connections Made. the connection from Blunt to Gettysburg and from Blunt to Hitchcock being one of for the passenger travel safety are being installed.

Some years ago a complete double track the line of the road there one of the best. With its connections with the Union Pacific in the west the combination Chicago. Union Pacific and Northwestern line is the The freight traffic from Chicago to Omaha eclipses even the great grain and jobbers trade to the west, the big depot of the road in Omaha being crowded to its ca-

The complete mileage of this system covers almost 8,000 mfles, the Nebraska With this huge system extending far to lines aggregating 1,102 miles alone. With proportion of these.

Northwestern's New Depot.

The new freight depot of the Northwestern, which was built in 1965 and 1966, is now Bank clearings in Omaha steadily climb a full block wide from Thirteenth street higher as each month goes by. For the to Fourteenth street and from Davenport first seven months of the year 1916 there is street to Webster street, with room to an increase of almost \$70,000,000 over the double the capacity if found necessary. As same time of 1909. As the prosperity of a

Northwestern is considered to be favorable \$79.16, and for the corresponding period of to the plan of enlarging the Union Depot. | time this year, \$490,641,323.94, which are a branch headquarters, have Clearing House association show a combeen made over, new floors, and all modern parative statement of past years; "Building has been active in Omaha, the office fixtures and conveniences being put

In recent years the original Northwestof Lake Superior and Lake Michigan tracks to the roads far into the dry and

Many Trains to Chicago. On this line five trains a day leave Omaha for Chicago. As an indication of the immense passenger traffic of the road i

The lines through South Dakota follow in the summer season when the high trafof the grain shipments from this country. one and protected by former block signal arrangements, are only one of the In the last year large improvements have many little ways in which the educational been going on and some additions made, part of the road is carefully, constantly

on the watch for possible accidents. Others of the Omaha roads are growing them. Signal and other protective measures fast, and several of them are considering are constantly being investigated, and at new improvements and the enlargement the present time a number of new devices of the Omaha division of their road to keep up with the growth of trade here in recent years. The Great Western is buying 1,500 new freight cars and double tracks system with Chicago was installed, making and having new ballasting done on their road; the Illinois Central will move into new offices soon; improvements on their Chicago line have been made on the Rock Island. The Missouri Pacific is now in the depths of a complete overhauling of their line from here to Kansas City and other southern points. Several additions and improvements have been made in both the passenger and freight departments of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul road, and now they have one of the finest trains from here to Chicago and St. Paul. Freight handling on the Wabash has increased in Omaha considerably lately and some new arrangements are due there soon.

BANK CLEARINGS GROWING

Month, with No Backward Movement.

soon as the business justifies the enlarge- city can always be gauged by the growth ment by a consistent increase building will of its bank clearings there figures show begin. Another of the big enlargements that Omaha is developing rapidly as a comto be made is the building of a new pay. mercial and banking center.

senger terminal in Chicago, the structure During the seven months of 1500 the total to cost almost \$20,000,000. In Omaha the amount of bank clearings was \$120,592,-

In Omaha the entire offices of the road. The following figures from the Omaha

LIBSTON GIS.
1898\$319,441,528
18109 297,482,870
1900 315,135,196
1901
1902 361.511.775
11/07 392.890,930
1904
1005 442,285,695
1905 504.288,764
1907 567,515,738
1908 609,575.867
1909 735,225,568
the of 1900 and 1919:
1909. 1910.

807 243,588,798		190	1907. 567,515,738 1908. 603,535,867 1909. 735,225,568			
First seven mor	nthe	of	1900	n.nd	1910:	
anuary	19 57, 18; 47, 97; 71, 78; 60, 85; 61, 38; 62, 14; 59, 27;	3, 768 2, 782 9, 302 9, 205 6, 936	72 .86 .97 .71 .83	\$ 68.0 62.6 89.3 81.3 69.1 67.8	010. 14,068.77 77,136.60 61,243.33 25,238.06 63,939.04 62,313.61 34,401.49	
Totals	(20.59	9 Run	56	\$150.6	41 229 94	