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Minor Mention

EXPERTS ON PLANT'S VALUE

Taking of Testimony Concerning the Water System Under Way.

TWO SIDES ARE NOT AGREED

Company's Attorneys Hope to Get City Witness to Within a Handred Thousand of Figures They Have Fixed.

The court of condemnation, engaged in hearing the testimony upon which the valuation of the Council Bluffs city water plant will be based, yesterday when the city began to present its evidence. Judges Thornell, Hobson and Ellison, who constitute the court, expressed their favorable opinion in which both sides have decided to present the evidence.

This is in the form of complete schedules including every part of the plant with the footings for each tabulation. Each of the members of the court is given a copy in a compactly formed pamphlet. The witness, who is to give expert testimony concerning the value of the property, is also supplied with a copy, and likewise the attorneys.

The questions asked by the lawyers are based on the schedules opened before them and the witness repeats, using the data contained in the open copy in his hands. The judges follow the question and read from their copies the figures given by the witness.

City Schedules Opened

Only the schedules of the city were opened yesterday. Similar neatly bound volumes are in the possession of the attorneys for the water company. Messrs. John L. Webster and Judge McHugh of Omaha and George S. Wright of Council Bluffs, but they are zealously guarded, as are those of the city. The opposing attorneys are widely separated, using different rates, as they can be no "preparing" over the shoulders of the city's representatives to secure advance information in relation to totals. When the company's turn comes the same course will be followed. The judges said last evening that this admirable method of presenting the facts greatly simplified the work and would reduce the time required one-half.

The schedules are all prepared upon an inventory made by the water company, originally for the use of Engineer Klerated and checked over by both sides with the additions that have been made since 1908. All sorts of alleged "advance" information has been doped out and some of it may appear in print, but it cannot be relied upon as authentic.

The summary of Mr. Burns' testimony for the entire afternoon showed his valuation of the thirty-four and a half miles of cast iron and eight miles of wrought iron pipe to be \$177,347; the cost of laying it, \$52,740 and the cost of the 28 1/2 miles of water works to be \$1,832, making a total of \$2,410,087 for the entire distributing system. Mr. Klerated's estimates, which included valves and a number of other things not so far included by Mr. Burns, was \$25,305 for the distribution system. The addition of practically \$200,000 to the value of the water works will make Mr. Burns' estimate run very close to that of Mr. Klerated.

The attorneys for the city and Mr. Burns last evening authorized the statement that the city's appraisal will be approximately \$2,000,000 for the entire plant, while that of Mr. Klerated was \$2,610,000. It was also stated by Mr. Burns and the city's attorney, Messrs. Kimball and Tingley, that the depreciation would be quite large, probably as great as 25 per cent.

Inadequacy of System

City Engineer Etnyre was on the stand for a large part of the day. His testimony related to the inadequacy of the system for supplying the wants of the city, which reduced, if it did not wholly destroy, the "going value" of the plant. Attorney Webster and McHugh fought hard to prevent this testimony going in, and instanced a decision in the United States court of appeals where similar evidence was admitted in the record of the Omaha water case and was excluded. Judge Hobson, chairman of the condemnation court, stated that the Iowa law provided for no such review, and as the court had to pass finally on this phase of the matter the judges had decided to permit the widest latitude in the introduction of evidence, seeking everything that would in the remotest degree bear upon the actual value of the plant at the present time, and that such motions would be uniformly overruled. The same objection was raised when City Engineer Etnyre testified to the condition of the Broadway paving; that that nothing should be charged as cost for relaying pavement above water pipes, and it was likewise overruled.

The judges decided to convene court each morning at 10 o'clock, and that appears to be an early as the attorneys for the water company can reach here from their homes in Omaha. Mr. Burns will resume his testimony this morning and Mr. Etnyre will again take the stand.

Stockholders Ask Par for Telephone Stock in Demand

Struggle to Get Controlling Interest in Independent Plant Brings Out Interesting Features.

The process of acquiring the stock of the Independent Telephone company by the Bell interests is going forward steadily. The price, however, is considerably higher than was paid before the knowledge of the transaction became public. The ruling prices, for there were several, were in the neighborhood of 10 and 15 cents. Now the sales are being made on a basis of 100 per cent less 5 1/2 per cent charged for commission.

A number of deals were reported yesterday at these figures. Chris Straub sold his \$5,000 worth of stock and E. A. Wickham parted with his, amounting to \$4,500, on the same basis. Efforts to buy \$2,000 worth held by J. M. Phillips, a retired farmer, \$15,000 held by the Shurtz family and \$10,000 owned by J. D. Edmundson were not successful. It is said that each of these stockholders demanded full par value. Many other stockholders, in possession of smaller amounts, averaging in the vicinity of \$1,000, are inclined to join the larger holdings and insist upon par or better.

Only the common stock figures in the transactions at the present time, for the reason that this stock has voting power and the preferred, more of the nature of bonds, does not. That the Bell company now has a controlling interest is also admitted, but the desire appears to be to get possession of the larger blocks of the stock. Evidence of another check, of the value of \$100,000, that came from the same source as the other, have been discovered. When this has been disbursed, if it has not been already, the Bell people

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Views of Spring Rugs and Farewell of Stock Rugs

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\$22.50 Wilton Velvet Rug—8-3x11-9	\$14.00	\$18.50 Brussels Rug—7-6x10-6	\$11.00	
\$24.00 Wilton Velvet Rug—8-3x9-6	\$13.00	\$12.75 Brussels Rug—4-6x10-6	\$8.00	
\$20.50 Wilton Velvet Rug—8-3x9-6	\$13.00	\$13.00 Brussels Rug—6-1x9-9	\$10.00	
\$19.50 Wilton Velvet Rug—8-3x9-9	\$11.00	\$11.00 Brussels Rug—5-9x6	\$8.00	
\$21.00 Wilton Velvet Rug—7-9x10-6	\$13.00	\$10.00 Brussels Rug—8-5x10-6	\$10.00	
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\$18.50 Wilton Velvet Rug—9-6x12-9	\$17.00	\$7.25 Brussels Rug—8-3x11-3	\$10.00	
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\$15.00 Axminster Rug—6x7-1	\$9.00	Body Brussels—8-3x10-6	\$31.50	
\$23.00 Axminster Rug—8-3x10-9	\$13.50	Body Brussels—3x9	\$29.50	
\$27.50 Axminster Rug—10-6x12-9	\$19.00	Body Brussels—9x12	\$33.50	
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\$27.00 Axminster Rug—10-6x12-9	\$18.00	Body Brussels—10-6x12	\$46.00	
		Body Brussels—10-6x13-6	\$54.00	
		Body Brussels—11-3x15-6	\$58.00	

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Axminster Rug—6x12	\$21.75	Royal Wilton Rug—36x63	\$7.00	Royal Wilton Rug—36x63	\$7.00
Royal Axminster—27x60	\$3.00	Royal Wilton Rug—4-6x7-6	\$15.00	Royal Wilton Rug—4-6x7-6	\$15.00
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Poisoners of Russian Count Found Guilty; Life Term for One

De Lassy Gets Penal Servitude and Pantechenko Escapes with Fifteen Years.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 17.—A verdict of guilty was returned tonight against Count O'Brien de Lassy and Dr. Pantechenko for poisoning of Count Vassili Boutourlin. In the case of Mme. Muravieff a verdict of not guilty was returned.

The jury recommended mercy in the case of Pantechenko on account of extenuating circumstances.

De Lassy was sentenced to penal servitude for life and Pantechenko to fifteen years imprisonment.

The trial aroused much interest and developed some startling testimony. Prior to the proceedings Pantechenko made a confession in which he accused De Lassy of hiring him to poison Count Vassili, who was half to General Boutourlin's millions. De Lassy's wife is the daughter of General Boutourlin, and by the removal of Vassili the general's estate would go to his daughter.

On the witness stand Pantechenko denied the confession and made so erratic statements that he was thought insane. Much evidence was adduced to show that he and De Lassy had intimate dealings.

At the end of the trial De Lassy was overcome. He attempted to make a speech to the jury, but ended abruptly by saying: "I cannot talk. I leave the fate of myself and relatives to your minds and your hearts."

Pantechenko, in an incoherent speech, said that he did not repudiate his confession, but wished to specify the degree of his guilt. He said that the question now was whether a Russian physician was capable of such a dastardly crime, and to this he proudly answered no.

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