

Council Bluffs

COST OF WATER WORKS PLANT

Expert Burns Continues in Court, Giving Testimony.

HALF MILLION DOLLAR ESTIMATE

Expense of Paving Along Streets in Which Meters Are Laid is Taken Into Consideration.

Another day of hard and earnest work was yesterday devoted to valuing the property of the city water plant, and when the court adjourned at 5 o'clock there was still apparently three days' work before Expert Burns before the city closes its testimony on direct examination. Although exact totals have not been computed, the physical valuation so far totals \$600,000, in round numbers. There is to be added to this the cost of the paving above all pipes on paved streets, the cost of engineering and superintendence when the plant was constructed and which must still be taken into account. These items and the numerous other incidentals will bring the aggregate above \$600,000, from which the depreciations must be computed and deducted.

Another effort was made yesterday afternoon by the judges to secure an earlier four for beginning court in the morning and 5:30 was suggested to the Omaha attorneys representing the water company, Messrs. Webster, McHugh and Stout, and they will give an answer Monday. The late hour of beginning and continuing until 5 o'clock is placing a serious strain upon Court Reporter James Farnsworth, who is compelled to extend his shorthand notes daily. This has kept him detaining to the photographs until after 3 o'clock each night.

The judges again complimented Attorney Kimball and Tinley upon the splendid manner in which they were presenting the city's case, declaring that it relieved the court of half the work that would otherwise be involved in the case.

Figures by Burns.

Engineer Burns yesterday continued his valuation of the Broadway pumping station, including the reservoir. He had previously given the value of the pumping machinery in round numbers at \$18,000, and yesterday gave the final details, making it \$18,528.38. Added to this are the boiler plant, \$6,553.32; feed pipes, \$501; condensing pumps, \$92.32; air tanks, \$24; apparatus, \$613.58; wagon scales, \$135; engineer's cottage on Broadway, \$1,250; stock and tool sheds, \$121.50; reservoirs, \$62,708.07; sewerage and drains, \$11,139.20. The last item includes 3,000 feet of oak flume built as an intake from the river at a cost of \$5,000. It was used one year and abandoned and is now decayed and worthless, requiring the deduction of the full cost. Engineer Kierstedt's valuation of the reservoirs for the city in 1908 was \$9,700.

The work of laying the foundation to show the depreciation of the property and its present value was begun when the city placed Contractors John J. Myrtve and J. Chris Jensen on the stand to give the present values of the buildings. The building housing the Broadway pumping station was placed at \$7,107.82; the new building completed last fall for the purification plant, \$2,646.50; engineer's cottage on Broadway, \$1,250; custodian's cottage at Glendale reservoir, \$922.88; store and tool house, \$72. These depreciations indicate some of the percentages of depreciation that will be indicated upon by the city. Following are some of the larger items valued by Mr. Burns since the beginning of his testimony, and which will be reduced by the percentage of depreciation to be fixed later.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes items like Iron pipe in plant, Special casing, Cost of laying mains, Fire hydrants, etc.

The cost of the paving and crossings under railway tracks and beneath Indian creek is scheduled by the inventory at approximately \$40,000, but these values include the Broadway and South Main street granite paving, which will probably all be replaced with brick during the summer, and this will eliminate a large portion of the cost.

There's a world of comfort in a perfect fitting pair of glasses or spectacles. We have the most competent Registered Optometrist in the West in charge of our Optical department. Our prices are more than reasonable. Our fitting is absolutely guaranteed. Leftert.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers were reported to The Bee-Friday by the Pottawattamie County Abstract company, Council Bluffs: Benjamin-Pehr Hall Estate Co. to F. J. Day, lot 20, block 2, Central sub. \$1,000. S. L. Stephens to George Gamsel, part sec. 24, T. 24 N., R. 24 W. \$1,300. Hattie Benjamin and husband to F. J. Day, lot 5, block 4, Bushnell's add. \$200. C. V. Miller to Anna T. Wittman, lot 20, block 1, Wilson Terrace add. \$250. A. A. Clark and wife to Martha Headley, lots 9 and 10, block 11, Central sub. \$1,000. Five transfers, total, \$4,800.

A good watch is oft times ruined by a bungling watchmaker. If your watch needs attention leave it with expert repairs whose work is guaranteed by a reliable business house. Leftert's Big Jewelry Store employs the highest priced watchmakers in the west.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to the following persons: Name and Residence. Age. Charles F. Knott, Council Bluffs. 25. Hattie Hammermeister, Council Bluffs. 20. Raymond C. Nantz, Hamburg. 22. Margaret Hanson, Gillett. 21. Lester E. Way, Omaha. 22. Iva Mae Hopkins, Omaha. 21. George T. Howard, Council Bluffs. 21. Grace Hardesty, Council Bluffs. 21.

You are probably aware that pneumonia always results from a cold, but you never heard of a cold resulting in pneumonia when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was used. Why take the risk when this remedy may be had for a trifle. For sale by all dealers.

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Minor Mention

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DAVID, drops. Corrigans undertakers. Phones 12. PAINT BEER at ROGERS' BUFFET. Woodring Undertaking company. Tel. 29. Lewis Cutler, general director. Phone 25. PURR GOLD WEDDING RINGS-LEF. ERT'S. Pure blackberry juice and Virginia Dare wine. J. J. Klein Co. WANTED-Reliable air for general housework. 80 Fifth avenue. Oculists' prescriptions accurately filled the same day at Leftert's Big Jewelry Store. Last-Bunch of keys; Wickham's name on brass tag. Return to 19 Scott street. Nursing mothers drink Anheuser-Busch malt. L. Rosenfeld Liquor company, 613 E. Main street. Hair, your glasses fitted and repaired by J. W. Terry, 41 Broadway, office with George Gerner. The John Huss castle, Royal Highlanders, face invitation for music hall and box social at Danish hall tomorrow evening. The S. A. Pierce & Co. shoe store is now open for business at the old location, 153 West Broadway, between Pearl and 15th streets. The beautiful window display of Knapp's Prints, including new reproductions of the Hills and the Guardian Angel. L. C. Knapp's shop, 223 Broadway. READ "GIVING HINNIN" JONES A CHANCE" in the Saturday Evening Post of February 18. After reading, send your copy of the Post to the school. Oakland avenue chapter of St. Paul's guild will meet at the home of J. S. Gardner, 22 Lawton Terrace, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Music will be one of the features of the meeting. Mrs. Robert E. Theinhardt and daughter, Caroline, have left for their home in Bencland, Fergus county, Montana, after an extended visit with Mrs. Theinhardt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kohler. Ireneau B. Duncan was yesterday given a decree of divorce from Cora Duncan on the grounds of desertion. The husband was 35 and the wife 23 years old, and the court noted on the decree, "French and German." While Mayor Maloney was in Baltimore he secured some practical and desirable plans for landscape gardening, suitable for Rohrer park, which he at once forwarded to Mr. Rohrer, and which will be put to use this season. Several changes will be made today in the train schedules of the Union Pacific railroad, affecting the arrival and departure of trains at Council Bluffs. For the west, the 10:30 a. m. train will leave at 10:30 a. m. The North Platte local will leave at 11:30 a. m. The Rock Island train will leave at 11:30 a. m. The Council Bluffs High school basketball team defeated the Malvern High schoolers in a fast game at Malvern last night by a score of 21 to 25. The game was witnessed by a good crowd, many of whom were rooters accompanying the Council Bluffs club. The stars for the Bluffs team were: Ed. Smith, center; J. W. Smith, forward; J. W. Smith, guard; J. W. Smith, guard; J. W. Smith, guard. The Malvern players were: J. W. Smith, center; J. W. Smith, forward; J. W. Smith, guard; J. W. Smith, guard; J. W. Smith, guard. The local knights of Columbus will go to Neola today to confer their degrees upon a class of sixty that has been organized at Council Bluffs. The Council Bluffs knights will confer the first and second degrees and the second will be exemplified by the Sioux City council. A special train will carry the local knights to the number of about 175, leaving the Rock Island station at 11:15 o'clock sharp. The Omaha and Council Bluffs Street Railway company yesterday paid the judgment of \$900 secured by Neis Swanson when he sued the company in the district court for the cost of a street car. The street car company's check for \$1,053.27 was received yesterday afternoon by Clerk Brown in full for the judgment and costs. The regular meeting of the Golden Rod club was held at the home of Mrs. William W. Putman on Thursday afternoon. A pleasant afternoon was spent in the dining room, where a two-course dinner was served. The house was given a handsomely decorated table. The first prize was won by Miss Gatesford, the second by Mrs. J. C. Roth and the cut-off for Mrs. Gatesford. The club will meet again in two weeks with Mrs. Putman on Avenue B. Mrs. Lent L. Booth, wife of James O. Booth, died at the district court yesterday for appointment as guardian of the estate of her husband, who is insane and an inmate of the Charita hospital, with no hope of recovery. She states that he has an interest in his father's estate which can only be secured by the court and that she and her creditors as well as his wife and three children are entitled to its use. She asks that the bond be fixed at a nominal price and that she be authorized to bring the required suit. The almost impassable condition of the country roads has caused a sharp advance in the price of country produce. Eggs recently sold at 18 cents a dozen and butter also soared around the old heights so long familiar to our people. The weather is declared to be sufficient to withdraw all of the frost and permit the ground to freeze. The roads to escape when normal conditions of the dirt roads may be expected. Contracts with high tension wires has been awarded to the district court yesterday for the permanent retirement until replaced by new lines. The matter will be submitted to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners at the next meeting. The boxes are of the kind that are used for the many of which have been replaced by the Gamewell. Those out of commission now have been in the shop for repair for a week. Their numbers and locations are: Twenty-first street and Sixth avenue; 41 and Tenth avenue; 29, Ninth and Tenth streets. They are so badly burned that they cannot be repaired without installing many new pairs. A number of local Eagles, headed by the chief officer, attended the home of Sam Gamewell at Neola, Thursday evening and helped him celebrate his 81st birthday anniversary. For the purpose of assisting him in remembering the event the chief officer presented him with a silver watch. The oldest Eagle in this part of the country, having been a charter member of the first lodge organized in this part of the state. He is a butcher, and still does the larger part of his shop and slaughterhouse work. Among the delegates to the convention were Edward Amundval, president of the local lodge; W. H. Harghausen, vice president; and J. W. Bryant, B. J. Weber, Mahlon Harford, Harding, Harry Griffith and Gibson. The Miss Julia Officer is sending out a few marked copies of the Des Moines newspaper to the members of the recent purchase by the school board of the city of \$7,500 lot to enlarge a school yard for the school building. The members of the Council Bluffs Board of Education received copies of the paper. Miss Officer is also writing a story in the current magazine entitled "Giving Johnny Jones a Chance." 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Coup of Iowa Senator Places Responsibility on Progressives.

TRICK IS NEARLY SUCCESSFUL

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(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Feb. 19.—(Special.)—Among the politicians of the state the impression is strong that as a result of the evolutions of the last week in regard to the senatorship the position of the standpaters in the senate is being shifted. The standpaters of the progressive faction. It is admitted on every hand that the progressives have not played as good politics as their adversaries and that the advantage is largely with the latter. The turning of the standpaters to Judge Horace E. Deemer in a body was a coup of the first importance. The availability of Deemer for the position was recognized at once. His name had been mentioned a dozen times in the papers that are not tied up with the candidacy of others. He is a man of such high character that no possible explanation will satisfy the public as to why he was not elected. But the trick came a great deal nearer to success than had been anticipated. It is now known that the democrats were just on the point of joining in with the standpaters in a large body of the conservative progressive to elect Deemer, and that the democrats actually cautioned on the matter and a majority of them favored electing Deemer. But they had agreed to all stand together and because a few of them refused to join in the Deemer movement it had to be abandoned. It is also true that the progressives came very near being stampeded for Deemer. They were nearly stampeded by the standpaters and many of them declared at once that the challenge of the standpaters should be accepted for the most acceptable compromise which could possibly be offered. As soon as time was given for the special workers for Kenyon to get busy they were able to line up the northern Iowa progressives largely on the theory that Fort Dodge and the Tenth district are entitled to the senatorship of anyone of never having had very much anything to do with the matter. Burden Upon Progressives. As a result of all this the railroad progressives are placed in the attitude of being obstructionists, of being opposed to any harmony, of being selfish and stubborn rather than broad minded and patriotic. Their attitude lacks much of being that of disinterested and patriotic republicans and that fact will inevitably harm them very much in the campaigns of the future. The attitude of the progressives who joined in for the selection of Judge Deemer was not that by so doing they were yielding to the other faction, but that they were securing one who is in every sense of the word a thorough progressive and above all else one who is so conspicuous for his ability and his true culture that his selection would stand as a matter of great credit to the Thirty-fourth general assembly. It seems now probable that in case there is a deadlock at the end of the session that both sides will start at once on a fight for the primary victory of next year, that the standpaters will select either Young or Carroll as a standard bearer, while the progressives will probably be unable to agree upon any candidate for the place. Under the circumstances it will be easy to see that the standpaters will win. They will have the advantage of having shown a willingness to sink personal preference in the senatorial matter and although they had refused to recognize majority rule in the party they had at the last tried to secure election to the senate of a good man. There has been some discussion as to the attitude of the standpaters toward the other side. So long as it seemed to be a controversy between Young, who had been conspicuous in the Taft club of last summer, and Judge Kenyon, an official of the administration, it is certain there was no part taken from Washington. But as soon as Young was out of it, Mr. Roberts, director of the mine camps and the top personal charge of the Kenyon candidacy. This is believed generally, however, to be only a matter of personal friendship. Appropriation Matters. The work of the appropriation committees of the legislature is just now fairly beginning. The problem of how to stretch out an income of less than two million dollars to cover a budget of nearly four million dollars is largely in the hands of the two men who are at the head of these committees—Senator Mattes and Representative Moore. Both are well equipped for the positions. The state educational institutions and the institutions under the board of control alone are asking a little more than the total amount available for the legislature to appropriate, or about million dollars each. They can readily show that they really need all this money for the three colleges and fifteen other institutions. There is demand for money for various other matters, for increases in pay, for more offices, for boards and commissions, for roads and other things. There will be new buildings started for the state nor purchase of land. The claims against the state are few. The national guard does not need anything more. No Prohibitory Amendment. It is not probable the legislature will authorize a vote on the prohibitory amendment to the constitution. The house is disposed to be pretty strongly temperate, but the senate is conservative in its views and a majority are disposed to permit things to run as they are for the present. The advocates of constitutional prohibition are really not presenting the matter very strongly because they realize that they are getting better results under the present Iowa law than they ever secured under constitutional prohibition. Not to Stop Gambling. The legislature of Iowa will not go on record as favoring any more stringent regulation or prohibition of gambling. A bill which had been introduced provided for applying the injunction principles to the gambling house, making it possible to enjoin the owner of a building from permitting gambling and then, in case of conviction, the fine would be against the property. It is a drastic measure and probably would have had the effect of breaking up organized gambling in most of the cities. But the bill has been indefinitely postponed. Saloon License by Election. In explanation of the plan to return to the system of voting on saloon contests as embodied in his bill introduced Saturday, Representative Shankland said: The proposed law would not change the present law in any way except in the manner of securing the consent of the voters to open saloons. The present law is as follows: In cities having a population of 2,500 or more, the voters of the city, in cities of less than 2,500 and over 1,000, and in the voters of the county, shall vote on the question of whether saloons shall be established in the city or county. The basis of per cent would remain the

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ONAWA—Mrs. J. E. Sellick died Saturday morning at her home in this city after illness of three weeks of typhoid pneumonia. Mrs. Sellick had been a resident of Onawa for many years, her husband being owner of a drug store at one time. The funeral was held at the home of M. F. Sellick. The funeral was held Sunday.

ONAWA—Es-Sheriff Ed Rawlings is making arrangements to open a livery business here March 1 in the Ross barn. Mr. Rawlings was in the business at Castana, Mo., prior to his election to the sheriff's office six years ago.

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SPENCER—Sixty-three years married is the record of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Chapman in this place and the years have not told heavily upon the couple. They were married in 1848 in the town of Spencer, Mo., and many of their old acquaintances and intimate friends called personally to extend congratulations.

GRANGER—The Granger Farmers' Cooperative treasury company has held its annual meeting and a very interesting report was submitted. The officers elected are: President, J. A. Ludwig; vice president, J. W. Darragh; secretary, J. Burkholder; treasurer, P. L. Damon; directors, A. A. Rigold, L. H. Pratt, E. McClood, J. Hayes and W. B. Hutchinson.

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