

VETO OF CHARTER HELPS FUND

Sinking Fund is Benefited by the Failure of the Bill.

TO RETIRE CITY HALL BONDS

Had the Charter Bill Become a Law This Money Would Not Have Been Available for This Purpose.

Through the veto of the bill for the revision of the city charter, the city officials will be able to retire \$100,000 worth of city hall bonds on June 1. Had the charter revision bill gone through, the bond sinking fund could not have been reduced. This statement was made by City Comptroller Fred Congrove, who advised the finance committee of the council that it would have sufficient funds to take up the bonds.

Available money will come from the sinking fund, which would have been depleted more than \$100,000 if the revised charter had become a law. The revision bill provided for diverting all money received as a sinking fund from the city hall bonds to the lighting fund. These occupation taxes amount to practically \$100,000 and can be used for retiring bonds, as the money goes to the sinking fund under the present charter. This amount will meet the sinking fund deficit only to replace the entire amount of the bonds, otherwise the sinking fund would have been out about \$100,000.

The sinking fund for 1911 is estimated at \$100,000, of which \$75,000 is a balance from last year. The bill would have added \$25,000 to the fund for 1911 and \$25,000 more from occupation taxes, building permits and other miscellaneous funds. Interest on daily balances of city funds is estimated at \$15,000, which will run the total amount in the neighborhood of \$135,000.

Against this amount \$28,425 will be required for interest on bonds on outstanding bonds, and \$100 for incidental purposes, such as exchange. These expenditures will leave a residue of a little more than \$100,000, which can be used for retiring the bonds due on June 1.

"Had the charter revision bill gone through, we would never have been able to meet the bonds and they would have to be refunded," said Mr. Congrove. "The money coming from the occupation taxes from lighting companies would have been diverted to the lighting fund, and we would have been short about \$100,000. The only thing that would have been left for the city to do would have been to retire a portion of the bonds and renew the rest, as has been done on former occasions. But now we will be able to meet the issue nicely and yet have a small amount left."

"At present, outstanding bonds to the amount of \$25,000 exist. Of this \$25,000 is the original issue and the \$50,000 renewed bonds. The issue was authorized in 1888, when \$50,000 was voted to cover the cost of building the city hall."

AMERICANS IMPRISONED IN BRUSSELS RELEASED

Ralph Brandreth, New York Millionaire, and His Secretary Were Convicted of Vagrancy.

BRUSSELS, Belgium, April 11.—The local papers this morning publish a story concerning Ralph Brandreth of New York and August Mathias, the latter being described as the New York secretary, in which it is affirmed that through the intervention of the minister of justice the two men have been released from prison after serving only twenty days of a two-year sentence.

According to the published account, Brandreth and Mathias were arrested on March 3 charged with having swindled the proprietor of a hotel, and were subsequently sentenced to imprisonment as vagrants. The papers state that an investigation, conducted by the minister of justice, convinced him that Brandreth was an American millionaire.

CONCUSSION OF BIG GUNS KILLS UNHATCHED CHICKENS

Farmers in Tangier Sound Object to Further Bombardment of the San Marcos.

NORFOLK, Va., April 11.—The killing of many unhatched chickens and hundreds of hard shell crabs by the big 12-inch guns of the Battleship New Hampshire, when they sunk the old Battleship San Marcos in Tangier sound, Chesapeake bay, during the naval experiments, has caused farmers and crab packers of the eastern shore of Virginia and Maryland to protest against further similar tests. The heavy concussion of the guns did the damage, it is said.

TORNADO AT FREDERICK, OKL.

James F. Smith is Killed and Four Members of B. W. Hensley's Family Injured.

FREDERICK, Okla., April 11.—In a tornado which swept across the country 10 miles southeast of this city last night the home of B. W. Hensley, a farmer, was demolished and its occupants scattered about the adjoining fields. James F. Smith of this city, who was visiting at the Hensley home, was killed when struck by flying timbers. Mr. Hensley, his wife and two young sons were more or less seriously injured.

All the members of the family were in bed when the roar of wind came and the house was torn to pieces. Some were whirled up bodily in their beds and carried through the air. The storm blew up from the northwest in a few moments and lasted not more than five minutes. It was followed by a soaking rain. It is believed that none of the injured will die.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY TO MEET

Topeka Branch of Women's Organization Will Hold Session Here

The Topeka branch of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal church will hold its quarterly meeting at the First Methodist church of Omaha Thursday. This is an all day session and missionary leaders from the eight states included in the branch will conduct the meetings. The morning sessions will include reports and discussions of plans. The afternoon session will be devoted to short talks. In the evening Mrs. R. S. Freeman, superintendent of young people's work for the society, will give the chief address. Her talk will include descriptions of what she has seen in her travels.

The officers who will attend the meeting include Mrs. H. Imboden of Wichita, president; Mrs. Torrington of Topeka, recording secretary; Mrs. Ella Watson of Lincoln, corresponding secretary; Miss Viola Troutman of Topeka, assistant secretary, and Mrs. McIntyre of Topeka, treasurer.

Ascrittore Still Trying to Convince Court of Good Faith

Today's Sitting of Camorra Trial is as Fruitful of Melodrama as Previous Sessions.

VITERBO, Italy, April 11.—Today's session of the Camorra trial was occupied throughout with the cross-examination of Giacomo Ascrittore, at the conclusion of which an adjournment was taken until after Easter. Ascrittore denounced Tommaso De Angelis and Gaetano Amedeo as the murderers of Genaro Cuccolo and his wife, in order, the state alleges, to shield the real assassins. For two days the prisoner has been trying to convince the jury that he acted in good faith and was not in a conspiracy with the priest, Ciro Vitozzi, who told the authorities that he had learned in the confessional of the guilt of the two men.

Today Ascrittore insisted that he still believed De Angelis and Amedeo took part in the killing of the Cuccolos and he posed as a martyr to the machinations of the camorristi and examining judges. He said in substance:

"During the investigation of the murders I was forced to withdraw my evidence against De Angelis and Amedeo. The camorristi and the judges persecuted me for calumny and kept me in jail for nearly four years. Thus they made a martyr not only of me, but of my poor mother, who in the eighty-third year of her life is crying her eyes out."

Ascrittore's reference to his mother drew a chorus of wails from the prisoner's pen, while his accusations against De Angelis and Amedeo provoked counter demonstrations from the friends of the latter. The day was thus as fruitful of melodrama as have been earlier sittings.

Protest Against Reciprocity Treaty

Farmers of Brown County, South Dakota, Call Mass Meeting for Next Friday.

ABERDEEN, S. D., April 10.—(Special.)—Two hundred Brown county farmers and business men assembled in mass convention at Groton on the afternoon of Saturday and unanimously adopted a resolution to the effect that they were unanimously opposed to the adoption of the reciprocity treaty with Canada. W. A. Kruger, a prominent Brown county farmer, presided at the meeting, and T. D. Reeves, editor of the Groton Independent and former state auditor, was secretary. The meeting called a mass meeting of Brown county farmers and business men to be held at the court house in Aberdeen on Friday, April 14, to take further action in the matter. The following committee was appointed to arrange for the meeting: T. A. Shoppe, E. T. Mather, A. T. Amsden, William Wood and A. W. Kruger.

Stockmen Meeting at Rapid City, S. D.

Strong Protest Will Be Made Against New Herd Laws—Curtis Aeroplane Draws Crowds.

RAPID CITY, S. D., April 11.—(Special.)—The largest crowd ever gathered in the Black Hills is here in attendance at annual celebration of the western South Dakota Stock Growers' association. The drawing card is the appearance of Glenn Curtiss in aeroplanes flights to take place this afternoon. The feature of business session of stockmen will be a protest against herd law, which they will refer to the referendum to gain more time. Association officials contend the time not ready for drastic change, which leaves no place for stockmen to place cattle which are not in condition for market.

Curtiss made a successful trial flight yesterday. It is estimated that 10,000 people are here.

FACULTY CHANGES IN ABERDEEN NORMAL SCHOOL

Miss Gullanderson Is Made Librarian to Succeed Miss Taubman, Who Resumes Instruction in German.

ABERDEEN, S. D., April 10.—The state regents of education, at meeting in Aberdeen, elected the faculty of the North-western Normal and industrial school for the ensuing year. But few changes were made. Miss Genevieve Taubman, who had been the librarian, in connection with her work as instructor, will add German to her classes and Miss Magnolia Gullanderson was made librarian. C. J. Lindem, in charge of woodwork and drawing will devote his time to drawing and kindred work, and Technical school of Chicago, will take charge of the class in woodwork. Miss Helen Mars, who has been in charge of the girls' athletic work, will go to college near Boston, her home, and will be succeeded by Miss Mabel Hall, the present instructor in elocution, who will combine gymnastic work with her present duties. Miss Edna Goffe, the present local secretary, will attend an eastern college, and she will be succeeded by W. M. Ostos.

SETTLER BURNED TO DEATH

John Thimble, Who Was Injured While Fighting Fire, Is Dead.

SILOU FALLS, S. D., April 11.—(Special.)—After suffering terribly for some days, John Thimble, a homesteader in the ceded portion of the Cheyenne River Indian reservation, is dead as the result of burns received while he was engaged in fighting a prairie fire, which swept over considerable area in the ceded lands. Himself and family came to South Dakota only a few months ago from New Haven, Ind., and he was just getting a good start on his homestead when he met with the experience which caused his death. His suffering was so intense that at times it required the utmost exertion of several men to prevent him leaping from his bed.

Disgraceful Conduct of liver and bowels in refusing to act, is quickly remedied with Dr. King's Life Pills. So. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.

Zeppelin Balloon at Düsseldorf. DÜSSELDORF, Rhinish Prussia, April 11.—Count Zeppelin's dirigible balloon, Deutschland II, arrived today from Frankfurt-on-the-Main and will be stationed here permanently to carry out the contract with the municipality for passenger flights.

SATURDAY IS CLEANING DAY

Mayor Dahlgren Issues a Proclamation to Clean Up.

HE URGES ALL TO GET BUSY

Directs Special Attention to Owners of Lots Used for Billboard Purposes, Which, He Says, Must Be Attended To.

OMAHA, Neb., April 11, 1911.—To the People of Omaha: Spring is here and the rubbish that has gathered during the winter should be removed.

As mayor of the city I request that on Saturday, April 15, of this year, everyone lay aside the ordinary cares and labor and direct your attention to the cleaning up of your yards, alleys and vacant lots; also those owning property that is being used for billboard purposes. They must be cleaned up.

I hope that the press, the schools and all others in the city will join in arousing public sentiment toward making this one grand clean-up day.

A city is as its people make it—if we all do our duty our city will be beautiful.

JAMES C. DAHLGREN, Mayor.

All together for beautifying Omaha.

Mayor Dahlgren has paved the way by naming next Saturday as a general clean-up day. The mayor issued his proclamation Tuesday morning setting aside Saturday and asks all citizens of Omaha to join hands in cleaning up the rubbish and other trash, which has accumulated during the winter months.

A city is what the people make it, declares the mayor. For this reason he urges everyone to participate in the general cleaning up.

Nebraska's Crops in Encouraging Shape

Reports from Twenty-Nine Points Received by Northwestern Indicate Prosperous Season.

Encouraging reports of crop and soil conditions over the Northwestern lines were received Tuesday from twenty-nine stations in Nebraska. Soil in twelve places was accounted "good," in eight "fair," in five "fine," and in only four places, "dry."

Wheat over all Nebraska is in the best of condition, and is planted on all the Northwestern line from Colon to Spencer. The recent rains have been fine for the wheat and the pastures, and all needed now, farmers declare, is warm weather.

Files Claim Because of Fire Auto Test

Pollard Charges that "Joy Ride" in New Truck Scared His Horses.

Charging that the city fire department, while joy riding in the new auto chemical hose and truck wagon, scared his horses, causing them to become unmanageable and run away, William Pollard filed a claim for damages of \$200.50 against the city Tuesday morning.

The claim was filed with the city comptroller. It stipulates that while the city officials were trying out the new wagon Saturday his horses became scared and in the ensuing runaway he was damaged in the amount named.

The claim will be referred to the Fire and Police board.

NEW RECORD IN DOG LICENSES

Dogs to the Number of 2,063 Are Now Wearing This Year's Tags in Omaha.

Dogs of all breeds, colors and sizes, numbering 2,063, are wearing 1911 license tags, according to the records in the city clerk's office. Of the number, 14 are females, for which the owners have parted with a \$5 bill to keep the fortunate kity out of the dog catcher's clutches. The number is a decided increase over former years for a corresponding period. City Clerk Butler says the records will be broken when the list is completed.

Mayor Dahlgren bought a dog tag Monday afternoon, which will permit his bloodhound pup to roam over the city at its own sweet will.

HILL LINE OFFICIALS TOURING

Darius Miller, President of the Burlington, and Other Officials on Inspection Trip.

Darius Miller, president of the Burlington lines, is now making an inspection tour of the lines west of the Missouri river. He is accompanied by other officials of the road. President Miller is expected in Omaha some time next week.

In the party making the trip with Mr. Miller are, H. E. Byram, vice-president; F. A. Toney, general superintendent of motive power; L. W. Wakeley, general passenger agent of the lines west of the Missouri; Conrad Krens, general freight agent of the lines west of the Missouri; and other local officials throughout the western division.

MORE COLONISTS TO THE WEST

Another Special Train of Eight Cars Passes Through Omaha Heavily Laden.

Landseekers from Chicago and points east passed through Omaha on a special train of eight cars on the Union Pacific Tuesday, bound for western points. The train was carrying passengers who had bought their tickets in the east, April 10, the last day of the colonist rates. California was to receive the majority of the homeseekers who went west Tuesday, nearly 100 of the colonists being bound for San Francisco and Los Angeles. Fifty colonists went to settle on farms in Oregon and Washington, and a few of the crowd were going to drop off in Colorado, Utah, Wyoming and Nevada.

One Conductor Helped Back to Work. Mr. Wilford Adams is his name, and he writes: "I was confined to my bed with chronic rheumatism and used two bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy with good effect. The third bottle put me on my feet and I resumed work as a conductor on the Lexington, Ky., Street Railway. It will do all you claim in cases of rheumatism." It clears the blood of uric acid. For sale by all druggists.

Gasoline War is Cutting Price for Omaha Consumers

Move of Standard Oil Against Smaller Dealers Makes Temporary Reduction.

Automobile users are reaping the reward of a merry gasoline war which is now going on in Omaha, said to be caused by a move of the Standard Oil company to freeze out some of the smaller dealers. Three days ago the price of best gasoline in Omaha was 11 cents a gallon. This is the grade used by motorists. A cut was made to 10 1/2 cents, then to 10 cents and today gasoline is selling in Omaha for 9 1/2 cents.

Game Birds Seized at Millard Hotel

Barrels of Wild Fowl Are Confiscated by Game Warden—Pursuing Pot Hunters.

One hundred and thirty-three game birds were confiscated at the Millard hotel Tuesday morning by H. L. Miller, game warden. The basement of the hotel was raided by Miller, accompanied by Frank Williams, deputy. The birds were found in barrels. Quail, geese and ducks were included in the assortment.

After the raid the officers started for LaPlatte to arrest the hunter who is alleged to have sold the birds.

RUNAWAY HORSE FALLS AND BREAKS HIS NECK

Frightened Animal Collides with Rear End of Truck, Incurs Fatal Hurts.

Made slippery by the rain, the lines dropped from the hands of John Kudiaz, a grocer and butcher of 2400 South Twenty-ninth street, causing his horse to run away. At Eighth and Leavenworth the frightened animal kicked loose from the wagon and continued on his maddened way to Sixteenth and Douglas, where he collided with the rear end of a passing truck and broke his neck.

SEVEN MAIL CLERKS ADVANCED

Men on the Omaha-Chadron Line Receive Notice of Increase in Their Pay.

Seven railway mail clerks on the Omaha-Chadron division have received notice of salary increases to take effect at once. They are: Eugene S. Luce, \$1,100 to \$1,200; Will L. Swanson, \$1,100 to \$1,200; W. H. Dodge, \$1,100 to \$1,200; Arthur G. De Long, \$1,100 to \$1,200; Clarence G. Pritchett, \$1,200 to \$1,300; Ed E. Anderson, \$1,200 to \$1,300.

BURMESTER OUT OF RACE

Says He Does Not Want Presidency of Council.

PRESS OF BUSINESS THE REASON

This Apparently Leaves the Field Clear for Judge Berka, Who Says It Has Been Promised to Him.

Louis Burmester does not want to be president of the city council and will not accept the honor, even if he should be selected to succeed Goodley Brucker, whose term expires next month.

Burmester stated Tuesday morning that he was not seeking the honor. "Please say for me that I do not want the presidency again," said Burmester. "Business connections would not permit me to give the time to the office that it requires, and it is for this reason that I decline to run for the place."

The withdrawal of Burmester leaves Judge Louis Berka with a clear field, unless some dark horse is sprung at the last minute. Berka contends that he was promised the place when Brucker was elected. Other members of the council deny that any such promise was made to Berka and were grooming Burmester as the man who could beat him.

The combination, which has been controlling the city council, faced a split as Berka was said to have five of the nine while Burmester had lined up the other four. With Burmester out of the race, Berka is resting easier and the combine is shaking hands with itself.

TRAINING SCHOOL EXAMS

National Secretary of the Y. W. C. A. Comes to Omaha Wednesday to Examine Three.

Miss Elizabeth Wilson, national secretary of the Young Women's Christian association in charge of the training schools, comes to Omaha Wednesday to examine the three young women who have completed their three months' apprenticeship at the Omaha association. Miss Jennie Tharrp, of Clarinda, Iowa; Miss Maude Kilgore, of Wichita, Kansas; and Miss Josie Schee, of Indianola, Iowa, are the three students who will qualify for association work.

Omaha has but recently been established as one of the national training centers and this is the first official visit of Miss Wilson, though she has visited the association frequently in general association work. Wednesday morning she will meet with the board of directors.

Foley's Kidney Pills contain in concentrated form ingredients of established therapeutic value for the relief and cure of all kidney and bladder ailments. Foley's Kidney Pills are antiseptic, tonic and restorative. Refuse substitutes. For sale by all druggists.

Hatpin Nearly Costs the Gateman His Eye

Woman Turns as She Goes to Her Train with Disastrous Results.

A hatpin in the hand of a woman, especially one on mischief bent, has long been known as a dangerous weapon. But still Pepper, gateman at the Union station, asserts that one in a woman's hat is much more destructive.

Pepper was calmly punching tickets as the people filed out the gates of the station Tuesday when a nicely dressed woman suddenly turned around to speak to a friend. The hatpin of her hat turned with her, and the point took a course just one-quarter of an inch from Pepper's eye, making a mark all the way to his left ear.

Court Says Boosting Can Be Far Overdone

Men Accused of Raising Denomination of Bills Captured by Storekeeper in South Omaha.

Praising up property a little beyond its real value for the sake of a prospective trade or sale, is not recognized or approved in law under the non de plume of "boosting." Such was in effect the refusal of an instruction asked from Judge Sutton by the attorneys of S. T. Rhode, against whom a jury returned a verdict of \$250.

The case was one of Nels C. Johnson, a farmer of Mills county, Iowa, against S. T. Rhode, connected with the Mills County Telephone company. Johnson traded his farm for \$5,000 worth of stock in the telephone company. He asserts that he afterwards found that the stock was worthless despite the representations of Rhode.

EUGENE M'INTYRE IS MISSING

Husband Departs Without Notice, Leaving His Wife and Children in Want.

Mrs. Eugene McIntyre, living at 3514 Parker street, has asked The Bee to help her locate her husband, who has been missing for four months, leaving her and her four children in want. She is at present living with her mother.

Mr. McIntyre, who was dark and tall and slender, was formerly a cook, but just before his disappearance he worked for the Racine Slatery company. On November 12 he went to work as usual, but did not return. The youngest of the four children was not born until a month after Mr. McIntyre's disappearance. The other children are now being cared for by friends.

Mrs. McIntyre said she heard of a McIntyre who died at the county hospital, but investigation did not show that it was her husband.

On another page will be found the rules governing the Booklovers' Contest.

BANQUET PRESIDENT LOVETT

Head of the Harriman Lines to Be Here in May or June.

GUEST OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

Members of the Club Desire to Show Their Appreciation of His Interest in the Welfare of the West.

Members of the Commercial club are looking forward with more than ordinary interest to the coming visit of President S. R. Lovett of the Union Pacific, whose presence here in May or June will be the occasion for an elaborate banquet. Omaha has long desired the opportunity to demonstrate to Mr. Lovett its appreciation of his faith in Omaha and the west. Members of the club take full cognizance of the Union Pacific's selection of this city in which to establish headquarters and erect one of the costliest and most pretentious buildings in town, and they also fully appreciate Mr. Lovett's wisdom in ordering such vast improvements along the "line west of Omaha, while officials of other roads hesitate.

All of these facts fill Omaha people with a keen desire to show their appreciation in fitting style. The date of Mr. Lovett's visit here has not been fixed, but he has written to the Commercial club stating he would be here some time in May or June.

NO DECISION IN AERO MEET

Omaha Aero Club Is to Meet This Week for Further Consideration of the Plan.

The meeting of the Omaha Aero club, that was to have been held Tuesday noon, to decide whether or not Omaha should accept the national balloon meet has been postponed. It will be called some time the last of this week, when J. M. Gault of the Omaha Commercial club returns to Omaha. The aero men are no nearer solution of their problem than they were a week ago. Most of them want the meet badly, but as it entails an expense of \$15,000 to \$20,000, it is a big proposition to tackle. The meet would be a big thing for Omaha and the Aero club is going to ask some of the big merchants and prominent members of the Commercial club if any outside help will be given them on the meet.

LID LIFTER IS CONVICTED

Andrew Nelson Found Guilty of Illegally Selling Liquor Fined Hundred Dollars.

Andrew Nelson, proprietor of a saloon on Sixteenth street in the Loyal block, was found guilty in police court Tuesday morning of violation of the eight o'clock law. He was fined \$100 and costs.

Prosecution of Nelson was instituted by Rev. J. M. Leidy, head of the Anti-Saloon league. Leidy bought the liquor and identified it as whiskey in court.

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SOLVE the daily puzzle picture and you will have a chance to get a \$2,000 Apperson car, a \$750 Kimball player-piano, a \$500 building lot in A. P. Tukey & Son's Iler addition, a \$200 Columbia Grafonola "Regent" and \$50 worth of records, or one of the thirty-five cash consolation prizes.

There is a new picture daily. There is one on page 5 of this issue. Do not send any coupons on which answers are made until close of the contest. Extra coupons may be had at The Bee office this week. It is never too late to join this game for you have weeks in which to answer the problems.

GET A BEE EVERY DAY AND SEE THE PICTURES

If the puzzles are too hard The Bee will furnish you a catalogue of 5,000 book titles from which number the seventy-five titles in the contest were taken. These catalogues sell for 25 cents at business office or 30 cents by mail.