

AFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Credit of City Threatened by Failure to Refund Block of Bonds.

EXTRA COUNCIL SESSION TO ACT

Matter Purely of Oversight, but Embarrassing to Fiscal Agents in the East—Back Taxes for Police and Firemen.

Owing to the dilatoriness of the city council in refunding a \$50,000 issue of interest-free bonds that have matured, Kuntze Bros., New York fiscal agents of the city, have notified the treasurer that the city credit is seriously impaired.

The bonds reached a twenty-year maturity three weeks ago and modern precedent in the New York agency for redemption or refunding. The city treasurer's office, notified of the matter, called the attention of the council to the necessity for prompt action in order that the credit of the city might not suffer.

Unhappily, through press of business, the matter has been neglected. Notwithstanding repeated calls from the New York agency, a telegram from Kuntze Bros. to Treasurer CHIR Friday carried the intelligence that further delay was dangerous and that immediate action was imperative in order to maintain the credit of the city.

Mayor Trauer, once back measures to meet the emergency and a special session of the city council will be convened Saturday morning for the purpose of either refunding the issue or redeeming the same. A telegram from the city treasurer to Kuntze Bros. acquainted them with the fact that the matter is in the hands of the mayor and council and that the determination of the city council as to the refunding will be known Saturday.

Will Use Back Taxes. Sixteen men will comprise the roster of each of the two departments of fire and police during the months of June and July, according to the determination reached by the police and fire board at their meeting Friday afternoon. The amount to be paid from the \$5,000 remaining in the hands of the city treasurer as the result of back taxes collected between the years 1904-6, and tax collections in excess of 90 per cent of the fiscal year for the present year, two funds with the scavenger collections will amply defray the cost of maintaining the two departments for the balance of the present fiscal year or until the new appropriation can be applied to the relief of the impoverished board.

This settlement of the matter commencing the rejection of the Briggs plan which proposed to maintain a police force of eighteen men for the next two months. According to the Briggs' plan the men were to be paid from the \$30,000 appropriation at the command of the police and fire board for the next fiscal year, beginning August 1. Mayor Trauer has taken a stand against the Briggs' plan, maintaining that to draw from it enough money to pay the force for the next two months would mortgage it for the next year and cripple the force as a consequence.

On the opinion of the Omaha law firm to warrant our course of procedure, the mayor. The law firm in question is that of Smyth, Smith & Shell, who, in a written opinion, declared that the excess money in the treasurer's office need not be applied to the interest and sinking fund payments that are not due at the end of the fiscal year, when all liabilities shall have been discharged. Of course the determination of the police and fire board awaits the confirmation of the council, which alone has the power to make a transfer of funds and make a decision in question. It is expected that the council will approve the mayor's position and vote the transfer for the reason that the Briggs' plan would mean a curtailed force for the ensuing year, which would shear the members of the council of a certain amount of patronage in the appointment of men to the two departments. As it is not at all an easy matter for the board to determine what men were to be comprised among the sixteen who are to police the city for the next two months, Mayor Trauer calculates that the total amount needed for the maintenance of the two departments will during the months of June and July will not exceed \$1,000, of which probably \$250 will be needed by the police department.

Murphy Will Fight. City Attorney Murphy has threatened repeatedly that he would oppose the transfer of money from one fund to another. He will no doubt take drastic measures to make his decision in the matter stick. He has issued notice that he will sue on the bond of any one who votes for the transfer of the funds. Mr. Murphy further insists that the \$25, said to have been paid the Omaha law firm for advice, must be defrayed by the private pockets of the persons interested.

Teachers Lack Their Pay. Public school teachers of South Omaha are wondering just when they will be able to handle the cold hard cash for which they worked during the month of May. They pay warrants of the teachers have been filed for some days, but up to Friday the board had not taken action on the matter. President of the school board, Rudolph Yeobutt said Friday that the board would attend to the matter without delay, but refused to indicate what course he would pursue in the matter. The teachers' pay warrants negotiable. It was said, some time ago, that the board would appeal to the custodian of the state school fund as a market for the warrants. So far no member of the board has paid the expected visit to the state capitol.

Friday evening marked the passage of the general office of the Cudahy Packing company from South Omaha to Chicago. Important papers and documents were packed in iron boxes and put aboard special cars, which will be routed to Chicago by the most expeditious way so as to be in two or three days. Monday morning, of the office force about 135 employees and their families were comprised in the transfer. They left for Chicago Friday evening at 6:30 o'clock over the Burlington road.

ELECTION CALLED IN MEXICO

De la Barra Summons Voters to Choose Electors.

WILL CAST BALLOTS OCTOBER 1

Successor to Diaz to Be Chosen on Sunday, October 15—Attempt is Made to Dynamite Madero at Juarez.

MEXICO CITY, June 3.—By official decree issued today by Provisional President de la Barra, a special presidential election was called. Electors will be chosen October 1 and these will select the successor of Porfirio Diaz, Sunday, October 15.

Governors are instructed to define and publicly announce prior to June 30 electoral districts in their states and territories, under the census of 1910. De la Barra fully realizes the responsibility he has assumed and he does not underestimate the difficulties to be encountered in holding open elections in Mexico. Election returns may be slow in coming in and it is not improbable, admit representatives of both the old government and the new, that in a few districts the result will be tangled. It remains for the parties to select their candidates. At present Francisco I. Madero, Jr., is the only man whose name is certain to be on the ballot. General Reyes will be here soon and it is evident his coming has made some of the Maderists nervous. The general has not said he will not be a candidate.

Reyes' Friends Fear Now. General Reyes' friends are not so numerous as they were before he was sent out of the country. That any effort will be made to prevent his coming is not expected; but stories of plots both in his favor and against him are heard daily. This afternoon a newspaper published a story that army officers had planned to proclaim him president and use their forces to place him at the head of the nation. Jose Limantour expects to leave Mexico for France June 12. He will carry with him a letter signed by many business men in the capital. When Madero arrives here he will be accorded only such a reception as is given a distinguished citizen, but there is no doubt it will be brilliant. Meetings are being held nightly by clubs formed to honor "the liberator of the country."

Among these clubs there is one formed today whose membership is entirely feminine. It is named the "Sara Perez Madero club." Plot to Dynamite Madero. The EL PASO, Tex., June 3.—Soon after the departure of Francisco I. Madero for Mexico City today details were made known of an alleged attempt to dynamite him. The plot, according to the insurance police, was to have been carried out during the night which Senator Madero attended in Juarez last night. Crutcher, former jefe politico of the town of Guadalupe, opposite Fabena, whom Madero deposed, has been locked up in Juarez and placed incommunicado and insurrecto secret service men have been detailed to make other arrests. When the plot was discovered, enough dynamite was being carried into the ball room to blow up the entire building. About 600 people, including Senor Madero and his wife, were the principals and witnesses of a grand march, which about 11 o'clock a man was stopped at the entrance. Out of the man's pocket was pulled a large tin can, which was filled with dynamite and provided with a time fuse. The insurrecto police assert that had the dynamite exploded in the ball room no one would have escaped injury.

Opinion is expressed by the Juarez authorities that the presence of the dynamite at the ball is only an elaborate conspiracy, formed in Mexico City and other places, by a political party opposed to Madero and that further developments will be seen. The departure of Senor Madero left Juarez in charge of General Jose de Luz Blanco and 1,500 insurrectos. An impressive incident of the departure of Madero was the farewell from him and General Navarro, former federal commander, who surrendered Juarez. When Madero saw the old federal commander in the crowd he ran forward to embrace him. Later General Navarro mounted the train platform and they embraced again. The insurrectos applauded. Madero expressed the hope of seeing Navarro in Mexico City. General Navarro in turn expressed thanks for his escape from Juarez.

Madero Planned. Senor Madero himself was greatly pleased with the prospects of his reaching Mexico City. "It is, of course, the climax of the revolution," he said. "It seems one triumph is completed and another begins in the open field, we are marching in peace to the stronghold of those who were once our foes. No one, six months ago, would have believed that so great a change could come to a country, when the country was divided between bitter enemies. Now I trust all the hatred and bitterness that after all it was a hatred merged in a social condition. As Mexicans we are brothers. I trust tranquility will spread throughout the land."

Just before the time set for his leaving, Senor Madero heard of the looting of the city of Parral, an important mining center. A band of robbers entered the place and took away \$50,000 from the banks there. Insurrecto Chieftains Expected for Treachery on Way to Jail. CANANEA, Sonora, June 3.—"El Lopez, ordered imprisoned on the charge that he had 'sold out' to American interests while in command of a section of the insurrectos, has been executed. Lopez was being conveyed here to serve an eight-year sentence imposed by a court-martial. Conflicting stories are being spread by the effect that the former insurrecto leader had attempted to escape and been shot, another that he pleaded to be executed rather than to be taken to prison. It is alleged also that Lopez had confided in having received \$200 for the surrender of Agua Prieta to the federals.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION WILL HEAR FROM REAGAN Invitation Extended Senator to Speak on Commission Form of Government. The delegates to the Central Labor union at the regular meeting last night passed a resolution inviting Senator John E. Reagan to deliver an address on the commission form of government before the next meeting of that body. The delegates present seemed to be all in favor of more light on the commission plan and several declared that the next meeting would be the largest held in several months. The committee which has charge of the co-operative store proposition reported that over 500 signatures for stock had already been secured and that as many more are expected before the next meeting. It was also reported that articles of incorporation for the new venture have already been drawn up and will be filed in a few days. A new union of cement finishers was organized at the labor headquarters last night by John A. Murray of San Francisco.

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HITS HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT

Lynch Takes Up Accounts Before County Board.

BUY POTATOES AT ADVANCE

Chairman of Finance Committee Says Institution Gave Ninety Cents When Price Sixty—Seeks "No Scalps."

Attack on the management of the county hospital was carried into a discussion of Lynch's accounts before the county commissioners Friday afternoon by John C. Lynch, chairman of the committee on finance, who has been pushing the investigation of the institution.

That 90 bushels of potatoes had been bought at 90 cents a bushel, when the market price was only 60 cents, was one of the charges made by the commissioner. He said that the highest price had been paid for fruit. Drug bills, he declared, were brought in months after the articles had been used, when it was impossible to check them up. "I'm not after any man's scalp," said Lynch, looking at Thomas O'Connor, in whose charge the hospital is, "but I do want to see these leaks stopped up."

The report returned by Commissioner O'Connor in the investigation investigated several weeks ago, which came up for discussion yesterday, was objected to by Commissioner Lynch as inaccurate and not to be depended upon. The report showed an increase in inmates great enough to account for the increase in expense that has marked the first four months of the present year. Lynch brought in a recommendation from George Anthes of the county auditing department, that the report was unreliable, as no daily record was kept of the inmates, and the total provided for during the month might be much larger or much less than any snap enumeration taken at the first of every month.

Lynch proposed that hereafter the superintendent at the hospital be instructed to make a daily record of the number of inmates, so that at the end of the month he could report to the board the number of inmates and the number of days each was in the hospital. In regard to the bills coming in late, Jeff W. Bedford expressed himself very forcibly as always having taken the stand that all bills should be in at the end of the month. Lynch also brought up several deficiencies in the management of the county store at South Omaha. He charged that packages of tea, supposed to contain a pound, were given out which weighed only three-quarters of a pound, and that it was the same with other articles as, for instance, crackers.

HOLDUP STORY FALLS DOWN Cashier of University of Minnesota Arrested for Embezzlement of Fourteen Thousand Dollars. MINNEAPOLIS, June 3.—J. D. Brewster, cashier of the University of Minnesota, who reported that he had been robbed by three men of \$14,000 near the campus yesterday, was placed under arrest at 1:30 this morning and taken to the Central police station, where he was charged with embezzlement.

Two Base Ball Managers Suspended. DAVENPORT, Ia., June 3.—Clarence Rowland and "Bill" Carney, managers of the Dubuque and Rock Island base ball teams, respectively, have been indefinitely suspended by President Al Testey as a result of their trouble with Empire Gaitrie.

NEW FACES AT CAPITAL IF RECIPROCIITY FAILS—LETTER President Taft Planned with Expression of Sioux City Men—Replies with Enthusiasm. WASHINGTON, June 3.—One of the many letters which come to the White House, commending the president's efforts in behalf of Canadian reciprocity, contained a sentence which was particularly pleasing to Mr. Taft and which elicited from him an enthusiastic reply. The letter was from a man in Sioux City, Ia., whose name was not made public. "If reciprocity fails," wrote the Iowan, "you will see many new faces in Washington after the next election."

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ENRIGHT CONFESSES KILLING GENTLEMAN

Business Agent of Steamfitters' Union Absolves Labor Officials of Any Responsibility.

CHICAGO, June 3.—Maurice Enright, business agent of the Steam Fitters union, charged with the murder of Vincent Altman and William Gentleman and thought by the police to have been implicated in other shooting affairs and labor slaying, tonight confessed he shot and killed Gentleman in a downtown saloon, May 2.

Enright absolved labor union officials of any responsibility in the murder and declared he shot Gentleman after Gentleman had fired several shots at him, following a personal quarrel. He denied he had any personal knowledge of the killing of Vincent Altman, or Bernard Malloy, both agents of labor unions, who were shot in saloons recently.

TAFT WITHHOLDS RECORDS Committee Cannot See Books Containing Item Certified by Roosevelt. WHAT BECAME OF \$1,600 BALANCE Artist Paid for Painting Day's Picture from the Emergency Fund —Secretary Knox Acts by Instructions. WASHINGTON, June 3.—A controversy over the executive's right to withhold confidential papers from a congressional probing committee was precipitated today by the refusal of Secretary of State Knox, on the instruction of President Taft, to make before the house committee on expenditures in the State department books showing the record of the payment for the portrait of former Secretary of State Day.

The committee is seeking to discover what became of the \$1,600 balance of the \$2,400 fund drawn for painting the portrait. Artist Rosenthal received only \$30 for his work and the \$1,600 is unaccounted for. The president held that the \$2,400 was paid out of the emergency fund for unforeseen emergencies in the diplomatic and consular service and for extending diplomatic intercourse with foreign nations, which congress had provided need not be accounted for if the president certifies that an item should be paid from this fund. President Roosevelt had made a notification and President Taft hesitated to go back on the word.

Would Reveal Other Items. Furthermore, Secretary Knox explained to the committee, it was improper to produce the books because thereby other undisclosed items of expenditure would be revealed. Secretary Knox said he was directed to complete his investigation into what became of the money and to report the facts to the committee. Chairman Hamlin of Missouri threatened to take the matter to the floor of the house. A colloquy between Hamlin and the secretary finally resulted in the suggestion that the chairman might be allowed personally to inspect the particular record. This course probably will be followed, it is believed. Mr. Hamlin questioned Secretary Knox closely as to what justification there was for paying for a portrait out of a secret fund set aside for unforeseen emergencies and for extending diplomatic intercourse.

Knox Writes to Taft. Secretary Knox in his letter to President Taft, dated June 1, said: "This expenditure was covered by a regular certificate issued under and pursuant to the authorization of section 331 of the revised statutes. Inasmuch as a compliance with this summons in the matter of producing the records containing statements regarding the \$1,600 voucher which have been certified to by one of your predecessors, President Roosevelt, as not proper under section 331 to be made public, I have to request your direction as to what my action in obedience to this summons shall be."

President Taft in his reply said that in view of the facts and circumstances and that the emergency fund expenditure for this period have, under the express authority of congress, been certified by Secretary Hay "for my predecessor, President Roosevelt, as not proper to be made public, I feel that nothing but some extraordinary circumstance would justify me in directing you to take such records before the committee named, because the discretion thus exercised under the statute should, in my judgment, in general be conclusive and binding upon this point."

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Mary Manning was wed again on Thursday night in New York, her new husband being Frederick E. Wadsworth of Detroit. Both parties filed divorce records as part of the proceeding attendant upon being a divorcee. Miss Manning was freed from James K. Hackett last year, securing her divorce in July, only a little while after Mr. Wadsworth had been divorced by his wife. It was then rumored that they were to wed, but this was strenuously denied by Miss Manning. The children of both parties were in attendance at the ceremony, which was performed at the star's apartments. One of the features of the affair is a statement from the bride that she will retire from the stage.

"The Follies of 1911" will wind up its stay at the Brandeis today, playing matinee and evening performances. At the close of the evening show the season and the tour of the company will be at an end and the whole outfit will break for home, which is Broadway. Early next month next review, "The Follies of 1911" is to be launched in New York. It will be a little early to get them all in, for the year is less than half over, and has been pretty well stuffed with all sorts of mistakes.

"It was love at first sight," remarks the ingenuo in Miss Nora Bayes in "Little Miss Fix-it." "Did you get a good look at him?" inquires the skeptical Nora. Charles Frohman has procured the English and American rights in a new play by Messrs. De Caillave and De Fiers, authors of "Inconstant George." The piece is not yet finished, but arrangements are completed for its production at the Theatre Francaise in October. It is described as a woman's play, with a powerful love story, designed to show the evils of prostration. Mr. Frohman has also procured the rights of "La Gamme," by Paul Veler and H. de Saunoy. This will be put into English by Michael Morton.

Stage Manager (Interrupting rehearsal)—

C. M. S. McEllan, who is now represented on the American stage by two musical comedies, "Marriage à la Carte" and "The Pink Lady" in New York City, is eager to have one of his serious plays, "The Jury of Fate," acted in this country. H. B. Irving gave it here about five years ago; and those who then saw the play are of the belief that its first-night failure was wholly due to the contrivance of a mechanical and lighting device that failed to work, with the result that a "dark change" that was calculated for less than thirty seconds required forty-five minutes by the time the stage hands got things in order. The play tells of the plea of a man who has mispent his life for another chance in order that he may profit by the mistakes. He is given the chance, and makes a worse muddle of things in the second life.

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