

Council Bluffs

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Rev. Mrs. Hanley of Shenandoah preached at the People's church Sunday, while the pastor supplied the pulpit of the First Congregational church for Dr. Smith. Dr. Mell J. Bellinger, who suffered a painful wrench of his side and back by making a miscalculation while loading a car in front of the Hens store, resumed his practice on Sunday.

Rev. Father McManus left yesterday for New York and Canada with the expectation of being absent several weeks. His duties at St. Francis' church will be looked after by others during his absence. Mrs. Cronin and daughter, Thelma, of Salt Lake City, who have been visiting Mrs. Cronin's aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth O'Rourke, 1301 South Eighth street, for the last three weeks, left for Denver yesterday where they will be joined by Mr. Cronin and will take a trip in the Colorado mountains.

Joe Reynolds, who was taken to the police station Saturday and charged with larceny from the person, the person being Bill Duggan, a negro, was discharged in police court yesterday morning. It was shown that he had been asked to take care of Duggan's pocketbook, which contained \$50. Duggan, who was arrested at the same time, charged with intoxication, was sent to jail for five days.

The funeral of Dr. Sprink, who was found dead in his office on Sunday morning, will be held this morning at 8 o'clock at St. Peter's Catholic church, with services conducted by Rev. Father Hermann. Requiem high mass will be said. The pallbearers chosen are Dr. Donald Macdonald, Dr. Earle Bellinger, Dr. David Carson, Charles F. Paschel and P. McRids of this city and Dr. Bushman of Omaha. The body was removed from Undertaker Cutler's yesterday afternoon to the residence of his sister, Miss Helen Sprink, 23 Park avenue. Interment will be in St. Joseph's cemetery.

The Women's Christian Temperance union membership prize contests are to be pushed for the remainder of the month. The work has been divided into eight divisions and a reward offered to the leader of the division who secures the most points. Memberships, collection of dues and subscriptions to the temperance paper count as points. The prize is a free ticket to and stowage on the steamer up about August 1.

George Lisch, the east Omaha who deliberately disobeyed and went in bathing at Courtyard beach Saturday afternoon in plain view of a large number of cottagers, was fined \$25 in police court yesterday morning. Lisch put up a cash bond of \$25 Saturday night and when he failed to show up this morning, it was forfeited. Lisch claimed that he was so nearly overcome by the heat that he could not wait to do a bathing suit.

Frank Armstrong, a white man who has developed a strange fatality for appropriating the first horse and buggy he finds, without a driver whenever he gets drunk, took possession of the dog-catcher's rig Sunday afternoon and was not stopped until he had reached Twenty-third street. The rig belonged to Ed. Burke the colored poundmaster. Armstrong was held under \$50 bond in police court yesterday morning for further investigation.

C. H. Overton, the big negro whom Detective Olla Arnold took from an Omaha car late Saturday night, was charged with a .45 caliber revolver underneath the waistband of his trousers, was sent to the county jail for thirty days by Judge Snyder yesterday morning. The negro failed to give a reasonable excuse for being so heavily armed. The bit of artillery was confiscated and will appear as one of the articles to be sold at the annual cleanup sale of the police department next winter.

The funeral of W. H. Beck will be held this morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Wooding chapel. Rev. J. M. Williams, pastor of the Broadway Methodist church, will have charge of the service, although the funeral will be under the auspices of Abe Lincoln post, Grand Army of the Republic, of which he was a member. He will be buried in the soldier's plot, Fairview cemetery. Mr. Beck enlisted in Company F, Twenty-third New York volunteer infantry, early in the war of the rebellion and served for several years. His younger brother, C. G. Beck, arrived from Omaha, N. Y., at noon yesterday.

The law firm of Howard H. Baldrige, William A. DeFord and J. E. Prudenburg of Omaha began a suit in the district court yesterday against H. Schloss and Albert W. Schloss, Detroit bankers, for \$500 attorneys' fees for services rendered in connection with the negotiation for the purchase of the M. J. O'Connell stock of goods upon the offer of O'Connell to pay \$5 per cent. The Detroit firm undertook to finance the deal and deposited \$250 in the First National bank for the purpose. The Omaha firm represented them at this end. They asked for an attachment on the money now in the Council Bluffs bank and named it as one of the defendants in the suit.

Theo. Niess Ramlen began a suit in the district court yesterday for absolute divorce from her husband, Carl R. Ramlen. They were married at Atlantic, Ia., on October 10, 1904, and lived for several years at Marine, Cass county, remaining thence to Buffalo, N. Y. Mrs. Ramlen alleges that her husband began to treat her cruelly soon after their arrival at Buffalo and became addicted to the use of liquor and neglected to provide for her. She alleges cruel and inhuman treatment in addition to drunkenness and says he compelled her to leave their home by threats against her life. She retires here, and says her husband is supposed to still be at Buffalo.

To arrest a man and send him to jail on the charge of stealing a chunk of ice on such a day as Sunday was the painful duty performed by Special Watchman Haschmiller of the Illinois Central's local yard force. He came across Pete Panock, a Greek laborer, in the act of abstracting the chunk of comfort from a refrigerator car, and sent him to the station. Panock had nothing in his possession, but the bit of ice, and avers that that was the only thing he wanted on earth at the moment, but he was held under \$500 bonds for further investigation, after a hearing in police court yesterday morning. This was deemed necessary for fixing the responsibility for breaking the car seal. Panock claims the car was unsealed when he passed and was halted by coolness from the car.

Rev. John William Jones, former rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, who retired to take a year's rest, has accepted the appointment of general agent for the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York. His territory comprises all of Pottawattamie county and much of the adjacent cases to take charge of. For the purpose of giving his children an opportunity to enjoy a summer of country life Mr. Jones took a lease of a small fruit farm ten miles east of Council Bluffs, ideally located for the fullest enjoyment of the simple life. Rev. Mr. Jones has men to assist in caring for the fruit farm, and has entered the insurance field to afford a profitable outlet for his energies. He is considering several calls to important new fields in the ministry but will make no change in his present pleasant mode of living until next winter. He has already proved his ability to succeed in the life insurance world and may find some tempting offers set before him before the year ends.

To the Water Consumers.

The present protracted dry spell, together with the unusual high temperature, has so taxed our pumping capacity that I would request all water consumers to avoid any and every unusual waste of water, such as letting the hose run all night and the sprinkling of lawns during the heat of the day, which, I believe, injures rather than benefits the lawn.

S. L. EITNER, Superintendent.

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City Council Talks of Lighting Matters

Long Session Devoted Almost Entirely to New Rates and Matter Put Over Until Saturday.

Nearly the entire session of the city council last night was devoted to the discussion of the five-year lighting contract made with the Citizens Gas and Electric Light company and President Nash of the Omaha company which was ordered to be made at the meeting of the council last week, called especially for the purpose. The contract drawn by City Solicitor Kimball was presented and read and after considerable discussion by the members was about to be passed when Robert B. Wallace, representing the Commercial club, asked to have the matter delayed for one week for the purpose of permitting the club and citizens interested further opportunity to consider it. This brought on a warm discussion, started by Alderman Younkerman who he reminded the members of the Commercial club present that the club had consumed three months and had only succeeded in tying up and delaying the lighting matter and inadvertently delaying the Broadway repavement. He said the club was unable to determine what kind of a lighting system it wanted at any of the time and that its final report left the matter where it stood at the beginning.

The members of the council manifested some inclination to grant the delay of a week when Contractor Wickham interposed an objection, declaring that it would compel him to pull off his paving gangs at a time when he had 30,000 paving brick on trackage ready for unloading. He said it would mean a loss of \$500 a day, and he would expect compensation, that his contract with the lighting company required him to begin laying the conduits for undergrounding the electric wires to supply the gooseneck pedestals that were to carry the new flaming arc lamps and the material for the conduit would be here on Wednesday. The council finally agreed to postpone completing the contract until Thursday morning when a special meeting will be held beginning at 9:30 o'clock.

The contract presented was a duplicate of that made with the lighting company five years ago with the exception that it provided for the installation of the flaming arcs and carried a reduction upon the prices of gas and electric current to conform to the rates now prevailing in Omaha, \$1.15 for gas and 14 cents and 8 cents per kilowatt for current. Emmet Finley was present and helped to enlighten the members of the Commercial club and others who objected to the approval of the contract under the impression that the rates given for gas were not the same as prevailed in Omaha. This was the impression of W. A. Maurer, who understood that the flat domestic rate in Omaha was \$1 per 1,000 feet. Mayor Maloney corrected this by saying that the \$1 rate applied to the street lighting and carried the obligation of the city to take over the property, posts, lamps, etc., required for the service, and that a resolution in the council calling for a general reduction to \$1 had been stopped by injunction. The discussion also developed the fact that Mr. Maurer at least was opposed to new giant arc lights and preferred the single incandescent lamps on gooseneck pedestals.

The question of the amount of the Broadway paving to be charged to each property owner was brought up by Alderman Younkerman, who proposed a resolution fixing the limit at twenty feet, the balance to be paid by the city when not covered by the amount required by law to be paid for by the street car company. The city solicitor was instructed to prepare a resolution in accordance with the suggestion to be reported at the next meeting.

Water Board to Go to Kansas City

Visit of Inspection to Be Made to Learn About Primary Settling Basins.

The Board of Water Commissioners will go to Kansas City tomorrow, accompanied by Superintendent Etnyre, for the purpose of getting some additional information about high duty pumps and concrete settling reservoirs. While in Kansas City they will meet Hydraulic Engineers Wyncoop Kiersted and C. S. Burns, both of whom are thoroughly familiar with the water works situation in Council Bluffs through frequent visits here and employment by the city. They may engage one or both of the engineers for consulting services of an advisory character. They will also make an intelligent inspection of the Kansas City plant for educational purposes.

It is the intention of the board to construct a new concrete settling basin at the Thirty-seventh street station and begin the work immediately. It has been found that the Thirty-seventh street pumps have been carrying more than a million gallons of pure mud to the Broadway settling reservoir each month, and leaving it nearly a mile from the river, adding greatly to the cost of getting rid of it. If permitted to be deposited in primary settling basins adjacent to the Thirty-seventh street pumps it can be washed back into the river at practically no cost. The new reservoirs will be built above ground at an elevation that will permit the filtered water to flow into the reservoirs at the Broadway station by gravity, thereby eliminating the friction in the supply pipe leading to the Broadway station. It is believed that equipment of this station with electric power and the addition of this new system of subsidiary basins will save the city at least \$5,000 a year and add greatly to the value and efficiency of the plant.

Chairman Jensen of the water board said yesterday afternoon that no general attempt would be made to install meters in private residences this year but that a start would be made. He said the board would buy \$4,000 or \$5,000 worth of meters during the summer and autumn and install them where most needed.

Chairman Jensen also called attention to the fact that the water board has absolute control of the plant, and that the council has nothing whatever to do with its management. When the time comes to require the general installation of meters no ordinance will be required to be passed by the council legally compelling the citizens to take and pay for the meters. The courts of this state and many others have upheld the water boards in enforcing such orders and there will be no appeal from their decision in Council Bluffs. The Cedar Rapids commissioners have this year installed more than \$7,000 worth of meters in the homes of private consumers. The meters, as in Council Bluffs, will be installed at cost and are expected to average about \$12 each.

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