Council Bluffs

COUNCIL DEFERS ITS ACTION

Will Not Decide on Lighting Question Until Next Monday.

WILL HOLD EXECUTIVE SESSION

Long Meeting Held, at Which Figures on Gas and Electricity Charged in Many Cities Are Analyzed.

After another half day's tussle with the problem of accepting the contract drawn by City Solicitor Kimball, by which the Citizens' Gas and Electric Light company and the Omaha Power and Light company is to light the streets for a period of five years from October 1, the city council yesterday deferred final action until the regular meeting, next Monday night, but decided to hold a secret meeting for the purpose of considering the whole proposition as a committee of the whole. When the decision was reached, at noon yesterday, Contractor Wickham said he would suspend further work on the Broadway paving until next Tuesday, hoping to know definitely by that time whether or not he would be permitted to go ahead with his contract with the electric light company to lay the conduits for undergrounding the wires.

There was little or nothing accomplished in the long session yesterday. The Commercial club's representatives, in the persons of its president, Dr. Treynor, Dr. Jennings, George F. Hamilton, E. H. Doolittle, Secretary Towne and others, were expected to present definite objections to the contract, but had nothing more to offer than several telegrams confirming in most instances the figures submitted by Lawyer Tinley on the previous day comparing the Council Bluffs rates with those of other cities.

Revised Contract Read.

The revised and corrected contract was read by City Clerk Duff, while members of the council closely scanned copies. The corrected copies included the amendments decided upon at the previous conference and made the present rates for private consumers now prevailing in Omaha the maximum to be charged in Council Bluffs during the five-year period of the contract, with the provision that any reduction made in Omaha rates for either current or gas should at once apply to Council Bluffs.

Alderman Harding began the discussion by declaring that he favored aerial wires and iron poles on the streets in preference to the underground and pedestal post system and would not ask Mr. Wickham to hold off paving work any longer. He thought that no further action should be taken in relation to the street lighting contract until next fall and moved to indefinitely postpone the pending contract.

He received no second and Robert Wallace, for the Commercial club, came forward with a handful of telegrams received from other cities in reference to prevailing rates, all of which Mr. Tinley claimed, in reply, were fully corroborative of the figures he gave the council on the previous day. One telegram was from Kearney, Neb., and the quotations of prices for current lost some force when it was pointed out that the Kearney plant was operated by water power. President Nash, who was again present, declared that the Kearney figures were the only quotations showing the prices of current as low as those contained in the Council Bluffs contract. Attorney Killpack attacked the royalty clause, declaring it to be illegal, and that it should not be enforced. The argument lost its force when Mr. Tinley pointed out that the withdrawal of the royalties would compel the reduction of the present number of lights one-fourth.

Clause About Royalties.

The revised contract contains a clause preventing the council from exercising its prerogative to reduce the price of gas by ordinance without forfeiture of royalties, but the clause was modified by the express provision that it should not operate to prevent the council fixing by ordinance whatever price prevailed in Omaha lower than the figures named in the contract.

Near the close of the long session Mr. Nash spoke earnestly and calmly, declaring that his desire was to give Council Bluffs the newest and best thing in street lighting at the lowest cost, and that the new flaming arcs would give the greatest amount of light at the lowest cost and make Council Bluffs the best lighted of the smaller cities of the United States. He said the rates named for power were half a cent lower per kilowatt than is charged in Buffalo where the Niagara current is used. He said these low rates were being established in Council Bluffs and Omaha to encourage the use of current in small factories and elevators for power, and that the rates offered were lower than any quoted from other cities.

Domestic Charges.

The rates for domestic and power purposes are covered by this section of the contract.

And the said second party further agrees that it will furnish to all consumers, electric current for light, heat and power within the city of Council Bluffs and that it will not contest and will acquiesce in a rate fixed by the city of 14 cents per kilowatt for the first one and one-half kilowatts per lamp based upon 99 per cent of the actual lamps in business houses and 6 cents per kilowatt for all additional current for lighting, and that it will not contest and will acquiesce in the rate fixed by the city for power purposes at 10 cents per kilowatt with the following discounts:

Less than 200 kilowatts in one month, 10 per cent.

Two hundred to 300 kilowatts in one month, 15 per cent.

Three hundred to 400 kilowatts in one month, 20 per cent.

Four hundred to 500 kilowatts in one month, 25 per cent.

Five hundred to 600 kilowatts in one month, 30 per cent.

Six hundred to 700 kilowatts in one month, 35 per cent.

Seven hundred to 800 kilowatts in one month, 40 per cent.

Eight hundred to 900 kilowatts in one month, 45 per cent.

Nine hundred to 1,000 kilowatts in one month, 50 per cent.

One thousand five hundred to 2,000 kilowatts in one month, 55 per cent.

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Mrs. Margaret Dillon and Mrs. Sarah Dalrymple left yesterday for Colorado for an extended visit.

Mrs. Arthur Hoffmayer has gone to Los Angeles to visit her father, Mr. Duquette. She expects to be gone until September or October.

Mrs. Fred Johnson has gone to Michigan with the intention of remaining during the remainder of the summer the guest of numerous relatives.

Council Bluffs people who have recently returned from Colorado say the South Platte river is as dry as a city pavement for a distance of more than 100 miles above Julesburg.

Miss Stella Groves of Davenport is the guest of Mrs. Frank Toller, 213 Ninth street. Miss Groves visited Council Bluffs last autumn and was extensively entertained in society circles.

Mrs. J. B. Atkins and Henry Atkins have gone to Spirit lake, where they will occupy the summer cottage owned jointly by the late Dr. T. B. Lacey and J. B. Atkins. They will be there until autumn.

Frank Hermes, who was born and reared in Council Bluffs, made his first revisit to the city yesterday in five years, and is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Dowell, Fifth avenue and Eighteenth street. Mr. Hermes is trainmaster for the Sioux City division of the Great Northern, and is located at Sioux City. He has advanced rapidly in the railroad field and his friends predict an early promotion for him.

The following statement shows the condition of the Christian home finances for the last week. Grand total to the manager's fund, $20.50, being $14.50 below the needs of the week. Deficiency in this fund, $308, increasing deficiency to $322.50. The grand total of the receipts in the general fund for the last week amounts to $106.15, being $93.85 below the current needs of the week. Deficiency in this fund, $357.38, thus increasing the deficiency to $451.23. Amount needed in the improvement fund, $9,099.46.

Pickpockets yesterday found no difficulty in locating the pocketbook of J. P. Matthews, a retired farmer living at 719 Seventh avenue, and getting it away from him. He went to the Northwestern passenger station to take a train for Sioux City and had his purse containing $18 down deep in his trousers pocket. Three men on the platform jostled him rudely and when he went to pay for his ticket he found why they had done so. The men are believed to be the same gang who have been working at Manawa and on the Manawa trains.

Emmet Tinley, Fred Davis, H. A. Quinn and H. W. Binder will leave this evening for Atlantic City to attend the national convention of Elks. Both Mr. Tinley and Mr. Binder will be members of the convention in capacities other than as mere delegates, Mr. Tinley, as past exalted ruler, will enter the convention a member of the grand lodge, and Mr. Binder as state delegate and member of the national executive committee. Mr. Davis and Mr. Quinn attend the convention as visitors interested in the upbuilding of the lodge.

Marion Stevens, who has been a member of the fire department for twenty-one years, the greater part of the time located at No. 3 station where he was driver, has been retired under the age limit and placed on the pension list. Mr. Stevens has never fully recovered from the injury he received when he drove into an open ditch in the chief's wagon while responding to a fire alarm. There are now three members of the fire department and one police officer drawing pensions of $35 per month which will continue as long as they live.

Contractor Wickham yesterday finished laying the paving on the west half of the first block of paving on South Main street. The east half of the block cannot be laid until the new twelve-inch water main is placed. No further work can be done on Broadway until the question of laying the conduits for the electric light wires is settled, and the work on Thirteenth avenue cannot be undertaken for the reason that the city has not completed putting in the catch basins. The paving work of Contractor Wickham is thus pretty effectually tied up all over town.

In compliance with the instructions given at the last meeting of the school board, Superintendent Beveridge has begun the work of notifying all merchants who intend handling school supplies during the next school year that a full list of the materials to be used in drawing and writing may be had by applying to him. The board has approved the recommendations of the supervisor of drawing and penmanship, making many important changes in the character and class of materials to be used, and unless the merchants familiarize themselves with the new list they may buy stuff that cannot be used.

George B. Spangler, meter tester for the gas and electric light companies, will enter the Edmundson hospital today for the purpose of having an operation performed that will prevent him becoming permanently crippled. Several years ago he sustained a severe injury to one of his knees from which he had not recovered. Many examinations were made, but the cause of the difficulty was not discovered until yesterday, when Dr. Donald Macrae made an examination and discovered a splinter of bone that had become detached. Dr. Macrae will perform the operation, which is expected to give immediate and permanent relief.

D. H. Lawrence was arraigned in police court yesterday upon the charge of stealing grain from an Illinois Central freight car. Investigation, however, has satisfied the police that the charge is groundless. Lawrence happened to go through the yards and pass the car while three other young men were engaged in extracting three bags of grain and stepped forward to identify them. At this moment the railroad detectives arrived. The others jumped from the car and escaped while Lawrence remained and was taken into custody. When the facts were disclosed Judge Snyder took his own recognizance and released him. He will probably be used as a witness against the others.

Shakespeare's "As You Like It" will be presented with a sylvan setting in Fairmount park next Wednesday evening for the benefit of the Holy Family Catholic church. It will be given by the pupils of Miss Lillian Fitch, and will be under her direction. They will be assisted by Miss Grace Barr. Among the players will be Myron Brunt, George Clark and Marion Jarvis of this city. The patronesses of the affair are Mesdames Miles Scofield, Rachel Ryan, E. A. Wickham, W. C. Unthank, W. A. Maurer, J. P. Carey, Felix O'Neill, D. Mahoney, J. J. Nicholson, George Hughes, T. B. O'Neill, William Peacock, John Bolan and Grant Schoup.

The school board has selected Prof. J. E. Marshall of Boone, Ia., to fill the vacancy in the Council Bluffs High school faculty caused by the resignation of Prof. Reed, who left to take a place in the Omaha High school. Prof. Marshall at the present time is principal of the high school at Boone. His pay was fixed at $1,000 a year. Owing to the necessity of providing quarters for the new manual training department to be installed in the high school building, the board instructed Superintendent Beveridge to remove his office to the Oak street building. Convenient quarters will be fixed up for the head of the city schools at the new building, which is not now all occupied. While removing him from the high school, it will place him where he can more readily reach all of the other schools, as he will be located for the first time on a car line. The board authorized the purchase of six sectional bookcases for his new office.

Dr. Erickson had another experience with her new automobile last evening in which she was a participant but in no way responsible. She was driving on East Broadway with Dr. Hill, her partner, who was at the wheel diagnosing the machine. The street is rather narrow at that point and all of it is one side of the car tracks. Dr. Hill was going west and had pushed the machine over to the left side of the street when approaching Frank street and met a young man named Anderson, an employe of the Williamson cystery, riding a new, two-cylinder Emblem motorcycle. Anderson was going east and was consequently on the same side. Anderson attempted to turn out and Dr. Hill turned the same way. Anderson swerved back the other way and so did the auto. A head-on collision was only averted by the motorcycle turning sharply. The hub of the auto caught the front wheel of the cycle, throwing the rider and somewhat damaging the wheel. Anderson escaped without injury. Both vehicles were moving slowly or the result might have been serious.

A gust of wind which toppled over a sixty-foot ladder, which painters had raised at the Christian Home orphanage yesterday came near causing a tragedy. It was only prevented falling among a group of children by the alertness of one of the painters, who seized and turned it so that in struck the downspout on the building, ripping it off from the roof to the ground. The painter sprang forward while the ladder was falling and snatched away a little crippled child that would have been crushed when the heavy weight finally reached the ground. The ladder was an extension affair with a third ladder strapped to the top and the wind caught it just as the man who had been perched near the top had reached the ground. But for his prompt action it would have fallen partially away from the building and into the crowd of little people who were intently watching the work of the painters.

Dar Hows, an old resident of Council Bluffs and extensive property owner, left yesterday for Buffalo, N. Y., where he will make his home in the future. For several months Mr. Hows has been seriously ill, and his only surviving relatives, two nephews, came here several days ago to look after him. They decided that the care he would require would make it necessary to take him to their homes. His extensive financial affairs were found to be in a rather tangled condition, and they applied to the court to name a competent person here to look after them. Upon their recommendation the court appointed Hubert Tinley as special guardian. Mr. Hows was very ill when put aboard the Pullman coach and feared that the fatigue of the journey would be very great.

TREYNOR NAMES COMMITTEES

President of Commercial Club Appoints Permanent List for the Organization.

President Treynor of the Commercial club has appointed these permanent standing committees for the remainder of the year:

Transportation—John P. Davis, chairman; F. H. Keys, J. T. Brooks, William Groneweg, F. R. Davis, T. A. Barker, C. H. Chisam, E. H. Merriam, Fred Empkie.

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County and State Legislation—Clem F. Kimball, chairman; A. S. Haselton, J. J. Hess, S. B. Snyder, G. M. Dodge, Frank Beebe.

Roads and Streets—George Van Brunt, chairman; Elmer Minnick, E. H. Lougee, Thomas Maloney, A. L. English, L. Everett, W. A. Maurer, J. F. Wilcox, J. F. Hughes.

Parks—A. C. Graham, chairman; H. G. McGee, F. O. Gleason, Frank Peterson, L. H. Cutler, William Moore, J. F. Greenshields, A. C. Keller.

Entertainment—George Wright, chairman; J. F. Wilcox, W. E. McConnell, Gus Louie, E. W. Hart, William Douglas, R. C. Peregoy.

Grievance—Thomas Maloney, chairman; Dr. D. Macrae, W. I. Walker, C. M. Atherton, Hubert Tinley, Elmer E. Smith, G. J. Harding.

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New tomatoes, per basket, 20c.

Corn flakes, per pkg., 6½c.

Fancy cucumbers, 2 for 15c.

Kellogg's rice biscuit, pkg., 5c.

Eleven bars Galvanic soap and 1 bar Palm Olive toilet soap, all for 50c.

Sardines, 3 cans for 25c.

Home grown cherries, 2 boxes for 15c.

Fancy cookies, 2 lbs., 25c.

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35c jar sweet pickles, 25c.

Celery, per stalk, 5c.

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Farmer Jumps Down on Crowbar in Ground

John Pullman of Silver City Receives Injuries Likely to Prove Fatal.

John Pullman, a well known farmer residing near Silver City, received injuries yesterday afternoon that are feared to be of a fatal character. He was brought to the Edmundson hospital last evening and was operated upon by Dr. Macrae.

Mr. Pullman was engaged in moving a power sheller and jumped from the top of it to the ground without noticing a crowbar that was sticking upright beneath him and struck squarely upon it. The end, an inch in diameter, penetrated the abdomen nearly a foot, perforating the intestines in several places. Dr. Macrae was called by telephone to Silver City and when the terrific nature of the man's injuries were disclosed immediately took him to the hospital in an automobile.

Mr. Pullman is 46 years old and has a family. He rallied from the operation and his condition was favorable last night, but the physicians say he has very few chances for recovery.

The Key to the Situation—Bee Want Ads.

First Girl in Four Generations.

COLFAX, Ia., July 8.—(Special.)—The fourth generation of the Weston family made its advent on July 4. Mrs. H. L. Weston of this place and a first resident, was made a great grandmother by the birth of a little daughter to her grandson, Walter Weston. The particular interest in this bit of news is that this is the first female child born in the Weston family for nearly seventy years. The great grandmother gave birth to twelve sons, six of whom are living and have families, but all sons. The town of Colfax was located on land owned by H. L. Weston and his was the first house built in this place.

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