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By Tom McNamara

WANT TWENTY-SECOND OPEN

Petition for Opening Street from Dodge to Farnam Streets.

TO HONOR GENERAL MANDERSON

City to Do Its Part When the Body of Nebraska's Well Known Citizen Arrives from the East for Burial.

Sitting as a committee of the whole, the city council took the preliminary steps looking to the opening of Twenty-second street from Farnam to Dodge. The matter went so far that a petition will be presented and it will be referred to the city engineer, who will probably prepare and present some figures on what the grade would be in the event it should be deemed expedient to open such a street.

The Twenty-second street opening proposition was started off by Myron L. Learned, who appeared before the council to state that as the Masonic order is contemplating the erection of a temple at Twentieth and Douglas streets, it will be necessary for the city to take some action looking to the care of storm water that might come in from the west and injure the foundation of the proposed building.

This opened up the entire matter and Edgar Scott, in his own behalf and in the behalf of other interested property owners, urged that the city should act soon and before the property to be taken for the opening of the proposed street reaches a high price, as it is bound to do in the near future.

Mr. Scott's reasons for thinking that property around Twenty-second street, extended, and Douglas and Dodge would increase, he said was based upon the fact that business is rapidly creeping up both of the streets leading to the west.

Mayor Dahlman appeared before the council to urge that some official action be taken by the city to show public respect to the memory of General Manderson, whose body will soon arrive from Europe. Adopting the suggestins of the mayor, Chairman Sheldon named Councilmen Brucker, Funkhouser and Berka, giving them authority to perfect such arrangements as they may think proper. They probably will see that the Welcome arch is draped, that carriages are provided for such city officials as may desire to attend the funeral and will secure a floral wreath, which will be sent to the home of Mrs. Manderson after her arrival in the city.

Over the protest of Councilman Bridges, who insisted that "this is no time to erect a bungalow building upon one of the business streets of the city," the council recommended that a permit be given to the Coad Real Estate company to extend the cornice three feet beyond the property line on a one-story building to be erected at 2117 Farnam street.

The complaint of Fred Mengedoht was referred to the committee on street lighting. Mr. Mengedoht has built ten brick double apartment houses on Maple street, between Sherman avenue and Seventeenth street. He charges that the electric wiring in his houses has been done in accordance with the city specifications governing in such cases, and that now the city electrician refuses to permit the electric current to be turned onto his wires.

The ordinance providing for levying an occupation tax upon parties handling coal, ice, grain, feed, hay and building material, in less than carload lots was recommended for passage. This ordinance was proposed by the dealers themselves and provides that the fees derived from the collection of the tax shall be used in paying the salary of inspectors.

The ordinance providing for the laying of a railroad track from the Belt Line to the yards of the Platner Lumber company on west Harney street, was referred.

THIRTY OUT AT FORT DODGE

Twelve Central Men Stay and Two Strikers Return.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Oct. 3.—(Special Telegram.)—Thirty Illinois Central mechanics walked out here today in compliance with the strike order and twelve remained at work. Two strikers went back to work later in the day. No disturbances have been noted here.

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Council Bluffs

County Surveyor Tells About Work

County Surveyor E. E. Spetman was before the Board of County Supervisors yesterday to make a personal rejoinder to the rather harsh criticisms embodied in the report of the special checkers employed by the county board to examine with others his accounts rendered in connection with his work as drainage ditch engineer. Mr. Spetman materially strengthened his case by providing the presence of Attorney Emmet Tinley and also of Mrs. Spetman. The engineer's task was to explain how he could add 103 calendar days to eleven months of one year and draw pay to the amount of $618 beyond the possible calendar days within the time of his employment.

The report of the checkers, Freeman L. Reed and Charles F. Paschel, showed that Engineer Spetman had rendered bills to the county amounting to the sum mentioned and had directed him to refund the money. Mr. Spetman refused to refund and the board has been arranging to bring suit. Yesterday Mr. Spetman's side of the case was presented. Attorney Tinley stated it in its general outlines, contending that the charges were accurate and just and were based on an eight-hour day, and where pay for eleven days in a week at $6 a day and expenses was demanded, the actual time had been given, often at the rate of more than sixteen hours a day. He had a concurrent contract with the local board and a similar one with the Mills county board, and in instances where he charged two or more days in one, divided between the two counties he explained that he took an early morning train for Glenwood, did his work there and returned and devoted a large part of the day to his work in this county, charging a full day to each county and the expenses to each. He gave many instances where in working up his field notes he was required to keep late hours, and contended that he thus reduced the actual cost of the engineering work. In this he was fully sustained by Mrs. Spetman, who declared that he worked both nights and Sundays and vividly recalled the curtailed opportunities to enjoy his society.

At the suggestion of Supervisor Children the board agreed to go over the bills carefully and take into consideration the whole engineering cost of the work in question and see if it exceeded the customary 5 per cent of the contract price. This was agreed to.

The board members go to Avoca today to appear as witnesses in the district court in a ditch case.

Coroner Cutler Orders an Inquest

Coroner Cutler has ordered an iquest to be held for the purpose of making a record of the facts connected with the death of S. J. H. Boysen, who was killed Sunday morning when the footboard of the switch engine on which he was standing came into contact with the end of a plank at a street crossing in the yards of the Great Western railroad on South avenue. The inquest will be held at 10:30 this morning.

The funeral of the young man will be held tomorrow morning from the German Lutheran church at 3 o'clock. Short services will be held at the residence, 607 Sixteenth avenue, at 2 o'clock. Both will be conducted by Rev. Arthur Graber, pastor of the church. Mr. Boysen was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and it is possible that this organization will not only attend the funeral in a body, but will take part in the service at Fairview cemetery, where the grave will be made.

NORTHWESTERN MEN COME TO HANDLE DAKOTA RUSH

A large party of Northwestern railway employes from Chicago arrived in Council Bluffs yesterday to increase their local force of train operatives required to handle the rush of landseekers hurrying to the various points designated as registration points for the land lottery connected with the opening of the remainder of the Rosebud Indian agency. As about all of the points are in Northwestern territory that company is handling the bulk of the business. Among those who arrived here yesterday were:

O. P. Murphy, conductor; G. Webb, conductor; S. A. Dourgin, inspector; J. O'Neil, conductor; H. Forgenson, inspector; G. Hile, conductor; John Brady, inspector; and J. Murphy, special agent. All of the men took quarters at the Neumayer hotel. A large number of other trainmen, occupying less responsible positions, arrived also. They expect to be here on special duty for a month. The Northwestern is thus prepared to handle the rush by adding whatever extra trains that may be required.

James Sullivan Breaks Leg.

James Sullivan, an aged inmate of the county farm, while visiting at 1207 Douglas street, fell down the stairs at 7 o'clock last night, breaking his left leg just below the knee. He was attended by Police Surgeon C. H. Peppers and sent to St. Joseph's hospital.

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United States Supreme Court Plans to Expedite Procedure.

ATTACK ON REFERENDUM LAW

Washington Generally Believes that Outcome of Canadian Election Will Have Decided Effect on Arbitration.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 3.—(Special.)—When the United States supreme court convenes for the October term a new rule will be promulgated, which in the opinion of the court, will go far towards lessening the number of cases when the next term begins. Heretofore the rule has been to allow attorneys to occupy two hours each in presenting their oral arguments. A majority of the lawyers who practice before the court use all the time allowed and, like Oliver Twist, frequently want more. The new rule will limit the time allowed to each attorney to one hour instead of two and the result is expected to expedite the presentation of cases and to make headway toward the clearance of the docket.

Some years ago congress provided for the creation of the United States court of appeals for the purpose of relieving the United States supreme court and with the idea of securing for litigants more prompt settlement of their causes. It was believed when it was created this new intermediary tribunal would be able to pass upon a large number of cases which would consequently not reach the court of last resort. But the relief has not materialized and the docket this year contains more cases than ever before.

Attack Initiative and Referendum.

Among the most important will be the attack made upon the constitutionality of the initiative and referendum law of the state of Washington which attack was instituted by the Pacific Coast Telephone company. While apparently local in character this particular case is of widespread interest because the initiative and referendum has been incorporated into the statutes of half a dozen states already and others seem to be headed in that direction. The supreme court will also decide several cases affecting railroad rates which have been appealed from the decisions of the new court of commerce. That tribunal has been in existence about six months but at least half a dozen of its decisions have been attacked and appeals taken to the supreme court.

Will Affect Peace Treaties.

It seems to be generally believed in Washington that the outcome of the Canadian elections, which gave a black eye to Canadian reciprocity, will have a decided effect upon the fate of the pending arbitration treaties which President Taft is so desirous shall be ratified. During the late campaign in the Dominion the attacks upon the United States and its citizens were so bitter and evidently so well received that a wave of antagonism towards everything British seems to be sweeping this country from coast to coast. But while the British arbitration treaty may be defeated or pigeon-holed (and that, of course, will put an end to all arbitration plans of the administration) it is not likely that the anti-British feeling in congress will be manifested to the extent that it was some quarter of a century ago when "Richlieu" Robinson of New York and John Finnerty of Chicago undertook to twist the tail of the lion of Britannia every morning. So intense were those patriots in their hatred of everything British that they paid little attention to any legislation which did not affect Great Britain in some way. John sat on one side of the main aisle and "Richlieu" on the other, in the front seats. On one occasion "Richlieu," who was rather deaf, coming in late, placed his hand to his ear and leaning half way across the aisle, asked, "What have they got up this morning, John?" Finnerty, in a voice plainly audible in the press gallery, responded: "Oh, some d—d American thing we are not interested in."

Whatever may be the ultimate outcome of the efforts of the majority of the house to revise the tariff under the plan of the committee on ways and means, it is certain that if congress were in session today and a bill should be presented to admit free of duty all grades of sugar there would be scarcely fifty votes against that bill. Without a single exception every representative who has been in Washington during the last week or ten days has expressed himself as entirely willing to take a whack at the sugar trust through the means of a strong dose of free trade in the saccharine necessity. Of course, there are many plausible reasons advanced by the sugar men for the sudden advance of about 33 per cent in the retail price of sugar. But coming as it does just when the farmer and the housewife in the city are "putting up" their winter supplies of preserves and canned goods the unprecedented increase comes as a practical hardship and is correspondingly resented. The belief seems to be nation-wide that the American Sugar Refining company is attempting to recoup the amount for which it was mulcted for defrauding the customs by making the dear public pay the bill. Whether or not that belief is well founded it is certain that the sugar trust will come in for a great deal of free advertising during the coming session of congress and it is more than possible that one of the first bills sent to the senate will be a provision to place refined sugar on an equality with the raw product when imported into the United States.

For Cultivating Broom Corn.

The Department of Agriculture in connection with the agricultural experiment stations generally proposes to attempt the task of extending the cultivation of broom corn. The market for this product is constantly growing and the supply, instead of increasing correspondingly, seems to be diminishing in inverse ratio to the demand. Thirty years ago several of the eastern states, notably New York, produced annually thousands of tons of "broom," but of late years the cultivation appears to be confined to one or two western states. The crop this year is unusually light and the price is reported to be soaring rapidly. Corn brooms are almost unknown in England and continental Europe, but in the United States very few other varieties of besoms are known. Attempts have been made by manufacturers from time to time to induce the American housewife to use implements for sweeping made of the same material as that of the English housewife and German frau, but with indifferent success. Therefore, the efforts of the Agricultural department to induce a wide cultivation of broom corn will meet the approval of the American people generally, especially if those efforts result in bringing down the price from the present figure, from 35 to 50 cents, to the old figure of 25 cents per broom.

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