

BRIEF CITY NEWS

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Electric Fans—Burgess-Granden Co. Stack-Falconer Co., 24th and Harney, undertakers, embalmers, Douglas 887.

Boulevard Being Coated—The North boulevard is being coated with tar to lay the dust that in some places is from one to three inches deep.

Speeder Arrests Continued—C. P. Bates, Otto Rasmussen, G. A. Raimbault and G. H. Burcham were fined \$5 and costs in police court for speeding. A. C. Panchost was discharged.

Troop Goes to Auto Row—Walter R. Troop, a substitute clerk in the Omaha postoffice, has resigned his position, accepting a position with a garage on the automobile row.

Mrs. Rubenstein Buried Sunday—The funeral of Mrs. Jennie Rubenstein will be held Sunday afternoon from the residence, 1544 North Nineteenth street, to Pleasant Hill cemetery.

Stefan Sinking Rapidly—Karl Stefan, sr., a pioneer resident of Omaha, is sinking very rapidly at his home, 930 Homer street, and is not expected to live through the day. He is suffering from hardening of the arteries.

Policeman Retired—Silas E. Fink, for more than twenty years a member of the Omaha police force, was retired on pension by the city council. He will receive \$40 per month. He is 50 years old and has been on the police force since 1892.

Electric Switch Satisfactory—The electric switch at Tenth and Farnam streets has proven so satisfactory that it is expected that they will be put in at all switching points on the line.

Old Style Cars Discarded—The street railway company will not put the old style open cars into service this season except in emergency cases. Those that have not been sold or broken up are kept in the Ames avenue barn and will be run out on holiday occasions only.

Card Party and Dance—General Henry W. Lawton auxiliary, United Spanish War Veterans, will give a card party and dance Saturday night on the third floor of the Paxton block. The shell from the wreck of the battleship Maine will be on exhibition. A short program will be given and ice cream and cake will be served.

Grace Cameron in Europe—A picture postcard tells her Omaha friends that Grace Cameron, who went into comic opera and vaudeville from this city, is in Europe, where she made a big hit, and is to return in March to Paris to play indefinitely.

Saloonist Is Discharged—Chris Johnson, proprietor of a saloon at 516 North Sixteenth street, was found not guilty of the charge of selling liquor on Sunday by a jury in police court. Guy Wardell, the Anti-Saloon league detective, who swore out the complaint for Johnson's arrest, did not appear against him.

L. G. Doup Purchases Lot—L. G. Doup, president of the Doup Manufacturing company, has purchased a lot on Jackson between Thirty-sixth and Thirty-seventh streets, from J. D. Foster. He probably later will build a home on the lot, which has a fifty-five foot frontage on Jackson street.

Coroner's Jurors Return Verdicts—Accidental death caused from falling from an upper story window of the Astor hotel was the verdict of the coroner's jury in the case of Charles B. Crane. It was supposed that Crane had in some way lost his balance while sitting in the window to get the breeze. The death of George Lowery, who dropped dead Saturday night, was found to have been due to heart failure.

Red Men Book Attractions—Several attractions have been booked for the Red Men's carnival, which will be held at the circus grounds at Twentieth and Paul streets, beginning Saturday evening. In the list are included the six flying Moors, an aerial return act and Miss Leola Linden, who will make a slide for life by her teeth from a tower 150 feet high.

Dairymen Deserts Wife—After leaving his dairy at Fifty-ninth and Grover streets to R. S. Murray for three years, Andrew Anderson went to Chicago with his wife to look for work and deserted her there in a railroad station. The Chicago

police furnished Mrs. Anderson with a ticket to Omaha. She swore out a warrant here for Anderson's arrest. She has very little money and her relatives do not reside here.

Presbyterian Picnic Saturday—Special cars will be chartered for the picnic of the North Presbyterian church and Sunday school, which is to be held at River-view park Saturday afternoon from 1:30 to 5 o'clock. It is expected that about 300 children and adults will attend the picnic. The crowd will gather at the church, twenty-fourth and Wirt streets, from which place they will start on the chartered cars. Basket lunches are to be taken. Games and prize guessing and other contests are to be the program of the afternoon.

Water Board Will Take Over Water Plant Next Monday

Resolutions directing necessary steps be taken toward taking over the water plant Monday were adopted by the Water board at a meeting yesterday afternoon. Issue of warrants to cover the cost of the plant, the warrants to go to the two bonding companies that purchased the \$7,000,000 waterworks bonds, was authorized by resolution.

R. Beecher Howell was elected temporary water commissioner and secretary of the board, Secretary Koenig having handed in his resignation. Mr. Howell's election as permanent water commissioner will take place Saturday, when Member Congdon returns to the city.

Members of the board decided to open offices in the old offices of the water company in The Bee building for the time being. They will be ready for business in these offices Monday.

Jackson & McKenzie were formally awarded the contract for the construction of the Florence main from Lake street to Miller park. Work on this section of the main will begin Monday. The pipe will begin to arrive here by July 8 and will be laid as rapidly as possible, beginning on that day.

A committee to appraise the property of the company's offices and other property not listed under the purchasing contract will be appointed at a meeting this afternoon, the board to appoint one man, the water company a second and these two a third.

John L. Webster and W. D. McHugh were present at the meeting and resolutions as adopted were placed in their hands for execution. "We're going to come into possession of the plant Monday, free from possibility of lawsuit or any hard feeling," said D. J. O'Brien at the conclusion of the meeting.

While attempting to repair a revolver, which had exploded in his hands only a few moments before, Harry Holford, aged 25, who lived at Fifty-second and Grant streets, was shot and instantly killed when another shell exploded, the bullet striking him fairly in the center of the forehead. Holford's death is tragic, in that his marriage was to have taken place next month with Margaret Duffy, another roomer at the same house. The accident occurred about 9 o'clock in the evening.

According to Mrs. M. J. Waseok, at whose home the young man died, Holford had been shooting birds in the back yard all evening when the gun's shell extracting mechanism broke in his hand. Holford took the weapon to his room to repair it and while doing this another loaded shell exploded, the barrel being pointed directly toward him. When the police and physicians arrived he was dead.

Holford was a young Irish lad. He came to this country several years ago and met Miss Duffy, who is a sister of Mrs. Waseok. A year ago he worked on a ranch near Madrid, but recently he lost his position and came here. He took up his residence at the Waseok home and was employed at the Model Steam laundry. The body was turned over to the coroner.

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At a meeting of the Southeast Improvement club held last night in the Madison school house at Seventeenth and Madison streets Postmaster Lew Etter delivered a stirring address to the club upon the steps taken by the local postoffice to assist in the upbuilding of that section of the city.

Postmaster Etter's remarks were listened to with much attention by the club and when the popular official had concluded it was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be offered him. The motion passed unanimously and was spread upon the minutes of the club.

It was also determined to send a large delegation to a meeting of the park board tonight in order to urge that body to hasten the improvement of Marfan park. Another committee will wait upon the street car company for the purpose of having the car service begin earlier in the morning. It is claimed by the people in the southern portion of the city that there is need of a car schedule beginning at 5:30 o'clock in the morning instead of 5:45 as at present.

Magic City Gospel. Put your money in the savings department of the Packers National bank. Levi Proudfoot is home after a week's vacation spent in the Black Hills.

Mrs. George Collins left this week for a visit with relatives at Walnut, Ia. For Rent—Bungalow, six rooms, all modern, hot water heat. 238 D street.

Roy Greer has returned after a two weeks' visit with his parents in Illinois. Mrs. C. M. Rich is spending the week with her brother, Dr. M. White of Sioux City, Ia.

Roy Robinson and son Lyle of Atlantic, Ia., visited at the home of his uncle, D. Robinson, Thursday.

For Sale—South Omaha residence. Will occupy fourth day of July is in itself a heinous offense against the peace and dignity of the city; violation of Acting Mayor Butler's edict as to a "safe and sane" celebration is much worse, and frightening horses with fireworks is a crime little worse than stuffing the ballot box.

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AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Former Mayor Trainor Brings Suit to Regain Office.

EX-CITY CLERK ACTS WITH HIM

Violent Dog Bites Young Boy and Campaign is on to Exterminate Animals—Mayor Hoctor Receives Surprise.

Former Mayor P. J. Trainor upon his return from Lincoln last night announced that his attorney, Ben S. Baker, had filed quo warranto proceedings in the supreme court against the right of Mayor Hoctor to hold office. It is understood that former City Clerk Frank Good acted along the same lines toward City Clerk Perry Wheeler. Both Trainor and Good were in consultation with Judge Baker Wednesday and the trip to Lincoln yesterday was in connection with the plan of the ex-officials to regain the offices vacated by them last April.

Trainor stated that he had held an interview with Attorney General Grant Martin, who, Trainor said, had given it as his opinion that any act done by the present administration, in view of the unsettled condition of things, was illegal. The former mayor refused to say whether he would reinstate his former proteges in case he should be seated as mayor for the next few months. Although Trainor declared that he had gone down to Lincoln alone yesterday, he admitted that he had met some of the boys in that city.

The present administration is taking the claims of the "outs" with considerable quietude. The met last night in City Clerk Wheeler's office for the purpose of talking matters over. It happened, however, that the conferees were advised by their attorney that, as far as they were concerned, the game in the contest was a waiting one. "So then," said one of the conferees, "Tom Hoctor and Tom Alton got to exchanging yams about Illinois." It was decided that the council should meet Saturday in special session to begin work upon the appropriation sheet.

As far as the ousting of the present administration goes, it is thought by those best informed that the matter will die out without much ado. There are several reasons for this. One is that some of the "outs" are known to nourish other political dreams than to be city officials, and it is felt that in case the city should be turned into turmoil and disorder by a new change of officials reprisal is sure to follow those who opposed the will of the people. There is no question about the present temper of the citizens who are openly opposed to the continual political bickering that are responsible for keeping the city at a business standstill.

Lew Swallows Crown. Lew Etter has changed his last will and testament in which he specifies that the sum originally designated to be paid to George Brewer for professional services shall be reduced by \$40 which Lew claims Brewer will find lying loose about somewhere through his mortal remains. To be exact Lew had in mind a \$40 gold plate which suddenly disappeared Wednesday noon while he sat at lunch with George Brewer. Lew was in the midst of demonstrating the culinary excellence of his national dish when his face assumed a look of most sincere regret and deep concern. "I've swallowed the well-darned thing," said the postmaster to Brewer. Only he did not say "darned." "What was it, Lew?" inquired Brewer with all the parliamentary dignity for which he is noted. "My gold crown," yelled Etter. "Oh well," said Brewer, "better see a doctor." Yesterday the postmaster and the undertaker met again. "Found your teeth, Lew," he queried in professional tones. Etter shook his head. "Too bad," sympathized Brewer and then in a burst of generosity, he added: "If I should find the gold Lew, I'll deduct that much from your funeral expenses."

When the postmaster had regained his breath sufficiently to express the crowd's crush of ideas in regard to Brewer, that sympathetic soul might have seen a block away calmly listening to the serious argument of local democrats trying to "harmonize" some progressive Wilson men.

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Notice how they are swarming here to take advantage of these two special values in men's summer suits—involving the most fashionable suits in the world—and do a little swarming yourself. We'll spread before you the most enticing collection of midsummer patterns that ever pleased your critical eye.—You can make your selection with absolute certainty of being fitted as smoothly and perfectly as though the suit was ordered made up to conform with every line of your figure.

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Now is the time for this store to show you whether or not it pays to trade here.—Union Suit value here Saturday, by which we are willing to be judged. Note the prices—note the quality—Men who can't come themselves should have their wives or mothers come for them. They'll be even better able to appreciate the values.

\$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3 Union Suits \$1.35 \$1.50 and \$1.75 Union Suits 95c \$1 & \$1.25 Union Suits 69c



Men's Silk and Linen Shirts for Comfort, Special at \$1.45

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The water is right. The lakes are inviting.

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Both one or two piece Suits, cotton or all wool as you choose—not the sort that fade and shrink up—but good reliable suits.

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It's dangerous and surely unsanitary, it makes you feel uneasy while bathing—enjoy your swim to the utmost—be one of the fellows whose mind is free from worrying about who were previous wearers of the suit you rented.

Own the suit you wear—that means safety and satisfaction.

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Water Carnival is a Big Success

The Venetian carnival last night at the Young Men's Christian association park at Carter lake was a success. Twenty one boats, mostly canoes, beautifully decorated, formed in line on the east side opposite the park and slowly passed around the shore of the lake. The sight was a beautiful one with the Japanese lanterns swinging in the breezes over the tops of the canoes, sailboats and row boats.

The carnival was in charge of Prof. J. T. Maxwell. Several hundred visitors to the park sat on the shore watching the long procession of craft. The docks around the lake were illuminated with red and green fire. Each boat carried a large supply of fireworks, red and green fire, roman candles and illumination sticks. After proceeding around the lake the boats congregated in front of the pavilion at the park and the occupants sang songs. The carnival was such a success and proved so interesting to the crowds on the shore that Prof. Maxwell is thinking strongly of putting another later in the summer.

Scorching Heat Gives Fire Alarm

The scorching heat of yesterday afternoon set off an automatic fire alarm in the cable storage building at Fort Omaha and as a result the entire post, including a volunteer fire department force and its equipment, was called out.

COMPROMISE WITH GAS COMPANY IS LIKELY

According to John J. Ryder, chairman of a committee of three appointed by the city commission to confer with the officials of the gas company, a compromise may be reached in the suit pending to enforce the dollar gas ordinance, as well as other matters contested by the company or the city.

"All I can say is that we got a good start and a compromise is not improbable," said Mr. Ryder after a conference yesterday afternoon with Frank T. Hamilton, president of the gas company.

It is understood that bills due the city were considered at the conference and a complete agreement on all matters may be secured and the suit brought by the legal department dismissed. Further conferences will be held.

WATER SUPPLY IS CUT OFF

Members of Water Board Make Flying Visit to Water Plant.

MUST INSTALL METERS AT ONCE

Construction Work Will Be Rushed on Florence Main to Relieve Situation in West Districts and Suburbs.

A flying visit to the water plant at Florence was made by the water board last night when the water company's offices were swamped with complaints from several score residents in the districts to the west and in the suburbs, who declared at 10 o'clock that they had been unable to secure a drop of water for from two to three hours.

After a conference with Superintendent A. B. Hunt, who called up General Manager Fairfield, an order went out to have all sprinklers shut off for the next two or three days.

Superintendent Hunt said the Florence pumping station was pumping 25,000,000 gallons of water daily, which is 5,000,000 more than the ordinary daily consumption. The plant was taxed beyond its capacity last night.

Members of the water board were displeased with the situation and out of the conference with water company officials came the decision to hurry up the work of installing meters. Advertisements for meters will be run within the next few days and bids opened within ten days after the advertisement is inserted. Work of installing meters at consumers' cost will be started as soon as the contract is let.