

GAS COMPROMISE BLOCKED

Report of the Special Committee is Recommended by Council.

OLD INCIDENTS ARE RECALLED

Protestants Allege that City Has Won a Complete Victory and that to the Victors Belong the Spoils.

Following a dramatic recital of the city council's action in approving the gas contract by which the city promised to pay the gas company \$3 per lamp per year for a term of five years the commission yesterday recommitted the report of the special committee appointed to effect a compromise.

T. W. Blackburn, W. M. Gillier, D. J. O'Brien and Harry B. Zimman protested against any settlement, saying the city had won the case in the courts and the contract having been entered into in bad faith nothing was due the company.

Mr. Blackburn said in his opinion the gas company could not collect a cent. Mr. Gillier declared the only questions involved had been settled by the courts, which had declared the council had no right to make contracts, as it was prohibited by charter.

"To the victor belongs the spoils," Gillier maintained, and since the city had won in every instance the citizens ought to be the beneficiaries of "the nearly \$20,000." The contract was let without previously advertising, he said, and the price was greater than the city should have paid.

Old Incident Recalled. D. J. O'Brien and H. B. Zimman, as members of the council at the time the contract was let, recalled that policemen and plain clothes men had been stationed at all the doors of the council chamber and prevented councilmen from leaving the room while "the attorney for the gas company dictated the contract and the council was forced to enter into the agreement."

Members of the council who were not present were forced to attend, policemen being sent after them. Zimman asserted that citizens who were spectators at the meeting were compelled by the police to remain in the room until the contract was approved.

O'Brien attempted to leave the room and was prevented by policemen. He "wrestled with a plain clothes man," but was forced to resume his seat and participate in the proceedings. O'Brien advised the council to pay the gas company \$3 per lamp if they paid anything, because they were entitled to the amount fixed in the agreement if it "was a good faith contract."

Cites Court Record.

Zimman said it was a matter of court record that the gas company had even resorted to attempted bribery. "The company has shown the city no consideration and we ought to show it none. They are not entitled to a cent until they come to you and say they will reimburse the city for charges in excess of the limitations named in their franchise."

President Freel of the Stereotypers Visiting in Omaha

James Freel, president of the International Stereotypers and Electrotypers' union, is in Omaha visiting with the members of his craft and calling on the employers with whom his union does business. He is returning from the recent convention of his organization, held at San Francisco. At that convention very important action was taken, in the president's stand on the sanctity of local contracts when underwritten by the international officers.

Vicious Monk Still at Liberty in Park

Commissioner Hummel is still searching for the monkey which escaped from his cage at Riverside park and attacked and wounded Martin Larsen. Since Wednesday no trace of the animal has been found. Shortly after its escape the monkey was seen in the trees, but armed employees of the park department were unable to capture it.

REMOREFUL MAY MOORE TAKES MERCURY TABLETS

May Moore had a reaction yesterday following a lively celebration of the Fourth of July and sought to dissipate her remorse with the aid of a half a dozen tablets of bichloride of mercury. At St. Joseph's hospital, where she is being cared for, the nurses fear that she will succeed. The woman, who has been stopping at the National hotel, on Fifteenth between Douglas and Dodge streets, has thrice attempted to take her life within the last few months.

BUILDING AND LOAN MEN LEAVE FOR CONVENTION

The twentieth annual meeting of the United States League of Building and Loan Associations begins a three-day session at Atlantic City, N. J., next Tuesday. Three delegates from Nebraska will attend—T. C. Patterson, secretary of the North Platte association; J. T. Heigren, assistant secretary of the Omaha association; and T. J. Fitzmorris, director of the Nebraska association of Omaha.

BRANDEIS STORES. Open till 9 p. m. Saturdays. Handkerchiefs. Women's sheer linen embroidered initial handkerchiefs, also your first name in full daintily embroidered on sheer linens—values to 25c, at 15c.

Silk and Lisle Hose, Special Prices

Women's pure thread silk hosiery; all silk, wide hem tops, also wide lisle garter tops, lisle double soles, high spliced heels and toes—plain and fancy embroidered boot patterns—white, tan and fancy colors; values up to \$1, at 69c. Women's 75c Pure Thread Silk Hosiery at 49c. Women's pure thread silk hosiery; wide mercerized lisle garter tops; lisle soles, high spliced heels and toes—regular and out sizes—black, tan and white—worth up to 75c, at 49c.

Women's and Children's Summer Underwear. Women's Fine Lisle Nushape Union Suits, cuff knee and umbrella style—lace trimmed—comfortable, perfect fitting garments, worth 75c, at a suit 50c. Women's fine cotton Union Suits in ribbed and Poros Knit mesh—umbrella style—lace trimmed—50c quality, at a suit 35c.

Women's Washable Shetland Veils, Worth up to \$1.50, at 59c. New Lacy Shadow Hexagon Meshes, etc., in white, black and colors—1 1/2 yards long worth to \$1.50, at each 59c.

Saturday's Extra Specials on the Main Floor. All leather bags with 11-inch German Silver Frame in grape or fancy design worth \$2, special at \$1.79c. All leather Bags with 10-inch metal frame, leather lined; worth \$1 and \$1.50, special at \$2.98. German Silver, Unbreakable Mesh Bags, with 7-inch frame—\$5 value—sale price \$2.98.

Sale of Men's Summer Shirts. \$1.00 Golf and Neglige Shirts at 89c. These shirts are carefully made from cool, serviceable materials in the most popular styles of the season—they come in all the new patterns and colors with detached soft collars and French cuffs to match—actual \$1.00 values, on sale at 69c. High Grade Shirt Special. Shirts made of the finest materials in the best of patterns and latest styles that are dressy and serviceable as can be—many smart, new colors—values range from \$1.50 to \$2—here are special—89c.

Saturday's Big Specials in Boys' Clothes. BOYS' WASH SUIT SPECIALS. Hundreds of smart, stylish wash suits, made of good, serviceable materials—stunning new colors and patterns. \$4.00 Wash Suits \$3.00. \$3.00 Wash Suits \$2.00. \$2.50 Wash Suits at \$1.50. \$2 Wash Suits at \$1.00. Boys' All Linen Knickerbockers, new gray and blue mixtures, \$1.00 values, at 69c. Boys' Linen Norfolk Suits, ages 6 to 16, worth \$3.50; special at \$2.25. Boys' Double Seat and Knee Overalls, at 39c. Boys' Pongee and Solsette Blouses, with high military collar, at 49c. Boys' Rompers, all styles and colors, at 39c.

BRANDEIS STORES

Bell Company Has No Rights Under the Automatic Franchise. The city commission by resolution refused to recognize the right of the Bell Telephone company to any of the privileges or the franchise of the Independent company, sold at public auction. This resolution followed a formal notification sent to the mayor by the Bell company apprising the councilmen of the purchase.

that he would hold the city responsible for the burning of the tar on the Sixteenth street creosoted wood block pavement. An ordinance directing that prisoners be employed on the streets was recommended for passage. J. F. Moriarty and others objected to the laying of a spur track of the Missouri Pacific from California to Webster street. The council set the hearing for Tuesday.

street. The council set the hearing for Tuesday. Bid for painting room 300 in the city hall was let for \$75. This is Commissioner Withnell's office. The Persistent and Jucious Use of Newspaper Advertising is the Road to Business Success. AMUSEMENTS. "In the cool of early morning" Come to the HANSCOM PARK M. E. SUNDAY SCHOOL, 29th and Woolworth Avenues. Opens in all departments at 9:45 each Sunday morning. New scholars can enroll any week on application. Visitors welcome. Preaching services 11 o'clock Sunday mornings.

Drescher Bros. Dry Cleaners, 2211-2213 Farnam Street. Many a "Fourth of July" Damage Repaired Here. That is, all of the "Fourth of July" damages that may have been suffered by your clothing; such as grass stains, ice cream spots, perspiration soil, etc. We will even fix up powder marks if it is at all possible to fix 'em up. It's safe to say you'll need OUR CLOTHES RESTORING services if you've celebrated in a STRENUOUS manner.

Boy Scout Shoe. Fit your boy for the outing or summer vacation. See that he has a pair of our Boy Scout Shoes in his outfit. No boy should be without them these summer days. They are made of real, pliable and cool on the feet. They will stand all the scuffing that any boy can give them. For wear there is no better shoe made. All "Good Scouts" wear them. According to size—\$1.75 to \$2.50. DREXEL 1419 Farnam.

ASK FOR MEYER'S OMAHA'S FAVORITE BEER THE BEER OF QUALITY. WM. J. BOEKHOFF, Retail Dealer, 119 Doug. 119, Phone—Ind. 4-4119. M. C. M. Steele General Contractor. Hauling and Grading. Three teams always on the job. 1205 N. 24th Street, South Omaha Phone South 3662.

Found at Last. Is what a gentleman from New York said the other day. I have been in Omaha for the last two weeks and have eaten in all the restaurants in the city and will say that it isn't necessary to look any further since visiting THE BELMONT RESTAURANT for it certainly is perfection in the culinary art. The prices are within the reach of all. 1818 DODGE STREET. C. H. Ball, Prop. OPEN ALL NIGHT. Look for Large Electric Sign.

Follow the Crowd to LAKE MANAWA. It's cool there. Many attractions: the most popular right now are—"BATTING"—Come on in; the "water's fine." "BOATING"—Six large, roomy launches and one hundred steel row boats. "DANCING"—The large, grand ball room with Arthur E. Smith's excellent orchestra needs no further mention. FREE MOVING PICTURES EVERY EVENING. Excellent Picnic Grounds.

GUARANTEE CLOTHING CO. Men's Clothing After the Fourth Special. Pure worsteds, fine all wool serges and nobby cassimeres; two and three button style. They are worth \$15.00. AN EXTRA SPECIAL \$12.50. Trousers Values Unsurpassed for Saturday's Selling. We have assembled into three great lots from our own regular stock of high grade trousers, CONSERVATIVE, FEG TOP and OUTING STYLES that are actually worth from \$2.50 to \$5.00 and have specially priced them for tomorrow's selling at \$1.90-\$2.50-\$3.00.

YOUR CHANGE SATURDAY, JULY 6. On account of the long cold spell this spring, we have more refrigerators on hand than there is a prospect of selling at regular prices. We do not want to carry any over because they would be dead stock until next spring, besides the room they occupy in the warehouse, the styles changing, and the finish being damaged. In order to dispose of what we have we will put a price on them that will catch every prospective buyer. Remember it is the celebrated Cold Storage we are going to sell. We have them in genuine porcelain lining and white enamel. Will sell them on payments or for cash. The Cold Storage is Mr. Hurd's, the great refrigerator builder's, latest invention. Mr. Hurd's is the only white enamel that is equal to porcelain. It will not scale off, smell or get soft. The patent glass trap is Mr. Hurd's invention and is only found in the Cold Storage. The air in the Cold Storage is so cold, dry and sanitary that foods, vegetables, fruits, raw or cooked, may be mixed indiscriminately and not one will smell or taste from another. Nothing ever spoils in a Cold Storage in hot weather. Remember we are agents for the Ideal, the world's best gas stove, and connect them free. We have a few of other makes that we are closing out for what they will bring. We keep the best and sell on small payments, or a cut price for cash. STOETZEL STOVE CO., 714 South 16th St.

"You ought to be in Fry's shoes" Fit Your Boy in Low Shoes. Our lines of low shoes are the most serviceable and best shaped shoes manufactured—built like Dad's, over mannish shaped lasts, with high toes, flat heels, all solid, heavy out soles, the kind a healthy lad should wear. Tans—Dulls—Patents GOOD ONES FOR \$2.00 BETTER ONES FOR \$2.50. FRY SHOE CO. 16th & DOUGLAS.

HAVE YOU A "LION" IN YOUR HOME? For use in conjunction with the kitchen water tank there is no heater to equal the "Lion" Tank Water Heater at anything like the price. The "LION" is the cheapest and most efficient small Copper Coil Tank Heater obtainable; it has a number of exclusive features, is handsomely finished and absolutely safe. May We Give You a Demonstration? Call at our showrooms—You won't be obliged to purchase. If you can't call just drop us a card, or phone. OMAHA GAS COMPANY. No. 1 "LION" heats a 40 gallon tank in less than 60 minutes.