

LIGHT RATES MUST NOT BE INCREASED

City Dads Change Ordinance for the Protection of the Small Consumers.

RINE DRAFTS THE CHANGE

City Attorney Rine has drawn an amendment to the new electric light and rate ordinance, to meet an unexpected contingency wherein, under exceptional circumstances, the new schedule of rates might increase a monthly bill a few cents.

The mayor says he learned of two instances where bills would be raised slightly, an analysis of these cases showing that the circumstances were unusual.

The amendment provides that in no case shall the bill under the new schedule be more than it would have been under the application of the old rates.

With this objection removed, the mayor now contends that the ordinance will stand the test and has his approval.

Other city commissioners say they have not received any complaints from electric light patrons.

Drawn by Electrician. This ordinance was drawn by the city electrician at the request of the mayor and was approved by the city commissioners, who spent several hours in an executive session.

In their espousal of the ordinance city commissioners and others who have been speaking for them at meetings have contended that the 50-cent minimum, of which complaint has been made, would affect chiefly office patrons, who do not have occasion to use much artificial light.

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Dan Butler, who offered the first electric light and power ordinance, declares he has not received even one complaint from citizens regarding the new ordinance as announced.

Date Set for the Commencement at Brownell Hall

The commencement exercises of Brownell Hall will be held this year on Tuesday morning June 8, preceded by the following dates: Wednesday, May 19, field day, 1:30 p. m.; Friday, June 4, junior day, 8 p. m.; Sunday, June 11 a. m., in the chapel of St. Matthias, when Bishop Williams will preach the sermon to the graduating class; Monday, June 7, at 7:30, a garden party in honor of the senior class, followed by a recital by the pupils of the music department. Out of a class of nine girls to graduate only two girls are Omaha girls. They are Miss Gertrude Stout, who is president of her class and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Stout, and Miss Oscar Allen. Both plan to go east to school next year, the former to Mrs. Somers in Washington and Miss Allen to the Baldwin school near Brnn Mawr.

The other members of the class are Miss Marguerite Brown, Miss Helen Walker, Miss Marion Turner and Miss Margaret Lemon, all of Council Bluffs; Miss Mary Taylor of Abbott, Neb.; Miss Alice Frost of Fremont, and Miss Genevieve Hornbrook, the daughter of Major and Mrs. James J. Hornbrook.

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Moorhead Overruled by Redick in Case Brought by Wright

When, after the election, commissioner writes the word "challenged" opposite the name of a registered voter and the latter shall secure affidavits of two registered voters of his precinct, showing him to be qualified, the commissioner then has no discretion, but must remove the challenge, District Judge Redick decided when he compelled the commissioner by mandamus to accept Walter Wright, a negro, as a voter.

The decision of this point is regarded by attorneys as important, in that it forbids Election Commissioner Moorhead to exercise arbitrary powers which he has claimed to forbid the exercise of the franchise by voters.

When the voter fulfills the program outlined for him by law then the duties of the election commissioner becomes ministerial rather than judicial, the court held. The judge also refused to sustain Mr. Moorhead's contention that he is immune to judicial inquiry into the justice of his acts.

Dates for Opening of Clubs Are Fixed

It is about decided that Saturday, May 22, will see the opening of the Country club with the customary formality of a dinner and dance. The golfing season at the Country club has been on for the last two weeks, Sundays especially finding many of the regular devotees on the links. There will not be any great changes at the Country club this season; plans for enlarging the dining space and locker room were considered, but abandoned as being inadvisable at this time. "Willie" Hoare, the new golf professional, will be the only really new feature of the club this year and he is said to be an excellent instructor.

Both the Happy Hollow and the Field clubs have chosen May 23 for their opening and are planning for a table d'hôte dinner and dance for the occasion. The Field club will be under new management this season with George F. Baker, jr., from Youngstown, O., in charge, but aside from the usual furnishings up

the club house and grounds, there will be no radical changes. The Happy Hollow club is improving the golf course by putting in a better water supply. The club will be under the same management as last year, which was satisfactory all around.

Burlington Ties Up With Union Pacific on Car Service

Unless there is a hitch in the program now about worked out, after May 23, the Burlington will have through car service from St. Louis into San Francisco, the first time in the history of the road.

It is asserted that everything except some of the minor details have been worked out and so certain are the Burlington passenger people that the deal will be consummated that they are preparing the advertising matter for the new arrangement.

The Burlington's proposed through car service into San Francisco means a traffic tie-up with the Union and Southern Pacific roads. According to the plans proposed, between St. Louis and Kansas City and Denver, the Burlington will use its own line, operating through train services. From Denver to Ogden, by way of Cheyenne, the Burlington's through cars will be hauled by the Union Pacific and from Ogden to San Francisco, by the Southern Pacific.

It is asserted that the new passenger car traffic arrangement between the Burlington, the Union and Southern Pacific roads is purely a business proposition, carried on along the lines of so much pay per car and in no manner has anything to do with a merger of the general interests of the road.

From Denver to San Francisco, the Burlington cars will not be open to passengers going either east or west. In the event they were to ride, they will have to buy tickets for the Union and Southern Pacific cars in the train, tickets that will not entitle them to ride in the Burlington cars.

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Arrested With 1,500 Grains of Morphine

That question so frequently asked nowadays, "Where do people get 'dope' now that the new 'dope' laws put the lid down hard on the supply?" was answered when Raymond Nelson was arrested Saturday.

He is a porter for the Yates Drug company, Seventeenth and Douglas streets. For some time the store has been missing quantities of morphine. The clerks arranged to keep a watch and it is alleged they caught Nelson "snipping" the drug.

He was confronted and searched and 800 grains of the drug were found on his person. When he was searched again by the officers at the police station an additional 1,000 grains of morphine were found in his possession.

Most of State Gets Another Drenching

About all of Nebraska except the extreme eastern portion got another drenching Friday night, according to the morning reports to the railroads. The precipitation ranged from one-half to one and one-half inches, the heaviest being from Red Cloud, through the south tier of counties, west to the state line and over into Colorado.

Along the Northwestern there was heavy rain from Neligh west, the precipitation generally being an inch or more. West of Columbus on the Union Pacific and west of Geneva on the Burlington it rained nearly all night.

PAGALCO CLUB GIVES DANCE AT METROPOLITAN

The Pagalco club entertained at a dancing party Thursday evening at Metropolitan hall. Those present were: Misses—Eva Christe, Bernice Johnson, Helen Smith, Fernine Stock, Sylvia Johnson, Rosemeadow, Marguerite Elanasser, Kathryn Peckel, Patricia McAndrew, Ethel Larson, Kathryn Murphy, Albert MacCron, Gertrude Wilson, Naomi Byrne, G. L. Potter, Helen Letman, Anne J. Maher, Helen Jensen, Gladys Fernandez, Bess Antony, Irene Barker, Messrs—Roscoe Wolfe, George A. Goodman, A. V. Maas, Harry Unitt, J. J. Pezlie, M. P. Paulson, C. E. Kline, Frank Voss, W. B. Jones, Frank Osborn, E. A. Hyne, Jack Buller, Charles Gillespie, S. E. MacCron, T. M. Carlisle, R. J. La Charolle, R. N. Thompson, P. E. Novek, S. V. Swanson, P. L. Kellie, Joe Dinger, W. A. Robbin, Dr. L. E. Vandiver, E. Patton, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Isonis.

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Flack Find Things Looking Good up in the Oil Fields

George C. Flack has just returned from a trip throughout Wyoming and the North Platte valley. He has some interests in Casper, Wyo., and asserts that the town is booming with prosperity incident to the oil finds in that region. "The town built up a great deal through the winter, and the new hotel is finished, as well as the five-story Masonic building and an apartment house of twenty apartments," said Mr. Flack.

"In the North Platte valley the best are about half planted, and the sugar factory, which is the largest in the country, will not be able to handle the crop, which will have to be shipped to the Colorado factories.

"It is expected that the government will start soon on the south side irrigation project, extending from Wyoming down to Bridgeport, Neb. Ninety per cent of the land under the ditch is signed for and the government only requires 20 per cent. This is expected to irrigate 120,000 acres."

John Bass Killed When Struck by a Heavy Timber

John Bass, colored, 25 years of age and single, died from the effects of being struck by material thrown from a construction hoist which was being taken down by John Lof, contractor, at the deaf institute Friday afternoon.

Bass' neck was broken. It was reported that Lof, Bass' employer, did not know the man was on the ground when the pieces of the hoist were thrown.

Coroner Crosby has taken charge of the body and will hold an inquest. Everybody Reads Bee Want Ads.

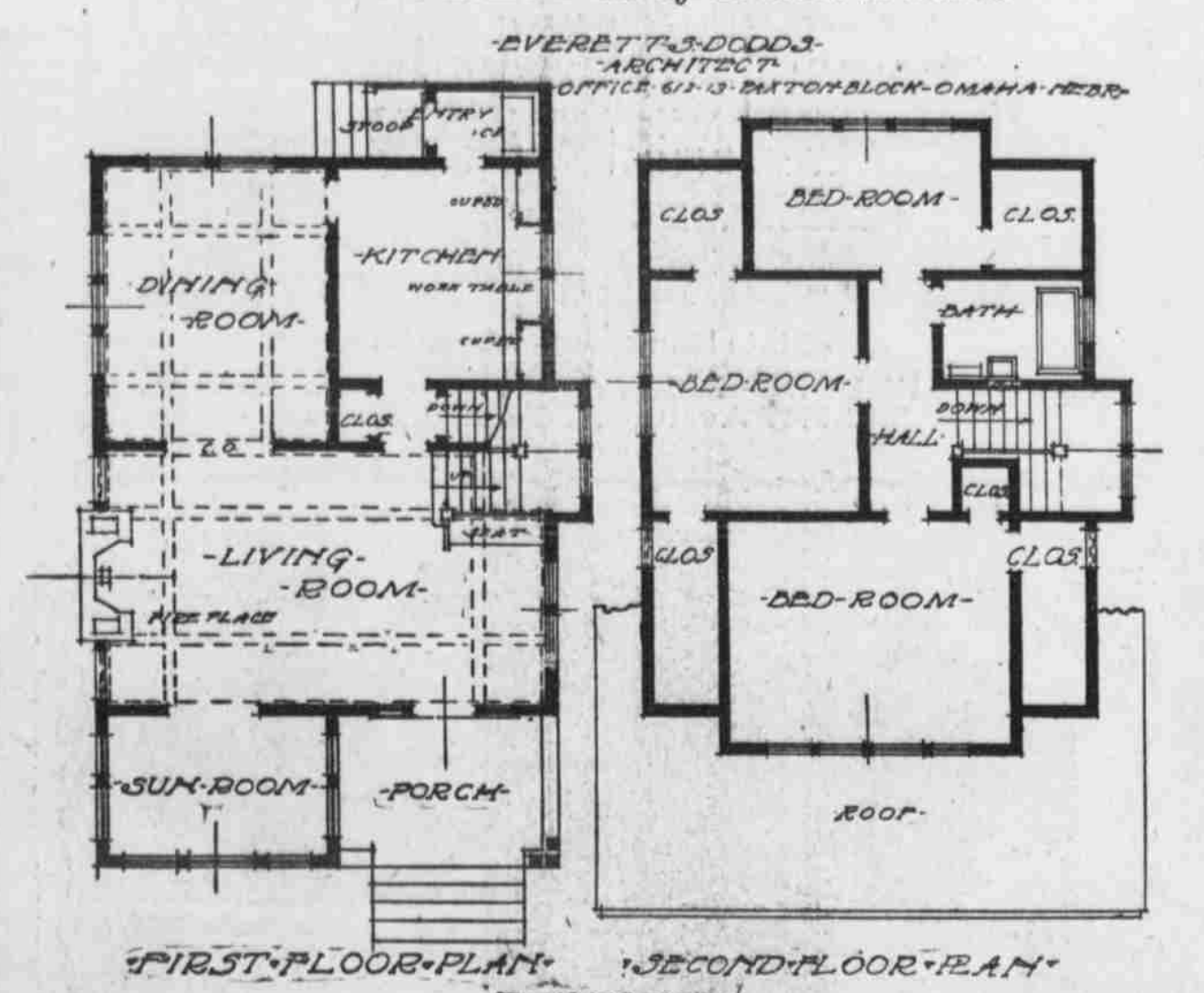
Propose Paving Prettiest Mile

The Prettiest Mile may be curbed, gutted and paved this spring. A committee, representing the Prettiest Mile Golf club and property owners of this strip waited upon Park Commissioner Bunnell, who agreed to have his engineers make estimates on the cost of paving, curbing and guttering from Grand avenue to the east entrance of Miller park.

An improvement on which a committee is working is the electrolite lighting system, which the club hopes to have installed this spring. Estimates on the cost are being secured, and it is hoped to have it installed before the work of the paving is started.

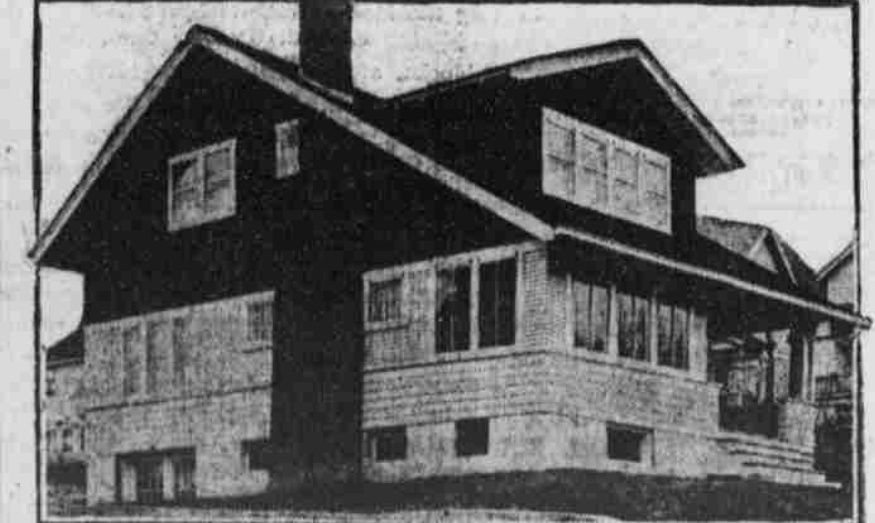
Son Born to Lady Decies. LONDON, April 24.—Lady Decies, formerly Miss Vician Gould of New York, gave birth to a son this morning. Lord and Lady Decies already have two daughters.

An Attractive Home Built by Everett S. Dodds



The bungalow shown above is a very beautiful and attractive design and is from the office of Everett S. Dodds, architect.

One of the attractive features of this complete little house is the garage in the basement with entrance, as shown in the photograph, directly off the alley. The porch of this bungalow is in front and under the main roof of the house. From this we enter directly into the large living room, which extends the entire width of the house. Off the living room and in the front of the house is the sun room or solarium, which is a very pretty little room with its small swinging seat. To the rear of the living room a large cased opening separates it from the dining room with its paneled walls, beamed ceiling and plate rail prettily finished in a dark weathered oak. From this room a swinging door leads to the kitchen. Here we find everything in apple-pie order and the architect has given this room very careful consideration, as the built-in cupboards and the arrangement of the kitchen fixtures are just as the modern housewife would have them to make her day's work the more easy. From the living room an open doorway of unique design leads to the second floor, where there are three large bedrooms and a bath room, all supplied with clothes closets and good ventilation.



The front bed room is very large and has a good closet with a window in the side wall, giving cross ventilation for the bed room. Any one desiring further information relative to the cost of building or the designing of a modern, up-to-the-minute house should get in touch with the architect, who will be glad to render his services. Everett S. Dodds, architect, 612-611 Paxton block, Omaha, Neb. Phone Douglas 2081.

Omaha Clubs Open Season on May 29

Saturday, May 29, seems to be the popular day at various clubs around Omaha. On that day five Omaha clubs will formally inaugurate the season. These clubs are the Field club, the Country club, Happy Hollow, Seymour Lake and Carter Lake clubs. The Carter Lake club also comes to the front with a second opening on Monday, May 31. Golf will be the big sport at the first four named clubs at the openings, while at the Carter Lake club water sports and tennis will reign supreme.

PERSONAL GOSSIP ABOUT SOME OMAHA PEOPLE

Mrs. J. T. Stewart is traveling in the east. E. A. Cudahy, jr., spent a few days in Omaha last week. Mrs. C. C. Rosewater has gone east to visit her former home, Jamestown, N. Y. Mrs. Huse of Norfolk, who has been visiting Mrs. M. C. Peters, went to Excelsior Springs Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. George B. Haynes of Chicago are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Haynes, 52 Georgia avenue. Miss Harriet Metz returned Friday from several days at the Miles ranch in Nebraska and was accompanied by Miss Edna Miles of Los Angeles, who will be her guest until some time next week.

STOLEN AUTO IS FOUND COMPLETELY BURNED UP

An automobile belonging to Gilbert Peterson of Valley, which was stolen in Omaha about a week ago, was located near Millard at the side of a road, completely destroyed by fire. Farmers in that district said that three men left the car there and returned the way they had come in another machine.

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