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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

REGULAR TALKFEST RESULTS IN IMPORTANT MATTERS BEING ATTENDED TO.

Caldwell Street to Be Widened—Turkey Creek Work to Begin—Main Street Paving Discussed at Length—City to Get Bids for New Automobile Fire Engine.

The "Fathers of the City" met Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock in their regular semi-monthly session to discuss what they should do for the good of the city, and after much discussion they decided that several important matters be attended to at some time in the future, though no matters of immediate importance to the people of the city were passed upon.

The various matters that were acted upon were the proposition of Manning, Rowland and Shore to accept four feet of their sidewalk on Caldwell street and to buy four feet from Cress & Company of New York to widen Caldwell street; the decision to go ahead with the work on Turkey Creek canal, after Mr. W. M. Graham had made his report; the decision to secure bids for an automobile engine and the discussion of the proposed Main street paving with the conclusion that it was best to have the bids in by the next meeting of Council for their consideration and acceptance or refusal. These matters were attended to, as well as several others of lesser importance, before Council saw fit to adjourn its session. The matters as taken up in order were as follows:

After the meeting had been opened and Council had heard the minutes of the last meeting and approved them, Messrs. R. I. Manning, C. G. Rowland and George D. Shore appeared with a proposition which, they stated, they wanted Council to consider thoroughly before acting upon. Mr. R. I. Manning, who acted as speaker, stated that the proposition may at first seem a selfish one, but that it was not such. He said that it had been considered for some time and he made the proposition now as this was the first time that they had ever secured the consent of Cress & Company to consider the matter at all or to offer to sell the land at any price. He said that Manning, Rowland and Shore owned about three hundred feet on Caldwell street and that Cress & Company owned about 100 feet. They were willing to give four feet for the widening of the street, not the sidewalk, with the condition attached that the city buy four feet from Cress & Company, so as to make the street of a uniform width. They were also willing to furnish the \$800—Cress & Company having consented to sell the property at that price, at which they had bought it, \$200 per front foot,—without interest until next fall when the city should return it to them. He stated further that they had heard that Cress & Company expected to build on their lot sometime in the near future, and that if the street was ever to be a business street and widened as it should be, this was the time. It was further stated by Mr. Shore that they were ready to move back any building that they possessed on the street so that the four feet would at present cost the city nothing and the sidewalk and street could be changed whenever the city liked. Mr. Shore said that he thought that the matter ought to be attended to now as this offer had been made by Cress & Company after much correspondence with them, they having at first refused to consider the proposition at all, and as they expected to make improvements on their property shortly, the street would have to be widened now or never. It was situated in a good place for a business street and could be made so only by widening. The matter was later taken up by Council and it was decided that the offer should be accepted, providing that Manning, Rowland and Shore carry on the job without interest for one year and that the tree commission should grant permission that the trees on that side of the street be taken down.

Mr. S. H. Edmunds extended an invitation to the City Council to attend the commencement exercises of the high school on both nights, which was accepted with thanks.

Mr. W. M. Graham stated that he had been to see several of the property owners in the Turkey Creek section who were interested in the drainage of the canal and that all of them had consented to give something except one, who had refused to give anything at all. He said that he thought that the share from the property owners would be forthcoming at any time that the work was done and

he asked that it go ahead.

Mr. Booth reported for the street committee that work on Calhoun street was going on very slowly as there were very few hands, although it was being done by the contract system. He said that the street commission had held a session at which Mr. Beatty, the contractor for the Church street paving, had been made a proposition. The proposition was that Mr. Beatty accept 66 2-3 per cent of the price of the half of the paving that had not been done properly as settlement, and that Mr. Beatty also give a bond of \$1,000 covering the work. Mr. Beatty had taken this matter under consideration and had later referred it to his attorney, who had written that he declined to settle for his client on these grounds. The sum in question was about \$480, which had been refused Mr. Beatty on the ground that his work had not come up to specifications.

Mr. Booth then reported that the work of making pipe for the Main street storm sewer was getting along very well, but not very rapidly. The sand had been found to be not so good as was expected and that it was necessary to make the pipe of half granite screenings. This had furnished a better pipe at a little higher cost. Major Lee reported that about one-third of the pipe for the street had been completed and that it would be necessary to have about 3,500 feet of the pipe, some of which was now ready to be put into the ground. He stated that there were two ways of running the storm sewer, one way requiring about 3,500 feet of pipe and the other way about 4,700 more feet of piping. He said that the piping cost about 65 cents per foot to make it. The matter of laying the pipe was discussed for some time, but no action was decided upon except to put down the piping as soon as possible.

Mr. Lee then stated that he had all of the necessary measurements for the bids for work on Main street which was proposed. He said that it was best to call for bids now and give the contractors time to put in their bids, although it was probable that and delay would be caused by the laying of the storm sewer and not by the getting of bids from the contractors. He said that a great deal of the macadam base which was now on the street could be used by the contractors, no matter what kind of pavement they used.

The matter was finally closed by the passage of a motion to the effect that the bids be called for, proper specifications to be furnished by the engineer, to be opened by the special Main street paving committee at noon on Monday, June 12, and had ready for recommendation at the regular meeting of City Council on the next day.

Mr. Booth reported that he had accepted bids from the Booth-Harby Live Stock Company for cement that was to be used by the city in the building of pipe, their bid being lower than that of any other bidder.

It was reported that the work on the sewer line was getting along slowly, but that it would probably be finished in about a month from now. Mr. Lee stated that the work had been delayed because of lack of hands.

Mr. Wright reported for the police committee that new uniforms had been ordered at a little less cost than heretofore.

He stated that there had been some complaints about the house which had been quarantined that the quarantine had not been strictly enforced, but that the matter would be attended to at once.

Mr. Glenn reported that he had received several letters from the heads of fire departments at various places and that they all reported the automobile fire engine to be a much better concern for fighting fire than any other that had ever been put in use. He read some of the letters, most of them being from places in Illinois. He stated that one of the hose wagons had been put to one side as being unfit for service and that the fire engine had been gotten ready for use in case of fire and was now in service. Most of the letters were from persons who used a Webb machine. The matter of getting an automobile fire engine was discussed for some time, and upon the statement of Mr. Glenn that the machine could not possibly reach here before next fall sometime, even if ordered now, he was instructed with his committee to secure bids for furnishing the city with an automobile engine and other needed apparatus.

Mr. J. H. Grady was granted permission to build an air dome on the lot on the corner of Main and Caldwell streets.

Mr. Wright reported that they had been down to see the place at which

MORE LORIMER INVESTIGATION

SENATE HAS THREE RESOLUTIONS CALLING FOR NEW INQUIRY.

Martin Presents the Last—Plan of Democratic Leader Provides for Sweeping Investigation of Legislative Jackpot.

Washington, May 23.—The "Lorimer case" again was to the fore in the senate today. A resolution of inquiry offered by Senator Martin, the Democratic leader, as a substitute for the La Follette and Dillingham resolutions and the continuation of a speech by Senator La Follette furnished the feature. Mr. La Follette did not finish today, but hopes to conclude tomorrow his plea for a reinvestigation of the bribery charges brought in connection with the election of the Illinois senator.

Mr. La Follette reviewed the recent proceedings of the Illinois legislature relative to the Lorimer case. He said he was convinced that there was still more testimony to be adduced.

"The people of the country," said he, "rejected our former verdict as if by one voice. Nothing ever is settled until it is settled right. It is God's justice, pulling to make things plumb." He was sure that public opinion had been right in this case, and, declaring that he wanted the senate to view itself in the mirror of such opinion, he held aloft a huge collection of newspaper clippings condemning the senate's decision in the case.

Mr. La Follette quoted the senate's action in the DuPont case in an effort to justify the demand for a reopening of the case, contending that the senate as well as other tribunals should exercise the privilege of reviewing its own proceedings. He presented a voluminous transcript of the Illinois legislature's record in the Lorimer case. He read freely from the testimony of Kohisaat, Funk and Hines concerning the use of a corruption fund of \$100,000, which it was charged had been used in influencing votes in Lorimer's behalf. He contended that many statements made by Hines would be proved if the senate reopens the case.

A resolution calling for an investigation of the charges of bribery in connection with the election of the junior senator from Illinois was offered on behalf of the Democratic minority by Senator Martin. It goes farther than the La Follette and Dillingham resolutions in that it provides specifically for an inquiry into the "jackpot" fund in the Illinois legislature and its connection with Lorimer. The Martin resolution would leave with the committee on privileges and election the prosecution of the inquiry and delegates to it all the powers of a court. The committee would be authorized to hold its sessions at whatever place it deemed most convenient.

Robertson had wanted a street opened and had found the plan feasible, provided that Robertson secured the right of way and the earth that was necessary to fill the cut. It was estimated that it would take about \$200 to do the work of opening the street. The matter was referred to the street committee to be acted on under these conditions, if they saw fit.

The cotton samples which were purchased last fall by the Chamber of Commerce and the city, were ordered transferred to the cotton platform.

The contract which the Atlantic Coast Line wanted signed by Council, relative to the placing of the sewerage pipe under their track was referred back to the city attorney for his recommendation in writing.

The settlement of the A. C. L. claim for expenses incurred in cutting the sewer line under their track was deferred.

A request from the Thomas Lumber company was refused.

The Civic League asked that steps be taken to have the streets kept in better condition, but no action was taken in the matter.

A letter from Crosswell & Company was read in which it was asked that the sewer matter brought up by them before, be attended to at once. The city engineer was instructed to visit the place and find out if a four inch drain was sufficiently large to carry off the sewerage and if so that Crosswell and Company be permitted to put it in at their own expense; if an eight inch pipe was found to be necessary it was to be laid by the city engineer, the city to bear one-half of the expense.

The commission of Public Works was permitted to borrow \$8,000 on notes to be given by them.

THE VOTING CONTEST.

TEN THOUSAND FREE VOTES ON YEARLY SUBSCRIPTIONS

Big Special Inducement Announced Today in Order to Give Every Candidate a Substantial Start in the Race for the Grand Prizes—Splendid Opportunity to Get a Good Start.

Today a special offer is announced and it will be to the advantage of every candidate to benefit by. Every candidate who brings or sends to the office before 8:30 p. m. Tuesday evening, May 30th, a subscription for one year to the Daily Item or Watchman and Southron will be entitled to a special ballot of 10,000 votes in addition to the regular scale of votes covering subscriptions. The subscriptions may be either an old one paid one year in advance, or new one. Candidates residing outside of the city or those who can not get in to the office may mail their subscriptions anytime before 8:30 p. m. on Tuesday, May 30th. Only one of these 10,000 ballots will be given to each candidate. Interest in the Daily Item and Watchman and Southron's great prize voting contest is increasing day by day and every day brings in more nominations.

The Way to Get Votes.

There are only two ways of getting votes in this contest—one way is by saving the free vote coupons which are printed in each issue. The other by securing paid in advance subscriptions for the Item or Watchman and Southron. Another positive assurance you have is that votes cannot be bought. The only money which will be accepted in connection with the contest will be that sent to pay for subscriptions. Subscribers, this is your opportunity to do a kindness for some of your friends. You will be doing yourself a good turn at the same time. If you are an old subscriber you will save yourself the annoyance of constant calls from a collector. If you take the paper now, you will be giving yourself a pleasure hitherto unknown. It is a satisfaction to feel that the paper you read in the evening is reliable. It is a pleasure to read the bright, broad news and the clean, conservative columns of a newspaper like the Item or Watchman and Southron, which are as well fitted to the man of affairs as they are to the home, combining as they do and as few papers do, the element of State-wide information, detailed local news, reliable market reports, and a stand never abandoned for the best interest of the vicinity.

A Word to Our Readers.

Every reader of this paper is requested to look over the list of candidates printed today. If you have a friend in the race, clip out the 50-vote coupon and send it in to her credit. Then call her on the telephone and pledge her your further support. A little encouragement at the start would "boost" her campaign more than at any other time. It should be remembered that 10,000 extra votes will be given for the first yearly subscription turned in by each candidate before Tuesday, May 30th, at 8:30 p. m.

G. S. M. A. CLOSING EXERCISES.

Commencement Exercises to Be Held in High Hill Baptist Church on 28th and 29th.

Stateburg, May 23.—General Sumter Memorial Academy will hold its closing exercises in the High Hill church this year.

The sermon, on Sunday the 28th, will be preached by the Rev. R. W. Lide, D. D., exercises beginning at 11:30 a. m.

On Monday evening, 29th, the graduating exercises will be conducted in the same church. After the essays by the graduates, an address will be delivered by Hon. L. H. Lawson, Senator from Darlington County.

The music will be furnished on both occasions by the students and faculty of the Academy.

Farmers report that cotton is coming up despite the lack of rain.

News of the death of Mother Loretto in Charleston Monday was received with sincere sorrow by scores of people in Sumter, especially those who attended St. Joseph's Academy during the years she was directress of that institution. She was a woman of lovable character, a teacher of superior attainments and, as directress of the Academy, displayed marked executive ability. The many young women who were educated under her direction remember her with feelings of gratitude and affection.

TO LET NEW STARS SHINE.

PASSES A RESOLUTION ADMITTING ARIZONA AND NEW MEXICO.

People of Territories Must Pass on Certain Features of Proposed Organic Laws.

Washington, May 23.—The joint resolution admitting Arizona and New Mexico to immediate Statehood, but withholding approval of the constitutions of both States until the people have voted on certain proposed amendments to them, passed the house of representatives this afternoon by a viva voce vote. No recall was demanded on final vote. A preceding motion to reconsider, made by Jas. F. D. Republican leader, 31 F. D. voted with the Democrats, defeating the motion, 214 to 57.

The resolution removing the recall provision as it applies to judges and requires New Mexico to vote on an amendment making its constitution more easily amendable in the future. Neither State is required to adopt the amendments proposed by congress.

Whether they are approved or rejected by the proposed referendum, the constitutions of the new States will stand finally approved when the respective votes have been taken.

The resolution passed in the form proposed by the Democratic majority of the committee on territories.

Efforts were made by the Republicans to force Arizona to vote out of its constitution the recall of judges, and to give immediate and unqualified approval of the New Mexican constitution. Both provisions were rejected.

The Democrats declared that the proposal to force Arizona to reject the recall was an effort to keep that State out of the Union.

Notwithstanding this attitude, leading Democratic orators bitterly denounced the recall of judges during the afternoon's debate, while Republican insurgents refused to join Mr. Mann in the proposal to force Arizona to give it up.

Representative Sherley (Ky.), attacking the provision, said the recall was no excuse for refusing to admit Arizona to Statehood, but that as a policy of government it threatened to take away the greatest safeguard of the public.

"The courts are the only protection of the individual," said Mr. Sherley. "People ought to recognize the necessity in their calm moments for maintaining safeguards that will prevent hasty and unfair action on their part in their excited moments."

Representative Martin W. Littleton of New York made an equally vigorous attack, not exactly on the recall, but upon the initiative and referendum.

"It will strike from the splendid structure of free government the arch upon which it has come to rest with unshaken confidence," Representative Little declared in his speech.

"The seasoned and staid traditions of impeachment are to be translated into a trial by tumult," said Mr. Littleton. "The orderly processes of regulated justice are to be converted into sporadic assaults born of hate and disappointment. The dignified minister of the established law, ennobled by the grandeur of his lofty station and disciplined by the pressure of sober responsibility, is to be degraded by the impending threat and distracted by the uncertainty of a precarious tenure. The misguided or malignant passions of an unimportant fragment of the community may accuse the most stainless judge, and by groundless charge at suspicion in the place of confidence and distrust in the place of faith and trust."

Quoting from Saint Luke, telling how Pilate, bending before the cries of the mob, permitted Christ to be taken away and crucified, the speaker concluded: "God forbid that the sanctuaries of America shall ever be ravished by the sibilant hiss of a mob crying, 'Crucify him! Crucify him!'"

ELECTED GRAND PRELATE.

Dr. Geo. W. Dick Chosen for Important Office by Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias.

Columbia, May 24.—Geo. W. Dick, of Sumter, was today elected Grand Prelate of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias by a large majority over Fishburn.

Albert Knobloch, of Charleston, killed himself in a Philadelphia hospital Tuesday.

MOTHER LORETTA QUINLAN.

SUPERIORESS OF SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF MERCY PASSES AWAY.

End Comes for Remarkable and Beloved Woman After Weeks of Suffering—Was Head of the Sisters of Mercy in this State—Funeral services to be Held at the Cathedral Tomorrow—Interment to Take Place at St. Lawrence Seminary.

Mother M. Loretta Quinlan, Superior of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, passed away yesterday afternoon at 6:30 o'clock at St. Francis Xavier Infirmary, after an illness of about three months. In her position as Mother Superior she was the head of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in South Carolina and was widely known throughout the State. She was 63 years of age. The funeral services will be held tomorrow morning in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, the Office of the Dead being celebrated at 9:30 o'clock and Solemn Pontifical Mass of Requiem at 10 o'clock. The interment will follow in St. Lawrence Cemetery.

When Mother Loretta died yesterday afternoon at sunset a remarkable woman rested from her labors. Through several weeks of suffering she preserved her equable and cheerful disposition. As the end drew near yesterday Bishop Northrop and several of the clergy, together with the sorrowing Sisters of Mercy, who were all fondly attached to their Spiritual Mother, knelt at her bedside in prayer.

Joanna Quinlan, the fair young girl of 17, knelt as a bride of Christ in 1865 and made her final vows in 1868. Her recognized talents led to her assignment to St. Joseph's Academy, Sumter, soon afterwards. She was made directress of this institution in 1891 and filled that responsible office until the death of that wonderful woman, Mother Teresa, whom she was elected to succeed in 1900 as Mother Superior of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy and held this high office continuously until her death.

Evidence of her administrative ability is found in the large increase and flourishing condition of the community over which she presided and in the growth and efficiency of the several schools and institutions directed by the Sisters of Mercy. During her term as Mother Superior St. Angela's Academy at Aiken, S. C., was opened, St. Catherine's School for colored children established, the Training School for Nurses at St. Francis Xavier Infirmary founded and the new convent of the Sisters of Mercy on Legare street, constructed. This executive talent did not diminish her tenderness of heart constantly manifested in her direction of the Sisters, and especially in her affectionate care of the orphan children as their devoted guardian during her whole term as Mother Superior.

Mother Loretta was the model religious, wholly consecrated to God and having achieved the height of perfect detachment from the things of earth, but in her last illness she said that if it should be God's will, she would see the new Infirmary completed, characteristic of her tender thought, at all times, of the suffering and the sorrowing.

She will be held in prayerful and affectionate remembrance by the members of her community and the orphans and by those who link her lovingly to their school days in their convent home, many of whom have named their children for Mother Loretta; and many others in this city will miss her sunny smile and missions of mercy and charity—News and Courier, May 23.

FOUR MEN SHOT, THREE DEAD.

Five Aces in Pack Causes Trouble That Ends in Shooting.

Kittanning, Pa., May 22.—Posses are today searching the country about here for Dick Sencic, a triple murderer, who during a quarrel at Kaylor, a mining town, in the northern part of Armstrong county, last night shot and killed Charles Sencic, his brother; "Andy" Braltic, and his brother, Roco Braltic.

Walter Spilish, another participant in the melee, was shot through the body and will die.

The wholesale slaughter resulted from a beating administered to "Dick" Sencic, after the alleged discovery of five aces in a deck of cards, with which the men were playing.

He was driven from the miners' shack, and standing on an embankment outside pumped the lead from an automatic gun into the open door.