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PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

Preliminary Assessment Roll on Street Improvements Adopted.

At the regular meeting of the city council Monday evening all members were present and the following business was transacted:

A petition filed by the Main garage for a drinking fountain on Culver street was referred to the water committee.

In the matter of the improvement of Home avenue, Grove street, Austin avenue and West Washington street, preliminary assessment roll was filed and Aug. 25 fixed as last date for filing remonstrances.

The city attorney was ordered to collect rent from James Milady, who is alleged to have moved into the old Ralph Fendig property on the corner of Van Rensselaer and Harrison streets without leave or license some time last spring, and, on failure of said Milady to pay, to proceed by suit in ejection. This property belongs to the city and Milady is alleged to have taken possession without any authority whatever and to have paid no rent during the several months he has occupied same. It would seem that the court ought to appoint a guardian for the city to look after its interests, when such things as this can be pulled off.

The usual number of claims were allowed.

H. B. TUTEUR CAR BURNED UP

Completely Destroyed by Fire of Unknown Origin Sunday.

H. B. Tuteur had the misfortune to have his Chevrolet roadster destroyed by fire about 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Mr. Tuteur, with a couple of other young men, had driven out south of town to the grove just east of Mt. Calvary cemetery and the car was left at the roadside while the boys went over to the grove.

They had been there for some little time when one of them noticed that the car was on fire. A hurry-up trip was made to St. Joseph college and a fire extinguisher secured, but the extinguisher failed to work and they then came to Rensselaer and secured an extinguisher. But when they got back with it the car was practically destroyed, the entire body and three wheels being burned up.

Had it not been for the fact that the boys were afraid the gasoline tank would explode they might possibly have put out the fire when first discovered. But they did not care to take any chances and kept at a safe distance. The tank did finally blow out at the end and the escaping gasoline added to the ferocity of the flames.

While the car had seen several years service, it was still in good running order and the tires were nearly all practically new, therefore the loss was a few hundred dollars at least. There was no insurance on the car.

It is not known how the fire originated, but Mr. Tuteur thinks that possibly some one passing along the road had thrown a cigarette stub in the dry grass near the car or a cigarette stub may have been dropped in the car when the boys left it, although the latter theory is hardly probable.

CHICKEN THIEVES ARE BUSY

Chicken thieves are reported to be getting in their work in this vicinity, especially over about Mt. Ayr and Brook, where hundreds have been stolen. Mrs. Marsh Warner of Rensselaer has had about 50 stolen. Unfortunately the courts have been too lenient with chicken thieves, when caught, and have not given them the punishment in the past that this most despicable crime deserves. The full limit of the law might have a good effect next time one is caught. In the meantime unchain the bulldog and ram a few extra slabs in the shotgun.

MT. AYR FARMS CHANGE HANDS

Oscar Schanlaub and Charles W. Fleming were over from near Mt. Ayr yesterday. The former has just sold his 40-acre farm 1 1/2 miles west of Mt. Ayr to Ernest Schanlaub at \$275 per acre and has partly bargained for a 160-acre farm in Jasper county, north of town. Mr. Fleming has purchased the old 40-acre farm of Ernest Schanlaub, 3 3/4 miles southwest of Mt. Ayr, which joined his 160 on the north, paying \$260 per acre therefor.

COURT HOUSE NEWS IN BRIEF

Interesting Paragraphs From the Various Departments

OF JASPER COUNTY CAPITOL

Legal News Epitomized—Together With Other Notes Gathered by Us From the Various County Offices.

D. J. Pettit of Wolcott was a visitor in the city a short time Saturday.

Trustee John F. Pettet and son Jay of Walker township were visitors in the city Saturday. Mr. Pettet has let the contract for the new school building at Oak Grove to C. P. Clager of Wheatfield for \$2,460.

Trustee B. F. LeFevre, Theodore Phillips and Jerry Shea were down from Gilliam Monday. The latter, who suffered a bad fall from a load of hay when a rope he was pulling on broke with him a month ago, letting him fall over backward to the ground nine feet below on his head and shoulders, was getting along nicely until Saturday, when at work tightening some taps on his car he wrenched his neck again and he was suffering almost as badly as ever Monday.

Trustee Postell received but one bid Saturday for the new consolidated school building, which he proposes to build about a half mile west of the Alf Donnelly corner, on the north side of the road just west of the old Donnelly farmhouse. This bid was about \$18,000 and is in excess of the bond issue. The bid was from Hodshire & Young of Monticello. The matter has not been disposed of as yet, but it is hoped that a few changes may be made so that the contract can be entered into.

NOTES FROM COUNTY HOSPITAL

Lee Dirst of Mt. Ayr underwent an operation for appendicitis Saturday and is doing as well as could be expected.

Glen Baker, who underwent an operation for appendicitis recently, was able to return to his home in Barkley township Monday.

Mrs. Pearl Ellis of Morocco entered the hospital Friday for medical attention.

Sylvester Amsler, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Amsler of southeast of town, underwent an operation for appendicitis yesterday.

Arnold Ade, son of Rev. and Mrs. Ade of Mt. Ayr, had his tonsils and adenoids removed yesterday.

Harry Martin of Morocco was brought over yesterday noon and underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Ruth Maxwell and Elizabeth Hebbard had their tonsils removed yesterday.

AEROPLANE EXPRESS TODAY

Will Bring Shipment to the Traub Clothing House.

The world's first aeroplane express will land in Rensselaer on Wednesday, August 13, at 2:15 p.m., when Lieut. David L. Behncke brings shipment of Society Brand clothes from the factory at Chicago to William Traub.

Behncke flies a Curtiss bi-plane and will land on the Amsler field at 2:15 p.m. He will be met by a special committee of welcome headed by Mayor Charles G. Spider.

An auto truck will rush the merchandise from the field to the store.

Ample time will be given to inspect the plane and meet the aviator.

The world's first aeroplane express service is a culmination of an idea that originated with Alfred Decker, president of Alfred Decker & Cohn, manufacturers of Society Brand clothes, back in the spring of 1914. A representative of the concern visited flying fields at Dayton, O., and in the east and on his return it was decided to inaugurate the service. The war came on shortly after which made it necessary to abandon the idea until this spring.

A forty acre flying field equipped with a steel hangar has been established at Maywood, Ill., a suburb of Chicago, and two Curtiss J-N-4 bi-planes were purchased. On Tues-

THE TWO PAULS ARE HOME

Paul Worland and Paul Healy Discharged From the Service.

Paul Worland returned home Saturday noon from Camp Sherman, O., where he received his discharge from the service. Paul spent about 18 months in France with the ambulance department. He landed in this country about August 1. Paul, in common with all the other Jasper county boys returning from the service, is looking splendid, the picture of good health.

Paul Healy, who had been in the band on the U. S. S. Mt. Vernon for the past year or more, received his discharge at Pittsburgh, Pa., Saturday and reached home Sunday. He is also looking fine and has gained some 16 pounds in weight since joining the navy. He says he got very tired of it, however, and was mighty glad to get back home.

AUTOMOBILE TIRE IS STOLEN

Saturday night some one entered A. Leopold's garage and stole a new Miller 36x4 1/2 cord tire, rim and inner tube which had just been bought last week and cost \$60. The thief was evidently acquainted with the premises, as he had gone to the place where the key to the garage was kept, then went back to the garage and after unlocking the door threw the key on the ground.

MRS. CLINT BROWN IS DEAD

Former Rensselaer Lady Brought Here for Burial Yesterday.

Mrs. Clint Brown of near Huntington, who had been lying at the point of death for some time, passed away at about 6 o'clock Monday morning, and the body was brought to Rensselaer yesterday afternoon and taken direct to the Christian church, where funeral services were conducted by Rev. Cole of Huntington, who accompanied the funeral party here. Burial was made in Weston cemetery.

August 10, 1919.

To County Administrators:

The industrial crisis our country is facing prompts our earnest consideration of the economic problems which lie back of unrest and social disorder.

Attorney General Palmer, remembering the splendid work of the United States food administration, has asked me to recall to service our entire food organization and to place the county administrators in full charge of the situation in their several counties.

I am, therefore, asking you to take up again the work of food control and the enforcement of the Lever law, especially as it relates to hoarding, profiteering and waste.

Attorney General Palmer instructs me to ask you to form a fair price committee which will include one retail grocer, one wholesale grocer, one dry goods dealer, your labor representative, your county chairman of food clubs and as well, several representatives of the consumer.

May I suggest that you include other trades or businesses, if you desire, as it is our wish to secure data on the price of all commodities which may be unfairly priced, such as coal, ice, shoes, rentals, etc.

Letters are going out today to all the men who worked with us, asking them to report to you both for instructions and as well the results of their work. In this list are the price reporter, labor representative, merchant representative, leaders in the food club work.

As you perfect your plans and organization give the facts to your local press, always heeding the suggestion from Washington that cold facts and not wild reports will stabilize public opinion and quiet unrest.

Report to me the results of your price investigations. All cases involving profiteering or violation of any section of the Lever act will be immediately handed over to the department of justice.

The United States attorney general has been instructed to cooperate with us in punishing all law violators.

I have wired Washington that our organization stands ready for service, and that without expectation of compensation every man will do his utmost.

Yours very truly,

H. E. BARNARD,

LATE BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 9, to Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Thompson, at the county hospital, a daughter.

Try a want ad in The Democrat.

NOTED STEEL MAGNATE DEAD

Andrew Carnegie Dies of Pneumonia at Age of 84.

Lenox, Mass., August 11.—In his great mansion overlooking a lake in the beautiful Berkshire hills, where he sought seclusion when bodily infirmity overtook him, Andrew Carnegie, iron master and philanthropist, died today.

Although he had been in feeble health for more than two years, his final illness was brief—a matter of days. A severe cold developed quickly into bronchial pneumonia, the aged patient lapsed into unconsciousness and the end came as though it were but the beginning of a deeper sleep.

Mr. Carnegie came to America from Scotland a poor boy in 1848, and up to the time of his death he had given away over \$350,000,000.

RECOUNT OF VOTES ORDERED

North Vernon, August 12.—Questioning the legality of the Jennings county courthouse election, in which those opposed to the removal of the county seat from Vernon to North Vernon lost by a majority of 828 votes, the losing side has taken the matter into court, with Judge John Carney presiding.

The ballots cast in the election were ordered recounted, and further proceedings in the case are to come up at the October session of the circuit court.

JOHN EGER AGAIN FOOD HEAD

For Jasper County in Fight on High Cost of Living.

John Eger, who so ably filled the position as county food administrator during the war, has again been called upon to assume this duty by State Food Administrator Barnard, who sent Mr. Eger the following communication:

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MUNICIPAL OPEN AIR CONCERT

WEDNESDAY EVENING, AUGUST 13, 1919, 9 P. M.

March—"Olevine"	H. A. Vandercook
One Step—"Come On, Papa"	Leslie and Ruby
Overture—"Poet and Peasant"	F. V. Suppe
Waltz—"Beautiful Ohio"	Mary Earl
Fox Trot—"By the Camp Fire"	Percy Wenrick
Overture—"Bohemian Girl"	W. Balfie</