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WHAT IS THE CITY GOING TO DO ABOUT MAIN STREET POLES

Company With Others Affected, It Has Taken No Step Toward Complying With Ordinance.

WOODEN POLES MUST BE REMOVED, IT SAYS.

Home Telephone Company Is The Only One That Has Made Any Effort to Comply—Time Is Very Short.

On December the first, less than a month's time, the ordinance passed by council compelling the removal of all wooden poles from the business district of Main street, goes into effect. So far only one company affected by this ordinance, has taken steps to comply with the terms of this ordinance. This company is the Home Telephone company, which is rapidly taking down its overhead lines and will probably be in a position to take down its Main street poles by the first of next month.

The ordinance reads that the wooden poles used by the Municipal lighting and power plant, the Richmond Light, Heat and Power company and the street car company shall be replaced with iron poles and that wooden poles used by the Bell Telephone company, the Home Telephone company and the two telegraph companies be removed entirely from Main street and placed in the first alley south of Main street, running east and west, or in the first north of Main street, running east and west.

City Has Not Acted.

President Merrill, of the board of public works, was asked today what steps the city had taken to comply with this ordinance. He admitted that up to the present time no action had been taken, but he added that the municipal plant would take steps to comply with the ordinance. He stated that an arrangement would probably be made with the Light, Heat & Power company to erect a joint line of iron poles on Main street.

So far as known the street car company has taken no steps to substitute iron poles on Main street for the wooden poles. Manager Noah Hutton of the Bell Telephone company, was asked if his company would comply with the terms of the ordinance and he answered that he had no information on this subject. He stated that the construction department of the company had been notified of the passage of this ordinance at the time it was passed, but whether this department had arranged to remove the poles into the alleys, he was in the dark. The two telegraph companies will in all probability take whatever action the Bell Telephone company does. The relations between the city and the Bell Telephone company are still strained and it is thought in some quarters that the company will ignore the ordinance and if necessary, fight it out with the city in the courts. At the time the ordinance was passed the Bell telephone company vigorously opposed it. It is also probable that the street car company will also ignore the ordinance.

A HEAVY FINE GIVEN ELMER SMITH; DRUNK

Was His Second Offense Committed This Year.

FAILED TO KEEP PROMISE.

Elmer Smith was fined \$25 and costs this morning in the city court for intoxication. It was Smith's second offense this year. Judge Converse reminded Smith that the last time he appeared in court he was not fined because he promised to straighten up and provide for his family. Judge Converse told Smith that he had failed to live up to his promise and that he was going to send him to jail this time to see if that would not do him some good. "I hope no one pays your fine," remarked the court. For several days Smith has been begging money from county and city officers so that he could continue his spree.

CASE SET FOR MONDAY

Lee Thomas Charged With Pointing a Weapon.

The case against Lee Thomas, charged with pulling a revolver on Katie Inderstrodt, a domestic at the New Windsor hotel, will be tried Monday in the city court. The Inderstrodt woman, while wrangling in the bar room of the hotel with the proprietor over her wages, was forced out of the room by Thomas, who is the bartender, at the point of a revolver.

THEIR ENGAGEMENT IS REGARDED AS A SENSATION.



NEW SCHEDULE DOES NOT MEAN INCREASE

Work of Insurance Inspectors Is Meant to Bring About Readjustment.

MAKE THOROUGH CANVASS.

IN SOME INSTANCES IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR PROPERTY OWNERS TO KEEP DOWN RATES ON THEIR PROPERTY.

Insurance Inspectors Wilkerson, Tinsley and Kerns, representing the Indiana Inspection Bureau of Indianapolis, are now in Richmond, scheduling the entire city under the Dean system, of which so much has been said in recent months. The work has been progressing very satisfactorily for the past two weeks and will continue for several weeks. A readjustment of insurance rates in Richmond cannot be made before January or February, it is said. Neither does this readjustment mean an increase in the prevailing insurance rates, as has been asserted.

The men are engaged in compiling a record of the exact conditions of all Richmond properties. The hazardous conditions of each are specifically noted. The entire record will be compiled and presented to the insurance companies doing business in the city. The inspectors are making a very careful canvass.

In many instances property owners can remedy the existing evil conditions and thereby lower their present insurance rates. Others by the bad condition of their buildings will have to pay higher insurance rates than they are paying now. The general readjustment will not be made however until the rates have been determined on each building, printed, bound and forwarded to the various insurance agencies. As the entire job is one which entails much labor it cannot possibly be placed in use before the first of next year. The rumor circulating about the city that the new rates have gone into effect are misleading.

It is not thought as a result of the present scheduling that the increase in rates will overbalance the decreases. Stoves connected with rubber tubes are considered unsafe and each property owner who has a stove connected in this manner will have to pay for this hazard. As this is a very easy condition to remedy property owners and others can easily escape an increase in insurance rates by making needed improvements.

SHANNON GOES TO MARION.

U. B. Revival Probably Will Close Sunday Night.

Evangelist James E. Shannon returned to his home in Marion, Ind., today. The U. B. Revival probably will close tomorrow night. No services to be held.

SURPRISED TO FIND HONEST MAN'S TOWN

Agent for Grayson-McLean Lumber Company Makes A Local Discovery.

WANTED TO HOLD GRIP.

COULD HARDLY BELIEVE THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE TO LEAVE IT IN A VEHICLE WITHOUT BEING STOLEN.

George R. Dills has received the following letter, as a result of one of the pamphlets sent out in the effort to boom Richmond. The letter is self-explanatory:

St. Louis, Nov. 1, 1907.
Geo. R. Dills, Esq.,
Richmond, Ind.

My dear George:

We are in receipt of your little pamphlet relative to Richmond and the facts contained therein should be very gratifying, indeed, to its citizens, and the banding together of the various industries, etc., will no doubt be beneficial.

The night you took the writer to the Roller skating rink an incident occurred which made a deep and lasting impression. You will remember you drove up to the curbing and hitched your horses; I was somewhat anxious about the valise which I had with me, and finally decided to take it with me to the rink; but you informed me that it was just as safe in the carriage as if it were locked up in a warehouse, and further remarked that as long as you had lived in Richmond you had never had anything stolen; the valise was exposed to the passer-by, and upon our return to the carriage from the rink found it there as you stated it would be.

A community which has the precept "Thou shalt not steal," for its foundation is bound to be successful, and we wish the City of Richmond every possible success.

Yours truly,

Grayson-McLean Lumber Co.
A. W. STANDING,
Sales Agent.

COMPROMISE MANY CASES

Little Business for the Jury at New Castle.

New Castle, Ind., Nov. 2—The October term of court, now on, has prospects of going on record as the "compromise term of court." This is on account of the numerous cases which have been compromised since the term began. The jury has reported for duty a number of times, but has not heard testimony in cases owing to compromised.

WAS NECESSARY TO HAVE RE-ELECTION

Indiana State Federation of Clubs Made an Interesting Discovery.

TWO ELECTED INELIGIBLE.

MRS. PHILIP N. MOORE, CLUB LEADER, GOES ON RECORD AGAINST WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE BEING BROUGHT UP.

Indianapolis, Nov. 2—The discovery was made yesterday by the directors of the Indiana State Federation of Clubs that Mrs. Ryell T. Miller of South Bend and Mrs. A. J. Clark of Indianapolis, two of the members of the board of directors, elected by the federation Thursday, are ineligible to serve.

The discovery caused considerable consternation among those delegates who had not left the city.

The constitution of the federation declares that not more than one woman from the same city shall be elected to office. After the election was over, some of the "politicians" of the federation made the discovery that Mrs. Ryell T. Miller, elected a director, and Miss Sabra Ann Fralick, new federation secretary, both live at South Bend.

The board decided that as Miss Fralick's name came before Mrs. Miller's on the ticket, she was the eligible candidate from South Bend.

In Mrs. A. J. Clark's case it was found necessary for her to retire from the directory, as she and Mrs. Grace Julian Clarke, elected vice president, both live in Indianapolis. The name of Mrs. Grace Julian Clarke was the second one on the ticket and she was declared to be eligible. Mrs. Eva O'Hair of Green castle was made a director to succeed Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Julia Conklin of Westfield will succeed Mrs. A. J. Clark.

Members of the board of directors said yesterday that the next convention of the federation will be held in Indianapolis.

Opposes Woman's Suffrage.

Mrs. Philip N. Moore, first vice president of the General Federation of Clubs, will oppose any attempt to inject the woman's suffrage question into the deliberations of the General Federation when it convenes in biennial convention in Boston.

"We do not propose that the federation shall be drawn into a controversy over this question," said Mrs. Moore.

Expert Mair goes back to Chicago

Did Not Think It Necessary For Him to Remain Longer in Richmond.

TELEPHONE WORK STATUS.

RESULTS SECURED HERE ARE IN KEEPING WITH WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN EXPECTED—SERVICE IMPROVING.

Expert Mair, who has been in Richmond for a few weeks representing the Automatic Electric company of Chicago, in installing the new phone system, has been recalled to Chicago on his own recommendation, saying that up-to-date the new phone system is working extraordinarily well considering the time it has been in operation.

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