

TO REORGANIZE OLD COMPANY

Was Action Taken by Business Men Last Night

ELECTS NEW DIRECTORS

Committee Appointed to Make Necessary Arrangements

FOR SOUTHEAST ROAD

Report of Committee Appointed Last Week Was Not Accepted

A mass meeting of business men and citizens of Wichita was held in the council chamber last night under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce and the Commercial club, to talk over the matter of building a railroad into the Indian Territory coal fields.

When the meeting was called to order by C. L. Davidson, president of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Kos Harris, chairman of the special railroad committee, reported on the progress the committee had made with the business at hand.

The committee recommended a directory of Wichita business men as follows: J. H. Stewart, J. F. Swartz, Frank Woods, C. L. Davidson, C. W. Southward, L. S. Nantzger, J. S. Jarvis, A. Van Zandt, Theo. Griffith and C. E. Fotts.

The directory was to apply for a charter as outlined, and as soon as this was received they were to begin work securing the right of way and subsidies for the company. Thirty thousand dollars in terminal bonds and \$2,000 per mile is the amount which any company would ask.

Under the new law it would cost \$25 to secure a charter, and Mr. Harris estimated that it would require about \$1,500 to vote the bonds and make the preliminary arrangements for the work, and this money, of course, was to be raised among the Wichita business men.

When his report had been concluded Mr. R. L. Holmes arose and made his statement regarding the existing Wichita and Southeastern railway, which had lately concluded a contract with eastern parties for building a line into the same territory.

Mr. Holmes stated that this company was organized a number of years ago and had already procured a charter for practically all the routes as one of those mapped out by Mr. Harris, and this company had now secured something tangible from capitalists which seemed to assure the building of the line.

Major Wambaugh of St. Louis had agreed to deposit \$25,000 to be used in securing the subsidies from this city to the state line, and a letter received last night announced that the money would be deposited within a very few days, a month sooner than the contract allowed.

Mr. Holmes further stated that the company which owned the charter was expecting to begin work as soon as this money was put up, and he could not see why the Wichita business men would want to organize another company which could not help but be in some respects antagonistic to the older company, which would require the expenditure of considerable money for a charter, and have two propositions almost identical.

As a result of this speech, Mr. Holmes moved a substitute to the motion to adopt the report of the committee that another committee of five be appointed to confer with the directors of the old company and come to some sort of an agreement which would look toward the amalgamation of the two interests and all work for one road and not divide the strength of the city.

These gentlemen are to meet with the directors of the Wichita and Southeastern Railway company and see what arrangements can be made to reorganize the directory of this company, and thus only one company work in this city.

The directors of the old company seem perfectly willing to have a reorganization and the directors be selected among the business men of this city.

The committee which reported last night was continued and the motion to adjourn until next Friday evening carried, when the new committee is to report the result of their conference with the directors.

Some one called for the report of the committee appointed last week regarding Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Always Cures.

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ing a natural gas proposition, and Mr. Helm stated that he had corresponded with some parties in Uniontown, Ind., who had signified a desire to come to Wichita to take up the matter of piping natural gas to Wichita. Yesterday afternoon he had received a reply which stated that the attorney for the syndicate would be in the east for the next ten days but would be ready to come to Wichita immediately thereafter.

No definite action was taken and the meeting adjourned until Friday evening.

KEEP HORSES OFF STREETS. The Threshing Machine Parade May Frighten Them.

People with horses that are easily frightened should keep off Douglas avenue from St. Francis to Main street and Main street from Douglas to Second, from 2 to 3 o'clock this afternoon. The threshing machine parade during that hour and horses that have never seen the machines in operation are liable to be frightened and some runaways result.

OKLAHOMA IS BOOMING. H. C. Chapman Says Everything Is in Fine Shape.

Mr. H. C. Chapman, of the Okseene, O. T. Eagle, is in town and, when met by a reporter, said that he had recently traveled over the territory extensively, and on every side the outlook for all kinds of crops could not be improved. A winter with far more than an average of rainfall, followed by a spring of almost continued rain, that came so gently that the earth has absorbed a vast store of water to be given back in evaporation during the growing season, promises such results as were never before seen in that land of astonishing crops.

All in all, the agricultural and business outlook in all parts of the older settled portion of the territory could not well be brighter. The fields are too wet for the cultivator to enter them, but that does not cause alarm, owing to the long season of growing that is sure to follow these conditions.

"You can put us down for a season of new records in nearly every line of industry," said Mr. Chapman. "Okseene is keeping pace with its surroundings and has the best agricultural backing of any town in the territory. Her schools have just made a record of one-half of all the pupils in Kansas counting to pass the county examination and furnished the first five in high average."

SENT TO FRIENDS. County Charge Finds a Home With Friends.

Mrs. Hoagland, an aged lady who had been an inmate at the county poor farm for about a year, leaves today for St. Louis, accompanied by Mrs. Crouch, secretary of the Associate Charities. About six years ago Mrs. Hoagland suffered an accident in which her hip was broken. Her husband was very feeble at the time and unable to support himself and wife. Both were members of the Presbyterian church of this city and were supported by that institution for five years, but just one year ago the old couple were sent to the poor farm, where it was thought they would receive better care. Less than a month ago the old gentleman died and Mrs. Hoagland, who was in a very feeble condition, was taken to the hospital for treatment. It was learned recently that she has friends in St. Louis who would care for her, and the poor commissioner furnished her with transportation to that place. While in St. Louis Mrs. Couch will visit some of the charitable institutions of the city.

PETITION FOR DIVORCE. Anna Waller Charges Husband With Extreme Cruelty.

Anna Waller filed a petition in the district court yesterday asking the court to grant her a divorce from Louis Waller, to whom she was married in the year 1900. In her petition she charges the defendant with extreme cruelty, gross neglect of duty, and non-support. She also states that the defendant has assaulted her on several occasions without cause, and has made her life miserable in various ways. There are no children by the marriage. She asks the court to declare the marriage void and to assess the costs of the case upon the defendant. The attorneys for the plaintiff are Adams & Adams.

DID BIG BUSINESS. Large Number of Marriage Licenses Granted Yesterday.

The probate judge did a larger business than usual in marriage licenses yesterday. Eight persons presented themselves at his office for the necessary matrimonial papers. Licenses were issued to Sophus Tyson, aged 46, and Eunice Oakley, aged 29, both of Haysville; John Schold, aged 21, and Anna Simon, aged 18, both of Aleppo; Joseph Zogmann, aged 25, of Clifton, O. T.; and Anna Schold, aged 24, of Aleppo; H. P. Langworthy, aged 31, of Kansas City, Mo.; and Julia Sprague, aged 21, of Portland, Kan.

Mrs. Katie Z. Crumline, of Dodge City, associate grand matron of the Eastern Star, Mrs. Nellie D. Zoder, of Herrington, grand elder of the Eastern Star, traced the Eagle office with their presence for a short time yesterday.

EASTERN STAR RECEIVES GUESTS

Over 800 Guests Attended Reception Last Night

MANY NOTED VISITORS

Excellent Program Prepared for Today

One of the most brilliant receptions ever witnessed by Wichita society, was that tendered by Ivy Leaf Chapter No. 75, to the grand officers, delegates and invited guests of the Order of the Eastern Star, at the Masonic Temple last night. It is estimated that 800 women from all parts of the state, were present.

The guests were met at the door of the temple by Mr. Parret and were graciously received in the lower hall by Miss Vesta Charlton and Miss Olive Johnston, who directed them to the cloak room. Everything possible was done that would tend to make the guests feel that they were welcome. Past matrons and past patrons of Ivy Leaf Chapter were stationed at different parts of the room greeting the guests with pleasant words. After nearly all the guests had gathered the large assemblage was invited to the large hall above.

The hall and stage had been beautifully decorated with potted plants and palms and filled with elegant costumes, and the happy assembly, it made a scene that will not soon be forgotten by those who were present. The Ensemble club was stationed on the stage and furnished most excellent music throughout the whole evening. At the south end of the hall Miss Joan Horford and Miss Bessie Applegate were kept busy serving delicious refreshments. At the north end of the room a line was formed by some of the more distinguished guests. They were: Grant Harrington, G. P.; Mrs. Della Battell, G. M.; Mrs. Madeline Conkling, R. W., associate grand matron of G. G. C.; Mrs. Lorraine J. Petkin, R. W., grand secretary of G. G. C.; Mrs. Mary Snedden, P. M. W., grand matron of G. G. C.; Mrs. Lewis, grand matron of Oklahama; Mrs. Eva Wheeler, P. G. M.; Mrs. Letta Tronstedt, P. G. M.; Mrs. Myra Molrow, G. M.; Mrs. Della Bennett, P. G. M., and grand secretary; Mrs. Marge, P. G. M., and grand treasurer; Mrs. Lon Oimstead, P. G. M. One of the pleasing features of the evening's entertainment was a solo by Arthur March, accompanied by Mrs. Horner, which was most heartily applauded. Guests from out of town said last night that the reception given them last night was the most brilliant reception ever accorded the Order of the Eastern Star.

Almost every train that entered Wichita yesterday bore visitors who come to attend the twenty-seventh annual session of the Eastern Star, and late yesterday evening the trains were loaded.

The Hamilton hotel will be headquarters during the meeting and there the officers and a greater part of the delegates are gathered. The meeting will continue today and Thursday and many of the members say it bids fair to be the most successful meeting ever held by the Eastern Star. An excellent program has been prepared for the two days and that of today is as follows: Grand chapter will open in ample form for the transaction of business. Address of Welcome—Mrs. George Charlton of Wichita. Response—Mrs. Kate Crumline of Dodge City. Reception of distinguished guests. Recognition of past matrons and past grand patrons of Kansas. Reception of grand representatives of other grand jurisdictions. Grand matron's address. Grand patron's address. Appointment of distribution committee. Grand secretary's report. Grand treasurer's report. Grand matron names list of committees.

ATTERNOON SESSION. Open ceremony. Reports of committees and other business until 4 p. m., when grand chapter will call off for a visit to the Masonic Home.

5 p. m.—Exemplification of the ritualistic work by the grand officers.

GUARDIAN WAS APPOINTED. L. L. Hiett to Protect Estate of Minors.

L. L. Hiett, as the principal of the American Bonding company of Baltimore, was appointed the guardian of the estate of the minor children of the late Mrs. Hiett, who was in a very feeble condition, was taken to the hospital for treatment. It was learned recently that she has friends in St. Louis who would care for her, and the poor commissioner furnished her with transportation to that place. While in St. Louis Mrs. Couch will visit some of the charitable institutions of the city.

MARKS THE MAN. Clothes Do Not Make the Man.

But there is no question but they mark the man in very bold letters so that all can read. There are features about a well-fitting suit that are unexplainable, yet how much they mean to the appearance. The perfect fit of the collar, the concave shoulder, just the proper length, and the general balance of the coat is what marks the special features of a Rogers, Peet & Co.'s suit. Why not have the best when it is within your reach? Our spring showing of Neckwear, Shirts and Hats represents the season's best productions, and we show only the authorized styles.

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