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SNAPSHOTS

Ladies free tonight to the skating at Music hall. Marshall's band. Harry Thornton, the Topeka man who puts on a sketch at the Novelty is a singer as well as an actor. Rev. F. E. Mallory has been elected president of the Ministerial union. Rev. Homer Wark is the new secretary. Bill Curtis, traveling passenger agent of the Santa Fe, went to Chicago yesterday and will conduct a special tourist train from Chicago to the coast. Judging from the present spell of good weather, the name Midwinter, as applied to Manager Brigham's show at the Auditorium, is somewhat of a misnomer. Councilman C. K. Holliday has recovered from an attack of neuritis which crippled his right arm and forced him to carry it in a bandage for several days. E. J. Shakeshaft, assistant general passenger agent of the Santa Fe, is in Salt Lake City for a few days where he is attending a big industrial convention. Dan O'Neil, the Irish comedian at the Olympic, makes a great hit this week. O'Neil is Irish by nationality as well as by choice and is about the richest joker seen in Topeka this season. Prof. Rhd G. Moulton of the University of Chicago will give a lecture at the high school Wednesday at 4 o'clock on the "Book of Job," and in the evening on "King Lear." The headquarters for the new Topeka Athletic association will be at 514 and 516 Kansas avenue, where the entire second floor of the building will be occupied by the new organization. W. A. L. Thompson has been re-elected as president of the Topeka club. Dr. L. H. Munn was elected vice president to succeed W. N. Hall and P. A. Lewis.

PRONOUNCED HIS CASE INCURABLE

Whole Body Rued with Eczema—Life was Intolerable—Was Even Incased in Plaster—Discharged from Hospitals as Hopeless.

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"From the age of three months until fifteen years old, my son Owen's life was made intolerable by eczema in its worst form. He was all right until a red rash broke out on his forehead, but we were not alarmed at first. Very soon, however, the rash began to spread over his head and neck. I took him to a doctor and tried half a dozen other treatments, all with the same result: no improvement at all. The disease gradually spread until nearly every part of his body was quite raw. We had to strap him down in bed, for he used to tear himself dreadfully in his sleep. The agony he went through is quite beyond words. No one thought we would rear him. The regimental doctor, a very clever man, pronounced the case hopeless; at least, he said the only hope was that he might, if he lived long enough, grow a few more years. We had him in hospitals four times and he was pronounced one of the worst cases, if not the worst, ever admitted. From each he was discharged as incurable; in fact he got worse under the successive treatments. At one hospital they incised him in plaster, and this seemed to aggravate the sores terribly. He looked so badly that no one liked to go near him and his life was a burden to him. We kept trying remedies after remedies, but we had got almost despairing for a cure. Six months ago we purchased a set of Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Resolvent. Bills and persevered with them. The result was truly marvelous and to-day he is perfectly cured, his skin not having a blemish on it anywhere. Mrs. Lily Hodge, 51, Vaughan Road, Goldharbour Lane, Camblewell Green, Eng., Jan. 12, 1907." Send to nearest depot for free Cuticura Book on Treatment of Skin Diseases. Cuticura Remedies are sold throughout the world. Depot: London, 27, Chancery Lane; Paris, 5, Rue de la Paix; Australia, R. Town & Co., Sydney; S. Africa, London, Ltd., Capetown, etc. U.S.A., Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., Boston.

FOR EARLY PAVING

City Council Takes Action on the Petitions.

All of Them Must Be Filed by February 10.

WON'T PAY CONTRACTOR

Estimate of M. W. Gilmore for \$3,500 Is Withheld.

Councilman Would Combine City Offices.

No paving petitions will be considered by the city council after February 10. A resolution to this effect was introduced last evening by Councilman C. E. Jordan, chairman of the streets and walks committee, which passes upon the petitions. The resolution was adopted. Petitions for new sidewalk must be filed not later than June 25.

This will probably mean that paving and sidewalk contracts will be completed more nearly on time and not hang over until well into next year as they are now doing. It will take all of probably the next two months and maybe another month on top of that before the paving let last year will be completed. The sidewalk laying was only finished last month.

Delay in letting contracts interferes with securing the lowest possible bids. If the contracts can be let early, as a rule it is possible to secure more spirited bidding and a consequent reduction in the bids entered.

John Rogers, city engineer, predicts that there will be a number of new paving contractors enter the local field this spring. Several out of town contractors have already called at the city hall for information relative to the paving contracts which will be let by the council. Topeka is in a good condition financially and pays its contractors in cash. This can not be said of many Kansas towns of importance. At Kansas City, Kansas, contractors are compelled to accept tax bills in payment. The banks discount these and naturally the contractors greatly prefer to come to a town where they get cash.

A new policy for the consideration of paving petitions for 1908 is being vigorously boomed by Mayor Green and he hopes that the council will see fit to inaugurate it. In short the policy is this: That all paving petitions which have a minimum of intersections, the cost of which always devolves upon the city in general, will be granted by the council. Paving petitions will be considered favorably in the order of the number of intersections which are involved.

"I don't want to see the tax of the city in general increased to pay for these improvements. Where the people petitioning alone pay for the paving they can have as much paving as they want. But I don't want to see the general tax of the city increased," said the mayor today in outlining his new policy. "There are a larger number of petitions than usual which do not call for the paving of street intersections, the intersections being already paved. The whole city pays for paving these intersections while for the paving in between the only ones liable are those who have property abutting on the paving."

Last Friday the streets and walks committee considered petitions for 3 1/2 blocks of paving but did not act on them, simply hearing the petitions. Instances that were filed against petitions already presented.

In the list of blocks there are 32 street intersections. Remonstrances against six of the sixteen petitions were listened to.

The 3 1/2 blocks asked for are divided among the wards as follows: First ward, three blocks; Second ward, none; Third ward, ten blocks; Fourth ward, eighteen; Fifth, three; Sixth, 4 1/2. The paving specifications and contracts must be carefully examined and read by a special committee before being approved by the body of the council, says Mayor Green.

"Previously the council has accepted the specifications and contracts as they came from the city engineer and has carefully examining them. This will have to be changed this year," said the mayor. "I will ask that those matters be referred to some committee and given over carefully with the city engineer and have him explain all that the committee may not understand. Then if the committee desires to make changes it must do so in writing, leaving the city engineer responsible for it all is shifting the responsibility too much and I think the burden should be shared by the council."

The sixth and final estimate of M. W. Gilmore, sidewalk contractor, amounting in all to \$3,397.84 was approved by claims and accounts committee of the council and the council in turn adopted the report of the committee. But further than that they refused to budget. The accompanying ordinance to appropriate money out of the city treasury to meet the estimate was not introduced. Gilmore will have to resort to mandamus proceedings to get the money for the city attorney intends to hold on to it until he secures a judgment in the grand jury investigation next month against Gilmore for the part he played in the construction of the Fifth ward sewer. Evidently the council did not care to act contrary to the city attorney's advice even if the brick manufacturers are urging the city in behalf of Gilmore to meet the estimate.

"I find that it costs just \$13.25 for everybody who wants to get connected for city water. This means just the plumbing expense of connection and meter. That's too much," said Councilman E. Montgomery last evening. He believes that the plumbing inspection fees as the office is now run results in too heavy charges for the man who has work to be done. He proposed last evening to combine the offices of plumbing inspector with that of license collector and plumbing inspector.

"Be it resolved by the mayor and city council that the city attorney be and he is hereby instructed to draft an ordinance combining the offices of license collector and plumbing inspector and that the salary for said official be not more than \$1,200. Also that the charge of inspection for plumbing be reduced to the former amount as indicated in the ordinance when first adopted." On his own motion the above resolution of Montgomery's was referred to the ways and means committee.

"Dear Sirs:—I have been a tax payer in this city for 35 years. I have always had the use of the street until lately, now there is a railroad track across it.

"I have paid for a walk in front and 17 1/2 feet of sewer on the east on the railroad ground. I don't think I ought to have paid for these and then have my street blocked up by cars and other obstacles as is being done just because it is located back of a flour mill. I want to ask the council to investigate, and see if anything can be done to make it more agreeable to me for my home.

"I have spoken to Mr. Drenning and he said it was a benefit district, but it is very unpleasant for me at times. I think there is a lot of things that are unnecessary and should be stopped. Please investigate and oblige.

"MR. JAMES COUGHLIN, "718 North Monroe Street." His complaint went to the streets and walks committee.

The city attorney was instructed to examine into the protest of W. M. G. Lane against the location of a regulating station of the Consumers' Gas company which is at the corner of Norris and Quincy streets. Lane wants the station removed.

Moving vans and express wagons must move their stand from Quincy and Sixth avenue to some other location. The new drinking fountain is located at that point and a serious blockage would occur if teams were allowed to stand at the curbing. The council instructed the chief of police to enforce its instructions about keeping the street clear for traffic.

Communications, protesting at tax assessments made on lots 251 and 25 West Ninth, owned by G. M. Blair and lots 439 and 422 Buchanan street owned by H. I. Monroe, were referred to the city attorney.

The amended health and sanitation ordinance passed last evening. This is an ordinance regulating the handling and desecration of garbage, ofal and dead animals. One of the important amendments calls for a forfeiture of permits issued to garbage collectors in case overcharges are asked by the garbage companies or collectors.

The city engineer was instructed to draw plans and specifications for a sanitary cess pool.

Senator Charles Curtis requested permission from the council to withdraw his name from a petition to pave Eleventh street from Polk to Topeka avenue. It was referred to the streets and walks committee. A similar request from Arthur Capper was placed on file.

In a very graceful manner, a souvenir fair, Councilman Holliday, held out the olive branch to Councilman Jordan, who grasped it with both hands. Mr. Holliday in reading from the minutes from the council for the paving was given the vote of 1907 April in which the rate on paving was wrong in stating at a previous time that Jordan was not present to vote on the paving contracts. Mr. Jordan thanked Holliday.

A resolution, introduced by Councilman Blakely, calling for the paving of Williams street from Clay to Buchanan streets, was referred to the streets and walks committee.

The ordinance fixing the boundaries of the benefit district for the sewer in Martin-Dennis addition was passed.

GEUDA SPRINGS FIRE.

Four Business Houses Destroyed by Flames of Unknown Origin.

Wichita, Kan., Jan. 21.—A fire of unknown origin caused a loss of \$11,100 at Geuda Springs last night. Four business houses were burned together with stocks of merchandise. The fire started at 9 o'clock last night, while the larger part of the population was at an entertainment. The buildings burned were: J. H. Smith, notions and shoes, loss on stock \$2,000, building \$700, no insurance. J. T. Roebuck, general store, loss on stock \$4,000, insurance \$2,500. G. C. Berry, meats, loss \$400, insured \$200. A. L. Winer, entire loss, estimated at \$3,000.

A Fire at Atwood. Atwood, Kan., Jan. 21.—The meat market, store and residence of Albert Plinack was destroyed by fire here at an early hour. The family was barely enabled to make their escape. Mr. Plinack carried an insurance of \$2,500.

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