

# COLLINS PROTESTS COUNCIL'S ACTION

Protest to Indefinite Postponement of Telephone Franchise Repeal Filed With Council.

## CORRECTED THE RECORDS

Major W. B. Collins today filed with the city council a protest to its action in indefinitely postponing action on his petition asking for a repeal of ordinance number 75, granting a franchise to the American Telephone and Telegraph company. His petition follows:

Honorable Mayor and City Council, City of Keokuk, Iowa:

Your petitioner, a resident citizen and tax payer, protests against the action of your body in postponing indefinitely action on my petition respecting the ordinance 75, granting a franchise to the American Telephone and Telegraph company of Iowa, upon the following grounds:

1. That it appears from section 5 thereof and the actions and admissions of the company that it never intended to construct a telephone exchange in this city as provided by said ordinance; such franchise never ought to have been granted and ought not now to be continued because not for the best interests of the city or its inhabitants, and can be used by the company for barter and sale and thereby used against the prosperity of the city and its inhabitants thereof rather than promote it, and be for the comfort and convenience of the city and its inhabitants, as required by section 13 of the original charter.

2. The company not being desirous of doing more than long distance telephone business; the Iowa Telephone company being its authorized agent, I suggest said ordinance be altered and amended so as to accommodate the business of the company and repealed as to parts not used, as being for the best interests of the city and its inhabitants.

3. The action taken by your honorable body has cleared and corrected your records, and developed that the position taken by the city that a franchise from the city is necessary to use and occupy the streets, is the law and so admitted and recognized by the company, or it would not have objected to the repeal, and filed a copy of its former acceptance of the ordinance, that the city records did not disclose.

4. I suggest it is the law in this state, that all public utilities must have a franchise granted by the city, before it can use the streets and do business in the city, and it is your duty to see the law complied with. Respectfully submitted,

W. B. COLLINS.

## IOWA DEMOCRATS WILL MEET TOMORROW

State Convention at Council Bluffs will Listen to Speech by Connolly.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, July 22.—Hundreds of democrats including practically all the party leaders in Iowa are already here ready for the state convention tomorrow which will listen to the speech of Temporary Chairman Maurice Connolly of Dubuque, adopt a platform and select a new state central committee to run the campaign this fall. It is expected that before night between 2,000 and 2,500 democrats will be here, including the Polk county delegation expected this afternoon. Commendation of the national administration, the new tariff law, currency legislation and the proposed trust law will make up a large part of the platform, but candidates for state offices are insisting that state issues be not ignored. J. T. Hamilton of Cedar Rapids, candidate for governor declared today the party would endorse the submission of the proposed equal suffrage amendment to a vote of the people. It is almost the unanimous opinion of delegates already present that the liquor question will be ignored.

## Mexico Makes Maneuvers Good, CAMP DOUGLAS, Wis., July 22.

Not since the civil war has this state seen such a military display as was spread out on the camp grounds here today when the entire state militia went through their maneuvers. Over 3,000 men, comprising forty companies a hospital corps, bands and a cavalry squadron were on the field.

The chance for service in Mexico brought the guard enlistment up to 3,000 within a month and most of the new members had seen service either in the regular army or in the guards. The excitement also increased interest in the drills and Adjutant General Holoway said today that the men are better equipped than ever before.

# Society

Entertains Young Recruits. Jean Walker entertained the Young Recruits last night at his home on Reid street. A short informal program followed by games and refreshments provided a very pleasant evening for the boys in the class.

Mrs. Young is Hostess. Twenty-five ladies were very pleasantly entertained this morning by Mrs. James Young, 1202 Grand avenue. Refreshments were served on the enclosed porch, which was a delightful innovation for a hot morning. The hours were from 9 to 12.

Schiebel-Post Wedding. On Wednesday evening, July 15, at 8 o'clock, at Detroit, Michigan, occurred the marriage of Miss Agnes Schiebel to Mr. Oscar Post, the double ring ceremony being performed by Rev. Gherke of the Lutheran church. The bride was dressed in white silk voile, trimmed in deep lace and overskirt, long silk gloves to match, and carried a large bouquet of white roses. The bridesmaid's dress was of pale blue silk crepe and she also carried flowers.

After a wedding dinner, they hurried into a waiting limousine, without their friends knowing it, and took the Detroit steamer for Cleveland, Ohio, Buffalo, New York and other points east. After this week they will be at home in their new flat at 121 Belmont avenue. Rev. Gherke was formerly a Keokuk minister, and performed the wedding ceremony for the bride's parents twenty-nine years ago.

## CITY NEWS.

—Charles Moore, colored, entered a plea of not guilty to an information on which he was arraigned in the superior court today, filed by Stella Farmer, a colored woman who charged Moore with disturbing her peace by using loud, indecent, and insulting language, and by threatening to assault her at the Union depot where she was about to board a train for Quincy yesterday. Moore is being held under bond of \$100.

—The condition of William Callahan, who was operated on last week for appendicitis, is showing a decided improvement, and he expects to be able to be removed to his home next week.

—The police today arrested Lewis Dade, colored, who, when he became engaged in a quarrel with John Lewis, also colored, at the corner of Thirtieth and Main street, last evening, struck Lewis over the head with an axe handle. An information against Dade will be filed tomorrow, the police say.

—A meeting of the school board will be held Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the office of the board of education. This is the regular July meeting.

## COUNTY OFFICIALS WOULD PLAY CITY

Fifth Street Gang Believes It Could Beat City Hall Chair Warmers.

The next "big semi-pro game" which may be staged in Keokuk will be that of the county officials vs. the city officials. The county officials are of the opinion they could get up a "right smart" ball team. They figure that they could beat the chair warmers at the city hall in handy fashion and are talking of issuing a challenge to these same city officials to meet them soon for the honor of Lee county.

If the game is played it is proposed to declare a half holiday in the city and county building, and have everybody off for the combat.

## Hamilton Gate City

Hamilton, Ill., July 22

Mr. and Mrs. James Andrew and family drove over from Mendon, Ill., in their auto to visit her sister, Mrs. Wm. Roth and family, Sunday.

Our baseball team went to Nauvoo Sunday and trimmed them up to the tune of 10 to 4 in favor of Hamilton. Mekemson's pitching was air tight from start to finish. Hiser's home run in the fifth inning was the feature of the game, with two men on bases. Also Prather's three base hit in the eighth, with two men on bases, scoring the two men before him. They say we have got some ball team.

Mr. F. D. Wilson returned Saturday from Decatur, where he has been taking his vacation of two weeks with his wife's folks, his wife remaining longer.

J. C. Weber of Warsaw was seen on our streets Sunday evening.

Our chautauqua committee left this morning for an all day tour with our band, to advertise the chautauqua, which is to be held August 7 to 16. They are planning on having one of the best programs they have ever had, this year.

Carl Scannell left this morning for Utah, after spending two weeks visiting here with his grandparents and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wyles left

# LOOKS FAVORABLE FOR CELEBRATION

Committees Report This Afternoon That Merchants Generally Are Anxious to Have Celebration This Fall.

## WILLING TO CONTRIBUTE

Liberal Responses Have Been Made to Call for Financing Proposed Carnival—League to Decide Finally.

A fall celebration probably will be staged in Keokuk this fall. A meeting of the directors of the Retail League and the chairmen of the committees appointed to sound out the sentiment of the merchants for a fall celebration was scheduled for 3 o'clock this afternoon. The meeting will be preliminary to the final action which will be taken by the Retail League, following the reports from these various committees.

According to the preliminary reports from the committee chairmen, the sentiment of the merchants of the city seems to be favorable for a fall celebration. There seems to be practically no dissent from the proposition, except in one or two instances.

The committees were out a couple of days last week, and again yesterday and feel that they have sounded out pretty thoroughly the sentiments of the business interests of Keokuk. To all intents and purposes that sentiment is for a fall celebration. The merchants seem to believe that a fall celebration as a means of advertising the city is a good investment, and they are willing to contribute.

The committees have met with unexpected favor in the matter of finances. The merchants who are favorable to holding a celebration are generous towards the celebration. It is figured by the committee chairmen that there will be an amount available if the celebration is made a certainty, that will be equal to the money which was given in former years for the old street fairs.

The final action on the matter will be taken by the Retail League in a called meeting some time in the near future. The report from the committees this afternoon was practically unanimous in favor of a celebration.

The kind of a celebration favored is that with plenty of free attractions, and band concerts with some specially attractive night feature such as parades or fireworks.

## NOTICE, AUTO FANS!

My dear child, if you are going to win the auto get your friends to attend the Orpheum and ask them for their tickets.

Gave the Thing Away. Harry—"I understand Gertrude Gad-alotte married a man who made a big fortune by a lucky speculation in soap." Grace—"Yes; and he disgraced her while they were on their honeymoon." Harry—"How did he do it?" Grace—"Gertrude wanted the other passengers to think an ocean voyage was an old story to them, when her husband, the first crack out of the box, pointed to a row of life preservers and asked the captain what was the idea of all the extra tires."

## Drastic Chinese Law.

In China a man who killed his father has been executed, and along with him his schoolmaster for not having taught him better.

# Y.W.C.A. NOTES

The Ball Game. The great ball game this afternoon by the professionals—doctors and dentists—otherwise, does and dents, was the all-absorbing thought at the Y. W. C. A. today, as the association is to be the beneficiary of the game.

The cake to be awarded to the victors in the contest, which will be noted as famous in the future records of the national game was on exhibition today at the association rooms and was later taken to the ball grounds for admiration, was a beautiful example of the art and was a credit to the taste and art of Mrs. Eliza Nagel who modeled and baked it.

Studying Life of Christ. The Y. W. C. A. girls have adopted a unique method of studying the life of Christ from out-door view.

A St. Louis paper says that a visitor to Forest Park Thursday evening, hearing the subdued hum of girlish voices in the center of one of the lakes, might puzzle one for a long time trying to discover what they were talking about. Few guessers know that the girls of this little group of four small boats and two large ones, turned keel inward and looked together in the lake's center, as far from the shore as possible, are really engrossed in Bible stories.

This is the attraction which has held twenty-two fair young rowers together every Thursday evening all through this summer. Miss Howard of the Young Women's Christian association is giving some simple talks about the life of Christ, particularly as it relates to the great out of doors.

The stories are so simply told as not to be formal, the girls joining in with questions and comments.

They are told in the twilight, without the aid even of a pocket searchlight. Those who would like to see the group of young students might find it hard to do so, as they shun observation and keep as far away from the crowds as possible. At first they rowed in the lagoon in front of the Pageant, but as that has been changed they have found another place.

Probably the company is unique, in studying these things on the water. The girls are very enthusiastic and never miss an evening, and the keeper of the boats has been indulgent, if they chance to hold their boats a few moments over the hour.

"Christ by the Seashore," "In the Early Morning," "On a Mountain Top" and "At Sunrise" are some of the scenes presented by the leader, with the stories of Christ's teachings, in this outdoor environment.

## SPECIAL WASH GOODS SALE.

For the next three days, 1,200 yards of 25c wash goods at 15c yard, 1,000 yards of 15c and 20c grades at 10c per yard.

THE CENTRAL STORE.

## PERSONALS.

Miss Alexine LeRoy Reid, who has been spending two months in the Adirondack mountains, returned to Keokuk last night.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Loomis Galousha of Boston, arrived in Keokuk yesterday, having been called here by the death of Mrs. A. E. Johnstone.

Miss Phyllis Naumann of Burlington is visiting with Miss Nellye Bell, 1023 Morgan street.

Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Harnagel of Des Moines, Iowa, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hennings for the week.

Charles Albers of Warsaw was in the city to attend the funeral of Mrs. A. E. Johnstone, today.

The Rev. and Mrs. A. Hills and family of Wapokaneta, O., are here for a visit with relatives.

James C. Davis and Miss Thistle Davis of Des Moines are in the city for a few days.

Miss Anna Larson, 409 South Second street, is visiting in Des Moines.

## Iowa Inventions.

[Special to The Gate City.] DES MOINES, July 22.—The following patents were granted to Iowans in the week ending July 14, 1914, as reported from the office of Wilfred C. Lane, patent attorney, 505 Crocker Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa:

No. 1,103,339—Truss or bridge for hoops of silos; Sigurd F. Anderson, Des Moines, Iowa.

No. 1,103,169—Combined dish-drainer, steamer, roaster, or baking pan; Frank B. Beam, Anamosa, Iowa.

No. 1,103,861—Broom-binding machine; Norman H. Beebe, Wichita, Kans., and G. W. Duvall, assignors to Lee Broom & Duster Co., Davenport, Iowa.

No. 1,103,652—Cross tie; George F. Brockway, Eden, Iowa.

No. 1,103,410—Self-registering water meter; Frank W. Hanna, Defiance, Iowa.

# MANAGER ABBOT IS RELEASED

Directors Hold Meeting This Afternoon When Action is Taken—Becomes Effective at Once.

## LOUIS STERNE RESIGNS

Secretary of Club Tenders Resignation Before Close of Meeting—Successors Not Named.

Manager Abbott of the Keokuk baseball team is to be given his unconditional release to take effect at once, it was voted at a meeting of the club directors held shortly before 3 o'clock this afternoon. Louis Sterne, who has been secretary of the club for a number of years, tendered his resignation just before the meeting closed.

Who will be named to manage the club during the remainder of the season has not yet been decided, but it is believed that one of the players now on the club will be appointed to the position. Both Catcher Harry Sweet and Second Baseman Thomas Giffin have been suggested to succeed Manager Abbott. This question probably will be decided at the mass meeting of fans to be held at the superior court room this evening at 7:10 o'clock.

No one has yet been elected to succeed Mr. Sterne as secretary of the club. His resignation which was handed to President Baker before the meeting closed, follows:

To the Directors of the Keokuk Baseball Association:

I hereby resign as director, the same to take effect at once.

All books and records I have in my possession are subject to your order after they have been audited by an accountant selected by you.

Truly,

LOUIS STERNE.

Mr. Sterne assured the directors that he would do everything possible to assist them in the management of the club or in collecting funds to support it.

The release of Manager Abbott by the directors was stated to be for financial reasons. On account of the fact that the club is in severe financial straits the cutting off of Abbott's salary, reported to be \$250 a month, will materially assist the club in getting back on a strong financial footing.

At the mass meeting of baseball fans to be held this evening Abbott's successor will probably be named. It is hoped that a large delegation of fans will be present.

A meeting of the financial campaign committee was held just previous to the meeting of the directors and the members of the committee were informed of the action of the directors before starting out this afternoon on their last day's efforts to raise the money to hold the franchise in this city. When asked what the chances were of getting the money, Mr. Overton, chairman, said, "We're going to get that money."

## COSSON TO WAR ON ALLEGED COMBINE

Officers of Dairy Department Confer with Him as to Charges of Discrimination.

Action to break up the alleged illegal discrimination of big creamery concerns of the state against the smaller establishments was planned yesterday at a conference of officials of the dairy and food department with Attorney General George Cossion and C. A. Robbins, assistant, at Des Moines. Evidence secured against one concern will be placed before the grand jury this week, it was announced, after the conference, says the Register and Leader.

The smaller creameries over the state, especially the co-operative concerns have been complaining to the state of unfair treatment at the hands of the centralized creamery concerns. They assert that the companies pay higher prices for cream in the territory covered by the small companies than they do in sections where there is no competition. In the case of co-operative creameries, it is asserted that the big companies take the business away from the smaller concern, and as soon as the little firm closes up, the price for cream falls.

The food and dairy officials have been working for some time on a complaint in the territory surrounding Mount Ayr. However, the present case is not in that part of the state.

## CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to thank our friends and neighbors for kindness shown during the sickness and death of Mrs. J. G. Barclay.

JOHN G. BARCLAY AND FAMILY.

**Olympia Bowling Alley**  
Billiard and Pool Parlors UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT 609-611 Main  
Shoe Shining Parlor in Connection  
**JAMES M'CARTY** Owner and Manager

## Want Column

WANTED.

WANTED—Railway mail clerks. \$75.00 to \$150 month. Details free. Franklin Institute, Dept. 104 F., Rochester, N. Y.

WANTED—Chamber maid and dining room girl at Hotel Granite, Hamilton, Ill.

WANTED—Chambermaid at the Hotel Hawkeye.

WANTED—Second hand bicycle in good condition. Phone Red 805 or inquire at this office.

WANTED—General housework or washings to do by reliable white woman. Phone Red 1328.

WANTED—By girl 14 years, care of children or help with work. Phone Red 1328.

WANTED—Housework by reliable young white woman. Phone black 1544.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE CHEAP—1 Hobart electric coffee mill. 1 American slicing machine. 1 Dayton self-computing scale. 1 double beam Howe scale, 1 lb to 200.

1 barn platform scale. 2 9 ft. glass show cases. 2 21-inch round oak heating stoves with pipe. 1 revolving vegetable display stand. 1 170-gal. Bowser self-measuring oil tank. 1 horse-wagon and harness.

J. B. WORTHEN  
Warsaw, Ill.

FOR SALE—\$3,500, new eight room modern house on Orleans avenue; hot water heat, John Tumelty.

FOR SALE—Shetland pony, outfit complete. Call or address 23 South Eleventh street.

FOR SALE—American adding machine. Address Machine, this office.

FOR SALE—Cheap, two mares and two colts, if sold at once. Phone Black-339.

FOR SALE—Second hand white pine lumber, good condition, lining and sheathing 2x12 and 2x4, also joist and window sash. Inquire 722 Franklin.

FOR SALE—Second hand lumber 8x8, 40 feet long, 6x6, 2x12, 2x10, 2x3, 2x6 sheathing and boards, all lengths; also 400 peach good building stone. Albert Biddgett, Fifth and Bank streets.

FOR SALE—International hay press. In good condition. G. W. Newman, Elvaston, Ill.

FOR SALE—Late model Buick automobile, in first class condition, fully equipped, \$1,400.00 value, desire to turn into cash at once, sale price \$550.00. Address A. A. care Gate City.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Two rooms furnished complete for light housekeeping, modern. Also sleeping rooms or four room flat furnished. Inquire 309 Concert.

FOR RENT—Furnished modern room north side. Phone Black 528.

FOR RENT—Four and three room modern flat, \$15.00 lower floor, \$10.00 upper floor. Full lot. On north side. Call Red 1232.

LOST.

LOST—Gold bracelet with cameo setting. Return to 923 High St. Reward.

Closed at 1 A. M.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, July 22.—Dance halls and cafes in the old vice district with one exception closed promptly at one a. m. today as the result of the vice inquiry that followed the assassination of Detective Birns last Thursday night.

Freibergs, known from coast to coast among resort frequenters, defied the orders of Captain Nootbar's first ward police yesterday by waiving an amusement license in the detectives' faces. Nootbar said he would see that this cafe obeyed the law. State's Attorney Hoyne planned to go before the grand jury today and ask an indictment of a number of levee gangsters. One gangster will be charged with firing the first shot in the battle that resulted in Birns' death.

## Are You Broke or Badly Bent?

Let us help you get straightened out. We will loan you what money you desire, amount, \$5 to \$100 on your HOUSEHOLD GOODS, PIANO, HORSES, VEHICLES, etc. Pay us back in weekly or monthly payments.

## Private—Confidential

We have no office in Keokuk but our agent is in the city every Wednesday. Send us your name and address and he will call and explain our plans.

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## Burlington Loan Company

224 Tama Building  
Burlington Phone 16 Iowa

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In good locations that can be bought at 75 per cent of building cost. Look these homes over and select one that suits you.

## John Tumelty Insurance and Real Estate

Daily Stock Letter.  
[Copyright, 1914, by the New York Evening Post.]

NEW YORK, July 22.—The stock exchange today reflected the announcement regarding the New Haven and Rock Island by standing practically motionless. During most of the day advances and declines were intermingled, with advances predominating; but few of the changes were important.

News of crops was again confused, with the grain trade insisting on serious damage to spring wheat. In addition to the unfavorable indications, today's advices pointed to marked decrease in this year's crop of Canada.

Under the influence of overnight announcements, New Haven opened two points lower and Rock Island collateral fours lower by 1½ and all Rock Island securities declined. Nothing more remains to be said of the government suit now instituted to separate the New Haven from its outside acquisitions, except to say that the federal court's decision on such points is final which will be an advantage in this case, and that precedent with these same courts favors rational and merciful provisions in their manner of requiring such forced sale.

A further advance in foreign legislation brought sterling ¼ above yesterday and ¾ above last week's close. This persistent strength was largely ascribed to heavy sales of American securities by Europe during the last few days.

Grain Review.  
[United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, July 22.—Wheat opened steady and then advanced, gaining ¾ to ¾ in the forenoon session today. Higher cables, based on unfavorable Russian crop news, fear of black rust damage in the northwest and a dispatch from Minneapolis reporting that about 100,000 acres of wheat was beaten down by a great hail storm that extended from Saskatchewan into North Dakota, all helped build the market. The northwest hail storm was described as the worst in years.

Corn traders ignored the weak cables and prices were a shade higher at the start. Further slight advance was registered in the deferred months during the forenoon, July closing off a shade.

Oats had a dip early in the day, but northwest houses bought freely and restored prices to about last night's closing figures.