

CITY COUNCIL HELD THE WARMEST MEETING ON RECORD WEDNESDAY

Park Board and Members of the Council Held Wordy War—City Limit Extension Matter Was Deferred Until the August Meeting.

Although two hours were spent in heated debate over the question of extending the city limits, the city council adjourned its Wednesday evening meeting without taking action on the proposition. The debate involved not only members of the council but the widening circle included a number of citizens who participated in the work while the duties and the powers of the city park commission were also reviewed. Outside of the extension question the time was given over almost entirely to routine business.

The opening round of the big fight came when Dr. Orr Sanders upon being called to express his opinion of the extension matter stated that he and other property owners on the outside of the city in the sewer and water very much in favor of being taken into the city.

A. L. Hunter of the Red River Brick company was the next called upon and he disagreed with the council on the wisdom of taking in the plant of that concern. He could not see any benefit to be derived from so doing and gave figures and statistics showing that the successful brick companies are not operating within the limits of cities. Mr. Hunter spoke at length and waxed warm on the job, quoting Roosevelt and stating that the way things looked, it seemed as though the council wanted to take a knock at the corporations.

James Dinne was also present to protest against the extension. He said that the brick company stockholders were all residents of the city and that he did not see where any benefit would accrue.

Organize a Village
It was suggested to the council by Carl Sorenson that the residents of University place were considering the organization of a village and that if such were the case and the organization was perfected, the city would have no chance to extend the limits to include the state institution.

Prof. C. C. Schmidt, in reply to this suggestion, made a lengthy appeal to the council, stating that the residents of the "ten" houses that would be taken into the city were not gaining any particular benefits. He said that it was true that they were paying for water and had the use of the sewer, but they were paying the same rate as in the city.

One property owner spoke and stated that the main reason he and others had built west of the city was to get out of paying taxes. This remark brought Mr. Rembeck to his feet with the statement that if that were the case, it would be well to more the entire population outside the city limits. He could not see the logic of giving the men outside of the city limits the privileges and benefits that the man living in the city paid for.

Out of Proportion
Prof. Chandler was the next on the program. He thought that the increase in taxation by the extension would be out of proportion to the benefit derived.

Alderman Sorlie of the Seventh ward and James Dinne then had a rather warm set to in which personal allusions were much in evidence. Alderman Hunter of the Fifth ward waxed warm over this phase of the matter and moved to adjourn and thus dispense with such remarks.

Alderman Sorlie stated that the whole city limit extension matter had simmered down to the question of who was in favor and who was not. He also thought that it was hardly probable for any one deriving the

benefits the outsiders were, to come to the city and ask for higher taxes. Murphy Gives Opinion
At this point Mayor Murphy took occasion to give his opinion on the affair. He stated that he did not consider it fair or just to the residents of the city to stand the expense of laying water mains and sewers a mile or more into the country. Mayor Murphy took exception to Prof. Schmidt's remarks and stated that the residents of the vicinity of the university were certainly getting the benefit of the city improvements, and he took occasion to state that he wished to go on record as saying that if the proposed extension was not made, that he expected and thought it would be no more than fair to all to double the water and sewer taxes out of the city and thus make the residents of University place pay or do without the modern conveniences.

Assent the Tennis Court
He also stated that if the residents in the vicinity of the university were not enjoying the privileges and benefits of the city, "what did they have it for and who was using the tennis court at university park?" Robert Westcott was heard from at this juncture and stated that the tennis court was on his land. This was not agreed upon, but it furnished the key-note for something unexpected.

Alderman Hunter declared that when taxes were assessed it was the council that stood the brunt of all criticism and that while they were talking over taxes, why not remember that the park board was spending considerable of the city's money.

President Davies of that institution addressed the council and stated that the park board was looking into the future and that all property they had acquired was needed. The recent purchase of twelve acres on the east end of Lincoln park, including the tennis courts and the tennis club house, was explained. Mr. Davies stated that it was necessary to get the land now or not get it at all.

Alderman Ryan wanted to know whether any member of the park board would have been willing to pay \$500 an acre for "river bottom land." He also asked if the parks were getting so crowded that the city had to buy twelve more acres at such a high price.

Says It Is Not Exorbitant
Dean Kennedy of the university, chairman of the park board, stated that he did not think it was right for the council to criticize the park board and he stated that probably the park board had made a mistake in not condemning the land purchased, but that the board and the property owners thought it would be well to appoint two men as arbitrators on the matter and thus fix a price to be paid. He did not think, Mr. Ryan to the contrary, that it was an exorbitant figure and said that while he was talking and the park board members were on the carpet, asked that "Mr. Hunter, Mr. Ryan and Mayor Murphy appear at one of the park board meetings when they could be brought on the carpet."

Alderman Ryan took exception to this remark and said that during his service on the council, he had never done anything that he did not believe was honest and for the best of the community. He became wrathful at the examination and the fur flew fast and furious for several minutes.

Only ten members present, Alderman Lockman being asked to be excused, the action on the limit extension was deferred until the next meeting.

Offered Money
A communication was read to the council from C. C. Gowran and company offering \$40,000 at six per cent for the use of the city until after December 15, this year. This money, said Mayor Murphy, was negotiated for at Chicago bank, turned over to the Gowran company and then to the city. The reason of this was the fact that the city banks were short of money at the present time and did not care to furnish such a large loan. The money, which is needed for the expense of the erection of the city hall, will be repaid by the sale of the city hall bonds after the first week of December. Mayor Murphy explained that the money was borrowed from the Chicago bank at four and one-half per cent, so that in the future he would not be called upon to explain a "graft."

The matter was referred to the city hall building committee, which committee, after a short session, reported in favor of accepting the offer.

Routine Business
A petition from property owners asking for a cement sidewalk on the east side of Cherry street between Fourth and Ninth avenues, was granted.

An arc light petition for a light at the corner of International avenue and Fifth street was referred to the light committee.

Licenses were granted to G. W. Barton for an automobile livery, to R. O. Paulsen for a plumber, to H. C. W. A. Thompson for a dray line.

A petition from J. H. Ruettell asking for permission to place a sign board near the Northern Pacific depot was turned down.

The fair association was given the use of the city wire and poles at and leading to the fair grounds.

The waterworks committee reported favorably on putting in a water main on Fifth avenue between Cottonwood and Cherry streets. This committee also reported favorably on a water main extension on Budge avenue.

Bids from the various banks of the

city as city depositories were received and opened. These bids all were the same, each bank offering to pay two per cent on the average daily balance, not to exceed \$10,000. The matter was discussed and the bid finally accepted.

Manager N. E. Black of the Evening Times appeared before the council and asked that some steps be taken to make a settlement for the work done in connection with setting up the type for the publication of the assessment on sewer district No. 10. Mr. Black said that the work had been done at the order of Mr. Greene, a member of the special assessment commission and had not been published because of his orders. The fact that the Times ceased to be the official publication left the type unused. No action was taken because of the absence of the commission. The auditor was instructed to have a report in for the next meeting.

The street car ordinance was placed on its first reading. The street and alley revolving fund ordinance was placed on its second reading.

Bids were opened for furnishing coal to the city and the contract was awarded to the Fairchild Fuel company.

Jury List
The committee appointed to draw the jurors in accordance with the notification of the county auditor, reported that the following seventy-four citizens had been drawn for jury duty: Ole Hippe, J. J. Johnson, O. Bondelid, O. C. Cornelson, Peter Hagness, O. N. Fosmark, W. E. DeLund, Martin J. Lavelle, Nils Nordlund, Henry Brenna, A. W. Brekke, Thos. aaler, Ole Holmo, R. B. Cadwell, Ole S. Teile, Ole K. Warvik, Andrew Eiland, H. A. Plagedand, A. J. Pierce, Thos. Lawson, John Lynd, John Denker, Albert E. Collins, J. J. Franklin, John G. Gillan, W. E. DeLay, Wm. Bowen, J. E. Turner, Gust Heimholt, Iver Johnson, Joseph Solstad, Peter Terkison, John Stewart, T. J. Hagen, Ole Paulson, Fingar Jorgenson, F. A. Rosen, John Engstrom, Geo. Carroll, Robt. Keene, A. P. Swenson, A. L. Olson, Jens Stephenson, J. A. Bertram, R. P. Raschick, Phil St. George, Sr., Chas. W. Coss, Sr., Gustav Sundby, Fred Smith, J. C. Hart, Thos. Thompson, Volkart Heinrichsen, Oscar Berg, Fred P. Werelid, John E. Hoff, Ed. Thompson, Martin Bye, C. H. Lesson, Geo. Durlock, H. N. Sanbeck, John Richmond, Max Reinecke, P. J. Mahon, Nels Johnson, Matt Langford, Aug. Evanson, L. J. McGuire, Geo. Hankey, Sr., Ing. Johnson, John A. Stiles, K. Lysing, Christ Nelson, Ed J. Morris, John Sutherland.

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CONSPIRACY CHARGE IS MADE BY FORD

Case Continued Until Friday to Await the Arrival of Witnesses

Solomon Ford, the negro porter accused of stealing a dress, was given a hearing before Judge McLoughlin this morning. On account of the non-arrival of several witnesses from Minneapolis, the case was continued until Friday morning.

Four witnesses were placed on the stand this morning by the state. They were Mrs. R. L. Wellner, who lost the dress, Chief Lowe, H. J. Harrman, the Great Northern special agent who made the arrest, and J. Miller, a colored man who is alleged to have had a conversation with the defendant in regard to the case.

It is understood that the defendant will seek to prove a conspiracy among several other porters to have him arrested. He accuses another negro of having taken the dress and then placing it among the soiled linen from Ford's car in order that Ford would be suspected.

Assistant State's Attorney Skulason is prosecuting the case and A. G. Wineman appears for Ford.

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THE COUNTY BOARD NEARING END OF THE LIST

Many Matters Disposed of Today—Banks and Stocks Up Wednesday

The board of county commissioners are fast reaching the end of assessors lists, which have to be equalized. Several matters were taken up today and were disposed of. This morning the commissioners sitting as a board of equalization went over the assessments for water mains, sewers and gas mains. No change being made. A number of bills were allowed.

This afternoon grain elevators in the various townships were equalized and two changes were made. The assessments at Mekinock were raised forty per cent and at Northwood City, fifty per cent.

The assessments on automobiles in the county were equalized this afternoon, each machine being valued at \$250.

In equalizing the manufacturers tools, implements, machinery, engines and boilers were increased ten per cent.

Bank Assessments.
The bank assessments were announced at the close of the Wednesday session as follows:
First National, Grand Forks, \$40,000.
Union National, Grand Forks, \$28,000.
Scandinavian American bank, Grand Forks, \$60,000.
Northern State bank, Grand Forks, \$15,000.
Northwestern Trust company, Grand Forks, \$40,000.

State bank, Reynolds, \$7,000.
State bank, Niagara, \$3,500.
National bank, Larimore, \$7,000.
Elk Valley bank, Larimore, \$6,500.
Bank of Thompson, \$2,350.
Bank of Inkster, \$4,000.
Bank of Gilby, \$4,000.
Bank of Arvilla, \$4,000.
Bank of Orr, \$4,000.
Farmers' bank of Emerado, \$6,100.
Mackinock State bank, \$2,800.
First State bank of Kempton, \$4,000.
Citizens' National bank of Northwood, \$7,000.
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Farmers' and Merchants' State bank, Inkster, \$4,000.
The average value of separators and horse powers were equalized, so that the average of each township, village and city shall average \$100 each and separators run by gasoline at \$50.

Engines and boilers in the county were equalized so that the average of each township, village and city in the county shall be \$200 each.

On motion no change was made in the returns of the assessors on gas traction engines.

UNWRITTEN LAW WILL BE URGED

Crookston Murder Case Started Today and Defense Proposes Such Course

Crookston, Minn., July 13.—The trial of Sivert Simpson for the murder of Theodore Nelson February 12, last, began this morning. Nelson was shot in Simpson's wife's bedroom following a quarrel in which the two men had participated, winding up at Simpson's home. Of the eight men examined, one, Fred Leblanc, was accepted as a jurymen. The jury will not be completed today. County Attorney E. O. Hagen is prosecuting and W. E. Rowe and F. A. Grady are defending. It is expected that the unwritten law will be the basis of the defense.

NEARLY TORN OFF

Plaza Man Almost Killed in Horrible Accident.

Plaza, N. D., July 13.—J. Purrie, a farmer living two miles west of Plaza, met with a horrible accident and one that will in all probability cause his death. While assisting in installing a pump in a deep well, Purrie lost his balance and fell from the top of the well a distance of thirty feet, and in his descent struck a part of the pump, his head being nearly torn from his body. The neck was cut half in two. There is little hope for his recovery.

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GRAND FORKS AND WINNIPEG MEN WILL CONTEST FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Leistikow and Mayes Meet Willson and Elton For Red River Valley Doubles Title—Final aMch in Trafford Jayne Trophy Event on Today—Good Progress Made.

Championship in the Red river valley doubles lies between Mayes and Willson of Grand Forks as a result of the progress made in that event in the North Dakota tennis tourney today. The Winnipeg men, both of them playing good ball at every stage, defeated Blatherwick and Sunberg, the Dakotans, by scores of 6-4 and 6-4 this morning, while Elton and Willson were successful in downing Ruse and Phelps 8-6 and 6-1. Both matches were decidedly interesting.

The final in this event will be played at 10:30 o'clock Friday morning. Valley Single Championship.
The championship in the Red river valley singles is being contested this afternoon, being Leistikow and Mayes. Both men have played the very best kind of tennis throughout the tourney, and both have entered this afternoon's match determined to win. The winner will challenge E. S. Reid's right to retain the Trafford Jayne trophy.

Leistikow was advanced to the finals yesterday through a default from Gildersleeve of Crookston, while Mayes made his way into the finals by defeating Schmidt, 6-0 and 6-1. Sunberg the North Dakota champion, retired from play in that event because of the sprained thumb received by him.

State Doubles Today
The championship in the state doubles will also be determined this afternoon with Ruse and Phelps and Sunberg and Blatherwick as contenders. This match was fixed to start at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Finish State Singles Friday.
Friday will see the closing matches in the North Dakota state singles. Ruse and Blatherwick, who have been scheduled to play at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and the winner of that match will play F. M. Willson of Grand Forks at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Women's Singles.
Miss Margaret Beede of Rolla won the state championship in singles yesterday by defeating Miss Parker of Grand Forks, 6-7, 6-2 and 8-6. Miss Margaret Davis was the former champion, but she releases the title to Miss Beede.

Mixed Doubles.
In the mixed doubles, the first game was played last night, Leistikow and Miss Linwell. The first set went 8-6 in favor of Miss Beede and Leistikow, and darkness stopped the second set at eight all. This match will be concluded in the morning, Miss Linwell being out of the city today.

Handicap Singles.
In the handicap singles, Baird has reached the finals. He defeated Zanzow this morning 6-1, 6-2. Leistikow defaulted to Whitcomb, wishing to save his strength for the big match.

this afternoon and that puts Whitcomb end Blatherwick in the semi-finals.
In the early play, Leistikow, —30, defeated Phelps, —15, 7-5 and 6-2. Whitcomb, plus 15, defeated Dickinson, plus 30, 6-2 and 6-1; Ruettell defaulted to Zanzow. Gerriah defaulted to Dickinson. Baird, plus 15, d-defeated Sherman, plus 15, 6-1 and 6-3. In the second round, Zanzow defeated Dickinson 6-2 and 6-3.

Consolation Singles.
In the consolation singles H. Willson and Gullivan are matched for the semi-finals, as are Elton and Phelps. The final will be played at 12 o'clock tomorrow.

Chased Out of Town.
Two drunks spent the night in the city jail. They were released this morning and started out of town. The last seen of them they were headed west and showed no signs of stopping.

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