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DOG TAX LAW'S LAME

For That Reason the McCluskey Case is Settled and a New Ordinance Planned.

Artesian Well to be Prepared For Public Use—Progress on Improvements.

Cemetery Water Question Again Postponed—Underground Cable For Phone System.

The city council, in regular session Monday night, considered matters of general importance, allowed a big batch of bills and adjourned to meet next Monday night to dispose of business that was not in readiness for this meeting, including the cemetery water question.

City Solicitor Evans reported that the case brought by H. McCluskey attacking the dog tax ordinance had been dismissed in the district court, on agreement of the judiciary committee, the city to pay the costs.

ACTION POSTPONED. Mr. Snelling, of the cemetery trustees, submitted the requested report of the financial condition of the association, giving receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year and for the time that has ensued since.

TO LAY LINES UNDERGROUND. Superintendent W. G. Bove, of the Marshall Telephone Company, appeared before the council and asked permission to lay an underground cable in the alley east from the central station to the railway tracks.

THE ARTESIAN WELL. Mr. Benson, of the water committee, reported the completion of nine of the driven wells for the water extension. He said the work had been delayed somewhat because of the necessity of removing the drilling machinery to the well pits to assist in the work of stopping the flow from the old artesian well, which was unearthened last Friday.

NOT ANXIOUS TO SELL. Chairman Henry, of the buildings and grounds committee, said a definite offer of \$3,000 for the Woodbury hose house property had been received, but he considered this too low.

THE SEWAGE PLANT. Mayor Pierce, of the special committee on sewage disposal plant, reported that the work of clearing the ground of the timber in order to prepare it for the plant would be completed this week, and that Engineer Pierson's plans were expected daily.

QUARTERLY REPORTS. Street Commissioner Ordway reported the expenditure of \$945.45 in the improvement of streets and alleys during the last quarter.

Table with 2 columns: Offense and Amount. Includes Intoxication, Vagrancy, Disorderly conduct, etc.

NEW FEATURE OF RURAL MAIL

Carriers May Now Deliver Letters From One Farmer to Another. The rural delivery system being placed in operation throughout the country by the postal department was a grand thing from the first, new features are being added that make the system more effective.

The next day before being delivered. The rural carriers are now provided with stamps for such deliveries, and when a letter is received by them for delivery to a neighboring house they cancel the stamp and simply report the delivery to the Marshalltown office.

M'FARLANDS ARE WELL

Consul at Nottingham Growing Fleshy—Mrs. McFarland Home-sick. Mr. A. F. Balch, who spent some time while abroad as the guest of Consul and Mrs. S. C. McFarland, at Nottingham, Eng., and who has just arrived at home, says the consul and his family are well.

HIT WITH A CLUB.

Gus Wahlberg and Henry Mack Have Trouble and Former is Seriously Hurt.

His Head Laid Open by a Blow From a Pick-Axe Handle in Mack's Hands.

Gustave Wahlberg, a cement contractor of this city, lies at his home, 601 West Boone street, with a badly bruised head, which he received during an encounter with Henry C. Mack, another cement contractor.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon Mack walked into the sheriff's office and informed the officers that he had come to give himself up, as he had hit Wahlberg with a club and laid him out. Mack said that while he was driving along the street at 9 o'clock this morning Wahlberg climbed into his buggy and commenced to pull his whiskers and scratch his face.

While Mack succeeded in laying his man out, he was afterwards in a fair way to get the water in the gutter, which occurred in front of Wahlberg's home. Judge Caswell, who resides in the neighborhood, was attracted by the excitement of the fight and went to the scene.

Adolph Carlson, Wahlberg's brother-in-law, who was with Mr. Wahlberg when both quarrels occurred, said that about 9 o'clock, at the corner of First and State streets, where he is putting in some work, Mr. Wahlberg and Mack met. The first few words that passed between them he did not hear, but it was only the matter of a few moments when he heard Mack call Wahlberg by the name and at the same time take a blow with his pickaxe.

Mr. Carlson accompanied Wahlberg home at about 10 o'clock, and while driving to the east gate of the Wahlberg home, corner of Sixth and Boone streets, they met Mr. Mack. Carlson says there was not a word spoken by either man, but that Mack alighted from his buggy and dealt Wahlberg a blow over the head while the latter was seated in his vehicle.

Mr. M. R. D. Owings, of Milwaukee, Wis., secretary of the Milwaukee Harvester Company, arrived in the city this morning and will remain for a short visit with his wife and Mr. D. W. Owings, and sister-in-law, Mrs. T. C. Owings, and family.

A Pocket-Sized Cure. Krause's Cold Cure is prepared in capsule form and will cure cold in the head, throat, chest or any portion of the body in twenty-four hours.

WHERE'S CHRISTIANSON

Young Married Man of the City Mysteriously Missing Since Last Thursday.

Was Despondent and His Young Wife Fears He is Deranged or Has Suicided.

Christianson Was a Tailor by Trade and Was Steadily Employed—Wife's Search.

Charles Christianson, a tailor of this city, is mysteriously missing from his home in this city, and as he has been absent since Thursday of last week his young wife is very much worried and has instituted a search for him.

Christianson has been employed of late by the Marshall Tailoring Company. When he did not appear at the shop his employers supposed he was sick, but Monday his wife appeared and asked if they knew anything of his whereabouts as he had not been at home since Thursday and she had heard nothing of him.

Christianson came from Sweden about four years ago, locating at Marshalltown. A short time after their arrival in this country they were married, and have always lived in this city. They have one little child, a little girl about 3 years old.

Monday afternoon the young wife, who is a prepossessing Swedish woman, went to Cedar Rapids to see if Christianson was there. She visited all the tailoring establishments but found no trace of the missing man.

MAY LOSE IT. Other Cities Bidding for the Spiritu-List Campmeeting.

The annual business meeting of the Central Iowa Spiritu-List Association, whose campmeeting is now in progress in the Valley Grove on North Third street, will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

While a majority of the people may not be interested in the Spiritu-List, the fact remains that the campmeeting brings many people to the city and much money is spent here.

FIRE IN TELEPHONE OFFICE.

An Uninsulated Electric Light Wire Burns Out Transfer Board of Marshall Telephone Company.

At about 11 o'clock this forenoon a confusing alarm of fire called the department to the central office of the Marshall Telephone Company, where the transfer board was found to be on fire. The alarm was sent in from one or two boxes and the companies were not able to find it until the blaze was extinguished by hand.

DISTRICT COURT.

Evans-Boyd Case Goes to the Jury—An Insurance Suit.

The first jury case of the present term was concluded this afternoon and the jury sent out. This was in the suit brought by N. A. Evans against J. H. Boyd to recover a commission alleged to be due for the sale of real estate.

BIG OHIO BUSINESS.

Central's Excursion to Eastern Points Largely Patronized by Marshall City People. The second excursion of the Iowa Central to Ohio and the eastern states was largely patronized this morning by people residing in the vicinity of Marshalltown.

by his daughter, Mrs. C. M. Wheeler, of Fullerton, Neb., en route to Columbus and Philadelphia, Pa., to visit relatives; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Rolston and daughter Junietta, of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Rolston, of Conrad, who will visit relatives in Mount Vernon and Millwood, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Labius Beach, of Conrad; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton H. Wilson, Horlick Dunham, the Misses Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McAfee, Mrs. Dell Barber, Mrs. Paish Lefevre and Mrs. Lon Farmer and son, all of Liscomb, who will visit various points in Ohio, and Mrs. Daniel Collins of Abilene, who will visit in Indianapolis.

SPECIAL TRAIN

To Farmers' Harvest Home Day, Iowa State Agricultural and Mechanical College, Ames, Ia., Thursday, Sept. 30th, 1903.

Via the Northwestern line, for \$1 from Marshalltown. Excursion tickets will be sold at the above named rate, good for going and returning on a special train Sept. 30. Apply to agents of the Chicago & Northwestern railway for time of train dates.

Washington, D. C.—Genesee Pure Food Company, LeRoy, N. Y.—Gentlemen: Our family realize so much from the use of Grain-O that I feel I must say a word to induce others to use it.

WILD WEST SHOW.

Pawnee Bill's Wild West Aggregation Comes to Marshalltown After the Dollars.

Street Parade Occurs in Drizzling Rain—Fair Attendance This Afternoon.

Buffalo Bill does not possess the exclusive right to a wild west show, or to wear long hair, and while he may have been the originator of this class of entertainment to amuse the people, and incidentally to replenish his own bank account, there are others—Pawnee Bill, for instance.

The last named Bill is not so well known as Cody. He has not figured as the hero in so many dime novels, neither has he told so many hair raising stories of his own deeds so often that he actually believes them himself.

The street parade occurred at 10:30 thru the up-town district, in a drizzling rain. Notwithstanding the disagreeable weather the streets were lined with people, anxious to see for themselves whether or not the noted Buffalo Bill had a great rival.

Expansion. The trade expansion of the United States is a matter of pride to all Americans without regard to their personal views on territorial expansion and its political bearings.

Grand Reunion of the Cowboys. At Granite, the new Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad town on Red River, in New Oklahoma, Sept. 19, 20 and 21.

Don't miss this chance to see this reservation. Any G. I. & P. ticket agent will quote you rates, conditions, train, etc., or address John Sebastian, G. P. A., Chicago.

Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any nature, who will call at Geo. P. Powers' will be presented with a sample bottle of Boschee's German Syrup free of charge.

And get votes on the Piano Contest. They are free with every purchase. Prices, Quality and Satisfaction Guaranteed. 103 South Center St., Marshalltown

Advertisement for Ross shoes, featuring an illustration of a shoe and text: 'THE CROSSETT SHOE... \$3.50 and \$4.00... Sold Only By E. G. WALLACE.'

Advertisement for bicycles: 'Closing Out Our Line of... We Have on Hand Three Gents' Wheels—high grade—prices from \$18 to \$24.75... BICYCLES'

Advertisement for Abbott & Son: 'These are high grade goods and include the HIB-BARD, LACLEDE, AJAX, IMPERIAL and STERLING... ABBOTT & SON.'

Advertisement for property taxes: 'Pay taxes on your own property... If you are tired of renting and want to build a house of your own, now is the time to build.'

Advertisement for A. A. Moore: 'Don't help some other fellow pay his.... Estimates Cheerfully Furnished... A. A. MOORE... PHONE 8'

Advertisement for Archie Parker's Dry Goods: 'Archie Parker's DRY GOODS 106 EAST MAIN'

Advertisement for Blankets and Comforters: 'Blankets and Comforters... We have nearly 500 pairs of Woolen and Cotton Blankets and can supply every want the cold weather may demand.'

Advertisement for Comforters: 'COMFORTERS... In bed comforters we have satine covered, filled with the best cotton made.'

Advertisement for Coal: 'GREEN TRADING STAMPS M'CALL PATTERNS... Order Your Winter's Supply of HARD COAL SOFT From C. R. HARPER & CO.'