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COUNCIL CAUCUSES ON EXPENDITURES

PLAN FOR NEW FIRE STATION TO BE FINANCED BY B. F. CUMMINGS.

WANT POWER PLANT IF PRACTICABLE—NO BIDS

Machinery Manufacturers Show No Disposition to Bid Unless City Supplies the Plans—Will Buy Tax Title to Driveway to Convert it into Alley—North Fifth Street Extension Off.

With the city's finances in no shape to stand the drain of more than the absolute necessities for the maintenance of the municipality's business, the city council at a second caucus, held Friday afternoon, discussed practically nothing else than old and new ways of spending money. The following are the proposed expenditures taken up, some being agreed and some left open for future developments.

Power Plant at Standstill. From indications just at present it would not appear as if the city were about to get what it wanted in a power plant. Mayor Ingledue was instructed by the city some few weeks ago to get bids from manufacturers for all the machinery for the plant, each bidder to furnish his own plans and specifications and guarantee the horse power. The mayor read a story or more of bids from manufacturers, but none of them were ready to bid on the work, and most of them asked for plans and specifications, indicating that they would not bid unless these were furnished.

Cummings Will Finance Station. The mayor made the statement that B. F. Cummings would finance the building of a new south side fire station, for an amount not exceeding \$5,000 at a 5 per cent interest on the money invested. The city has the privilege of making payments on the principal and caring for the interest in monthly payments. Ingledue said this was the only feasible plan to get a new station as the city had no money with which to build one.

Ingledue Wants Revision. Then the question of revising the ordinance came up. "The ordinance ought to be revised," said Ingledue, "and North's the man to revise them." North had previously offered to do the work for \$500, but he said that he could not get to it at any event until after Jan. 1, and probably would not be able to finish them until well into the spring. The proposed expenditure was left in abeyance and no definite arrangement was arrived at.

To Stop the Water Leakage. Then the question of the thousands of gallons of the city's water that has been surging thru the pipes of the De-natured Alcohol plant for months until a total of more than 3,000,000 gallons has gone to waste, came up. The water has been pumped to the plant, under the contract with the builders of the plant at a cost that is less than the cost of pumping, according to the statement of Chairman Clark of the waterworks committee.

Sunday Church Services

Sunday subjects of pastors, and services in the different churches of the city tomorrow have been announced as follows: Baptist, Rev. James McGee—Morning, "Makers of History" (Some people deserve to be congratulated on their misfortunes); evening, "The Wilderness Prince" (The records of great men are not written on gravestones).

Methodist, Rev. S. E. Ellis—Evangelist Beadles will preach both morning and evening; meeting for women only at 3 o'clock, addressed by Mr. Beadles.

Central Church of Christ, Rev. C. H. Morris—Charles J. Ewald, of Buenos Ayres, A. R., will speak in the morning. Sunday school will preach on "Why Men Need Christ."

Medical Society to Meet. Quarterly Meeting of County Doctors Be Held Next Wednesday. The regular quarterly meeting of the Marshall County Medical Society will be held at the rooms of the Marshalltown Club on next Wednesday evening, Nov. 23 at 8 o'clock.

Local Weather Record. Twenty-eight was the maximum temperature for Friday, compared with 46 for the day before. The minimum for the night was 22, six degrees warmer than the minimum for the night before. At 7 o'clock this morning the temperature was 23.

Card of Thanks. I wish to thank the W. O. W. for the bouquet of chrysanthemums sent to Mr. Al Harlan.

THREE BUILDINGS BURNED AT MARIETTA

IOWA CENTRAL DEPOT AND PYLE ELEVATOR AND COAL SHEDS DESTROYED.

TRAMPS SUSPECTED OF FIRING THE STATION

Blaze Discovered at 3 O'clock, and Flames Then Were Beyond Control—B. L. Pyle Sustains \$1,600 Loss, With \$500 Insurance—Loss to Railroad Company Small.

Fire that was discovered at 3 o'clock this morning totally destroyed the Iowa Central depot at Marietta, and the elevator and coal bins of B. L. Pyle, situated across a siding from the station. While the origin is unknown it is believed that tramps, who may have entered the depot during the night, were responsible for the blaze.

Pyle Loses Grain and Coal. Aside from the destruction of the elevator and coal bins Mr. Pyle's loss also includes 700 bushels of barley, contained in the elevator, and twenty-two tons of coal on his buildings.

Local Comment

When a man's account is overdrawn at the bank and he continues to issue checks, his bank will stand it for a short time but there is a limit and sooner or later his checks will be turned down. If he has a going business and gets into a bank to such an extent that he has to overdraw the banker will often keep him afloat by cashing his payroll checks until he can realize on certain items of income but let a man who is being thus held up by a bank draw his check for an automobile, new piano, land investment or addition to his dwelling and Mr. Banker will simply "go up in the air."

Experience with our saloon litigation, however, has taught us that delay is the next best thing to defeat of the

prosecution. When it requires nearly two years in which to secure from a district court a permanent injunction against a guilty saloon keeper only to be stayed by an appellate order from the supreme court, we are justified in believing that the courts are of use principally to saloon keepers. There is no such delay in conviction and punishment for petty larceny. The modern court procedure should be revised downward on the courage of the average jurist revised upwards. In this respect complaint is not directed against specific schedules. It is general revision that is needed.

There would probably be much convenience in the revision of our published volume of city ordinances but the city solicitor's suggestion of \$500 for the work had better be referred to the city's banker before city warrants are drawn for it on an account which has no funds to its credit. Perhaps money could be saved by notifying the lawyers of the city to submit sealed bids.

In these days of good roads the automobile is doing for retail trade in Marshalltown what an interurban would do the year around if prospective builders are not always to be shut out by loaded bond requirements. A Saturday nowadays finds dozens upon dozens and almost hundreds of cars entering Marshalltown loaded with whole families and collections of families away all bent on shopping at the big stores here.

It requires little more than one hour to make the trip one way and it is fun riding in an automobile. What could Marshalltown do five years from now when everybody owns an automobile if her roads were only good all of the time?

THANKSGIVING DINNER

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FOREIGN SECRETARY HERE.

Charles J. Ewald, Buenos Ayres Man, to Address Meetings.

Charles J. Ewald, a Y. M. C. A. secretary at Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic, will be in the city Sunday. He will speak at the Central Church of

Christ in the morning and at the Y. M. C. A. men's meeting in the east court room in the afternoon. In the evening he will speak at the Congregational church.

In the Police Court. John Smith, arrested by the police for being drunk, paid the costs in Justice Millard's court this morning.

Harris Seberg, Dick Edwards, and W. E. Marsh, arrested by the police for being drunk, were arraigned before Mayor Ingledue this morning. Marsh paid the costs, Seberg was sent to jail for fifteen days, and Edwards got six days.

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