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Council Proceedings.

Minutes of regular session of Council held April 1st, 1902. Present, J. C. Pepper, president; J. H. Swift, J. M. Samuel, J. H. Concannon.

The finance committee asked for further time to examine reports of treasurer, tax collector, marshal and clerk of the previous two months. Granted.

The reports of treasurer, collector, marshal and clerk, referred to finance committee with leave to report at a subsequent meeting.

The following bills were presented: J. A. Newsome, merchandise, \$ 5 95 H. J. Spence, atty, mch, police, 10 00 Jas. Hall, street, 1 00

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The explanation was quite adequate. Brains Make Soldiers. A discussion recently took place in the smoking room of a Swiss hotel between a German and an American as to the merits of their respective armies.

The former believed in discipline and trained troops. The American believed in training, too, but held that a lot depended upon the material trained.

"Given," quoth he, "that brains are lacking, no amount of physical training will make up for them. Take the American troops, comparatively untrained, and see how well they fight. It's because of their brains."

"Nonsense," rejoined the aroused German. "Untrained troops can never stand against well drilled ones. Take your country, for example, with practically no drilled army. What would you do?"

"The resignation of J. C. Pepper, president of council, was presented and filed by the clerk. Meeting adjourned. J. H. Concannon, Chairman. W. B. Hardee, Clerk.

An special meeting of the council was held April 2, 1902, to take action on the resignation of J. C. Pepper, president of the council, and the resignation of Jas. F. Corbett, councilman.

Present, J. H. Concannon, vice president; J. H. Swift, R. L. Earnest, R. K. Seward.

The meeting was called to order and on motion of J. H. Swift the resignations of J. C. Pepper and J. F. Corbett were accepted. Yeas: Swift, Earnest, Seward, Nays, none.

Moved by alderman Swift that J. H. Concannon be elected president of the council. Yeas: Swift, Earnest, Seward, Nays, none.

Moved by Seward and seconded by Earnest that J. H. Swift be elected vice-chairman.

On motion the mayor was requested to order an election to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of J. C. Pepper and J. F. Corbett as members of the council. Adjourned. J. H. Concannon, Chairman. W. B. Hardee, Clerk.

A DWELLING AT A BARGAIN. The big improvements being made in the western part of town will enhance property there. Accordingly, for a safe investment consider this: A nice, substantial, new dwelling with ten rooms, 2-acre lot, good cistern, artesian well of sulphur water, chicken house, etc., a block south of the big ice factory, may be bought for \$1100 cash—or \$800 down and \$300 a year for three years. Now renting for 10 per cent on \$1600. Apply to THE HERALD. 11-17

Musical Sounds and Noise. It is a curious fact that musical sounds fly farther and are heard at a greater distance than those which are more loud and noisy. If we go on the outside of a town during a fair, at the distance of a mile we hear the musical instruments, but the din of the multitude, which is so overpowering in the place, can scarcely be heard. The noise dying on the spot. To those who are ignorant with the power of musical instruments the following observations will be understood: The violins made at Cremona about the year 1000 are superior in tone to any of a later date, age seeming to dispossess them of their noisy qualities and leaving nothing but the pure tone. If a modern violin is played by the side of one of those instruments, it will appear much the louder of the two, but on receding a hundred paces when compared with the Cremona it will scarcely be heard.

Tortured Women. The married Druse women of Mount Lebanon, in Asia Minor, labor under a distinct species of torture endured under their peculiar head veil. It is attached to a long horn or tabor, usually made of metal, which is fastened to the head by means of a cushion. These hebaras are of an infinite variety of colors, embellished with tassels, bands, colors, embroidery and fringes. Underneath this again is worn a face veil of coarse thick net so heavily embroidered that one can scarcely see or breathe through it. This is fastened close to the face and the hebara drawn tightly over it. They are so muffled in the folds of these clumsy stuffs that the stranger has to look twice before he can decide whether they are advancing or retreating, and the poor wretches suffer acutely under the weight of their veils.

Philosophy of Mr. Peckem. Mrs. Peckem—John, I hear that Jones' house burned down a week after he was married. Mr. Peckem—Well, troubles never come singly, you know.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Ever notice that as soon as you get one fiddler paid another begins to tune up?—Aitchison Globe.

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A Case of Well Developed Nerve, Coupled With Wit. "There is absolute wit in some men's nerve," said a business man to a reporter. "My partner and I, with the intention of expanding our business, about a year ago decided to send a representative through the south. We looked over the field carefully and finally picked out a young man who was possessed of good address and who, we felt sure, would do the work."

"He had been convivial in former days, but his deportment had been such for a year that it made us feel confident he would do the proper thing. He was given \$400 for expenses and was started out on the mission. It was a daily report of his efforts.

"Two months passed by, and we never heard from him. We telegraphed repeatedly to different towns that were on his itinerary, but not a word could be learned regarding his whereabouts. Finally one day a hurried telegram, collect, came. It read: "I am not selling many goods, but am making a fine impression. Wire \$100 quick."

"The nerve of the fellow got our nerve, and, do you know, we wired him the \$100, and afterward he made good. We have never asked him what he did during the two months, and he has never breached the subject to us. It was the wit that pleased us."—Washington Star.

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HUMAN ALARM CLOCKS.

How Messenger Boys Are Utilized as Awakeners in New York. At 1 o'clock the other morning a well dressed man strolled into one of the uptown messenger offices. He had been dining out and evidently, from the rakish tilt to his open hat, the dinner had been a success.

"I want a messenger boy to come and waken me in the morning."

"What hour?" The clerk was all business, for the request was not unusual.

"Seven o'clock. I've got to catch a train," he explained.

"All right, sir; 7 o'clock," assured the clerk.

The man turned as he was going out of the door. "Have the boy hammer the door hard," he cautioned. "I'm a dead one when I get to sleep, and I've got to catch that train." Then he went home and went to sleep with absolute confidence.

The whistles were blowing 7 o'clock. A small boy in uniform hammered with a club, his "waker," on the door of the man who had dined the night before. "Get up in there!" he cried. "Get up, you old sleepyhead!"

"You go away from my door," comes in sleepy tones from the room. "It's a mistake. I don't want to get up."

"Oh, yes, you do, my dodo bird," is the fresh reply. And the tattoo on the door goes on with redoubled strength.

"All right, boy; I'm awake now!" howls the man who has been sleeping. "You can go away now."

"Not till you've signed this receipt," the boy insists.

The man has to crawl out of bed and come to the door. The boy has a paper ready, and as he is a careful man he reads before signing. It certifies that he has been thoroughly wakened by Messenger No. 422 and that he is not going back to bed again that day.

"Is this a joke?" he asks the boy.

"Naw, 'tain't no joke," replied the messenger through his teeth. "If we didn't make you 'se do this, you'd be down to bed office about noon a-howlin' dat we didn't wake you 'se. Now, if you 'se goes back to your bag of catfish, we 'se got you 'in black an' white, an' no mistake."—New York Tribune.

COOKING FISH IN ENGLAND