

# Today's Ogden News

## COUNCIL PASSES NEW FRANCHISE

Ten Amendments Added to Former Ordinance—T. S. Brown succeeds Emmett.

## AFFAIRS OF WEBER COUNTY.

Contract Signed Between Utah Light And Railway and Ogden Rapid Transit Companies.

Ogden, Aug. 28.—After an hour's discussion of the waterworks franchise last night, the Ogden city council finally passed the franchise, with 19 amendments. From the position taken by the council it would appear that it does not regard the franchise passed a few weeks ago as being legal. Before signing the previous franchise Mayor Conroy succeeded in getting from the waterworks company a concession whereby meters would be installed on premises only at the request of the consumer. While the mayor signed the other franchise, he now demands that the council pass a new ordinance excluding the change in the meter clause.

A substitute franchise with this change was presented at the meeting a week ago. When this substitute came up from the committee last evening it had tagged to it seven amendments, and when the smoke of the discussion had cleared away Councilman Craig had succeeded in tacking on three additional amendments, and in this shape it will go to the mayor.

The resignation of Councilman W. R. Emmett of the Fifth ward, which was presented at the meeting of Aug. 15, was accepted last evening, and, after Mr. Emmett had expressed his regret at leaving the position, seven of the other nine members present took turns in saying nice things concerning Mr. Emmett. It was agreed that no man had existed between them during his incumbency in the office. T. S. Brown was then nominated for the position vacated by Mr. Emmett, and was elected without opposition. The new member of the council is 45 years of age and is one of the firm of Browning Bros. of this city. He has been an ardent supporter of the Democratic party but has never held public office before.

Councilmen Noyes and Paine, who resigned and were reappointed at the meeting held three weeks ago, were re-appointed to the committees on which they had previously served. The attention of the council was called to the fact that a spur track was being laid across Twenty-seventh street, to the Fell coal yard, for which a franchise had been refused by the council last week. This matter was referred to the law committee and the city attorney.

When the bids for the construction of the second extension of several district No. 10, which is on Fowler avenue between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets, were opened, it was found that the only bidder was the Wheelwright Construction company, who bid \$793,50. The bid was referred to the finance committee.

The Union Pacific railroad company was granted a franchise to lay a water pipe line from Taylor's canyon to the street and Wall avenues. An occupation tax of \$100 per year was embodied in the franchise before the final passage. Payrolls amounting to \$2,729.50 were allowed.

The council then adjourned for two weeks.

## WEBER COUNTY BUSINESS.

Roads Injured by Recent Rain—Franchise Deferred.

Ogden, Aug. 28.—The county commissioners decided at their meeting yesterday to defer the further consideration of the granting of a franchise to the Ogden Rapid Transit company to construct a line through Ogden canyon until the return of Chairman Stanford from the irrigation congress.

Supt. Hanson of the county informally reported that the recent heavy rains had flooded the cellar at the infirmary, injuring the heating plant.

Commissioner Matson with the county

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Surveyor will go out to the farm and see if some drainage system cannot be put in to prevent such a flooding again. The county assessor reported having conferred with the assessor of Rich county and had been informed that the sheep grazing in Weber county from there has not been assessed. The matter will be taken up with the county attorney and proper steps taken looking to their assessment.

Reports from most of the road districts showed that the heavy rains did considerable damage to the roads that will require immediate repairs.

County Fruit Tree Inspector R. E. Wilson granted 10 days' leave of absence to attend the irrigation congress at Boise, for which city he will leave August 30, with Utah's fruit exhibit.

A number of incident matters were disposed of and adjournment taken for two weeks.

## DISTRICT COURT.

Probate Petitions—Remittitur From Supreme Court in Damage Case.

Ogden, Aug. 28.—A petition was filed in the Second district court by Mrs. J. W. McDonald, of American Fork, Utah, praying for her appointment as administratrix of the estate of her deceased husband, J. W. McDonald, who died August 29, 1905, at Elko county, Nevada. That said estate consists of personal property, real estate and mining stocks valued at not to exceed \$2,000.

Michael J. Cusick has petitioned the court to appoint John Eglihan executor of the last will and testament of Nancy E. Cusick, deceased, whose estate consists of personal property valued at \$1,200. Petitioner and three children are heirs to the property. Hearing on these probate matters was set for Sept. 8.

Remittitur from the supreme court was received by County Clerk Matson affirming the decision of the trial court in the case of Eliot G. Van Wyk, administrator of the estate of John C. Van Wyk, deceased, against the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific Railway companies. In the district court the jury awarded the plaintiff \$8,000 for the death of her husband, who was killed in the Union depot grounds in this city by the explosion of his engine. The railroad companies appealed from the decision.

## SEVEN YEAR CONTRACT.

Utah Light & Ry. Co. Will Furnish Power for Rapid Transit.

Ogden, Aug. 28.—After negotiations of a year a seven year contract has been entered into between the Utah Light & Railway company and Ogden Rapid Transit company, whereby the light company will furnish the street car company with all the electrical power it will need for the operation of its lines. The extension of the car line to the mouth of Ogden canyon this summer has taxed the Rapid Transit company's power plant beyond its capacity, and to obtain more power was absolutely necessary either by enlarging the plant or by buying another and more efficient source or by buying power from the Utah Light & Railway company. The Rapid Transit company has carefully considered both propositions and has come to the conclusion that at least for a few years it was better to lease the power needed. The representatives of the power company at the meeting held yesterday afternoon were Manager R. S. Campbell, Chief Engineer O. A. Hornold and Commercial Engineer B. W. Mendenhall of Salt Lake, and Local Manager E. W. Wade and those of the street car company, David Eccles, H. B. Hollings, N. C. Flygar, George Watson and M. S. Browning. The work over the articles of agreement were very carefully done.

A number of changes will be necessary at the power company's plant in transferring its alternating current, which it is present in force to a direct current necessary for furnishing power for street car purposes. These adjustments will incur an expense of about \$5,000 on the part of the power company in new machinery and an expenditure of double

that amount by the street car company to place the necessary machinery in its power house to carry the heavy current it will require.

The contract goes into effect on Jan. 1, 1907. It would go into effect sooner, but the necessary new machinery and appliances cannot be brought here and placed before that time.

There is no limit in the contract of the power to be furnished, the power company agreeing to furnish all power the street car people may need for their Ogden city lines and any interurban lines they may put into operation during the seven years the contract is in force.

It is the intention of the Ogden Rapid Transit company to make many extensions of its lines during the next year or so. The extension made this year to the mouth of Ogden canyon has proven conclusively to the management that what it needs is to extend its lines in order to make its system pay. The canyon route has been the best paying line on the system. When first opened up it was thought by the management a half-hour schedule would be ample, but the line had been opened only a couple of weeks when it was found that even a 15 minute schedule would not be too much and at the present time the cars are carrying hundreds of passengers daily.

Representatives of the Ogden Rapid Transit company met County Commissioners Wilson and Madison at the head of the canyon at nine o'clock yesterday morning and discussed with them what course they might expect from the county to extend their line through Ogden canyon into Ogden valley, but the formal application for such a franchise will not be made for about two weeks, when the entire board of commissioners will be here to consider the granting of such a franchise. That a street car line through Ogden can you would be a paying investment from the start is certain, as it would not only give pleasure seekers and tourists easy access to the beautiful canyon, but would also give the people of Ogden Valley, who number about 3,000, quick communication by rail with Ogden City, which would do more for Ogden Valley in helping to build it up than any other thing that could happen at present. This line will be commenced in the very near future is assured, and will eventually be continued on the divide into Cache county, connecting Ogden and Ogden with an interurban electric line.

Another important change to be made by the street car management will be the electricifying of its line, now known as the Ogden and Northwestern dummy line, from the city limits north to the Hot Springs, and next year the line may be extended to Brigham City.

Faxes descriptive literature, etc., will be mailed on application to George W. Vaux, A. G. P. & T. A., 135 Adams Street, Chicago.

## BYRNE-PENNDLETON WEDDING.

License to wed was granted by the county clerk to Laurence Pendleton, 21, of Wanship, Summit county, and Miss Anna Byrne, 19, of Uintah, Weber county. They will be married Wednesday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Davis Byrne, at Uintah. They will be tendered a reception in the evening, which will be largely attended by relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

## PLEASANT WAYS FOR SUMMER DAYS.

Grand Trunk-Liegh Valley Double Track Route, Chicago to New York via Niagara Falls; Grand Trunk-Central Vermont-Boston & Maine Route from Chicago to Boston and the Grand Trunk, Railways to Montreal, Quebec and Portland Double track from Chicago to Montreal.

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## SESSION OF CITY SOLONS.

Waterworks Extension Contract Let—Billboard Ordinance Presented.

Special Correspondence.

Provo, Aug. 28.—In the city council, last evening, while under consideration of the motion of Councilman Partridge, made Thursday evening, to prohibit the extension trench to the lowest bidder, and Mr. Van Wagener's amendment that all bids be rejected and the work be done by day's labor under the supervision of the city, Councilman Miller moved, as a substitute, that all consideration of the matter be deferred till March 1, 1907, for the reason that it would take 60 days to get the pipe on the ground. The pipe would have to be filled with water while it was being laid, and the lateness of the season would cause the water to freeze and burst the pipe.

Councilman Van Wagener was opposed to delay. He thought that next spring the council would be too busy and defer the matter till fall, and then would go over till the following spring.

Engineer Pack addressed the council and stated that it would not be necessary to fill the pipe with water, and that he did not think there was any danger of freezing.

Councilman Miller's substitute motion was lost, as was Councilman Van Wagener's amendment, and the motion of Councilman Partridge was carried. The city attorney was instructed to prepare a contract to be executed by the mayor, city recorder, and the contractors.

Chairman Miller of the judiciary committee and President Booth were appointed to confer with the railroad company in relation to a right of way over the company's property.

A motion by Councilman Johnson the city was authorized to do any work which the citizens might fail to enter into contract for, and the committee on waterworks was authorized to employ a competent foreman and proceed with the work on the sections in which the county is interested, and which the county instructed the committee to do.

City Attorney Thomas gave his explanation of the terms of the contract, which the city must enter into with the Telluride Power company, if the city buys the electric power's plant. He also said he had been promised a form of contract from the Telluride company.

The committee on judiciary and the attorney presented a report incorporated with a bill for an ordinance prohibiting certain kinds of pictures from being placed on billboards. They are pictures or devices representing the interior of any saloon, or any saloon brawl, or any fight, prize fight, lynching, bee, murder, or depravity or representing the human body in a nude condition, etc. The maximum penalty for violating the ordinance is a fine of \$20, 30 days' imprisonment or both. Action on the bill was deferred till next meeting.

City Marshal Henry appeared before the council and, referring to the order requiring the city marshal to have the ordinance relating to keeping the sidewalks clean from weeds, etc., cited the council to section 57 of the ordinance, which imposes this duty on the street supervisor. Referred to the street supervisor.

Police Officer W. S. Ferris was given a 10 day vacation.

The committee of the old sprinkler and other old machinery and implements was referred to the fire chief, with authority to dispose of the same.

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