

COUNCIL TAKES ACTION FOR PROPER UPKEEP OF CITY'S WATER SYSTEM

Arthur J. Adams, chief engineer and superintendent of the City Water Department, was directed to prepare plans and specifications for the necessary repairs to the existing equipment and the purchase and installation of such reserve and replacement apparatus as may be deemed essential in improving the lower pumping station by the City Council at its regular meeting last night.

The action of the council was taken on the recommendation of City Manager John F. Donovan who is the administrative head of the City Water Department. Mr. Donovan completed recently an inspection of the pumping station and found that all the apparatus is old and while it has had exceptionally good care, is in need of extensive repairs and equipment.

After the resolution was adopted, Mayor Osborne spoke briefly stating that there was nothing in the action taken by the council for the people of the city to get excited about. The council simply had its eye to the future and was aiming for a more advanced and better water facilities for Auburn, he said.

In reporting on his inspection of the lower pumping station, Mr. Donovan called the attention of the council to the fact that the city operates under a direct pressure system which means that the pumping equipment must be operated continually and constantly to maintain pressure in the distribution mains. He pointed out that this system is no longer in vogue as modern plants have a storage and equalization reservoir on the distribution system which takes care of the peak pumping load and allows the pumps to operate at a constant and average rate. In case of trouble at the pumping station, such a storage reservoir would supply the city with water for several hours.

City Manager Donovan is convinced that such a reservoir is an essential part of the city's water system and believes in a few years when the bonded indebtedness of the Water Department will be so reduced as to make the construction of such a reservoir financially practical and essential.

In making his recommendation, Mr. Donovan stated that he believes only such apparatus should be considered at the present time as will provide reasonable assurance of continuity of service and also fit in with a general, comprehensive scheme for the improving of our water system such as the installation of a storage reservoir and a possible change of motive power to provide greater economy of operation.

The council designated the polling places in the various districts to be used on Primary Day and Election Day. There were no changes on the list.

Ludke Brothers was awarded the contract for the building of the Highland Street sewer. They were also directed the payment of \$1,357.30 due Ludke Brothers, on the Construction of Sewers in Cornwall and Dayton Streets; also \$233.13 due Anna J. Corkey for the construction of a sewer in Easterly Place; and \$12,073.50 to John Belladine due him so far under the provisions of the contract for the paving of Seymour Street. Temporary bonds were ordered issued to cover these payments.

Changes in Teachers' Personnel Major Business at School Board Meeting

Several changes in the teachers' personnel for the school year of 1928-29 as presented by Commissioner Robinson of the Teachers' Committee constituted the bulk of the business transacted at last night's meeting of the Board of Education.

The board rendered a vote of thanks to Theodore W. Case for his presentation of 50 sets of the World Book for use in the schools of the city. Superintendent of Schools George F. Barford stated that the sets are very valuable to the children of the schools covering every field, a wonderful and valuable gift. He stated that the sets are an encyclopedia written in story form for children.

The following recommendations of Commissioner Robinson relative to the teachers' staff for the coming year were adopted:

That the resignation of Charles B. Kreitzer, teacher of history at the Senior High School be accepted. Mr. Kreitzer expects to leave the teaching profession.

That the resignation of Mrs. Elizabeth McKendrick Sullivan, teacher of second grade at Division Street School be accepted. Mrs. Sullivan is obliged to discontinue teaching because of illness.

That leave of absence for the year 1928-29 be granted to Mrs. Lena Brennan Riester, teacher of second grade at Lincoln School.

That Mrs. Mabel B. Critchfield, teacher of fourth grade at Bradford Street School be transferred to position of teacher of drawing at Fulton Street School, effective at the opening of school without change in salary. This position was made vacant by the transfer of Miss Neva B. Byrne.

That Miss Evelyn Babcock, teacher of sixth grade at South Street School be transferred to position of teacher of second grade at James Street School, without change in salary, effective at the opening of school. This position was made vacant by the retirement of Miss Clara A. Nelson.

That Miss Mabel G. Sergeant be assigned to position of teacher of second grade at Genesee Street School for year 1928-29. This position was made vacant by the death of Mrs. Estelle K. Lane.

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FOR SKIN IRRITATIONS

That Miss Ruth Wallis of 211 Syracuse Avenue, Oswego, be appointed teacher of the second grade at Lincoln School for probationary period of three years at salary at rate of \$1,075 per year for the year 1928-29. This position was made vacant by granting leave of absence to Mrs. Lena Brennan Riester. Miss Wallis is a graduate of the Oswego State Normal School and has been substitute teacher in Oswego for the past year.

That Joseph E. Tallmadge be re-appointed part time director of vocal and instrumental music and organist at the High School for the probationary period of two years at salary at the rate of \$600 per year for the year 1928-29.

On recommendation of Commissioner Hemingway of the Committee on Buildings, an expenditure of \$108 was authorized for the purpose of installation of telephones in the offices of the medical inspector, school nurse and attendance officer, Masonic Building.

Superintendent of Schools Barford presented the following report of School Savings for the month of July by school children of the city: Deposited in bank machine, \$30.73; deposited in new accounts, \$42.64; withdrawn on old accounts, \$275; Adjudured.

All members of K. of C. are requested to report at Five Points tomorrow night at 7:15 o'clock to participate in reception for Stephen Halako.—Advertisement.

NOTED ORCHESTRA AT LAKE PAVILION

A treat is in store for music and dance lovers of Auburn and Cayuga County when Al Strohm's famous orchestra from Pittsburgh plays at Lakeside Park pavilion tomorrow and Friday evenings, August 23 and 24. Mr. Strohm was formerly one of the directors of Jan Garber's orchestra which is well known. Dancing will be from 8 until 12 and the regular park system will be in vogue.

Social Notes & Personals

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Beach and daughter, Marcia of Woodlawn Avenue are spending their vacation in New York and Atlantic City.

Marion Paulin has returned today from a 10-day trip. She has visited New York City, Hartford, Conn., and other places of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Ganey and family have returned to their home at 83 Franklin Street, after a 10-day tour through the Adirondacks and Canada.

F. Merrill Seiter of Washington, D. C. who has been spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Seiter, 13 Silver Avenue, has left for the capital city.

Mrs. Kenneth B. Bowen and son, Robert Avery, who have been visiting at the home of Doctor and Mrs. Avery for the past two months left yesterday for their home in Covington, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bisgrove and family, who have been visiting relatives in Auburn for the past month, have returned to their home in South Staville.

Miss Betty Chaffee is visiting Miss Helen Bloomer at Sodus Point for a week.

Dr. and Mrs. Wheeler and Mrs. Sullivan have returned to their homes in Tully after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Chaffee at their cottage at Burlis Point. Daniel Chaffee accompanied them, and will spend a few days in Tully.

Mortimer Austin and Roger Austin left Sunday for a week's motor trip to Canada.

Harold Knight and daughter, Miss Janice Knight have left for a fishing trip in the Adirondacks.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Louis and son, Marshall are on a motor trip through the New England States.

Mrs. Charles Schellinger left yesterday to visit relatives in Speculator on Lake Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Singer and son and Mr. and Mrs. J. Varreuter and son are occupying the Nolin cottage at Burlis Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Cannon have returned from a three weeks' automobile trip to Nova Scotia.

George Cannon of Binghamton visited Corp. Ben H. Silver at the local recruiting station. Corporal Silver was formerly stationed in Binghamton.

The members of the Past Noble Grand Association of Thelma Rebekah Lodge were entertained last evening at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Atherly on Ceruga Lake. Supper was served at 7 o'clock to the members and their husbands who were special guests. A business meeting was held following the picnic supper, with the president, Miss Myra Fairbanks in charge. An informal social time closed the session. The next meeting to be held Tuesday evening, September 18 will be a hot dog roast at the home of Mrs. Edie Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Freedman, entertained at their home, 15 Chapel Street, Sunday evening, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. I. Goldman and son William, who on Friday, August 17, returned from a trip abroad on the liner Aquitania. The Goldmans visited France, Germany, Poland and England. Among those present at dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. I. Goldman, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. H. Chadwick, Mrs. H. Goldman, Miss Goldyne Jean Goldman, the Messrs. Charles, Isidore, Harry, Max and William Goldman, Mrs. R. Abramsky, J. Abramsky, A. Fisher, Miss Pearl Freedman, and Charles Freedman. Mr. Goldman and son William had some very interesting stories to tell of the lands they visited, and described in detail the deplorable conditions of Poland at the present time. The sojourn in Germany, France and England was greatly enjoyed. A very pleasant evening was had by all.

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CHANGES TO MARK SHOWING OF UNCLE TOM'S CABIN FILM

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 22.—(P)—The motion picture version of Uncle Tom's Cabin will be shown here August 25 as scheduled, but the producers may not recognize it.

Simon Legree, mustached villain of the play, will become a "Yankee." Not only will the North be made responsible for the villain who whips poor old Uncle Tom, but some of the "cruelty" will be eliminated and a prologue added explaining that such occurrences were not the usual thing in the South of pre-war days.

Agreement to alterations was reached after a protesting delegation from the United Sons and Daughters of the Confederacy witnessed two private showings.

The term "war between the states" will be substituted for "Civil War."

Members of the Protecting Committee were pleased at the changes.

Skaneateles Resident Dies. Miss Laura Cliff Fitch, widow of Lewis B. Fitch, died yesterday afternoon at her home in West Lake Street, Skaneateles, after a short illness. She was born December 13, 1846, in the Town of Bennett, the daughter of Jacob L. Cliff and Mary Leonard Cliff. She had resided in Skaneateles for 52 years. She was a member of the Episcopal Church there.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon at the late home. Rev. Lucien Bennett will officiate. Burial will be in Lakewood Cemetery, Skaneateles.

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NO FIGHTS IN LOCAL PRIMARIES

Primary Day, next September 18, will be a dull day as far as interest in Auburn and Cayuga County politics goes. With the time limit for the filing of petitions expiring at midnight last night, both the Republican and Democratic Parties completed the filing of their list of candidates and neither list shows any semblance of a primary contest. In other words, the voters on Primary Day will simply endorse the county ticket of the party with whom they are enrolled.

The Republican Slate. For Member of Congress—John Taber of Auburn.

For State Senator—Charles J. Hewitt of Locke.

For Assemblyman—Dr. C. D. Van-Alstine of Weedsport.

For Special County Judge—G. Earle Treat of Auburn.

For Special Surrogate—Ralph Harter of Moravia.

Delegates to the state convention: Sheriff Earl J. Morgan; Saffine L. Depoy of Senett; Former Mayor Roy A. Weid of Auburn; W. Pitt Parker of Moravia; Heba A. Wiggins of Ira; William E. Rounds of Moravia; Armelle M. Leadbeater of Auburn; F. Howard Styrton of Conquest; William B. Patterson of Auburn; Hugh B. Dugan of Sterling Station; James D. Shaylor of Auburn.

Alternates: Edward L. Howland of Venice Center; Grace F. Stevenson of Cayuga; Kirk Bowen of Auburn; Irwin E. Warren of Port Byron; Fred Shalibo of Union Springs; Elizabeth Hunt of Auburn; Otis Jorlemon of Weedsport; Fred L. Sillwell of King Ferry; Jennie Sunderlin of Weedsport; Robert J. Anderson of Auburn; Howard Tryon of Auburn and Fred L. Swart of Auburn.

Delegates to the Seventh Judicial District Convention: John M. Bland of Auburn, Congressman John Taber of Auburn, District Attorney Ben Kenyon of Auburn and Arthur Blawie of Port Byron.

Alternates: Robert J. Burritt of Auburn; County Judge Edgar S. Mosher of Auburn; Albert H. Clark of Auburn and Harry V. Clement of Auburn.

The Democratic Slate. For Member of Congress—Joseph P. Craugh of Penn Yan.

For State Senator—Frank J. Baitell of Newark.

For Assemblyman—Fred P. Shaw of Niles.

For Special County Judge—G. Earle Treat of Auburn.

Delegates to the state convention: John F. McGrath, chairman of the County Committee; Charles E. Miller of Moravia; J. Joseph Boyle of Auburn; Mrs. Theresa A. Headd of Auburn and Charles M. Geherlin of Auburn.

Alternates: Lithgow Osborne of Auburn; C. W. Wormuth of Ira; Leona M. Carr of Union Springs; Charles F. Rattigan of Auburn; and Lucile B. Chisholm of Port Byron.

Delegates to the judicial district convention: J. Henry Kerr, Harry A. Gleason, Nelson L. Drummond, Edward T. Boyle and John H. Sawyer, all of Auburn.

The petitions show that there will be two bitter ward contests on Election Day. The Democrats have named Patrick Mulrally for supervisor in the Ninth Ward and Joseph Youtt for supervisor in the Fourth Ward. The former vacancy occurred through the death of Jerry Quill and the latter through the resignation of Frank J. Schell, now county sealer of weights and measures.

Both of the Democrats were appointed for these wards which for years had gone Republican, the appointments being made by the Democratic-controlled City Council. The Republicans have named Dr. Harry G. Tripp in the Ninth and William McManus in the Fourth to bring back these wards to the Republican column.

TRUCK DRIVER IS FINED \$5

Alan R. Harmon, 24, of 21 Chapel Street, a truck driver for a contracting company operating near Auburn, was fined \$5 in police court this morning when he pleaded guilty before Recorder Charles A. Wright to violation of the local speed ordinance. He was arrested in North Street late yesterday by Motorcycle Officer William Brandstetter.

Harmon was operating a big stone truck at the time of his arrest. In addition to being arrested for speeding, he was charged with driving an overloaded truck which was straggling along the road and operating a commercial vehicle whose weight capacity was not indicated. Harmon was not fined on these two counts, but was severely reprimanded by Recorder Wright.

Police officials warned today that truck drivers operating overloaded vehicles will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. They called attention to the danger likely to result from stones or gravel on the highway, pointing out that often times people and property are injured from the flying objects.

OBITUARY

Death of Mrs. Mary Walsh. Mrs. Mary Walsh died in Syracuse Monday, August 20. She is survived by five daughters and two sons, Mrs. John A. Colbert and Mrs. George Ringwood of this city, the Misses Julia, Margaret and Mary Walsh of Syracuse, Patrick and John Walsh of Syracuse and one brother, John Looney of Cambridge, Mass.

Funeral will be held from the family home, 1040 Bellvue Avenue, Thursday, August 23 at 9 o'clock, and at St. Lucy's Church at 9:30. Friends are invited to attend. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Funeral of Robert Westover. The funeral of Robert Westover, 90, believed to have been the oldest member of the Masonic fraternity, in point of service in this country, who died Monday morning, was held at 9:30 o'clock this afternoon at the home of his niece, Mrs. William B. Patterson, 14 Chestnut Street. The services were conducted by Rev. Lowell H. Palmer of Pulaski, a former assistant pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church here.

The bearers were Fred Spring, Harry D. Benham, Wallace Hadden, W. H. Harding, John Patrick and A. L. Dewdney. All are members of St. Paul's Lodge, F. and A. M. of which Mr. Westover became a member in 1880.

Interment was in Fort Hill Cemetery.

Death of Mrs. Mary McGrath. The many friends of Mrs. Mary A. McGrath, widow of Thomas McGrath, will regret to learn of her death, which occurred at her late home, No. 28 Court Street, at about 10 o'clock this morning. For several months, Mrs. McGrath had been in failing health and for the past three weeks she had been unable to leave her bed. For more than 40 years, Mrs. McGrath had resided here and throughout the city she had a host of friends, many of whom will be surprised to learn of her death.

Mrs. McGrath was a devout Catholic. She was a member of St. Mary's Church, and she belonged to the Rosary and Scapular Society of that church. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. John Sullivan and Mrs. Harold Davis, also by four sons, Robert E. Thomas, J., William E., and Kenneth A. McGrath.

The funeral will take place from the family home, No. 28 Court Street, Friday morning at 9 o'clock, with services at St. Mary's Church at 9:30. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Funeral of Mrs. Mary O'Hara. The funeral of Mrs. Mary A. O'Hara was held from W. H. Meagher's funeral parlors at 9 o'clock this morning with services at St. Mary's Church at 9:30. At the vestibule of the church the remains were met by priest and acolytes and after a brief service the cortege moved slowly down the aisle to the altar, where a solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. J. J. McGrath, after which he read the burial service. During the services appropriate music was rendered by the choir. There were a large number of floral tributes and mass cards from sympathizing friends both here and Rochester.

The remains were interred in the family plot in St. Joseph's Cemetery where the committal service was read by Rev. J. J. McGrath. The bearers were John, Raymond, Edward, George, Leo and Theodore O'Hara, six sons of the deceased.

Craugh, Taber to be Speakers. Congressman John Taber of Auburn has been selected as one of the speakers at the opening of the Yates County Fair at Penn Yan August 28. His Democratic opponent this fall, Joseph P. Craugh of Penn Yan, will also be one of the speakers.

Liberty Is Short-Lived for Escape

Liberty was short-lived for Raymond Seymour, 22, Auburn Prison "trustee" who escaped from the prison farm in Senett yesterday afternoon.

He was captured in Skaneateles at 11 o'clock last night by John Conway, chief of police at Skaneateles. The prisoner, whose home is in Rochester, was returned to the State Street institution shortly after midnight.

Seymour was taken into custody as a suspicious character by Chief of Police Conway after several residents complained that a strange man had been seen prowling about the streets of the village. Seymour said his name was John Norton and that he was out of employment, having left a Syracuse automobile firm. His story did not appeal to Chief Conway.

While en route to the Skaneateles jail the chief and his captive met a posse of guards that had been sent out by prison officials to seek Sey-

mour. They identified him. Seymour fled the prison farm some time after 5 o'clock last evening. He was missing when Capt. John Crowley took the supper count shortly before 6 o'clock. He had been loading oats and was last seen in the prison barn mow. When he failed to appear for supper the alarm was sounded and search instituted.

Seymour was received at the prison from the Rochester jail on April 3, 1924, with a sentence of 12 years for manslaughter, first degree.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR VICTIM OF CRASH

Funeral services for Emerson Corwin, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Corwin of Centerport, who was killed Sunday night when a motorcycle on which he was riding crashed into an automobile east of Weedsport, were held at the Hoyt funeral parlors at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, with Rev. B. L. Fitzby of Port Byron, officiating.

Coroner Paul M. Parker of Moravia will conduct an official inquest as soon as Frank Corrigan, 19, who was injured in the same accident, is able to be moved from the City Hospital for questioning.

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