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THE FIRST BAND CONCERT.

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Season Opened Yesterday at Brookside Park—Large Crowd Attended.

All the cars that went out Pearl street yesterday afternoon from 2 o'clock to 4 looked like immense moving bee hives, so thickly did they swarm with humanity. The first band concert of the season was to be given at Brookside park by the Great Western band, and it seemed as if all the West and South Side had turned out to hear it.

There is a long, winding boulevard from Pearl street to the park proper, and this was thick with carriages and pedestrians all the way. The band was stationed in the grove on the top of the bluff, and the stairs leading up there were thick with people also. And when the top was reached the crowd was equally as great.

The most striking feature of the attendance was its domestic character. The family was its chief factor. The summer girl was there in great numbers, and she gladdened the eye as much as the music pleased the ear. There were hundreds of young men, too, although their somber clothes did not fill in the picture like the gay frocks of the girls. But it was the children and their parents that were in the great majority. They sounded the keynote.

The band played with spirit, and everything was warmly received. The patriotic airs went the best of all, however, and the crowd shrieked itself hoarse over them.

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TO BROOKLYN PARK.

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South Siders Want Jennings Avenue Extended Through the Valley of Big Creek.

At the meeting of the park board yesterday afternoon a delegation of citizens from Jennings avenue appeared and asked the board to consider the extending of Jennings avenue from the point of intersection with Big creek to Brookside park. Prof. Charles F. Olney and James M. Curtiss headed the delegation. The citizens appreciate the Brookside park very much, but say that the Rhodes avenue entrance to the park is very inconvenient for the residents of the South Side. The proposed improvement would involve the making of a boulevard about a half a mile long in the Big creek valley. President McBride was absent and the matter was deferred for consideration until the next meeting of the board, when all the members can listen to the details the delegation have to offer to them.

It is claimed that the improvement could be made at a very nominal cost to the city and would tend much to beautify that section of the city.

The board opened and read proposals for grading and draining the portion of Wade park that will be an extension of the boulevard in a southerly direction into the new circle.

It was resolved to request the captain of police to notify parties who are at present taking sand by means of sand suckers from the shore along Gordon park to desist from so doing, and to arrest such parties who neglected to desist. In speaking of this Secretary Bangs said: "These people are taking sand away from the very portion of the shore that we are doing our best to protect. It is making us a great deal of trouble and the thing must be stopped at once."

Expense bills of \$44.84 and estimates on contracts amounting to \$1,084.08 were approved by the board.

NEW CONSTITUTION.

It Will be Adopted by the Switchmen's Union Today.

Two business sessions of the Switchmen's Union of North America, which is holding its annual convention in this city, were held at Arch hall on Ontario street yesterday. The meetings were held behind closed doors with about 150 delegates in attendance and the whole day was spent in hearing the reports of the grand officers and of the various committees.

Today will be spent in revising the constitution. When the present union was formed four years ago to succeed the Switchmen's Mutual Aid Association of North America a constitution was adopted, which owing to the extensive growth of the organization has proved unsuited to the needs of the union. Therefore practically a new constitution will be adopted.

It is the intention of the convention to wind up its business by the election of officers this afternoon, but it is possible that owing to the amount of business on hand the closing session will not be held until Friday morning.

INSURANCE MEN.

They Will Hold a Meeting to Consider Their Affairs.

The board of underwriters took no action on its new constitution at the meeting on Tuesday. It thought that it would be best for a conference of all reputable insurance men of the city, whether members of the board or not, should first be held to discover just "where they were at."

Thomas H. Geer was directed to form a committee of fifteen to prepare a platform upon which all reputable agents could stand. This would consider the limitation of the number of agents and the question whether the business of the city should go to the regular insurance men or be distributed among bankers and real estate dealers and various other business men.

This committee will hold regular sessions and when its labors are over, which will be inside of ten days, a general meeting of all reputable insurance men will be held.

Use Dr. BULL'S Cough Syrup at once, if your child has croup or bronchitis. Waste no time; delay may be dangerous. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup cures at once. It is a safe and infallible remedy. All druggists sell it for 25c.

Garbage Bill Will be Cut.

The payment of the garbage bill will probably be deferred until next week. Director Abbott is now satisfied that the Buckeye Reduction Co. has not been collecting the garbage properly and as it agreed to do in its contract with the city, and until a conference with the mayor, Dr. Hess and the officials the director of police will not approve the bill.

"We will certainly not pay the full amount called for," said Mr. Abbott yesterday. "They will get paid for the work they have actually done, and nothing more."

Complaints for not collecting garbage continue to pour into the health office.

To Extend East Madison.

Mayor McKisson, Directors Warden and Akers, Councilman Carpenter and Assistant Engineer Burns, inspected the East Madison avenue gully yesterday afternoon. The gully lies between Kinsman and Woodland. The trip was made by the city officials preliminary to taking steps to improve this part of East Madison by filling in the gully from Holton to Kinsman.

Walworth Run Sewer.

Director Warden said yesterday that the two sections of the great Walworth run sewer tunnel will be joined before winter sets in.

About the Town.

"Did you hear of our burglar?" asked Mr. J. C. McWatters yesterday. "He was a peach. This is my early week—I take turns with my partner, Mr. Dolan—and when I came into the store I noticed that the upper half of the first showcase on the furnishing goods side was broken. Who broke the glass? I asked everybody in the house in turn, but there was a denial all around. Well, I have six children myself, and I thought I understood the situation. In a minute I looked upward, and there, right on top of the front showcase and over the front door, set a bicycle. Again I asked—but nobody in the store had placed a bicycle in that spot. I remembered, then, that we had a prize machine in the window, to be given by the Marquette club for the best work in field sports, and looked for the machine in the window. It was gone. But a couple of panes of glass in the roof of the show case were smashed. 'Boys,' I said, 'we've had a burglar in the house.' 'Looks like it,' said one of the clerks; 'I've just picked up this old hat here;' and another said his clothing table has been mused. Well, we had the bicycle brought down from its perch and, sure enough, it was the Marquette club's. The burglar had tried his best to squeeze it through the transom, but he wasn't acquainted with the mechanism and gave it up as a bad job. What else did he take? Oh, he may have taken a suit of clothes, or some such matter. He went through the office, too, and forced the cash drawer. All there was in the drawer was a bundle of street car tickets, and he left them. He wasn't the riding sort. What puzzles me is why the fellow didn't open the front door and walk out? All he had to do was to pull the bolts, but he seemed bound on going by way of the transom, and in that he failed. Watchman? Yes, we help pay for a private watchman, but he didn't discover anything wrong."

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"We're working now on the circle on Euclid avenue, just east of Fairmount street," said Chief Engineer C. W. Pratt of the park board yesterday, "and we'll have it all complete for the pavers before cold weather. A monument has been suggested for the big circle, perhaps to commemorate the work of W. J. Gordon, J. H. Wade, J. D. Rockefeller, C. H. Bulkley and Amos Townsend and Mr. Herman Matzen has finished a very appropriate design. Of course, that would have to be done by private subscription. What is the board doing? Well, about all the land between Taylor street and the Waverley avenue entrance to Edgewater park has been purchased and the work is in hand. We are trying to get enough right of way without expense to the city to connect the Shaker park with Garfield park, three and a quarter miles; from Garfield park to Brookside park, four and a quarter miles, and the three miles between Brookside park and Edgewater park. Most of this territory is outside the city limits, and, being farm land, would much appreciate in value if the city took it at all. The plans call for a boulevard 250 feet wide, including riding and driving roads, cycle paths, tree lawns and a roadway for street cars. The circle from the lake on the East Side about the city to the lake again is slightly in excess of twenty miles and from the east end of Edgewater park to the west end of Gordon park is seven miles more. How long will it take to complete the present plans? Oh, several years. We are planting a great many trees. That department is in charge of Mr. Horvath, a Hungarian, who is a graduate from an Austrian forestry school and about the best man in the country in his line."

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Prof. Emil Ring has laid aside the baton and the music book for the summer and is devoting himself to farming. "If you don't think a man can get enough to do cultivating a ranch 80 feet by 150, just come out to West Cleveland and try it on. What do I raise? Oh, a whole lot of things; khol rabi, cauliflower, sweet corn, celery, watermelons, radishes, and I don't know what else. Yes, I'm going to have an asparagus bed, too. I've plenty of time, you know, and I can wait until the asparagus comes up. There isn't a finer occupation than farming. It makes your back limber, and gives you an endless variety of work. Of course, you don't want to distribute yourself over too big a farm. Half an acre, I find, is a plenty."

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Seeing is believing, says the proverb. Yesterday I saw the McClean rifle fired 722 times in one minute, and there was no reason why the operation shouldn't have been repeated on the spot, except for the fact that the small calibre ammunition costs in the neighborhood of four cents a charge. The rifle was fired into a sandbox. One shot went low, and the steel jacketed bullet raised a rumpus with a big lathe that was in its way. It smashed a two-inch cheek of steel as if it had been so much wood, and sliced the edge off the lathe. The one-pounder under process of manufacture is ready for trial, but no report will be made until after the trial is had. Before leaving the city Mayor Farley issued a permit for the trial of the machine gun at Lake View park.

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Old age seems to have no effect upon the erect figure and keen intellect of Judge Earius Cadwell. I met the venerable jurist yesterday, promenading about regardless of the heat, and as comfortable as a man could well be. "If you think it's hot now," he said, with a twinkle in his eye, "think of what the future may have in store for you." Then he gave me a legal opinion anent the force of a resolution adopted by a certain society, to fine each member discovered riding on a car on the Big Consolidated system. "In the first place," he said, "I wouldn't belong to such a society. As to the question itself—why, such a fine could never be enforced at law. If it were collected in any other way, damages would lie against the society to the extent that damages could be shown. Would the courts make a restraining order against the member's expulsion if he declined to pay? Without a doubt; and I have no doubt but it would be made permanent upon a hearing. All such resolutions are unlawful per se, contrary to public policy and good citizenship, and as to their force aren't worth the ink used in writing them, let alone the paper. You might as well enforce a resolution, by fine or eventual expulsion, to keep a man from going to church."

MUCH INTEREST IN PARK PLANS.

Several Organizations Formed to Further Extensions.

Citizens Are Disposed to Heartily Co-Operate With the Board.

In several different parts of the city people interested in the extension of the park system have recently formed organizations. For a long time the park board has had in view several large improvements which up to this time have not taken tangible form, but now that the people in the neighborhood of these projected parkways are becoming interested in their completion, it will in all probability mean much work in that way in the near future.

The board recently conceived the idea of putting a fine speedway and park boulevard from the new Woodland Hills park to Shaker park, thus making a connecting link in the system. It is now said that the property owners in the neighborhood of the proposed speedway have taken an active interest, and although the territory between the parks covers about fifty acres, nearly all of the owners have expressed their desire to donate the required land to the board.

The distance between the two parks is something in the neighborhood of two miles. The land is level and now passes mostly through farm property. The project, as is shown by the plans already prepared, is for a strip about fifty feet wide, with a fine speedway in the middle, and a boulevard drive on either side. Several routes have been mapped out, and it is now only a question of which one is the best, and which can be obtained by the least expense to the board.

Another link in the proposed boulevard encircling the city is between the Shaker and Garfield parks. This route covers a territory about three and a half miles long. Engineer Pratt said yesterday that a great interest has recently been taken in this project by the property owners, and a great amount of the land required for the parkway offered to the board. The donation of the land to the board will be without price, and the only requirement will be that the projected boulevard be carried to completion.

A survey of the land between Garfield park, in Newburg, and Brookside park, in Brooklyn, is now being made. This boulevard will be in the neighborhood of three miles long. A large number of the residents of the South Side are now interested in the project to extend Jennings avenue, and thus form a boulevard entrance from that thoroughfare into Brookside park. The completion of this project would mean a great step toward establishing the connecting link between the two parks. Much of the land necessary for the boulevard is on hillsides and other places not suitable, and it is said that a great part of this has been offered to the board.

The final link of the boulevard to connect the parks on the outskirts of the city is that between Brookside and Edgewater parks. Several plans of this parkway have been drawn and different projects worked upon. At this time, however, nothing is being done in this direction. The work at the Edgewater end is sadly hampered by the question of the grade crossings, which has not taken any definite shape. As soon as the grade crossing problem has been solved, it is probable that the work of establishing this last connecting boulevard will be taken up and pushed by the residents of the district through which it will pass.

Engineer Pratt of the park board said yesterday that four different delegations have called upon the board in the interest of various park improvements in different parts of the city. Most of these have said that much of the land for the various parkways which are in the outlying districts would be donated for park uses. The donation of this land would amount to somewhere in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

FINGER CHANGED HIS MIND.

Provided for Stepdaughter After Cutting Her Off With Nothing.

The will of Jacob Finger was filed for probate Thursday. Finger died in Cleveland, leaving an estate of about \$25,000. He bequeathed all his property to his late wife, Louise; his sister, Magdalena Risser of Cleveland, and his nieces and nephews, Mary Pallat, H. F. Risser and J. F. Risser of Cleveland.

His step-children, Dr. Erhardt and Emma Weber, were cut off with nothing at first, but a codicil was added three days later giving Mrs. Weber \$25 a month for five years to assist in the support of her children.

Administratrix Appointed.

Frances L. Smith was appointed administratrix of the estate of Frank L. Smith in the probate court Thursday. Smith died from the effects of injuries received

by being struck by a Cedar avenue car Sunday night. His property consists of his tobacco business on Water street, valued at \$5,000, and an interest in an estate in Massachusetts.

WANTS STENOGRAPHER PRESENT.

Prosecutor Thinks One Should Attend Grand Jury Sessions.

County Prosecutor Keeler will attempt to secure an amendment to the grand jury law by the coming legislature so as to allow the presence of a stenographer in the grand jury room in order to take down the testimony of witnesses. Under the present law no one is allowed in the grand jury room except the prosecutor or one of his assistants while the jury is examining witnesses.

Keeler will also try to secure a clerk for his office and a stenographer. At present one stenographer is employed in the prosecutor's and coroner's office, dividing her time between the two offices.

LIGHT BILL VETOED.

Mayor Farley Objects to Paying Money Claimed by the Globe Company.

The Globe Light & Heat Co. will have to go through another struggle before it can get its money for vapor lighting done in June and a part of July.

After much talking on the matter by city officials and officers of the Globe company, both local and from the home office in Philadelphia, the council by resolution accepted the terms of the company, and authorized the payment of the bill at a discount of several hundred dollars.

It required another step, however, before the money could jingle in the pockets of the Globe people, and that step has been blocked. It required Mayor Farley's signature, but it was not forthcoming. On the other hand, the mayor decided to veto the resolution, and yesterday he sent a communication to the city council, setting forth his reasons for so doing.

He says that the tests of the lights made during the months of June and part of July show that at no time did the lights give greater average light than 29.5 in June, and 40.2 in July, candle power.

Farley declares that statements to the effect that the tests were unfair are not founded on truth.

ERECTION OF TELEPHONE POLES.

Question Whether They Can be Put Up in Front of Houses.

The question as to whether a telephone company can be enjoined by a property owner from erecting a pole in front of his property was raised in Judge Wing's court Thursday in the case of Silas Aurobach against the Cuyahoga Telephone Co. Aurobach owns a block on Hough avenue, and brought suit to enjoin the placing of a telephone pole in front of his block.

Several similar injunction suits have been brought against the Cuyahoga Telephone Co., but they have usually been settled, and this is the first case that has been fought in the courts. Attorneys for the telephone company contend that so long as they have secured a franchise and are complying with its provisions the courts have no authority to interfere by granting injunctions. Several photographs were exhibited at the hearing as evidence of the number of wires that are strung along Hough avenue by the telephone and electric light companies.

Judge Wing reserved his decision. The case will probably be carried to the circuit court.

SAYS SNOW WAS ON HIS WALK.

Patrolman Accuses Eckstein Case of Violating Sidewalk Law.

Patrolman Welch swore out a warrant in the police prosecutor's office yesterday for the arrest of Eckstein Case, an attorney with an office at No. 9 Rockwell street, on the charge of violating the sidewalk ordinance.

The officer alleges Mr. Case neglected to clean the snow from the walk in front of a house on Central avenue, between Case avenue and Beech street, before 9 o'clock Wednesday morning.

SNOW ON FARLEY'S SIDEWALK.

Mayor Came Under Director Barrett's Ban Yesterday.

Mayor Farley came under the ban of Director Barrett's sidewalk cleaning ordinance yesterday. The mayor owns a piece of property on St. Clair street hill.

Thursday a policeman ordered the sidewalk cleaned, threatening to arrest the owner in case of refusal. The policeman didn't know who owned the property. The man the policeman talked to thought he did but he didn't.

After the policeman left he hustled to the city hall to see who really did own the property and found it belonged to the mayor. By the time the man got back to St. Clair street and had finished cleaning the sidewalk he didn't have breath enough in him to take him into the house.

Jack Stevens Will Recover.

Jack Stevens, the telephone lineman who was shot last week at Nottingham by Ida Tracy, will probably recover. Dr. Jenks, the attending physician, said yesterday that although Stevens is not entirely out of danger, his prospects for recovery are bright.

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Wearry of Seeing a Drunken Woman.
Annie Conway of Warden street, appeared before Acting Police Judge Woolf Thursday for the third time in ten days on the charge of intoxication.
"I am weary of seeing you so often," said the judge, "and hope to teach you a lesson by fining you \$5, the costs and thirty days."

WANT A BOULEVARD.

PD 5/5/1900

South Siders Would Like to See Jennings Avenue and Brookside Park Connected.

The Lincoln Hights Improvement association, which was formerly known as the South Side Improvement association, was reorganized Thursday night and F. R. Treadway was elected president and F. A. Emerson secretary.

One of the questions discussed during the meeting was the securing of boulevard connection between Jennings avenue and Brookside park.

One of the plans proposed is to open up a new road from the foot of Jennings avenue to Denison avenue.

A committee of five was appointed to take the matter up with the park board. The committee consists of S. W. Sessions, George W. Kinney, F. A. Emerson, Dr. W. A. Knowlton and J. M. Curtiss.

SOUTH SIDE BOULEVARD.

PD 5/7/1900

Demanded by Residents of That Section of the City—Old Park Board's Plan.

The residents of the South Side, or rather Lincoln Hights, as they desire it to be called, want the plans of the old park board carried out, in that they want a boulevard in that part of the city.

The old board of park commissioners had planned to construct a boulevard connecting the end of Jennings avenue by way of its unimproved extension back of the infirmary and the valley of Big creek, with Brookside park. It was further planned that the part extending up the valley of the creek to the park was in time to be used as part of the connecting link between Brookside and Garfield parks. Part of this projected improvement is what the residents are now working for, and a visit to the new park board will soon be made in its interests.

Jennings avenue extends to the foot of Denison avenue, but from the top of the hill it is practically unimproved. The city owns a piece of land there eighty feet wide, but only about thirty feet of this is now used as a road, and at times this is hardly passable on account of the mud. The Lincoln Hights Improvement association now desires that this eighty feet be improved and transformed into a boulevard, the grades cut down and a pleasant road constructed to the foot of Denison avenue. From this point there will be a pleasant route to Brookside park, either by way of the Pearl street or the Rhodes avenue entrance.

Another thing which the association is going after is through cars to the East End. Some time ago the Jennings avenue cars went out Cedar avenue. This is no longer the case, but a person riding down town on a Jennings car is dumped off at the square, while the car goes around the loop. The association claims that many of the people desire to go out Euclid avenue to do shopping, and this necessitates transferring. A committee has been appointed to call upon the city officials and also the street railway company and see if this cannot be agreeably arranged.