

# MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

## Many Applications Received to Fill Vacancies in the Fire Department—Letter From Engineers' Association in Reply to Council's Telegram.

The position of fireman on the city fire department is evidently regarded as a sinecure for no sooner have three of the members resigned their positions to take in the stampede to the Tanana than there are applications galore for the vacancies. At the meeting of the city council last night there were no less than 32 persons who expressed a desire for the appointment. Among them were T. H. Cox, A. Donnelly, James Hamell, M. McKenzie, D. H. Sinclair, H. F. Robinson, Robert Marshall, J. W. McLean, W. S. Lutes, Harold Hatch, R. H. Kriger, A. St. Laurent, R. A. Craig, John Connelly, Frank L. Wilds, A. Hart, Charles Bennett, J. Lecapellain, J. G. Cameron, A. E. Davidson, P. L. McPherson and several others. The resignations of M. J. Murphy, H. E. Frazier and Seymour Knight, old members of the department, which were handed in to Chief Lester, were presented and read. They were all to take effect on February 28.

Only two communications were presented. The first was from Leroy Tozier and was as follows: "As agent for the owner, Lucille Martin, of the northern thirty feet of lot 8, block K, Dawson, known as the Bartlett property, I beg to request a stay of seizure of said property for delinquent taxes until the city council shall have received and acted upon a petition for the reduction of the penalty which petition will be presented to that body at the meeting to be held on the evening of March 2."

The other communication referred to was from Mr. Theodore Dwight, acting secretary of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, was addressed to his worship and was a reply to the invitation that had been sent to that body to continue their visit to the Yukon next fall upon the occasion of the junket of the Institute to southeastern Alaska. As will be seen by the contents of the letter it is almost a certainty that a large number of the engineers will visit the Yukon and the benefit that may be recouped from such visit is almost incalculable in its extent. The letter speaks for itself and is as follows:

"Your very courteous telegram inviting the members of the American Institute of Mining Engineers to extend their excursion to Dawson has been received and is greatly appreciated. It will be read at the coming meeting in Albany next week and I am very sure that the members who will visit Alaska and the Yukon territory at the time of the British Columbia meeting will be glad to visit your city. I had a very pleasant interview with Mr. A. B. Newell, vice-president of the White Pass and Yukon route during his visit to this city recently and he has undertaken to secure very favorable rates for us on the trip up the coast and into Dawson; and negotiations are also under way with the Canadian Pacific for special trains to the coast. I hope to be able to write to the members very shortly and to receive such assurances as will enable me to judge approximately how many will attend; and I will take great pleasure in keeping you advised of conditions from now on."

The letter is signed by Mr. Dwight and is dated at New York. Nearly all of the standing committees had reports to make. The first to be submitted was that of the committee on fire, water and light and was handed in by Macdonald, the chairman. The report stated that the resignations of the three members of the fire department previously read had been accepted and in their stead had been appointed James McKinnon, R. Craig and J. Donnelly. The committee recommended the promotion of A. Macfarlane to be captain, vice Seymour Knight resigned.

Lalonde, chairman of the committee on streets, works and property, filed a report stating that work had been begun on the repairing and crib-

bing of the road leading around the bluff to the Ogilvie bridge. The finance committee recommended the payment of the following bills: P. F. Jackson \$ 32.00 Electric Light Company 1350.10 Yukon Saw Mill Co. 134.40 N. A. T. & T. Co. 5.00 Yukon Telephone Syndicate 35.00 Standard Oil Co. 12.00 Gilbert & Johnson 3.35 Yukon Hardware Co. 19.50 N. A. T. & T. Co. 607.50 Palmer Bros. 15.00

Following the reading of his report Chairman Johnson called the attention of the council to an item that was contained in such but about which he was not fully enlightened. He referred to the safe in the city clerk's office and for which there was a bill from Palmer Bros. for \$200. The safe had been placed in the office during the regime of the old council, but what arrangements had been made to pay for it, the price and other things pertaining to it the chairman knew nothing at all. If no deal had been made for it by which the council was obligated to take it he was opposed to its purchase. It was too small and generally was no good, requiring a monkey wrench to open it. In the morning and a pile driver to press it at night. It is not big enough to hold all the city's books and is almost useless for the purposes for which it is intended.

Macdonald, the only member of the old council present, said he was not aware until a short time ago but what the safe had been paid for at the time it was installed in the office. He was not familiar with the arrangements that had been made for it, but if the old council had contracted for its purchase such agreement should certainly be upheld. City Clerk Smith was asked if there was any entry on the minutes of the old council showing where and in what manner the safe had been acquired and he said there was not.

Edwards, chairman of the committee on printing, moved that his committee be empowered to have 1000 copies of the city bylaws printed in pamphlet form. He informed the members that he had been unable to get tenders for the work owing to the fact that at the time he had asked for such the full number of bylaws that were to be printed were not available for the inspection of those who were desirous of doing the work. Considerable discussion was indulged in relative to the manner in which the binding should be done, some favoring the bylaws all being bound together in one volume and others considering that it would be better if they were bound separately. The latter plan it was stated would be much more expensive. Johnson recommended including in the volume of the city charter which was agreed to, the matter was left in the hands of the printing committee with power to act.

Lalonde, chairman of the license committee, reported unfavorably on the petition of Charles Reichenbach and others for a rebate on their licenses of last year. It was considered unwise to interfere with the acts of the council enacted last year.

Ryan moved that the council constitute itself a special committee for the purpose of waiting upon the Yukon council and securing certain amendments that are desired to the city charter. The amendments that it is hoped will be made were outlined and will be found elsewhere in this issue.

The session last night was a special meeting; the regular meeting will be held next Monday evening after which, except in the case of an emergency, the sessions will only be held on alternate Mondays.

MISSING—If there is any one who knows the whereabouts of P. Chris Peterson please notify Mrs. S. Peterson, 13 Schuyler avenue, Kaakakee, Illinois, U.S.A.

### MORE STAMPEDEES

#### Leave for the Tanana This Morning

There is as yet no abatement of the stampede to the Tanana. Every day parties of one, two and upwards are seen starting out on their long journey. Some have dog teams, some horses, while others start out pulling their outfits.

One of the best outfits yet to leave belongs to Milo Roberts and Harry Harvey who loaded their sleds in front of the Fairview hotel this morning expecting to leave this afternoon. They had one single hauled and a Yukon sled attached, both heavily loaded with provisions, amounting in all to about 1000 pounds.

Their sleds will be drawn by a horse and it is the expectation of the hardy stampedees to make good time. It is stated that 30 people had left this morning before 10 o'clock, but as there is no record kept of those leaving it is an impossibility to make any correct estimate.

### BONANZA-ELDORADO

#### Movements of People on the Creeks

#### Large Contingent Will Attend the Bachelor's Dance on Last Chance.

Jack Cleave of the Occidental hotel, No. 25 below Bonanza, was a passenger on the Orr & Tukey stage for town today.

Mr. James McNamee of No. 6 Eldorado came to town today on the Dawson Transfer stage.

Alex Lee from the Forks made a business trip to town today. Mrs. Walker, proprietress of the Victoria hotel on No. 41 above Bonanza, returned from the outside a few days ago, looking well, hale and hearty, after spending a few months at her old home in the states.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivey of No. 21 above Bonanza have returned from the outside well pleased with their visit to the states. Mr. Ivey is one of the owners of Nos. 21 and 23 above Bonanza.

The Grand hotel at the Forks is being refurbished and renovated. When completed a grand opening will be given by Mr. Nelson, of the firm of Nelson & Bosstrom. Mr. Nelson recently purchased an interest in the hotel and is spending a large amount of money to have everything up-to-date.

Bonanza creek will be well represented at the old bachelors' dance on Last Chance tomorrow night. Here is an opportunity to kill two birds with one stone as the weather is mild and the ride over and back will be worth going for, besides attending the first dance given by that order. A large number intend to go.

Thorsen and C. Lund of No. 26 above Bonanza have abandoned mining for the present and are following a more remunerative calling. They are taking orders for paper-hanging and do-the-work themselves.

Mr. Phiscator's men have hauled nearly 700 cords of wood to his claim on No. 3, Eldorado in the last two months.

#### D. A. A. A.

A special general meeting of the shareholders of the Dawson Amateur Athletic Association, Ltd., will be held in the Board of Trade rooms, N. C. Co. building, on Wednesday evening, March 4th, at 8 o'clock. Business of importance.

C. B. BURNS, Secretary.

Power of Attorney Blanks for the Tanana-Nugget Office. Best hot drinks in town—The Sideboard.

### BUSINESS PROSPECTS

#### Travel to the Tanana Via Dawson

#### Levelle Young Will Make Trip to Fairbanks Upon Opening of Navigation.

This is the season of the year when transportation men are busy arranging for the approaching opening of the river, getting their boats ready to take to the water, and figuring out the possibilities of a successful five or six months' business in which they shall be recompensed for the enforced idleness caused by the closed season of the same length of time. One thing that is agitating the minds of the local agents is the probable amount of business that may be anticipated by reason of the stampede to the Tanana. Those who are anxious to arrive at the scene of the new strike as early as possible will certainly make the trip via Dawson, the time they will be able to save over the lower river route being from two to three weeks. During midsummer, too, the trip this way can be made much more quickly than by way of St. Michaels and a heavy traffic is expected should the future developments of the camp prove equal to the claims now made for the new diggings. The trip from Sourd ports can be made in twelve days whereas via St. Michaels it would require at least eighteen and possibly longer.

If the rush from Dawson should be of any consequence there are four boats here which would be available for the business, the Lavelle Young, Roek Island, Seattle No. 3 and Monarch, they being the only American bottoms wintering here. All could make a trip to Fairbanks during the first high water, but during midsummer the Lavelle Young would probably be the only one which could be used to an advantage on account of the greater draught of the others. Navigators who have been up the Tanana state that the greatest difficulty to be encountered is in entering the river which is a sort of a delta with numerous channels and thickly studded with small islands. Thomas Bruce, an owner in the Lavelle Young, is probably as well acquainted with that section as anyone here and has this to say about the river:

"We went up to the mouth of the Chenoa, where Fairbanks now stands, a year ago last fall with 150 tons of a cargo and had but little trouble. It was rather late in the fall and we had the advantage of the late rise in the river. The Tanana is like the Koyukuk in that there are two seasons of high water every year, one in the early summer when the snow melts and the other in the fall caused by the heavy rains. From Weare at the mouth of the river to the mouth of the Chenoa is 285 miles which took us nearly three days to

make. There are no bad places in the river though in low water any boat except of light draught will have trouble in getting along, particularly in entering the river.

"Our boat is wintering in the slough opposite Klondike City and will be ready to leave on her first trip to Fairbanks the moment the ice moves out. We have established a rate of \$100 a ton from here and expect to have all the space we have, 150 tons, taken. We shall make a second trip from the mouth of the river after discharging our first and I will make contracts here to deliver freight from Weare to Fairbanks for \$60 a ton. If the business will warrant it we shall remain on that run all season. We are now 900 miles down the river from here and it would hardly justify us to make that haul empty, which we would have to do if we came back to Dawson for a cargo. We figure that a great many will arrive in Dawson with freight in scows intended for the Tanana and such can just as well float on down the river to Weare as to stop here and abandon their scows. They will be saving \$40 in freight and we will be saving the cost of pulling empty up 900 miles of river against a stiff current."

The Seattle No. 3, Roek Island and Monarch are wintering in the slough near the mouth of the Stewart. J. H. Rogers, local agent of the White Pass, is also of the opinion that there will be a heavy traffic this season for the Tanana via Dawson.

"Of course if such should prove true," said he in speaking of the matter, "it will largely benefit us though we can run no further than this city. In fact, I doubt very much if we should go any further even though the customs regulations would permit us as we expect to handle this season a very much heavier tonnage than ever before which will keep all our boats in commission all the time. Everything points toward that fact, the importations of machinery will be larger and the quality much heavier and the shipments of staples and general merchandise will double that of last year. Why? Because today the Dawson market is nearer bare than it has ever been since the winter of '97. Almost everything is sold out and the orders already placed are doubly as heavy as they were last year."

"Dr. Scharschmidt, superintendent of the river division, arrived in Skagway a few days ago with a force of fifteen ship carpenters who will all be placed at work getting the fleet ready for the season. We have but three boats this year below Lebarge. The Sybil is at the mouth of the Hootalinqua and the Bailey and Zealandian are at the foot of Lebarge. The Bonanza-King, Columbian and Mary Graf are at the island in Lebarge. All the others are at Whitehorse. Yes, we expect this to be one of the most prosperous seasons we have ever had."

See the opera "Pirates of Penzance" at Auditorium on Thursday, March 5th. Price of admission—Boxes, \$2 per seat, balcony, \$1.50 and \$1; stalls, \$1; general admission, 50 cents. ONE NIGHT ONLY.

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**NOTICE ON AND AFTER THIS DATE**  
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