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BUSY SESSION OF BOTH COUNCILS
THE ASPHALT APPROPRIATION MAKES GOOD PROGRESS.
Select Council Disapproves of Vosburg Bond and Refuses to Confirm Walker Appointment—Grade Crossing Matter in Status Quo. Common Council Receives a Favorable Report on Scranton Telephone Company's Ordinance and Passes It on Two Readings.

Unusually important sessions of the councils were held last night. The asphalt repair appropriation ordinance passed third reading in select council. Select council disapproved of the Vosburg bond and voted against confirming the Walker appointment. Common council received a favorable report on the Scranton Telephone ordinance and passed the measure on two readings without opposition. The ordinance to establish a municipal electric light plant was favorably reported from committee in common council and referred to come up in its regular order.

FELL VOTES, VERY FELL
Seven Voters Who Are Not Citizens Disclosed at Yesterday's Session of the Contest Hearing.
Fell township promises to break all previous records in the matter of illegal voters. Fully fifty per cent of the witnesses so far examined in the election contest have been clearly or partially disqualified. At yesterday's hearing before Examiner Lewis N. Gramer fifteen out of forty-one witnesses were proven to be illegal voters and seventy more were placed on the doubtful list.

NORMAN WHEELER DIES.
Succumbs to Self Inflicted Wounds with a Revolver.
Norman Wheeler, of 822 Keyser avenue, died last night at Lackawanna hospital from the effects of the self-inflicted wounds made by shooting himself with a revolver last Monday night at his own residence. His case was almost hopeless from the first. He made no statement concerning his reasons for committing the rash deed.

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When the fire department committee was called and Chairman Finn did not present any report on the Walker nomination, Mr. McAndrew, who is a member of the committee, arose and stated that a meeting of the committee had been called, but for some reason or other it did not take place. He and Mr. Schneider thought the committee had had the matter in hand long enough and were disposed to have council wrestle with it awhile. With this end in view they prepared a minority report and would submit it with council's permission. Mr. Chittenden approved the idea. Let council vote on it, he said, and if they don't want Mr. Walker the mayor should send in some one else.

REPORT WAS WITHHELD.
The sanitary committee has a favorable report prepared on the appointment of Mr. Winkler as food inspector, but concluded to hold it over till next meeting.
New measures were introduced as follows:
Mr. O'Boyle—An ordinance taxing street car companies \$10 for each car and \$20 for each horse, and \$30 for cars on lines that are only in part within the city. Referred to committee.

THE VOSBURG BOND.
After a great deal of parliamentary sparring the Vosburg bond was gotten free of the house on a motion to approve, made by Mr. Lansing. Mr. Roche argued that action at this time was out of order, and in support of this position quoted the resolution adopted at the last meeting directing that the bond be recommended to the council by the clerk until the appeal be disposed of or further orders received from court. He gave council notice of the action of the supreme court in granting a supersedeas and claimed that the granting of this supersedeas should call a halt to all proceedings until the appeal was finally disposed of.

O'BOYLE WAS AFRAID.
Mr. O'Boyle concluded the discussion by saying that in the absence of official notification of the granting of the supersedeas, he would have to vote to approve the bond.
The vote on the resolution to approve the bond was as follows:
Ayes—Messrs. Ross, Finn, Thomas, Chittenden, Schneider, Fellows, Lansing, O'Boyle, Williams—9.
Nays—Messrs. Kearney, Roche, Melvin, Wagner, Shea, McCann, Schroeder, Frable, Coyne—2.
Absent—Messrs. James and Sanderson.

At this juncture Mr. Tewksbury woke up and seizing his hat hurried from the room. Mr. Harvey and Mr. Zielman followed suit and this broke the quorum and made adjournment necessary.
Mr. Grier said afterwards that the whole thing was a joke. The Scranton Telephone people were holding a jubilee in the rear of the room and he only thought to have some fun with them.

ONTARIO & WESTERN SECURES ANOTHER PURCHASE OF BLUE RIDGE COAL-LIERY ABOUT CONSUMMATED.
A Proposition from the New York and Scranton Coal Company, the Coal Arm of the Ontario and Western, is Unanimously Favored at an Informal Meeting of the Blue Ridge Stockholders—The Transfer Is to Be Made Before June 1—Consideration Is \$165,000 in Cash.

The negotiations for the transfer of the Blue Ridge colliery to the New York and Scranton Coal company reached a climax yesterday, when a proposition acceptable to the former company was presented by the latter. The proposition was presented yesterday morning at an informal meeting of the stockholders of the Blue Ridge company by John B. Kerr, representing the New York and Scranton company. The figure was \$165,000 in cash, \$10,000 for the coal property and \$25,000 for the Morgan Star company's property. The former is capitalized at \$100,000 and the latter at \$25,000.

IT IS A GOOD PROPERTY.
The Blue Ridge has been a richly paying investment to the present company during the seven years that it has had control of it, but before that time, it is said, it had never been worked with a profit. One local coal man, who had an interest in the property at one time, declared recently that "half a million dollars has been sunk in that hole already."
The present company, however, has been paying bigger dividends. It is alleged, than any other company of that neighborhood, reaching in some years as high as 35 per cent, so it is said.

After the ordinance had passed second reading as amended, a number of the councilmen who favored it retired, leaving only thirteen members present. Mr. Grier continued the reading, possibly, that the ants were in the majority, moved to reconsider action. Mr. Tewksbury was in a great quandary and appealed to Chairman Keller to rule the motion out of order, because it could be shown that Mr. Grier and his second, Mr. Monaghan, voted in the affirmative. As no record of the vote was made, the chair decided the word of Mr. Grier and Mr. Monaghan would have to be taken as to how they voted. Messrs. Grier and Monaghan avowed that they had voted in the affirmative. "Very well, then," said Mr. Keller, "we will have to put your motion."

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