

THE CITY SOLONS

Citizens Petition for the Passage of a Curfew Law.

PRESIDENT LOOFBOUROW WINS

He is Expurgated from the Mayor's Charges by the Council.

KENDALL MADE A POLICEMAN.

One Thousand Dollars Appropriated for a Committee to Go to San Francisco.

The City Council met in regular session last night. At 7:55 o'clock President Loofbourow's gavel fell and the transaction of business commenced.

THE PROCEEDINGS

Harman and Mary E. Hill complained that the new cement sidewalk in front of the old McCornick Bank building on Main street was full of holes and an unqualified failure and demanded relief. Committee on streets.

E. M. Jones and others asked that the license imposed on contracting electricians be abolished. Committee on license.

Busan Zenger asked for \$500 for alleged damages sustained by falling on the sidewalk on west Fourth South street. Committee on claims.

E. Hells and others asked that Twelfth and Thirteenth East streets be graded. Committee on streets.

N. T. Wigen and other owners of property on East of Green street sent in a communication in which they refused to accept a refund of money paid for extension of watermain. Filed.

James Gibson and others asked for an electric light at the corner of First South and Eighth West streets. Committee on improvements.

J. E. Dooly and others complained of the danger arising from too many street car tracks on North State street, south of the Eagle gate. Committee on streets.

D. W. Hunter and others asked that Ninth South street canal be filled up to present grade. Committee on streets.

F. A. Auerbach & Bro. asked that electric light extension be made on South Temple street from Twelfth East street to the military reservation. Committee on improvements.

S. Morrell asked for a rebate on his pawnbroker's license. Committee on license.

Elmas Morrell, agent for the Hanneman & Smith Fireproofing company of San Francisco, asked that an experienced committee from the council be appointed to go to California and investigate their claims. If the result shall be unsatisfactory the company offers to pay the expenses of the trip. If satisfactory the city shall bear the expenses connected with making the trip. Joint city and county building committee.

H. N. Pratt asked for a quit claim deed to certain property. Committee on public grounds.

A NEW POLICEMAN.

The Mayor sent in a communication in which he announced the appointment of Joseph Leavitt as a policeman. Committee on police.

WANTED—A CURFEW LAW.

F. Bennett and others asked that the police be empowered, by the passage of an ordinance, to arrest all boys and girls under the age of 15 years found loitering on the streets after 9:30 o'clock p.m. Committee on police.

FROM THE RECORDED.

The city recorder reported that watermain extension No. 14, for the extension of watermain on Eighth West street, with laterals on Eighth and Ninth South, Genesee, Menasha and Fayette streets, had been published according to law, that himself and the city treasurer had employed Mr. E. C. Heller to attend to the work of special assessments, as per former report from the committee on finance. Mr. Heller was employed at a salary at the rate of \$125 per month.

FROM CHIEF PAUL.

Chief of Police Paul sent in a communication in which he reported the total number of arrests during the year as 3173; of this number 2777 were males and 396 were females of age and under. The lost and stolen property listed by \$13,285, of which \$11,200-98 was recovered. The chief called attention to the fact that a provision was needed for the handling of young people who remain on the streets late at night, to the nature of the preventative rather than a cure, also to the need of a law and budget by the officers of his department, occurring almost daily. The chief further reported that he was in receipt of numerous communications from the heads of police departments in other cities, and recommended that his annual report be printed in part that he might secure courtesies with a few others. He also asked permission to have the rules for the present session of the city council printed in order that each member may have a copy. Committee on police.

EXTENDED FRANCHISE.

The city railway company asked that speedy action be taken in the matter of extending their franchise a period of twenty years as asked by them some weeks ago. They submitted an ordinance covering the same which was referred to the committee on improvements with instructions to report at the next regular meeting of the council.

NEW PAPERING CONTRACT.

The committee on enrollment reported that it had entered into an amended or new contract with the

Trimm Job Printing company and asked that the same be approved. Lawson moved that the matter be recommended to the committee to select new bids as it was a new contract, and that other firms should have the privilege of competing for the work.

He said he was also in favor of new bids but did not wish to delay the work.

Evans opposed the motion to ask for other bids and after considerable discussion the contract was confirmed.

LOOFBOUROW EXAMINED.

The following was read by the recorder and unanimously adopted:

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen—We, your special committee, beg leave to report as follows in the matter of the investigation of the charges preferred against A. T. Loofbourow, the Mayor, in his communication to the Council, Jan. 12, 1903.

We have had two meetings during which three copies of witnesses were examined. The examination covered the eighty-three pages of your writing, has been careful, conscientious, and without bias or prejudice. Loofbourow's attitude of indignation and hostility with the officers of the Eagle Creamery company, did not prevent us from making a fair and impartial investigation and forwarding our report to you, and in doing so we have been guided by the fact that we are not a party to the matter, and we are not a party to the matter, and we are not a party to the matter.

We do not find from the evidence that Judge Loofbourow was in any way employed by Mount & Smith in conducting the printing contract, or received any compensation from them in that connection.

In the matter of the sale of the gas tank, Judge Loofbourow is on the Council records as being opposed to the sale of the tank at the rate of \$1000, and at the final vote he voted against the sale.

We do not find from the evidence that Judge Loofbourow was employed as an attorney in any way by Charles Hill, in the sale of the contract for water pipe, or that he received any compensation from them in any way or for anything.

We find that Mr. Hells did not assert in open Council that the president was employed in any way by Charles Hill, in the sale of the contract for water pipe, or that he received any compensation from them in any way or for anything.

We recommend that President Loofbourow be censured by the Council for all charges made against him in the Mayor's communication. Respectfully submitted.

M. H. HARRISON, J. E. BERRY, H. W. WESTLAND.

We approve this report, except the paragraph next to the last. We believe the Mayor was intimidated.

F. O. HOURS, J. E. WESTLAND.

The motion of Mr. Hells in the report of the committee was adopted by a unanimous vote.

TO GRANT LICENSES.

Heads offered a resolution which provides that the city recorder shall issue licenses to retail liquor dealers as soon as action is taken upon them by the council. Committee on license.

MORE HAVE WORKS.

An ordinance requiring all officers, clerks or employees who are not authorized to give receipts to go on at once was passed under a suspension of the rules.

KENDALL GIVEN THREE.

The question of giving Fred Ingepore Kendall public pay was finally passed up and was the subject of warm debate for a quarter of an hour after which Mr. Kendall's petition was granted.

A CLASS OF COMMITTEES.

Heil advised the following:

Resolved, That there be employed a clerk of committees, whose duty shall be to attend all committee meetings and meetings of the boards of equalization and members of such committee and chairman and members of such board, to record all proceedings and report the same to the City Council.

Wanted—I have thought favorably of that proposition for a long time but have lacked the nerve to introduce a resolution to make a report covering the same. (Laughter.)

Heil retorted by saying that it was absolutely necessary to have someone to keep the minutes straight.

Kelly said that if such a clerk was appointed he would necessarily have to have the seal of the committee while the members of the committee would also need just as best of a salary as the clerk. (Laughter.)

APPROPRIATIONS.

The following appropriations were made:

Table with columns for item, amount, and department. Includes items like 'To E. E. Sheehan & Co.', 'To J. E. Dooly', 'To J. E. Dooly', etc.

THE CALIFORNIA TRIP. The joint city and county building committee reported favorably on the proposition to deputize a committee of six citizens to visit San Francisco and investigate the possibility of public buildings, control of street railways, underground wires, paving, etc.

After considerable discussion the proposition was adopted by the council for the purpose of the present, later trip.

WIND-HEARD AMUSEMENTS.

The question of granting the Woodruff Amusement company the privilege of showing vaudeville on the city property for the purpose of the present, later trip.

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