

between the telephone companies and electric railroad companies, concur that no appreciable disturbance can occur by induction between railroad lines and telephone lines that distance apart.

"The true cause of the disturbance in the telephone lines mentioned, is found in the fact that the telephone lines connecting with Murray and Sandy are grounded south of the city, and beyond the place of grounding, the electric railway system of the Salt Lake Rapid Transit company is being operated. The current of electricity passes through the cars of that company on its lines to Forest Dale and Calder's Park into the earth and thence in their return to the central power station of that company within the city, directly across the place of grounding of the telephone line. Experiments would show that when this company is not operating its lines, the disturbance on the telephone lines referred to would not exist; and it must be self-evident to your honorable body that if five supply wires paralleling the telephone lines on Second South street a few blocks materially interfere with the operation of the telephones, that the same wires strung along First South and Main streets, under similar conditions, would produce similar results.

"Hence the change proposed cannot benefit the telephone company, but would create an extra burden upon the most important streets in the city, and be a direct and material injury to your petitioner, not only in the expense of making the change, but in depriving it of the shortest and most direct method of furnishing power to its railroad lines on Second, Third and Fifth south streets.

"It is well understood that the power of a given current of electricity decreases in direct proportion as the distance the current is carried increases. Your petitioner therefore asks your honorable body not to pass the proposed resolution, or at least to suspend action and give your petitioner an opportunity of being heard in support of the statements herein contained."

CITY COUNCIL.

An adjourned session of the City Council was to have been commenced at 2 o'clock this afternoon, but at that hour there was no quorum present, the following councilmen only being in attendance: Rich, Hardy, Lawson, Evans, Simondt, Beardsley, Heise. Folland came in twenty minutes later and on motion of Heise, Simondt was chosen chairman.

The minutes of the previous regular session were read, after which Rich noticed that Councilor Evans had left the council chamber and raised the point that there was not a quorum present and consequently whatever business thus transacted would be illegal. The chair declared that the point was well taken and Clerk Vanderberger was sent in search of Councilman Evans, with whom he soon returned, and after a brief informal recess business was resumed. At this juncture of the proceedings Councilman Wantland entered with a bundle of papers and took his seat in a business like manner.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

On motion of Rich the unfinished business was taken up.

REQUISITION RESOLUTION.

Evans' resolution requiring heads of departments to furnish requisitions for supplies came up.

Hardy moved its adoption.

Evans asked that it be laid over for one week, as he wished to offer some very material amendments.

Rich said the resolution should be amended, but he was in favor of doing the necessary remodeling without further delay.

Lawson took the same view of the matter and moved that the amendments be made immediately.

On motion of Wantland the matter went over until the next meeting, Lawson and Rich only voting in the negative.

GARBAGE ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS.

The following amendments were suggested by the committee having under consideration the garbage ordinance recently returned to the City Council unapproved by the Mayor:

The following will show amendments to garbage ordinance. Heading of bill should read:

"A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE"

Providing receptacles for ashes, garbage and sweepings of sidewalks and for the removal of same, also providing for the protection from paper and other refuse matter. Also, for the disposition of night soil and manure; also, for the removal of all surface closets and cesspools within the sewer districts where pipes are laid, and prescribing penalties.

Section 1 should be amended as follows: The business districts on Second South street should read to Fourth West street instead of Sixth West street, and on Fifth West street to Third South street instead of Fifth South street.

Section 2 should be amended by adding the following, to wit: That the removal of garbage within the said business districts shall be at the expense of the city. The removal of ashes, within the said business district, shall be at the expense of the city, when in receptacles, and when in bins, at the expense of the owner, agent or occupant.

Section 3 should be amended by adding the following, to wit: That the removal of ashes, garbage, manure, night soil and other refuse matter within the city limits, and outside of the business districts mentioned, shall be at the expense of the owner, agent or occupant.

The garbage ordinance should be further amended by adding the following as an additional section:

That all surface closets and cesspools within the sewer districts, where sewer pipes are laid, shall be removed, filled up and connections made with sewer system within thirty (30) days after the date of the approval of this ordinance.

TO OPEN AND IMPROVE STREETS.

The following from the city attorney was read by the recorder:

To the Honorable City Council of Salt Lake City:

Gentlemen,—As you are aware, South Temple street has been closed to travel from Eighth West street to the Jordan river. That some months ago your honorable body granted to the Saltair Railroad Company a franchise or right of way over said street from Eighth West to the western limits of the city, which said company accepted and laid a track on said street as far west as the Jordan river.

I have arranged with the property owners of blocks 52, 53 and 56 and 57, being

the property on both sides of said South Temple street, between Eighth and Tenth West streets, to have the city open and improve said street so as to put it in reasonable condition for the use of the public.

I therefore recommend that the work be done at once by the street supervisor, under the direction of the city engineer.

A NEW LABOR ORDINANCE.

The following bill drawn up at a recent special meeting of the Federated Trades council was read and referred to the committee on municipal laws and city attorney associated:

"Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, that eight hours labor constitute a legal day's work in all cases where the same is performed under the direction, control or by the authority of this city, or under direction, control or by authority of any officer of this city acting in his official capacity, and a stipulation to that effect must be made a part of all contracts to which the city or any officer acting in his official capacity is therein a party.

Sec. 2. Any officer violating any provision shall, upon conviction, be found guilty of a misdemeanor and be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$100, or by imprisonment not less than six months, or by both fine and imprisonment, and be deprived of his office.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon and after its passage and approval.

COMBINATION POLE QUESTION.

The question of compelling the street car, electric light and electric power companies to use combination poles was discussed at length, after which it was laid over for one week.

WAGON ROAD TO MORGAN.

Wantland, Rich and Folland sent in a report recommending the construction of a wagon road to Morgan county via City Creek and Hardscrabble canyons.

Moran announced his intention to fight the proposition from first to last.

Speaking on this subject Mr. Lawson said: "Like Mr. Wantland, I was originally opposed to the building of the road, but since I investigated it I have changed my mind. It will bring the city a handsome revenue yearly by opening up a trade with Morgan county."

CREMATORY PROTEST.

A petition from Barnes & Byrne and 200 others protesting against the location of the crematory near the Warm Springs, was read by the recorder.

Folland moved that the petition be granted.

Horn said that could not be done without revoking the power that was given to the Mayor, the health commission and sanitary committee.

Evans spoke in favor of the erection of the crematory on the site selected.

Chairman Beardsley of the sanitary committee said the matter had been originally referred to the officers named with power to act. They had arrived at their conclusions after several days of careful deliberation. They had acted in good faith from the beginning and would not back out now. They had gone entirely too far for that. The building was now in the course of construction and would be erected.

Hardy said that he was utterly opposed to the city locating its crematory near the greatest sanitarium in the Territory. It was a piece of prop-