

Whereas, The business men and taxpayers of Salt Lake City have made an appeal to this council for the appropriation for such a deficiency as may be necessary for the purpose of establishing a copper plant in this city; therefore be it Resolved, That an appropriation be made to make good the deficiency that is necessary for the establishment of a copper plant in said city or county, said sum to be placed at the disposal of the special committee named.

Folland spoke at length against the appropriation. He knew that it was unlawful, yet he wanted the plant. But it was a private enterprise and should be erected as such. He was in favor of the bonus of money and land grant, but these should come from the citizens as individuals and not as a municipal body. He would like to know where the city expected to get its copper from. Salt Lake had not fostered the home industries already established. The business men knew that. Those of them present knew that had they done their duty it would not have been necessary for them to come begging almost with tears in their eyes for a \$30,000 appropriation. While on his recent trip to the east he had seen a big Elgin watch factory closed. It was built partly by a \$60,000 appropriation of a California town too.

Councilman Moran—I am opposed to the city appropriating \$30,000 or any other amount for any private enterprise and to accede to the request made on us would be nothing short of a crime. We can't do it legally, either. It is a fundamental law that cities cannot use money for any such purpose.

The vote on Mr. Horn's resolution was then taken. It resulted:

Ayes—Kelley, Simondi, Heise, Horn, Lawson, Bell, Wantland.

Noes—Evans.

Excused—Folland, Hardy, Moran, Rich.

A great deal of wrangling followed after which an adjournment was taken.

It was nearly 10 o'clock February 10 when President Loofbourow called the meeting of the council to order. The councilmen present were: Rich, Folland, Hardy, Horn, Wantland, Heise, Lawson, Beardsley, Kelly, Moran, Simondi, Karrick, Bell.

The council chamber was packed with business men. Those who were in attendance at last night's meeting were present with a goodly number more.

The proceedings opened by Rich moving that the city attorney be called upon for an opinion as to whether or not the asked for appropriation could be legally made.

Lawson stated that the attorney had just been called away as a witness in a criminal case. The sergeant-at-arms was dispatched for him and during the interim Mr. McCornick was called upon and said he realized there were legal obstacles in the way but believed there were means by which the desired end could easily be reached. He did not doubt but what the city could buy \$25,000 worth of real estate from the brokers of the city. They in their turn could pay it over to Messrs. Posey and Green. This would overcome legal disabilities.

Major Downey spoke briefly in support of the appropriation.

City Attorney Hoge entered the room at this juncture and was about to

venture his opinion on the legal phase of the proposition when he was prevented from giving it by Lawson opposing him.

Rich said the fact that the city attorney's opinion was not wanted looked bad on its face. He was satisfied the appropriation could not legally be made and proposed to get out of the difficulty by offering the following verbal resolution:

Resolved, That the city government purchase from the real estate men of the city \$25,000 worth of unincumbered real estate in the hands of the citizens' committee and that the citizens' committee shall be the appraisers of said real estate, between the owner and the city, payment to be made in four equal installments.

Seconded by Lawson.

Wantland said the motion was entirely to indefinite. The real estate men had the property but most of their land was puliticed with mortgages and therefore sales would be impossible.

Bell—I move that the Pioneer Square be given to one or more representative citizens of Salt Lake City as a guarantee for a fund to the amount of \$25,000 for one or more years, at a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent per annum, for public improvements.

After some discussion the motion was withdrawn.

An adjournment was taken for fifteen minutes in order to allow a committee of three from the council to confer with a like committee on the matter from the citizens' committee. At the expiration of that time the following was reported by the joint committee:

Resolved, That this city purchase through George A. Lowe, W. H. Rowe, Spencer Clawson, J. S. Cameron, J. M. Gray, C. F. Loofbourow, L. C. Karrick, trustees, \$25,000 worth of unincumbered real estate and that the sum of \$25,000 be and is hereby appropriated for that purpose, and that the city treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay said \$25,000 to the above named persons at once, the title to said property to be taken into Salt Lake City corporation.

A. L. SIMONDI,
E. A. FOLLAND,
C. E. WANTLAND,
J. H. BACON,
L. P. KELSEY,
W. H. ROWE.

The resolution was unanimously adopted, and on the appropriation list being called the following councilmen voted:

Ayes—Beardsley, Bell, Evans, Folland, Hardy, Heise, Horn, Karrick, Kelly, Lawson, Loofbourow, Moran, Rich, Simondi, Wantland.

At the conclusion of the roll call a great shout and three cheers went up in approval of the action of the councilmen, and such remarks as the were numerous: "I tell you, gentlemen, the councilmen who went to the coast for light got it, and we will stand by them from this on," and "Hurrah for Rich for suggesting a way out of the difficulty."

The council then adjourned.

An adjourned session of the City Council was held February 10th. The members present were Rich, Folland, Hardy, Karrick, Horn, Bell, Evans, Simondi, Wantland, Heise, Lawson. President Loofbourow called the

members to order shortly after 8 o'clock. After the usual preliminary matters had been disposed of, the transaction of business commenced.

The Proceedings.

A COMMUNICATION OF THANKS.

The following was read and placed on file:

Gentlemen:—We desire to extend to your honorable body the earnest thanks of the joint committee of Business Men's association and the Chamber of Commerce, for your prompt and liberal action in the matter of the proposed copper refinery.

We have reason to believe that the taxpayers and property holders are unanimously in favor of this action and are thoroughly in accord with the official recognition given by your honorable body to further their expressed wishes.

The benefit that will inure to the city from the establishment of an industrial enterprise of this magnitude cannot be over estimated.

Respectfully yours,

W. E. HUBBARD,
WENDELL BENSON,
W. C. B. ALLEN,
Committee.

PETITIONS.

Cyril Peck asked to be allowed to lease certain city sand pits. Committee on public grounds.

Dennis C. Eichner sent in a communication in which he asked that his bond for \$1000 as police court clerk guaranteeing faithful performance of duties be approved. The sureties are V. M. C. Silva and S. T. Pearson. Referred to the city attorney.

ZINC TAGS.

Treasurer Duke sent in a communication in which he stated that 900 zinc tags would be required in the license department. They would cost 16½ cents each or \$148.50. He asked that they be made at once. Committee on finance.

BID FROM AN "UNKNOWN."

City Recorder Stanton reported that in answer to published advertisements he had received a bid for the establishment of a market house. The chair ordered the bid opened. The bidder omitted, unintentionally doubtless, a very essential thing in connection with his statement, viz: his signature. He stated, however, that he would give the city "immediate possession of a piece of land 82½ feet (north front) by 132 feet deep, running south, situate in the center of block 52 plat A on a lease for a term of ten or more years, at a rental of \$1 per annum. The land, he said, was now clear of building and very readily accessible for a street running parallel with the west side of the land and south onto Fourth South street." Committee on markets.

WANTS TO GO TO ST. LOUIS.

Building Inspector Hamlin sent in a communication in which he asked for \$75 to partially defray his expenses to and from the fourth annual convention of the national association of commissioners and inspectors of buildings of the United States of America, which will convene in St. Louis, Missouri, February 14th, 1893. Committee on ways and means.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The city auditor sent in his monthly statement for January as follows: