

wire and sheet copper, blue vitriol and other chemicals; and

Whereas, The location of said works in our city will necessarily lead to numerous other connected industries and will have a controlling influence in making of Salt Lake City a great manufacturing center, thereby insuring the future prosperity of our city and increasing its taxable wealth; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Chamber of Commerce most earnestly recommend to the honorable City Council of Salt Lake City, that an appropriation of money be made out of the city treasury from monies not otherwise appropriated, a sum sufficient to make good any deficiency that the committee having said matter in charge may be unable to secure from private subscriptions aforesaid.

It has been suggested to this chamber that said appropriation may not be strictly in conformity to the act of Congress inhibiting the appropriation of public monies for certain purposes, yet, the chamber submits that the establishment of this industry in our midst would be in the nature of a great and lasting public improvement. In this connection the chamber would most respectfully call the attention of your honorable body to the fact that one of our neighboring cities has recently appropriated \$30,000 of the public funds to a certain railroad company and thereby secured the location of large and important machine shops in their city, and this chamber believes that said council acted wisely and for the best interests of their city, notwithstanding that their action may have been technically illegal, and we urge their action in the premises as commendable and a worthy example to be followed by your honorable body in the present case.

J. H. BACON

said that for four days he had been working most earnestly with other business men to raise funds to secure the \$500,000 copper plant. The city had been canvassed from north to south, east and west, and they had raised the sum of \$60,000. There remained a deficiency of \$40,000. Unless the council came manfully to the front with \$30,000 of this sum he knew full well that Salt Lake could not secure the plant. The enterprise should be made successful. Mormon and Gentile had been working to that end as they never worked before. The union between the two elements was a splendid omen. The council should unite with the business men and citizens to overcome any apparent legal objection that might exist. The City Council should remember that the business men and citizens put them in office that they supported them. We cannot afford to stand on a little technicality that we can easily set aside and thereby secure employment for three hundred men and taxes to the amount of probably \$10,000 a year. Let it go abroad tomorrow that Salt Lake cannot raise this money and never again will we be able to successfully prosecute a similar scheme. We have been begging for money the last few days as men never begged for bread. Now in all candor we ask you to consider this scheme in the light of charity.

WENDELL BENSON

said—If the City Council can make this appropriation without making a legal blunder then I think you should help us. If you cannot give us legal aid then don't you give us any. In that event I would suggest that we telegraph to

Mr. Green tomorrow that we have raised \$60,000 and that if he will give us a little more time that we will try and raise the \$40,000 more.

HENRY W. LAWRENCE

spoke in a similar strain and added that he certainly hoped that all small technicalities could be set aside. There could be no moral wrong in such action. Certainly the Council would have the support of the better part of the community.

J. H. BACON.

I don't like to bore the council with a second talk, but I do want to read the following which makes an opening through which you can easily pass, for it is as wide as the streets of Salt Lake city, which are the widest and best in the world: On page 640 of vol. 1 of the Compiled Laws of Utah of 1888, I find in the council can "pass all ordinances, rules and make all regulations not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of the United States or the Laws of the Territory, necessary for carrying into effect or discharging all powers and duties conferred by this act, and such as shall seem necessary and proper to provide for the safety and preserve the health and promote the prosperity, improve the morals, peace, good order, comfort, convenience of the city and the inhabitants thereof."

Is that not plain? It certainly is. Note and weigh well the words "promote the prosperity."

W. H. ROWE

said that employment should be given to home labor; the way to do that would be to establish home manufacturing. The way to secure one good establishment would be to make the appropriation asked for.

M. E. CUMMINGS

said that it was not alone to the interest of the male population of this city that the appropriation be made. The ladies were also much exercised over the matter. For instance, his wife, he said, had gone out onto the streets for two hours during the afternoon and had raised \$250. (Applause.) She stated that she could easily have raised \$1,000 had she had a little more time. (Renewed applause.)

HEBER M. WELLS.

I believe that it is the duty of every man to place himself on record. We have reached an era when we should arise and push to the front. Advancement should be our watchword. If the City Council will make the appropriation it will certainly receive the goodwill of every right minded citizen of Salt Lake.

O. P. MASON

said it was not a time for speech making. Action should now be taken. If the council was afraid that the citizens would not approve of the appropriation they could call a mass meeting and have their action ratified.

Horn offered the following:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the members of the City Council present that assurance be hereby given to the citizens of our city that the City Council will at its next meeting move an appropriation of \$30,000 to be donated Messrs. M. J. Gray, W. H. Rowe, Spencer Clawson, George A. Lowe and J. S. Cameron, trustees, to secure the establishment of

the proposed copper refinery in Salt Lake county under the terms and conditions as agreed upon.

COUNCILMAN EVANS

offered the following resolution, which was read by Deputy Recorder Dennis, saying that he believed the council should go a little slow in the matter:

Whereas, The members of this council, as individuals, are in full sympathy with the objects sought to be obtained by the Chamber of Commerce and Business Men's association, and desire to do what we may in furtherance of the object.

Whereas, The council as a body find that a serious legal difficulty stands in the way of assuring the representatives present of our ability to comply with their wishes. Be it

Resolved, That it be the sense of the council that in view of the difficulties referred to and in the absence of certain members of the council and the city attorney, we take the matter under consideration and make it a special order for Friday evening, Feb. 10.

Councilman Folland moved the adoption of this resolution as a substitute for Horn's resolution.

Councilman Kelly said: "We have had too much going slow in this city. We have a hand bucket brigade in this city that should be taken care of. We should prove ourselves in full touch and sympathy with the proposition."

Bell moved that the chairman order the call of the roll that the council might be resolved into a regular session.

The point was then raised that there could be no regular session of the Council without a proper call.

The chair after entertaining a good deal of discussion pro and con, held that the meeting was irregular and that no action could be taken whereby a regular meeting could be held last night.

Kelly suggested that an informal vote be taken on the proposition so that the business men would know what the Council intended to do as it is necessary that they know immediately. The result would have to be telegraphed to Philadelphia by 10 a. m., today.

Rich—I want to know if it is a matter of life and death that Messrs. Poye and Green be notified within any specified time, say at a certain hour or the tick of the watch. If the thing is pushed to an issue tonight I shall be compelled to vote against. I am not now prepared to go on record in favor of the scheme because there are things in connection with it that I do not understand. I don't want to be misunderstood because I favor the erection of such a plant and the promotion of every enterprise that will benefit the city. We must be careful about appropriating or voting away the city funds. We have just had an experience on the appropriation of a pair of \$1000. Our municipal ears have been pulled and twisted until I suppose we will be compelled to refund the cash we used on our Pacific coast trip and I am prepared now and here to pay back my share of it.

Evans' resolution was defeated on the following vote:

Ayes—Evans, Rich, Folland—3.
Noes—Heiss, Wantland, Kelly, Simondi, Lawson, Bell, Horn—7.

Hardy then offered the following: