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ADOPTED!!

After Long Deliberation, the City Council Pass the Water Ordinance Last Night.

A Proposition Made by the Ditch Company to Furnish Water is Not Considered.

THE AGONY OVER.

The Contract for Waterworks Approved by the Council.

At the adjourned meeting of the city council last night, the mayor and full board of aldermen were present. It was not expected that there would be any further debate among the taxpayers on the project, but the expectation was to some extent not realized. On the meeting being called to order, the first business was the reading of the report of the council committee on waterworks, which was embodied in an ordinance prepared by the city attorney after an agreement had been reached by conference between the committee and the waterworks company. The ordinance was read by the clerk and at its conclusion, the council and spectators present were treated to a mild surprise by Mr. T. J. Porter, acting as attorney for the ditch company, who begged leave to present a proposition for that company to furnish the city with a water supply. Mr. Porter prefaced the presentation of the proposition with a speech, explaining that while Mr. Jordan, president of the ditch company, had spoken against waterworks on the previous evening, as a citizen and a taxpayer, he now as a business man, believing that the taxpayers were in favor of the project, desired to present a proposition to furnish them with water. He then read the proposition, which was as follows: To the Honorable City Council of Miles City:

Gentlemen:—In the matter of waterworks proposed to be put in under a contract with the city, we respectfully propose to you:

That we will enter into a contract to put in a system of waterworks in all respects similar to that described in the proposal pending before your body so far as mains, pipes, location, hydrants and prices are concerned; that the water furnished shall be filtered by the best process, and always be pure and wholesome, and that the supply of the same shall be ample for fire protection, street sprinkling and the use of all private consumers; that the water shall be the best of water obtainable in this vicinity, and that it shall be furnished by a system of gravity pressure which will afford ample fire protection at all seasons of the year.

That we will submit to you as early a day as practicable, a contract in conformity with this proposal and for that purpose we ask you to grant us sufficient time to prepare such a contract and submit the same to you before you take any action respecting the completion of a contract for waterworks. Very respectfully,

MILES CITY IRRIGATING DITCH CO.,

W. B. Jordan, Pres't.

A silence of a few seconds followed the reading of the proposition, and then Ald. Bach took the floor and said that he was satisfied that the council and the Miles City Water and Electric Light Co. had gone into negotiations for perfecting a water supply with all sincerity of purpose. That both sides had spent considerable valuable time in arriving at the conclusions embodied in the ordinance that had been read, and he did not think it proper that anyone should step in now for the evident purpose of delaying action in the matter. Mr. Jordan was present at the meeting the night before and had used his best endeavors to convince the council that he did not need waterworks, and he was now urging a proposition to furnish them. He did not think that the ditch company could furnish such protection as we needed.

Ald. Truscott was also unable to understand Mr. Jordan's position before the people and the council. He had stated last night that the proposition of the water company was too liberal, much more liberal than he would be disposed to make, and yet he was before the council to-night with a proposition accepting all the conditions imposed upon the water company in case the council should decide to deal with him.

Ald. Moran was sorry that the proposition of the ditch company had not been made some time ago, as the people would have been better satisfied if there had been competition. He had from the outset been a firm advocate of water protection and hoped we should soon enjoy it. He was not in favor of delaying action without reason, but for one he was willing to delay action on the matter for one week, to give the ditch company time to

submit a detailed proposition. He too could not reconcile Mr. Jordan's attitude of last night with that taken to-night.

Ald. Bach declared that the whole thing looked to him very mysterious. It was at least six weeks ago when the question of city waterworks was started. Since then it had been thoroughly discussed by the daily paper, talked over by citizens, and in every way ventilated. The ditch company had had plenty of time in which to prepare a proposition if they had desired to do so. The making of one now looked to him as a move made merely to delay the council in acting on the proposition under consideration. The members of the council were not boys, and their duty in this matter was not boys' play. They had given many hours from their business to the close examination of the proposition of the water company, and now that they had reached a conclusion, it was no more than fair that they should go ahead and close it up, especially as the proposal of the ditch company offered no advantages over the other.

Mayor Redd thought the question one of much gravity and recommended a careful consideration of it.

Mr. Batchelor, on behalf of the water company, criticized the action of the ditch company in coming in at the eleventh hour with a proposition not to furnish water but to delay proceedings. He thought it absurd to thus dilly-dally from week to week. His company had acted in good faith from the beginning. The people wanted water, and now at the last moment, when the council have met for the express purpose of passing an ordinance providing it, it is unjust to delay the matter another day. He claimed that there was no element of competition in the ditch company's proposal. His company had forced them into making a proposition which was identical with that already under consideration.

Ald. Truscott did not think we would be benefitted by delay. The water company had agreed to furnish good and wholesome water, and the ditch company does not promise anything better. He therefore moved the adoption of the ordinance as read.

Ald. Campbell seconded the motion and thought it too late altogether for the ditch company to make an offer. Mr. Jordan was present last night and could have made a proposition if he had wanted to. It looks now as if there was something behind it, more than the desire to furnish water.

Mr. Hall spoke at some length in favor of the ditch company's proposition. Personally he had not been in favor of waterworks, but if the majority wanted them, he was willing to acquiesce. He urged the consideration of the ditch company's proposition by the council, and recommended delay on the ground that other proposals might be received.

Mr. Basinski had attended the meeting expecting that it was simply for the purpose of passing on the ordinance. He had not expected any debate from those present aside from the council. He did not agree with Mr. Hall in regard to delaying the matter. At first he had not been in favor of waterworks, but after giving the question due consideration he had changed his mind, and now thought it important that the city should be supplied. The proposition of Mr. Jordan was, in his opinion, made too late to warrant consideration. He had had plenty of time to make one before this. The question should be finally settled to-night. If we delay a week, we may keep on delaying until it will be too late to do anything this year.

Mr. Hall objected to the water to be supplied by the water company, and thought river water better. He again urged delay and thought it the duty of the council to give the people a chance to express their views.

Ald. Campbell said the people had had two opportunities to express their views and that full advantage had been taken. He felt that it would have been better if there had not been so much talk, and called for the question.

Ald. Moran objected to the ordinance being adopted bodily. As it appeared to be the wish of the majority of the council to pass upon it, he was willing to vacate his position asking for a week's delay, but he thought the ordinance ought to be considered section by section, and moved an amendment that it be so read and adopted. The amendment prevailing, the ordinance was taken up, read by the clerk, and adopted section by section with some slight changes. This being gone through with, it was then accepted as a whole, all four of the aldermen voting in the affirmative, and thus the question that has furnished

food for argument for the last week or ten days was finally settled.

Justice Court.

In the case of the state against Nim Roose, of Sadie, the alleged assailant of John Lee, the testimony being all in, after lengthy argument by counsel on both sides, the case was submitted to Justice Gibbs, who after due consideration discharged the defendant.

The case of the State vs. McEvoy, being precisely similar in all respects, was dismissed.

In the case of the State vs. John Lee, by stipulation of counsel in open court, a change of venue was taken and the cause sent for trial before Justice Harold Brown. In pursuance of this, trial was had at 10 o'clock yesterday, witnesses examined, counsel heard, and the case being submitted, the defendant was discharged.

Police Court.

A plain drunk answering to the name of Jas. Cooper was up before Police Magistrate Gibbs yesterday. Being without funds, he promptly pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to eight days board and lodging at the expense of the city. As the season is now approaching when this sort of a thing will become unpleasantly frequent, it behooves the city council to think up some scheme by which imprisonment for drunkenness and vagrancy will be made more irksome and unpleasant to these gentlemen than it now is. Each one of them sent up for eight days costs the city eight dollars, with no corresponding benefit, and so long as this is so we may expect to have the jail full of gentlemen of elegant leisure, boarding at the expense of the taxpayers. There should be a remedy for this evil.

He Took Water Though Not in Favor of It.

Yesterday the owner of one of our brick blocks, who was violently opposed to the introduction of waterworks, was arguing with his tenant on this subject. The tenant was in favor of the improvement and the landlord, in order to illustrate the impoverished condition of the community, said: "Here I've got a fine building, costing between seven and eight thousand dollars. If I went to a capitalist for a loan on it, he would in the present condition of our affairs say: 'The security is not worth more than \$3,500 and I can't let you have more than \$1,000 on it, and he would be right. It ain't worth more than that.' To which the tenant, who is a bright business man, replied: 'Is that the value you put on this property? If so, make out a deed to me right now and I will give you a check for the money.'

Discouraged Democrats.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—The Montana democrats who came here thinking that by hook or crook they might have seats given them in the senate, are a weary looking pair. The pride of W. A. Clark is broken. He claims the democratic senators have shown no concern in the Montana case proportionate to its importance, and for the almost frigid deportment of senators mainly relied upon to fight the democratic cattle he blames the interference of the Helena banker, Mr. Hauser. Major Maginnis is also very bitter in denunciation of Hauser, charging him with blasting his political hopes, first for governor, then for congress and now for senator. A more dejected man than Maginnis is nowhere seen in Washington. To a gentleman who talked with him at the Arlington this morning the Major said:

"The most unfortunate phase of the situation is this: The Montana senatorships are long terms, four and six years. These senatorships are the same as already disposed of to the republicans, the republican senate have as much as decided to seat Sanders and power. With the senator and congressman republican, and with the state and local officers and judiciary largely the same way, the outlook in Montana for the next few years is discouraging to the democrats."

Major Maginnis did not mean to make a political confession nor confession, but in the bitterness of his despair he did say these things, which indicate how little hope he has in future democratic ascendancy. The fact of the matter is that all of the northwestern states, clear to the Pacific, are naturally republicans, and should be. The new states of Idaho and Wyoming will soon add their quota to the republican side of the electoral college, so that hereafter there is no likelihood that the democrats will have control over national affairs.