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THE COMMON COUNCIL.

A Vacancy Declared and an Election Ordered for July 31. An Increase in the Water Supply.

Pursuant to ordinance the mayor and common council of the Town of Flagstaff (incorporated), met in Town Hall, Monday, July 14, 1902, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Present: Mayor Pollock; Councilmen Vail, Blake and Pulliam; L. W. Quinlan, clerk.

The minutes of June 9, 1902, were read and approved.

Blake reported unfavorable on petition to put the west half of Block 95 in the district with Block 96. It was moved by Pulliam that the request of the petitioners be granted, and that the west half of Block 95 be made a part of the district with Block 96. The vote on the motion was a tie—Pollock and Blake nays, Vail and Pulliam ayes.

A proposition by the Arizona & Timber Co., under date of June 25, 1902, to put in a substantial pipe line from the present head works of the water works system to the Flagstaff and Snowslide springs at their expense; they to receive all or such portions of the flow from these springs as they may require until such a time as they shall have had returned to them the full amount of such expense in water furnished at present contract price of 12½ cents per thousand gallons; providing, further, that the full amount of such expense shall be returned them within three years from June 25, 1902, and after full amount of expense has been returned the entire pipe line improvements shall become the property of the town of Flagstaff. This company also agrees to pay the town, in cash, such portions of water rentals of these springs as may be necessary to enable the town to keep up interest on the water works bonds.

Moved by Pulliam that the town of Flagstaff accept the foregoing proposition of the Arizona Lumber & Timber Co., and that the mayor be empowered to sign articles of agreement to this effect. Motion carried, all voting (4) ayes.

The following bills were read, approved and ordered paid:

A. L. & T. Co., lumber, 6-14.....	\$ 7 16
Bruner & Vishno, line labor	5 50
S. Bruner, labor	2 00
Babbitt Bros., supplies.....	10 20
H. Heller, repairs and tools.....	3 00
Western Union Co., fire telegrams	2 67
W. H. Timerhoff, medicines jail	90
Babbitt Bros., supplies.....	2 55
W. H. Brundage, fire hose nozzle	6 00
Mutual Phone Co, June rent....	1 50
C. M. Funston, quarterly printing	30 00
C. A. Green, street work	60 25

The quarterly reports of L. W. Quinlan as town treasurer and W. C. Bayless as tax collector, to June 30, 1902, were read, approved and accepted.

Motion by Pulliam that the mayor appoint a committee of two to confer with an attorney of their selection to draft an ordinance calling for a special election to fill vacancy in council caused by the removal of S. Millsap from town. Motion carried, all voting aye. Councilmen Pulliam and Blake appointed as such committee.

On motion the meeting was ad-

journal until Friday, July 18, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Approved: T. E. POLLOCK, Mayor.

Attest: L. W. QUINLAN, Clerk.

Pursuant to adjournment the mayor and common council of the incorporated town of Flagstaff met in town hall Friday, July 18, 1902, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Present, Mayor Pollock, Councilmen Blake, Pulliam and Vail, Clerk Quinlan.

Councilmen Blake and Pulliam presented the following resolution as a report on the removal of Councilman S. Millsap:

Be it resolved by the mayor and common council of the town of Flagstaff, that whereas S. Millsap, a member of the common council of the town of Flagstaff, did, on or about the thirteenth day of May, 1902, remove from the town of Flagstaff and territory of Arizona, with his family, with the intention of permanently abandoning his residence in said town and territory, and sold all his real property therein, and either removed therefrom or sold all his household effects and personal property of every description, and whereas his present whereabouts is unknown, there be and is a vacancy thereby created in the common council of the town of Flagstaff, and that the mayor and clerk be and are hereby directed to call a special election as provided by law for the purpose of filling said vacancy.

On motion, which carried, the foregoing resolution was adopted and the committee discharged.

Councilman Pulliam presented the following form, "Notice of Election," and on motion, which carried unanimously, the clerk was ordered to have the same posted in three public places and published in the COCONINO SUN:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter IX, Title XI, Section 563, of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, an election (special) will be held by the qualified electors of the town of Flagstaff (incorporated) on the thirty-first day of July, A. D. 1902.

Said election will be held at the town hall, in the said town of Flagstaff, and the election polls will be open from eight o'clock in the morning until six o'clock in the evening of said day.

At such election the following officer of said town of Flagstaff will be voted for, viz.:

One (1) member of the common council.

No person shall be eligible as a councilman who shall not, at the time of his election, have attained the age of twenty-one years; who shall not be a qualified elector of the town of Flagstaff; who shall not be a freeholder, residing within the town at the time of his election, and have resided therein for one whole year next preceding. The qualifications required by law of persons voting at such elections are as follows: "No person shall be entitled to vote at any election in any such town who is not entitled to vote at elections of county officers, and who shall not also have resided for six (6) months continuously preceding such election, in any such town."

Done by the mayor and common

council of the town of Flagstaff this eighteenth day of July, A. D. 1902.

T. E. POLLOCK, Mayor of the Town of Flagstaff.

Attest: L. W. QUINLAN, Town Clerk.

The following electors were appointed as judges, clerks and marshal of elections for the special election to be held July 31st, 1902:

Judges—H. C. Hibben, Bain Black and L. W. Quinlan.

Clerks—O. F. Orthel, J. G. Verkamp, A. E. Douglass and J. S. Amundsen.

Marshal—W. C. Bayless.

No further business coming before the council the meeting was adjourned.

Approved: T. E. POLLOCK, Mayor.

Attest: L. W. QUINLAN, Clerk.

A STATEHOOD HEARING.

The Sub-Committee of the Senate Committee on Territories to Meet at Los Angeles.

A meeting of the statehood committee was held yesterday afternoon at the board of trade rooms. It was called out by a letter from Colonel Epes Randolph of Los Angeles, who has taken a great deal of interest in the statehood movement for this territory. Colonel Randolph had seen Senator Bard of California, who told him that he would call a meeting of the sub-committee of the senate committee on territories at Los Angeles some time during the summer. He could not say when the meeting would be held, but that all the members of the committee would be at Los Angeles before long. Senator Beveridge, the chairman of the committee, is there now. Other senators who are coming are Senator Fairbanks of Indiana and Senator Quarles of Wisconsin. Colonel Randolph said he would keep the members of the statehood committee informed regarding the meeting.

The letter contained a clipping from the Los Angeles Herald of an interview with Senator Bard on the subject of the admission of Arizona. In the interview Senator Bard also spoke of the meeting of the sub-committee, when he said that arguments in favor of the admission of the territory would be heard. Regarding his own course in the committee during the last session, he said that he had not been opposed to statehood for Arizona, though he had opposed the taking up of the statehood bill at that time for the reason that there were so many other matters of greater national importance then before congress.

He intimated in the interview that the statehood bill would be taken up on December 3, the day on which the session will convene, and that it would be reported for final action by December 10, the time agreed upon with Senator Quay as a condition that he would not press his motion to discharge the committee from a further consideration of the bill.

The statehood committee will send representatives to Los Angeles at the time of the meeting of the sub-committee.—Phoenix Republican.

The buildings are ready for the Benson smelter, which is to be built by the Empire Smelting Company. The original plan was for a 50-ton plant, but this has been changed to one of 100 tons.

A NAVAJO TRADITION.

How the Navajo Came to Make His Home in Arizona—Plays for a Stake with the Great Spirit.

The Navajo Indian has been an inhabitant of Arizona for many years, but judging from their many old traditions and stories carried down for generations it seems they came originally from the country farther to the north.

Their presence in Arizona they explain by a quaint and comical story, but nevertheless believed in thoroughly by the old representatives of the tribe. It is told by the aged wisacres and runs as follows:

Long, long ago the first Navajo, as well as the first Apache, who the Navajo claims is a renegade branch of his tribe, awoke to find themselves together in a deep hole in the channels of the earth. They of course resolved at once to leave such an uninviting place as this, but it was only after much work and strenuous and continued efforts to reach the surface and freedom that the Apache, with the much-needed help of the Navajo, accomplished the feat. Now when the Apache had gained his freedom and viewed the excellent prospects of life before him, his heart became filled with shameful greed, and knowing that should he aid his faithful companion and thus free him he would be under the circumstances compelled to share the rich land, he treacherously turned about and rolled a large stone over the hole and thus imprisoned the Navajo. The Navajo, undaunted and not to be outdone, went to work with renewed vigor and resolute determination, and only after having experienced many hardships and privations and repeated failures did he at last succeed in getting out of this awful dungeon. Now, to his consternation and astonishment he found himself in a land already thickly inhabited by the Apache, who had since greatly multiplied in number and grown powerful. Instead of a waiting paradise, as he expected he would find, he was politely requested to move on. In his predicament he goes before the Great Spirit and pleads for a place where he might make his home and call his own land.

The Great Spirit in looking over his list of available tracts of land found nothing that he cared to deed gratis, but to humor the Navajo, as well as to appease and hush him agreed to decide the matter by a game of chance with him. Playing cards were chosen. Our poor Indian, of course, was entirely ignorant of their use and had no knowledge whatever of the proper procedure in the game. The Great Spirit knew this and was continually winning the stakes until he finally became so confident of success as to offer to stake the great land Arizona against his playfellow's soul.

The Navajo, now growing desperate, accepted the offer, more to prove he was not a coward than that he had any expectation of winning. He by this time was learning some of the principles of the game and was ready to take advantage of every opportunity. He thus succeeded in making several brilliant and telling plays, and when it came to counting up points to the surprise of all the Navajo had won. Thus became

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