

NINE MORE STARS IN SIGHT.

The Council Declares in Favor of More Policemen.

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Work of the Council Yesterday—The Occupation License to be Repealed—Street Superintendent's Report.

Some very important business was transacted by the city council yesterday at whose session all members were present except Dr. Campbell and President Teed.

The council paved the way for the appointment of additional policemen for the suburbans residents of the city. Nine more policemen will be appointed to serve six months.

The requisition from the chief of police for the printing of the saloon regulations was referred back to the supply committee, which means virtually that the former street regulations will be another week at least.

Other important matters were transacted as follows: SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORT.

The committee appointed to investigate the street superintendent's office reported as follows:

We, your special committee appointed to investigate the office of the street superintendent, and authorized to employ an expert to make up shortage shown by the books and other means at his command find that the total shortage is \$1578.73, which we recommend the street superintendent be directed to pay into the city treasury at once.

WANTS ANOTHER CLERK. Street Superintendent Watson asked that he be allowed to employ an additional clerk in his office. He said he had the books well straightened out and in order to keep them so it will require another man. The business of the office is such that it is not possible to attend to it in a proper manner. Referred to special committee investigating the office.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT. On report of the clerk ordinance was passed to pave intersection of Figueroa and Washington streets. Action on the ordinance for grading and curbing of Burlington avenue, from Ocean View avenue to Union avenue, was postponed.

FREE LABOR BUREAU REPORT. The manager of the free labor bureau reported showing that 105 applications had been received during the month of September and that 74 positions had been made application to the bureau. Filed.

SEWER COMMITTEE'S REPORT. The sewer committee to whom was referred the communication from Mr. Henry, complaining of the incidental expenses for the construction of the sewer on Crescent avenue, reported, showing that the total length of the sewer is between 600 and 700 feet and that the total expense of the sewer is a little over \$800. The committee also find that the incidental expenses are \$107.77. Engineer's fees, \$35.55; printing, \$10.42; inspector's fees, \$94.50. We are of the opinion that the above expenses are higher than they should be, especially the \$84.50 for inspector's fees.

We find that the street superintendent is allowing \$3 per day for inspectors, which is contrary to a resolution passed by a former council and complied with by the former street superintendent, and we would recommend that the street superintendent be requested to establish a rule that inspectors will not be furnished on the construction of sewers except when it is absolutely necessary.

We would also recommend that the street superintendent notify the contractors that while constructing sewers, that when they had ready 100 feet of pipe that they notify his office so that he can furnish an inspector during the laying out of the pipe.

We are of the opinion that it is not necessary to compel the property owners to pay for an inspector during the progress of excavating. Adopted.

HAD TO EXPLAIN. Street Superintendent Watson was called in to explain why he had paid inspectors \$3 a day when an ordinance was in existence fixing \$2.50 as the salary. He said that the general street law gave him power to employ inspectors and fix their salary if not over \$4 a day.

The report of the sewer committee was adopted, while the reference to the salary question was referred to the city attorney.

MAY LAY SIDEWALKS. After considerable discussion on the subject, Mr. Rhodes moved that the street superintendent be directed to issue permits to any person to lay sidewalks up to the time of the passage of the ordinance of intention.

Mr. Pepper, a property owner, spoke in behalf of the property owners, favoring the motion, saying that permits should only be denied to people doing poor work.

The street superintendent had failed to issue permits for a week or two upon the understanding that this was the intention of the council. The intention of the council was to refuse permits to only contractors doing poor work.

Mr. Rhodes' motion was adopted.

WHAT TROUBLESOME REQUISITION. The supply committee reported approving numerous requisitions, many of which were objected to by Councilman Coffey and Strohm.

The requisition for the printing of the saloon regulations as ordered by the council was objected to by Councilman Coffey and Strohm.

Mr. Innes of this committee objected strenuously to this mode of procedure, the matter had just left the committee's hands. But he had not even a chance to make a motion, so it was referred.

This means that the saloon regulations cannot be enforced for another week, unless some liberal hearted police commissioner taps his own pocket for the amount of the printing.

WANT A POLICEMAN. A petition was read from residents in Boyle Heights asking that the council appoint a night patrolman for Boyle avenue and vicinity, in Boyle Heights. The petition, which was referred, contained the following:

These are perilous times, full of dan-

ger, and we are peculiarly situated, advantageously so for robbery and burglary, and it may be to the loss of life and destruction of property. For many months in the past we have employed a watchman at our own expense, but we do not feel as secure as we would with the regular police. We are heavy taxpayers, and feel that we are entitled to at least one of the regular force.

A communication was received from the fire commission notified the council that all the fire hose in possession of the department is required for its use. This had reference to the request of the street superintendent for 300 feet of hose to be secured from the fire department.

A communication was received from the fire commission recommending the acceptance of the engine house of J. Barringer for October 1st, if the lease be satisfactory. Filed.

The lease was finally accepted.

PARK COMMISSION. A communication was received from the park commission calling attention to the condition of the Chavez ravine road, leading into Elysian park, and asking that the council investigate the titles of those who claim to own the brick yards which obstruct the road. Referred to the city attorney.

A communication was received from the park commission recommending that the salary of the superintendent of parks be raised to \$150 a month. The communication stated that superintendents in other cities receive from \$200 to \$300 a month. Referred to the committee of the whole.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT. The report of the city attorney was read as follows:

I have prepared and herewith present an ordinance allowing the tax collector additional assistants for the month of October, as directed. Adopted.

In the matter of the communications of H. Merz and others and from C. Vonderkublen in regard to the matter of widening of First street, I recommended that said communications be filed. I have prepared and herewith present an ordinance for the widening of said street in accordance with your directions. Referred to the board of public works.

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