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JERSEY STREET

BIDS THROWN OUT.

Price Of Material Has Increased Since Engineer's Estimates—Prices Above Estimates.

At the regular meeting of the city council Monday evening all members were present—and Mayor King presided. Attorney Greene acted as recorder pro tem—in the absence of the deputy. The records of several meetings were read and approved.

Water and light committee (Lindquist) reported that a new arc was promised for Polk street—and that work on all the lights was being pushed as fast as possible.

The matter of the bids on Pittsburg, Salem and Crawford streets was then considered. Mr. Leggett announced that he had found the bids of I. N. Tomlinson were lower than those of Bechel Brothers—but the bid being received twenty minutes after the limit of time was brought in bore weight. Mr. Bechel then explained that he had made known to Tomlinson the figures he (Bechel) had put in; but he had not done so till it was too late for Tomlinson to file a bid. He had always understood that a bid filed after the required limit of time could not be considered by the council—and he believed that the present course would establish a precedent for the city.

Mr. Leggett, when he learned of the way in which matters had been conducted, was anxious to throw out the Tomlinson bid. Mr. Shields favored throwing out both bids because neither of them came within the engineer's estimates. It was finally decided that as none of the bids came within the estimates made by the engineer they should be thrown out, and await further action of the council.

There is a sort of an unwritten law that a margin of ten per cent on any estimate should be allowed by a city in figuring upon the estimates of an engineer. This is to allow for any sudden increase in the price of labor or material. It was decided, however, that from a legal point of view a contract awarded at a higher price than had been advertised would throw the city liable for the excess. Hence the work will have to be commenced once more.

To Bechel Brothers was awarded the contract for the Philadelphia street sewer. Their bid was \$4275.10—and was the only offer made. This firm guaranteed, if given the job, to employ no Chinese labor—and the proposition was well received.

Ordinance 78, concerning a right of way for the O. R. & N. railway, was then considered. There was some discussion over the matter. O. R. Downs desired to know if the city was not giving away something it needed in its business, and others thought that a sidetrack lengthened from 550 feet to 2100 feet meant more than it really did. Mr. Brice moved (Mr. Shields seconding) that the matter be tabled—but the motion was lost by a vote of four to three. The ordinance was put upon its final passage, and became a measure.

The matter of the application of E. O. Magoon for a permit to conduct a saloon was discussed. In view of the fact that the building wherein the saloon was to have been run had been destroyed by fire there seemed to be no way in which to take action. The license ordinance clearly states that an application must state "where the proposed business is to be conducted" and as there is no building at the spot designated in the application there could be no consideration of the matter.

Mr. Brice was upon his feet along about this time to ask about the legality of the celebrated ordinance number 11. He believed that it was a legal document—notwithstanding the apparent defects in its appearance.

There was a little excitement at this point—and some tempers came near breaking their hobbles and scampering over the lawn of oratory. Mr. Brice wanted to know why ordinance 11 was picked out as being void when there were other ordinances in the same fix and nothing was said about them.

Mr. Greene replied that he had some time previous prepared some ordinances to take the place of those ordinances (at the request of the council) and some of them had been acted upon. Ordinance 11 had not been selected for any reason farther than that it had been in di-

BETTER SERVICE.

Main Issue Presented By Campaign Is Better Water Service And More Complete Fire Protection.

Every nominee on the Citizen's ticket is anxious that the water service of St. Johns be improved—and since the fire of a week ago there seems to be a crying need of such a course. There has been an interview with practically every member on the ticket—and each one is anxious to have such made better—and to have it made in a way that will meet the approval of the entire citizenship.

The mass convention was not one for speech-making or fireworks of any sort. It was a business gathering and the hundred people present seemed to take it for granted that the ticket there nominated would be composed of those who had the city's prosperity at heart. Nor were they doomed to be disappointed; for there seems to be nothing in the way of the desired end. Each and every nominee upon that ticket stands for Good Streets—Good Sidewalks—Good Car Service—Good Light Service—Good Fire Protection—No Perpetual Franchises—Improved Water Service—No Corporation Monopolies—Public Ownership of Utilities—Just and Impartial Administration—and

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The REVIEW is placed in a somewhat difficult position in the present campaign—because one of the nominees is upon the staff of this paper; and whatever this paper might say regarding the ticket as a whole may be construed to mean a bit of self-praise. However, in spite of this, THE REVIEW will be obliged to assert that to all appearances the ticket nominated at the mass meeting seems to be composed of those who hold the interests of the city at heart—and it is the current belief that if the mayor and councilmen placed in nomination at that meeting shall be elected the city will be placed upon a firm and solid business basis.

It has rumored—and even more, it has been declared as a fact—that the Citizen's ticket is composed of those pledged to every corporation interest that can be suggested. It has been stated as a fact that the men upon it were cringing tools of the railway, the water company, the electric company, the phone company, and every corporation that at present owned, or desired to secure, any business interests in the city. To some who are not acquainted with the men nominated these tales might be given credence; but to those who are acquainted with the men nominated for mayor and councilmen such misrepresenting declarations would need no rebuttal.

The men nominated for these positions are careful business men whose interests lie with those of the mass of people. They are not biased against improvement—nor prejudiced for contributions to any monopoly. THE REVIEW believes that the election of this ticket will be a good thing for the city in every way; there being no indications of any desire for graft or blocking of progress.

It lies with the voters of this city whether the Citizen's ticket shall give the electing vote or suffer defeat. It is just but to the nominees, selected in mass convention as they were, to have the majority vote; because there can be no real reason for believing that their administration will be other than the best that lies in their power.

Blundered In Date.

Last week THE REVIEW stated that the entertainment to be given by the Aid Society of the Methodist church was to be held on Monday, April 26. This was an error which cannot be accounted for as other announcements gave the date as Friday, April 23.

Our readers should bear in mind that the entertainment is to be pulled off this (Friday) evening at Bickner hall. There is to be an extensive program—and it promises to be one that will fill the audience with pleasure. The price of admission is not high—and the public is earnestly urged to be present and help fill the hall; thus aiding the Aid Society.

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To Present Case.

Messrs. W. H. King, M. L. Holbrook, Willis Moxon, T. J. Monahan and W. L. Thorndyke were before Judge Webster Monday morning to present arguments regarding an upper deck on the new Northern Pacific bridge across the Willamette. It is believed their mission was successful.

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rect controversy. He had possessed no special reason farther than that. (Note.—At a previous meeting of the council Attorney Greene had stated that the enactment of any ordinance conflicting with any previously enacted document invalidated the first created ordinance whether the later ordinance contained a revocation or not.)

E. O. Magoon asked permission to erect a one-story building on the site of the one destroyed, made of frame, corrugated iron exterior, and made practically fire proof. Referred to the proper committee.

The matter of Richardson's gas franchise was considered. The committee reported adversely upon granting the franchise—and there was a bit of heated argument over the matter. The matter was finally tabled upon motion of Mr. Leggett.

Permission was granted M. F. Loy to lay a spur from the street railway to the brickyard—provided that no objections were filed and the right to order the same removed at any time remained vested in the council. The demand for the track was made by reason that a company was about to commence the manufacture of faced brick at the yards and the need of some method of easy shipping was apparent.

Adjourned to Wednesday evening, March 21.



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