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INMAN & POULSEN ATTEMPT TO HAVE CONTRACT ON EAST SIXTH STREET CANCELED BY THE CITY COUNCIL—EAST SIDERS INDIGNANT.

Underhand efforts to cancel the contract for the East Sixth street fill between Sherman and Division streets were blocked in the council yesterday by Councilman Kellaher, who detected the ordinance as it was about to go through on final passage under a suspension of the rules.

Inasmuch as there is already a resolution pending before the street committee regarding the improvement, yesterday's action seems to be a great surprise to most of the councilmen and had it not been for Councilman Kellaher's vigilance the city might have been involved in costly litigation at the hands of residents on the east side who are up in arms at the efforts of Inman-Poulsen & Co. to thwart the improvement.

Sixth street was ordered improved from Washington street to Howarth. The work was let in various contracts by the part from Sherman to Division was awarded to the Pacific Bridge company at a cost of \$12,500, for which a \$100,000 bond was given by the city and the work started.

Regular Notice Given. Investigation disclosed the fact that Inman & Poulsen own all the fronting property on East Sixth street, and that only \$5,000, or more than one third less than the cost of the improvement. The contract was let December 7, 1906, after proper and regular notice had been made. The work was to have been completed May 12, 1907, but an extension was granted until February 1, 1908.

All the other improvement work was carried out on Sixth street and completed with the exception of a small portion south of Division street and that portion awarded to the Pacific Bridge company.

No protest was entered against the improvement by Inman & Poulsen and all went well until Mayor Lane discovered that the mill owners were occupying certain city streets and property with mill buildings. Mayor Lane served notice on Inman & Poulsen that they should vacate the city for the property or vacate it. No reply was forthcoming until one day Mr. Inman and Mr. Poulsen appeared before the council and invited him to take an automobile ride. They wanted to show him some property which they owned on East Sixth street in exchange for the city property they had usurped.

Mayor Falls Into Trap. Unsuspectingly, Mayor Lane took the ride, viewed the property and thought that the mill owners had been deceived by the property offered by Inman & Poulsen. He was told that the improvement assessment of \$100,000 was not to be paid until the mill owners had paid the city property.

The mill owners declared he knew nothing of the improvement and learning about the assessment to pay for it—he would not pay for it, but he would pay for the property rather than he would pay for the improvement.

That policy, however, Councilman Wallace introduced a resolution to cancel the improvement, December 26, 1907, which was referred to the street committee where it now remains. It was thought no further action would be taken until the resolution was passed upon.

Lawyer George Shepherd, representing the committee, has been about the city hall yesterday investigating the records in the case, and Councilman Kellaher kept his weather eye open for the ordinance came up introduced by Councilman Willis, repealing the ordinance awarding the contract to the Pacific Bridge company, and revoking the improvement.

The matter was finally referred to the committee on January 7, and Councilmen, Councilman Kellaher, Councilman Cottle, Vaughn and Condon to his side.

The need of the improvement is great and inasmuch as the rest of Sixth street is being improved the property owners on the east side are entitled to have it made a continuous improvement. They cite the previous action of the council in compelling W. M. Ladd to make the same improvement which the council seems so willing to let Inman-Poulsen avoid and say they will carry the matter into the courts before they allow the city to stop the improvement.

The east side says they paid for the improvement of Grand avenue and other streets in the same manner which Inman & Poulsen have never done and that they are entitled to such work. When Mr. Poulsen stated that his firm had paid \$1,500 toward the improvement of the bridge across the gulch at Grand avenue, the information came as news to the east side. They refer to the fact that the firm boasted before the railroad commission of having netted \$11,000 in five years and of being able to pay advanced freight rates, and refer to the fact that the millers refuse to spend \$21,610 in improving a street which they have probably made more than any other individual and that after confiscating city property and devoting it to personal uses for many years.

Belgium is the land of low wages. In that the minimum pay an hour for printers, booters, glaziers, painters and bootmakers is seven cents—70 cents for a day or 10 hours—and of blacksmiths, locksmiths, masons, plumbers and electricians, 80 cents.

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