

BURNS TO THE FRONT.

Have Electric Lights and Water Works.

Well-known Business Firms Granted a Franchise by the City Council for a Period of 50 Years—Work Must be Commenced Within a Certain Time

We have known for some time that there was a movement on foot to put in electric lights and water works, but as we could not find anything definite on the matter we have never made mention of it.

At the last meeting of the town council, I. S. Geer & Co. and N. Brown & Sons made application for a franchise and in consequence thereof an ordinance was passed granting them certain privileges. The firm will be known as the Burns Electric Light and Water Company, and they will put in the plant as soon as proper arrangements can be made and the movement meets with enough encouragement from the public.

The following ordinance was passed:

ORDINANCE NO. 114.

Granting to I. S. Geer, Eunice Thompson, N. Brown, L. M. Brown, and Ben Brown, a co-partnership, doing business under the firm name and title of "The Burns Electric Light and Water Company," certain rights and privileges herein specified.

Be it ordained by the Town of Burns: Whereas the said I. S. Geer, Eunice Thompson, N. Brown, L. M. Brown and Ben Brown, a co-partnership doing business under the firm name and title of "The Burns Electric Light and Water Company" have made application to the City Council of the Town of Burns, for a franchise to construct water works and erect an electric light plant, for the purpose of supplying the town of Burns with water and light; and to maintain and operate said works under the conditions, and for the period hereinafter specified.

The City Council of the Town of Burns, Harney county, State of Oregon, ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. The right and privilege is hereby granted to I. S. Geer, Eunice Thompson, N. Brown, L. M. Brown and Ben Brown, a co-partnership doing business under the firm name and title of "The Burns Electric Light and Water Company," to construct, erect, lay down, maintain and operate, within the corporate limits of the Town of Burns, as the same now exists, or within any addition that may hereafter be annexed thereto, including all the streets, alleys, avenues and thoroughfares thereof, underground conduits, with the necessary man-holes, poles, and other appliances and wires, or other conductors for transmission of electricity, and water; such wires or other conductors may be laid in pipes or conduits, or otherwise protected, and such other apparatus and appliances may be used as may be necessary, or proper to maintain or operate the same.

And in consideration of said franchise or privilege, the said grantee's agree to furnish to the

said Town of Burns, water for fire purposes, and two electric lights for each block on the Main street of the said Town of Burns.

SECTION 2. It shall be lawful for the said grantee's, their representatives or assigns to make all needful excavations, and openings in any of the streets, alleys, avenues and thoroughfares in the said Town of Burns, into which they may desire to place such pipes, or conduits for the purpose of laying down, maintaining and operating such wires, or other conductors for the purposes aforesaid.

All work hereunder shall be performed in as expeditious a manner as possible, after commencement, and the streets shall be restored to as good condition as they were prior to such excavations.

SECTION 3. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed as in any wise to prevent the proper authorities of the Town of Burns, from sewerage, grading, planking, paving, repairing, or altering, any of the streets thereof, but all such work shall be done so as not to obstruct, or injure, or prevent the free use of said wires, conductors pipes, conduits, or other appliances or apparatus.

SECTION 4. The construction of the conduits, or pipes and the laying of wires, or erection of poles, for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, shall be commenced within Four (4) years from the date of the passage of this ordinance; and the supplying of the water and the electric lights for the use of the said Town of Burns, as hereinbefore specified, shall not be required to be done until the expiration of at least one year from the termination of the said four (4) years.

SECTION 5. Should the said grantee's fail to construct, maintain, and operate an Electric Light Plant, as before mentioned, but comply with the conditions of furnishing said Town with water for fire purposes, as hereinbefore specified, then said franchise shall not be annulled, or abrogated so far as it relates to said water supply.

And should the said grantee's fail to construct, maintain, and operate water works as aforesaid, but comply with the requirements as to Electric Lights, then said franchise shall not be annulled, or abrogated, as to that portion that relates to Electric Lights.

SECTION 6. That the said grantee's shall have the privilege and right to sell to any individual, company, or corporation, doing business, or residing within the limits of the said Town of Burns, any amount or quantity of water or light, at any price that may be agreed on between the parties to such contract.

SECTION 7. Should the said grantee's fail or neglect to perform any, or all of the covenants before mentioned, such failure shall not be construed to give the said Town of Burns, any cause of action for breach of contract, or otherwise, against said grantee's.

SECTION 8. The rights, privileges, and franchise hereby granted shall continue to be in full force, for the period of Fifty (50) years from and including the passage of this ordinance.

SECTION 9. This Ordinance shall take effect after its passage. Approved Jan. 27th, '17.

Attest CAL GEER, Mayor. D. JAMESON, Recorder.

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"Say Jim I have on an average about one thousand dollars yearly in script, which I have to dispose of at a loss of two hundred dollars. Two hundred dollars, for a poor man is quite an income, if I could deposit that amount annually for ten years I would have a respectable 'nest egg' for business or my family."

"I tell you how it is, my friend, the forming of such a combination, as spoken of by 'Citizen,' works a great hardship on the people of this county and is only another proof of the adage 'the weaker must go to the wall' King Selfishness rules supreme, and is at the bottom of everything evil, wicked, cruel and uncivilized. It is the residue, of the barbaric ages, still clinging to our natures, some are more greatly tainted than the rest of mankind many have almost entirely eradicated this base alloy from their natures, but are compelled many times to exercise it for self protection. If there was no selfishness in the make-up of man, there would be no call for law, because every individual would govern himself."

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