

CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

MANY MATTERS DISPOSED OF ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

Mr. J. L. Alnutt granted franchise for street railway and gas plant on condition that requisite bonds be furnished.—Other franchise treated.

City Council held a regular meeting at 8 o'clock p. m. Wednesday.

Present—Mayor W. B. Boyle, Aldermen H. D. Barnett, J. H. Chandler, F. P. Finn, R. F. Haynsworth, H. C. Haynsworth, E. H. Rhame, R. K. Wilder and R. L. Wright.

Minutes of the 14th and 20th instant were read and approved.

Mr. J. L. Alnutt came to renew his request for a street railway and electric light franchise under separate ordinances, stating that both enterprises would be operated by the same people, but as two different corporations. He expressed his readiness to comply with all reasonable requirements.

Mr. W. H. Ingram was present and said that in the face of present financial conditions he could see no hope of the early construction of the railway under the franchise granted to him a year ago. He would, therefore, offer no objection to granting Mr. Alnutt's petition, though should Mr. Alnutt and his friends fail to comply with requirements of council, he would apply for a renewal of his franchise with a larger bond for performance. Mr. Ingram requested that council would not extend the bond for one hundred dollars, which he and his associates had given; as he supposed the desire of council was to secure a street railway, not to punish those who have tried and failed to build one.

Mr. Alnutt said that he would furnish a surety bond, and would let contract for rails in 60 days from acceptance of the franchise.

Mr. R. F. Haynsworth offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, that it is the sense of council that the franchise asked for by Mr. Alnutt shall be granted on terms and conditions similar to those contained in franchise heretofore granted to W. H. Ingram and associates: Provided bonds of two thousand dollars on the street railway franchise and one thousand dollars on the electric light or gas franchise be given by the grantee for faithful performance, with sureties acceptable to council."

Mr. Alnutt objected to the amount of the bonds named by council and could not see why they should be greater than had been required of other applicants.

Messrs. Wright and Finn moved a reconsideration of Mr. R. F. Haynsworth's resolution. Their motion prevailed. Mr. Finn moved that the two bonds be made one thousand dollars each. Mr. H. C. Haynsworth objected as a substitute to Mr. Finn's motion, that the bonds be fifteen hundred dollars on the railway franchise and one thousand dollars on the gas plant franchise. Both of these resolutions were defeated and the resolution was adopted fixing the bonds at two thousand and one thousand dollars as originally done by Mr. R. F. Haynsworth's resolution.

Dr. A. China requested the privilege of making certain improvements at the Hotel Sumter, which would add to the comfort and convenience of the traveling public and also decrease the fire risk, by moving or tearing down and rebuilding the sample rooms. Council declined to allow any tearing down and rebuilding of wooden buildings within the fire limits; but consented that the buildings might be rolled to another location where danger from fire would be lessened; and gave permission accordingly.

Mr. S. H. Edmunds appeared before council to ask for an increase of appropriations for the Second Regiment Band. He said that present financial conditions of the band were such that he feared it would disband. This he thought would be a great loss to the city—a greater loss than we can appreciate. It is the people's band. What will council as representatives of the people do with their band? Mr. Edmunds was not prepared to name any definite sum, and on motion of Mr. Haynsworth (R. F.) the mayor was requested to appoint a committee to confer with the band. The mayor appointed Messrs. R. F. Haynsworth, H. D. Barnett, R. L. Wright and H. C. Haynsworth.

Mr. A. G. Warren applied for a reduction of license on a "merry-go-round," and Mr. Smith asked to be granted license as horse trader for two weeks at one half the monthly license. Both these requests were refused.

Mr. T. Barksdale, representing the Standard Oil Company, asked for a permit to change the location of the company's plant to a lot at the rear of the Mutual Ice Company's factory on Liberty street, and to erect tanks of greater capacity than they now have. The request was referred to the fire department committee with power to act.

Mr. Garren asked permission to

run a wheel of fortune in his cigar store, for the purpose of disposing of certain Christmas goods which he had bought under the impression that they could be sold in that way without violating any law of the city. He described the modus operandi of his wheel and asserted that it is on the same principle as raffling, and fairer in results to purchases. Mr. H. C. Haynsworth expressed the opinion that the request should be granted, because raffling is permitted and there is no difference in the devices. He then moved that an ordinance be prepared to go into effect January 1st, which will forbid all forms of raffling. Mr. Finn called for a ye and nay vote. The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Yeas, H. C. Haynsworth, R. F. Haynsworth, Rhame, Wilder and Boyle. Nays, Barnett, Chandler, Finn and Wright. Mr. Garren's request was refused.

Mr. Barnett for the finance committee reported approval of all claims referred to them, except bills for bicycle repairs of officers amounting to \$34.29 for October. The committee thought the bicycles were becoming too expensive and some restrictions should be imposed. The bills were ordered paid; and a resolution was adopted appointing Mr. Barnett a committee of one to whom all requests for bicycle repairs should be made hereafter.

Council then took up the question of estreating the bond of Messrs. W. H. Ingram, W. H. Lyles and T. C. Williams for the non-performance of terms of the railway and electric light franchise accepted by them on Nov. 26th, 1906. After due discussion a resolution was unanimously adopted that the bond be estreated.

Mr. L. A. Ryttenberg reminded council of their promise of several months ago to improve the Turkey Creek road, and renewed his offer to donate brick bats and cinders and do part of the hauling free of charge. Same was referred to the committee of public works with power to act.

The committee of public works was granted further time to have a survey of the Edwards lands made, to ascertain cost of terra cotta drain.

Mr. R. F. Haynsworth for the police committee reported that winter uniforms had been ordered.

Mr. Wilder, for the fire department committee, reported that they had conferred with Hose Company No. 3, and that the company would not recede from their intentions heretofore expressed, nor consent to any alteration of conditions on which their apparatus might be continued in service, but will offer their property for sale at \$500, which sum they will contribute towards the erection of a suitable monument to their late chief, Mr. W. S. Graham. Under these conditions, on motion of Mr. Wright, council ordered purchase of the apparatus at the price named.

Mr. Finn, for the Opera House committee, reported that the elevator had been enclosed and the doors repaired. He has an offer to change the heating arrangements which are guaranteed to result in great improvement. Mr. Finn was requested to ascertain cost of the proposed alterations. He was also authorized to have the council chamber provided with picture moulding.

A letter was read from the Greenville Board of Trade asking cooperation of council in obtaining an amendment to the State constitution to assess property owners for a portion of the cost of street improvements. Property owners on each side of the street paying one-third in five years and the city paying one-third. The city to have a lien on property for the freeholders' portion. No improvements to be made except by consent of a majority of the freeholders on the street where the improvement is to be made. Council endorsed the proposition; but suggested that consent of two-thirds of the freeholders should be had before making improvements; and not a mere majority.

The following claims were referred to the finance committee: W. G. Pierson, \$27.75. W. B. Boyle, \$12.84. Sumter Machinery Co., \$45.96. Council then adjourned.

His Life Saved by Dog.

William Doxey, of Middlesboro, is indebted to his fox-terrier Bob for saving him from being burned to death in his home, which was damaged by fire last night. The dog tried to get Mr. Doxey out of bed at 2 a. m. His master was sleepy and shouted at the dog to go away and keep still. Bob, finding the ordinary methods did not avail, returned and sank his teeth in his master's ear, bringing him out of bed with a bound. Doxey chased the dog down stairs, where he found the kitchen in flames.

With the help of two neighbors, Doxey got his family out of the house, and the three men, after a hard fight, subdued the flames and saved the building.

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THE BIG MEET HAS CLOSED.

FAST RACES ENJOYED FOR THREE DAYS.

Over Two Thousand People Saw the Closing Events Thursday Afternoon—Everything Passed Off Satisfactorily.—The Results.

The following were the results of the first day's races:

First race, one mile heat trot or pace, Tribby M. Chestnut, sorrel mare, first, owned by C. B. Moore, Cheraw, S. C.

Alfonso, black horse, second, owned by J. L. Wilkes, Timmons ville.

Second race, opening scramble, half mile dash, Amelia B., first, owned by T. O. Sanders, Hagood, S. C.

H. L. Frank, second, owned by J. S. Littlewood, Toronto, Canada.

Little Belle, third, owned by D. M. Davis, Sumter, S. C.

Third race, three-quarter-mile dash, Arthur Stillwell, first, owned by J. L. Courtney, Augusta, Ga.

Miss Hines, second, owned by W. L. McPhall, Branchville, S. C.

Princess Bonnie, third, owned by Col. R. C. Richardson, Sumter.

Fourth race, seven-eighths-mile dash, the Widow, first, owned by T. O. Sanders, Hagood, S. C.

Getaway, second, owned by D. M. Davis, Sumter.

Lady Carl, third, owned by Wm. Bultman, Sumter.

Starter Major J. J. Flynn gave satisfaction to all.

Judges B. B. Breeden, of Sumter; Geo. T. Little, Camden, and Hon. A. K. Sanders, Hagood.

The big race meet of the Sumter Turf Association held Thursday afternoon after a most successful run of three days. The attendance has been good and the races were all fast and interesting. The management deserves credit for the success of the meet and for the entertainment furnished the lovers of racing.

It should be said in justice to the management and the officers of the law, that the many games of chance, spoken of in Wednesday's issue, that were reported to have been in operation on Tuesday were all closed after that day and not one could be found at the track on Wednesday or yesterday.

The Second Regiment band furnished delightful music at the races and added much to the pleasure of the occasion.

The following were the results on Wednesday afternoon:

One mile heat, trot or pace, 2:30 class—Patty Nix, first, George T. Little, Camden; Guy, second, J. W. Drake, Bennettsville; Annita, third, Col. C. F. Moore, Cheraw. Time, 2:33.

Second race, one-half mile dash, all ages—Amy Worth, first, W. R. Burgess, Sumter; H. L. Frank, second, J. S. Littlewood, Toronto, Canada; Miss Hynes, third, W. L. McPhall, Branchville. Time 0:49 1-2.

Third race, three-quarter mile dash, all ages—The Widow, first, T. O. Sanders, Hagood; Getaway, second, D. M. Davis, Sumter; Arthur Stillwell, third, J. S. Courtney, Augusta. Time 1:24.

Fourth race, one-half mile dash, all ages—Amelia B., T. O. Sanders, Hagood; Prince Paul, second, Dr. W. D. Wright, Langley; Dairy Maid, third, E. T. Tarrar, Columbia. Time 0:49.

Yesterday afternoon being a holiday, there was the largest attendance at the track of the three days and probably more than 2,000 people witnessed the races. The weather was not very favorable but that did not keep the crowd back for everybody was bent on enjoying the holiday and they went to the races. There was much interest manifested and the races were keenly watched.

The following were the results yesterday:

First race, one mile, trot or pace—Nelle, owned by C. W. Smith of Sumter, first; Patty Nix, owned by Geo. T. Little of Camden, second; Frank Henchel, owned by C. F. King, of Mayesville, third. Time 2:36.

Second race, one-half mile dash—Amy Worth, owned by W. R. Burgess of Sumter, first; H. L. Frank, owned by J. S. Littlewood of Toronto, Canada, second; Prince Paul, owned by Dr. W. D. Wright of Langley, third. Time, 48 2-5.

Third race, three-fourth mile dash—Arthur Stillwell, owned by J. S. Courtney of Alken, first; Miss Hynes, owned by W. L. McPhall, of Branchville, second; Getaway, owned by D. M. Davis, of Sumter, third. Time, 1:20.

Fourth race, five-eighth mile dash—Phry, owned by R. R. Flinn of Indiana, first; Little Bell, owned by D. M. Davis of Sumter, second; Amelia B., owned by T. O. Sanders of Hagood, third. Time, 1:07.

Fifth race, seven-eighth mile dash—The Widow, owned by T. O. Sanders, of Hagood, first; Dairy Maid, owned by E. T. Tarrar, of Columbia, second; Lady Carl, owned by W. Bultman, of Sumter, third. Time, 1:33.

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CAROLINA DEFEATS SUMTER.

STUBBORNLY FOUGHT CONTEST ON GRIDIRON THURSDAY.

Habenicht's Run for Touchdown a Feature—Sumter Team Put Up Fast Game and Gave Visitors All They Were Looking For.

There was a fast and stubbornly contested game of football Thursday morning at the league park. The Sumter team and the Carolina "scrubs" gave a pretty exhibition of the great gridiron game and the rather small crowd of spectators thoroughly enjoyed it.

The halves played were only fifteen minutes each. Guy Gunter refereed and gave general satisfaction. Lee and Phelps were time-keepers and Duffy and Sheppard were line-men.

In the first half the Sumter team showed up well and held the ball in Carolina's territory nearly the whole time. Neither side scored.

In the second half, Habenicht for Carolina caught the ball just under the goal, when Walsh attempted to kick goal from the field, and ran the entire length of the gridiron for a touchdown. Carolina failed to kick goal and the score stood 5 to 0 in the visitors' favor. A few minutes later Carolina scored a safety on Sumter and placed the score 7 to 0. This was all of the scoring done.

The playing of both teams showed careful training, but the Game Cock boys probably put up the stiffest fight. There was no one seriously hurt in the contest. Levy, of Sumter, was knocked out just before the close of the game, but was able to walk off the field.

Altogether, the exhibition was much better than most of the spectators looked for and the game was interesting from start to finish.

CITY AND COUNTY TAXES.

Receipts Heavier for City But Less For County Than During Same Date Last Year.

The payment of taxes in City Clerk and Treasurer Hurt's office has been a little better this year at this time than for the same date last year. Treasurer Hurst has issued to date 177 receipts, while last year up to this date, he had issued only 133. Today was the last day on which taxes could be paid without penalty unless the city council at its next session extends the time.

County Treasurer Lee states that for the first month of his fiscal year, from October 15 to November 15, he received about \$474 less for taxes than for the same month last year.

COLUMBIA CLAIMS RICHARDSON.

However Lucky Twirler is On Sumter's Reserved List for Next Season.

The following will be read with interest here:

"Secretary Gibbes of the Columbia ball club gave out the information Thursday that Pitcher Sam Richardson had been signed by Columbia for 1908.

Sam Richardson is a South Carolina boy and Charleston is his home. In 1906 he was signed by Guy Gunter for the Camden State league team. He pitched fine ball for Camden, leading the pitchers in the State league and it was said at the close of the season that his fine work contributed largely to Camden's winning the pennant.

The past season found him with Guy Gunter at Sumter. He pitched 21 games, won 10 games and lost 11, with a percentage of 476. He batted 208 and fielded 918 in 34 games, playing other positions than his own in 13 games. He again finished with a pennant winning team. As told in The State a few days ago he pitched a few games for Columbia and Charleston toward the close of last season and went on the barnstorming trip with Ed Ransick's bunch of South Atlantic leaguers and pitched good ball in the games played in North Carolina and Virginia.

He is a fine fielding pitcher besides having a good assortment of benders, curves and speed. He should make good in the South Atlantic league under any manager that knows how to handle young pitchers. That's all.—The State.

However, Richardson is on Sumter's reserved list and this was allowed by Secretary Farrell. If Columbia gets him for next season some arrangement would undoubtedly have to be made with the association of this city.

A Real Wonderland.

South Dakota, with its rich silver mines, bonanza farms, wide range and strange natural formations, is a veritable wonderland. At Mount City, in the home of Mrs. E. D. Clapps, a wonderful case of healing has lately occurred. Her son seemed near death with lung and throat trouble. "Exhausting coughing spells occurred every five minutes," writes Mrs. Clapp, "when I began giving Dr. King's New Discovery, the great medicine, that saved his life and completely cured him." Guaranteed for coughs and colds, throat and lung troubles, by Sibert's Drug Store druggist, 50 cent and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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