

REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

MONDAY, March 7, 1910.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, March 7, 1910, at 7:30 o'clock, in regular session, President William H. Johnson in the chair.

Present: The Hon. William H. Johnson, President of the Common Council, and 8 members, viz: Messrs. McCarthy, Copeland, Rubens, Denny, Owen, Stilz, Blumberg and Troy.

Absent, none.

Mr. Denny moved that the reading of the Journal be dispensed with. Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., February 24, 1910.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN: I return herewith with my approval Appropriation Ordinance No. 1, 1910, being "An ordinance fixing the salary of the chauffeur for the automobile assigned to the service of the Department of Public Works, making an appropriation therefor and fixing a time when the same shall take effect," and Appropriation Ordinance No. 2, 1910, being "An ordinance providing for the appropriation of \$511.55 to and for the use of the Department of Public Safety, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect"; and Appropriation Ordinance No. 4, 1910, being "An ordinance appropriating \$30.14 to and for the use of the Finance

Department, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect"; and also Appropriation Ordinance No. 7, 1910, being "An ordinance providing for the appropriation of \$720.00 to and for the use of the Department of Finance, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect."

Very truly yours,

S. L. SHANK,
Mayor.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

From City Controller:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY CONTROLLER.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 7, 1910.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN: I submit herewith a communication from the Board of Public Works requesting an appropriation of \$2,500.00 for plat books for the City Civil Engineer's office and Assessment Bureau, and recommend that the ordinance submitted herewith be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD KIMBALL,
City Controller.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
OFFICE OF THE BOARD.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 4, 1910.

Howard Kimball, City Controller, City:

DEAR SIR: You are hereby requested to recommend to the Common Council the passage of an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$2,500.00 for two complete sets of plat books, one for the office of the City Civil Engineer and the other for the Assessment Bureau.

Respectfully yours,

C. A. SCHRADER,
E. J. O'REILLY,
CHARLES L. HUTCHINSON,
Board of Public Works.

From City Controller:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY CONTROLLER.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 7, 1910.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN: I submit herewith a communication from the Board of Public Works requesting the passage of an ordinance to provide for an

appropriation for the purchase of an automobile to be used in connection with the business of the city, and recommend that the accompanying ordinance providing for the appropriation be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD KIMBALL,
City Controller.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
OFFICE OF THE BOARD.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 4, 1910.

Howard Kimball, City Controller:

DEAR SIR: The Board has received proposals for the purchase of a seven-passenger automobile for use in connection with city business, and desires to accept the proposal of the Gibson Automobile Company for a Premier seven-passenger, 40-horse power, touring car with complete equipment. The price of this car is \$2,875.00, on which they agree to allow us a credit of \$600.00 for the old White Steamer.

We therefore request that you recommend to the Common Council the passage of an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$2,275.00 for the purchase of said automobile.

Respectfully yours,

C. A. SCHRADER,
E. J. O'REILLY,
CHARLES L. HUTCHINSON,
Board of Public Works.

From City Controller:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY CONTROLLER.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 7, 1910.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN: I submit herewith to your honorable body a communication from the Board of Public Works requesting the passage of an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$40,000.00 for additional street lights and to cover shortage in the fund already appropriated for that purpose.

I also submit herewith an ordinance providing for an appropriation of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for the purpose and would recommend its passage.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD KIMBALL,
City Controller.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
OFFICE OF THE BOARD.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., February 4, 1910.

Howard Kimball, City Controller, City:

DEAR SIR: You are respectfully requested to recommend to the Common Council the passage of an ordinance appropriating the sum of

\$40,000.00 for street lights. This appropriation is to cover shortage in the fund at present and to provide for new lights.

Respectfully yours,

C. A. SCHRADER,
CHARLES L. HUTCHINSON,
E. J. O'REILLY,
Board of Public Works.

From City Controller:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY CONTROLLER.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 7, 1910.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith submit communications from the Mayor, Board of Public Safety and the Superintendent of Police asking for an additional appropriation for the Police Force Fund, to be expended in the employment of fifty (50) additional men on the police force, and recommend that the accompanying ordinance providing for the additional appropriation be passed.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD KIMBALL,
City Controller.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., February 7, 1910.

Mr. Howard Kimball, City Controller, City:

MY DEAR SIR: I desire that you recommend to the Common Council the passage of an ordinance appropriating the sum of thirty-eight thousand eight hundred thirty-one dollars and twenty-five cents (\$38,831.25) to be expended in the employment of fifty (50) additional men on the police force.

The Superintendent of Police and myself are of the opinion that the present force is inadequate to meet the needs of a city of 230,000 people.

The police department comes vitally close to any people, and though it be perfectly efficient must increase sufficiently to keep pace with the growth of the city. At the present time the districts are too large and the best police officers in the world would be unable under existing conditions to enforce the law and keep the peace as the people of Indianapolis desire that it should be.

Holding these views and believing that the city will approve this request, I am asking you to make this recommendation. I am,

Very truly yours,

S. L. SHANK,
Mayor.

HEADQUARTERS POLICE DEPARTMENT,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 2, 1910.

To the Honorable Board of Public Safety:

GENTLEMEN: I desire to call your attention to the present condition

of the police force, and give you some facts which justify me in an appeal for better police protection for the citizens of this city.

The police force, as now constituted, is inadequate. It has not been advanced with the great growth of our beautiful city.

The business section of this city has grown rapidly in the last few years, and in the residence section new territory has been annexed as often as the growth of each section demanded, adding enormous territory that must receive police protection, and depleting the force accordingly.

The city of Indianapolis at this time covers probably thirty square miles of territory, which must be patrolled by one hundred and thirty-eight patrolmen; and when you take into consideration the length and breadth of each police district, the wonder is, how can we give the people of this city reasonable protection as compared with the amount of taxes they pay for the proper protection of their lives and property.

Former administrations have added a few men to the police force from time to time, and the police districts have been redistricted to better place the men.

At present, in the heart of the business district, each police beat is four blocks long and three blocks wide, and the other districts get larger as they gradually spread out to the residence section, where they cover a mile, and some districts two miles, in length and breadth.

In several of our neighboring cities the districts in the heart of the business section cover but one square block of territory and the districts on the outskirts are small and well protected.

I will mention the city of Louisville, Kentucky, as an example. That city does not cover as many square miles of territory as Indianapolis, and which has about five hundred policemen, approximately, and eight finely equipped precinct police stations, and whose population is but a few thousand greater than Indianapolis.

We must awaken to the realization that we are woefully deficient in police protection, and I request your honorable Board to take immediate steps to bring this police force up to its proper apportionment.

I therefore recommend that an increase of fifty men be made immediately, and that on each succeeding year of this administration a proportionate number of men be added to the police force; and that ground be bought and buildings erected in different sections of the city for first-class precinct police stations, that we may conform with the methods in vogue in other cities for several years, and for the betterment of the service and the proper protection of our citizens and taxpayers.

Hoping this will receive your immediate consideration, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

MARTIN J. HYLAND,
Superintendent of Police.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY,
OFFICE OF THE BOARD.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 2, 1910.

Mr. Howard Kimball, City Controller, City:

DEAR SIR: At a meeting of the Board of Public Safety held this date it was decided to request you to please ask the Common Council to appropriate to the Police Force Pay-roll Account the sum of thirty-eight thousand eight hundred thirty-one dollars and twenty-five cents (\$38,831.25), to pay the salaries from April 1st of fifty additional men, that has been found to be absolutely necessary to patrol the city as it

should be done; the districts as now existing are entirely too large to be properly patrolled with the force as now constituted.

Respectfully yours,

BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY,
WM. E. DAVIS, *President*.

From Board of Public Works:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
OFFICE OF THE BOARD.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 4, 1910

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN: The Board has this day requested the City Controller to recommend to the Common Council the passage of an ordinance appropriating the sum of \$2,275.00 for the purchase of a Premier seven-passenger, forty-horse power touring car. Bids were received on various makes of seven-passenger cars, and the Board desires to accept the proposal of the Gibson Automobile Company for the Premier car, price of same being \$2,875.00, on which they agree to allow us \$600.00 for the old White Steamer.

Trusting you will give this ordinance favorable consideration, we remain,

Respectfully yours,

C. A. SCHRADER,
E. J. O'REILLY,
Board of Public Works.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Copeland moved that the Finance Committee be given an extension of time to report on ordinances previously referred to that committee. Carried.

From the Committee on Public Service:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 7, 1910.

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

GENTLEMEN: We, your Committee on Public Service, to whom was referred General Ordinance No. 9, 1910, being "An ordinance regulating the trimming, removal, planting and cutting of trees, shrubs, vines, hedges and plants within the limits of public streets, alleys, thoroughfares, lawns and parks; conferring authority over the same upon the Board of Park Commissioners, providing for the issuance of licenses to tree trimmers and the assessment of fines for the violation thereof," beg leave to report

that we have had said ordinance under consideration and would recommend that the same do pass.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN BLUMBERG.
FRED C. OWEN.
JAMES E. TROY.
GEORGE L. DENNY.
GEORGE B. RUBENS.

Mr. Blumberg moved that the report of the committee be concurred in. Carried.

Mr. Stilz asked for an extension of time on ordinances referred to the Committtee on Public Improvements, which was granted by consent.

INTRODUCTION OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

By City Controller:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 8—1910: An ordinance appropriating twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) to and for the use of the Department of Public Works, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated, to and for the use of the Department of Public Works; said sum to be for two complete sets of plat books, one each for the offices of the City Civil Engineer and the Assessment Bureau.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

By City Controller:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 9—1910: An ordinance appropriating \$2,275.00 to and for the use of the Department of Public Works, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of

Indianapolis, Indiana, That the sum of two thousand two hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$2,275.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated to and for the use of the Department of Public Works, the sum appropriated to be used for the purchase of an automobile to be used in connection with the business of the city.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

By City Controller:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 10—1910: An ordinance appropriating the sum of \$25,000.00 to and for the use of the Department of Public Works, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated to and for the use of the Department of Public Works, the sum appropriated to be added to and form a part of the appropriation heretofore made to the fund known as "Electric, Gas and Vapor Lights."

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

By City Controller:

Appropriation Ordinance No. 11—1910: An ordinance appropriating the sum of thirty-eight thousand eight hundred thirty-one dollars and twenty-five cents (\$38,831.25) to and for the use of the Department of Public Safety, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the sum of thirty-eight thousand eight hundred thirty-one dollars and twenty-five cents (\$38,831.25) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the city treasury not otherwise appropriated to and for the use of the Department of Public Safety, such sum to be added to and form a part of the fund known as "Police Force Salary Pay-roll."

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time and referred to the Committee on Finance.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

Mr. Blumberg called for General Ordinance No. 9, 1910, for second reading. It was read a second time.

Mr. Blumberg moved that General Ordinance No. 9, 1910, be ordered engrossed, read a third time and placed upon its passage. Carried.

General Ordinance No. 9, 1910, was read a third time and passed by the following vote:

Ayes, 9, viz.: Messrs. McCarthy, Copeland, Rubens, Denny, Owen, Stilz, Blumberg, Troy and President William H. Johnson.

Noes, none.

Mr. Denny moved that the Council take a recess until Saturday, March 12, 1910, at 7:30 o'clock P. M. Carried.

SATURDAY. MARCH 12, 1910.

At 7:30 o'clock P. M., Saturday evening, March 12, 1910, President Johnson called the Council to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: The Hon. William H. Johnson, President of the Common Council, and 8 members, viz: Messrs. McCarthy, Copeland, Rubens, Denny, Owen, Stilz, Blumberg and Troy.

Absent, none.

Mr. Denny moved to refer back to the reports of committees. Carried.

From Special Committee on Investigation:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 12, 1910.

MR. PRESIDENT: Your special committee, to which was referred the matter of investigating certain charges and rumors concerning members of this body growing out of the proposed contract for electric light and gas fixtures for the city hall, begs leave to report as follows:

Your committee convened February 10, 1910, at 3:00 p. m., at the City Clerk's office and sat daily thereafter except Sunday up to and including February 15, 1910. There were present at the meetings the following attorneys: Joseph B. Kealing, Corporation Counsel, and Fred B. McAllister, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, who were invited to attend; also, Charles E. Cox, representing Councilman Rubens; W. O. Dunlavy, representing Councilman Copeland, and C. W. Richards, representing Hatfield Electric Co. Each of these gentlemen was given the right to cross-examine the witnesses called by the committee and to call and examine any witnesses they desired. The hearing took a wide range and was as thorough and complete as your committee was able to make it.

The complete typewritten record of the testimony accompanies this report for this body to dispose of as it sees fit.

The following witnesses were examined: Edward A. Ramsay, City Clerk; Frank J. Noll, Clerk of the Board of Public Works; Preston C. Rubush, architect of the city hall; Christian A. Schrader and E. J. O'Reilly, members of the Board of Public Works; Mayor Shank, Detectives Kinney and Coffin, L. K. Babcock, Secretary to the Mayor; F. H. Cheyne, T. Barlow Hatfield, C. C. Hatfield, Adam Todd, assistant to consulting engineer of the city hall; Harry A. Rockaway, and the following Councilmen: Messrs Rubens, Copeland, Stilz, Owen, McCarthy and Denny.

From the evidence introduced your committee finds the facts briefly and concisely stated to be as follows:

On December 20, 1909, the Board of Public Works received three bids for the electric light and gas fixtures for the city hall.

These bids were received as follows:

Sanborn-Marsh Electric Co.....	\$23,294 50
Cassidy & Son Mfg. Co.	24,640 00
Morreau Gas Fixture Mfg. Co.	25,000 00

Sanborn & Marsh were proposing to furnish and hang fixtures made by the Wahle-Phillips Co. Cassidy & Son Mfg. Co. were intending to hang their own fixtures, employing workmen of the F. H. Cheyne Electric Co., of Indianapolis. The Morreau Co. had contracted with the Hatfield Electric Co. to hang their fixtures in the event they were the successful bidders.

The specifications upon which these bids were made contained the number, location and cost allowance of each fixture. The competition, therefore, should have resolved itself into a question of design and material merely, the cost allowance being fixed. The specifications contained the following clauses: "Except where bronze is specified all fixtures are to be of brass of 66 2-3 copper and 33 1-3 zinc; bronze metal must be of 90 per cent. copper and 10 per cent. tin.

"Designs for substitution of fixtures in composition will be entertained, but proof of the successful bidder to demonstrate his ability to properly execute the same and of the durability of the material proposed must be decided by the owner and architects."

Sanborn & Marsh bid on part composition fixtures, but after the bids were offered agreed to substitute all metal at the same price.

After examining the designs submitted, the Board, upon the advice

of the architects and engineer, formally awarded the contract to the Sanborn-Marsh Electric Co., conditioned upon the Council's making the necessary appropriation and "on condition that all shall be metal." This entry was made December 31, 1909.

On Friday afternoon, January 7, 1910, in the afternoon, the Mayor notified the newly-elected Councilmen of a special Council meeting that night, to consider an ordinance to transfer \$76,619.00 for the use of the Board of Public Works in connection with the completion of the city hall. At such meeting, action on said ordinance was postponed until the next regular meeting, on motion of Mr. Copeland. On motion of Mr. McCarthy, said ordinance was referred to a special committee, composed of Messrs. Owen, Denny, Copeland, Rubens and McCarthy, who were appointed by the President.

On January 16th, this committee met. The committee agreed to transfer \$20,590.00 immediately, that being the amount needed to let contracts for elevators, mail chute and hardware. At this meeting, Mr. Owen and Mr. McCarthy reported they had learned that Sanborn & Marsh had bid on part composition fixtures and afterward agreed to substitute metal fixtures in order to obtain the contract. It was agreed that further time should be taken to inquire into the status of the contracts for interior decorating, vacuum cleaning apparatus and lighting fixtures.

On the following Saturday, being January 22d, the committee met the Mayor and the members of the Board of Public Works at the Mayor's office by agreement, for the purpose of discussing the city hall contracts. Before adjourning, the irregularity of the Sanborn-Marsh bid was again discussed and the Mayor stated that he would not sign their contract if their bid was irregular. The committee thereupon added \$23,294.50, the amount of the Cassidy bid, to the amount they had previously agreed to transfer, and also added \$1,442.75, the amount of the American Air Cleaning Co. bid, at the meeting that night the Council transferred \$46,672.75, the specific amount of the several bids, favored by the Board, as stated by them, plus the amount of the Cassidy bid, which was apparently favored by the Council committee and, so far as he expressed himself, by the Mayor.

When final action was thus taken by the Council, the matter passed out of their hands. Nothing that any Councilman might have done thereafter could possibly have affected officially the result of the competition on the fixture contract, since in law the matter of the relative merits of the bids was from that time entirely with the Board of Public Works. Therefore, if there is any foundation for rumors of improper conduct on the part of any Councilman, it must have reference to acts committed prior to such final action of the Council on the evening of January 22d. The circumstances which arose subsequent to said time are pertinent in this matter only in so far as they throw light on the reasons for the action of the Councilmen prior to such time.

As to these matters, we find from the evidence that on the following Monday morning, Mr. Rubens called on personal business at the Hatfield Electric Co. and incidentally congratulated Mr. C. C. Hatfield and Mr. T. B. Hatfield on the fact that Cassidy & Son, Mfg. Co. would probably procure the fixture contract and that the Hatfield Electric Co. would, as a result, procure the contract for hanging said fixtures. This latter assumption was based on the fact that the Hatfield Electric Co. had bid on Cassidy fixtures in a personal matter with Mr. Rubens some time previous. The evidence further shows that Mr. Rubens had sustained close business relations with the Hatfield Electric Co. for several years. Mr. Rubens was not advised that the Hatfield Electric Co. sustained no business relations with Cassidy & Son, Mfg. Co. at this time. Immediately after such meeting, Mr. T. B. Hatfield communicated with

Cassidy & Son Mfg. Co. at New York, by telephone and telegram, in the attempt to procure the contract for hanging their fixtures in the city hall, asking \$3,500 for their services. Among other things, Mr. Hatfield telegraphed as follows: "We can and will deliver contract for \$3,500," referring to the contract for hanging the fixtures. Your committee finds that Mr. Hatfield had no justification in fact for such statement.

Thereafter, on Wednesday, January 26th, Mr. T. B. Hatfield induced Councilman Rubens to attend a meeting at the private room of Mr. H. A. Rockaway, a representative of Cassidy & Son. Mfg. Co., at the Claypool Hotel, for the purpose of assisting the Hatfield Electric Co. to procure said contract. Such meeting was very brief and there was no evidence of any corrupt or improper proposal or act during same. Indeed, it is impossible to understand how at that time Mr. Rubens could have exercised any influence in the matter as a public official, had he attempted to do so.

On January 29th, Councilman Copeland was called to the Mayor's office and questioned concerning the fixture contract. At that time, the Mayor had information regarding all the matters hereinbefore set out.

The evidence regarding the conversation at such meeting is conflicting, but the weight of the evidence is to the effect that Mr. Copeland made substantially the following statement: "Lew, why does it make a damn bit of difference to you if there is \$10,000 graft in this thing, so long as you have the nine Councilmen behind you?" Your committee fails to understand the significance of this remark, if made, and mention it here only because of the importance which has been generally attached to it. In view of the fact that Mr. Copeland has denied making any such statement, it is manifestly impossible for your committee to ascertain from him the significance of such remark.

On January 31, 1910, the Mayor addressed a letter to the Board of Public Works in which he charged Mr. Copeland with having made the statement above quoted. He also recommended that new bids be called for in the fixture matter, stating "there has been a great deal of talk about graft being connected with it."

Upon the facts so found your committee is of the opinion that no Councilman has been guilty of any corrupt act in this matter, and that, upon the information in his possession at the time, the Mayor was not justified in drawing the conclusions, and making the innuendoes contained in his said letter of January 31st. We believe, however, that he was entirely justified in attempting to learn the facts, about which there had been rumors.

Your committee does not feel called upon to pass upon the actions of Mr. T. B. Hatfield in this matter, except to say that the meeting arranged by him between Mr. Rockaway and Mr. Rubens was ill-advised and that Mr. Rubens' presence at said meeting was a gross indiscretion. So far as your committee has been able to learn, however, neither Mr. Rockaway nor Mr. Rubens had any improper motive in attending said meeting.

As to the connection of Mr. Copeland with this matter, we are of the opinion that his conversation with the Mayor was very indiscreet, but there is no evidence that he intended to convey the impression that any person had been guilty of official misconduct.

Finally, your committee is of the opinion that although there is no evidence of dishonesty, or intentional misconduct, in this matter, and although this investigation has been burdensome and costly to the persons involved, that it was entirely justified by the facts and the public insinuations of the Mayor and the press, and respectfully suggest that it should be the policy of this Council to order similar investigations,

regardless of expense of time or money, whenever suspicion or criticism has attached to any city official.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. DENNY.
CHARLES B. STILZ.
JOHN BLUMBERG.
JAMES E. TROY.
FRANK E. MCCARTHY.

Mr. Denny moved (seconded by Mr. Stilz) that the report be adopted and committee discharged.

Messrs. Copeland and Rubens were excused from voting by consent of Council.

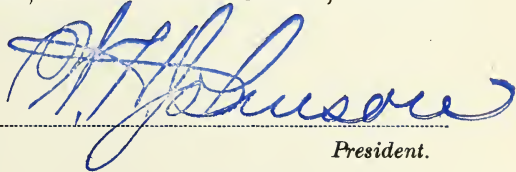
The roll was called and the motion of Mr. Denny carried by the following vote

Ayes, 7. viz.: Messrs. McCarthy, Denny, Owen, Stilz, Blumberg, Troy and President William H. Johnson.

Nocs, none.

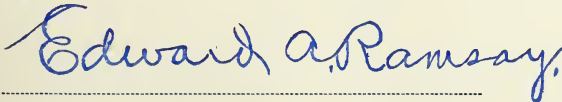
Mr. Stilz moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Denny, chairman of the Special Committee on Investigation, for his untiring work and impartial manner of conducting the investigation. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Stilz, the Common Council; at 8:15 o'clock P. M., adjourned.



President.

ATTEST:



City Clerk.

