

APPEAL MADE TO CITY COUNCIL

Thirteen Hebrews Ask That Dave Polinsky Be Refused an Auction License.

SAY THAT JEWELER VIOLATED ORDINANCE

Contract Awarded to Star Electric Company for Circuit for Fire Department.

Thirteen Hebrew merchants doing business on West Superior street between Fourth and Sixth avenues had a petition before the city council last evening protesting against the renewal of an auction license to Dave Polinsky, proprietor of a jewelry house at 519-521 West Superior street.

The petitioners say, in their written complaint, that Polinski has violated the city ordinances inasmuch as he continued to auction goods for two days after his license had expired on Dec. 22 this month, and the police had to be called in to make him desist. They claim that Polinski does not deal fairly with his patrons when he is holding auction sales and that the result of his alleged underhanded work is driving business from that section of the city in which the petitioners have their stores.

On the behalf of the irate countrymen of Polinski, Attorney R. W. Chaffee appeared before the council and asked that the renewal of Polinski's license be held until the police and license committee of the council make an investigation into the facts.

The petitioners are: J. Altman, F. Lahovitz, Sam Barnard, J. Oreckovsky, B. Davidson, Leon Solomoni, Windsor Clothing company, L. Seiden, Abraham Stern, M. Levine, D. Oppan, M. Vlencr, F. Shapiro, N. Kaplan.

A \$3,000 contract was awarded to the Star Electric company for the installation of a 10-circuit automatic alarm repeater and necessary switches for the fire department to include one large circuit storage battery board complete; 150 cells of D. T. storage battery; 10 punching registers and one 10-circuit repeater switch. This equipment is for the fire department.

The salaries of the offices in the various departments of the city government were passed upon for 1912 and are the same as in 1911 with the exception that the city engineer is allowed an extra man to look after contracts at a salary of \$1,200 per year. This new office was asked by the investigating committee which reported last summer.

The resolution asking for the establishment of a park on the bay shore of West Duluth was put over one week.

City Engineer McGilvray was requested to furnish estimates for the paving of Twenty-first avenue west from Michigan street to Third street with vitrified brick and sandstone with the necessary curb and gutter.

The petition asking that a sanitary sewer be built in West Seventh street between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth avenues, was laid over till February 1.