

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS

TUESDAY JUNE 18TH, 1918, 9.30 A.M.

PRESENT: Honorable Sam C. Bell, Mayor, presiding, and Commissioners Heuermann, Coy, Wright. Absent, Lambert.

The Clerk read the following charges heretofore filed in his office by the Commissioner of Fire and Police:

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO.

Gentlemen:

Information having reached this department of certain acts of official misconduct committed by detectives S.N.James and Luther King, duly commissioned policemen and employes of the Police Department, for which said acts, if true, the said S.N.James and Luther King should be discharged from further service as policeman and removed from office.

Therefore, the undersigned, the Commissioner of said department, presents upon information and belief the following charges in writing against the said S.N.James and Luther King as reasons for their removal from office, as required under the provisions of Section 17 of the city charter, to-wit:

1. Luther King and S.N.James, being then and there duly commissioned policemen of the City of San Antonio and assigned to the Detective Department, received from C.J.Beatty, and others, partners, then and there owning and operating what is known as Louis Henne's Place in the 400 Block on West Houston Street, the sum of \$10.00 in lawful money of the United States of America, on or about each of the following dates, to-wit: April 8th, 12th and 22nd, and May 4th, 1918, and other sums of money at divers other times, said sums of money having been paid to said King and James, officers as aforesaid, by the said C.J.Beatty and partners for the purpose of securing and obtaining what said Beatty and others believed to be protection from Police interference in the operation of said Louis Henne's Place and those holding concessions therein, the said King and James then knowing or having sufficient reasons to know the purpose for which said sums of money were paid to and received by them.

2. Luther King and S.N.James, being then and there duly commissioned policemen of the City of San Antonio and assigned to the Detectives Department, during the period of about five weeks extending from on or about the latter part of January to about March 1, 1918, received from H.Wilson, L.Henne and E.S.McClellan alias Jack Kelly divers sums of lawful money of the United States of America, aggregating about \$45.00, the said Wilson, Henne, and Kelly being then and there partners and holding and operating a concession in the 400 Block on West Houston Street, under lease from the Houston Street Amusement Company; said sums of money being paid to the said Luther King and S.N.James for the purpose of procuring and obtaining what the said Wilson et al. believed to be protection from police interference in the conduct and operation of what is known as Louis Henne's Place; the said Luther King and S.N.James then knowing or having sufficient reasons to know the purpose for which said money was paid to and received by them.

3. Luther King and S.N.James, being then and there duly commissioned policemen of the City of San Antonio and assigned to the Detective Department, received from C.J.Beatty and various other persons, partners with the said C.J.Beatty at various times within and during the past nine months, various sums good and lawful money of the United States of America, for what the said C.J.Beatty and his partners believed

to be protection from police interference in the conduct and operation of amusement resorts and concessions owned and controlled by the said Beatty et al. being the World of Pleasure Amusement Park on West Houston Street in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, from about September, 1917 to on or about December 1917, and from about February, 1918 to about March 1918, and Louis Henne's Place on West Houston Street from about March, 1918 to about June 1, 1918, and also an amusement resort or concession operated at or near Camp Travis in the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, from the early fall of 1917 up to about the latter part of January, 1918; the said Luther King and S.N.James then knowing or having sufficient reasons to know the purpose for which said money was paid to and received by them.

Witness my hand at San Antonio, Texas, this 17th day of June, A.D.1918.

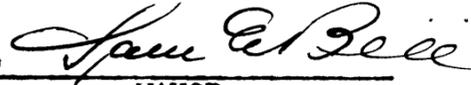
PHIL WRIGHT
Commissioner of Fire and Police.

After hearing all the evidence offered in connection with said charges which was concluded at 12 o'clock noon, the charges made against Luther King were sustained by the following vote on roll call, to-wit: Ayes, Bell, Coy, Heuermann and Wright; while the charges offered against S.N.James were not sustained by the following vote, to-wit: Nays, Bell, Coy, Heuermann, Wright, whereupon the meeting adjourned, after the Mayor had given notice of intention to file additional charges against S.N.James to be considered by the Commissioners at 9.30 A.M. on June 21, 1918.

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK.

APPROVED


MAYOR