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Mayor Has Confidence in His Sewerage Plans

His Honor Declares that He Does Not Fear Any Scheme the Council May Have to Outwit Him in the Matter— Major Venable and the Constitution.

Mayor Hayes had a conference with Mr. Mendes Cohen yesterday regarding sewerage system plans. Mr. Cohen was a member of the late sewerage commission, and is slated by the mayor for membership in the new one. This tender he has not yet accepted.

Mr. Hayes declared yesterday that he had no fear of the council's scheme for defeating his proposition to assess the cost of the sewers upon abutting property owners.

"They can prepare a hundred enabling acts' if they wish," he said, "but the Legislature will pass but one. That one will be mine."

When asked what he thought of Major Venable's contention that the sewerage plan may be submitted to the voters only at a general election—which will not occur until fall—he said:

"You may present my compliments to Major Venable and tell him that I advise him to read the state constitution. The matter may be voted upon at any election, as he will doubtless learn by following my advice."