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### TRACTION FARE GRAB BILLS SENT IN AT LAST MINUTE TO AVOID PUBLIC HEARING

Are Quietly Introduced Into the Assembly on "All Fools' Day."

ALL WILL BE RUSHED.

Would Probably Lead to 10 Cent Fare to Meet Their Provisions.

By Joseph S. Jordan.  
Special Staff Correspondent of the Evening World.  
ALBANY, April 7.—The traction interests have slipped into Albany a mass of measures designed to throttle the traveling street transit public of New York and shake the nickels out of their pockets. The bills were introduced by Assemblyman Jenks on April 1 and returned from the printer to-day. A few minutes later there was not a copy of the bills to be had. It may have been a strip of grim humor that brought about their introduction on April Fools' Day, but what is more likely is that they were held back until the time for the Rules Committee of the Assembly to take charge of all legislation, which was on April 6.

They were naturally referred to the Judiciary Committee, from which they will be surrendered to the Rules Committee, before which there can be no hearing.

One bill provides that the traction companies shall be entitled to 10 per cent. returns on their assessed valuation, which latter shall be determined by the city, the traction company and a third party to be selected by the two.

Another bill empowers the Public Service Commissioner to fix the fare of which the public will be fleeced.

The first measure would be an extremely dangerous one if a competent administration were in power next year, and without doubt would mean that the rate fixed would be a 10 cent fare. The second one needs no explanation with the well known proclivities of Public Service Commissioner Nixon for an increased fare.

There is a chance that a public hearing may be forced. The Judiciary Committee was given a lease of life by the Assembly until April 13 for the purpose of bringing before it William H. Anderson, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, and arranging for the investigation of the league.

Louis A. Cuvillier, one of the Democratic members of the committee, said to-day that he would demand of Chairman Martin that a public hearing be held by the committee, and that if he were refused he would introduce a resolution in the Assembly asking that the Judiciary Committee be compelled to grant the hearing. He held this can be done, because the Judiciary Committee's life has been

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### BRONX RENT RATES FIXED BY JUDGES UNDER NEW LAWS

Landlords Make Protests in Vain as 400 Cases Are Disposed Of.

BLOW TO SPECULATORS.

Business Now Taken From Their Hands by Court—Tenants Win in Evictions.

The full and drastic effect of the new rent laws was felt for the first time by tenement speculators in the Bronx to-day. In the very courts which used to grant eviction orders practically on demand, hundreds of landlords protested in vain this morning when their business was virtually taken out of their hands.

The courts, using their new powers to the limit, not only refused to evict tenants, but actually fixed the rents which are to be paid for the next year or more. In some cases it means an actual reduction from the present inflated rentals, and since the speculators have paid fantastic prices in the belief that they could get the money back from the tenants, it means a loss to the speculators.

There were more than 400 cases on the calendar of Justice Robitzek in Part II of the Bronx Municipal Court, Second District.

Ninety per cent. of them were settled by the flat decision of the court as to how much the tenant shall pay during the next year. In some cases the court fixed the rental up to Oct. 1921.

Of the remaining 10 per cent. of the cases about half were adjourned for further investigation, while in the other half the tenants, were given until June or July to move.

Justice Robitzek followed a fixed system in deciding rent disputes and announced that in most cases the rent for the next year would be 20 per cent. more than was paid for the same apartment in March, 1919.

This means going back more than a year for a standard, and the court said the purpose was to grant reasonable increases over reasonable old rentals—no increases whatever over the present inflated rates, but on the contrary, reductions from such rates.

Four tenants at No. 2343 Bessemer Avenue, and forty at No. 400 East 114th Street, said they had paid increases during the last year and that another increase had been demanded the first of this month.

In the Bessemer Avenue case, after learning that no improvements had been made on the building in the past year, Justice Robitzek granted a 50 per cent. increase over March of a year ago. In the 114th Street case, because some improvements had been made, he granted 25 per cent. over the rate of a year ago.

### STUTZ SELLS AT \$701 A SHARE IN PUBLIC AUCTION OF STOCK

Ryan, Who Cornered Market, Reported to Be Behind the Purchase.

EXCHANGE WILL ACT.

Drastic Step by Board of Governors Is Expected To-Day.

Stutz Motor stock, cornered by Allan A. Ryan, who until last Thursday was President of the company, to-day sold at public auction at \$701 a share. A block of 200 shares changed hands at this figure, which is \$210 above the price quoted on the Stock Exchange just before the Board of Governors suspended trading in the stock last Wednesday afternoon.

The sale was had at the auction rooms of A. H. Muller & Sons. The stock had been advertised this morning and attracted a large crowd. Three bidders ran the price up. It was announced that the successful bidder could take 100 or 200 shares of the stock at the high price.

The bidding started at \$400 a share. By jumps of \$5 and \$10 it quickly went to \$600, when one of the bidders dropped out. The other two fought it out up another \$100 a share. When his opponent bid \$700, Benjamin F. Felner of Palmer & Maas, attorneys of No. 100 Broadway, bid \$701, and the stock was knocked down to him. He took both of the 100-share blocks offered. Mr. Felner said he was acting for a client. He refused to make further statements.

Wall Street immediately jumped to the conclusion that the purchaser was in reality Mr. Ryan, who had bid in the stock at this sensational price in order to strengthen his hand in his expected legal battle with the shorts. At Mr. Ryan's office, No. 111 Broadway, he refused to see reporters. The reporters put the direct question: "Was Mr. Ryan the purchaser of this stock?"

Mr. Ryan's secretary disappeared into the private office where he remained several minutes. When he came out he said Mr. Ryan was not in and would probably not be back to-day.

The Wall Street attitude was that no person who had been caught short of the stock would pay this enormous price without recourse to the courts, since the Board of Governors has announced it will not force delivery of the stock. The Stock Exchange rule regards a failure to deliver stock on demand as an admission of insolvency, but this rule was set aside as far as Stutz stock was concerned last Monday.

Wall Street is expecting sensational action by the Stock Exchange late to-day following the statement issued last night by Mr. Ryan, in which he outlined his opinion as to how the corner in Stutz stock might be adjusted. The tone of the statement, which was nearly everywhere accepted as indicating that Ryan is indifferent as to what further action Stock Exchange authorities may take, is expected to have decisive results.

A special meeting of the Board of Governors of the Exchange has been called for this afternoon, and while the purpose of the meeting cannot definitely be ascertained it is believed that the Stutz matter will again be taken up.

Influential members of the Exchange now see little hope of an amicable adjustment of the matter. While Ryan will not comment further on his attitude, it is the opinion of these members that in the event that he is unable to make the Stock Exchange capitulate on his terms he will be most desirous of freeing Stutz stock from Stock Exchange control so that he can force a settlement of short contracts in the outside market or in the courts.

### BABY GIRL BORN TO MRS. W. G. M'ADOO, WILSON'S DAUGHTER



New Arrival in Home of Former Secretary of Treasury Named for Father's Mother.

Mrs. William Gibbs McAdoo, youngest daughter of President Wilson and wife of the former Secretary of the Treasury, gave birth last night to a daughter in the McAdoo home, No. 463 Park Avenue.

The child was named Mary Faith McAdoo, after the father's mother. The McAdoo's first child, Ellen Wilson McAdoo, was born four years ago. It was reported that mother and baby were "doing well."

### LAW TO WIPE OUT SOCIALIST PARTY INTRODUCED TO-DAY

Bill Provides for Judicial Determination of Alleged Danger to State.

ALBANY, April 7.—Two bills, designed to carry out the recommendation of the Assembly Judiciary Committee that the Socialist Party of America be barred from "participation in politics in New York State," were introduced in the Legislature to-day.

The first measure is designed to amend the Public Officers' Law relating to qualifications of persons to hold office and to provide for the exclusion of Socialists from public office and preventing the exercise of official duties.

The other measure is intended to require the Attorney General of the State to begin an action in the Appellate Division, Third Department, for a judicial determination of the question whether the "principles, doctrines, or policies" of the Socialist Party, "if carried into effect, would destroy, subvert, or endanger the Government of the State and Nation."

In the event of the court holding the Socialist Party, by virtue of its platform and constitution, is inimical to the Government, the secretary of the State will be compelled to withhold recognition of the party and refuse to allow the names of any of its candidates to appear on the official ballot.

### BOARD TO CENSOR PUBLIC RESORTS PLANNED BY HYLAN

"Morals Committee" Composed of Citizens Seen as Way Out of Police Scandals.

ENRIGHT WON'T RESIGN.

Says He Will Disappoint Crooks—Stratton Before U. S. Grand Jury To-Day.

Mayor Hylan and Police Commissioner Enright have under serious consideration the appointment of a committee on public morals, which will act as an auxiliary of the Police Department, reporting thereto all cabarets, dance halls, gambling clubs and other resorts of a questionable character which have thus far escaped the censorship of the police.

This committee, the exact title of which has not yet been suggested, will likely be composed of many of the most prominent men and women of the various church denominations and social and civic activities.

Assistant District Attorney James E. Smith, on being informed of the Mayor's plans, said: "The District Attorney's office is delighted to learn that the moral sense of the community has been awakened. The District Attorney's office will lend all possible support to such a body of decent citizens. I shall be glad to be the first to cooperate with them."

In denial of a report that although he had asked Accounts Commissioner Hirschfield to investigate vice complaints made by the Rev. John Roach Stratton, he had ignored Commissioner Enright, Mayor Hylan said he did not ignore the Police Commissioner, but issued the same instructions to him that were sent to Hirschfield and at the same time.

ENRIGHT SAYS HE WON'T QUIT TO PLEASE CROOKS.  
Commissioner Enright sent his secretary to City Hall to-day with a typewritten slip for the Mayor to make public for him. It read: "The gamblers, crooks, backers of vice and the whole underworld would like to have me quit. But they will be disappointed."

"RICHARD E. ENRIGHT."  
Enright's message following rumors among politicians which were due to the public addresses of Assistant District Attorney James E. Smith, in which he said the "Mayor was being fooled by subordinates" and a story of an Atlantic City conference early in the week at which the Mayor was said to have agreed to somebody's advice that it was about time to cast

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### TRAP 13 WOMEN IN GAMBLING RAID.

Detectives Say They Arrested Two Men as Bettors' Hopes Were Dashed by "Slippery Elium."

A roll of \$700 in bills was put before Magistrate Koenig in the West Side Court to-day as evidence that Louis Graham of No. 153 West 98th Street and William Sennett, a ticket speculator of No. 215 East 14th Street, had conducted a place where women from New Jersey, Long Island and Westchester County gambled on the races.

### AMERICA, BRITAIN AND ITALY NEGOTIATING WITH FRANCE TO END GERMAN TROUBLE

#### French, by Seizure of Homburg To-Day, Complete Their Advance in Neutral Zone—Ebert's Troops March on Duesseldorf—Strong Protest From Berlin to Paris.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The United States, Great Britain and Italy are now negotiating with France to arrive at a definite policy in connection with the French advance into Germany, it was said at the State Department to-day.

President Wilson is understood to have the whole matter before him and to be directing the attitude of the United States through Secretary Colby.

AIX LA CHAPELLE, Rhenish Prussia, April 7.—German Government troops are marching on Duesseldorf. Occupation of the town is expected late this evening or to-morrow morning.

FRANKFORT, April 7.—The occupation of Hamburg by French troops, announced to-day, virtually completes the operations outlined to Gen. Degoutte, in charge of the occupation movement, in his orders from the War Office. The entire plan has been carried out without any significant incident.

The inhabitants of Frankfurt are accepting the occupation with complete outward indifference. The city presents no indications that such a notable event had occurred, aside from the posters bearing the French Government's proclamation. Business is going on as usual, the people generally following their customary occupations without paying much attention to the few French uniforms seen in the streets. The number of these has apparently been reduced to a minimum in order to avoid cause for irritation.

### FRENCH PURSUING SHYLOCK POLICY, CHARGE OF BERLIN

#### Ebert Government in Proclamation Says It Will Not Let Germany Be Shattered.

BERLIN, April 7.  
A PROCLAMATION, addressed by the German Government to the inhabitants of the towns occupied by the French, was issued to-day. It says: "Less than 14,000 troops" have been collected in the Ruhr district, or almost the exact number permitted by the agreement with the Entente. France has regarded it as reconcilable with the state of peace to occupy flourishing German towns as a reprisal. The world's peace has never been more monotonously played with than it has been just now by France.

"It is that hard-hearted opponent which alone is responsible for making you the victim of this Shylock policy. The Imperial Government will do everything it can to shorten your period of suffering. It will not let Germany be shattered in this cunningly devised fashion."

### 12 ROUND BOUTS FOR JERSEY NOW

#### Senate Passes Bill To-Day and It Awaits Only Signature of Gov. Edwards.

TRENTON, N. J., April 7.—The Senate to-day passed a bill designed to legalize twelve-round boxing bouts in New Jersey. The bill now goes to Governor Edwards for his signature, the measure having recently passed the Assembly. Boxing bouts in this State at present are limited to eight rounds.

Senator Simpson, of Hudson County, in advocating the measure, said that boxing as conducted in New Jersey, is a good clean sport and had proved very popular. It was necessary, he said, to extend the number of rounds, in order that boxing clubs in New Jersey might more nearly meet the competition of other States. The vote on the bill was 11 to 9.

Secretary Wilson's Mother Dies.  
WASHINGTON, April 7.—Mrs. Ellen H. Wilson, mother of Secretary of Labor Wilson, died early to-day at her home at Alport, Pa.