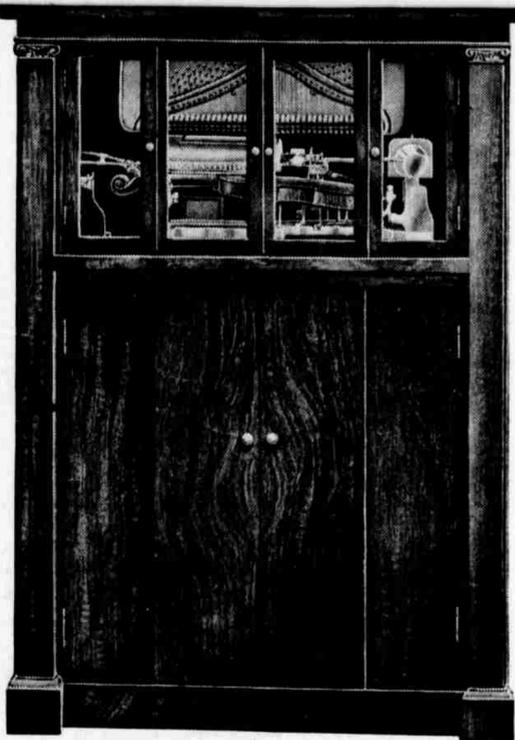


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**TAXED TO DEATH**

People of Chicago Taxed to the Limit to Provide Places for Reformers.

Giving women salaries of \$5,000 a year to preside over fad departments; paying women superintendents \$3,000 a year to assist them; paying female stenographers \$150 per month while capable men and heads of families are tramping the streets looking for work, is part of the net result of the work of "reforms" in the City Council for the past five years. The other net result and the one that hurts the most, is the increase of the number of employees and the increase of the money coming from the people and spent on salaries for city employees, from twenty-four millions to over thirty-five millions.

Chicago gives to its people the poorest water service of any city in the world for the money they pay for it. With an exhaustless body of fresh water at her door Chicago is constantly talking about installing water meters in every flat and in every home to stop "waste." This is in the face of the fact that the enormous surplus in the water fund is constantly being appropriated to meet other expenses of the city government instead of being used to extend and build up the water system. Water meters in every flat in Chicago would bring on a pestilence in this big city in a short time.

Every man who talks of water meters or water waste in the homes of Chicago should be charged as a public enemy.

The people cannot have too much water.

To limit its use means pestilence and disease.

New York goes 168 miles for fresh water and the great aqueduct which carries it to her people cost over \$500,000,000. It is one of the marvels of modern times and ranks alongside of the Panama Canal as one of the wonders of the world.

Liverpool, England, is supplied with fresh water by an aqueduct which brings a supply from Wales and yet there is no talk of "waste" over there. Other European cities go even farther for their supply of water.

But Chicago, with an abundance at hand, is always howling about "waste." An enormous sum is diverted from the water fund every year to supply the wants of other city departments as you can learn from the recommendations of the finance committee to the city council in the printed council reports.

If the water fund was properly used, a pumping station could be built at the lake end of every section line in the city.

If this was done you would hear no more about "water waste" and the necessity for meters in every house.

**THE CONNERY BUILDING**

Proposed New Name for the Court House in Honor of the Distinguished Family of Office Holders.

How would the people vote on the proposition to change the name of the Court House to the Connery Building?

Many of the enthusiastic friends of the family would hail the change with delight.

It would not be inappropriate, judging from the names on the pay rolls.

**THE EMERALD MOVIES**

Director Frederick J. Ireland of the Emerald Motion Picture Company is hard at work with his organization in preparation for a monthly series of feature releases to be built about Dolores Cassinelli. Mr. Ireland has temporarily halted production of the remaining episodes of the "Tom and Jerry" series of two-reel comedies with which Emerald made its debut to the motion picture field and is devoting all his attention to the preparation and production of the feature subjects in which Miss Cassinelli will make her return to the screen as a dramatic star.



DOLORES CASSINELLI.

Director Frederick J. Ireland of Emerald Motion Picture Company, is hard at work preparing for production of four five-reel feature dramas to be built about the beautiful personality of Dolores Cassinelli, his principal star. Mr. Ireland plans a Cassinelli feature to be released each month through American Standard exchanges after the first of October. Miss Cassinelli's first vehicle is entitled "A Song of Romany," and is described as an idyllic Gypsy romance.

Tom Keesey and Charles Huntington, the long and short men of Emerald Motion Picture Company's "Tom and Jerry" series of two-reel comedy dramas, are being favorably received and steadily gaining a large following as a result of their sterling work in the current episodes in the series. Huntington is well known to the screen for his work with Selig and Essanay.

S. Carl Whisler, the popular secretary of the Akron Tire & Vulcanizing Company, at 932 W. Jackson boulevard, reports a steady demand and increasing business for this great tire company. The "Mohawk Quality" tires, sold by this concern, have a high reputation and have given great and genuine satisfaction to all who have used them. They are open all night, at 932 Jackson boulevard, and guarantee quick service.

Judge John J. Rooney should be re-elected to the municipal bench.

**PRaise CHICAGO "L"**

Gets Honorable Mention from the American Museum of Safety at New York.

New York, Jan. 22.—The American Museum of Safety announced today that it had awarded to the Union Traction Company of Anderson, Ind., the Anthony N. Brady memorial medals for the best record in accident prevention during 1915. The Chicago Elevated Railroads received honorable mention.

**DUNNE'S GREAT RUN**

Friends of the Governor Point to the Great Evidence of Popularity in 1912.

Some of the enemies of Governor Dunne are circulating false reports to the effect that President Wilson "would like to have a stronger man than Dunne" on the ticket with him in Illinois this year.

We advise people who are told this yarn to look up the figures for 1912. They show who the strong man is and Governor Dunne's good administration has strengthened him with the people.

Here are the official figures for the 1912 election.  
Wilson's vote in Illinois..... 405,048  
Dunne's vote for Governor..... 443,120  
Wilson's plurality in the state. 18,570  
Dunne's plurality in the state. 124,651  
Enough said.

**SHOULD HELP THE CONNERS**

The levying of an assessment of five per cent on the salaries of all employees of the Sanitary District and the Cook County offices, "to help the ticket," should prove a delightful treat to such Connerys as are running for office this year.

Illinois never had a better United States Senator than Albert J. Hopkins.

John Z. Vogelsang, the great restaurateur, deservedly stands in the front rank of the restaurant and hotel men of Chicago.

S. P. Melander, the well known photographer at 67 West Ohio street, has been 50 years in business and 33 years in the same place. A pretty good record.

Inducing people to buy property because of its proximity to Lake Michigan and then fencing them off from the enjoyment of the lake is one of the many complaints justly made by Edgewater people against a gang of exploiters.

Building fences to keep the common herd off the Lake Front is not favored by Edgewater residents.

Joseph E. Flanagan is a Democratic leader of force and character.

Judge Harry P. Dotan has made a good record in the Municipal Court.

General Maurice T. Moloney, of Ottawa, former attorney general, is one of the most popular Democrats in the state.

Colonel N. M. Kaufman, of the Congress Hotel, is one of the most popular hotel keepers in the United States. His success attests the fact.

**THE PEOPLE ARE SLAVES**

Unspeakable Insolence of Office Holding Gang in Chicago Arouses the Public.

The overbearing insolence of some of the office holders in the City Hall and County Building calls attention to the fact that an Office Holding Aristocracy is rapidly growing into permanent control of our public affairs.

Among our officials there are some honorable exceptions—some men who feel that they are in office to serve the people.

But there are others—and their number is increasing—who imagine that the only thing the average citizen is good for is to vote.

Party allegiance is forgotten when they are sworn in and the jobs go to relatives, regardless of party or fitness.

The Office Holding Aristocracy has no use for the voter after he has used him.

Herbert Kaufman paid his respects to these fellows when he called attention to their treatment of the public in these words:

"You consider yourself an important person because your position occasionally permits you to annoy people. But so can a gnat, a rusty hinge, a rattling window and other minor bothers.

"Impudence is a Smart-aleck's conception of impressiveness—a backstairs notion of 'big folks' behavior.

An upstart betrays himself by the manner he displays his authority.

"Those who aren't accustomed to the use of power invariably abuse it. Insolence is the snarl of the insignificant—'big head' evidence of a small one.

"You merely show up when you show off. We all know just about what your job pays and therefore how much intelligence it demands—so why bluff?

"Office boys, bell hops and cash girls may possibly mistake your impertinence as a manifestation of superiority, but the public recognizes the ass in the ill fitting lion's skin.

"Headquarters always hears the creak in the machine and soon locates the source of the trouble."

The voters of Chicago may be fools some of the time; they may be so supine part of the time that these Public Office Aristocrats look upon them as serfs.

But the voters of Chicago are not going to be fools all of the time.

And when they wake up, some of these swell heads will hear from them.

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