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GAS ORDINANCE VETOED BY MAYOR

COUNCILMEN CONTINUE TO FAVOR MEASURE

M'ALEER GIVES HIS VIEWS

Asks That Rates Be Fixed Within Ninety Days—This, Members of Council Say, Is Unfair

Mayor McAleer has vetoed the public utility ordinance, better known as the gas ordinance.

In order to keep the measure from becoming a law through his neglecting to vote or affix his signature within the specified thirty days, he filed his veto with the city clerk at midnight Monday. So many have been the delays on the progress of this ordinance that it will not reach the council until four weeks after its passage by that body, and it is considered likely that the councilmen will lay the question over for at least another week for investigation.

The mayor bases his objection to the ordinance chiefly on the date set by the council for the fixing of rates for gas, electric and telephone service, but he does not mention the two latter utilities, referring to gas alone. He recommends that the council fix the rates within ninety days, but the councilmen are at a loss to know how they can do this as they say it would take that long to get a statement from the companies, and they would have to take them all at once, the two gas companies, the electric companies and telephone companies. Again it is a question which is as yet unsettled as to whether or not the city can force such a complete statement of their business, and thus make all the private features public property.

The other points argued by the mayor are that the candle power be raised from 16 to 18 and the heat units from 550 to 600. These last points of difference have been commented on by councilmen who appear to be willing to investigate them. Members of the council say they see no reason why the corporations dealing in these public utilities should not be allowed the same courtesy by the city government as the United States government allows banks and all corporations which come under its inspection laws.

Sets Time for Making Statement

President Summerland took this view of the question and said:

"All laws that I know of where corporations are required to file statements stipulate a time each year when that statement shall be made, and it is always placed, I think, at the time when the corporations or companies close their books for the year and render their statement to their stockholders. I see no reason why this council should demand that the corporations dealing in these public utilities at this time prepare a statement of all of their affairs and turn it over to the council that they might arbitrarily fix the rates at which these utilities shall be sold.

"At the time which is recognized to be the proper time, that is, the first of the year, they can render a statement which shows the business of the preceeding year, and then rates can be fixed, to go into effect a specified time later. This is the custom I believe other places and is the only fair way, for it gives the corporations an opportunity to plan for the year's business and know what is what.

Councilman Hiller said in his opinion the changes the mayor desires, except the date for fixing the rates, are trivial, and continued: "I intend to find out what the people of my ward want and what they think about this question and base my vote on this. I do not see any reason for changing the date for fixing the rates, and this is the most important point in the mayor's objection, for I have heard of no case where complaint has been made of the price of gas, but only of the quality. The public feeling on the subject of regulation is especially strong and the people to whom I have talked on the subject are well pleased with the ordinance. I voted for it because I thought it was a good measure and I am still of that opinion."

Following is the mayor's message vetoing the measure:

Mayor's Veto Message

"I return herewith, without my approval, an ordinance adopted by the council on March 13, and presented to me by the clerk on March 18, entitled 'An ordinance regulating the sale of gas and electric light, and the inspection of gas and electric meters and the charges for telephones and telephone service and connections.'

"It is perhaps unnecessary for me to state that I am heartily in favor of the making and enforcement of municipal regulations relating to gas, electric light and telephone companies which will protect the people against excessive charges and inefficient service.

"It is because I believe the council should, in the exercise of powers granted to it by the charter, adopt an ordinance upon this subject containing strict regulations which will take effect without delay, that I find the proposed ordinance objectionable.

"In the first place, this ordinance

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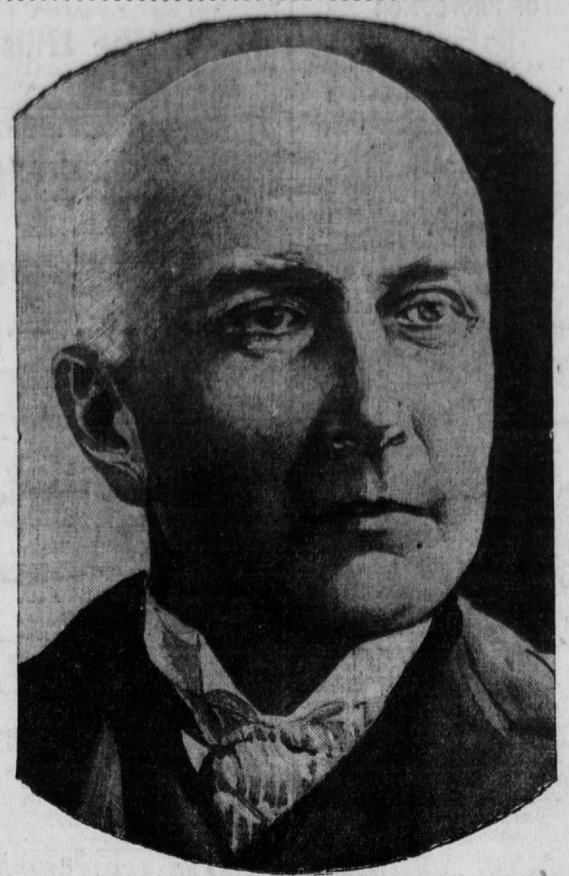
HIS GIFT CREATES GREAT CHURCH DISSENSION



JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER

BOARDS AT WAR OVER VACCINATION

CITY REFUSES TO TREAT ANY BUT PAUPERS

Parents Are Too Proud to Declare Themselves Paupers and Too Poor to Pay Vaccination Charges

Diplomatic relations between the board of health and the board of education have been broken off. Hostilities were begun yesterday, but it is thought that a board of arbitration, composed of the mayor, the council, several commissions and committees and possibly the police force, might be able to settle the difficulty.

Tuesday and Saturday are "vaccination days" at the health office and yesterday the usual crowds of school children called at the office for the treatment. Some of them were white, many were black, others were brown; some came in carriages with maids, most of them walked, but all were turned away unless they displayed documents signed by the superintendent of the associated charities stating that they were paupers.

It was the first day since the new rule took effect. Some time ago the board of health made a ruling that no longer would all comers be cared for at the expense of the city, as the health department was becoming more expensive all the time.

It was decided that no school children should be treated unless they held certificates signed by their teachers, the principal of the school they attended or the associated charities, stating that their parents were unable to pay for the treatment. Suitable blanks were printed and sent to Superintendent of Schools Foshay, but he has refused to distribute them.

Must Be Vaccinated

The law in Los Angeles makes vaccination of school children compulsory, those not being so treated not being allowed to attend school. Heretofore the vaccination by the city has been free and yesterday the children flocked to the health office. Assistant Health Officer Garcelon, as none of the children had the cards, sent them all away, advising them to go to the associated charities. All of the children departed, but only a few returned from the associated charities with the necessary cards.

The children turned away yesterday will not be allowed to return to school until they have been vaccinated, and in many cases their parents are unable to pay for having it done, still they are too proud to declare themselves paupers.

The question has aroused a great deal of opposition among the teachers, who declare that they are paid to teach and not run a commercial agency. They decline to pass upon the financial standing of the parents of their pupils, especially on a question as delicate as this, and also state that the parents of many children who are unable to pay would rather take the children out of school than acknowledge themselves as paupers, when in reality they are not.

THREE KILLED BY EXPLOSION

POWDER MILL WORKERS ARE BLOWN TO FRAGMENTS

Three Buildings Destroyed and Much Damage Done in Adjoining Town. Second Fatality Inside of Twelve Months

By Associated Press.

TROY, N. Y., March 28.—Three men were killed and one fatally injured by an explosion at the Schaghticoeke powder mills near this city today.

The men killed were:
Charles Colburn.
James Sprague.
Albert Bartlett.
Injured: James White.

The men were at work at the Corning mill when the explosion occurred and the cause is not known. The bodies of three victims were blown to fragments. The fourth victim, White, was found 300 feet away, not yet dead.

Three wooden buildings comprising part of the plant and a car, the latter loaded with powder being transferred to the Corning mill, were destroyed. The main buildings of the plant were not harmed.

The explosion caused a great amount of damage to windows in Valley Falls and Schaghticoeke and the shock was plainly felt in this city. The buildings destroyed were practically new, having replaced those blown up May 10 of last year, at which time two employes were killed.

GIVES UP VALUABLES AT POINT OF REVOLVERS

Footpads Threaten Life of Their Victim and Take His Money

Holding two big revolvers pointed at their victim's head, a couple of footpads last night robbed W. C. Holland of $4 in money, a dollar watch, two pocket knives and a corkscrew.

The holdup occurred on Alpine street, just after Holland had left Buena Vista street. He had turned the corner when the two footpads, who were both armed, stepped out of the shadows and commanded him to throw up his hands.

Holland did so and while one of the robbers kept a revolver leveled at his head the other went through his pockets and took all he found. Holland's description of the footpads leads the detectives to think that they are a pair of Mexican laborers. They spoke broken English and wore old clothes. Holland resides at 326 East Fourth street.

COLLISION AT NIAGARA

Three Cars Derailed and Thrown Into Stream Below

By Associated Press.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., March 28.—A Michigan Central and Pere Marquette train came together in a head-on collision on the American end of the cantalever bridge today. Three cars were derailed and pitched over into the stream below, a distance of thirty feet, carrying with them a switchman's shanty in which was seated Patrick Whalen, a switchman, who was severely injured.

George Kehmle of Niagara Falls, the conductor of the Pere Marquette train, was also badly hurt.

MINISTER FLAYS OIL MAGNATE

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER'S GIFT RECEIVED

PROTESTANTS MAY WITHDRAW

Prudential Committee of the American Board of Foreign Missions Votes Against Remonstrants—Act Taken as Acceptance

Special to The Herald.

BOSTON, March 28.—Despite the flood of protests that has poured in from all parts of the country against the acceptance of the Rockefeller gift the Prudential committee of the American board of commissioners of foreign missions tonight voted to give remonstrants leave to withdraw. This is taken to be a virtual acceptance of the money.

It is announced that one of the reasons for the acceptance of the $100,000 donated by the head of the Standard Oil corporation is that already $41,500 of the money has been used by the board.

The Missionary Herald today contains an acknowledgment of $41,500 and announces that the amount has been apportioned for by the American board for colleges in Japan, India and Turkey.

Dr. Washington Gladden, moderator of the Congregational church of Columbus, Ohio, filed with the Prudential committee a strong protest against the acceptance of the gift. He makes a scathing remonstrance and says the colleges might better be closed than to accept money from a man who has extorted it from the people.

The Congregationalist will tomorrow print Dr. Gladden's protest, in which, it is said, he deals out to the oil magnate nothing short of flagellation.

In his protest Dr. Gladden says:

"We have no right to take the money. It does not belong to the man who offers it. It belongs to the people from whom it has been extorted.

"It is often assumed, I fear, that we do not need to be overscrupulous about money which we can use in 'doing good.' That indifference is deadly.

"The 'good' that is done by lowering our ethical standards might better be left undone. Shall the young men and women of the missionary colleges be taught to regard Mr. Rockefeller as a great benefactor? The colleges might better be permanently closed."

FLOODS THREATEN CROTON RESERVOIR

Engineers Alarmed by Sudden Appearance of Great Volume of Water in the Basin

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, March 28.—No break has yet occurred in the $5,000,000 dam forming the new Croton reservoir, which was menaced yesterday by a flood of water from the great Croton water shed.

Workmen are reinforcing the structure at all points of danger and a patrol has been established to give immediate warning should a break threaten. The village of Croton Landing, with a population of 1100, is one mile below.

When engineers in charge of the reservoir learned of the flood they hurried to the dam and threw open the gates, but the outflow to the Croton river and thence to the Hudson was insufficient to carry off the rapidly rising waters entering from an area of 365 square miles, and steps were at once taken to avert a break.

WIND WRECKS HOUSES

Buildings Damaged and Many Persons Injured in Kansas

By Associated Press.

OTTAWA, Kas., March 28.—The high wind in this vicinity caused more or less damage and injured twelve persons, one seriously. On Main street a store building was unroofed and the contents damaged by the rain, which fell in torrents. In the northeastern part of Ottawa four dwelling houses were demolished and many outbuildings were wrecked. The house of Frank Bruner was shattered, Bruner was badly cut and his wife was seriously hurt.

Out in the country many dwellings were damaged. In Forest park the hall of philosophy was destroyed. At the pipe line camp, northeast of here, many tents were carried away and ten of their occupants were slightly injured.

Broker Is Declared a Bankrupt

By Associated Press.

ST. LOUIS, March 28.—Thomas J. Cleage, jr., a prominent grain commission man of St. Louis, who has several times cornered the market and is reputed to have at one time made and lost a million dollars in one day, was today declared a bankrupt.

Bloodhounds on Man Hunt

By Associated Press.

HOUSTON, Tex., March 28.—Armed men with trained bloodhounds are searching the country between the House plantation at Arcola, and Houston for 28 negro convicts who made their escape Sunday night. So far three of them have been caught.

MEN WHO ARE WORKING FOR PEACE

EMPEROR NICHOLAS, ABOVE; FOREIGN MINISTER DELCASSE OF FRANCE

KILLED ALL HER THREE CHILDREN

LYNCHERS AFTER WOMAN AND HER LOVER

Kentucky Woman Pleads Insanity Through Suffering and Inability to Find Homes for Her Daughters

By Associated Press.

PADUCAH, Ky., March 28.—There is believed to be danger of the lynching of Mrs. Mary Brockwell, aged 29 years, who admitted that she poisoned her three little daughters, and of George Albritton, the youth who, she says, proposed to marry her if she would commit the crime. Both were arraigned today and remanded.

Mrs. Brockwell says that suffering and inability to find homes for her children drove her insane. Albritton denies any knowledge of the matter.

KEEP SUICIDE PACT

Two Guests of Cleveland Hotel Shoot Themselves

By Associated Press.

CLEVELAND, O., March 28.—Henry L. Woodward, a well known attorney of New York, and a brother of Judge Woodward of the circuit court, was found dead in a room at the Hollanden hotel today, with a self-inflicted bullet wound through his head.

Thirty minutes after the body of Woodward had been found the hotel employes discovered that another guest, T. A. Brouse, a salesman for the National Supply company of Toledo, had also committed suicide by shooting himself through the temple in his room. It is believed that Woodward and Brouse agreed to end their lives at the same time.

EMBEZZLER CONFESSES ALL

Pittsburg Man Surrenders to Police at Portland, Ore.

By Associated Press.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 28.—Detectives of Pittsburg, Pa., will leave today for that city with P. E. Griffith, a self-confessed embezzler, who surrendered himself to the Portland police.

Griffith embezzled from a railroad company for whom he was cashier in Pittsburg and later continued his crimes while employed by a bottle works in order to make promised restitution to the railroal.

FIREMAN MAKES HEROIC RESCUE

SAN PEDRO BOYS NARROWLY ESCAPE DEATH

Early Morning Blaze Destroys Three Two-Story Buildings—Three Persons Are Severely Burned

Special to The Herald.

SAN PEDRO, March 29.—Fire broke out at 1 o'clock this (Wednesday) morning in the cigar store of Allen & Bailey, situated at the corner of Fifth and Beacon streets. The flames spread rapidly to the adjoining building, which was occupied by the haberdashery store of W. Hunter & Co. and R. X. HcArthur's real estate office. A lodging house was located over the store. Three two-story wooden buildings were almost entirely destroyed.

Fred Hansen and Joaquin Christensen, two delivery boys employed by Allen & Bailey, were seriously burned and had a narrow escape from death in the flames. They were rescued with great difficulty and at considerable personal risk by Fireman C. H. Alexander, who rushed into the burning building. The fireman was severely burned about the hands.

The loss to buildings and stock will probably amount to $8000.

STRIKE BREAKERS READY

Men Who Defeated the Interborough Workers Go to Pittsburg

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Several hundred strike breakers who came here to work on the interborough lines are reported to have received postal cards ordeing them to be prepared to move to Pittsburg at short notice should a strike become probable on the trolley lines there, where the employes are demanding increased pay.

The Interborough officials say that only one-half of the original strike breakers are now in their employ.

Foresters' Secretary Held Up

By Associated Press.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 28.—Armed with a revolver and wearing a black mask, a footpad held up three women on Stockton street, between Filbert and Greenwich streets, early this morning.

He secured a purse containing nearly $100 in gold and silver, and some valuable papers from Mrs. J. Navarre, secretary of the Messina circle of Foresters

DELCASSE WILL WORK FOR PEACE

ASKED BY RUSSIA TO ACT AS INTERMEDIARY

WANTS LANSDOWNE'S HELP

Czar's Government Declared to Have Outlined the Conditions Upon Which It Will Conduct Negotiations

By Associated Press.

LONDON, March 28.—A telegram from a northern European capital received in London this afternoon says:

"I have just learned on reliable authority that Russia has asked Delcasse to act as intermediary and open peace negotiations with Japan.

"Delcasse has signified his willingness, but considers that Lansdowne's co-operation is essential to success."

Good Offices of United States

By Associated Press.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 28.—Russia has outlined the conditions under which she is prepared to negotiate peace.

It was stated tonight with every semblance of authority that, thanks to the good offices of the United States and France, the question of peace had assumed practical shape.

Clamor to Share in Japanese Loan

By Associated Press.

LONDON, March 26.—When the prospectus of the Japanese war loan of $150,000,000 was issued today the neighborhood of the issuing banks resembled the scenese witnessed on first nights at popular theaters. Long lines of people were struggling for admission and special forces of police controlled the streams of eager investors. The interiors of the banks were filled with shouting crowds, struggling to secure prospectuses.

FEAR ARMY IS CUT OFF

Linevitch's Laconic Message Creates Much Alarm in St. Petersburg

By Associated Press

LONDON, March 28.—The Times' St. Petersburg correspondent telegraphs as follows:

"The entire absence of press and private telegrams from the front, together with a laconic message from General Linevitch tonight, dated Harbin and saying, 'No reports from the armies,' evolves fear that communications have been cut and that the Japanese have turned the Russian flank."

Japanese Got Much Booty

By Associated Press.

GUNSHU PASS, Manchuria, March 28.—The Japanese are again moving forward and the Russian guard has fallen back from its position about thirteen miles north of Sipunghai (seventy-four miles north of Tie pass) to Chaoumiaodzi, which is situated forty miles below Gunshu pass.

Practically complete reports show that the Russian army sacrificed general commissariat stores

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THE DAY'S NEWS

FORECAST

Southern California: Increasing cloudiness Wednesday; possibly showers by night; fresh south winds. Maximum temperature in Los Angeles yesterday, 70 degrees; minimum, 45 degrees.

1—Vetoes gas ordinance.
2—Automobile victim dies.
3—Pavilion lost in flowers.
4—Southern California news.
5—Stock company coming to Grand.
6—Editorial.
7—Arbor day plans complete.
8-9—Classified advertisements.
10—Sports.
11—Markets.
12—Millionaire and nurse fight.

EASTERN

Armour & Co.'s general superintendent indicted for influencing witnesses.
Three killed by explosion of powder mill near Troy, N. Y.
American commission of Board of Foreign Missions votes to accept Rockefeller gift despite host of remonstrants.

FOREIGN

Delcasse, France's foreign minister, working for peace.
Russian nobles alarmed at spread of revolutionary ideas among peasants.
Revolution breaking out in Santo Domingo.

COAST

Fireman performs heroic rescue at early morning fire in San Pedro.
President Ripley of the Santa Fe railroad makes statement as to Colorado Fuel and Iron company.
Former chief of San Francisco police goes to court to force reinstatement.

LOCAL

Highwaymen hold up W. C. Holland and relieve him of valuables.
Mayor McAleer vetoes public utility ordinance and asks council to make changes.
No more free vaccination at city health office.
Police commission auctions saloon license, Col. Lankershim getting it for $3033.33.
Charges against A. B. Conrad dismissed by civil service commission.
Police commission to issue no more billiard licenses.
Plot to break out of county jail unearthed by Under Sheriff Yonklin.
Co-eds at Occidental hold regulation track meet, from which all men are barred.
Arrangements completed for Arbor day exercises.
H. B. Kirk, millionaire distiller, fined $100 by Justice Chambers on charge of battery preferred by private nurse.
Inquest held over body of Mrs. Pease fails to bring out any new evidence. Sherman Pease still in ignorance of wife's fate.
Fast automobile drivers are arrested and fined. Two accidents from autos