LEGISLATORS OPEN SEVENTH WEEK

MEMBERS WANT TO ADJOURN ON SIXTIETH DAY

Sunday Rest Amendment Comes Up Today—Anti-Race Track Measure Due Tuesday—Prize Fight Bill Moves Along

By Associated Press.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 17.—The seventh week of the legislature which begins tomorrow will bring much important legislation before both houses.

Comparatively few important measures have so far been acted upon, but tomorrow will find over 400 bills on the assembly file for consideration in the lower house.

The senate has worked more expeditiously and has caught up with its file, but in the assembly there is more of a tendency to talk and debate measures and the lower house will find it necessary to hold night sessions in order to transact the immense amount of work that is before it this week.

The intention is to press legislation as fast as possible in order to adjourn on the sixtieth day.

Tomorrow afternoon Johnson's proposed amendment for a Sunday rest law will be up for consideration. The measure has been so amended that it defeats the original purpose so far as the observance of the Sabbath and general cessation from all work and business on the first day of the week is concerned. The measure now merely provides that the legislature shall enact a law for one day of rest in seven. Tuesday morning the lower house will take up the consideration of Eshleman's anti-racetrack bill, prohibiting all betting and pool selling on races and if enacted would practically suppress all racing in the state. As a concession to the county fairs the measure has been so amended as to allow pool selling on races not exceeding ten days a year in any one county. Eshleman hopes that with this concession his bill will pass the lower house.

In the senate another anti-gambling measure, Hartman's anti-prize fight bill, will come up for pasage this week. Hartman has declared that he lacks but three votes to pass the bill.

The constitutional amendment for woman's suffrage, introduced by Grove L. Johnson, has been made a special order of business in the lower house for Tuesday.

The proposed amendment extends to women the right to vote at all elections. The measure has been favorably reported in both houses and much interest is being manifested in it.

Johnson's eight-hour bill for employes of street railways and his "no seat, no fare" measure are also special orders for the week in the assembly.

The Fresno-Kings county controversy, so far the bitterest fight of the session, will be renewed in the senate this week. The annexationists, encouraged by their victory in the lower house, are making every effort to win in the senate, while the opposition is determined to block the measure in the upper house.

Vaccination Fight On

The vaccination fight will also be renewed this week. Twice defeated, the anti-vaccinationists are endeavoring to reach an agreement with the champions of inoculation by which vaccination as a prerequisite to the schools is to be removed and give the state board of health authority to enforce a general compulsory vaccination law all over the state.

All other important legislation this week is the passage of a score of bills effecting reforms in the life and indemnity insurance business, the Held direct primary law and the administration measures for the creation of a state department of engineering; the insurance committees also expect to finish their work on a standard form fire insurance policy this week.

The $3,000,000 world's fair bill which has passed in the senate will be taken up in the lower house this week.

Senator Wolfe will call a meeting of the entire San Francisco delegation in the assembly Tuesday to consider the bill.

The $2,000,000 bond issue for the San Francisco water front will come up in both houses during the week.

Under the expeditious work of Chairman Estudillo the committee on ways and means is making rapid progress on the general appropriation bill.

The early adjournment of the legislature largely depends upon the early completion of this bill and its passage by the lower house.

DEATHS OF THE DAY

Mrs. Harry A. Storrs

By Associated Press.

POMONA, Feb. 17.—Mrs. Harry A. Storrs died suddenly from heart failure at her home here today. Mrs. Storrs was prominent in literary and musical club circles in Denver, her former home, and here. She was organizer of the Pomona Orchestral union.

Dr. Eri R. Hulbert

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—Dr. Eri R. Hulbert, dean of the divinity school of the University of Chicago, died here today of pneumonia.

Henry S. Cott

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Alexander Fullerton, secretary of the municipal society, announces the death today at

WEEK'S FORECAST OF WORLD EVENTS

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Appropriation bills will during the present week continue to command the greater part of the time of both the senate and the house, but they will not be allowed to crowd everything else to the wall in either chamber.

The house will begin the week Monday by passing several bills under suspension of rules, and if the present plan prevails the last two days of the week will be devoted to the ship subsidy bill.

In the senate the resolution providing for the expulsion of Senator Smoot will be voted on at 4 p. m. Wednesday, and there will be considerable debate before the vote is reached.

Senator Smoot will make an extended address in which he is expected to outline his attitude as between the Mormon church and the national government and he will be supported in speeches by Senators Dillingham, Beveridge and Foraker. The final argument in opposition will be made by Senator Burrows. It is generally admitted that Senator Smoot will be sustained by a large majority.

At the earliest possible moment the senate will resume consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill and it is hoped it may be disposed of on Monday or Tuesday; notwithstanding considerable debate is expected on the provision inserted by the committee providing for the leasing of the grazing lands and amendments which will be offered by Senators Beveridge and Hansbrough on the subject of meat inspection.

Senator Beveridge will renew his effort to secure the enactment of a law requiring the meat packers to put the date of canning on their packages and transfer to the packers the cost of inspection now paid by the government.

After devoting some time Monday to bills on the calendar the house will proceed with its consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill, on which general debate will close at noon Tuesday.

The general status of the appropriation bills is the subject of anxiety in the house, the members appreciating that they are about a week behind. Of the fourteen large budgets eleven have already passd the house and two have thus far failed to receive any attention.

Both houses regard night sessions as among the strong probabilities for the latter part of this week, all expecting to sit almost every night next week.

President Roosevelt will leave Washington late in the week for a brief visit to his sons, who are studying at Harvard university and the Groton school in Massachusetts.

It is expected the trial of Harry Thaw for the murder of Stanford White will be resumed Monday morning. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw probably will go on the witness stand during the early part of the week to continue the recital of her life story.

James Bryce, the new British ambassador to America, and Mrs. Bryce are passengers on board the steamer Oceanic, which is due to reach New York on Wednesday or Thursday.

Chess experts of Great Britain and the United States will play a series of games by cable on Friday and Saturday.

The annual convention of the American Newspaper Publishers' association will open in New York city Monday and continue throughout the week.

The phase of the French separation law controversy dealing with the terms of leasing churches, which was in fair progress of being solved, has brought about a breach in the French cabinet and it appears doubtful whether the Clemenceau ministry can survive the coming week.

The first elections to parliament under the new Transvaal elections will be held February 20 and the Boers have great prospects of obtaining a working majority in the house of representatives.

The German reichstag will meet February 19.

SPREADING RAILS KILL 22 PEOPLE

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age, but the other cars gave evidence of the dragging along the roadbed.

When the wreck occurred the three rar coaches, filled with passengers, were thrown on their right side just above a sharp curve at Woodlawn road bridge. The shock was terrific.

People were hurled violently from their seats and the most of those who were killed were pitched through the windows as the cars slid on their sides. The third rail finally broke with a flash and a roar seen and heard for a great distance. Between the wreck of the "current" rail and the main track the bodies were wedged. They were held here as the cars passed along and in this way were mangled.

Relic Hunters Busy

The relic hunter was much in evidence today and this probably gave rise to the stories of ghoulish work. The police guarded the wrecked cars all day, but with daylight a large number of persons managed to work their way to the coaches and cut out pieces of cushions, curtains and carpeting, and even taking bits of glass from the broken windows.

Assistant District Attorney Smith said he had made his inquiries particularly on the speed of the train, whether a tire had been lost from one of the motors, and as to the condition of the rails. He said he found that one of the outer rails on the curve had been torn up and that the heads of the spikes which held the rail to the ties had been cut off, but there was nothing to indicate by what agency. He said pieces of a broken wheel of the first motor were found at a point far beyond where the rail rad been ripped up. Whether the rail or the wheel was the first to give way he had no means of knowing, but it appeared that the wheel had broken some time after it had passed over the displaced rail.

As to the speed of the train at the time of the accident, Mr. Smith said that E. R. Rogers, the motorman, who was operating both motors under one control, declared he was running forty-eight miles an hour.

The state railroad commission is preparing to make a searching inquiry into the wreck.

Train Was Late

In an official statement today J. C. Hammond, press representative of the New York Central railroad, said the investigation made by the railroad officials had not disclosed the cause of the accident. One of the small wheels on the left side of the front of the leading motor was found to be broken at the point of derailment, as pieces of the wheels were picked up at that point. At this point a rail was broken, but whether they caused the wreck or resulted from it is yet unknown. The rails were of standard weight, 100 pounds to the yard; the track was of the best construction, and in first-class condition and the electric motors had been thoroughly tried on an experimental track before they were put into service. He said the train was six minutes late, and that the reports of the trainmen and officials who had investigated showed that it was going from 45 to 50 miles an hour, which he declared was not excessive.

It had been intended to run all the suburban trains on the electric system today, but because of the wreck the further installation of electric motive power on the Harlem division was postponed until tomorrow, when it will be put into effect.

There were many exaggerated stories of the wreck in circulation last night and today. One was to the effect that many of those killed had been electrocuted by the third rail. This was absolutely denied by the coroner as well as by the police, who declare that none of the bodies were burned.

The wrecked cars of the Brewster train were put on trucks and hauled to the Bronx station today.

The coroner's jury will commence the inquest and investigation tomorrow.

It has been learned that the railroad company has detectives at work on a theory that wreckers had tampered with the track, causing the wreck. The detectives have found, it was said, that the stretch of track in the locality of the wreck was not guarded or lighted at all.

A representative of the company said tonight that if the district attorney desired to have the grand jury to investigate the accident the company would aid in every way by supplying witnesses, company employes, books and time sheets, with schedules, models, maps, etc.

At the company's office it was stated that the coaches in the wreck were of the old, or wooden type, not the steel cars that have been ordered.

According to the company J. Jacobs, oiler, and assistant to Motorman Rogers, has not been seen since the accident.

FOUR INJURED ON NORTHERN PACIFIC, DUE TO BROKEN RAIL

By Associated Press.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 17.—An Astoria and Columbia river passenger train was delayed seven miles south of Noble, on the line of the Northern Pacific railway, today.

Four passengers were injured. The smoker, day coach and parlor car left the track, the smoker falling on its side. A broken rail caused the accident.

WOUNDED MAN MAY RECOVER

Victim of Friend's Hasty Shot Has Confidence in His Own Ability to Pull Through All Right

Joseph Shine, the Santa Fe switchman who was shot and seriously wounded in a fight with Thomas J. Stroud, an employe of the Salt Lake Boiler works, early yesterday morning, was unconscious the greater part of yesterday, but toward night rallied and became somewhat stronger.

The bullet was probed for and extracted by Drs. Myers, Choate and Hall yesterday morning. According to the physicians there is about one chance in a hundred for Shine to recover, and if he does it will be the fact that he has an exceptionally strong constitution which will aid him.

Shine does not believe he is going to die, and when questioned said he was sure he would recover in a short time.

Stroud is being held at the city jail awaiting the outcome of Shine's injuries. If the man dies Stroud will be charged with murder and if he lives he will be charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

Wife Is Notified

Early yesterday morning word was taken to Mrs. Stroud of her husband's predicament. The woman is said to be in a delicate condition, and it was at first feared that the shock when told that her husband was in prison would injure her. She was taken to her parents' home from her house at 1805 Michigan avenue soon after being told.

During the day more than fifty persons called at the city jail and asked to see Stroud. All of them spoke in the highest terms of the young man. They said he was not a drinker but was a hard working man. Since his marriage last April he has been employed at the Salt Lake Boiler works and has worked nights during the greater part of that time. Recently he was promoted to the position of foreman and was greatly trusted by his employers.

According to statements made by both Shine and Stroud the two men took supper together in Billy's chop house on East First street. On their way back to work, it is claimed, a callboy employed by one of the roads called Shine several vile names. The man thought it was Stroud who called the names and struck him. According to Stroud, Shine struck him several times, and Stroud then drew his revolver and fired.

Stroud is said to have confessed to the shooting at the police station and afterward was identified by Shine as the man who shot him.

DELMAS DEPLORES LACK OF SUPPORT

ACCUSES HIS ASSOCIATES OF INDIFFERENCE

Says Assistants Did Everything to Discredit Him—Little Chance of Mistrial Because of Juror's Bereavement

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Late tonight it was said that through the intercession of Mrs. William Thaw, mother of Harry K. Thaw, the dissension between counsel, which yesterday threatened the disruption of the forces, has ceased, and in the morning D. M. Delmas, the San Francisco lawyer, will continue as principal in the examination of witnesses, and when the evidence is all in make the closing plea for the defense. It was added that Mr. Delmas' law partner, Henry T. McPike, would not figure actively in the future court proceedings.

The following statement was credited to Mr. Delmas tonight:

"All statement that I intend to withdraw as counsel or that I have been asked to withdraw in the case of Harry Thaw are without foundation and absolutely false. I will be in court tomorrow as usual, ready to perform my duties."

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Stories as to the probable changes in the counsel of Harry Thaw continued to circulate today, but until the trial is resumed in court tomorrow it will be impossible to say whether or not D. M. Delmas will still act in that capacity.

Rumors of dissension among the six attorneys who have sat at the table assigned to the defense since the trial began have frequently cropped up during the last few days and were as often denied. There is no doubt, however, that there has been serious disagreement of some sort, and that Mr. Delmas has found some fault with the alleged actions of some of his assistant counsel.

The trouble, according to a story current today, arose over the publication of an alleged interview with Attorney McPike, partner of Mr. Delmas, in which Mr. McPike was quoted as criticising District Attorney Jerome. Messrs. Hartridge, O'Reilly, Gleason and Peabody, also counsel for the Thaw family, are said to have taken Mr. McPike to task for the remarks credited to him and Mr. McPike vigorously denied the alleged interview. In this denial he is said to have been supported by his partner, Mr. Delmas.

Delmas Scores Aids

On Saturday there was a five hours' conference of all the counsel for Thaw at Mr. Delmas' office, and at this meeting, it is said, Mr. Delmas took occasion to criticise severely the lack of support by his assistants. He declared, it is said, that they had done everything to discredit him and to make him appear ridiculous and that, although he had been nominally in charge of the case in court since the second day of the trial, he had in fact been nothing of the sort.

As an illustration of this alleged desire to confuse him, he declared he knew nothing of Thaw's will and letters until they were handed to him as he was questioning a witness in court.

There seems little chance that the present situation in the Thaw case will result in a mistrial. It is said that Juror Joseph B. Bolton, whose wife died last week and was buried Saturday, has stated that he is willing and able to go on with the trial.

Dr. Britton D. Evans, the alienist, is expected to resume the stand tomorrow morning, followed by Dr. Charles G. Wegner.

Another attempt will be made to introduce the famous will, and it will probably be admitted. Then it is proposed that Evelyn Nesbit Thaw will go on the stand for the purpose of testofying to various conversations with her husband regarding other persons whom Thaw believed to have suffered at White's hands.

LONG ON LANGUAGE; SHORT ON TICKET

There was a big line of people at the Orpheum box office yesterday just before the matinee, and Julius Sonnenberg, the assistant treasurer, was very busy when a middle-aged man stepped before the grating and bowed.

"How do you do?" said Mr. Sonnenberg.

"I-I-I-I-I-I-I—"

"How's that?" asked the treasurer, not understanding the man's actions and gesticulations.

"I t-t-t-t-telephoned ya-ya-ya-ya—"

The crowd was becoming impatient. So the treasurer,

"Oh, I see," he said. "You telephoned for tickets. What is the name?"

"M-m-m-m-m-m-my na-na-na-na—"

"Nay, nay, Pauline," said Julius. "Now try again. Your name is—"

"Bt-bt-bt-bt. My na-na-na-na—"

The people in the line behind him began to grumble, and Mr. Sonnenberg mopped his brow. The curtain was about to rise.

"Say, my friend," he said, "take a long breath and try again, please. Now, what is the name?"

"Baa, baa, black sheep," sang out somebody in the line.

The treasurer was becoming very nervous.

"I-I-I-I" began the man in front, "I-I-I-I-I-"

By this time Julius was all mixed up. "Sa-sa-sa-say," came from his parched throat. Then he realized that he had caught the habit. "Holy smoke," he cried to the boy who was helping him in the box office, "I am getting it too. Hand me a pencil and pa-pa-paper quick."

The pencil and paper were brought and the man outside wrote:

"My name is Baker. I ordered seats by 'phone"

It was easy after that. The seats were handed out and the money handed in. Then Julius gave up his place to the boy and went back and sat down.

"I'll bet a dollar he didn't order those seats by telephone," he said as he fanned himself. "He couldn't order anything verbally."

Then the opening strains of Frankenstein's contribution to the program were heard and as the "line" passed its endless length in front of Nels Holmblad, the voice of the stutterer was heard trying to explain to a friend:

"I g-g-g-g-g-gat g-g-g-g-good seats."

EYEGLASSES WITHSTAND DIGESTION OF A FISH

PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 17.—While fishing on the ocean pier today a negro pulled in a good sized kingfish. On cleaning it he felt something hard in the stomach and pulled out a pair of rimless glasses attached to a delicate gold chain, evidently intended for woman's wear.

The glasses were not broken.

Emerson D. Prescott of Washington, a patron of the Royal Poinciana hotel, heard of the discovery and bought the glasses from the fisherman. Mr. Prescott left for Washington tonight.

LESS CHAMPAGNE IS CONSUMED

Surprises in Coffee, Cotton and Tin Uncovered in Statistics of Commerce of the United States, Just Issued

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Apparently champagne drinking in the United States is on the wane. Both the quantity and value of that beverage imported into this country last year were less than in the preceding one, and practically no greater than a dozen years ago.

This is only one of several surprising features of a statement issued by a bureau of statistics on the "ebb and flow of the commerce of the United States in 1906." The figures show that 394,727 dozen quarts of champagne and other sparkling wines were imported in 1906, valued at $5,855,425, while in the immediately preceding year the number of dozen quarts was 401,541, valued at $5,945,651.

Another surprising fact is that while the United States is one of the greatest coffee consuming countries in the world, yet it is actually exporting that product. The exports of domestic products include 31,518,494 pounds of green or raw coffee, valued at $3,870,592. This is explained by the fact that Porto Rico and the Hawaiian islands are customs districts of the United States and that their exports to foreign countries are now included with the figures of exports form the various customs districts of this country.

Still another curious feature of American commerce is that, while this country produces three-fourths of the world's cotton, $11,000,000 worth of that product was imported last year, to say nothing of $1,000,000 worth of waste cotton. While this country is the largest manufacturer of cotton the imports of this product aggregated in round figures $69,000,000 in value, which was more than 50 per cent in excess of the value of these goods exported.

The United States, which has steadily reduced its importations of tin plate from more than one billion pounds in the fiscal year 1891 to 112,000,000 pounds in the calendar year 1906, has become an exporter of that product and the exportations of tin plate in 1906 were $1,001,688 in vaule, exclusive of the foreign tin re-exported.

SIXTH VICTIM OF EXPLOSION DIES

Inquest Will Be Resumed This Morning and Depositions of Wounded Witnesses Will Be Taken for Evidence

J. W. Haggerty, 1251 South Flower street, the sixth victim of the Second street explosion, died at the Good Samaritan hospital at 11 o'clock yesterday morning.

Haggerty was seriolsy injured in the explosion. Both ankles were crushed and he was hurt internally. Immediately after the explosion the man was found beneath a pile of debris and taken into the receiving hospital. After receiving first aid there he was removed to the Good Samaritan hospital. It was at first thought the man's life would be saved, but he grew weaker each day.

The body was removed to Pierce Brothers' undertaking establishment. A coroner's inquest will be held Tuesday. The funeral will be held from the undertaking establishment Tuesday afternoon.

The coroner's inquest on the victims of the explosion will be again taken up this morning and the examination of witnesses will continue. Fully twenty-two witnesses who have been subpoenaed are expected to be examined today and tell what they know of the grewsome tragedy to the nine men who have been selected to investigate and fix the responsibility.

In addition to the inquest the funerals of the five victims who lost their lives in the catastrophe or soon afterward will be held today. The bodies which will be buried are those of Lavonne Meyers, Mrs. Annie Crawford, John Mains, Jack Fuentes and Fernand Stephens.

A dozen other victims of the explosion occupy beds in different hospitals and several of them will this morning swear to depositions telling what they know of the disaster and the causes which led up to it. These depositions will be read to members of the jury when the hearing is resumed today and will probably weigh greatly in the decision.

Employes and officials of the gas company will also be placed on the stand today to give their side of the matter and it is understood the statements of B. Cressaty, proprietor of the restaurant beneath which the explosion occurred, that he called the company's offices six times before he received assistance, will be contradicted.

Mrs. Wade, one of the women who was seriously injured in the explosion, is at the Pacific hospital and is not expected to live. She has grown steadily weaker and last night it was said she would not live another day.

LOS ANGELES MAN ROBBED IN BERKELEY

BERKELEY, Feb. 17.—Burglars tonight robbed the residence of H. C. Whitney of Los Angeles of about $1000 worth of jewelry during the absence of the family, who are living here temporarily.

Carrier Shoots Storekeeper

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.—Harry Odell, a store owner at Thirteenth avenue and California street, was shot and probably mortally wounded today by Frank La Russa, a newspaper carrier. La Russa claims that Odell assaulted him when he endeavored to collect a bill.

AMUSEMENTS

ORPHEUM THEATER — Spring St. Bet. 2d and 3d. Both Phones 1447.

Modern Vaudeville

Commencing Tonight

Patrice and her company in "Gloria"—W. H. Hickey and Nelson Florence, "Twisted and Tangled"—Happy Jack Gardiner, "The Man with the Horn"—"Little Hip," the smallest performing elephant in the world—Maddox and Melvin, the Comedian and the Actress—The Labakans, acrobats—Chris Smith and the Two Johnsons, Colored Aristocrats—Motion Pictures—Last week Alfred Keley & Co., in a new playlet, "Sister Mary from Tipperary." Matinees daily except Monday.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE — Main St. Bet. 1st and 2d. Phones Main 1967; Home A5137. The Family Theater.

W. J. ELLEFORD Presents MY TOMBOY GIRL,

Chas. E. Blaney's Romantic Comedy Drama of Old Virginia. Matinees Tuesday, Saturday and Washington's Birthday. Next week: "At Cripple Creek."

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The Alexander Salvini version offered for the first time by a stock company. Everybody in the cast. Superb scenic equipment.

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MISSION THEATER — 323 S. Main. Phone Home 1372. EVAN BALDWIN, Mgr.

Matinee Today — New Show

Hearts Estranged

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UNIQUE THEATER — 629 S. Broadway. HENTZ & ZALLEE, Props.

A splendid bill this week, including Wm. H. Maxen and Daisy Dudley in "For Sweet Charity;" "Bicycle Bill," king of cyclists; Harry Morton in parodies; the Unique Comedy company, presenting "Benny's Little Game;" illustrated songs by Homer Long and latest motion pictures. Matinees Monday, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. Ladies' souvenir matinee Wednesday. General admission 10c, reserved seats 15c, orchestra 20c, loges 25c.

FISCHER'S THEATER — 1st st., bet. Spring and Main. Week Com. Monday, Feb. 18.

"The Little House that Pleases the Big Crowds."—"DOOLEY'S MARRIAGE."—See Fischer's comedians and Beauty Chorus in Fred L. Griffiths' latest musical comedy. Two shows nightly at 8 and 9:30. Matinees daily except Monday. Ladies' souvenir matinee on Thursday. Prices: 10c, 20c. Reserved seats 25c.

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CARRIES RED-HOT STOVE TWO MILES

WINSTED, Conn., Feb. 17.—Another venerable jest, that about the "red hot stove," was incinerated today in its own fire. William G. Ward, a piano dealer, moved a red hot stove two miles, from his old home, on Pratt hill, to his new domicile in the Beardsley block, on Main street. And he kept the fire burning all the way.

All the rest of Mr. Ward's household goods were on the truck sleigh, only the parlor stove remained, glowing cheerfully, emitting a grateful warmth.

"We'll empty that stove," said the teamster.

"We will not," retorted Mr. Ward. "I don't propose to build another fire today. We will fill the hopper with coal, load the stove on the tail end of the truck where there is plenty of room, and take it along. It will be precious cold in the new house, and we'll have a fire going while we unload."

The men took down the stove pipe, carefully wired the stove to two long furnace pokers and carrying it like an ancient sedan chair, wired it on the end of the truck. Everybody laughed who saw the stove on its two-mile journey in a temperature of 20 degrees above zero.

Five minutes after the truck reached the Beardsley block apartment the stove and its pipe were in place in the new parlor and the red coals were throwing out a heat that made Mr. Ward and the teamster glow and chuckle.

WIDOW SUCCEEDS CITY GRAVE DIGGER

NEWMAN, Ga., Feb. 17.—Mrs. Lutetia Jane McLeroy has been elected sexton of the city cemetery, as successor of her husband, who died several months ago. Mrs. McLeroy filled his unexpired term in so acceptable a manner that her election by the city aldermen was without a dissenting vote. While Mrs. McLeroy does not actually dig graves she superintends the work of the men who do, and she is responsible for their condition when the time for burial comes, and so far there has been no fault found.

Mr. and Mrs. McLeroy moved to Newman thirteen years ago, and soon after Mr. McLeroy was elected sexton, holding this position until his death last December. Mrs. McLeroy has been assistant to her husband. Having a natural love for flowers, the looking after the planting and arranging beds of the vacant lots and the cemetery at Newman is notably beautiful in its shrubbery and blossoms.

At the death of Mr. McLeroy, a number of prominent women in Newman visited Mrs. McLeroy, urging her to fill the unexpired term, which she did.