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### HIGH COURT DECLARES LAW FIXING TAXI RATES IS LEGAL; PRIVATE STANDS ABOLISHED

#### The Appellate Court Sustains Justice Seabury's Decision, Ends Hotel Stand Tribute and Gives Strict Regulations.

The Evening World's fight for reduced taxicab rates and for the abolition of the private hack stand privileges granted to the taxicab monopolies was won today when the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court handed down a practically unanimous opinion sustaining in toto the decision of Justice Samuel Seabury that the ordinance passed by the Board of Aldermen was legal and valid.

In the matter of reducing taxicab rates to a fair sum, the Appellate Division was unanimous with the exception of Justice Scott, who wrote a dissenting opinion. In the matter of abolishing private hack stands, Presiding Justice Ingraham and Justice Scott wrote dissenting opinions. All the other Justices concurred in the remarkably lucid decision handed down by Justice Seabury, who declared the ordinance for which The Evening World fought so long was the result of mature deliberation, careful investigation and was warranted in all its premises.

Under this decision the taxicab trusts and the hotels may appeal to the Court of Appeals, but it is hardly likely another restraining order will be permitted them. The Mayor's Bureau of Licenses, under today's sweeping victory, is empowered immediately to begin the enforcement of the ordinance and to compel the immediate licensing of every taxicab driver in New York.

**REDUCES RATE AND ABOLISHES PRIVATE HACK STANDS.**  
The taxicab ordinance, upheld by Justice Seabury and the Appellate Division, was denounced by The Evening World after a thorough investigation of the situation. Under its provisions taxicab rates were reduced to 25 cents for the first "drop" of the flag—one half mile—and to 50 cents a mile, with a gradually increasing rate for three or more people. The former rate, as maintained by the Taxicab Trust, called for 50 cents for the first half mile, 50 cents a mile.

The ordinance also abolished the nefarious private hackstand privileges, by which the Taxicab Trusts, through the payments of huge sums to hotels, clubs and restaurants, were able to procure a complete monopoly of the city's streets and drive independent taxicab owners from business.

By means of the private hackstand privilege only trust cabs were permitted to pick up passengers in front of hotels and restaurants. For this privilege the Taxicab Trusts paid immense sums to the hotels and restaurants in some cases as much as \$500 a year. The court examination of the books of the Taxicab Trust showed that half a million dollars a year was being paid by the trust to procure this illegal monopoly on the city's streets. This large sum, of course, came from the pockets of the riding public by means of illegally increased rates.

**JUSTICE SAID PRIVATE STANDS WERE ILLEGAL.**  
Under the decision of Justice Seabury, sustained today, these monopolistic schemes of the city's streets are declared illegal and independent taxicabs may do business in an efficient means of paying no illegal monopoly.

The ordinance sustained today was passed by the Board of Aldermen only after The World's exposure of the alliance existing between certain Aldermen and the Yellow Taxicab Company, the

### Await Word to Act

While a fleet of American battleships await orders from Uncle Sam to enforce peace in Mexico,

THOUSANDS OF WORLD READERS WHO HAVE POSITIONS, SERVICES, HOMES, INVESTMENTS, BARGAINS, FOUND ARTICLES, ETC. TO OFFER. AWAIT A WORD THROUGH WORLD ADS. TO HIRE, WORK, RENT, INVEST, BUY, SELL, ETC. ON A MUTUAL BENEFIT BASIS.

Therefore, for speedy action and profit, ADVERTISE IN NEXT SUNDAY'S WORLD!

### WHAT YOU WILL PAY FOR RIDE IN TAXICAB UNDER NEW LAW.

The former taxicab rates called for 50 cents for the first half-mile for any number of passengers, with a rate of 50 cents a mile.

The new rate, effective under the court decision today, is as follows:

For motor vehicles (except for sight-seeing cars):

For not more than two persons: For the first half mile or fraction thereof..... 25 cents For each succeeding one-quarter mile..... 10 cents The rate, therefore, for one mile, is..... 50 cents

FOR THREE OR FOUR PASSENGERS:

For the first half-mile or fraction thereof..... 40 cents For each succeeding one-sixth of a mile or fraction..... 10 cents

FOR HORSE-DRAWN VEHICLES:

For each half-mile or fraction thereof..... 50 cents For each succeeding half-mile or fraction thereof..... 20 cents

FOR COACHES:

For the first mile or fraction thereof..... 70 cents For each succeeding half-mile or fraction thereof..... 20 cents Calculate waiting time at 10 cents for each four minutes.

### THREE PASSENGERS HURT IN CAR CRASH

Collision at Crossing in Brooklyn Also Splinters Many Windows.

A St. John's place car of the B. R. T. of the new center door heavy type smashed into the rear platform of a Sixth avenue car at Atlantic and Vanderbilt avenues, Brooklyn, early today. Both cars were heavily loaded. The heavy car was crossing Vanderbilt avenue and could not be stopped by Motor-man John Skelly in time to avoid a collision with the lighter car. The rear platform of the Sixteenth avenue car was demolished. One passenger, John Eldridge of No. 40 Vanderbilt avenue, was taken to the Swedish Hospital with a broken arm. Two others, Nathan Cohen of No. 47 Sixteenth avenue, had the cuts and bruises about the head and body patched up by the ambulance surgeon and were able to go to their homes.

ANTHRALEXAN WHISKY. Satisfies the most exacting notes. Sold at all liquor stores. 50c. Advt.

### MODERN WIFE KILLS WEDDED BLISS FOR TWO

Breakfast in Bed and Highballs Not to Quaint Husband's Liking.

LIVED IN WALK-UP FLAT.

She Thinks That Dreadful, and She Used to Elevators!—In Divorce Court Now.

Winsome Grace Phillips celebrated her twenty-first birthday on Oct. 30, which also was the anniversary of her wedding, which took place two years ago. Indeed, she was a young bride, but for accomplishments in the art of living a wife's life according to the most modern dictates, her husband, Andrew, says she is a prize winner.

Some of her modern rules for a happy wife's existence, according to her husband, and which, he says, she didn't hesitate to carry out, were: Eat breakfast in bed. If you can't eat it in bed get up and eat in your robes de nuit. Never go near the stove or the pantry. Read novels in bed all day. Drink four or five highballs in quick succession in the morning.

When there are no books to read spend the spare time primping. Of course Andrew wouldn't say all these things precisely about his pretty bride, although she has sued him for a separation and he in reply sued her for a divorce, mentioning all his little objections to her and adding that before she was wedded to him she was too friendly with one Harold O. Hayden of No. 200 West One Hundred and Forty-third street.

And the unkindest cut of all, she answers, was her husband's charge that she drank liquor to excess, when all her friends and her husband's friends knew that she didn't drink at all. And to prove she doesn't, she says that she took the pledge before she married and only broke it once, and that was when she took a drink with her husband at their wedding.

Mrs. Phillips strenuously objects to some of the anti-modern ideas her husband has, as, for instance, when he told her to get a cheap walk-up apartment on West One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street and she had been accustomed to elevators. After she had moved in he walked out and never came back except once, and he explains this return trip by saying: "I received a phone call that my wife was dying."

Andrew is pretty well off, the wife says, and spends the summer in his little motor boat, "Nanook," which he keeps at the Cobble Yacht Club at the foot of One Hundred and Fifty-third street, Hudson River.

In spite of the husband's objections Supreme Court Justice Cochran today ordered Andrew to pay his wife \$25 a week alimony and to settle with her attorneys.

### NO CONGRESS ADJOURNMENT.

Extra Session Will Merge With the Regular on Dec. 1.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Senate Democratic Steering Committee today decided that the extra session of Congress will not adjourn, but the present session will run into the regular session beginning Dec. 1. The Steering Committee also decided that a Democratic currency caucus will not be held immediately and that the general currency debate shall open in the Senate next Monday.

The House leaders will stand by the Senate programme. This means that there can be no recess—not even constructively—and no fight over the much mooted question of mileage. This was agreed upon today by the leaders as the solution of a problem that threatened to become a tangle.

**\$12 Men's O'coats & Suits, \$5.95**  
The "RUB" Suits, "ASTOR HOUSE," our Barley St. ASTOR HOUSE, will sell today and Saturday, 2,500 Men's Winter Suits and overcoats, black, light, fancy greys, blue, tan, olive, brown and dark mixed woads, all sizes, 34 to 44, worth \$12 in any other store, our special price today and Saturday, \$5.95. Open Saturday night till 10. The RUB Clothing Store, Broadway, corner Barclay St., Advt.

### Mrs. Hetty Green Photographed At Home on Her 78th Birthday



PAUL THOMPSON

### TALK 4,000 MILES BY WIRELESS PHONE, IS GERMAN CLAIM

Admiral in Kaiser's Navy Says Message Passed Between Hanover and New Jersey.

BERLIN, Nov. 21.—The transmission of a wireless telephonic communication over a distance of nearly four thousand miles, from Neustadt-am-Rheinberge, in Hanover, to New Jersey, was accomplished on Oct. 27 by a German wireless company, according to Rear-Admiral Georg August Eismann in a report today to the German Shipbuilding Society.

The message was sent and received in the middle of the afternoon in spite of the daytime being most unfavorable for wireless communications. The two stations are over eight hundred feet high. Earlier attempts had proved that clearly defined tones were audible and finally a spoken message was transmitted and distinctly received.

Emperor William and Prince Henry of Prussia have taken a great personal interest in the experiments.

Herr Bredow, director of a rival wireless company, at the same meeting described the German wireless net. Hundreds of wireless dispatches were passed daily he said from Nauen to Sayville, L. I., and to Tangier, West Africa. Connections between Tangier and German Southwest Africa are to be opened next year and with East Africa in 1915, while communication between

### WILSON CUTS OUT NEW YEAR'S LEVEE AT WHITE HOUSE

President Smashes Century-Old Precedent by Dropping Public Reception.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—President Wilson shattered a precedent of more than one hundred years' standing today. He announced that there would be no public reception at the White House on New Year's Day. For many years it has been customary for the President to stand in the Blue Room from two to five hours and shake hands with all who come along.

This will not be done this year. Instead the President will go away from Washington for a "brief holiday" and will not be in the White House on New Year's Day.

Samoa and New Guinea would be established in April next.

In the course of the discussion Herr Bredow said the prophecy made by Admiral Eismann that wireless telephony would surpass wireless telegraphy would not be borne out, as telegraphy would always possess practical advantages.

**STEAMSHIPS DUE TO-DAY.**

Ancona, Palermo.....	8 A. M.
Maracalbo, La Guayra.....	10 A. M.
Ancon, Orizaba.....	11 A. M.
Barbours, Naples.....	2 P. M.

### M'GUIRE ADMITS HE ASKED BARBER RIVAL FOR MONEY

Told Warner-Quinlan Representative He Could Get State Work for \$5,000.

DODGES MANY QUERIES.

Denies Having Attended Conference With Sulzer at Which Asphalt Was Discussed.

George H. McGuire of Syracuse was again a witness this afternoon at the John Doe inquiry into up-state graft that is being conducted by Chief Magistrate McAdoo.

McGuire had been called before the Grand Jury earlier in the day and it was reported he had told that body about a conference in Cooperstown which was attended by Mr. Sulzer and State Highway Commissioner Carlisle and at which the subject of the use of asphalt in state roads was discussed.

This conference was alleged to have been held on July 25, and it is a matter of record that on July 6 orders were sent out that all asphalt applications were to be rigidly enforced. This, it was said, aided the Barber Asphalt interests because they alone could comply with the specifications. In his testimony last Wednesday McGuire said he and his brother got a commission on all asphalt products they sold to the state.

**M'GUIRE'S ATTORNEY MAKES A PROTEST TO THE COURT.**  
Before McGuire began his testimony this afternoon Henry A. Wise, McGuire's counsel, appealed to the court for the protection of his client. He said that the reported intention of Mr. Whitman to ask for perjury indictment as the result of McGuire's testimony, did not affect his client in the least, that he was there to tell the truth, not to change his testimony.

"Yes, but he's changed his testimony every time he's on the stand," said Mr. Whitman.

The examination of McGuire began with an inquiry as to the alleged conference in Cooperstown on July 3 last. McGuire swore he was not in Cooperstown on July 3; that he went through there in a motor car with his wife and that the register of the Hotel Oswegatchie would show when he was there. He denied having seen either Gov. Sulzer or State Highway Commissioner Carlisle at Cooperstown.

Mr. Whitman then took the witness to the matter of asphalt. McGuire admitted that he had asked Carlisle to insert the word "natural" before the words "solid asphalt" in state contracts.

**WISE MAKES A FIGHT TO KEEP OUT STORY.**  
But before this answer was adduced there was a red hot tilt between Mr. Whitman and Mr. Wise. The latter arose to protest against the questioning of his client.

Mr. Whitman protested, claiming that Mr. Wise had no standing before the court. Mr. Wise continued his protests and Mr. Whitman peremptorily threatened to withdraw.

"I'll take this witness before the Grand Jury, Your Honor, if Mr. Wise is permitted to continue," he said, "to protest in the name of the people—this is an outrage."

Mr. Wise was not to be stopped. He popped up every time Mr. Whitman stopped for breath. Finally Magistrate McAdoo had to wave Mr. Wise to his seat. Then the proceedings went on again. McGuire looked as if he had not relished one bit the tilt between the two attorneys, particularly when the words "Grand Jury" were used.

Mr. Whitman sought to bring out that McGuire had caused natural solid asphalt to be specified, in order to keep the Warner-Quinlan Company out of contracts.

**ADMITS HE WANTED TO AID BARBER COMPANY.**  
The witness denied doing this to keep out the Warner-Quinlan Company, but said he had done it because it would keep out of the company from which he would get a commission on asphalt sales.

"Do you remember a telephone conversation you had with Mr. Condit of the Warner-Quinlan Asphalt Company in the matter of a campaign contribution

### HUERTA PUTS WAR TAX ON AMERICAN FIRMS TO PAY HIS TROOPS

They and Other Foreign Interests in Monterey Commanded by Dictator to Hand Over \$250,000 Under Separate Assessments.

### TWO MADEROS PUT ABOARD AMERICAN BATTLESHIP

Fearing Death They Are Escorted by Lind From U. S. Consulate—Ruler Fights Landing of Marines.

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 21.—A levy of 500,000 pesos, about \$250,000 in American money, has been made at Monterey to pay the troops there, according to reliable reports. It is stated that the American Smelting and Refining Company's contribution toward this amount was 25,000 pesos. A demand was made by the Federal military authorities on all the foreign business concerns in Monterey for cash to provide for the maintenance of the army in that district. From the Monterey Steel Company 20,000 pesos was asked and from the Waters-Pierce Oil Company 15,000 pesos, while others were taxed in proportion to their importance. The Mexican peso is worth about 50 cents in American coin.

The managers here of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company instructed their representative in Monterey to refuse payment of the levy and to place themselves and the property of the company under the protection of the American Consul.

The economic situation in Mexico City is causing alarm. There is less than 1,000 tons of coal in the city, and because of the condition of the railroads, due to rebel activities, there is no possibility of more being brought in. All is in possession of three concerns, and they have boosted the price almost beyond reach. No more oil can be brought in, because it comes from Tampico, where the rebels are in control.

The light and power of the capital are generated by water power, and the shortage of fuel will not affect them, but things would be at a standstill and in darkness should the rebels capture the power plant at Necaxa.

Trade is at low ebb, the people buy-

### HETTY GREEN 78 TO-DAY AND BUSY EVERY SECOND

Richest Woman "Transacting Business as Usual," Her Secretary Doesn't Know Where.

Nobody knows just how many millions Mrs. Hetty Green has. But she will have hoarded away seventy-eight birthdays to-day. That is a matter of record. Mrs. Green is transacting business as usual. She left No. 7 West Ninetieth street early this morning to fill several business engagements.

On many previous birthdays Mrs. Green has been quoted as saying she doesn't believe in woman's suffrage. There is not much left to ask her except questions on the Mexican situation and the theatre ticket situation, and everybody knows the fare to Mexico is exorbitant and ticket speculators' prices are excessive.

Suffice it, then, to record that Mrs. Green never looked better, never felt better and never worked harder than on her seventy-eighth birthday.

### M'COMBS GUEST OF WILSON.

Democratic Chairman and His Bride Lunch at White House.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—William McCombs, the Democratic National Chairman, and his bride, who was Miss Dorothy Williams of Washington, took luncheon with President Wilson today. After luncheon the President had a conference with Mr. McCombs on political

no more than necessary demands, and the merchants are frantic. The food supply is said to be none too plentiful, and a continuance of present conditions might bring on a serious situation.

### O'SHAUGHNESSY CONFERS WITH MEXICAN MINISTER.

The fact that Nelson O'Shaughnessy, American Charge d'Affaires, had had two conferences with the Mexican Minister of Foreign Affairs during the past few days became known here today. The exact character of these meetings and the nature of the conversation were, however, not made known, the only thing gathered in connection with the conferences being that their net result was to leave the situation unchanged.

It is stated, though, that representations to the Mexican Foreign Office were made by Mr. O'Shaughnessy, who asked for the early adjudication of the claim of Thomas Coleman for the restoration of his title to the island of Petrosco, of the Tuxpan oil district of the State of Vera Cruz, of which he had been dispossessed by the local authorities, who had turned over the property to the interests with which Lord Cowdry is connected. The case is on the list in the Supreme Court here.

Mr. Coleman states that he was deprived of his rights and property through a concession granted by the Federal Government to the Oil Fields of Mexico Company, a Pearson concern, in spite of the fact that the law gives the owner the title to any mineral and oil deposits which may exist.

Hard fighting was reported today to be still in progress about Ciudad Victoria, the capital of the State of Tamaulipas, according to information issued by the War Office here. Although the city was said to have been captured by the rebels on Tuesday last, it is now claimed that Gen. Antonio Robago, the Federal Commander is still holding the place, although continuous fighting has gone on inside the city for the last twenty-four hours. It is said troops under Gen. Robin Navarrete, another Federal commander, are due to arrive at Victoria to relieve the garrison at any moment.

Commenting on the situation in an editorial article today El Pais says: "Does President Woodrow Wilson not know or does he not care to know that in history and before the civilized world he will be obligated to answer the charges which humanity will make against Francisco Villa?"

The article then recapitulates the crimes of murder and pillage attributed to Francisco Villa, the rebel leader, at

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