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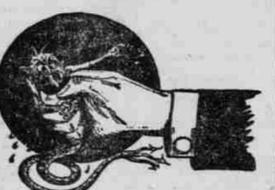
And for Same Price, the Cities' Contention in Gas Hearing.

Legal authority of the commission over the gas companies and the rates they may charge was discussed by Judge F. F. Garver in the gas hearing before the public utilities commission this morning. Judge Garver cited a number of opinions, holding that the commission has control of rates as given it by the legislature, and may fix the prices charged for gas in instances where the companies operate in more than one city or outside of a city.

Judge Garver was followed in his argument by Attorney J. J. Jones, representing the Kansas Natural Gas company, who took up the answers to interrogatories filed in the state case against the Kansas Natural and other gas companies at Independence to

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NOTES OF SENATE

May Establish a Debtors' Court in Kansas.

Justice for Poor Who Cannot Afford Lawyers.

RESPECT TO ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Resolutions to His Memory by Rising Vote.

Congratulations to Ireland Are Held Up.

A debtors court for the benefit of the poor and unfortunate of the state is provided for in a bill which will be introduced in the senate late this afternoon by J. M. Davis, senator from Bourbon county. This court will be organized for the purpose of collecting small bills and debts and settling financial differences among the poorer classes who are unable to hire attorneys. A court under the Davis measure, will be established in all the larger cities and counties of Kansas. The judge of the small debtors court will be appointed by the county commissioners, the city commissioners or the city councils of the cities and counties. This judge will serve without pay and his court room will be either at his home or in a room provided for him at the court house or city hall. Only the small expense of stationery and supplies will be incurred and this to be paid by the city or county.

When a poor man has a bill to collect he will go to the judge and explain his case fully bringing with him all the evidence and details. No swarm of lawyers will be there to object to his testimony—no jury will sit in judgment on his case. The hearing on the case will be explained and the judge of the debtors court will decide on the merits. No technical procedure will be tolerated. Just a plain fair settlement between man and man.

This court is planned for the purpose of benefiting the laboring men of the state and the poor who have to sue to throw away their money in fees. An appeal to the district court is allowed and the man, if he feels like it, will have no jurisdiction taken away from him.

The bill also was introduced in the house.

It took Balie Wagener, Francis Price and J. H. Stavelly, leading law authorities of the senate, nearly a half hour this morning to convince the other members of the upper house that today was not a legal holiday as far as legislative business was concerned. The senate this morning until 10 o'clock was simply a part of yesterday's transactions. Finally the members consented to adjourn and open the calendar for today in regular order. The fear hung with them, however, and only one bill was introduced in the morning session.

The senate after an impassioned talk by Senator Stavelly this morning, tabled the constitutional amendment in her home rule victory. Senator Stavelly said the victory was not won, that the House of Lords had refused to concur in the decision of the House of Commons, that it was the place of the intelligent legislature of the state of Kansas to send congratulations that were not opportune. He defended his position by telling the senate of an interesting affair more than 125 years ago when his great grandfather was an Irish fighter and was imprisoned by the English on account of his beliefs. The senate agreed to wait until a more suitable resolution was drawn up, before offering congratulations to the Irish hero. Senator Malone will send the rewritten resolutions tomorrow morning.

Senator Price of Clark county made a prediction on the senate floor today that drew applause from the Republican side of the house. In speaking of the Democratic decision to disfranchise the ignorant voter in Kansas through the Massachusetts ballot law, Senator Price said:

"By this educational qualification, you have destroyed the Democratic party in Kansas."

No retort was heard from the majority members.

The combination Wagener-Wilson and committee automobile tax and license bills were discussed by the committee of the whole this morning, but no definite action was taken.

Once more the Democrats split forces and the Republicans were able to push over a bill introduced by a Republican member in opposition to a resolution offered by a member of the majority. This time it was the Carey bill providing for the appointment of an efficiency committee to investigate the state institutions and make recommendations for economy. The Davis resolution covering practically the same ground was killed.

Despite a fierce attack on both measures led by Senator Balie Wagener, and Senators Milton Nighswonger, Gray, McMillan and Joseph, the Carey efficiency committee bill passed the committee of the whole by a vote of 21 to 18. One good cause however—although it failed to be made known on the floor—Governor Hodges favored the Carey act. This lined up a number of the strong administration Democrats—and the bill was passed.

For nearly two hours Senator Wagener was able to conduct a miniature filibuster against the Carey measure. First he tried to strike out the enacting clause. Then he tried to kill both the Davis and Carey bills by smothering the enacting clauses. After anti-

Whereas, Abraham Lincoln needs no marble shaft to perpetuate his name, his words, his deeds, his life, will be his enduring monument and will live forever in the hearts and affections of the American people, hereafter to be Resolved, by the senate, to show our appreciation and love for the memory of this great American, and our gratitude to Almighty God, for his life, by passing the following resolutions, to wit: That these resolutions be adopted by a rising vote, and the same be spread upon the journal of this senate.

It is the opinion of Senator Davis, of Bourbon county, that scores of lobbyists are whispering in the ears of members of the upper house and their names are not registered on the books at the office of the secretary of state. He introduced in the senate late Tuesday afternoon a resolution calling for the appointment of three senators to work with the attorney general in "smelling out" the lobbyists and bringing them to the penalty clause of the lobby law.

Senator Davis made no explanation of his resolution on the floor of the senate. He said later, however, that the senate has been alive with lobbyists since the session began—and he has been able to find only a few of their names on the books in the office of the secretary of state.

Senator Davis is an enemy of the lobbyist. Early in the session he tried to force through a bill preventing persons from lobbying either in the state house lobbies or at the hotels or on the streets. His bill was killed in committee—and now he brings it for investigation.

The judiciary committee has killed the Bowman bill providing for the appointment of a revisor of statutes. This committee also stopped the bill providing for a lien on graveyards and the registration of attorneys throughout the counties in the state. The bill giving county officials authority to investigate crime as the liquor violations are investigated, has been recommended for passage.

The Kansas legislature may go on record in opposition to the custom of the United States congressmen and senators distributing money to constituents in this state. In the senate late Tuesday afternoon Senator Davis, of Bourbon county, introduced a resolution to prohibit members in congress to abandon the old idea that Kansas was in need of garden seeds every spring.

In his resolution Senator Davis suggested that the Kansas senators and representatives at Washington spend their time in the interests of the state they represent and not waste energy in mailing seeds to a commonwealth where the experiment stations and agricultural colleges flourish with advice and counsel.

The senate late Tuesday afternoon again addressed with the house on the Massachusetts ballot law. As a result the bill will go back in conference between committees of both houses.

The senators by a vote of 22 to 17 decided that the foreign element in the state possessed with citizens' papers, but unable to read the English language, should have the right to vote. The debate was won by a fierce attack on the bill by Senator Mahin, Joseph, Troutman and McMillan.

The ballot as supported by the administration forces under the leadership of Senator Malone was a ignorant voters from receiving assistance in the booths. The majority of the members of the senate insist, however, that the ignorant voters be allowed to vote, thereby defeating the platform plank which ruled against the ignorant voters.

The enemies of this clause, however, state that it is unfair to thousands of Germans and Swedes in the state who own property, make good citizens but who are unable to read the names on their ballots.

A further safeguard against illegal voting by foreigners in Kansas was provided by a bill introduced in the senate this morning by Senator Porter of Crawford county. The Porter bill would make it necessary that all aliens file their first and second papers with the county clerk, and record transferred to the precincts before a registration is allowed.

THE MOTORCYCLES

They Will Be Given Prominent Place at Auto Show.

The Show Will Cost Dealers \$2,500 to \$3,000.

Motorcycle displays will be a feature of the coming Topeka automobile show in the Auditorium, February 24-March 1. Four local firms handling pop-pop machines will be represented and each concern will have an exhibit several machines.

The firms that will be represented will be the Central Cycle and Supply Co., the Shawnee Cycle Co., the Excelsior Cycle Co. and the J. C. Harding Co. The makes of machines: the Indian, Harley-Davidson, Excelsior, Yale, and possibly the Thor.

These exhibits will be located under the balcony near the front entrances. In the center of the exhibits will be a display of auto and motorcycle supplies by the Southwick Auto Supply Co.

The automobile show will cost the motor car dealers between \$2,500 and \$3,000. For entertainment also more than \$1,300 will be expended. There will be big vaudeville acts, and a good orchestra of eight pieces.

J. E. Hazen, publisher of the Progressive Autoist, will have an interesting display at the show. It will include a miniature reproduction of autos, houses, roads, sales rooms, etc.

The new motor which A. K. Longren has purchased for a racing biplane will also be on exhibition. The racing motor which Longren has purchased for the show will be begun next week.

A meeting of the members of the Topeka Motor Car Dealers' association was held Tuesday night at the Commercial club at which time details in connection with the show were worked out.

SHE BETRAYS ROBBER

"Stock Yards Special" Holdup Man Confesses Offense Charged.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—A man, known to the police as Elmer Dunne, was arrested early today in a West Madison street rooming house by city detectives and special agents of two express companies in connection with the robbery of the "stock yards special" of \$9,000 in money and \$80,000 in checks in the Pennsylvania freight yards on the night of January 31.

Dunne was reported to have admitted the robbery and to have implicated three other men, one of whom was later arrested. The police refused to give the name of the second man taken. Traps were set for the other two but they successfully avoided them.

Dunne's arrest is said to have followed his betrayal to the police by a woman, known as "Arizona." She is said to have told several holdups in which she said Dunne was engaged and also told the police where he could be found.

LIKES KANSAS WINTERS

Panama Visitors From Kansas Run Into Bad Weather.

Wichita, Kan., Feb. 12.—On their trip to the Panama canal, three Wichita couples experienced a taste of oceanic weather when the steamer on which they sailed from Key West to Colon became disabled in the Caribbean sea and for 60 hours was buffeted by waves that ran 40 feet high.

In the party were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lassen, Mr. and Mrs. Ted McDonald and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Liggett. Mr. Lassen is a miller and went in the Central American states to sell flour. The others were on a pleasure trip.

The engines of the steamer broke down and the ship was able to make only six or seven miles an hour headway. "I'll take Kansas winters every time," declared Mr. Liggett, who has returned to his real estate office.

LION AT GREAT BEND.

Strange Beast From Larned Moves to Barton County.

Great Bend, Kan., Feb. 12.—The "mysterious animal" which a few weeks ago is said to have attacked a Rush county boy and killed the dogs which defended him and which later was heard of near Larned, Kan., is believed to have reached Barton county.

Harry Sipes, a South side farmer, while riding home the other night, says he was nearly thrown by his horse and discovered a strange looking beast approaching from a nearby field. He did not stop to argue matters, but roused the neighbors and started a hunt for the beast, but it is said farm dogs refused to track it.

It is thought to have been a mountain lion which the cold weather drove from the mountains and which has taken to the jungles along the Arkansas river.

LOOKS LIKE KOPKE.

The Emporia Man May Be President of Democratic Club.

It is probable that when the Kansas Democrats meet in Topeka Saturday, February 22, that A. W. Kopke of Emporia will be a formidable candidate for the presidency of the Democratic State club. Kopke, who is a traveling salesman, was one of the speakers at the banquet last year and made a decided hit with the 600 Democrats who attended the meeting.

Down in Emporia Kopke is considered a force and influence in the political affairs of Lyon county and the Fourth district. He is young and aggressive and it is claimed that he would be a strong man at the head of the party club in this state. His candidacy for the place has already been strongly urged and his name will be presented at the annual meeting of the Democrats in Topeka next week.

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The following is absolutely the surest and quickest cure known for severe corns, bunions and aching feet. It works through all foot ailments: "Dissolve two table-spoonsful of Calocide compound in a basin of warm water. Soak the feet in this for fully fifteen minutes gently rubbing the sore parts." The effect is really wonderful. All soresness goes instantly from the feet feel delightful. Corns and callouses can be peeled right off. It gives immediate relief for sore, burning, sweaty, smelly and aching feet. Especially effective for frost-bitten feet.

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OSTER ORDER UPHOLD

Jefferson City, Feb. 12.—The Missouri supreme court today refused to modify the judgment of ouster against the Standard Oil company, and the original order, ousting the company from the state, now stands. The original order was issued more than four years ago.

STONE TRUST IS SUED

Wickersham Files His Daily Antitrust Suit in Cleveland.

Cleveland, Feb. 12.—Sensational charges are contained in a civil antitrust suit for dissolution of the Cleveland Stone company and its subsidiaries filed here today by order of Attorney General Wickersham.

To acquire a monopoly in the building, paving, curbing and grindstone business the "stone trust" is charged with influencing architects "by a money consideration or by conferring favor" to specify its stone in their building plans; maintaining a separate organization of its subsidiaries to enable them to appear as competitors in bidding for contracts, and fixing prices in the central states.

The combination is alleged to dominate absolutely the entire market for grindstones in the United States supplying 80 to 90 per cent of all grindstones used in America, including importations from abroad.

The Cleveland Stone company, its subsidiaries and their officers and directors are made defendants by the government petition in equity.

PORTER IS A CANDIDATE

He Wants to Be Commissioner of Parks.

William L. Porter, a plumber, who lives at 745 Morris avenue, today handed the State Journal announcement of his desire for the office of park commissioner, now held by E. B. Stotts. Mr. Porter is the fifth candidate for city commissioner. Petitions are being circulated by his friends. In his announcement he says:

"I am 28 years of age and, with the exception of two years spent in school at Manhattan college, I have lived in this city since 1902. I am a journeyman plumber and have for the past three years been employed by H. E. Shaffer."

FIGHT OVER OPENING.

Ebbetts Plan for Early Date Is Opposed.

New York, Feb. 12.—Magnates of the National League, meeting here today to adopt the playing schedule for the coming season, were confronted with unexpected opposition to the plan to allow the Brooklyn club to open the new Ebbetts field on April 9, one day ahead of the opening games in other cities.

The New York club is said to oppose an early opening in Brooklyn and President Lynch has already voiced an objection. The American League has given its consent to an early opening for Brooklyn as that would prevent a conflicting date with the New York Americans and the Washingtons in this city.

Garry Hermann says Cincinnati and five other clubs favor the Ebbetts plan for an early opening.

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Big Price for Land.

Olson Farm Sells at Auction for \$138 an Acre.

Salina, Kan., Feb. 12.—The P. L. Olson farm of 124 acres, in Anasaria, was sold at auction to Oscar S. Sjogren for \$17,200, or about \$138 an acre. There are about nine acres of waste land in the farm on account of the Smoky Hill river, which brings the acre price to \$141.

All of the property on the farm was sold, the total receipts, including farm, being more than \$20,000.

New Wool Dresses for Spring

You will hardly see the way to do without one of these new wool dresses, when you know how good they are. Just such clever, attractive dresses as this store is noted for, and priced so low that the utility frocks that have served all winter, can be replaced by new at very little expense. The three new 1913 models described are of simple, practical, but smart design—well cut, carefully finished, good fitting.

\$7.50 DRESSES of fine, light weight, all wool serge in navy, brown and wine. Plainly tailored model. Straight center-front closing with large black silk buttons. Skirt joined to waist with silk piping, round neck with separate lace collar—long coats-leaves edged with lace.

\$10 FINE SERGE dresses in navy blue, closed at the back, under slot-pleats, similar pleats laced in front with black silk laces, a pretty arrangement of self trimming piped with cerise silk.

\$15 DRESSES of fine cloth, light weight; stylish new model with folds in bolero effect, black satin collar, cuffs and belt trimming; closed and trimmed with black-centered self rimmed buttons.

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