

PAY TOO MUCH FOR INSURANCE

Bisbee Now Demanding Decrease in Rates--State Rating Board Is Being Asked

LETTER BY SEC. GRAY

That the people of Bisbee, wearied with long waiting, losing patience after being put off again and again by the Board of Fire Underwriters of the Pacific Coast, upon their requests for fair insurance rates, may be expected to seek redress by state legislation, unless early action is taken by the powers that be of the western fire insurance world, is the letter which the committee on insurance of the Warren District Commercial club has caused to be sent to the offices of the underwriters' board at San Francisco, and that committee so reported to a meeting of the directors of the club held last night.

One of the crying needs of the property holders of the district has long been an alleviation of the burden of excessive charges for premiums of insurance. Demands for lower rates were met by demands for betterments in fire protection. As each demand of the board of underwriters was met by the taxpayers of the city, they in turn were met by other demands, and the desired reductions failed in the granting. The conditions which made possible the serious conflagrations of the past were alleviated or entirely removed. Still the rates remained where they were. This was the condition which the Commercial club recognized immediately upon its organization, and for which it sought a remedy through the appointment of an insurance committee. That committee, since its appointment, has been studying the situation from all viewpoints, with the result that it finally concluded that if the board of underwriters would not voluntarily act, and if the city of Bisbee had no remedy which it could offer, there yet remained a remedy with the people, with the state, in the power to appoint a board which should determine the fairness of rates, not in Bisbee alone, but in all portions of Arizona. This is not a palatable stimulant for the insurance companies, and the letter which the secretary of the club was instructed by the insurance committee to direct to the board at San Francisco calls attention to the existence of the anomaly, and the fact that the people, determined to effect a cure, will administer the remedy if necessary. It is true that the time is short for the passage of such a bill by the present legislature, though such passage is possible, but there will be another legislative session held next January, when the passage of a bill for the appointment of a state rate board may be pushed to enactment. The insurance companies have been busy seeking to avert legislation which they deem detrimental to their interests, and will not welcome the introduction of a measure such as the letter from the Commercial club states the people of this district are contemplating.

Although the following letter was sent on Monday by the secretary of the club, following instructions of the committee, it was not made public until after the report had been made to the board of directors at its meeting last night. The text of the letter follows:

Bisbee, Ariz., April 29, 1912. Board of Fire Underwriters of the Pacific, 514 Merchants' Exchange Building, San Francisco, Cal. Gentlemen: The insurance committee of this organization has requested that a letter be directed to you relative to the matter of a reduction of the fire insurance rates in this district. The exceedingly high rates which are now and have been operative in the district for many years, are causing a great deal of criticism of your organization, and there is a very strong desire on the part of many property owners to petition our legislature, now in session, to pass an act providing for a state rating board. This action is strongly opposed by some of the resident agents.

SCHOOL APPROPRIATION MADE ON THE AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

Was Based on School Figures for Last Year Taken First Five Months of School Year--Bill Is Now Pending in Legislature That Will Considerably Increase the Available Funds.

The poor showing made by Bisbee in the school fund appropriation, as made public by School Superintendent Hotchkiss of Douglas Tuesday, was due to the fact that the attendance at Douglas schools was better than in Bisbee schools and not because there are less school children here, as some thought from reading the bare figures. The appropriation is made on the average attendance for the first five months of the school year.

The appropriation just announced was based on school figures for last year and the appropriation for next year will be based on figures of the first five months of this school term. It is said that this appropriation will be even smaller next year than this.

A bill has been introduced in the legislature and has passed the lower house and if it becomes a law the available funds for school purposes will be considerably increased, according to Secretary Gray of the Commercial club, who has given the matter some consideration.

Regarding the proposed segregation of schools, while the negroes may be segregated and taught apart from the other races, the Mexicans may not be segregated. This is the information of Secretary Gray, obtained since the matter of segregation was laid before that body by School Superintendent Philbrook.

Under the treaty of Guadalupe, it would be a treaty violation to segregate Mexican children from white children or in any way discriminate against them in the matter of education, or again, in the matter of suffrage.

Neither can they be segregated under the school law under the pretext of public health, this possible means having been mentioned since the larger part of the Mexican children in the district are found to be sufferers from trachoma, a contagious disease. The school law's remedy for this condition is suspension from school but not segregation.

Two registered letters, containing money of considerable value, were returned to the Bisbee post office yesterday from a post office in the interior of the state of Sonora, Mexico, after having been theoretically in transit for over two years.

One of the letters was mailed at the Bisbee office in October, 1910, and the other in January, 1911. The first has been somewhere--no one knows where--for nineteen months and the other has been on the road or in the Mexican post office for two years and four months. They were marked "undeliverable." They have been turned over to the sender. Neither of the letters had been tampered with.

and it is at their earnest request that the insurance committee of the Commercial club has decided to take the matter up with you direct: although it would appear from the information which we have at hand that you have had ample opportunity to grant the demand for a well earned reduction long before this, as you, no doubt, have been fully informed regarding the many improvements, such as the greatly increased water supply, new distributing system, and the improvement of the fire department system and equipment.

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DIGGING PALACE OUT OF A SWAMP
One from Guatemala Will Be Brought to San Diego Show

SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 1.--Digging a palace out of a swamp and lifting the earth removed therefrom for valuable curios is some job, especially when that palace is located in the midst of tropical verdure in the center of Guatemala, yet that is what Dr. Edgar L. Hewett, director of the American section of the Archeological Institute of America is doing for San Diego's Panama-California Exposition.

The palace, a relic of the Mayas, who thrived, carved statues and built palaces and temples when the Egyptians were building their pyramids, when the Roman Empire was in process of formation, has lain under the soil and vegetation of centuries until discovered some years ago. Dr. Hewett has dreamed of uncovering it but not until President Collier, of the San Diego exposition gave him a commission to explore it and bring what he finds to San Diego has he had an opportunity to do so.

Dr. Hewett says that trees are growing out of the roof of the structure, which is in the forest near Quirigua, Guatemala, so long has the palace remained buried. The Mayas were an intelligent, warlike and highly educated race. Some of their stone gods are the largest pieces of sculpture the world has produced. The riddle of the time of their highest culture, and of their origin, has never been solved and it is in hope of being able to read the mysteries of the dawn of history, Dr. Hewett, with his assistant professors and workmen, are now digging and delving in the swamps of Guatemala. Dr. Hewett will report to the Smithsonian Institute, the Archeological Institute and to the Panama-California Exposition department of archeology, all three of which institutions are backing the expedition.

Are Very Busy
The various county officers are a very busy bunch these days, fixing up their monthly reports, besides attending to the usual daily business. Sheriff Wheeler and his deputies are at work summoning jurors and witnesses for the criminal cases that are to be tried next week, besides escorting those who have entered pleas of guilty to the state penitentiary.

Must Be Tried Here
Advice was received here today that Judge Hunt of the United States court at Phoenix, had sustained the decision of the superior court of this county in the Gleason-Costello case, that the case was due to be tried in the superior court, and was not subject to change of venue to

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The claim is circular, about ten or twelve feet in diameter, and the ants allow no plant but the ant rice to encroach upon the cleared space anywhere.

The produce of the crop they carefully harvest, though authorities are still disagreed upon the final question whether they plant the grain or merely allow it to sow its own seed on the protected area.

One thing, however, is certain--that no other plant is permitted to sprout on the taboored patch. The ants wage war on weeds far more vigorously and effectively than our own agriculturists.

Possible to Be Too Busy.
A certain business man was so very busy that he could not see anybody who called. Among 'em was a good customer, who went elsewhere.--John A. Howland.

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TRI-STATE LEAGUE.

READING, Pa., May 1.--The championship season of the Tri-State Baseball League was opened today with games in Harrisburg, Trenton, Altoona and Reading. The league circuit is the same as last year, comprising Johnstown, York, Lancaster and Wilkes-Barre, in addition to the other four cities named. The season will continue until September 4.

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Top left, Judge Knapp; lower left, James McGee; center, Warren S. Stone; right, W. C. Brown.

The threatened strike of the Brotherhood of Railway Engineers has been averted. It seemed at one time as though arbitration would be impossible. Then Judge Martin A. Knapp, of the U. S. Commerce Court and Labor Commissioner Charles P. Neill took a hand. They insisted that the contending parties should admit to arbitration. This was finally agreed to. The Engineers were represented in the negotiations with the railroads by their chief, Warren S. Stone. The two railway presidents who were deeply interested in the outcome of the controversy are James McGee, of the Pennsylvania Lines, and W. C. Brown, of the New York Central.