

RATE HEARING OPENS BEFORE INDIANA BODY

Manufacturers Say R. R. Petition Calls for Discriminatory Tariffs.

SLAP IS GIVEN SERVICE

Representatives of manufacturers and dealers in thirteen commodities in Indiana appeared yesterday before the public service commission to protest against discriminatory rates which they claim would be brought about by the granting of the petition of the thirty-two railroads for increased freight and passenger rates equal to those granted recently by the Interstate commerce commission.

The industries represented at the hearing are brick, print paper, limestone, grain tile, sand, gravel, straw, strawboard, coal, fertilizer, crushed stone, milk and cream.

Representatives of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce, the chambers of commerce of many cities of the state, as well as attorneys for the various railroad companies, were present.

The hearing is being conducted in the senate chamber.

Previous to the taking of testimony, representatives of the various industries, at the suggestion of Commissioner E. L. Lewis, outlined the position they would take in the case, and gave a resume of their reasons for their stand.

The position of the railroads was presented to the commission by N. S. Brown, attorney for the carriers, who said all railroads were petitioning for increases in rates similar to those granted by the federal body.

WILL WORK AGAINST DISCRIMINATION.

R. Coopstick, representing the state chamber of commerce, said that, while that organization was not protesting against increased rates for the roads, it would protest against discrimination against Indiana industries.

"We will prove," said Mr. Coopstick, "that a 40 per cent increase in intrastate rates in those states surrounding Indiana will still leave their rates lower than the present rate in Indiana on many industries."

Charles C. Stewart, Indianapolis, representing the coal, oil and fertilizer interests, declared it was his opinion that the railroads should not apply in Indiana for increased rates until their service was improved.

"I think it is the opinion of all persons interested in this case that the principal objection to the rate increases is because of their inability to get any sort of service from the carriers," said Mr. Stewart.

"I think the roads should improve their service, then apply for the trouble experienced by manufacturers in obtaining cars."

In presenting his appearance for the Ft. Wayne Chamber of Commerce, H. E. Fairweather, Ft. Wayne, made a plea for uniformity in rate advances in each of the railroads.

EMPHASIZES TORTURE SUFFERED INFANT.

"We do not oppose rates for the roads," said Mr. Fairweather, "but we ask the commission to keep in mind the torture Indiana has had in the past, in comparison with the situation in Illinois."

Protests against inequalities in traffic to place the rates on products of Indiana companies on a parity with those of Illinois was to form the bases of the protest entered by G. B. Luckett, Crawfordsville, representing the bright manufacturing interests of Indiana.

Other railroads were represented for the Anderson Chamber of Commerce, and a special committee of the gas belt, protesting against discrimination in coal rates; S. S. Shambaugh, Kokomo, representing the Kokomo Steel and Wire Company, protesting coal and limestone rates; E. R. Marshall, Indianapolis, representing the coal and fertilizer interests.

H. R. Kurrie, president of the Monon railroad, was the first witness.

In a long typewritten statement Mr. Curry presented many figures relative to cost and difficulties encountered by railroad operation before, during and since the war.

The statement also dealt with facts of railroad operation under federal control, and outlined the reasons why the increased rates were necessary in intrastate transportation.

"Prior to the entry of the United States into the world war this country had the most economical and efficient transportation machine the world ever knew," said Mr. Curry.

He said that, under federal control, brought about by the necessity of concentrated shipping, to move war materials, much freight was excluded from transportation.

The average wage of the average railroad employee, Mr. Kurrie said, in 1917, was \$1,000.

In 1920 before the new rates were applied, the average earning was \$1,557, and since that time, he declared, it has jumped to approximately \$1,900.

"Right here I wish to say there is now not only a need for more revenue for the railroads, but there also is a decided need for prompt action," said Mr. Kurrie.

"The railroads go back to private ownership and control on Sept. 1, and in the next three to four months these roads will establish the base for their credit for operation during the first year of the new rates."

"All other matters, such as these protests entered here today, are beside the question," declared Mr. Kurrie.

"If these increases are granted as the railroads request, then the roads will handle, in an appreciable way, all situations now confronting them and the public."

Mr. Kurrie also told of the difficulties encountered by the carriers, due to the holding of cars by shippers, stating that on the Monon one car in eleven is detained by shippers five days or more.

Bad orders also, he declared, increase the difficulties of railroad operation, not only on the Monon but on other roads.

Traffic Men Parade Streets of 'Frisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 24.—One thousand traffic men, representing the big traffic departments of the country, paraded down Market street yesterday while the San Francisco traffic squad kept the admiring crowd at a distance.

This was the opening of the National Traffic Officers' convention.

The officers seek to form a mutual motor vehicle law to be adopted by every state and Canada.

Federal traffic law is an impossibility, it is explained, under the constitution.

Holds Wife's Name in Hand and Drinks Acid

William Moser, 29, who has been living at the home of his mother, Mrs. Susie Moser, 1232 Bridge street, tried to commit suicide yesterday by drinking carbolic acid.

Physicians at the city hospital say his condition is serious.

Donaldson, because of a quarrel with his wife, is believed to have been the cause for the attempt.

Moser and his wife, Martha, formerly lived at Brownsville, where they separated, each coming to Indianapolis.

By Moser's side when he was found was a card on which was written the name and telephone number of his wife.

Summers in South



TENN. ANTIS MAKE MOVE FOR ADDED DELAY

NASHVILLE, Aug. 24.—Those opposing ratification of the suffrage amendment by the Tennessee legislature further delayed official certification of the senate's and house's action on the resolution when a second injunction was issued by Judge E. F. Langford restraining John Green, clerk of the house, and W. M. Carter, clerk of the senate, from signing or certifying to the passage of the resolution.

The petition was filed as an amended and supplemented bill to the original bill filed Saturday, enjoining Gov. A. H. Roberts, Secretary of State Ike B. Stevens and the speakers of both houses from taking any official action toward proclaiming the passage of the resolution.

It was alleged that notwithstanding the fact that no quorum was present when the house acted upon the resolution Saturday, Clerk Green had been ordered to transmit the resolution to the clerk of the senate as if there had been valid consideration.

The injunctions will be argued before Chancellor James B. Newman at a date not yet announced.

Gov. Roberts has issued a statement that he will countenance no act intended to nullify the ratification and the will of the "majority by the minority."

The members of the house who went to Decatur, Ala., in order to break a quorum and thereby prevent action on the resolution, announced their determination to remain out of the state until the special session of the legislature is declared finally adjourned.

MISS DAVIETTE FICKLIN.

Instead of following the example of many of her friends and going north for her summer, Miss Davielle Ficklin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Ficklin of Washington, D. C., is spending August at Hot Springs, Va.

She is one of the capital's most popular belles.

Anderson Man Fills Commission Vacancy

E. M. Wilson, Anderson, has been appointed by Gov. James P. Goodrich to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Richard M. Holman of Wabash college as a member of the state conservation commission.

It is understood that Mr. Holman has accepted a position in the faculty of Lehigh Stanford university in California.

He was head of the botany department of Wabash college and served as secretary of the conservation commission.

Mr. Wilson fills a democratic vacancy on the commission.

He is president of the Indiana Silo Company of Anderson.

The unexpired term of Mr. Holman lasts until April 1, 1922.

Mediator for Trouble Over Nashville Cars

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—Conciliator J. J. Walsh has been assigned to the threatened street car trouble at Nashville, Tenn.

The appointment of a conciliator was made at the suggestion of W. M. Fink, general vice president of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, who called the department's attention to the acute situation prevailing in Nashville.

The police yesterday arrested fourteen men who were engaged in a crap game in a box car 100 feet south of police headquarters.

The police took a pair of dice and 5 cent silver pieces and had seized most of the money the police say was thrown.

The men gave fictitious names and were released on bonds signed by professional bondsmen, who waited at the door of the turnkey's office until the men were "slated."

To Suspend Court During Encampment

Judge T. J. Moll of superior court, room No. 5, announced yesterday that he will hold no court during the week of Sept. 20 because of the G. A. R. encampment.

The court has extended the use of its courtroom for the use of the veterans for reunion purposes and the commissioners accepted the invitation.

Judge Moll will begin the next term of court on Sept. 8.

Jury trials will begin in October.

TAKE PHOSPHATE WITH MEALS IN SUMMER-TIME

Your Nerves Demand It, Your Blood Needs It, Say Physicians.

There's not enough phosphorus in modern foods to benefit nearly one-half of the men and women of America, scientists declare.

To overcome this lack of an element of your body that is necessary to your health, your happiness and even your success in life, weak, anemic, nervous and low-temperature people should take Bitro-Phosphate as dispensed by Haag's seven drug stores, also Hook's drug stores, and all leading drug stores in the original package.

Speaking of people who are easily fatigued, who lack ambition, nerve and are often listless, think of the lack of phosphorus in their diet. Dr. Harry G. Harrigan, formerly Visiting Specialist North Eastern Dispensary, N. Y., says:

"Patients who are easily fatigued were often too foolish to think that need only a blood tonic to enrich the blood, have come for treatment trembling and shaking, their nerve force almost exhausted, and after the administration of Bitro-Phosphate has produced seemingly magical results."

People who feel the heat of summer, especially in the tropics, are easily fatigued and depressed will find Bitro-Phosphate an invigorating and helpful friend.

Drugists report wonderful increase in the number of men and women who are anxious to renew old-time ambition and who are making an honest effort to regain vigor and keen-mindedness with a power of endurance that denotes almost perfect health.

They ask for Bitro-Phosphate because they know they need an inexpensive oral phosphate.

—Advertisement.

An Old Sore

does not heal because the pus, which is continually forming, poisons the surrounding flesh.

Dr. Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil

Stops the formation of pus, destroys the poison and heals the sore. It Stops Pain and Heals at the Same Time.

50c 60c \$1.20

FIRST BIDDER, COAL 5 CENTS

If there is any person in Indiana who desires to make a return on his money that would make the celebrated "get-rich-quickly" Charles Ponzi of Boston look up as a first-class piker, the opportunity is knocking at the door.

In a letter received yesterday by John G. McCardle, vice chairman of the public service commission, a citizen of Indianapolis states he has a 6,000-acre tract of land which he is offering for sale.

The letter follows:

MR. MCARDLE.

DEAR MR. MCARDLE:

Kindly pass on the liberty a Stran-

ger is taking in writing you.

I NOTICE IN THE PITTSBURG PAPERS that your state is short of coal.

It is a suggestion for what it is worth, Vis.

That I have for sale a fine tract of 6,000 acres Bituminous coal in operation for Queen shipping company.

It is located Right close to a rail road for shipment anywhere.

The coal is very good.

There will be some amount old age of the over 2,000 tons per day.

Price Three and half Million, ONE million down balance in payment to suit in ten years.

Eight foot vein would have as much coal per acre to make the price asked only five cents per ton.

Should any of your state care to look into it I will be glad hear from them.

West Virginia.

Very truly yours,

J. J. DRILL,

Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Raub Named Member of National Council

EDWARD B. Raub, a member of the governing committee of the Indianapolis Board of Trade, and formerly president of the board, has been named national councillor to represent the Board of Trade in the chamber of commerce of the United States.

The national council of the chamber of commerce of the United States serves as an advisory body to the national chamber, and consists of a representative of one representative from each of the commercial and industrial organizations making up the national chamber's membership.

The councillors also act as chairmen of the delegations representing their organizations.

BOOZE RUNNERS USE AIRPLANE?

Know Nothing About It, Says U. S. Agent Here.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 24.—The FAIR, STILL IN OUR OLD LOCATION, 407-417 WEST WASHINGTON STREET

Clean-Up Sale of SUITS

Buy Now and Save

VALUES UP TO \$25.00

Special Wednesday

\$10.00

WOMEN'S AND MISSES' COATS

Smartly fashioned coats from our higher priced lines. Values up to \$20. In clear-them-out sale, Wednesday.

\$9.75

Drastic Clean-up of Coats

Unprecedented sacrificing of several dozen attractive coats. Models that were formerly priced at \$8 and \$10. Most successful style hits of the season—

\$2.98

Absolute Sacrifice Sale of Fine New FALL DRESSES

Satin, Taffetas, Tricotines and French Serges. Sizes 16 to 44. Values up to \$25, Wednesday.

\$14.98

Clean-up Sale of Voile and Gingham Dresses

Values Up to \$10.00

Exceptionally attractive and desirable models, reduced to—