

GENERAL DRIVE LAUNCHED ON UTILITY RATES

Battle for Reduction Begun in Fourteen States and District of Columbia.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance
WASHINGTON, July 5.—A general movement for reduction of utility rates is underway in all parts of the country, a check on the work of state commissions discloses.

Gas, electric, water and telephone rates are under fire and may be brought down considerably in the next few months.

In fourteen states and the District of Columbia, definite steps have been taken regarding utility rates, as follows:

Alabama—The public service commission has started an investigation of gas rates and service.

Arizona—The state corporation commission has called a series of conferences looking to reduction of all utility rates.

Asks Phone Rate Cut

California—The state railroad commission has been asked by the Telephone Rate Reduction Association of Los Angeles to order reduction of telephone rates.

Connecticut—Electric rates of Clinton Electric Light and Power Company again are under consideration, following a court battle over reduction.

Indiana—General demand for light, water and phone rate slashes.

Illinois—The Utility Consumers' and Investors' League has asked for reduction of electric rates.

Massachusetts—The state commission is investigating complaints regarding certain electric rates.

Maryland—Montgomery County Electric Light Improvement Association has protested against electric light and power rates, and residents of near Relay have protested against telephone rates.

Michigan—Recommendation has been made by a special master in chancery that proceedings in the Michigan Bell Telephone case against the public utilities commission's lowered rate order be halted. This may lead to a new rate case hearing.

New York—The public service commission has ordered consolidated gas companies to file a revised schedule of wholesale electric rates.

Fight Gas Companies

Oklahoma—The corporation commission of this state and the railroad commission of Texas are working together in a case against two gas companies.

Oregon—Rate reduction proceedings brought against Northwestern Electric Company will cause investigation of management fees paid by the company to Electric Bond and Share.

South Carolina—The state railroad commission is working on a plan for reduction of power rates.

Wisconsin—Milwaukee is fighting for lower telephone rates. The Wisconsin public service commission has begun a general investigation of the effect of the depression on the people and industry.

District of Columbia—Public utilities commission has ordered hearings looking to reduced telephone rates.

DEATH TAKES MOTHER OF CHICAGO PUBLISHER

Mrs. Katherine Medill McCormick succumbs while visiting France.

VERSAILLES, July 5.—Mrs. Katherine Medill McCormick, mother of the Chicago publisher, Colonel Robert R. McCormick, died early today from a heart attack at her residence here.

Mrs. McCormick reached France in May on her annual summer visit, and took a house for the season here.

Dr. Edmond Gros, head of the American hospital in Paris, rushed to Versailles after Mrs. McCormick was stricken, and attended her until she died.

It was understood that Colonel McCormick in Chicago would make the funeral arrangements.

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Ex-Garage Man Ousted as Chihuahua Governor

Former El Paso Mechanic Once Idol of Mexico for His Exploits as Flier.

By United Press

CHIHUAHUA, Mex., July 5.—Federal troops patrolled the streets of Chihuahua today as the result of demonstrations which followed the ousting of Governor Roberto Fierro, Monday.

Fierro, former El Paso (Tex.) garage mechanic, who, through his exploits as an aviator, rose to high political power in Chihuahua was removed from the gubernatorial chair by the state senate.

His impeachment came suddenly at a special session of the legislative body, which named Deputy Ignacio Salido as governor pro tem.

Senate leaders refused to discuss the charge which led to Fierro's removal from office.

The former mechanic's private plane at the El Paso airport was attached by Mexican officials to prevent him leaving Chihuahua.

Fierro was appointed governor by federal authorities to replace Andres Ortiz, who was ousted Oct. 30, 1931.

At the time of his appointment, Fierro was hailed by Chihuahua residents as a liberator who would free them from the virtual bondage in which they had been held by Ortiz.

Fierro won military fame during the ill-fated Escobar revolution in 1929 when he bombed a rebel ammunition train, and routed a formidable rebel contingent.

He became the idol of Mexico over-night after he made a Mexico to New York flight.



Roberto Fierro

WINS BEAUTY CONTEST

Miss Helen Sanford Is Victor at Rhodus Pool.

Miss Helen Sanford, 1102 Richland avenue, was named winner of the bathing beauty contest held Monday night at the Rhodus park swimming pool. More than 3,500 persons attended the contest.

Miss Lilly Steert, 1242 South Harding street, won second prize; Miss Bernice Leach, 1129 Reisner street, third, and Miss Romana Brown, 1347 Silver avenue, fourth.

DEPUTY AUDITOR GIVES WARNING ON TAX LAWS

Cosgrove Voices Fear of 'Unwise Legislation at Special Session.

Danger of the legislature, at its special session, being stampeded into passing unwise tax legislation, due to pressure of private interest groups capitalizing on public hysteria, was pointed out today in a statement from William P. Cosgrove, deputy auditor of state.

"A strong barrier facing the effort to return to normal conditions is the fact that in many instances hysteria has displaced confidence," Cosgrove's statement said.

"This hysteria has reached a point where an 'every man for himself' attitude is being assumed by groups and individuals, much to the detriment of an honest solution of or substantial relief from present difficulties.

"The multitude and variety of laws, plans, and schemes proposed for consideration by the special session is evidence of the floundering public opinion.

"Different organizations, groups, localities, and individuals are urging this or that change in laws or governmental procedure. Many of these, as reported in the press, display an astounding lack of knowledge of the matter under consideration.

"It is said that considerably more than one hundred bills already have been prepared for submission to the special session. It is apparent that some legislators are attempting to make the number of bills they can introduce the measure of their public service.

"One proposal indicates the trend. Measures are proposed to limit the total rate on real estate to \$1.50 for all purposes. This in the face of a 25 per cent decrease in valuation means that in many localities the school year will be cut to four months or less.

"Many townships levy \$1.50 for schools alone and still require state aid."

Always on Job



William Easton

How many of you can equal this man's record? For more than thirty-two years he has been custodian of school No. 52, at 2600 West Walnut street, and never has missed a day because of illness.

William Easton, 58, is one of the oldest custodians, in service, employed by the school board. He started work at school No. 52 on Jan. 10, 1900.

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EAGLE JOB BILL IS APPROVED BY SUBCOMMITTEE

Measure Is in Favorable Position for Action by Next Congress.

By Times Special

WASHINGTON, July 5.—Representative Louis Ludlow's stabilization of employment bill, otherwise known as the Eagles' bill, endorsed by the Indiana Democratic state platform, is approved unanimously by a bipartisan subcommittee of the judiciary committee of the national house of representatives.

The report, just filed with Representative Hatton W. Sumners, chairman of the judiciary committee, places the legislation in an advantageous position to be taken up for further consideration when Congress reassembles in December.

The unanimous report of the subcommittee, recommending passage of the bill, says in part:

"The federal industrial commission provided for in the bill is to be composed of five members, appointed by the President, by and with the consent of the senate.

"Members would include trained economists, chosen for their expert knowledge of the problems of industry, agriculture and commerce, not only as they affect a particular group, but as they affect all groups in their relations with each other.

"Since introduction of the bill other plans, similar in nature, have been sponsored by the following nationally known individuals and organizations: Gerard Swope, Senator Robert M. La Follette, the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Regains Health



Renee Adoree

By United Press

HOLLYWOOD, July 5.—Renee Adoree, who has been out of pictures for two years, has set late August or early September as the date for her return to Hollywood from Prescott, Ariz., friends learned today.

She was reported practically to have recovered her health, and to plan a return to the films.

merce, the American Federation of Labor, and others.

"Not only has the Eagles' bill anticipated these other proposals by months, and even years, but a comparative study of suggested legislation will reveal that the most meritorious features of the later measures are to be found in its broad provisions."

The bill has the backing of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, with a membership of 600,000. It was proposed originally by that order three years ago.

Among the leading champions of the measure are Frank E. Hering of South Bend and Otto P. Deluse of Indianapolis, both of whom have held the highest office in the fraternal order.

TRAP EARNS A REST

Displayed in Store After Its 10th Gopher Catch.

By United Press

TULARE, Cal., July 5.—When the cheap little wire trap George Lewis bought several years ago trapped its 10th gopher, Lewis' trap is considered a record.

He took it back to the hardware store where it was purchased and obtained a new one to replace the trap on exhibition. Lewis' catch is considered a record.

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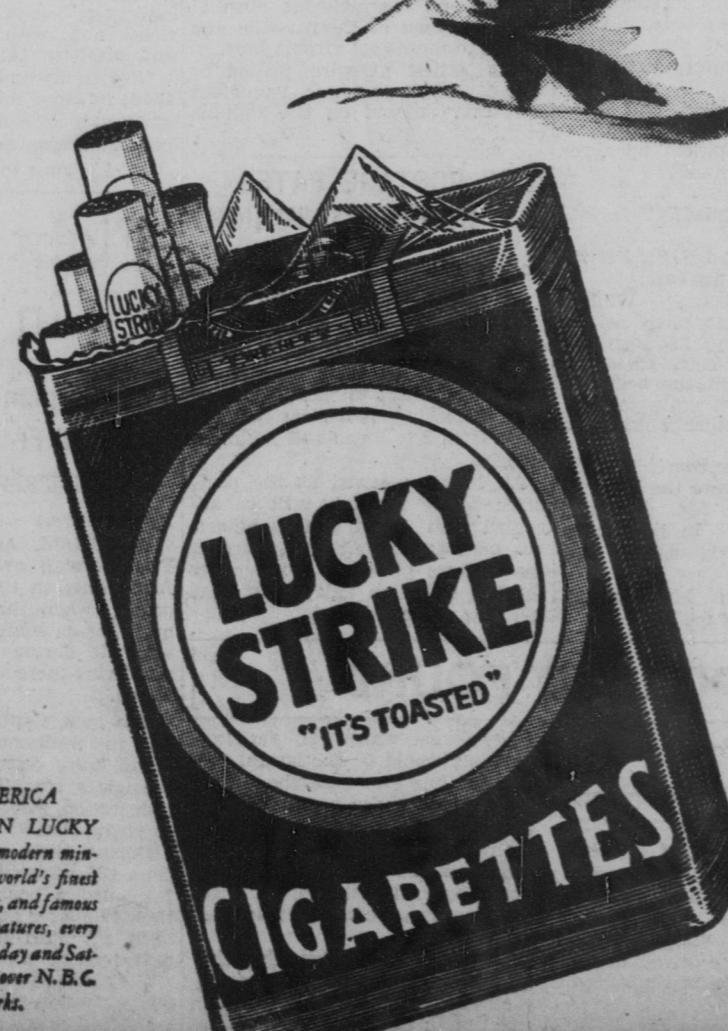
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