

COMPENSATION OF INJURED WORKMEN LAW DRASIC ONE

New Indiana Statute Never Before Equalled in This Country and the Labor Chiefs Are Happy.

NO LOOPHOLES FOR EMPLOYER VISIBLE

Story of Success of Measure Is of One of Smoothest Bits of Legislation in the State's History.

(Palladium Special)

Indianapolis, March 7.—The most drastic workmen's compensation law in America was written in the statutes of Indiana by the legislature which closed Monday night. It was passed without comment, received never a complaint in committee, and, as a matter of fact, not one member of the legislature probably knows that he helped put the law on the books.

It is embodied in section 4 of Senate bill No. 388, introduced by Senator Stotsenburg by request. Taken in connection with the employers' liability law, it makes the most stringent law for the benefit of injured workingmen ever enacted in the United States.

The employers' liability law in brief makes the employer responsible for all violation of law, and relieves the workingman from assumption of risk, contributory negligence or negligence of a fellow workman.

Employer Responsible.

The section in question puts upon the employer the task of making safe every sort of machinery, specifying in the minutest detail how he must inspect and protect, and gives him not the slightest loophole. Practically every will occur from some violation of this section, and when the law is violated, the employer is responsible. The courts, with the aid of a jury, it is believed, will have no other recourse than to give full damages.

Labor leaders, elated over the passage of the act, say this form of compensation is better than the much argued scheme of fixed compensation, for under this plan the worker gets only half compensation. They believe with a strict law, they will find the courts more generous than the employer.

The story of the success of this section is one of the smoothest bits of legislative work ever seen. Senate bill No. 388 was introduced by Senator Stotsenburg by request. It came before the committee and the first three sections were thoroughly argued. The second and third sections bear altogether upon the hazards of structural iron employment, and provide that temporary flooring must be furnished within a specified number of feet of the workers. The new block building being erected within one square of the state house furnished a splendid example of the dangers of the work and the bravery of the men engaged in it. The labor man, in speaking before the committee with telling effect drove home their arguments about the dangers of skinning up steel frames and crawling along swinging beams. Their's was a dramatic story, and when the committee decided on what bills to report out, they said: "This is a good bill."

When the bill came up in the senate, Senator Stotsenburg, with the harrowing tales still ringing in his ears, explained the purpose of the bill and it went through with a bang. The house passed it—still thinking of the dangers of structural iron work.

On the Lobbyist.

The title of the bill was made broad enough by the committee of labor men who drew it up—most of the work being done by Henry W. Bullock—to cover section 4. Section 1 was

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made drastic in defining dangerous employment as being any employment in which a workingman is injured.

Then comes the fourth section—a voluminous affair of 65 printed lines. Not a legislator, evidently, read this section, or understood its full meaning. Not a lobbyist found out what was in it. So today it is written into law.

UNFORTUNATE FIDO IN VERY BAD FIX

The poor bedraggled dog, which picks his way down the wet muddy streets today, with his dripping hair clinging close, will sigh, when he hears what the city fathers said about the whole canine family at its meeting last night, so cruel was the condemnation. He will envy his country brother who can kill sheep and cattle almost at will, but the poor city pups cannot even congregate in the grass plots of Richmond any more without being shot at—he cannot chase cats down the street—he never more may bay at the moon without endangering his very existence, nor may he snap at the legs of the "cops."

Councilman King took a fall out of the dogs, last night, when he said they were tearing up the East End. He said there were fully fifty in his yard the other day, having a regular camp meeting. On investigation he found only two had owners. "Kill 'em if they damage property," quoth the Mayor.

CELEBRATE WITH BEER AND BAND

(American News Service) St. Louis, March 7.—A brass band, 40,000 quarts of Budweiser beer and 25,000 sandwiches will constitute the celebration of the golden wedding anniversary of Adolphus Busch at the Coliseum tonight. His employees and their friends will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Busch.

A SURPRISE PARTY AN AMUSING BATTLE

Ends with Woman Getting a Black Eye.

"One of the most elaborate and charming society events" of the early Lenten season, a surprise party on Mr. Fred Jefferson, a negro, at his home on North G street, received an airing in police court this morning, when Mr. Jefferson was fined for blacking his wife's eye.

Friends of the family began assembling about six o'clock to celebrate Mr. Jefferson's birthday anniversary. Fiddles, banjos and piano furnished the music, while a small keg of beer "was effectively placed in one corner of the parlor, which was embellished with small flowers." A large Stein decorated the keg, naturally.

The party did not break up till the early morning hours. When some of the "company" had gone Mrs. Jefferson claims she remonstrated with her husband on some minor matter and he blacked her eye. He was arrested by Patrolman Bundy later on her complaint. Jefferson received \$1 and costs this morning.

RELEASE SEGO ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

Jacob Sego, who has been in custody since Sunday will be released inasmuch as Prosecuting Attorney Chas. Ladd has found no evidence sufficient to base an affidavit of the grave charge on which he was arrested on suspicion. It was alleged he attempted an assault on the twelve-year-old daughter of Charles Haller, living north of the city and a neighbor to the Segos. Haller told Sheriff Steen he would not press the charge if the Sego family would move from the city, but the state's attorney says no such agreement will enter into Sego's release, so far as he is concerned.

MARITAL TROUBLES OF LOCAL GOULDS

Marital troubles not only runs in the Gould family of New York but in the family of the same name in this city. Suit was filed on Tuesday in the circuit court by Madeline Alma charging abandonment. They were married at Cincinnati on June 7, 1905 and lived together until August, 1909. She is a marker in a local laundry and lives at 223 South Sixth street. He is a private in the U. S. army. She petitions to prosecute the case as a poor person.

INFORMS POLICE; HELD AS SUSPECT

(American News Service)

Boston, March 7.—Thomas J. Holmes a private of Ft. Banks, Winthrop, notified the police today that while he was passing across the Northern avenue bridge from South Boston to the city, his girl companion, Francis Bell, of Winthrop, became angered at something he said and jumped into the Fort Point channel and was drowned. He is held as a suspicious person. The police have dragged the channel for the body without success.

ECONOMY CHURCH NAMES TRUSTEES

Trustees elected for the Methodist church at Economy include the following: Vernon Marshall, U. G. Manning, Cicero Oler, Frank Jarvan and Gus Weyl.

TEACHERS TO BE PAID WHEN CALLING

The Oldaker bill which was drawn up by County Superintendent C. O. Williams and township trustees of the county, has become a law, being signed by the governor. This measure provides that teachers shall be paid when attending institutes or visiting.

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52 INSTEAD OF 53 SALOONS IN CITY

Important Discovery Changes Aspect of Saloon Dispute in Richmond.

On Tuesday in examining the records as to the number of saloons in the city it was found there are fifty-two instead of fifty-three now operative. Until this discovery there had been no end to the contention as to which one of the present saloonists would have to retire in compliance with that section of the law which provides the maximum number of saloons shall be one to five hundred population. The situation is peculiar in that the conditions in this city exactly fit the law.

In 1910, John Sullivan secured a license to dispense liquor at his place of business on South Ninth street. He disposed of his business to Andrew Wysong, who secured a license, but no official was notified that Mr. Sullivan had surrendered his license, and so in counting up the number of licensees issued in the last twelve months, the records showed the issuance of fifty-three. A local saloon keeper, however, pointed out where the county officials had been in error, much to their relief.

Action on the advice of four attorneys, the commissioners late on Monday afternoon granted licenses to Henry Shannon, Joseph Collins and Matthew Miller, but held in abeyance the application of Alphons Collett. It is certain a license will be given Mr. Collett on Wednesday at the adjourned meeting of the board of commissioners.

The three who received licenses paid the following license fees: \$205 to the county, \$201 to the city instead of \$251, as was the case under the old law. Council must fix the license fee to be charged by the city. If it does not the law provides \$200. Wholesale liquor establishments which sell in quantities between one and five gallons, and not on their place of business, being distributing agents instead, must take out a county license, netting \$200 in revenue to the county tuition fund each year. There are three such establishments here now, including Minch's Brewing company, John Wrede and Mr. Rowlett.

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BUSY SESSION OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

Officers Elected and Several Important Matters Are Discussed.

A proposal to organize a company of state militia in this city, an election of officers, and reports of the various committees on the work of the past year were the features of the annual meeting of the board of directors of the Commercial Club last evening.

All of the old officers were reelected.

They are S. E. Swayne, president; John H. Nicholson, vice-president; Pettis A. Reid, second vice-president; Howard A. Dill, treasurer; Charles W. Jordan, secretary.

It was voted to have the president appoint a committee to investigate the proposition of having a two day Wright aeroplane exhibition here in June.

The matter of placing an electric sign at the Pennsylvania railroad station for the purpose of advertising the city, presented by George R. Dilks, was referred to a special committee.

The advisability of organizing a company of state militia here will be investigated by a committee composed of Howard Dill, Roy Brown, and E. M. Haas.

It was decided to give all possible assistance to William Len in securing a new site for his filing factory, now located on South Sixth street, and in securing more capital.

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MAYOR TAKES ARMS FOR THE CHILDREN

One councilman entered a complaint at the meeting last night that children are roller skating on the sidewalks of the city, saying that a person living in his ward wished the nuisance, as he called it, to be regulated.

"Send the kids down to my corner," yelled the mayor wrathfully. "They can skate all day there. I'll never fine a boy or girl for skating on the sidewalk. If a child gets in the road of any one walking along let that person get out in the gutter and let him pass."

Five thousand Japanese joined in a lantern celebration of Washington's birthday at Honolulu.

READY FOR THE HORSEBACK RIDE.

Women are taking more and more to horseback riding as a means of keeping themselves in form, but of course there are many who ride merely for the love of the exercise. Whatever the object of the sport, every woman who rides wants to be turned out in the latest and most approved riding togs. A dowdy looking woman on horseback is an unforgivable object. She won't be a dowd, however, if she goes to a good tailor and follows the idea of the riding costume seen in the illustration. The skirt is a divided affair made of English suiting, and the details are correct in every particular.

Memorial to Famous Women.

The lady chapel of the new Liverpool cathedral, which is to be opened next summer, has a scheme of beautiful stained glass windows commemorative of the noble deeds of good women. Besides the famous women of the Bible the following are commemorated: Dr. Alice Marvel and all who have laid down their lives for their sisters Grace Darling and all courageous maidens; Josephine Butler and all brave champions of purity, Mary Collet and all prayerful women, Louise Stewart and all the noble army of martyrs, Christine Rossetti and all sweet singers, Catherine Gladstone and all loyal hearted wives, Elizabeth Barrett Browning and all women who have seen the infinite in things, Angela Burdette-Coutts and all women almoners of the King of heaven, Mother Cecile and all women loving and large hearted in counsel.

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ADD TUBERCULIN WARD AT HOSPITAL

Mayor Favors Proposition Indorsed by Miss Solers—Good Reports.

With the report of the Reid Memorial hospital on Monday night at council meeting, came the discussion of the advisability of a tuberculin ward on the hospital grounds. Mayor Zimmerman declared himself heartily in favor of this move as did most of the city fathers. Zimmerman stated that the superintendent of the hospital and other physicians of the city had told him a tuberculin ward is necessary. The report in part follows.

Superintendent's Report.

Number of patients in hospital Jan. 1, 1910 20
Number of patients admitted during 1910 484
Births 17

Number of patients discharged 521

Number of deaths 50

Number of patients in hospital Dec. 31, 1910 21

Number of operations 219

Number of charity cases treated 184

Number of days treatment of pay patients 5,878

Number of days treatment of charity patients 4,154

Average number of patients per day 29

Miss M. B. Solers, Supt.

Financial Report in Part.

Balance cash on hand Jan 1,

1910 \$ 5261.10

Received fees and nursing 12,871.89