

PLACES OF FUN WITH MANY THRILLS

Mayor and Howell in Gas Debate

"Boys Get the Money," Department's Motto, Says City Executive, Whose Figures Are Disputed.

Plant Manager Amazed

"Boys get the money," is the motto of the gas department of the Metropolitan Water board, according to a fervid declaration uttered by Mayor Smith yesterday noon during a debate between himself and R. B. Howell, before members of the Lions club at the Romic hotel.

"I am amazed and I am shocked over the figures which your mayor has presented here today," said Mr. Howell, adding that if the mayor's statistical and financial exhibits of the operations of the gas plant were to be accepted, then he (Mr. Howell) was not fit to appear before the Lions club.

"There is no justification for the service charge which has been adopted by the municipal gas department," continued the mayor. "There is no system in the imposition of these service charges, or else they have been infamously established."

Shows Receipt.
The mayor showed the receipt stub of a woman who lives in a three-room house at 4066 Burdette street. He stressed this instance as a horrible example of the unfairness of the service charges and repeated his declaration of "Boys get the money."

"And they are getting it," he added. "We don't object to the gas department accumulating a surplus, but we do not believe they should endeavor to retire the bonds in one year."

Reviewing the history of the condemnation of the gas plant and the fight between himself and Mr. Howell during the days when the city council was considering the question of accepting or rejecting the appraisal price, the mayor asserted that Mr. Howell took the position of exercising the Kaiserism of power over the gas plant to avenge alleged sins of the past.

The mayor quoted figures given to him by the gas company, showing that during the first six months of this year, the company had a net surplus of \$204,773, and he insisted that the plant could be operated as profitably under municipal ownership.

Says Prices Soar.
Mr. Howell, in rebuttal, stated that the prices of steam coal, oil and coke have been soaring beyond all previous prices and he offered figures, the correctness of which he vouched for, to show that the increased price of coal, oil and coke would amount to nearly \$600,000 for the year beginning last July 1, as compared with the year ending last June 30.

"I am just amazed that the mayor should have given you the figures which he did," said Mr. Howell. "It must be because he is a lawyer rather than a business man."

Mr. Howell stated that the gas company had "jimmied" the people for years and he also stated that he forecasted as early as last spring the situation which now confronts the gas department of the Metropolitan Water board.

Mayor Smith renewed his challenge to Mr. Howell to render to the people of Omaha a statement of operations of the gas plant during the first two months of municipal ownership and management.

White Says G. O. P. Paid for Maine Success

New York, Sept. 14.—Commenting on the result of yesterday's election in Maine, George White, chairman of the democratic national committee, said:

"This is the republicans' day of rejoicing. They planned, labored and paid for it, and I would not by any manner of mine rob them of any of their meed of joy."

"With a splendid organization and with the expenditure of every effort possible with great finances, they prepared the republican state of Maine for this state election in the hope of persuading the country that the trend is heavily republican in the national race," he continued.

"We shall have votes for the league in November from thousands of the men and women who supported Colonel Parkhurst. On a certain morning in November, our time for rejoicing will come, and in the meantime we gaze cheerfully upon the day's republican triumph and do not begrudge it to them at all."

Find Mutilated Bodies of Three on Railroad Tracks

Salina, Kan., Sept. 14.—The mutilated bodies of three young men, all wearing American Legion buttons and carrying cards indicating they had been employed by a circus, were found along the Union Pacific tracks today near Arcolia. None has been identified.

Charge Fremont Men With Pulling Mule's Tongue

Fremont, Neb., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Lloyd and Leon Harlan, arrested at Schuyler yesterday, are charged with pulling the tongue from a mule belonging to Charles Sweet, Elkhor township farmer. Spite work is said to have caused the

Plan General Campaign Against Automobile Accidents in Omaha

Extensive Publicity Will Be Given Movement to Make Streets Safe by Chamber of Commerce Committee.

A general campaign against automobile accidents will be undertaken by the Chamber of Commerce. Widespread publicity will be given the movement to make Omaha streets safer by billboard and newspaper advertising and by animated signs in moving picture shows.

Under a plan endorsed by the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday, a campaign of education for safety first, together with strict law enforcement for speeders and reckless or intoxicated drivers will be backed up by intensive publicity.

This movement will be managed by a general committee consisting of the municipal affairs committee of the chamber, which originated the plan, together with one representative from each of the publicity department of the chamber, the Automobile club, Associated Retailers, Manufacturers' association and the Auto Trade association.

Use Safety Slogan.
Among the recommendations are that those using large street signs block off a space admonishing careful driving and those who use the slogan, and that retail merchants and automobile dealers using large space in the newspapers always include some safety slogan.

Insistence will be placed on the continuance of the present practice of punishment by jail sentences of all second offenders for reckless driving, speeding and driving while intoxicated.

A letter will be sent to each one of the 3,000 members of the Chamber of Commerce outlining the

Nebraska Man and Woman Held In Kansas City

Young Daughter of Campbell Merchant Sobs Story of Betrayal to Police.

Kansas City, Sept. 14.—(Special.)—"I've lost faith in all men. I wish I was back at work in my father's store," Irma Genevaux, 22 years old, a dark, well dressed young woman, bared her heart in a tearful story to the police yesterday. In the matron's room at headquarters she is trying to be brave, but every once in a while she is conquered by a sob.

Miss Genevaux told the police her story yesterday after her arrest Sunday night with C. M. Jack Gregory, who said his young wife was in Omaha, Neb. The young woman and Gregory had checked out of the Sherman hotel without paying their bill, and the management had them arrested.

"I left home a month ago, telling my father, who runs a general store at Campbell, Neb., I was going to visit my sisters in Los Angeles," Miss Genevaux told the police. The girl admitted she had secret longings to be a film actress. In stopping off for train connections at Omaha, she said, she met Gregory, who said he was an Omaha shoe salesman, and also was going on a vacation.

Planned "Con Jobs."
Gregory, 26 years old, suggested they go to Kansas City together for a while. Miss Genevaux said she and Gregory had been living at the Sherman hotel for three weeks. He had told her he had a wife and three children in Denver, she said.

"We met two other men who stayed at the hotel, and who said they were organizing a 'con mob,'" the girl told the police. Talk of "confidence jobs" was new to her, she asserted.

Held Them for U. S. Agents.
She related how she was desired by the men as a "lure."

"You will make more of a hit in this business than in the movies," she told the police in the men informed her. The four had planned to meet in St. Louis yesterday, the girl said. All checked out at the hotel at the same time, she said. The other two men disappeared.

Gregory is in a cell at police headquarters. He refuses to talk. The police are holding both for the federal authorities.

Take Red Brigade. Sebastopol, Crimea, Sept. 14.—(By The Associated Press.)—Troops commanded by Gen. Baron Wrangel on the Taurida front, northwest of the Sea of Azov, have surprised and captured, near Pologu

Engineer Marries Blonde Who Nursed Him Through Danger

Fremont, Neb., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—Russell E. Willard, Chicago civil engineer employed by the Northwestern railroad, had most of his bones broken in an accident near here June 23, and was brought to the Fremont hospital. It was believed he would die.

Miss Blanche Sterner, his nurse, blue-eyed and blonde, fought for eight weeks and brought him back to life.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard have gone for a Colorado honeymoon. Dr. O. O. Smith of the Congregational church married them in the presence of other hospital attendants.

Cox Boosts Amount of Slush Fund

Asserts on Western Tour That Republicans Are Raising \$30,000,000 to Defeat Him.

Holds To League Issue

By The Associated Press.
Boise, Idaho, Sept. 14.—A fund of from \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000 is being raised to defeat him, Governor Cox of Ohio, democratic presidential candidate declared today during his tour of Idaho and eastern Oregon. Although the governor's charges heretofore were that the total opposition fund would be not less than \$15,000,000, he raised that figure today.

The governor's statement was made during an hour's speech from the second story veranda of a Nampa, Idaho, hotel and in response to a question from his audience asking how he expected to return conditions to normal "when 80 per cent of the wealth is held by 2 per cent of the people."

"If 80 per cent of the people will forget their politics," the governor replied, "and help me lick the 2 per cent that is raising a fund of from \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000 to beat me, we will make government an agency for the 100 per cent and not the 2 per cent."

Eight speeches, dealing mainly with the democratic doctrines of "peace and progress" were delivered today by Governor Cox.

Disregarding his physicians' orders, banning outdoor speeches, the governor, believing his attack of "speakers' laryngitis" on the wane, delivered a string of rear platform and other open air addresses and closed his day with a speech to a large meeting here tonight at Cody Athletic Park. His voice still was quite hoarse, but he weathered another strenuous day of campaigning in good shape, he said.

At Huntington, Ore., early this morning the candidate began work, and enroute here made addresses at Ontario, Ore., and Westport, Fayette, Caldwell, Meridian and Nampa, Idaho.

The league of nations was preached by the governor in all and was emphasized here in the home city of Senator Borah, republican "irreconcilable" foe of the league. By a coincidence, Senator Borah was said to be speaking today at Dayton, O., Governor Cox's home.

Scores League Opposers.
Governor Cox told his audience that opposition to the league was a political plot against America as well as world civilization, designed to continue "disorder" to increase

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American Soldiers Confess to Theft of Relief Supplies

Constantinople, Sept. 14.—Six former American soldiers, who have been arrested in connection with theft of supplies from the American army for relief in the Near East, have confessed and have promised to tell in hope that leniency will be shown them, according to officials investigating the situation. The thefts are said to total hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Charles Allen, American consul here, is conducting the examinations of the six men.

A long investigation is anticipated for the purpose of determining the extent of the thefts from the committee. Officials declare that the losses from thefts, together with manipulation of funds and supplies, may be far larger than at first suspected. It is declared they extend over a period of a year and a half and involve officers of other charity and organizations, who worked temporarily with the old American army for relief in the Near East and then returned to the United States.

Dead Man's Wife Held To Clear Mystery

Joplin, Mo., Sept. 14.—Mrs. Charles Dorman, 24 years old, is held in the Cherokee county jail at Columbus, Kan., in connection with the death of her husband, a mine operator, who was found dead in his home at Treect, Kan., Sunday morning with a bullet wound in his head and another in his chest.

Dorman, 30 years old, was garbed in night clothing. A revolver lay on the floor near the bed. The Dorman has three children, but none was at home at the time.

Coroner's Jury Frees Man From Blame for Wife's Death

Washington, Sept. 14.—Roy H. Kuehling, held by the police for investigation in connection with the drowning of his wife, Gertrude V. Kuehling, was released today after the grand jury in the District of Columbia court had voted not to return an indictment against him.

Kuehling was exonerated by a coroner's jury yesterday from blame in connection with the death of his wife, which occurred while they were canoeing on the Potomac river last week.

THE WET BAIT WILL SCARE AWAY THE WOMEN AND THE LEAGUE BAIT WILL SCARE AWAY THE MEN



Baby Killed and Four Injured in Auto Smashup

Mother, Father and Three Children in Fatal Automobile Wreck at 43rd and Hamilton.

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Connecticut Is 37th State to Ratify Suffrage

State Legislature Passes Amendment in Spite of Governor's Protest—Little Opposition.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 14.—The Connecticut legislature this afternoon, by concurrent action, ratified the woman suffrage amendment to the federal constitution, making Connecticut the 37th state to ratify.

The resolution was taken up despite Governor Marcus H. Holcomb's message, read when the legislature was convened in special session today to change the election law of the state so that women would be enabled to become voters if fall.

The governor said the legislature had no constitutional power to enact any other legislation than that for which it was summoned to act upon.

When Republican House Leader King read the resolution for passage, the federal suffrage amendment in the lower branch, Speaker Walsh asked if there was any objection to the resolution and there was none. It was ruled in order by the speaker.

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Pilot and Mechanic Perish in Flames When Air Mail Plane Burns

Cleveland, O., Sept. 14.—Air Mail Pilot, Walter Stevens and Mechanic Russell Thomas, both of Cleveland, were burned to death at 3 o'clock today when their plane caught fire at an altitude of 500 feet at Pemberville, O., 15 miles south of Toledo.

The sale of the ships, which were awarded the British by the reparations commission, practically has been decided upon, these advisers say, but definite action has been held until existing law can be modified so as to permit of the sale of the craft to the Germans.

Some officials of the American government profess to see in this plan an attempt to hinder the development of the American merchant marine, but Chairman Benson of the shipping board declared that immediate acquisition of a considerable tonnage by the Germans would in no way defeat the purpose of the agreement between the American Ship and Commerce corporation and Hamburg-American has been held up by the opening of former German trade routes to American shipping.

Ak-Sar-Ben Festival Is Under Way

Great Western Circuit Meeting Opens Auspiciously on New Mile Track Before Over 5,000 Spectators.

Heats Closely Contested

The Great Western circuit races, the first on Ak-Sar-Ben's new mile track, opened yesterday before a crowd of more than 5,000 persons. The carnival will open today.

The day was a glorious one, replete with thrills and characterized by close heats in every event.

The program opened at 2 in the afternoon with a parade of the Board of Governors and Omaha's horse-riding society. The cavalcade, was reviewed by Governor S. R. McKelvie, Congressman Albert W. Jelferis and Maj. Gen. Omar Bundy, commander of Fort Crook.

Floral Horseshoe Given Buckingham—Everett Buckingham, president of the Board of Governors, was presented a large floral horseshoe.

After short addresses by Governor McKelvie and Congressman Jelferis, the horses were called to the starting line for the 2:22 trot.

Less than half of the seats in the great steel and concrete grand stand were filled but more than 400 automobiles lined the fence in the center field.

The events on the afternoon's crowded program were called in quick succession. There was a thrill in every event.

Stage Polo Contest

After the first race had been concluded and three heats run off in each of the other two harness events, two teams of auto polo players staged a polo contest on the track in front of the stand. Mme. Stella, hanging by her teeth, slid down a wire from the top of the grandstand into the center field. Flory, champion high diver, dived 90 feet in a tank of water. The Six Top Tumblers presented an acrobatic exhibition that was well received. Miss Daphne Peters thrilled with her hurdling horse. Jack Williams, the human fly, stood erect on an airplane as it swooped down over the track. Williams then slid out onto the end of one wing and hung head down by his knees.

Full report of races on first sport page.

Get Still on Farm At Platte Center

Man Held for Intoxication Tells Officers Location of Source of Booze Supply.

Columbus, Neb., Sept. 14.—(Special Telegram)—Deputy Charles Jaworski left this afternoon to confiscate a still, which John Rippen admitted he operated on his farm near Platte Center since July.

Jack O'Neill, following his second arrest upon intoxication charges, told officials that he obtained his booze at the Rippen farm.

Rippen appeared voluntarily at the sheriff's office and admitted that he found the still in his cornfield in July and has manufactured nine gallons of moonshine whiskey with it from peaches and other ingredients. He said that he had sold none of the booze, however, and that O'Neill must have stolen his supply from the oat bin, where it was concealed.

Italian Guards Are Fired Upon by Reds

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Milan, Sept. 14.—An exciting fight took place tonight around Acciaierie in Lombardy. Two motor trucks conveying the royal guards in pursuit of burglars, were sighted by red guards and fired upon.

Two hundred shots were fired and 15 hand grenades were thrown against the troops, while the burglars made their escape.

The safes in several factories were forced by the operatives who, however, failed to find any money.

A large number of senators and deputies will meet tonight in Milan eventually to decide whether or not the operatives' plans for control of industries should be applied.

MacSwiney Reported Appreciably Weaker

London, Sept. 14.—Terence MacSwiney, lord mayor of Cork, was appreciably weaker this morning as a result of his hunger strike, which he is continuing in Brixton prison. A bulletin issued by the Irish Self-Determination league states MacSwiney still a very bad night, but he was still conscious and his mind was active. Today is the thirty-third day of his hunger strike.

Reports to the home office from prison physicians who are attending the lord mayor did not agree with the bulletin issued by the league. They reported there was virtually no change in MacSwiney's condition and that he had passed a restless night.

The Weather

FORECAST.
Fair and continued warm Wednesday.