

NO PROBE FOR PARDON BOARD

REP. FORD'S RESOLUTION KILLED BY 77 TO 15; VAN VORCE CASE STILL UNSETTLED.

NEW RAILROAD BILL

Provides Rate of 2 1/2 Cents For Roads Earning Over \$3,000 Per Mile—Earning That Amount 3 Cents Per Mile.

BY DOUGLAS D. MARTIN.

Lansing, Mich.—(Special)—Resolutions may come and resolutions may go in the Michigan House of Representatives, but it will be full many a moon before there will be a resolution which will create as much excited talk and rattle the feelings of as many statesmen as the Ford resolution, to probe the doings of the pardon board.

Before this resolution was laid to rest, Rep. Ford had openly charged Rep. Biggert with either having cold feet, or being bought off by a promise of political patronage and had created a scene on the floor of the house when both Rep. Biggert and Speaker Smith approached him and asked him to either explain or apologize.

The day following the verbal battle the resolution was called up and killed by an overwhelming vote of 77 to 15. Several strong speeches were made against the resolution by influential members and these coupled with the bad favor which the unseemly affair of the previous day had left, accomplished the death of the attempt to free Merle Van Vorce from Jackson prison.

One of the surprises of the week, and it was not an agreeable one to the legislators, was the announcement by the Pere Marquette that it would withdraw its bill asking for a flat increase of one-half cent per mile in favor of a bill which will be backed by all railroads, asking for an increase of from one-half to a full cent.

The new measure has been introduced by Rep. John Stevenson, of Detroit. It provides that all roads earning \$3,000 a mile and more may charge 2 and one half cents per mile for carrying passengers, and for roads earning less than \$3,000 a mile may charge three cents. It provides that all branches must be figured in when the earnings of the route are computed. The bill practically means the establishment of a straight three cent fare in Michigan, the possible exceptions being the Grand Trunk and the Michigan Central.

Legislators are afraid of the bill and what the people will say about it. They point out the fact that the measure would take Michigan back beyond the Pingree days. At that time roads which earned \$3,000 per mile were limited to a charge of two cents per mile for passengers. Those earning between \$2,000 and \$3,000 were allowed to charge two and one-half cents and those earning below \$2,000 a mile were allowed to charge three cents.

Lieut-Governor Opposed.

Lieut-Governor Dickinson has not hesitated to condemn the proposed increase. "The railroads," declares the lieutenant-governor, "come before us with a mass of data, much of which is of a technical nature and exceedingly intricate. How can this legislature, in the brief time allotted to it, be expected to go over this data and pass intelligently on a question which involves an average increase of thirty per cent in the passenger rates of this state?"

"The thing is too big to be disposed of in so short a time. It is an issue of great importance and requires time and study. I am sure the Pere Marquette needs the relief which it asked, but I am not so certain that all the other roads need the assistance they seek."

New Market Measures.

Another measure which was introduced and which is certain to attract much attention, not only in the legislature, but throughout the state, was the bill which provides for extending the dairy and food departments' power and for increasing the salary of the commissioner.

Under this measure, which was introduced by Rep. Wells, the name of the dairy and food department would be changed to the "Department of Foods and Markets," and would have the power to investigate the quality and cost of food, marketing, shipping, packing and transportation methods as well as to assist consumers in the formation of cooperative purchasing leagues. The commissioner is also directed to assist and advise in the work of locating and arranging public markets and to cause the establishment of auction markets. All auctioneers shall be licensed and bonded and must sell farm produce upon a commission basis at a rate which will be fixed by the department. The bill also provides that the com-

mission must keep in touch with the market conditions in other states, must establish buying and selling agencies where it is necessary and must publish weekly bulletins giving market quotations. The salary of the commissioner would be increased \$1,000. If passed, the measure goes into effect June 15. It carries a \$10,000 appropriation.

Would Favor Labor.

Rep. Noble Ashley, of Detroit, is the father of the first bit of legislation framed for the labor element. The Wayne County man has introduced a bill which would upon the approval of the voters, change the constitution in such a manner that the legislature would have the power to regulate the working hours for all persons. At the present time the legislature's power are limited to fixing the hours of labor for women and children. If the Ashley bill passes, however, the legislature can fix the working hours of every hired employee in the state.

To Take Up Primary Law.

A conference between republican leaders is announced for this week, the object being consideration of the pre-primary convention plan, which has been suggested to the legislature by the republican state central committee.

A large number of legislators are opposed to the suggestion which provides that before the primaries are held, delegates would gather at a state convention and pick two candidates for each place. The plan would then pass upon these candidates at a primary election.

Holding Up Prohibition Bill.

After a conference with heads of the anti-saloon league Senator Straight decided to hold up his bill submitting the question of state wide prohibition to the electors. While the anti-saloon league had not opposed the Straight measure openly, it is so secret that the heads of the league have frowned upon it. They asked Mr. Straight to hold his measure up for one month, while they sounded out the sentiment of the people and the member of the upper house consented.

Abolish State Department.

If Senator O'Dell has his way the office of fish and game warden will be abolished and the work of the department placed in the hands of the public domain commission.

Sensor O'Dell points to the fact that the legislature of 1912 abolished the office of land commissioner, placing the work under the supervision of the public domain commission, and he declares that inasmuch as this body has supreme power over state reserves and has men in practically all parts of the state, it is equally well to do the work which the game and fish warden's men are doing, although it will, of course, need more assistance than it can muster from its present employees.

It is not believed that Governor Ferris and his democratic friends will look on this measure with any degree of favor, inasmuch as it would shake from the tree one of the finest plums that the governor will be able to offer democratic office seekers. The fish and game warden's department has always been a choice job, because it carried with it a large number of deputyships. To wipe it out, now would leave many democrats unsatisfied.

New Auto Tax Measure.

Rep. Newell Smith has introduced a bill similar to the Breker-Smith bill passed two years ago and later killed by the supreme court. The new measure provides a tax of 25 cents on each horsepower and an additional tax of 25 cents for every 100 pounds of the machine. Rep. Smith thinks this is more equitable than to assess the auto owner 50 cents per horsepower, with no consideration whatever for the weight of his machine.

Keep Japs Out.

Rep. Marshall Oakley, of Bay City, has introduced an alien land bill designed to keep the Japs out of Michigan. The bill proposes to grant land and Chinese to lease lands for a period not exceeding three years, but are prohibited from becoming property owners. In case that land shall be left to either a Jap or Chinaman, the bequest will be escheated in the form now prescribed by law, the money turned over to the state and the land turned back to the state.

New Measures Introduced are numerous, in fact bills have begun to flow into the legislative house with a frequency resembling their old time frequency. One measure would limit the length of freight trains to 50 cars. It was introduced at the request of trainmen who claim that when a string of cars exceeding 54 in number, of coupled up, that the work becomes more than they can accomplish with safety.

The dyes in the legislature have taken another fling at their old enemy, the Michigan Trust company. By introducing a bill, which, if it becomes a law, will wipe out the monopoly that this concern now has in handling saloon bonds. Senator John Damon, of Mt. Pleasant, has also introduced an anti-liquor measure. Under the provisions of his bill no liquor could be sold within a five mile radius of any city, town or village, in order to locate a state educational institution.

Sensor Damon has also introduced a bill compelling the owners of theaters and schools to install ventilating systems.

Sensor John Paul has placed himself on record by introducing a bill which would increase the pay of all county supervisors. The bill provides for an increase of from \$3 to \$5 per month while the supervisors are in session.

Rep. Culver has discovered that the bill passed at the last session, under which a commission was created to revise the statutes of the state, and to advise with the legislature concerning laws to this end, will apparently allow the supervisors to be in session to draw \$25 per diem whenever the legislature is in session. He is accordingly introducing a bill cutting off this pay for the supervisors following the regular session of 1914.



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COGNOMEN UNWIELDY; TEACHER DISCARDS IT

Kazoo Man, Feeling Pity for Public, Changes Name.

KALAMAZOO, MICH. — H. T. Dugstian, member of the Kalamazoo college faculty, announced that he had changed his name to Jumps T. Stetley, the action having been sanctioned by the probate court.

The unusual announcement follows: "Our name has been a constant source of confusion and annoyance in professional, business and social relations. People, generally find it hard to remember, difficult to spell and impossible to pronounce.

"Accordingly, enlightened self interest, future well being of the children and consideration for suffering humanity have led to the adoption of a simpler and more practical name, which is, at the same time, an equivalent of the former name.

"This change has not been decided upon in haste, or for temporary reasons. It has been under advisement for many years, and the feeling which has been growing for years, has developed into the conviction that action should be taken without further delay, or postponement. The name is taken entirely and solely for the purpose of obviating the difficulties mentioned and for no other reason."

MOOSE LEADER QUILTS PARTY

Kazoo Editor and Progressive Candidate Back to G. O. P.

KALAMAZOO, MICH. — Michigan Progressives in this part of the state have lost their organ and their former candidate for congress in the Third congressional district.

E. N. Dingley, who bolted the Republican party four years ago to make the run for congress on the Bull Moose ticket, has returned to the Republican party. Dingley was for many years a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress but he never was able to land it. He made the run twice on the Bull Moose ticket without making much of a ripple in the district. He says his weekly paper, The Progressive Herald, henceforth will be Progressive Republican in politics.

Would Find Her Relatives.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. — Mrs. Francis A. Martin of this city is conducting a state wide search in an endeavor to find her father, Allen Waterhouse, and a sister, Ida Cole, both of whom formerly lived in Howell. She also is trying to find trace of a brother, who was adopted when a child some thirty years ago. The brother's name by adoption was Floyd Dodge.

Babies Found in Mt. Pleasant.

Mt. PLEASANT, MICH. — J. B. Kelley, assistant in the Pauper institute Ann Arbor has notified the mayor of Mt. Pleasant that the dogs head sent for examination a few days ago shows unmistakable signs of rabies. Does have been ordered muzzled or shot. A number of dogs have already been found infected.

Pool Rooms Closed.

CADILLAC, MICH. — Three, Cadillac pool rooms were closed by City Manager Carr and their licenses temporarily revoked because they were held by the officers to be frequented by those engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors. All figured in the recent local option violations.

LITTLE WANT ADS

For Sale—Three brood sows. Enquire of Albert Sulkowski.

For Sale—West Point Hard Coal Base Burner. Cheap for cash and quick sale. Enquire at this office.

Lost—Between old Fair grounds and Farmington, a pair of eye glasses with the name of Gordon Parker on the case. A reward will be given if returned to R. G. Adams' residence, Farmington.

To Rent—Farm of one hundred and sixty acres. Two and one-half miles west of village, on gravel road.—James W. Hendryx. 11-31

Wanted—An industrious young or middle aged man to represent one of Americas most prominent Life Insurance Companies in Farmington and vicinity. We prefer one who can devote full time, but will consider a part time man. If you are not experienced we will train you. This is an excellent opportunity for a hustler. Write P. G. Box 211, Flint, Mich. 11-31

For Sale—93 acres 1 1/2 miles northwest of Milford, Oakland Co. Nearly new \$2,000 house, 2 large barns, basement for cows, silo, orchard, 12 acres of timber. Price per acre, \$45.00. Will take mortgage back for \$2,000. Call or write.—Fleet Hayes, Wayne, Mich.

For Sale—Shoats. Enquire of Sarah T. Courter. 11-31

Wanted—Boy to build fire and sweep. Call at this office. 11

Wanted—Small soft coal stove, second hand. Must be cheap. Phone 25. 11

For Sale—Good second hand cutter. Enquire of Emmet Coleman, of phone Redford 22. 11

For Sale—Nine head of High Grade Holstein cows, coming 3 and 4 years old.—Henry E. Graham, North Farmington. Phone 493 11

For Sale—Pure, Petoskey seed potatoes, large varieties and good cooks. B. E. Hudson, Route 5, Milford, Mich.

For Sale—Holstein-Friesian Bull age 13 months, well marked, and well bred. Write or phone Chas. Pettibone, Farmington, Mich. Phone 76 Farmington. 11-11

For Sale—Yearling bull. Enquire of Henry Westover, Farmington, Mich. Phone 44-4J. 11-11

For Sale—New milch cow.—Harry McCracken, Phone 42-12

Demand for the Efficient

Alert, keen, clear headed, healthy men and women are in demand. Modern business cannot use in office, factory or on the road, persons who are dull, lifeless, inert, half sick or tired. Keep in trim. Be in a condition that wards off disease. Foley Cathartic Tablets clean the system, keep the stomach sweet, liver active and the bowels regular. For sale in Farmington by T. H. McGee.

What She Wanted

"I want to stop my baby's cough," said a young mother Tuesday, "but I won't give him any harmful drugs." She bought Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It loosens the cough quickly, stimulates the mucus membrane, and helps throw off the choking secretion, eases pain and gives the child normal rest. Sold by T. H. McGee.

Life Insurance Refused

Ever notice how closely life insurance examiners look for symptoms of kidney diseases? They do so because weakened kidneys lead to many forms of dreadful life-shortening afflictions. If you have any symptoms like pain in the back, frequent, scanty or painful action, tired feeling, aches and pains, get Foley Kidney Pills to day. For sale by T. H. McGee.

VALVE-IN-HEAD Buick MOTOR CARS

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Economy in fuel consumption—Economy in tire mileage—Economy in upkeep—and greatest of all, Economy in the long run because of the everlasting quality. Buick cars are every day establishing remarkable fuel economy records. It was a Buick that won the Wisconsin Reliability and Economy contest with an average of 24.8 miles to the gallon for over 500 miles.

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T. H. McGEE

FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN

Probate Order

STATE OF MICHIGAN.—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County on the thirtieth day of January, A. D. 1915.

Present: Hon. Kleeber P. Rockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Louis Gidemstelar, deceased.

Leo Gidemstelar, Executor of the Will of said deceased, having filed in said court a petition praying for the examination and allowance of his Final Account as such executor, distributing the assets of said estate according to the terms of the will of said deceased, and that said estate be decreed quieted.

It is ordered, that the 27th day of February, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition;

It is further ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication, of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Farmington Enterprise, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

KLEBER P. ROCKWELL, (A true copy) Judge of Probate. JONSON, A. EBERHARTSON, Probate Clerk.

Silver Fox Fur.

The black silver fox fur is most valuable when there is no silver in it—when it is a pure rich black throughout. A dressed skin of this sort averages 30 by 10 inches and will easily bring \$3,500. A good silvery skin, clear and pure in color, with bluish underwool, is worth about \$2,000.

Cheap Carpet Cleaner.

"What can I use to clean carpets?" asked a correspondent who signed herself, rather bashfully, "Young Bride."

"Have you tried your young husband's?" replied the answer editor. "He lost his position just a few hours before the reply appeared.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Getting It Right.

"He's broke and the girl he was engaged to has dropped him."

"She dropped and broke him, eh?"

"No. She broke and dropped him."—Houston Post.

Just a Hint.

Mr. Statlate—Is that clock right? Miss De Pink (wearily)—I think it must need cleaning. It's been two or three hours going that last hour.—New York Journal.

Fortifido is a great help in distress.—Plautus.

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