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NONE OPPOSE MEASURE FOR ELIMINATING BLIND ALLEYS

Hearing Develops No Protest and Purposes of Bill Are Explained by the Rev. Mr. Van Schaick.

District Commissioners Expected to Send Resolve to Congress for Action in Few Days.

Not a single voice was raised in opposition to the bill providing for the elimination in ten years of the alleys of the District at a hearing given by the Commissioners today, the primary object of which was to ascertain if there is any public sentiment against the passage of the measure.

In declaring the purpose of the hearing, Commissioner Newman asked if there was any one present who desired to enter a protest against the introduction of the bill.

There being no response, the Rev. John Van Schaick, Jr., chairman of the committee which drafted the bill, explained its purpose.

Mrs. Woodrow Wilson is honorary chairman of the citizens' committee of fifty. William H. Baldwin is chairman. The bill directs the Commissioners to close one-tenth of the inhabited alleys each year for a period of ten years.

EXCESS REVENUES NOT FOR TREASURY

Half-and-Half Principle Will Be Recognized in District Appropriation Bill.

With the continuation of the hearings on the District appropriations bill it became known the subcommittee will eliminate the section which provides for the excess of District revenues over appropriations to go to the Treasury.

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POSTOFFICE MAY CARRY "MOVIES" FILMS IN MAILS

Whether the business of the Postoffice Department will be increased by approximately \$1,000,000 annually, depends upon the decision of a case now in the hands of Second Assistant Postmaster General Stewart. Motion picture films are the articles in question.

Express companies, until now, have monopolized the business on the grounds that the films are inflammable and cannot be sent through the mails. E. C. Cunningham, manager of a motion picture company in this city, contends that motion picture films are made of the same material as kodak films. The latter are carried by the mails. He has asked that "movie" films be given the same consideration.

CHANCELLOR GAVAN NAMED AS PASTOR

Baltimore Clergyman Sent to Sacred Heart Church by Cardinal Gibbons.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 27.—Cardinal Gibbons today announced the appointment of the Rev. P. C. Gavan, for twelve years chancellor of the archdiocese of Baltimore, as pastor of the Sacred Heart Church in Washington, to succeed the Rev. Joseph McGe, who died last week.

The new pastor has been an extraordinary favorite in Baltimore. He is a priest of modest, scholarly acquirements, fine manners and liberal education. He was born in November, 1872, in Bolton, England, and five years old was brought by his parents to the United States. He made his first theological studies at St. Charles College, Elliott City, and later went to the American College at Rome, where he was ordained.

On his return to the United States he became private secretary to Archbishop John J. Keane of the Catholic University, later being appointed assistant pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Washington.

Father Gavan was transferred to Baltimore in 1902 and became chancellor of the archdiocese a post of much labor and difficulty, requiring ability and discretion. The Washington appointment is regarded as a flattering elevation.

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FREE FARE PLANS MEET WITH CHECK

Commission Disapproves Kahn Bill for Aiding Police and Firemen of District.

BASE DECISION ON RULING OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

Appropriation for Carfares for District Agents Included in Estimates for Year.

With the statement that they have included in their estimates an item to defray the cost of transportation on the street railways of agents of the District government engaged in the performance of their duties, the Commissioners sent to Congress today an unfavorable report on the bill introduced by Congressman Kahn of California to amend the public utilities bill so as to allow for the free transportation of policemen and firemen. The report says:

"In the judgment of the Commissioners the street railway companies of the District of Columbia should not be required or authorized to grant free transportation to members of the police or fire departments, or to special officers of said departments."

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KENYON RECEIVES THREATS IN MAIL

Author of Measure to Wipe Out Red Light District Is Warned in Letters.

SENDER OF MISSIVES UNKNOWN TO SENATOR

Expects to Turn Mail Over to Postoffice Department Special Agents.

Because of his activity in pressing the red light bill for the District of Columbia, the bill which has just passed the House and is before the President for signature, Senator Keynon of Iowa, author of the measure, is getting letters threatening physical violence and death.

The letters are mailed in Washington, and undoubtedly emanate from persons who will be affected by the bill. But whether they come from property owners or the inmates or managers of houses in the red light district, there is no way of ascertaining.

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PANCHO VILLA, THE CITIZEN



This photograph is interesting because it is unlike any before published of the rebel commander. It is recent, having been taken just before he started on his victorious campaign against Huerta, and has the unique distinction of being the only picture he has ever had taken in citizen's garb.

Alexandria Fears Red Light Invasion

Virginia City Across the Potomac Visited by Women Whom Kenyon Bill Drives Out.

With the passage of the Kenyon "Red Light" bill legislating scores of resorts from Washington's segregated districts out of existence, Alexandria citizens today are alarmed over the fact that its own "red light" district is to be swelled by the influx of Washington women.

Plans for combating such an increase in the tenderloin population of the little Virginia city across the Potomac already are being formulated.

Already sentiment toward closing the segregated district of Alexandria, thus following the course pursued by Washington, is being formed. This is opposed, however, by Mayor Fisher, Chief of Police Goode, and other officials.

NEW LAMPS TO BURN AFTER SUNDAY NIGHT

"Dark Spots" on Pennsylvania Avenue Will Be Eliminated by New System.

Search for "dark spots" in Pennsylvania avenue between the Potomac and the Treasury will be useless after 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening. At that hour the new lighting system will be placed in operation.

I. C. C. TO GIVE ADVICE, BUT NO RATE INCREASE TO BIG RAILROAD LINES

Decision Today in Industrial Railways Case Finds That Millions of Revenue Will Be Saved If Illegal Allowances Are Stopped and Rates Readjusted.

By JUDSON C. WELLS

Instead of granting an increase of rates to railroads in official classification territory, the Interstate Commerce Commission is preparing to give the railroads some kindly advice, to point out how they can meet their financial needs, whence they can increase their revenues, and in general how, by a different kind of business management, they can put their finances on a satisfactory basis without a general raise of rates.

WEST END CITIZENS TO HAVE BANQUET

Commissioners and Heads of Business Bodies to Be Guests of Association.

The District Commissioners and the presidents of the Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade, and other civic organizations will be guests at the annual banquet of the West End Citizens' Association, at the Powhatan, February 5.

Hundred Radium Claims Are Filed in Land Rush

DENVER, Jan. 27.—The rush today to the radium fields almost assumed the proportions of the gold rushes in the early days of Cripple Creek and Leadville.

Industrial Railroads Must Pay Full Freight

Railroads are guilty of "unlawful rebating" if they grant allowances for services on private short lines of railroads owned by industries to which goods are consigned, or if they perform delivery over these short lines without additional charge, according to a decision today by the Interstate Commerce Commission in the industrial railways case.

IN CONGRESS TODAY.

SENATE. Met at noon. Hearings on District bill nearly concluded. Senator Kenyon, author of the red light bill, gets threatening letters. Norris resolution reported from Post-office Committee.

HOUSE. Met at noon. Debate resumed on committee report failing to sustain contended election charges against Congressman Whelan. Subcommittee of District Committee considered football night alleged violations excise law.

Army engineers filed report recommending improvement of Occoquan creek. Judiciary and Interstate Commerce Committees announce beginning of trust hearings before end of week.

Other Reasons Cited. But this is not all. Hunting around for reasons why the railroads did not need to increase their rates, the officials of the commission fell on some other conditions which they regarded as equally bad.

Back in the old era of excessive competition, the Chicago Great Western railroad made a contract to haul dressed meats and packing house products from the Missouri river packing points—Kansas City, Omaha, Sioux City, and St. Joseph—to Chicago, at a much lower rate than had ever been made before. It was in fact, about two-thirds of the former rate. The Great Western was willing to maintain this low rate on condition that the packers would guarantee to deliver to it a fixed percentage of their total tonnage.

The contract was made on that basis. The former rate was never more than a third of the new rate. (Continued on Third Page.)