

RAILROAD RATE BILL

Will Probably Place the Power for Making Rates With the Courts.

Drug Trust Now Being Prosecuted by Department of Justice--Uncertain When Congress Will Adjourn.

WASHINGTON D. C., May 12, 1906.

All that now seems assured is that there will be a vote on the rate bill within two weeks. The so-called Allison amendment also seems assured, that is if it is not amended again out of all shape before the bill is put in form for signature.

When the rate bill is disposed of, it is thought that Congress will rush the appropriation bills and will get home in short order. That is the wish of the majority of members.

As an illustration of the uncertainty of the situation, the remark of Senator Foster might be cited. He was trying to buy a dog this week, and with true Senatorial thrift was bargaining to have him kept by the dealer.

Secretary Metcalf has returned from the Pacific Coast where he went as the personal representative of the Administration to supervise the relief work.

Lecture Was Fine. Rev. Wm. C. Mitchell delivered his lecture entitled "Man, Monkey or Mouse," at Belfast Wednesday night to the delight of the entire audience.

Another move of the Department of Justice that proves it is by no means asleep to the trust problem, is the suit that was instituted this week against the so-called "drug trust."

the wholesalers association. It is a matter of common knowledge that the wholesalers keep a lobby in Washington to look after legislation, that they even bring influence to bear on the State Department in negotiations with foreign governments as to the admission of American products, and that there is not a piece of legislation passed on which they do not have an eye and in which they do not have a hand if they want it.

This and the two inquiries that are now proceeding into railway abuses promise considerable interest, not to say excitement, in the next few months. The work of the Bureau of Corporations in connection with the coal and oil carrying roads is not yet half done, and the investigation along somewhat similar lines by the Interstate Commerce Commission is just well started.

FISH BROKE INTO PEN

And After Stronuous Experience Is As Good As Now.

If you were to accidentally stray from the muddy waters of the Scioto river, into the large intake well in the rear of the Ohio penitentiary stable, be drawn through the prison pumping station and dumped unceremoniously into a standpipe 125 feet high, then let out into water pipes leading to the front of the institution via nearly a half mile of pipes ranging from 1 to four inches in diameter and finally forced through a globe valve, drawn backwards into the pilot valves of an elevator motor and held prisoner in a 1 inch pipe by a 70 pound pressure for several hours--say, wouldn't it kill you? Of course it would, but that's the thing ordeal through which a 3 1/2 inch bullhead catfish passed and came out unscathed, says the O. P. News.

Recently the elevator in the administration building went out on a strike, and refused absolutely to work or to be worked. Chief Engineer Reasener found the trouble to be in a shortage of water for the motor. The obstruction was soon located in the pilot valves and proved to be the above-mentioned catfish. It may have been living in the pipes for weeks or even months, but when it came under the influence of the 70 pound pressure it could not help itself. It was so firmly forced into the valve as to completely shut off the water supply, and thereby put the elevator out of commission. After laying on the ground for almost an hour and a half the little prisoner was discovered to be alive. It was placed in a can of water, soon revived and is now the pet of the construction office.

Not So Many Saloons.

Says the Ohio State Journal: Ollie Jones, appointed as special liquor tax assessor has reported to the auditor that of the 661 saloons which obtained licenses last year only 224 have signified their intention to make application this year, since the Alken law has increased the tax from \$250 to \$1000.

The most noticeable decrease has been in the southern part of the city, where only 70 have made application out of 224 which did business last year. The business portion of the city has not registered such a decrease, but in every other section of Columbus the failure to take out licenses has attained the same percentage as in the southern part.

Probate Court Proceedings. John A. Moberly, admr. of B. W. Moberly, filed report of private sale of real estate. Same confirmed.

Both Clarksville and Blanchester are without lights and the people are groping around in darkness. Wilmington lights are good but the moonlight is still adhered to and just when they should have lights frequently there is the "blackness of night."

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Number of Barrels Containing Fire Water in C. C. Gorman's New Drug Store.

Local Anti-Saloon League Causes A Sensational Raid--Trial of Accused is Set for Next Wednesday Morning.

Three full barrels of whiskey, two about half full, numerous kegs of gin and brandy and a large quantity of bottled goods was secured by the police in a raid on Gorman's place on the corner of Short and Main streets Saturday afternoon about 4:30. In fact the haul was so large the officers had trouble in loading it all on one day and greater trouble in finding a place to store it in the city building.

The raid was led by Marshal Lyle and was made on a search and seizure warrant sworn out by Chas. E. Brown of the local Anti-Saloon League. A charge of keeping a place was lodged against Mr. Gorman and he was released on \$500 bond. Upon request of Gorman's attorney Mayor Costello set the trial for Wednesday morning, May 23.

The value of the seized liquors is said to be between \$600 and \$700. The capture of such a large amount was as much a surprise to the officers as to the large crowd of thirsty ones who witnessed it. In fact it was so large that the officers advised with the anti-saloon league attorneys before hauling it away as contraband goods. It was the first real capture by the local officers since the passage of the search and seizure law.

In the same room in which the liquors were discovered was the entire stock of drugs which Mr. Gorman had recently purchased of Kaufmann & Baer and only moved into the building that day. It is generally supposed that the defense will claim the liquors were part of the drug stock and that the place was a drug store which is exempted under the search and seizure law. The anti-saloon league claim that this will not hold good as Gorman was without a registered pharmacist at this time.

In the case of Julius C. Koch, whose arrest and conviction for violating the local law was recently reported by the News-Herald, Mayor Costello on Monday overruled the motion for a new trial and assessed a fine of \$200 and costs. Koch filed notice of appeal.

The third annual W. C. T. U. Institute will be held in Hillsboro, May 17-18. Leader, Mrs. Annie W. Clark, Pres. Ohio W. C. T. U. Program: THURSDAY, MAY 17, 1:30 P. M. Devotional. Mrs. M. M. Gall, Sinking Spring. What we hope to accomplish by this Institute. Leader: Appointment of Committees. Practical Workings of Our Scientific Temperance Law. Miss Nettie Ladd, Leesburg. Discussion: "Our new Crusade--How it Works." Our Young People's Work. Local Presidents A Talk to Public School Children. By Institute Leader. 7:30 P. M. Music. Devotional. Mrs. M. T. Rives, Hillsboro. Music. Address. Mrs. Annie Clark, Columbus. Silver Offering. Benediction. FRIDAY 9:00 A. M. Devotional. Mrs. M. M. Gall, Sinking Spring. Reading of Minutes. "The Story of Our Departments." Mrs. Clark. Discussion opened by local Superintendents. Medical Temperance. Mrs. Leaverton, Centerfield. Discussion, opened by Dr. Beam, Hillsboro. Presentation of our Periodicals. Leader: Our Young People's Work. Mrs. Browning, Greenfield. Discussion opened by Mrs. Mary Polk, New Vienna. Discussion opened by Mrs. Jennie Ladd, Leesburg. "Some Temperance Heroines." Mrs. M. S. Morgan, Hillsboro. 11:30 A. M. Praise Service "Our Dry Country." FRIDAY 1:30 P. M. Devotional. Mrs. M. M. Gall, Greenfield. Question Answered by local Superintendents. Why we did not get our Bill for Woman's vote at Local Option Election. Mrs. Clark. Recitation. Mrs. Amelia Howard, Mowtown. Symposium--Cleaning up Ohio. One minute speeches. How the W. C. T. U. aims to eradicate the Drink Habit. Miss Rachel Wright. Peace and Arbitration. Mrs. M. M. Gall. Snapshots of Ohio Laws. Leader: "Law Enforcement--How." Recent Temperance Legislation. Mrs. Clerk W. C. T. U. Benediction. FRIDAY EVENING. Silver Medal Contest. Music.

Soldiers' Grave Markers. The Commissioners have purchased markers for the graves of all U. S. Soldiers, of any war, buried in Highland County. G. A. R. Posts or Townships are requested to send a representative to the Auditor and get the required number for their township. J. Q. ROADS, Auditor.

Presbyterian Church. Preparatory service Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. Communion service Sunday morning at 10:30. In the evening the pastor will preach the fifth of the series of sermons on Timely Topics. All are invited. Scarborough--Real Estate.

There are a number of vacancies in the medical corps of the U. S. Navy and that the quota of Ohio and this section of Ohio, in that department of the national service is by no means complete. A surgeon in the Navy will receive at entering the service somewhere near \$1500 and the pay increases with every five years of service. Young physicians with clean records who are properly recommended and are able to pass the examinations will have no difficulty in securing an appointment in the corps and there are probably a number from this section of the country who would make first class appointees. The tour of duty includes shore duty as well as ship duty and both to a young man in the profession will be of great benefit from the point of broadened scope and practical work along lines which do not present themselves to the ordinary practitioner.

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Between the leaves of a copy of Shakespeare in the Lenox Library a New Yorker a few days ago found a fifty dollar bill placed there by some charitably inclined person. The money was accompanied by a note bearing the signature "H. G." Now they're trying to figure out the identity of the charitably inclined individual. There are good reasons for believing it was not Horace Greeley and--figuring by the form--card--it is not much more probable that it was Hetty Green. But, whoever did it, let us hope that it may become a fad. The suggestion is tenderly referred to Hillsboro's magnificent multitude of munificent multi-millionaires and merry millionaires as a jolly good method of gratifying their well-known philanthropic proclivities and at the same time stimulating literary research as it has never before been stimulated between the pellucid pools of the East Fork and the crystal cataraacts of Clear Creek.

WILLETTSVILLE. May 14, 1906. A. W. Hatcher and wife and Pope McDaniel and wife, were guests of the Messrs. Hatcher, in Leesburg, Sunday. Miss Litta Reaves has returned home after a two week's visit with her sister, Mrs. Leo King, near Martinsville. Mrs. Mary Richardson, after spending the winter with her son, Dr. Lewis Spikard, of Blanchester, is now with her daughter, Mrs. Homer Dean. Harry Achor, wife and children, of Four Corners, and Robert Fenner and wife, of Round Head, visited James Hixson and family, Sunday. Mrs. Philip Weyrich and daughter, Lucile, of Hillsboro, spent a part of the part week with her parents, E. B. Reeves and wife. Taylor Hixson and wife called on their son, Everett and wife, at Fairview, Sunday evening. Daniel Sharp and wife spent Sunday with Frank Sharp and family at Four Corners. Miss Mora Harsha left Monday for Cleveland, where she will join the Chicago Ladies' Orchestra for a week's engagement as cornet soloist. This organization has a summer engagement in Canada, and if she finds the position satisfactory Miss Harsha may remain during the entire season.