

OGDEN MAYOR IS S. L. SPEAKER

Operations of Waterworks
Explained to Members of
Municipal League

Mayor Frank Francis, in an interesting talk before the convention of the Utah Municipal league yesterday in Salt Lake, advocated municipal ownership of public utilities peculiar to the municipal needs and the collection of license taxes upon encroachments by private interests upon public ground, such as the space underneath sidewalks, as a means of obtaining revenue for the city other than those gained by general taxes.

LIGHTING PLANT

Mayor Francis explained that since Ogden took over its waterworks system in 1905, up to which time it was privately owned, this city has realized \$814,000 in revenues. He outlined the plans of Ogden to take over the lighting system, either by purchase of the present distributing system or the building of one of its own, and either by the purchase wholesale of sufficient power to serve it or by the building of a plant to furnish the power.

The two-day convention closed last night with a banquet at the Hotel Utah. Mayor William M. Howell of Logan was chosen president of the league, following the banquet. The members voted to hold the 1921 convention at Cedar City.

TRACY NAMED

T. J. Jones of Cedar City was elected first vice president and N. C. Poulson of Richfield, second vice president. The following were chosen members of the legislative committee: W. H. Falken, Salt Lake; Jacob Coleman, Provo; William Howell, Logan; Joseph M. Tracy, Ogden; Leroy Dixon, Provo; A. A. Law, Logan, and Robert N. Young, Salt Lake.

Mayor Howell the newly elected president in a brief talk stated that he was new in the municipal affairs at Logan, but that he was glad to have had the pleasure of attending the convention. He said that the problems discussed were interesting and that he profited much by hearing them.

C. B. Hawley, president of the Salt Lake Commercial club, who was a guest at the banquet, requested that the mayors join hands in pulling for Utah as well as the various cities in which they live. Other short talks were made by Mayor Ellsworth of Payson, Mayor Allen of Springville and Mayor Cameron of Fingert. Mayor C. Clarence Nesten of Salt Lake presided.

The members and their wives were entertained at a theatre party at the Orpheum last night by the officers and personnel of the organization.

ENDORSE AMENDMENTS

The four proposed amendments to the state constitution were endorsed and a resolution denouncing the punch board and kindred devices which encourage gambling, was adopted, matters of taxation and revenue were considered and needs of correction in existing laws were discussed at yesterday's session of the State Municipal league convention. The afternoon and evening were given over to entertainment.

Following the adjournment of the afternoon meeting, those attending the convention took an automobile ride about the city, returning to the Hotel Utah for a banquet at 8 o'clock.

Action taken by the league on the proposed amendments began with a proposal to endorse the first amendment providing home rule under a charter for every city in the state electing to avail itself of the privilege, but later a proposition to make the instrument comprehensive and to include all the amendments was approved.

ALHAMBRA PICTURE REAL SENSATION

Lewis "Huckleberry" Sargeant, so dubbed because of his splendid portrayal of Mark Twain's immortal boy creation in "Huckleberry Finn," is once more the hero in a new screen comedy-drama, "The Soul of Youth," which promises to keep the house packed all the rest of the week at the Alhambra theatre.

Young Sargeant, in this picture, has a role altogether different in type from that of his initial screen appearance. In this, he is the modern boy of the city streets, reared in a dreary foundling home, without father or mother, but who, when the opportunity arises, and he is given a real chance in life, shows sterling qualities of character and with the addition of a goodly share of pluck and mettle, becomes a real hero and an important figure in the affairs of grown up men and women.

Sargeant is surrounded by a cast of unusual merit, many members of which are famous not only for screen work but for their achievements in other fields. Ernest Butterworth, Clyde Fillmore, Lila Lee, William Collier, Jr., Horace Atkinson Wade, Claude Peyton, Betty Schade, Fred Hunter, Sylvia Ashton and others offer. Particular interest attaches to the fact that Judge Ben Lindsey, the well noted juvenile jurist and his charming wife, Mrs. Ben Lindsey, also participate in several scenes in the picture.

William D. Taylor directed and Julia Crawford Ivers wrote both the original story and the scenario. Both this director and scenarist, it will be recalled, performed like offices in the production of "Huckleberry Finn."

SKUNKS WANT AN EDUCATION

(By International News Service.)
DENVER.—St. Patrick II is at work in Colorado. When a plea reached State Labor Commissioner W. L. Morrissey from residents of Yuma county begging for aid in ridding the schoolhouse in that district of snakes, he turned the task over to J. H. Mitchell, state factory inspector. Incidentally, Mitchell will attempt to eject a flock of skunks from the schoolhouse to make room for the pupils. This is the urgent appeal that came to Commissioner Morrissey: "Help! The schoolhouse ten miles southwest of Yuma is full of skunks and snakes. The school curriculum is arranged only for boys and girls—not for felines and reptiles. Impossible to open school until present tenants are evicted." "St. Patrick has nothing on me," Mitchell remarked as he accepted the assignment to drive out the snakes and skunks.

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