

BATTLES FOR SMOKE LAW AS MONEY SAVER

Plants Can Save Money by Complying With Ordinance, Declares City Expert.

MORE PROSECUTIONS ARE NOW BEING PLANNED

Office Crowded With Manufacturers Seeking to Obey Letter of New Regulations.

"Every owner of a steam plant in Atlanta who is violating the smoke ordinance could comply with the ordinance and at the same time make his power cheaper," said Smoke Inspector Paul McMichael today.

"All the opposition to the smoke crusade is nothing less than short-sightedness. Manufacturers and other owners of steam plants will not only render a great service to their fellow citizens by stopping the smoke, but they will save money for themselves.

"Smoke is simply a complete combustion. Perfect combustion means more power for the same money, and no smoke.

There are a number of concerns which will not pay for themselves. They will pay for themselves in increased efficiency of plants in periods of time varying from six months to two years.

Grants Deal Blessing to Consumers.

"Instead of thinking the war against smoke a hardship on them, owners of steam plants will come to realize that it is a blessing to themselves, as well as the people at large."

The duties of Inspector McMichael have more than quadrupled since a number of cases were made in the recorder's court against violators of the smoke law, and newspaper publicity has shown that public sentiment demands an abatement of the smoke nuisance.

At 4 o'clock in the afternoon, the hour when he is in his office at the city hall to give advice to persons who want to comply with the law, he is daily besieged with questioners. The scene any afternoon reminds one of a classroom, with many students listening to a lecture.

All classes of owners of steam plants have gone seriously to the task of learning how to stop smoke.

"I am now convinced that we will produce some gratifying results," said Inspector McMichael.

Based on a detailed study of the situation, Inspector McMichael has estimated that smoke costs Atlanta more than \$1,000,000 a year. Of this amount, \$250,000 is fuel value lost to the manufacturer through smoke and gases from incomplete combustion. The other three-quarters of a million dollars is a result of soot damage.

Law Compliance Will Prove Benefit.

The owners of steam plants will be benefited by more than a quarter of a million dollars if they comply with the smoke ordinance properly.

Seventy-five per cent of the boilers in the city are tubular boilers. Inspector McMichael said they could be made to comply with the law at a cost of from \$200 to \$800 each.

Twenty-five per cent of the boilers are water tube boilers. These are all in very large plants. They can be made to comply at a cost of from \$800 to \$2,000 each.

It will be an easy matter to build new plants so that they will comply with the law.

Inspector McMichael said emphatically that the owners of the plants could figure a dividend on these investments, and that every citizen of Atlanta would also be able to figure a direct dividend, for he estimates that the soot damage in this city amounts to \$1 per capita.

On the other hand he is preparing to prosecute more cases in the recorder's court against persons who are not diligently endeavoring to comply with the smoke law.

TRAVEL CRAZE CAUSED GIRL, 19, TO RUN AWAY

CHICAGO, Nov. 15.—"I like to travel," was the only explanation offered by Margaret Dunbar, nineteen years old, who ran away from her home in Pittsburg and was found here in the Hotel Sherman by detectives.

Arrangements were made to send her home today. This trip was said to be her third night from home.

CREMATORY FIGHT BACK WITH CITY COUNCIL

More Funds Will Be Asked for Excavation for the Proposed New Plant.

OPPONENTS CAN BLOCK NEW APPROPRIATIONS

But Tearing Down of the Old Disposal Plant Likely Will Proceed Next Week.

A new turn in the crematory fight today will probably throw the whole matter into the general council for a new decision. The board of health has only \$1,000 to excavate for the new crematory, while the lowest bid for this work is \$3,000. It is expected that the general council will be called upon to provide the additional \$2,000 Monday.

With James G. Woodward determined in his fight to prevent the demolition of the old crematory and construction of the new, it is quite likely that he will be able to block the beginning of the construction of the \$276,000 plant until he takes his seat as mayor on January 1.

When the council is asked to make the appropriation for \$2,000 Mr. Woodward's friends can delay action until the meeting of the council the first Monday in December. Then when the matter reaches the aldermanic board they can delay action for two weeks more by again moving a reconsideration.

Thus, with only a small minority, they can prevent the beginning of work on the new crematory until the first of the year.

Old Plant Coming Down.

But it appears that the board of health will be able to tear down the old crematory after next Thursday. At the meeting of the aldermanic board on that day Alderman VanDyke will move a reconsideration of the resolution to destroy the plant. Indications are that his motion will be voted down.

Dr. W. L. Gilbert, president of the board of health, will hold a conference with Acting Mayor Candler today in an effort to find the needed \$2,000. He hopes to succeed in securing this money without going to the council.

The outlook today is that the crematory matter is far from settled, although a large majority of the city officials favor living up to the contract to build a \$276,000 plant on the site of the old crematory.

Mr. Woodward is fighting stubbornly to prevent the destruction of the old plant, and he will make his strongest plea in person before the aldermanic board next Thursday.

PRIESTESS OF CULT PINCHED WHEN HER AUTO INJURES 2 MEN

CHICAGO, Nov. 15.—Mona Rees, central figure in the Absolute Life cult of Evelyn Arthur See, today faced a charge of assault as a result of an automobile accident.

The girl with her mother and Mildred Bridges was driving down Michigan avenue in an electric runabout. A motor car passed in front of them and in swerving to avoid it, Miss Rees steered into a grocery cart, seriously injuring V. T. Barry and Thomas Barry. She was arrested.

PAIR ELOPE TO AVOID "FRIVOLOUS" WEDDING

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 15.—Because they "wished to avoid the frivolity and embarrassment of a home wedding," Horace Harper, 22 years old, and Miss Flora Murray, aged 20, eloped to Carlinville, Ill., and were married in the First Baptist church October 3. They have just announced their wedding.

The couple have been neighbors for years, and friendship resulted in love when Miss Murray was employed as a stenographer and Harper as a draughting clerk by Harper's father. They will begin housekeeping December 1.

PARENTS ARRESTED AT BURIAL OF ONLY CHILD

GENEVA, Nov. 15.—A French couple recently expelled from Geneva, who returned to attend the funeral of their only child, were arrested before the grave.

HE SAYS SNOBBISHNESS IS CURSE OF THE SOUTH

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—"Class snobbishness is the curse of our church," said Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin, vice president of the church extension committee of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church.

NEIGHBORS IN ARMS

ASHBURN, GA., Nov. 15.—Tan Cleghorn, accused of poisoning his fiancée, Miss Minnie Marchman, is believed to be hiding in the home of some of his friends in the neighborhood of Ashburn. If he is found and arrested the bars of the Turner county jail will hardly be strong enough to keep out the throng of embittered neighbors.

FIANCE IN HIDING AS POISON HUNT STIRS COUNTRYSIDE

Funeral Bells Toll For Belle of Amboy While Neighbors Scour Ashburn For Track of Her Sweetheart Who Has Completely Disappeared.

Cities Not Losing by Back-to-Soil Move, Says Expert SEES ELEVATION OF FARMERS

Dr. A. C. True Thinks Trend to Country Means More Scientific Agriculturists.



Dr. A. C. True, head of the experiment stations, who says "back to farm" movement will not deter growth of cities.

HEALTH OFFICER BECOMES CHEF FOR ROOSEVELT

Wasser Making Tests as Cook to Determine Violations of Food Laws.

CALIFORNIA NOW DEFEATED WOMAN CANDIDATE FOR ELECTOR CHARGES TAMPERING WITH BALLOTS.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 15.—Theodore Roosevelt had a plurality of 72 votes over Woodrow Wilson in California when the final count from all the precincts in the state was completed. But that did not settle the case. Instead a recount in Los Angeles county is imminent.

BULL MOOSE PLAN TO CONTINUE FIGHT TO DESTROY G. O. P.

CHICAGO, Nov. 15.—Progressives of Cook county today are preparing for a thorough reorganization of the party and are already looking ahead to the election two years hence. The plans include war to the death on the Republican party.

MOTHER LOSES CHILD WHOM SHE FORCED TO SWALLOW RED PEPPER

ROME, GA., Nov. 15.—Because she forced red pepper down her little daughter's throat, Mrs. S. J. Hart has lost possession of the child, Judge Reese awarding the girl to her maternal grandmother.

CLIMBING BETWEEN CARS. SHE TAKES ENFORCED RIDE

WILKESBARE, Pa., Nov. 15.—Mrs. George Hill was forced to travel fifteen miles standing on the bumper of a freight train which got in motion while she was climbing over it as it blocked a street.

By STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

ASHBURN, GA., Nov. 15.—Turner county officers today are searching the woods in Amboy district for Tan Cleghorn, a young farmer who was to have been married to pretty Minnie Marchman last Tuesday. Instead of a wedding at the Marchman home there was a funeral, and the same minister who had expected to pronounce the marriage ceremony read the funeral service over the body of the "belle of Amboy," dead from a sudden attack which is believed to have been caused by poison.

And it is Cleghorn, her fiancé, who is accused of bringing about his sweetheart's death, according to the warrant sworn out in the Ashburn court house.

Cleghorn, it is believed, is hiding in the home of some of his numerous friends in the country district where he resides, not far from the cottage where Minnie Marchman lived with her mother. If he is found and arrested the bars of the Turner county jail will hardly be strong enough to keep out the throng of embittered Georgians who knew and loved the prettiest girl in the countryside.

Entire Countryside Threatens Slayer.

All Turner county is enraged, and if it is established that the girl died from poison given her by Tan Cleghorn the citizens say it would be wiser to take the prisoner to some other county for safekeeping.

The body of Minnie Marchman, stopped on its way to the cemetery by friends who suspected her death was not due to natural causes, has been buried, but it is probable that it will be exhumed for further investigation. The stomach is now being examined by Dr. John Funke, an Atlanta chemical expert, but several days must elapse before his analysis can be completed and the cause of Minnie Marchman's death finally determined.

But she was known to be well and comparatively strong until the day she went with her sweetheart to spend the day at Ashburn, the county seat, and that she died after eight convulsions in two hours, foaming at the mouth, her eyes fixed in a glassy stare, and with other symptoms of poisoning. And she told her mother that Cleghorn gave her candy and fruit when they spent the day in Ashburn.

The motive for the crime—if crime there were—is described by neighbors of the dead girl to the fact that Cleghorn had promised to wed the girl and did not desire to keep his promise.

Mary Foy, a Democratic candidate for presidential elector, secured a writ of mandamus in the district court of appeals to compel the county board of supervisors to give a fair and honest count of the votes cast in the election of November 5. It was alleged that the ballots cast in several Los Angeles precincts had been tampered with and the return sheets abstracted. The writ is returnable Monday.

Bells Toll For Funeral. She had told her mother, it is freely reported, that Cleghorn had taken her to Ashburn to purchase the license, and they were to have been married a day or two afterward. But the bells tolled that day instead of ringing out a summons to a wedding. And Cleghorn had disappeared.

Tan Cleghorn had been courting Minnie Marchman for about a year. Minnie was known for miles around as the prettiest girl in her section and her friends knew her as the "belle of Amboy district." Her home was in this district, about six miles from Ashburn, the county seat, and young Cleghorn lived not far away.

Up to a year ago Minnie Marchman was one of the most popular girls of the countryside, belle of the picnics and all-day singings, sought after by a dozen eligible young men, merriest of all the girls at the country gatherings. Then she and Tan Cleghorn began "keeping company," and when she was recognized as "his girl" other would-be lovers stayed away and the pair were looked upon as betrothed.

Pair Believed To Be Betrothed. They were everywhere together, at all the frolics in town and county, and their marriage was expected at any time. To her intimates, it is said, Minnie Marchman had often spoken of her love for Cleghorn and their intention to marry "some day."

But of recent months Minnie was no longer a figure at parties and picnics. Cleghorn called frequently at her home, and they took many walks and buggy rides together, but she avoided public gatherings and remained secluded in her home. She had not been seen by her friends in Ashburn for some time, until she appeared there a few days ago with her fiancé. It was reported in Ashburn then that they were to have been married that day, but that Cleghorn made some excuse for postponing the ceremony and the girl, fighting back her tears, returned to her mother's home while her lover went away. He has not been seen in the community since that day in Ashburn. It was four days after this that Minnie Ashburn died.

Scientist Waits For Verification. Dr. John Funke, head of the Carnegie laboratory of pathology in Atlanta, has not completed his analysis of the stomach of Minnie Marchman and declined today to make any statement as to the cause of her death until his examination should have been complete and the cause absolutely established.

The examination, thus far, has shown that the girl was afflicted with a mild form of chronic gastritis, which was not serious enough to have caused death. Two examinations will be necessary, one a chemical analysis and the second a microscopic inspection.

Seven days are required to complete the test, and it will be next Tuesday, probably, before Dr. Funke can make a definite report. The stomach of the dead girl, with the expert's report, will be sent to the coroner of Turner county at Ashburn. It was this officer who conducted the inquest, had the stomach sent to the expert and caused the issuance of the warrant against Tan Cleghorn.

DETECTIVES SEARCH FOR MISSING GIRL

GADSDEN, AAL., Nov. 15.—Detectives today are searching for Miss Vera Henry, daughter of W. A. Henry, tax collector of St. Clair county, who mysteriously disappeared from her home at Springville on Sunday, and of whom no trace has since been found. Miss Henry is sixteen years old, and exceedingly pretty. The detectives came to Gadsden to interview Ezra Pike, her sweetheart, who lives here, and who says he is engaged to marry her. He declares that her disappearance is as great a mystery to him as it is to her parents. He saw her Wednesday of last week. The police have been asked to aid in the search.

SAYS SHE WAS MADE TO WED AT POINT OF PISTOL

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 15.—Miss Rosa Helman, nineteen years old, a stenographer in the DeMott building, says she was forced to agree to wed Hugh Bratton, 1627 Texas avenue, at the point of a revolver.

She said he had a strange influence over her, which seemed to compel her to do almost anything he demanded.

Bratton, after a wild ride on a motorcycle in St. Louis county, was arrested and sent to Clayton, where he was held until he gave bond on a charge of disturbing the peace. The warrant had been sworn out by Jacob Helman, father of the young woman.

COUNT ROMANONES IS NEW PREMIER OF SPAIN

MADRID, Nov. 15.—Count Romanones, a liberal, has been appointed premier by King Alfonso, to succeed Senor Canalejas. Revolutionary threats prevented the appointment of General Weyles, as originally planned.

BUFFALOES WRECK TRAIN: TWO PASSENGERS KILLED

SINGAPORE, Nov. 15.—A herd of wild buffaloes charged and derailed a train on the Southern railroad at Kram, Siam. Two passengers were killed and many injured.