

## WAR ON SUCKERS HAS NOW BEGUN

Pestiferous Fish Subject of Discussion in the Senate Today.

### THE HOUSE UP TO CALENDAR

With Fortieth Day Coming Tomorrow—A Rushing Business Is the Promise—Game Warden Gets More Pay.

A matter which will mean much to the fishermen of Utah and will solve the problem of diminishing the number of carp and suckers in the Utah lake is now being taken up by the legislature.

The plan is to require the fishermen desiring to use seines to furnish a bond of five hundred dollars. This bond is to guarantee that they will not take with seines a game fish. In the past fishermen have been compelled to hire a game warden at \$2 a day and the result is that little or no fishing has been attempted. It is the hope of those behind the present plan to establish the business and get as much seining done as possible wherever carp and suckers exist.

To arrange the exact terms of the proposition a special committee of six to serve as a sub-committee of the fish and game committee was appointed this morning. On this committee are Senators Marks, Stookey and Hordley and Representatives Haycock, Russell and White.

The fish and game committee of the senate and house in joint session is now covering the entire proposed fish and game measure. This morning they showed their friendliness to the fish and game committee by raising the salary from \$1,000 to \$1,500 per year, and allowing him traveling expenses of \$2,000 for the biennial period. A great deal of the bill is yet to be considered as it is being taken up paragraph by paragraph and it has been made until it has been thoroughly gone over.

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For the reason that the house had caught up on its calendar at the close of yesterday afternoon's session, it was decided to hold no session of that body this morning. The several committees, however, have been exceedingly busy all morning, and when the hour for meeting arrived this afternoon, 2 o'clock, another grind had been prepared for the edification of the legislature. The senate has been even less busy, according to the number of measures handed down to the lower body, in considering new bills. The fortieth day, the last upon which new measures may be introduced into the house except by consent is here tomorrow, and today and tomorrow are expected to be heavy days in the presentation of measures. It is thought the 200 mark will be passed in the house, and perhaps the 150 mark in the senate.

### IN THE HOUSE.

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H. B. 127, by Hansen, providing for the organization and regulation of county insurance companies. This is a measure providing that any number of persons in any county who collectively own property of not less than \$50,000 in value, which they desire to have insured, may form an incorporated company for the purpose of mutual insurance against loss or damage by fire or lightning.

### RACE SUICIDE.

H. B. 128, by Hammond, to encourage the prevention of race suicide.

## Reopening of Social Hall Friday Recalls Historic Affair in 1855

The opening ball at Social Hall, which recently has been rehabilitated and renovated, will be given tomorrow evening under the auspices of the Genealogical society of Utah, which was responsible for the restoration of the historic building.

A hot supper will be served at 6 o'clock, and at 7 o'clock a grand march will be led by Presidents John R. Winder and Anthony H. Lund. Old-time dances will be interspersed with songs, recitations, etc., after the custom of pioneer days. The Olive orchestra will furnish music. Veterans Joseph E. Taylor will be promoter and Bishop Joseph Christensen will act as floor manager. Invitations have been limited to members of the Genealogical society, and all who failed to receive a card are requested by the committee to call at the Historical office, where all members will be supplied.

The function will be reminiscent of one given in the same building New Year's day, 1855. The hosts were the governor of Utah, President Brigham Young, and the legislative assembly, and the guests of honor were the federal officials of the territory and the

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Are now permanently located in their new and handsomely equipped rooms.

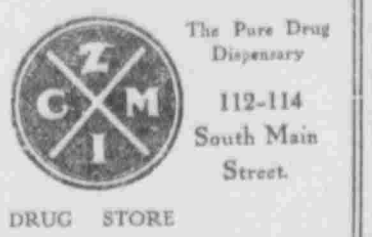
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within the State of Utah. It is as follows:

"Be it enacted by the legislature of the State of Utah:

"Sec. 1. That there is hereby appropriated out of any of the state funds not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$10 to every woman within the State of Utah on her becoming the mother of twelve children, and \$25 for each additional child born thereafter.

"Sec. 2. Said number of children shall be evidenced by the affidavit of the doctor or midwife, corroborated by at least one competent witness, and on presentation of said affidavit to the county clerk where said mother resides, the clerk shall certify the same to the state auditor, and thereupon he shall issue his warrant for the said sum of \$10, payable to the said mother as aforesaid.

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### TWO PURE FOOD BILLS.

The protection of the people from poisoned food and filthy games offered for sale is the object of bills offered today in the senate by Senator Williams, the first providing that any person who offers for sale any poultry, game, fish, butter or eggs, "which are not properly labeled 'cold storage' if they have been kept within cold storage for three months prior to being offered for sale, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor." The other bill provides that the offering for sale of any poultry which has been kept within cold storage after killing, shall constitute a misdemeanor.

Senator Sevy this afternoon paid his respects to the editor of the Salt Lake Tribune. This paper had written to Fred J. Kiesel that it could control Senator Sevy's influence, and that while it was working for prohibition, it was willing for Kiesel to circulate a petition against prohibition. Senator Sevy says that he never met the editor of the Call but once, that he thinks him wholly contemptible, and that he must have thought that he, Senator Sevy, was a mighty clever man to be for sale at such a figure.

### LEGISLATIVE SIDELIGHTS.

Two petitions from residents of Wasatch county were presented to the house yesterday, one asking that a new county be formed of the eastern part of that county, and another asking for the establishment of an experiment station at Roosevelt.

A petition was also presented by the county commissioners of Sevier county, asking for an appropriation of \$3,000 for the improvement of the roads of Sevier county.

Representative Thompson, during the consideration of one Mr. Watson's educational bill, advocated the abolishment of the free text book system in the state schools. He said he did not think his motion to strike out the provision authorizing the state to buy school books would carry, but he thought it was time for a change in that direction. His motion lost by a decisive vote.

### NEW ELSINORE FIRM.

The Morris Mercantile company of Elsinore, Sevier county, filed its articles of incorporation today in the secretary of state's office. Its capital stock amounts to \$10,000, which is divided into shares of \$25 each. The officers are: E. A. Morris, president; W. E. Morris, vice president; Paul A. F. Morris, secretary and treasurer.

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## PUBLIC UTILITIES UNDER DISCUSSION

Banquet Held at Commercial Club For Consideration of Proposed Bill.

### IT IS NOT REVOLUTIONARY.

Senator Badger Declares Measure Is Framed in a Spirit of Fairness Toward All Concerned.

An opportunity to exchange ideas as to the need in Utah for a public service commission was what was sought last night in a banquet tendered to the legislature of Utah by the Commercial club traffic bureau. The banquet commenced at 8:30 p. m., and lasted until 11 o'clock. Gov. Spry spoke briefly declaring that he had advocated a commission in his message to the legislature but not with any intention of becoming a partisan towards the corporations. Senator Carl Badger was present with a copy of S. B. 85, the public utility commission measure. For the traffic bureau a speech was made by S. H. Beck, at some length, and in addition brief talks were made by W. J. Harrison, George N. Lawrence, attorney for the traffic bureau, Stephen H. Love and Charles N. Strevel, who acted as toastmaster.

Gov. Spry arrived late and was called on shortly before the close of the banquet. He called attention to the fact that there is hardly an insignificant town in Arizona but what is favored with a railroad line. The railroads, at the opening of the banquet President Harrison invited the legislators to make themselves at home in the club rooms, and then former state Senator Lawrence was invited to speak upon the subject of the state and its duty to protect its interests.

### ITS POWER AND DUTY.

"The power and duty of the state to regulate and control such utilities, upon corporations controlling public utilities and by adequate legislation to relieve the citizens of the state from unreasonable and extortionate charges is the primary and fundamental duty of the state. The state in its constitution direct authority to the legislature to adopt measures for the control of common carriers and to correct abuses and prevent discrimination and extortion in rates, freight and passenger tariffs and making it mandatory upon the legislature to pass laws establishing a reasonable maximum rate of charges for the transportation of passengers and freight."

In about 40 out of 45 states in the Union there are now established, by legislative enactment, state commissions of various kinds, under whose jurisdiction and control are placed all public utilities. The state of Utah has provided in its constitution direct authority to the legislature to adopt measures for the control of common carriers and to correct abuses and prevent discrimination and extortion in rates, freight and passenger tariffs and making it mandatory upon the legislature to pass laws establishing a reasonable maximum rate of charges for the transportation of passengers and freight."

### RABCOCK IS HEARD.

Mr. Babcock was introduced with the statement that he would tell the story of freight traffic in the west. He narrated the story of the building of the Rio Grande western of its plans, and of its system of charges for freight, of the entrance of Harriman and the day of big mergers that came with him, and then of the "water competition" system of making high charges for intermediate points. "Are these things right in the face of the earnings these railroads are making?" asked the speaker. "You have stood it for 25 years, and you have simply been making the money largely in the hands of such men as you, state legislators. Rates outside the state, between other states, are not in your control, but in your state you, as legislators, are supreme."

### WOULD ENCOURAGE INDUSTRY.

Preceding the final talk by Gov. Spry, former state Senator S. J. Lawrence declared that to put the utility commission bill upon the statute books would be to encourage industry of every kind to open new mines, and to save a tremendous amount of revenue to the state. Lawrence thought that it would be of startling proportions and would far surpass the cost of maintaining the bureau. Senator Badger discussed S. B. 85, declaring that it sought no recognition of the state, but was a measure conceived in fairness and carried out in a spirit of helpfulness to all concerned.

The banquet closed after a number of questions had been answered by Mr. Babcock and Mr. Love, following the final formal talk.

### SHOCKING SUICIDE.

Alma Hunting, Son of Prominent Family of Kanab, Shoots Himself.

Special Correspondence.

Kanab, Kan. Co., Utah, Feb. 12.—At 9 o'clock this morning, Alma Hunting, son of one of Kanab's oldest and most respected citizens, committed suicide by shooting himself in the left breast with a 25-35 rifle. He is a married man about 25 years old.

### BASKETBALL FRIDAY.

Basketball games will be played Friday evening at the Granite slake amusement hall as follows: Senior league, Farmers ward vs. Mill Creek; Big Cottonwood vs. Murray Second ward; Junior league, Farmers ward vs. Mill Creek; Big Cottonwood vs. Murray Second ward; Murray First ward vs. Taylorsville. The games will be played under the Mutual improvement schedules.

One of the most competent physical culture trainers of the state will be in attendance to conduct special work for the classes of young ladies.

### RECEPTION AT ALTA CLUB.

A reception will be given Saturday at 2:30 p. m., at the Alta club by Gov. Spry and staff to Col. Walter Scott and his family of the Fifth infantry. It will be a full dress affair.

### GLANDERS AMONG PONIES.

The bureau of animal industry reports glanders among Indian horses in Emery and Carbon counties. There are two government veterinarians on the ground to kill the affected horses, and prevent further spread of the disease. No money indemnity is made the Indians as the horses were given them in the first place by the government.

## RAILROAD NEWS.

### WORK ON WESTERN PACIFIC.

Information from Coast Says Road Will be Completed Sept. 1.

Definite information has been received from San Francisco, to the effect that the Western Pacific railroad will be completed by Sept. 1, or in less time than at first predicted, says the White Pine News. An additional \$5,000,000 has been received by the Western Pacific officers with which to finish the line to the \$15,000,000 already advanced by the Denver & Rio Grande system, which has taken a similar amount in the new road in second mortgage bonds. It is also announced that the Gould officials will contract it necessary for them to sell the tunnel and the Colorado which the Rio Grande railroad has let to its western terminal line amounts to \$17,130,000.

In a recent letter issued by President E. T. Jeffrey of the new road, it is stated that the company has now secured \$75,000,000 in stock, two-thirds of which will be held as an asset of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad company. The Western Pacific has also sold \$500,000 in first mortgage bonds for \$1,000,000 cash. These bonds are being secured on the 97 miles of system from Oakland, Cal., to Salt Lake City, as well as on some of the 360 acres of terminal grounds, much of which having already been improved, and which are now practically ready for use, besides valuable water front property privileges in Oakland.

Of the complete distance of the new line, 227 miles, 72 miles have been graded, and the remainder is being rapidly pushed to construction. In this work more than 25,000,000 cubic yards of earth have been required. Ninety per cent of the tunnel work has been completed, the aggregate length of which excavation of the 43 tunnels will be 45,525 feet.

Several are more than a mile in length. The largest is that under Beckwith Pass, at the summit of which the road is to be built, and will be 6,995 feet. The Flower lake tunnel which has already been timbered, is also over a mile long. The Spruce Garden tunnel is nearly a mile and a half long and is now being completed. The Colorado tunnel, nearly four-fifths of a mile long. The Spring Garden tunnel, according to railroad officials, will be completed in three months. The other tunnels are now being pushed to completion. The work is being pushed to completion, the work, taking up nearly all the allotted time which the road requires for completion.

The tunnels indicate the greater part of the project, and many obstacles have been encountered. But the bridges, all steel, have been found another great expense, as also the grading in the mountains. Forty bridges comprise the line, and construction, and a total cost of \$2,469 for two of the bridges are already finished, the others being nearly so.

### AGAINST SALT LAKE.

#### Fight Between Hill and Harriman Disastrous to Traffic Via This City.

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There were 75 railroad officials and lawyers present when the hearing began. C. W. Bunn, appearing for the Hill and C. W. Bunn, representing the Harriman interests. J. J. Woodworth, general traffic manager of the Northern Pacific, was the first witness. With maps and time tables in hand, he testified that the rate making time of the Northern Pacific and the Union Pacific, between the Missouri and the Pacific coast, and the service given the public. Beginning April 30, he said, the Northern Pacific will operate passenger trains on an entirely new schedule.

A new train between St. Paul and Seattle will be added to the service, and one daily through train will run between Chicago and Seattle by way of St. Paul, over the Burlington route.

The running time between St. Paul and Seattle, he said, will be reduced 3 hours and 40 minutes. Another new train will be operated between Kansas City and Seattle.

"Are these new trains to be put on for the Yukon expedition next summer, or are they to be permanent?" asked Commissioner Prouty.

The state attorney said they shall be permanent, the witness replied.

E. L. Lomax, general passenger agent of the Union Pacific road, has been unable to obtain a concession.

"That the Union Pacific says to a man living in Cincinnati, for instance, that he may go to Puget sound points by way of St. Paul, by way of New Orleans and Los Angeles and by way of Omaha and Billings, but not by way of Colorado and Salt Lake City."

Speaking on this point, Commissioner Prouty said:

"I think that a large number of persons desire to go to Puget sound points by way of Salt Lake City. The state way should be open to all. It is not fair to allow one road to go through and to bar another."

### PETITIONS ARE RECEIVED.

#### Commercial Club Traffic Bureau Receives Acknowledgments.

The petitions recently sent out to the presidents of the various railroads entering in the interstate commerce act by the Salt Lake Commercial Club Traffic bureau have been received, and in some instances acknowledged in courteous replies. That the petitions will receive thorough consideration at the hands of the board of the Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line and Southern Pacific railroads, is evidenced by the receipt of a letter from Alex. Millar of New York, secretary of the Union Pacific, in which he expressed to Mr. Harrison, and from J. C. Stubbs of Chicago, traffic director of the Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Oregon Short Line and Oregon Railway & Navigation company. Both letters were received Wednesday.

Mr. Miller states that he has been directed by E. H. Harriman to acknowledge the receipt of the petition, and states that he will give the matter attention as soon as possible. The letter is dated Feb. 10.

Mr. Stubbs acknowledges the receipt of the petition, compliments the bureau upon the manner in which the petition is handled, and expresses the wish that some understanding in the matter may be reached in the near future.

### COLORADO LINES NOW OPEN.

Denver, Feb. 17.—The Colorado railroads which were held up by the recent storms are rapidly opening their lines, and the effects of the storm will have entirely disappeared within a few days. The Colorado & Rio Grande, which had been blocked by the Colorado and Rio Grande, and got its first train into that town in eight days. The famous Marshall Pass route was opened today, and the

road over Cumbres mountain will probably be opened tomorrow. The South Park line of the Colorado & Rio Grande is still blocked, and will not be open for a day or two. Another storm arose today, further interfering with the work of lifting the blockade.

### SPIKE AND RAIL.

The "Girls" company left last evening over the Salt Lake route for Los Angeles.

The Union Pacific railroad is preparing to build a new 25-stall roundhouse at Evanston, Wyo.

Rent G. Keyes, commercial agent of the Union Pacific lines, has gone to Idaho on a business trip.

J. M. Davis, general superintendent of the Oregon Short Line, returned from Idaho last evening on No. 10.

H. O. Curtis, general agent for the Nickel Plate road at Omaha, is in Salt Lake, on his way to the west.

I. T. Dyer, superintendent of telegraph of the Salt Lake Route, with headquarters at Los Angeles, is in the city on his way home from a trip east.

Kenneth C. Kerr, district passenger agent of the Salt Lake Route, is down the line on business today.

J. C. Bailey, general superintendent of the Union lines of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, is east over the line today on a tour of inspection.

E. B. Erwin, traveling passenger agent of the Salt Lake Route, expects to leave tonight for Grand Junction, Colorado, on a business trip.

J. R. Duckworth, commercial agent of the Missouri Pacific railroad in this city, has gone to Pueblo to meet his wife, who has been visiting in the east for several weeks.

That Henry H. Wehrhane, representing Dutch capitalists, will finance the completion of the Moffat road from Denver to Salt Lake, is denied by D. D. Moffat, head of the road. Wehrhane, however, is now on a tour over the Moffat road.

"Rod" McDonald, mayor of Green River, and E. T. Merritt, V. C. Ward and W. G. Wimmer of the same place, were in Salt Lake yesterday, looking for the new bridge asked for by the people of that section across the Green river.

The Frisco system has issued a beautifully illustrated booklet setting forth the advantages in fruit growing in the Ozark valley in Arkansas. The booklet is being distributed in limited numbers by J. G. Doolittle, general agent for the Frisco and Rock Island lines in this city.

The Denver & Rio Grande railroad will run a special train between Salt Lake and Provo, starting on Feb. 20, the championship basketball game between the L. D. S. U. of Salt Lake and the B. Y. U. team of Provo. The train will leave Salt Lake at 1 p. m., and returning will leave Provo at 10:30 p. m. Reduced rates will be effective for the trip.

The Oregon Development Congress, which holds a series of meetings in Boise, Ida., Feb. 26 and 27, has for its purpose the object of building a railroad from Boise to Coos Bay, on the Oregon coast. This road would open up to the Boise market nearly a hundred million feet of fine timber, as well as extensive coal deposits.

F. H. Reynolds, of the Yellowstone Transportation company, was a visitor in this city yesterday. Mr. Reynolds is arranging for a unique tour through California the coming season, for the purpose of advertising the park. He will take one of the famous Yellowstone coaches and three pairs of the finest gray horses owned by the company, and drive from one end of California to the other.

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Seek First Contributor.—An effort is being made to find the youth who was the first to contribute to the building of the Y. M. C. A. structure in this city. He gave a bright, new silver dollar, but made no display of it, and faded from public view. The management of the association would like to locate him.

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