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## PROPOSE LAWS TO PAY WIVES WAGES

## EQUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Batch of Measures Sponsored by Suffragette Element in the New York Legislature May Not Pass

Not only are all the rights of men given to women in the eyes of the law, but they are called upon to share equally masculine responsibilities in 25 bills introduced in the legislature by Senator Salvatore A. Cotillo, chairman of the judiciary committee.

The bills are supported by the National Woman's Party, and were brought to Albany by Mrs. Clarence M. Smith, its legislative representative. The measures would abolish the old laws by which women either are shown special considerations or are deprived of equal legal powers. Salient features of the bills are as follows:

### Equally Responsible

Husband and wife would be equally responsible for the support of the family and could enter into an express contract for that purpose. The husband could sue his wife for the support of the children. Only a wife now has the right to sue her husband on that ground.

Married women would be given all the rights with respect to property, its use, acquisition, control and disposition now enjoyed by men. The husband under one of the bills would not have the sole right of determining the family domicile, and the theory that a woman would have to remain with her husband in preference to her father or mother would be abolished. Property of husband or wife owned before marriage would not be liable for debts of the other after marriage. Debts contracted while living together for the support of the household would be excepted.

### Wages For Wife

The husband is deprived of all rights now in the law to the services and labor of his wife and she may demand wages and salary from her husband for work done in the home. Women would be allowed to act as jurors everywhere in New York state, and all discriminations against women being elected or appointed to public offices would be abolished.

Joint guardianship of children would be given alike to father and mother, and neither would have any right paramount to the other in the holding of property. Women would be looked upon the same as men in the inheritance of property and making of wills.

## NAME GRAND JURY FOR MARCH TERM

The grand jury for the March term will report for service March 5. The jurors are as follows:

- Benton—A. D. McNeil, Geo. E. Weidman.
- Newport—Leroy N. Alcock.
- Antioch—Jos. Labdon, Frank Scott.
- Grant—Bert Paddock.
- Lake Villa—Fred L. Hamlin.
- Avon—A. J. Smith.
- Warren—Buford Dooley.
- Waukegan—D. T. Webb, Joe Przyborski, W. W. Morford.
- Shields—F. J. Geraghty, P. J. Kehoe.
- Libertyville—Howard Mason.
- Fremont—R. H. Luebbe.
- Wauconda—Wm. Brooks.
- Cuba—Robert Frick.
- Ela—Henry F. Berghorn.
- Vernon—H. H. Schroeder.
- West Deerfield—Frank Spencer.
- Deerfield—Wm. A. Thomas, J. A. Raabe.

## RECOUNT SHOWS HAYES DEFEATED IN COUNTY

Charles F. Hayes of Harvard, who filed with the selection committee of the house of representatives contest of the election of William F. Weiss of Waukegan, William Pierce of Belvidere, representatives from the Eighth legislative district, claiming that plumped votes for him had been counted, as one instead of three, will be declared defeated in an affidavit to be filed with the committee Feb. 21, at Springfield.

Lew A. Hendee, county clerk, Justice Robert J. Pearsall and Harry Hoyt, election canvassing board of Lake county, met in Waukegan last week with Atty James G. Welch, representing Weiss and Pierce, and reported the votes. The canvassing board then made affidavit declaring their former count to be correct. Hayes is represented by Atty John F. Burns of Chicago.

Lake county is the one in which Hayes expected to gain a large number of votes in the recount, although the filing of the contest necessitates a recount in the other two counties Boon and McHenry.

## IS NOT ASKING AN INCREASE IN RATES

Public Service Company Makes Statement Regarding Hearing Held

The Public Service company of Northern Illinois today made the following statement relative to the hearing before the Illinois Commerce Commission:

"There appears to be some confusion concerning the meaning of the hearing in progress before the Illinois Commerce Commission in Chicago.

"The company is not asking for increased rates.

"The facts are these: "In 1920, the Public Service company, on its showing of greatly in-

creased operating costs was authorized by the commission to put into effect a schedule of advanced rates, being rates that are charged at present, except that the rates for gas have since been reduced. The object of the present proceeding is simply to determine whether or not the existing rates are equitable to both the company and customer.

"In the hearing now being held, the commission will weigh all factors in

the situation such as costs of operation, etc. Naturally the company is interested in having its rates as low as is physically possible as this permits of a wider increased use of its service. The result is that it is anxious at all times to give customers the benefit of any savings which may be possible through either declines in price of materials entering into production or increased efficiency in operation on the part of its properties."

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