

CARS IN STATE TO MOVE ALL PEOPLE

NUMBER IS SUFFICIENT

Based on Licenses Issued in Theory This Is Possible Says Report; How Roads Are Built

Illinois roads are being constructed from the license fees paid by motor vehicles of the state. No direct tax is imposed on the people under the plan of Governor Small.

In furtherance of this idea the \$60,000,000 bond issue was carried by a large majority. So well was the plan received that the \$100,000,000 bond issue carried by a majority of practically three to one.

\$14,047,207 In License Fees
During 1926 there was paid into the state treasury in license fees from motor vehicles in Illinois a total of \$14,047,207. This is a gain of \$1,110,385 over the receipts from the same source during 1925. In round numbers the average license fee paid in Illinois is \$10. This would mean that during 1926 a total of 1,404,721 motor vehicle licenses were issued during the year.

During 1925 1,267,734 licenses were issued, the million mark being passed in 1924 when 1,132,641 licenses were issued. The average annual increase is a little in excess of ten per cent. If this ratio is maintained in 1927 approximately one and one-half million licenses will be issued.

Half Million in Cook County
Cook county, with approximately 528,614 motor vehicles, is credited with one-third of the total for the state. Peoria county is second and St. Clair county third, both having slightly over 3,000 motor vehicles.

Kane, Madison, Winnebago, Sangamon, LaSalle, Will and Rock Island counties follow in the order named.

Harding county, with approximately 765 motor vehicles, and Pope county, with approximately 974, are the only counties in the state reporting less than 1,000 motor vehicles each.

Based on the licenses issued there are more than sufficient motor vehicles owned in the state of Illinois to transport the entire population of the state at one time.

Someone asks what is the proper way to address an audience in a jail? The orator who addressed them, "Fellow Citizens, I am very glad to see you here today," reports no enthusiastic applause.

OPERA FOR MASSES RATHER THAN FEW

Otto Kahn Tells of Development of Music Appreciation by New York Audiences

Opera for the masses, rather than for the wealthy, is Otto Kahn's plan in the building of the new Metropolitan Opera House in New York. "The old Metropolitan Opera was built," he explains in the Woman's Home Companion, "at a time when consideration for the wants and claims of the broad masses of the people did not have that reality and meaning which, fortunately, advancing social conceptions have since brought about."

The new opera house will have only half as many boxes as the present auditorium, and the stockholders will have the use of their private boxes only twice a week. There will be seats for 1,000 more people than at present, and mostly less expensive seats.

Opera audiences go nowadays not to be seen and heard but to see and hear, not for society's sake but for music's sake. That democracy is willing to pay for its increasing control over the opera is indicated by the fact that the new opera house is expected to prove a profitable rather than a losing enterprise.

The present opera house was built 45 years ago because the old Academy of Music did not have enough boxes to accommodate the society folk. Today the trouble is that there are too many boxes and not enough seats for the ordinary folk.

STATE APPROVES BILL OF COUNTY IN TRIAL

Will county is asking \$20,997.50 for expenses incurred in the trial and confinement of former convicts convicted of the murder of Deputy Warden Klein one year ago. Fayette county is asking \$6,481.51 as expenses incurred in connection with trials of escapees from the Vandalia State Farm. Both claims have been approved by the house.

Senate Bill No. 63, having to do with the regulation of road houses used for public dances, and which particularly forbid dancing in counties having a population of less than 500,000, was defeated in the senate by a tie vote. Opponents of the measure characterized it as another "blue law."

An English judge awarded sixty cents damages as the value of a wife to her husband. Now we wonder whether the judge is a bachelor, or a married man. We are sure he is not a widower.

IMPROVING KITCHEN AS REAL WORKSHOP

Experts of All Kinds Studying To Improve Housework Methods

Better farm-kitchen campaigns are now under way in more than half the agricultural colleges in the country. Experts of all kinds are studying ways and means of making the kitchen a better workshop. Mrs. Nell B. Nichols, Household Editor of Farm and Fireside, has recently visited ten of these state colleges and reports regarding the Better Kitchen movement.

"Excellent results are being achieved without a vast expenditure of money. Nothing does more toward making a room comfortable, for instance, than an abundance of light. Yet in many homes food is prepared in the darkest part of the house. New windows may always be cut. If shade trees are too near the house they may be cut down.

"Paints of the lighter hues make kitchens appear more cheerful. Yellow paint supplies a pleasing substitution for sunshine on a gloomy day. Brushing lacquer, which gives a shiny hard surface resembling that used on automobiles, is a recent innovation.

"The vogue for colorful kitchen curtains is resulting in charming effects. But it is better not to have curtains if they exclude needed light. Much of the convenience of a kitchen depends on the working units, their compactness and equipment. A hanging book shelf for recipe books and a few volumes of verse and fiction is a useful addition. It is amazing how many minutes may be found for reading while the vegetables are cooking or the cake is baking."

MAKES PAPER FROM CORNSTALKS, CLAIM

Newspapers will soon be printed on paper manufactured from corn stalks if a process which has been perfected by chemists in Hungarian and American laboratories proves practical in large-scale experiments which are to begin in Iowa this summer. Dr. O. R. Sweeney of Iowa State college, writing in the June Farm and Fireside, says:

"There are 200 million tons of cornstalks produced annually in the United States. They should be a much cheaper raw material than wood, and the new process will apparently be successful if cornstalks can be provided at a price of less than \$7 a ton. If the farmers could dispose of all their cornstalks at \$7 a ton, it would add a billion and a half dollars to their income, in addition

to the two billion dollars they now get for their corn.

"Alpha-cellulose, from which artificial silk, explosives, motion picture film, paint and varnishes are made, can also be manufactured from corn stalks, and this process will return a profit if the raw material can be secured for \$6 a ton."

A New York newspaper uses up nearly 2,000 acres of forests a year.

DEAF MUTES SING IN CHURCH; FORM CHOIR

Notable Feature of Topeka, Kan., Services Is Reported By Magazine

The Rev. Ernest C. Sibberson, pastor of a Lutheran church in Topeka, Kan., learned the deaf-and-dumb language three years ago, and now holds special services for deaf mutes in his church every Sunday afternoon. He has preached to more than 1,500 deaf people in 30 cities, says the American Magazine. Half a dozen wedding ceremonies have been performed without a word being spoken.

His Sunday afternoon services for the deaf are not devoid of music, for the deaf mutes worship in song as well as prayer. There is a choir of 20 persons, a quartet and several soloists, all deaf and mute. Although there is no audible sound, one unfamiliar with their language and music can easily tell that these deaf mutes are singing. The swaying of their bodies in unison, the rhythmic motion of their hands, and the changing expression on the faces, impart an understanding of rhythm and music.

WOMAN CAPTAIN OF OHIO RIVER STEAMER

Only One to Hold Master's Certificate on Western Rivers; Romantic Story

Mrs. Mary Becker Greene of Cincinnati has just completed her 35th year of steaming on the Ohio river and its tributaries. She is the only woman to hold a master's certificate on the western river system. The steamer Greenwood, which was recently sunk in Cincinnati harbor, was her first command. At various times she has captained nearly all the boats of the Greene line, which is owned by her husband, Gordon C. Greene.

The story of Mrs. Greene's career, filled with romance and adventure, is told in the American Magazine. She helped to design the steamer Greenland, which was launched at Marietta in 1903, and commanded it the following year, making trips from

points on the upper Ohio to the World's Fair at St. Louis, carrying freight and visitors to the fair.

Soon after the Greenland was placed in commission, it collided on the Kanawha river with a floating theater during a storm. Mrs. Greene's coolness and skillful command of the situation averted a panic. From the bridge of the Greenland she directed the maneuvers of the two ships, bringing orderly action out of chaos, and preventing many frightened people from leaping into the river.

WOMAN'S EIGHT-HOUR BILL REINTRODUCED

Undismayed by the defeat of the Woman's Eight Hour bill in the house two weeks ago, but rather encouraged by the fact it lacked but four votes of success, Representative Lottie Holman O'Neill has reintroduced the measure in an amended form. Certain features said to be objectionable to some of the members of the house have been left out.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO PATRONS OF CHICAGO NORTH SHORE AND MILWAUKEE RAILROAD COMPANY:

The Chicago North Shore and Milwaukee Railroad Company hereby gives notice that it has filed with the Illinois Commerce Commission of the State of Illinois application for a certificate of convenience and necessity to operate motor coaches for the carriage of passengers and baggage be-

tween Highland Park and Lake Zurich, as follows: from its railroad station at No. 5 North St. Johns Avenue, Highland Park, thence north on St. John Avenue, again thence north to Moraine Road, thence west on Moraine Road to Waukegan Avenue, thence north to Highwood Avenue, Highwood, thence west on Highwood Avenue to North Shore station in the City of Highwood, thence continuing west on Highwood Avenue to High Street, thence south on High Street to Prairie Avenue, thence westerly on Prairie Avenue and Prairie View Road, sometimes known as Route No. 22, by the Highmoor Station of petitioner's Skokie Valley Line, and through Half Day and Prairie View, unincorporated towns, to and into Lake Zurich, Illinois, connecting with petitioner's Wauconda to Niles Center operation on the Rand Road, and return to Highland Park.

All parties interested in this proceeding may obtain information as to the time and place of hearing on said application by addressing the Secretary of the Illinois Commerce Commission, Springfield, Illinois.

CHICAGO NORTH SHORE AND MILWAUKEE RAILROAD COMPANY.

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