

STATE RAILROAD LAWS COMPARED

Secretary Lysons of Washington Commission Compiles It.

GENERAL ADVANCE IN RATE-MAKING LINES

Alabama's Remarkable Victory Over Corporations Recorded—Oklahoma's Drastic Constitution—Thirty-Eight States Compared.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
 Olympia, Wash., Oct. 12.—The railroad commission has issued for general distribution a valuable book of about 200 pages, giving in full the railroad laws of Washington, with the constitutional provisions relating to railroads, completely annotated, together with very complete synopses of the railroad laws of all the other states of the union, 38 in number, having railroad commissions. The Washington commission law is fully annotated, with references to other state commission laws having similar provisions, and is completely indexed. The compiling and annotating was done by J. W. Lysons, acting secretary of the commission.

Recent State Legislation.
 The showing of railroad commission legislation by the states in 1907 is remarkable. Colorado, Michigan, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, Oregon and Pennsylvania enacted complete railroad commission laws. Alabama, Indiana, Louisiana, New York and Virginia, while already having railroad regulation laws, passed practically new commission laws. The new state of Oklahoma has engrafted almost a complete railroad commission law into its new constitution adopted last month. Many other states passed laws either strengthening the commissions or extending regulation in some other way.

Nearly all state commissions have been given increased powers, especially in the authority to fix rates. In some of the states, notably Alabama, proposed railroad legislation was made a campaign issue last year. Braxton Bragg Comer made a campaign for the governorship on the issue of increased powers for the railroad commission. He had served as a member of the commission when the other two members were classed as "pro-railroad" and the commission divided on all important matters before it, two to one, with Comer in the minority.

Comer then appealed to the people for more railroad commission legislation, and he got considerable in that direction. Then he went after the governorship on the same issue, and won. The old machine in Alabama was smashed. It saved from the Comer onslaught only the selection of two of its members as "alternate" United States senators. These alternates were to become senators in the event of the death of Senators Morgan and Pettus, and fate has already landed them at the door of the senate.

Pennsylvania, which has heretofore had a corporation commissioner, is now given a railroad commission with large powers. In New York, two public utility commissions were created, one for the city of New York and the other for the remainder of the state.

Oklahoma's Ironclad Laws.
 Article 12 of the constitution of the new state of Oklahoma contains what is regarded in many conservative quarters as really drastic anti-railroad legislation. In the first place, it covers many details which are usually left for enactment by the legislature. It provides that appeals from the orders of the commission can only be taken to the supreme court, and the supreme court must either affirm or modify the order, but cannot rescind it.

Section 12 of the Washington state constitution law, authorizing and directing the commission to ascertain railroad values for rate-making purposes, stands practically alone in the wide world. It gives the commission, although the same subject is covered by the commission laws of other states.

USEFUL LIFE THAT OF THOMAS SCOTT

One of the Best Respected of the Men of Marion—Man Who Was a Quiet Force for Progress.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Scott's Mills, Or., Oct. 12.—Thomas Scott, who died last night at Scott's Mills, was born at Bamff's Mills, Roxburyshire, Scotland, December 9, 1840. He was educated in a public school in his native country, and in early life learned a great deal of milling. At the age of 15 he started out to make his own living, serving an apprenticeship of three years in a grist mill, receiving in return for long hours and hard work about \$30 for the first year. An accident in the mill resulted in an injury of activity for a few years, but after recovering he went to work with renewed energy, following his trade until coming to this country in 1866. He once became identified with the mill erected at Scott's Mills by his brother Robert the same year, which is at present a part of the Thomas Scott estate. His milling property is valuable.

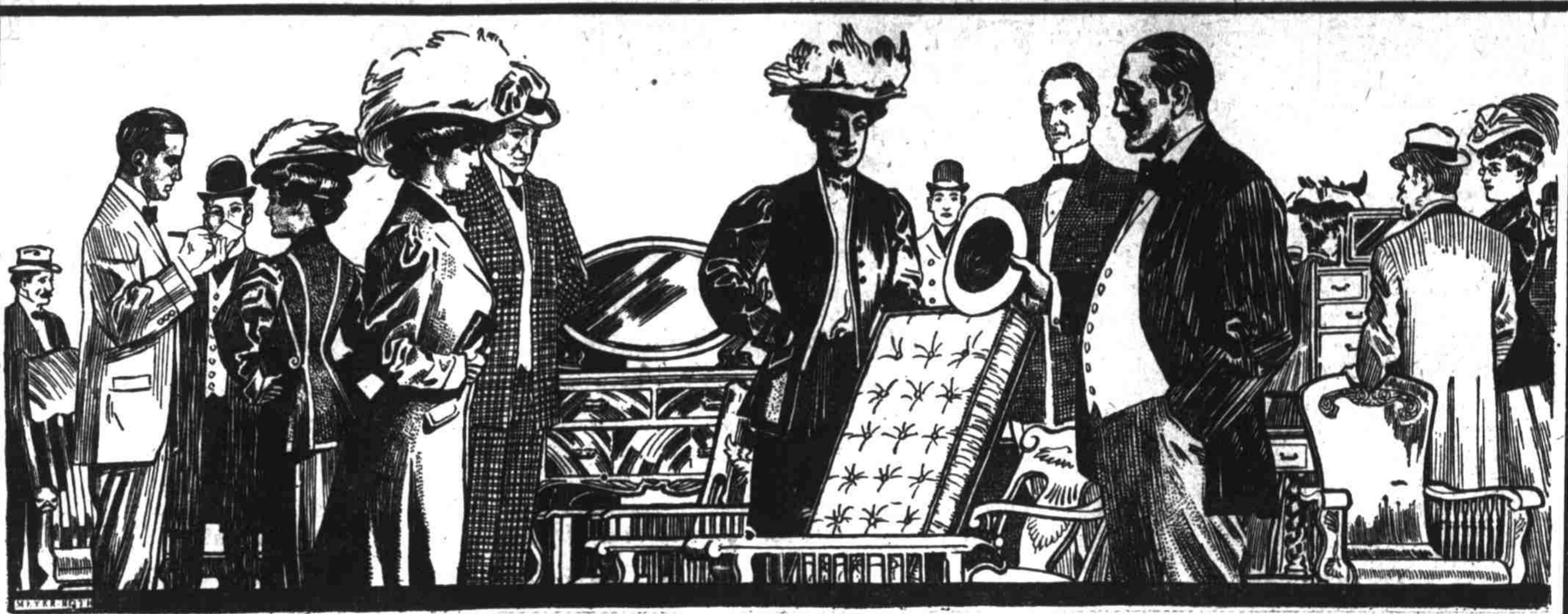
Thomas Scott, while carrying on an extensive trade for many years, made his friends. His success in life was the result of his own efforts. In political affiliation he was a Democrat, and though never desirous of official recognition he was several times elected to office, serving as postmaster at Scott's Mills for about eight years, and as justice of the peace. In all matters of public enterprise he was a prominent factor and a liberal contributor. He was never married. He returned from his native home a short time ago, where he spent the greater part of a year, during which time his mill was operated by his nephew, John Scott.

The funeral will be held at Scott's Mills tomorrow at 10 o'clock.

LEBANON TO HAVE A NATIONAL BANK

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
 Lebanon, Or., Oct. 12.—To meet the needs of this growing and prosperous city some of its enterprising citizens have decided to establish a national bank here. Those interested are S. P. Bach, merchant; E. M. Garland, attorney; P. M. Scroggin, banker; Seymour Washburn, banker; N. R. Lang, general manager of the Lebanon Paper company, and Franklin T. Griffith, attorney. The last two are residents of Oregon City. It is understood that it is the intention to purchase the handsome banking building of P. M. Scroggin & Co. and to merge the latter institution with the new bank. The bank of P. M. Scroggin & Co. has built up a fine business and sustains the highest reputation. The officers of the new bank are not yet known. The men named will be directors, and it is thought S. P. Bach will be president.

Industrial insurance employees are organizing throughout the United States, Union No. 1 being in Boston.



Gadsby's Great Furniture Sale

Continues—the Prices Are in Many Cases One-Half Regular—If You Have Not Investigated It's Time You Did

Bargain No. 1
 \$20.00 Princess Dresser
 Now \$10.00



This pretty Dresser can be had in either mahogany, maple or golden oak finish for just **HALF PRICE.....\$10.00**

Bargain No. 6
 \$28.00 Cabinet Bed \$18.00



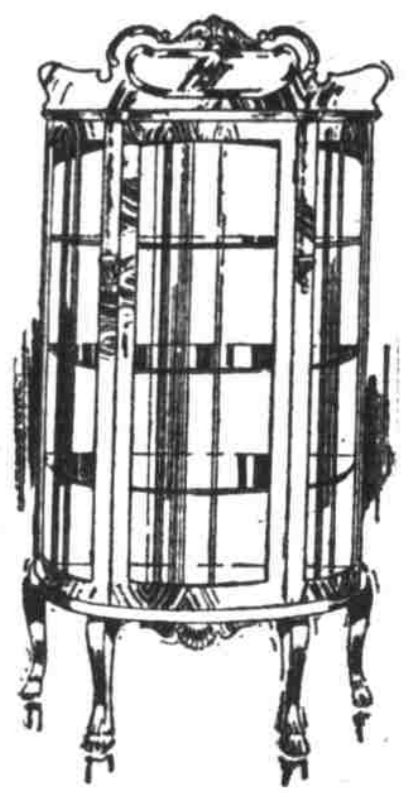
This substantial Folding Bed, including supported springs—works without weights; is safe and sanitary. Sale price.....**\$18.00**



This large Arm Rocker—Reg. \$3.50—Half price **\$1.75**



Sewing Rocker—Reg. price \$2.50—Gadsby sale, **\$1.40**



Bargain No. 3
 \$35.00 China Closet
 \$17.50

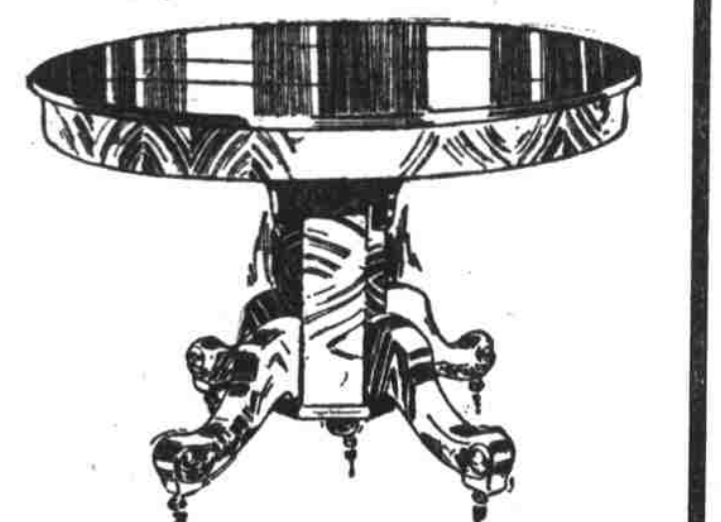
China Closet, genuine oak, quarter sawed and polished, weathered, early English or golden. Half price.

\$17.50

Bargain No. 9
 \$4.50 KITCHEN TREASURE \$2.75—Good, well made piece of furniture; has two kneading boards, two drawers and two flour bins; sale price.....**\$2.75**

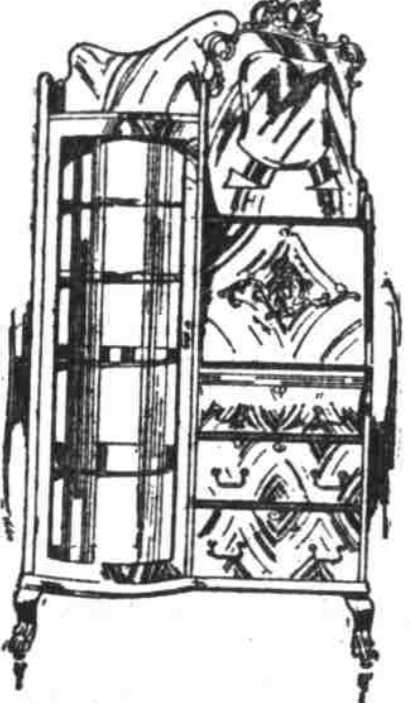
Bargain No. 7
 \$28 CHEVAL DRESSER \$14—This lovely Dresser, in white maple, exactly as shown in illustration; oval French mirror with beveled edge; six drawers; a most desirable piece; sale price.....**\$14.00**
 NOTE—We have only 10 of these.

Bargain No. 4
 \$25.00 Table \$12.50



Solid oak, pedestal base Extension Table, extends six feet; regular price \$25.00; this week they go at **HALF PRICE.....\$12.50**

Bargain No. 2



Combination Bookcase and Writing Desk, in genuine golden quarter sawed oak; regular \$35.00 value, half price.....**\$17.50**

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Mahogany Dining Suits, birdseye maple Chamber Suits, Circassian walnut Suits, Brass Bedsteads, Colonial Dressers and Chiffoniers, early English dining and library suits, all **25% Off**

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| \$2.00 Axminster, extra quality, per yard..... | \$1.40 | \$1.25 Pro Brussels, 5-frame..... | 90¢ |
| \$1.60 Royal Axminster..... | \$1.20 | \$1.00 Brussels..... | 60¢ |
| \$1.80 Wilton Velvets, wear 20 years..... | \$1.35 | \$1.00 Ingrain, all wool filling..... | 79¢ |
| \$1.50 Brussels Carpet, with borders..... | \$1.10 | 75c Ingrain, part wool..... | 60¢ |
| \$1.35 Brussels Tapestry..... | \$1.00 | 50c Granite Ingrain..... | 38¢ |
| \$1.10 Tapestry..... | 79¢ | Linoleums, Oil Cloths and Matting all reduced. | |

Bargain No. 8
 \$14.00 Dresser \$8.50



This is a good, plain, substantial Dresser with French beveled mirror and three large drawers. Regularly sold by the trade at \$14.00. Sale price.....**\$8.50**

SOME SPECIALS

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| 100 Brussels Rugs, 9x12..... | \$15.00 |
| 100 Ash Bedroom Suits, regular \$30; sale price..... | \$25.00 |
| 50 Bedroom Suits, regular \$25; sale price..... | \$17.50 |
| 17 Parlor Suits, 3 pieces, regular \$30; sale price..... | \$14.00 |
| 6 Parlor Suits, upholstered seats and backs, full springs—Sofa, Rocker, Arm Chair, Reception and Parlor Chair, regular \$48; sale price..... | \$27.50 |
| 6 Mission Dining Room Suits, Sideboard, 6 Chairs and Extension Table..... | \$36.00 |
| 100 Sewing Rockers, regular \$2.50; sale price..... | \$1.40 |
| 7 Chiffoniers, 5 large drawers, Oregon made; sale price..... | \$9.00 |
| 3 Sideboards, solid oak, regular \$25; sale price..... | \$15.00 |
| 18 Sideboards, Pacific oak, regular \$25..... | \$15.00 |
| 4 Sideboards, ash, regular \$18; sale price..... | \$15.00 |
| 16 Buffets, golden oak, regular \$25; sale price..... | \$18.00 |
| 100 Iron Beds, \$5.00; now..... | \$2.50 |
| 100 Y Y Springs, \$3.30; now..... | \$1.95 |
| 100 Cotton Top Mattresses, \$3.00..... | \$3.00 |
| 20 Iron Beds, \$6.50; now..... | \$4.50 |
| 15 Couches, regular \$10.00; now..... | \$6.00 |
| 100 Birdseye Maple Beds, regular \$15; sale price..... | \$6.50 |
| 100 Large Arm Rockers, regular \$3.50 styles; sale price..... | \$1.75 |

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