

KNOTTY PROBLEMS FACE NEW COURT OF SMALL CLAIMS

Confusion of Tongues by
Contending Parties at Is-
sue Adds to Difficulties.

JAIL THREAT IS USED

People Need More Education on How
to Conduct Inquiry Declares Dis-
trict Judge Jones.

At the close of his first session as judge of the "small claims" department of the district court created by act of the last legislature District Judge Jones is convinced that the Tower of Babel had nothing on his courtroom last week. He is also convinced that the court can never prove successful.

The first case nearly resulted in an addition of two months to the county jail meal table for the parties to the affair were threatened with jail. The threat resulted from the efforts on the part of Charles Durbury, plaintiff, and C. N. Hardy, defendant, to out talk each other.

Durbury sought to recover \$15 alleged to be due in wages. Hardy said that he had an arrangement by which he was to retain 50 cents per day from Durbury's wages as his profit as a contractor, though B. F. Pond, for whom the work was done was to believe Durbury was receiving \$3.50 a day instead of \$2 as he bid.

Court Decides Case.
Judge Jones tried to keep one talking at a time but his efforts failed for a time until the record fell struck the ears of both men when silence reigned. Then the court decided that Durbury was in the right and gave judgment for \$2.25 as \$5.25 had already been paid.

Next came a claim by a grocer for goods sold but it was found that the wrong parties had been named and the case was postponed to permit the filing of a new claim.

Mrs. L. Gregory explained her claim for \$4 against Orville Phillips for room rent. Phillips said that he was willing to pay for some items but objected to parts of the bill. He had rented rooms from Mrs. Gregory in her rooming house at Eleventh and Stark streets. After Judge Jones had heard each story and listened to both talking at once he decided that Mrs. Gregory had been paid too little and directed Phillips to pay the \$4.

Then Mrs. Phillips opened up and said that the bill room at the place ought to be inspected by sanitary experts which brought Mrs. Gregory to her feet. Phillips suddenly remembered that Mrs. Gregory had sent him a bill and produced it. The bill was for but \$2.10.

"How do you account for the difference between \$2.10 and \$4?" he asked Mrs. Gregory.

People Talk Too Much.
"Well, you see there was broken china and the sheets were dirtied and then that bill was only an offer of compromise," answered Mrs. Gregory. "I guess you'd better stick to your written statement," said the court, and he changed his judgment to \$2.75, the 75 cents being for the filing fee. Phillips paid the judgment, Mrs. Gregory also secured judgment and pay of \$3 from W. H. Linworth on a similar bill. "It is almost impossible to maintain order in these hearings," complained Judge Jones. "People do not know how to present evidence and when the hearing is over it's more of a guess as to which is right and which wrong. I cannot see that the new department is to be a grand success unless people become educated as to how to use it."

Veterans Take Part Of Elevator Men

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the Women's Relief Corps who make their headquarters in the courthouse are not in sympathy with the February 22nd day when reported a month ago, criticizing the elevator operators of the courthouse and they have presented resolutions to the county commissioners as follows:

"It has come to our notice that some criticism has been passed upon the elevator service of this building. Resolved, that the G. A. R. and W. R. C., who occupy headquarters and halls in the courthouse wish to express entire satisfaction with the service, and wish to acknowledge the extreme courtesy we have always received at the hands of the employees."

"Resolved, that we take great pleasure in acknowledging these courtesies, through no solicitation on the part of those engaged in this service, and that we will always hold them in grateful remembrance for their accommodating and gentlemanly deportment."

Fire Alarms Show Steady Decrease

Owing to the work of the fire prevention bureau under the direction of Fire Marshal J. Stevens, the number of fire alarms are steadily decreasing. During May there were only 75 alarms as compared to 134 for the same period last year.

During 1914 there were only seven days when no alarms were received while this year for the month of May alone there were eight days when no alarms were received. These figures are given in the monthly report of Harry Wright, chief operator for the fire bureau.

Dr. E. A. Pierce to Speak at Y. M. C. A.

Dr. E. A. Pierce, president of the state board of health, will be the speaker at the Y. M. C. A. while a special film, unexhibited in Portland, will be one of the attractions of the 2:15 o'clock meeting at the association today.

The program will be given for the benefit of the fund for tubercular children at the Lamagordo N. M. and is a feature of the countrywide educational campaign that the Children's National Tuberculosis society has inaugurated.

Combe Buck, the 11 year old girl educationist, will recite, and an interesting musical program will be given.

What the Russian forces in Galicia needs, obviously, is some competent generals to take the place of the grand dukes in command.

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Child's
Dress at
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Attractive little frock made of pink chambray and pretty pink, green and white plaid gingham combined. Opens down the entire front, making laundering easy. Collar edged with pink embroidery. In sizes 6 to 14 years.

Child's
Dress at
95c

This is a bloomer model. The one illustrated is of tan chambray, collar cuffs and piping of a pleasing blue, tan, pink and white plaid gingham. Very well made; separate elastic knee bloomers. In sizes 6 to 14 years.

Child's
Dress at
\$1.48

An unusually pretty little frock. The material is a stylish black and white striped crinkled crepe, trimmed with bright green crepe, buckles and buttons. The style is very new and youthful. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

Child's
Dress at
\$1.95

A charmingly simple girlish dress, made of very good quality pink chambray. Collar, cuffs and wide low belt of heavy white pique, with silk hand embroidered motifs on collar and belt. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

Child's
Dress at
\$2.79

A very handsome little frock. Made of French gingham, a pleasing blue, tan and white plaid. Wide belt, cuffs and collar of heavy white pique; collar edged with Cluny linen lace; hand embroidered motif on belt.

Child's
Dress at
\$3.49

Very fine French gingham and French chambray combined. Effective plaid with blue and black predominating, trimmed with blue chambray to match. Hand embroidered white pique collar. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

9 Styles to Be Had at \$3.95

ONE STYLE IN A
Lovely white novelty crepe with shirred skirt has green velvet girdle, fine organdie embroidered collar and cuffs.

ANOTHER STYLE OF
Flowered corded voile is made suspender fashion with bodice of white novelty crepe, collar and cuffs of embroidered organdie.

Five Other Equally as Charming Models at This Price—\$3.95

THIS PRETTY STYLE
In a beautiful lavender and white corded voile, suspender style, underbodice of dainty white Swiss, organdie collar, lace, velvet trimmed.

STILL ANOTHER
Tailored street dress is made of handsome lavender and white cotton rep, patent leather belt, picot organdie collar, white crocheted buttons.

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15 Styles at \$1

Like Picture No. 1, \$1.00

Made of very good quality lawn, old blue dots on white background, trimmed with pipings of blue and white bandings of white pique, with fancy blue buttons. Made in a charmingly simple morning dress style. Comes in all sizes.

Like Picture No. 3, \$1.00

Antwerp blue chambray, an excellent quality that will give any amount of service. Features a wide white waistline white pique, which material also forms the collar. Vests of white embroidery and white pearl button finishing. A charming and practical model.

Like Picture No. 2, \$1.00

Pretty blue and white checked lawn of very good grade. The simulated bolero is formed of wide bands of plain blue chambray, which also trims sleeves and collar. A wide, turn-over collar of all-over embroidery finishes this pretty house gown.

Like Picture No. 4, \$1.00

Pink stripe, good quality lawn in delicate blue and white effect. Wide belt, sleeve and neck trimming of solid old blue chambray. Semi-collared collar in back and finished around neck with very dainty white embroidery edging. Blue buttons.

11 Other Styles at \$1.00—Each as Effective as the 4 Pictured Above



10 Styles \$1.95

Like Picture No. 1, \$1.95

Good grade of chambray, a serviceable tan shade that will not show soil. Piped with white piping, deep sailor collar of pique, lace trimmed. Crocheted buttons and motifs and bow of Dresden ribbon with ornament. A street or porch model.

Like Picture No. 3, \$1.95

This dress is a decided street model and a very pleasing one. Made of black and white gingham trimmed with Antwerp blue chambray, which forms the upper portion of the skirt and the bodice. The suspender part. Organdie collar and crocheted buttons.

Like Picture No. 2, \$1.95

A dainty openwork lawn frock, lavender flowered and piped with lavender to match. Collar and bands in front of dotted Swiss, embroidery edged. Lavender glass buttons and pretty made buckle in front. A very dainty summer afternoon model.

Like Picture No. 4, \$1.95

A fancy white pique is the material used in this very handsome dress, quite suitable for either house, porch or street wear. The trimmings are of pretty embroidered edging, which is used effectively on collar and outlining the low neck. Pearl buttons.

Six Other Models Are Featured at This Price Each One as Handsome as the Four Above



8 Styles \$1.69

Like Picture No. 1, \$1.69

Cool looking blue and white striped lawn—a very good grade. The collar, cuffs and pretty vests are of white striped pique, edged with a very effective pattern of white embroidery. Finished with smoked pearl buttons. A pretty porch model.

Like Picture No. 2, \$1.69

Good heavy grade of chambray in the material in this charming dress, a pretty pink shade. Piped with pink and white striped gingham. The graceful turnover collar is made of fine white embroidery, the same material used on the cuffs. Crocheted buttons. A model suitable for street, porch or house wear. All sizes.

Like Picture No. 3, \$1.69

This is a nervous dress, black and white broken check. Piped with a pretty shade of blue and trimmed with wide bandings of white pique, which also forms the collar. Fancy buttons, black velvet bow. Made in a style that may be worn on the street.

Like Picture No. 4, \$1.69

A pretty checked gingham, pink, grey and white effects. Splendid grade—model that will wear. The trimmings are of plain pink chambray and handings of the gingham. A model suitable for street, porch or house wear. All sizes.

Four Additional Styles at This Price of \$1.69, Each One as Beautiful



8 Styles \$2.95

Like Picture No. 1, \$2.95

Pink chambray street dress, made in the new suspender fashion. The under bodice is of white crepe, with pink polka dots. Embroidered organdie collar, buckles, cords and crocheted effects form the trimmings. A very handsome model.

Like Picture No. 2, \$2.95

Pink voile, blue, green and white, very red. Very pleasing style with deep tucks in the skirt and tucked girdle to match. The collar is an embroidered white organdie. The pretty trimming in front is black velvet combined with white silk cord.

Like Picture No. 3, \$2.95

Delicate pink and white striped organdie, made with deep pleats, as illustrated and deep band across the skirt. The collar is white pique embroidered in pink, finished with black velvet bow with green mail. Novelty pink and white buttons.

Like Picture No. 4, \$2.95

The skirt and suspender part of this handsome street dress is of deep rose tulle. The bodice is white linen, trimmed with deep piping of the room linen. Fancy buttons. This is a particularly pleasing dress, suited to street wear.

Four Other Styles at \$2.95—As Diversified and Charming in Design as the Four Pictured