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TELLS THINGS THAT
HE SHOULD NOTMcCurdy, of the Mutual Gets Mixed in
Explaining

(By Scripps News Association.)

New York, Oct. 6.—Robert H. McCurdy was a witness in the insurance investigation again this morning. He said the finance committee fixed the salary of the officers and that the president's salary hadn't been changed for two years. He said he was on the committee but that he didn't know what the president's salary was and that he didn't know if any one did.

Hughes probed into the affairs of C. H. Raymond & company the New York representatives of the Mutual of which Thiebaut, McCurdy's brother-in-law was a partner. McCurdy gave a long explanation how he had saved the company \$47,000 annually through supervision of the affairs of the company. The witness said that when he became general manager of the Mutual it was doing an annual business of seventeen millions. He was asked how he justified the failure to make inquiries as to how much the firm was making out of the company. He made a long technical explanation of how the general agent really became an independent merchant and when the general agent made a profit it meant that the company was benefited greatly. The system of large rewards for large achievements was what built up the business. McCurdy said Raymond & company's remuneration was about the same as the general agents of other companies.

Hughes wormed out of McCurdy a statement that the rates of commission paid Raymond & company were higher than anywhere else except Texas. The inquiry developed that the Texas representatives were Chamberlain and Gillette. Gillette is a brother of the former general manager of the Mutual. McCurdy had said that the expense of getting business in New York is higher than anywhere else. Afterward he said Texas was higher because the

country was so sparsely settled, making much travel necessary. Hughes remarked that it was peculiar that the expense was higher than New York where the latter was so thickly settled and higher than in Texas where there were so few people.

Charles S. Procter, auditor of the Mutual, produced the books showing the account of last year's advertising, stationery and postage being \$1,114, 833.76.

He was asked concerning the legal account he said that \$364,254.94 was expended as legal expenses in 1904. He displayed such woeful ignorance about the accounts of the company that a storm of laughter greeted him.

Admit Perjury

(By Scripps News Association.)

Portland, Oct. 6.—William Tehtmeir, of Granville, and O. Law once, both old soldiers, testified that they committed perjury at the instance of the defendant, Jones, in taking up claims in the Siletz reservation. In transferring them to the former they stated that they had never seen the claims filed upon.

File Demurred

Scripps News Association.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—The indicted packers today filed demurrers to the nine counts in the indictment. It will be several days before Judge Humphrey will file his decision.

Earthquake

Scripps News Association.

Blooming, Oct. 6.—Several earthquakes were plainly heard in this city this morning.

Cabinet Meeting

Scripps News Association.

Chicago Oct. 6.—At a cabinet meeting this morning Secretary Wilson's recommendation that the beef packers be made to pay for the tags attached to inspected meat received the approval of the President. This will secure a saving of \$75,000 to the government and the money thus saved will be used to employ more inspectors.

Stormy Session

Scripps News Association.

St. Paul Oct. 6.—The International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths and helpers held a stormy session today. J. W. Kline of Kansas city was elected president.

Thirteen Indictments

Scripps News Association.

Peoria Oct. 6.—It is claimed that 13 indictments are against Dougherty, former superintendent of the city schools for embezzlement and that it is likely the number will reach 300. The amount of bail required under those already in will be \$12,700.

Fourteen Dead

Scripps News Association.

Troy, Oct. 6.—Fourteen men are believed to have been lost in a slate quarry at Granville. J. B. Williams, president of the company, who was standing on the edge of the quarry conversing with the foreman, was instantly killed.

Four bodies were recovered at noon today. A score of doctors and nurses have been rushed to the scene. People from neighboring towns have organized rescue gangs in the effort to save the lives of the men under the debris.

Waives Formalities

Scripps News Association.

Butte, Oct. 6.—Pat Crowe waived all regulation formalities and will leave with the detectives for Omaha today. He related how he spent the \$25,000 received from Cudahy, the most of it in saloons making a good fellow of himself. He said much went towards making his get away from Omaha. He said that he contemplated holding up Count Creighton.

ST. PAUL
SURELY
DOOMED

Scripps News Association.

Petaluma, Calif., Oct. 6.—At noon today there is no change in the position of the steamer St. Paul, which went ashore yesterday near Point Cordia. The vessel is hard and fast on the rocks and all efforts to pull her off are unavailing. It is the opinion that the ship will be a total loss. She lies with her stern to the beach 150 yards from shore.

At noon the steamer Pomona arrived from the scene of the wreck of the St. Paul. She brought three boat loads of passengers and crew who rescued from the fury of the sea. The crew reports the St. Paul still surrounded by a thick fog and pounding heavily in the sea, taking water very fast. In the opinion of all it is but a short time before she goes to pieces.

Elect Mrs. Henderson

Scripps News Association.

San Francisco Oct. 6.—The United Daughters of the Confederacy today unanimously elected Mrs. George Henderson as president.

Control Rates

Washington Oct. 6.—President Roosevelt is dead in earnest on the question of railroad rate legislation and is just as determined as ever that railroad regulations shall be enacted looking to federal supervision of freight rate situation.

This statement was made today by Representative Townsend of Michigan one of the authors of the Esch-Townsend railroad rate bill. Representative Townsend called today to talk over the general subject with the President and of the necessity for the making of changes in the measure which he and Mr. Esch proposed last winter.

Reward for Crowe

Omaha, Oct. 6.—Chief of Police Donahue today sent a cashier's check for \$200 to Butte, Mont., to cover the reward offered by the chief personally for the capture of Pat Crowe.

The check was sent to Captain Dunn of the Omaha detective force, to be turned over to the officers at Butte who placed Crowe under arrest. Chief Donahue expressed gratification at Crowe being in custody, and said that extra precautions would be taken to forestall any attempt Crowe might make to escape.

Money is Missing

Alamosa, Colo., Oct. 6.—A quarter of a million dollars is reported to be missing from the Alamosa bank, which closed its doors Monday. The new owner, Herman Schiffer of New York and Abraham and Isaac Schiffer of Alamosa, are not here. Assignee Brinkenstein admits that \$70,000 of deposits was lost in a mining venture at Idaho Springs.

Grand Jury not Needed

New York Oct. 9.—District Attorney Jerome today announced his decision not to have an extraordinary grand jury to investigate insurance matters. He believes a grand jury at the present time would only interfere with the investigation being conducted by the legislative committee.

New Postmasters

Washington, Oct. 5.—The following postmasters were appointed by the President today: Oregon, Burns, Frank W. Welcoe; Sampson, Harvey S. Berk; Washington, South Bend, Frank L. Turner.

Cure for Tuberculosis

Paris, Oct. 6.—Professor Behring, discoverer of the anti-diphtheria serum, announces he has found a cure for tuberculosis. The nature of the cure Professor Behring says, he will divulge next August.

General Conference

By Scripps News Association.

Halt Lake Oct. 6.—The seventy-sixth general conference of the Mormon church assembled here this morning for a four days meeting. President Joseph F. Smith and counselors expounded the followers on the necessity of the obedience to the law of tithing. Joseph Smith, president of the reorganized church was present and an interested listener. It was anticipated that there would be a demonstration by the anti-Smith members but this did not materialize. It is expected that there will be a clash on the day the voting to sustain the officers takes place.

Investigate Graft

By Scripps News Association.

Juneau Alaska Oct. 6.—Fred S. Churchill, special agent of the interior department, who is to investigate Governor Brady, school matters and the alleged reloader graft, arrived here and after a tour in the interior and along the coast he will go to Wrangle and Ketchikan and will then return to Washington. Federal Judge Wickham says that Fairbanks will produce six millions in gold, Nemo four millions, and Alaska as a total twelve million dollars. The judge is enroute to Valdez to hold a special term of court.

Additional Details

Scripps News Association.

Washington, Oct. 6.—The war department has received from the governor general of the Philippines additional details of the wreck of the Leyte. The additional names of those lost are Lieutenant G. O. Foote, of constabulary service, whose nearest relative is C. F. Somers of Stockton, Cal., L. C. Morgan of Chicago, and C. F. Somers of the quartermaster's department of St. Paul.

Return To Georgia

Scripps News Association.

Montreal Oct. 6.—Signed warrants for Gaynor and Green, wanted for embezzlement, were handed the United States officers this afternoon and it is likely that they will start for Georgia tonight.

Fever Continues

By Scripps News Association.

New Orleans Oct. 6.—At noon today there were 14 new cases and three deaths of yellow fever.

Grain Markets

By Scripps News Association.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—The markets closed today as follows: Wheat 88½¢; corn 44½¢; oats 28½¢.

PORTLAND MARKET

Portland, Oct. 6.—Club, 70, blue stem, 75; valley 72.

LOCAL MARKET

Buyers today are offering sixty three cents for bluestem and sixty for club.

SOUND
STORM
RAGES

Scripps News Association.

Seattle Oct. 6.—The worst gale in many years last night and this morning swept over the coast of all steamship lines. A few boats are left on the berths to take the runs today. The damage at Lake Washington is great. Sixteen launches were sunk or wrecked and a dozen house boats battered and flooded with water, forcing the occupants to abandon them. The gale is still raging, and grave fears are entertained for the safety of the steamer Ohio which is three days overdue from Nome. It has not been reported anywhere as yet. There are 500 passengers and a large cargo of gold aboard.

The tug Union has just been reported in distress off Magdalen Bluff three miles down the sound. Assistance has been sent from Smith's Cove. The steamship Ohio arrived at two this afternoon.

Reports come in hourly of the loss of small craft on the sound. No lives are reported lost. It is impossible to get telephone or telegraph connection with any points north and the Alaska cable has been suspended also.

Canal Again Open

Scripps News Association.

Port Said, Oct. 6.—The Suez canal is again reopened to traffic. The wreckage of the vessel that was blown up, has been cleared away. There was over 50 vessels awaiting the first opportunity to proceed.

Goulds File Answer

Scripps News Association.

St. Louis, Oct. 6.—The attorneys representing Goulds filed their answer. It was argued in the Ramsey petition today questioning the jurisdiction of the court which had attacked Ramsey's motives.

Twenty Killed

Scripps News Association.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 6.—A lodging house in this city collapsed this morning burying all of the twenty occupants and it is believed that many were killed.

Doing Nicely

Scripps News Association.

New York, Oct. 6.—August Belmont the great banker who is the head of the Rothschild American banking house, who was operated upon a few days ago for appendicitis is doing nicely and is now considered out of all danger.

A QUARTER PAGE FULL

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Prices that Represent a Saving of from 20 to 35 per
cent. Read on, don't overlook a single item

Hooks and Eyes in black and white, small and large, this week, the pair.....	1c	28x28 inch indigo blue handkerchiefs, this week only.....	8c
Wire Hair Pins in small and large sizes, the package.....	1c	Boy's Leather tale Suspenders, regular 10 and 15c values, this week.....	6c
Good quality rubber tipped Lead Pencils each.....	2c	Mens heavy wool Sox in red and white, also medium weight black cashmere Sox, the pair.....	38c
Large generous sized Pen and Pencil Tablets.....	5c	Mens best \$1.25 Fancy Dress Shirts, all sizes this week.....	49c
Good quality black ribbed Hose for children, week, the pair.....	4c	Boys Medium weight fleeced lined ribbed Underwear.....	33c
Regular 10c Ladies hemstitched handkerchiefs this week.....	6c	Mens 10c white hemstitched handkerchiefs, this week.....	7c
Good 10c quality Ladies black cotton Hose, this week, 2 pair.....	15c	Mens 20c suspenders in assorted colors, this week.....	9c
Good weight Men's and Boy's cotton Sox, this week, the pair.....	4c	Boys Shirt and Blouse Waists with collar to match, regular 50 and 60c qualities, this week.....	39c

A word about our Ladies
Suit and Coat Department.
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