

IT BROKE THE LAW

Santa Fe Road Condemned by Interstate Board.

COMPETITION WAS STIFLED

Commission Declares That It Entered Into Partnership With Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, and Violated Injunction.

because, in the very nature of things, nobody could sell. These tariffs from the Trinidad district merely served as a screen to keep off all competitors, and, further, as a pretext for declining to reduce rates from other coal fields on the ground that there ought to be some relation between different divisions. It has been intimated in some quarters that the Santa Fe, in its payment of these rebates, squandered its revenues in the interest of the Fuel Company. That phase of the subject was not under investigation, but nothing appears in the records to justify that suggestion. The testimony also tended to show that, while the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company was operating the mines of the American Fuel Company at Gallup, the Santa Fe gave the company a special rate on its supplies. No witness having knowledge was produced, and we have a strong impression that such special rates were enjoyed by the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company.

OFFICIALS ARE EXEMPT.

Under Law Secretary Morton Can't Be Prosecuted, as He Testified.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—At the conclusion of a long Cabinet meeting today, Attorney-General Moody and Secretary Morton remained with the President for a considerable time, the latter finally accompanying the President from the executive offices to the White House, when he went to lunch. Railroad rate legislation was under discussion, but beyond the fact that the report of the investigation made by the Interstate Commerce Commission of the charges that the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad had granted rebates to the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company formed a basis for a part of the discussion, nothing was learned concerning the matter.

ARMOUR COMPANY RULES.

Fruit Shippers Say Its Refrigerator Cars Are Favored.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—E. H. Ferguson, of Duluth, representing the Retail Shippers' Association, continued his statement before the Senate committee on Interstate Commerce today. He made special reference to the secret routing arrangements of the railroad companies operating in the fruit centers of the West. This arrangement enabled the railroads to select lines without consulting the shippers, and Mr. Ferguson said that loss and inconvenience often resulted to perishable goods. He charged discrimination by the railroads in the interest of the Armour Private Refrigerating Line Company and asserted that the organization and success of the beef trust were traceable to those contracts.

Idaho's Governor Believes in Federal Control of Railroads.

BOISE, Idaho, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—In response to a request for his views on President Roosevelt's plan for the regulation of railroad rates, Governor Gooding has sent the following to a Chicago paper: I am in hearty accord with the recommendations of President Roosevelt relative to Federal control and regulation of railroad rates. I consider the rebate system in use in the past productive of the growth of harmful monopolies. The system, as done more to throttle honest competition than any other one factor. I believe the powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission should be increased so that discrimination in railroad rates may be stopped, and the commission should be empowered to enforce its decrees until set aside by adverse decision of the courts. The following is a copy of the letter as sent to the lower house of the Legislature and is now under consideration and will pass the Senate.

WARSAW, Feb. 3.—Serious disorders broke out in Lodz, where the strikers are striking. Some of the employees of a lace factory attempted to return to work and the remainder forcibly prevented.

NOGI WAS AGAINST THEM.

RUSSIANS ATTRIBUTE ABLE DEFENSE TO VICTOR OF PORT ARTHUR. MUKDEN, Feb. 1, via Tien Tsin, Feb. 3.—The names of Holand and Fuchun, who were left through the lines during the Russian occupation, arrived at Mukden on January 21, except a few who were killed in battle. The Japanese general among the Russian troops on the right flank that either General Nodzu or General Nogai was present at Sandiapi, where the Russians ascribed their greatest losses to cleverly concealed batteries behind the main works. The Japanese withdrew from their outworks at Sandiapi, which at one time the Russians occupied.

COMMANDERS ARE QUARRERING.

Gripenberg Asks to Be Relieved Because Kuropatkin Gave No Support. ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 2.—It is rumored that Lieutenant-General Gripenberg has asked to be relieved of his command. The Associated Press is unable to obtain a confirmation or denial at the War Office. According to the version prevalent in military circles, General Gripenberg telephoned direct to the Emperor, requesting to be relieved because of the alleged failure of General Kuropatkin to afford him proper support in the operations against Sandepan.

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BEATEN BY SMALLER NUMBERS.

Russians Had One Hundred Thousand Men Engaged in Battle.

GENERAL OKU'S HEADQUARTERS. TOKYO, Feb. 3.—(S. A. M.)—The Russian attempt to turn General Oku's left flank has proved a complete failure. Following on the failure of the recent cavalry raid down the railway, this, it is thought by the Japanese, will probably induce the Russians to wait in the future the Japanese attacks. The attempt, even within the commandment of other portions of the line or a cavalry movement around the flank, was doomed to failure from the start. The Japanese were at Heikoutai, but withdrew its small force from the railway, and allowed the Russians to occupy the position until they could move enough men to make its recapture certain.

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TO STOP PAYMENT OF BIG FEE. Choctaw Says Lawyers Have Not Earned That \$750,000. WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Summons were today served on Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock and United States Treasurer Roberts in proceedings instituted against them by Richard McLaughlin, a Choctaw Indian, to enjoin them from drawing and paying warrants to satisfy the award of a fee of \$750,000 to the law firm of Murray, Mansfield & Cornish, of South McAllister, I. T., for services in "purifying" the citizenship rolls of the Choctaw Indians.

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