

# MAKES THEM EQUAL PARISIFAL

## Effect of Government Ownership in Prussia.

### PROFESSOR MEYER'S VIEW

#### He Tells Senate Committee That Government Rate-Making Would Not Stop Rebates--Cattlemen Want Reductions.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Professor H. E. Meyer, assistant professor of economics at the University of Chicago, was before the Senate committee on Interstate Commerce today. He dealt chiefly with the railroad conditions in Prussia and Germany, in which country railways are owned by the government. He said in part:

"One of the leading objects of Prussia's nationalization of the railways was the desire to abolish the rate discrimination, and there was the ultimate object of attaining social economical results. The evidence now before us shows that Prussia has succeeded on the whole in the first, but has failed completely in the second."

Speaking particularly of rate-making, Professor Meyer said:

"To have the Federal Government or its agents of the Interstate Commerce Commission exercise the power to make railway rates would in no way prevent secret rebates. Federal regulations of rates would endeavor a national struggle and result in mileage rates and provincial industries."

Ex-Senator William H. Harris, of Kansas, representing livestock interests in the Southwest, urged legislation giving the Interstate Commerce Commission power to fix rates. He spoke of the increasing cost of raising livestock in the West and of the increased price of meats to consumers. The prices to some people being almost prohibitive. The cattleman had no desire for government ownership, but wanted practical government supervision. He complained of the rates in the West and Southwest on young cattle shipped north to the feeding grounds. He believed that impartial officials appointed by the government could arrive at a fair rate as well as interested parties. Cattle rates had been increased from 25 to 30 per cent on a basis lower rates the cattleman needed rapid transportation for stock.

# PARISIFAL and the Aeolian Orchestrelle

## Portland to Have a Rare Treat in Wagner Night at the Marquam, Wagner Music, Parisifal Pictures, Mrs. Walter Reed, Vocalist.

Of all painters in tone color, Wagner was by far the greatest. He gathered from the tones of every grade and variation of tone color and with them wove tapestries of vivid, graphic tone-pictures, the deep, suggestive, dramatic, like seeing a panorama of human emotions pass before the mental vision; to see an opera of his is to behold the drama of human life, vivified, yet idealized.

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## HIGH PREPARED MEDICINE

### Sister of Bluebeard's Victim Gives Damaging Evidence. Then Faints.

CHICAGO, May 4.—In the case of Johann Hoch, the alleged Bluebeard, Mrs. Dorothy Hoch, sister of Mrs. Marie Walker-Hoch, the wife for whose alleged murder by poison Hoch is on trial, occupied the stand the greater part of the day today, and gave an account of the alleged poisoning of her husband. She testified that Hoch had given her a medicine, which she said, had been ordered by the doctor. This was given evidence by Assistant State's Attorney Olsen.

Mrs. Hoch was on the stand for the greater part of the day, and late in the afternoon, unable to endure the strain longer, she had given an emphatic "No" to a question of Hoch's attorney, who had asked if she, instead of Hoch, had not been responsible for the poisoning of her husband. It is claimed, were used by Hoch in his method of poisoning, when she fell from the witness chair unconscious. She will be able to take the chair again in the morning.

## FIGHT ON EXCLUSION

### China Prepares to Begin It in American Courts.

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## STOLEN DIAMONDS FOUND

### Thought They Were Only Paste.

NEW YORK, May 4.—Dispatches received from St. Augustine, Fla., state that a diamond necklace, valued at \$4,000, the loss of which has been kept a secret, has been recovered. Several baggagemen on one of the Florida lines have been arrested.

The diamonds were recovered from Mrs. Vandebell's trunk on her recent visit to Florida. One of the baggagemen confessed the robbery of tourists' trunks, but refused to say what became of the necklace. The watchman was shadowed and finally caught at a beach resort, wearing the diamonds, which she thought were merely paste. She surrendered the property at once to the Secretary of the baggageman's home is said to have revealed many other jewels taken from trunks, some reported missing three or four years back.

## COREAN GRAFTER IS FIRED

### Minister Allen Earns Gratitude of Americans and Natives.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Minister Allen, at Seoul, Korea, reports to the State Department that a Magistrate at Panyang was charged with invading the treaty rights of many Americans, and with extorting great sums of money illegally from the people. Finally has been removed from office. His pecuniary, according to the report, aggregated more than \$100,000. Under date of March 15 Mr. Allen writes:

"Americans in Panyang have complained of the conduct of the Magistrate, Paing Han Chui, because of his oppression of the people and because of his interference with American treaty rights. When war broke out, it was supposed that this man would be turned down by the Japanese, but he was clever enough to make himself useful in securing land and other military requirements, for which he received payment, and failed to hand over the money to the natives. I was obliged to complain of him because of his conduct toward the Americans, and in September, 1904, spoke to the Japanese Minister of my difficulties and intentions."

## SHIPS POSTED AT LLOYD'S.

### SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—(Special.)—Two vessels long overdue and quoted for reinsurance at 90 per cent were posted at Lloyd's today as uninsurable. One is the Spanish steamship Oleta, of which nothing has been seen or heard since she left New Orleans for Rotterdam, 30 days ago. The other vessel is the French bark Charles and Max, out 27 days, from Auba, for Ghent. Hope has been abandoned for both.

## SAVE TIME TO GOLDEN GATE

### Harriman Lines Ask Leave for Drawbridge at Carquinez Strait.

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Secretary Taft was called on today by Julius Kruttschnitt, director of maintenance and operation of all the Harriman lines, in relation to the application of the railroads to bridge Carquinez Strait, connecting Suisun and San Pablo. This project has excited deep interest on the Pacific Coast.

The district engineer has reported to the War Department adversely on it. Mr. Kruttschnitt filed a protest against this action, which was taken on the ground that the proposed bridge would interfere with navigation. He said that a suspension bridge with a 4,000-foot span, such as was demanded by the City of San Francisco and the engineer, would cost at least \$10,000,000, while the drawbridge proposed by the railroads could be constructed for about \$1,000,000. The roads would save an hour on trains running to Ogden and Oregon.

It was admitted, he said, that the drawbridge would not interfere with steamship navigation, but only with the small schooners which carry hay, grain, gravel and agricultural products to the coast. It would be unable to stem the swift current likely to be caused by the drawbridge at certain stages of the tide. To meet this objection, the railroad companies offer to maintain a tug to tow them through the draw free of charge.

## LOVES HIS MONEY IN VAIN

### John Morris, Fresh from Kentucky, Reported to the Police Early This Morning that he had Sampled some of the Whisky at the Cosmopolitan Saloon last night, and when he left, he found he was minus \$120. He seemed more worried over the fact that he had been unable to find any genuine Kentucky whisky in Portland, saying that all he drank was imitation.

## PURSE GONE WITH WATCH AND MONEY.

While walking near the corner of First and Hall streets about 11 o'clock last night, Mrs. Mary Johnson, 46 First street, had her purse snatched from her hand by a boy, who seemed about 15 years of age. The purse contained a gold watch and jeweled chain and considerable money.

## SEATTLE WINS WOODMEN DRILL.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 4.—Seattle won the competitive drill of the Modern Woodmen of America in their state camp today, scoring 82.2 against 84.2 by the Spokane team, and 62.13 by the Zillah Camp. The first prize was \$200, and the second \$100.

## BARRETT NOT READY FOR NEW POST.

### WASHINGTON, May 4.—Acting Secretary Loomis today received a cablegram from Minister Barrett, at Panama, stating that he will be unable to sail for Colombia on May 15. Mr. Russell, the American Minister at Bogota, has reported that, owing to the absence of the Secretary of Legation, he feels it necessary to remain at that capital until Mr. Barrett relieves him.

## SAYS "YOU'RE ANOTHER"

### Russian Paper Reviews Charges of Violation of Neutrality.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 4.—The Novoe Vremya today editorially maintains that, after the manner in which Japan has persistently violated Chinese neutrality, Russia would be fully justified in retaliating by sending out the interned cruiser Askold and the torpedo-boat destroyer Grozovoi from Shanghai.

"Japan," says the Novoe Vremya, "not only committed flagrant violations of neutrality in the case of the torpedo-boat destroyer Rosschinski at Chefoo, and in the use of the Elliott Islands as a base for her squadron, but she is now ready using the Yinkow-Shantung railroad to forward troops and munitions. Field Marshal Oyama refusing, according to reports, to relinquish possession of Siumintsin upon the demand of the Chinese government." The paper concludes:

"Can we, after what has happened, say 'no' to Japan's protests? Ought we not, on the contrary, to consider ourselves just as free from the tangible violation of Chinese neutrality as Japan does?"

The Novoe Vremya also says there is no occasion for the "warrior" created in diplomatic circles in Washington by the reports that the Russian warships at Shanghai intend to sail.

## JAPANESE FORTIFY POSITIONS.

GUNSHU PASS, Manchuria, May 4.—The Japanese, after the advance of April 27, from the Changki-Nanshen line to Shabedai and Yantzin Pass, and along the Salunchun road to Shimatse, are again quiescent and strongly fortifying their new positions.

## BILLS TO REGULATE NEW YORK LIGHTING.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 4.—The day result of one of the most sensational days in the Senate for many years was the defeat of one and the passage of six of the seven bills proposed by the Stevens special joint committee, as the fruit of its conclusions on the lighting conditions in New York City. The bill fixing a

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