

RECEIVERS FOR SEABOARD LINE

Two Southern Men Given Charge of Line by Judge Pritchard.

RESULT OF RECENT POLICY

Williams Gives Hard Dig to Ryan Faction—Earnings Over \$42,000 Short of the Amount Needed to Pay the Interest.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 2.—Unable to meet heavy obligations due January 1, the Seaboard Air Line Railroad system was put into the hands of receivers here today through the action of Judge Pritchard of the United States Circuit Court, who was hurriedly summoned from Asheville, N. C., to take cognizance of the application for a receivership. Judge Pritchard appointed as receivers R. Lancaster Williams, of Richmond, and S. Davis Warfield, of Baltimore.

mand his dismissal if the charges are found to be true.

ROOT HAS JAPANESE REPLY

Shows Disposition to Meet Desires of United States. WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Secretary Root received from Ambassador O'Brien at Tokio a transcript of the reply of the Japanese Government to the regulation memorandum submitted by him some time ago in relation of the regulation of Japanese immigration to America. The reply is very long, discussing Mr. O'Brien's proposition in the greatest detail. So far, Secretary Root has not had an opportunity to carefully consider the reply, but it is stated that in the opinion of the State Department it exhibits a disposition on the part of the Japanese Government to meet the desires of America in a satisfactory manner. Ambassador O'Brien coincides in this view of the Japanese response.

NOT USED FOR EXPLOSIVES

Japanese Diplomat Explains Away Imports of Saltpetre.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Councillor Miyakawa, charge d'affaires of the Japanese Embassy, stated today that he had heard nothing of the reported activity of his government in shipping saltpetre and nitrate to Japan for manufacture into explosives, news of which has been brought to San Francisco by passengers arriving. Mr. Miyakawa has heard of the use of saltpetre on the campus by private interests from Chile into Japan for agricultural purposes, which he suggests may be the use to which any importations coming from that country may be put.



Judge J. C. Pritchard, of United States Circuit Court, who appointed receivers for Seaboard Air Line.

AGREE ON DEFENSE

Thaw Will Again Plead Temporary Insanity.

TO CALL NEW WITNESSES

Detectives Investigate the 300 Talesmen Called and All in Readiness for Calling of Case Next Monday.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Counsel for Harry K. Thaw consulted today, and it was reported that it had been definitely agreed that the only defense to be made would be insanity at the time Stanford White was killed. It will be contended, however, that Thaw is now sane. Those in conference were Martin W. Littleton, Daniel O'Reilly and A. Russell Shaddy.

The defense, it is said, will offer much new testimony. There will be a score of eye-witnesses to the shooting of White, who have not before, but will testify that in their opinion Thaw was sane on the night of the murder. Mr. Littleton has a list of 300 talesmen who have been summoned to appear Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court, and detectives are investigating the record of each. Mr. O'Reilly and Mr. Peabody called at the Tombs today and consulted with their client. There are signs that the second trial will attract much less attention than the first did. Applications from out-of-town newspaper representatives and press bureaus for seating accommodations are noticeably fewer. The space in the courtroom available for correspondents and spectators will be somewhat less than last year, but it will be ample when the idle curious have been barred out.

The telegraphic arrangements for the transmission of reports of the trial will be greatly curtailed. Only both of the large telegraph companies erected temporary stations in the rotunda of the court building and strung their cables through the sky-light. According to present plans, nothing on this elaborate scale will be provided, but a number of leased wires will be strung into the building. Unless new witnesses open a new line of inquiry, the testimony, it is expected, will be largely a repetition of the testimony in the first trial. District Attorney Jerome, who will again be the chief prosecutor, with Assistant Attorney Garvan at his side, said tonight that the trial would surely begin before Justice Dowling Monday morning as set some time ago.

HIT BY RUNAWAY ENGINE

Carload of Tramps Mangled and Two of Them Killed.

ELKO, Nev., Jan. 2.—In the Elko railroad yards at 11:45 A. M. today two men were killed, three injured and 11 cars smashed to splinters. The local freight train, westbound, was standing on a sidetrack waiting for freight train No. 178, and the engineer had left his engine for a moment when it started. The fireman was on top of the tender, and thinking the engine was in the cab, paid no attention to the fact. Train No. 178 was pulling in at the rate of 25 miles an hour, and the engine and three cars had passed the switch when the runaway engine struck the rear end of the fifth car and plowed through it and into the four cars following. Five tramps were in the sixth and seventh cars of the eastbound train. Two of these were so badly mangled that they could hardly be recognized as human beings. Another was injured about the head and body, another had his hip broken and a fifth escaped injured. One of the men killed was G. T. Ballard, of Moore, Mont. The name of the other has not been learned. Traffic will be tied up for about eight hours. None of the tramps was injured.

TWO KILLED BY FIREWORKS

Factory Blown Up and Employees Are Fatally Burned.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 2.—In an explosion that wrecked a building of the Rochester Fireworks Company today one young man—Sally Erickson—was instantly killed; a second—Mrs. Lillian O'Connor, recently married—was so badly injured that she died at a hospital a short time after being taken there, and Miss Calligan was seriously burned, but is expected to recover. The explosion blew out one side of the building and caused the roof to fall in.

BUCKLE SAVES HIS LIFE

Bullet Fired by Angry Son-in-Law Deflected by Suspender.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 2.—Dan Woodward, pioneer and one of the best-known ranchers on Lulu Island, was shot and narrowly escaped murder at the hands of his son-in-law, John Street. Woodward, it is said, caused his daughter to start divorce proceedings. Later the son-in-law appeared at Woodward's house with a loaded revolver in hand. Street fired point-blank, the bullet passing through Woodward's upraised hand, but spent itself against his suspender buckle. Woodward's sons rushed to the aid of the father and bound Street hand and foot with ropes.

PORTLAND MAN MURDERED

Philip F. Kramer, Engineer, Robbed of Large Sum on Isthmus.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Philip F. Kramer of Portland, Ore., locomotive engineer in the employ of the Isthmian Canal Commission, was murdered at Paraiso during the night of December 15, according to information received here. Robbery is the only motive assigned, as he was known to carry considerable sums of money. A daughter lives in Portland.

Big Deal in Government Timber.

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 2.—A Miner special from Helena says: Officials in the Helena National Forest are making preparations for the sale of all the timber on the Boulder watershed, comprising 24,000,000 feet. An informal application for the sale has been made by the Allen Gold Mining Company of Anaconda. Forest Assistants Stokney and N. Harris have been making an estimate of the timber and are now mapping the region. If the sale is made, it will be one of the biggest in Montana.

J. M. A. STUDIES GROCERIES

In the near future I am going to open up that grocery store or department that I have been promising for the past four months. A detailed announcement of the same will be made in a short time and it will be a "ponser" indeed. It will also include a statement about opening up the men's tailoring department again; the latter I already know a good deal about, so I am not studying much on that. But that grocery concern appears to afford me an unlimited field for study and investigation. There seems to be hundreds of little and big things connected with a grocery—not to speak of women's tempers spoiled, husbands' stomachs ruined and babies' health impaired on account of groceries.

The first thing that attracted my attention was sugar—beginners or babies are always attracted to sugar. Well, at first I couldn't see why it was that a dollar's worth of sugar wasn't always the same size package, yet would weigh the same, and I concluded that to obviate this seeming discrepancy, all groceries should have an absolutely waterproof roof on the building in which they are kept. I have decided that will settle that. The rotten-apple question seemed easy to me, that is, simply not to buy them for your stock—but the wormy apple which is evidence of the negligence of the grower was a little harder proposition, but it occurred to me if Mr. Burbank will deliver a coreless, seedless apple there would be no wormy apples, and I expect to do my part to hasten this result.

I am still studying on the proposition as to why it is that honey is generally cheaper in the Winter and Spring than Summer and Fall. Then the question of flour—that always was a puzzle and source of wonderment to me, even while a small boy, when I used to ride the old bay mare home from town with a sack of "Cross Roads XXX Best" or "White as Snow," "Light as Goose Down" in one end and a rock in the other, and along across the old faithful animal's back. I say it was a puzzle at times if that was "Cross Roads Best" what the worst was like. Evidently flourmakers put great stress on the name and the poorer the flour the more elegant the name. So I kind of thought flour ought to be numbered, as Portland No. 40, Baltimore No. 60, St. Paul No. 70, Millers' No. 10, and let the dealer brag it up and back it up and the housewife determine its merits and not buy it because it had a pretty name.

Then the way people order their groceries is interesting—should have particular attention. A lady will phone you to send up a sack of "nice" potatoes, a box of "fine" apples, a roll of "good" butter, and the grocer goes ahead and sends up the goods. Maybe it's good and maybe it isn't. Therefore, from the fact that the customer never phones to send up a sack of poor potatoes, a roll of rancid butter, it would follow, if a grocer wants to be honest and keep a trade, he should never have anything but what was good.

I see human nature stands out more clearly in connection with this grocery business than any other business. Then there is the problem in what proportions a grocer should carry stocks of celery and cheese, as celery makes nerves, and it takes nerve to eat much cheese. I am still deliberating on that. Also, when I was East, I noticed some grocers carried patent medicines. I am considering what relation they have to groceries.

Then there is the question of a clean, sanitary grocery, absolutely essential if you want to deliver good goods. A grocery can be run like a slaughter-house or like a well-kept pantry. I guess I'll conform to the latter.

And then there are so many more things to consider, I'll have to leave them go at present and let the manager of this grocery tackle them. You see, I am not going to try to tell him how to run it, for he is well posted and knows the business. I'll simply hand him a copy of these investigations of mine, so he will know I have been thinking of him and his work. You see my particular and personal business is to look more after the outside requirements of people than the inside.

Now, everybody and anybody who wants to talk to me about groceries, from selling, buying, clerking for me, delivering, bossing, working partnerships in the business, how groceries should be run and how they should not, come and see me right away, for this grocery will start quick. The room is ready, the cash till is ready, and people get hungry every day, several times. The J. M. Acheson Co., Fifth and Alder. My office is No. 500, fifth floor Acheson Building.

Annual Clearance Sale

Advertisement for Annual Clearance Sale featuring fur coats, ladies' coats, and muslin underwears. Includes prices for squirrel muffs, fox boas, and various children's clothing.

Advertisement for Ladies' Coats and Ladies' Tailored Suits. Features up-to-date effects and clearance prices for coats and suits.

Advertisement for Smart Coats and Ladies' Exclusive Garments. Offers clearance prices for smart coats and evening dresses.

Advertisement for Silk Petticoats, Sateen Petticoats, Hose, Skirts, Waists, and Jersey Ribbed Underwear. Lists various items and their clearance prices.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL J. M. ACHESON CO. FIFTH AND ALDER STS.

BONDHOLDERS NEED NOT FEAR

Baltimore Bankers Say Seaboard Will Come Out All Right.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 2.—R. Lancaster Williams and S. Davis Warfield, who were appointed receivers of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad, at Richmond, today, are bankers of this city. Mr. Williams being a member of the banking-house of Middendorf, Williams & Co., and Mr. Warfield president of the Continental Trust Company.

Mr. Warfield, who is a director of the Seaboard, was chosen to represent the majority interests in the property, while Mr. Williams will look after the affairs of a considerable minority, led by his brother, John Skelton Williams, of Richmond.

The receivership will have a far-reaching effect in Baltimore, where the securities of the company are more largely dealt in and held than in any other trading center, not even excepting New York. The bond issues placed on the property since it has been merged into one system aggregate \$33,785,000, of which amount it is estimated nearly \$25,000,000 is held here. Baltimore bankers declare that there is no necessity for nervousness on the part of the bondholders over the receivership action. If they will take the announcement coolly and quietly and await developments, it is declared, it will be much more to their ultimate advantage than to rush into the market now to sell.

Persons close to the inside of the property are outspoken in the opinion that the security holders, both stocks and bonds, will benefit. These say no holders of the underlying bonds need feel the least alarm over the safety of the securities nor have any fear of default at any time in the interest. One of the assets of the Seaboard is the Baltimore Steam Packet Company, better known as the Old Bay Line. The operations of this line, it is said, will not be affected by the receivership.

Earnings Cannot Pay Interest.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The placing of the Seaboard Air Line System in the hands of receivers, Baltimore, a statement of the company's earnings showing \$3,322,836 on hand with which to meet fixed charges of \$3,175,434, a deficit of \$147,402. It has been known for several days that some steps would be necessary to protect the property in view of its inability to meet its fixed charge and the receivership was agreed upon at a conference held in Washington yesterday, at which there were present representatives of both the majority and minority stockholders.

BITTER AGAINST JAPANESE

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eter of the Interior has asked the details. This affair is not understood here as to be such as requires a report to the Dominion government.

PLAN TO DISARM JAPANESE

Vancouver Laboring Men Bitter in Denunciation of Foreigners.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 2.—(Special.)—The Vancouver Trades and Labor Council tonight held a heated discussion on the Japanese question and there was a large attendance of laboring men. It was seriously proposed that if there was no legal machinery by which the police could go through all the houses of the Japanese section to search for knives and revolvers, and thoroughly disarm the Japanese, then the laboring men should arm themselves with revolvers in case of emergency.

The situation is admittedly serious in the view of the labor men, and the assertion was made that the Mayor and the civic authorities are "chattering in their teeth" and fearful lest they should offend the Japanese government or the local Consul. The declaration was made that Powell street is an armed arsenal, and that the Japanese are ready to fight with knives and guns at the slightest provocation or excuse.

"I, for one, will arm myself," said R. B. Pettiford, local labor leader, while another speaker added: "I am ready to join a force any day."

No resolution was passed on this subject, but a pointed resolution was passed referring to Police Magistrate Williams, whose alleged pro-Japanese decisions since the September riots were severely criticized. It was alleged that the magistrate, police and City Council are all afraid to act against the Japanese. A committee was appointed to investigate the conduct of the magistrate and de-

VAUDEVILLE WAR AT END

Western Association Takes Over String of Theaters.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The vaudeville war, it is announced, was finally concluded here today when George Middleton, president of the Western Vaudeville

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Seaboard Air Line Railroad and Its Connections.

Association, and his associates signed an agreement to take over Cella & Oppenheim's theaters, in Kansas City, Milwaukee and Louisville and the new theater being built at St. Louis. The chain of houses was turned over to Cella & Oppenheim while the war was in progress, and while Klaw & Erlanger and Keith & Froeter subsequently settled their differences, these theaters were not included in the peace pact between the two vaudeville forces.

Today's provision for the four play-houses which, at one time, it was thought might form the nucleus of a new vaudeville circuit, has, it is said, so strengthened the United Booking Office and a Western Vaudeville Association as to make another vaudeville circuit unlikely.

BRING SOCIALISTS TO TRIAL

Indicted for Trying to Overthrow Government, Leaders Face Long Term of Penal Servitude.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 2.—Indictments were returned today against all the members of the executive committee of the Popular Socialist party and their trial before the Court of Appeals for alleged attempts at revolution will begin shortly. The accused men belong to the intellectual section of the Social Revolutionists. They are mostly veterans of the revolutionary struggle who withdrew from the Social Revolutionary party in order to participate in the elections to the third Duma.

Among them are M. Amenski, who in 1905 was called on account of his political activities; Ivan Mikaton, the well-known Russian author, who shared Maxim Gorky's imprisonment in a fortress in 1905; M. Lutugin, the organizer and first president of the League of Leagues, which co-operated with the labor organization during the strikes that preceded the issuance of the October manifesto, and prominent attorneys.

The men are accused of being members of a secret organization which aimed to overthrow the Government. The penalty on this charge may be penal servitude for eight years. The case has the same general features as the trial of the Social Democrats of the Duma and of the former deputies who signed the Viborn manifesto. The Social Revolution organization is the only radical political party which has not already been brought to the bar.

It is understood that the authorities intend to use the case of Nicholas Thischakovsky as the basis of procedure against the indicted men today. The Duma will be asked to suspend its sittings pending the trial.

Premier Stolypin has informed M. M. Khomykoff, president of the Duma, that Kosorotoff, Socialist member of the Duma, has been indicted for making a post-election speech at Ufa, in which he incited to murdering the authorities.

SCURVY CAUSED BY HUNGER

Famine Rages in Caucasus and Threatens European Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 2.—A dispatch here from Tiflis says scurvy has broken out among the native population in the Province of Brivan, which like other sections of the Caucasus, suffered severely in 1907 from a poor harvest and resultant famine. Measures to send in food and to afford medical relief are being taken. The crop outlook in European Russia has grown steadily worse lately, on account of the long spell of cold weather with no snow. Winter crops have been lost.

Russian Police Chief Killed.

SAMARA, Russia, Jan. 2.—Colonel Bobroff, chief of the Provincial Gendarmes, was shot and instantly killed in a crowd of street here today.

STINGIEST WOMAN FOUND

Man Who Returns Purse Gets Reward of 12 Cents.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 2.—Douglas Gibson, a chairpusher, found a pocketbook on the board walk containing \$60 in money and jewelry worth several thousand dollars. He was just counting the money when the owner, a woman, appeared. She praised Gibson for his honesty when he turned her property over to her and said he should be rewarded. She carefully counted the bills and then gave Gibson two nickels and two pennies as a reward.

Millwright Falls to Death.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 2.—Harry Martin, a millwright, about 25 years of age and late of Minneapolis, died at the Mercy Hospital last evening from injuries received the day prior in a fall from a scaffolding at C. A. Smith's new sawmill. His father is said to be a well-to-do brick manufacturer of Minneapolis.

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Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 2c. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box 25c.

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