

OVER \$50,000 IN LOST MAIL POUCH

One of Largest Thefts in History of Postoffice Department Is Indicated.

TAKEN IN KANSAS CITY?

Shipment of Currency From Los Angeles Bank to New York Constitutes Bulk of Loss—Detectives Are at Sea.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 10.—Reluctant admissions made by the Postoffice officers of three cities today confirm to some extent the belief that the disappearance of a registered mail pouch somewhere within the jurisdiction of the Kansas City, Mo., Postoffice last Saturday night may prove one of the biggest hauls by robbers in the history of the Postoffice Department.

The pouch was in transit from this city to New York and the postal inspectors, who have had the case in charge for at least 48 hours, refuse any explanation of the manner in which it became lost to sight in transfer from one responsible guardian to another, as the department regulations providing for the protection of registered mailers are the strictest.

No Positive Information. That a pouch of valuable mail has disappeared was admitted today by the Department at Washington, by Postmaster M. H. Flint of Los Angeles, and by Inspector W. J. Vickery, attached to the Kansas City Postoffice, who appears to have the case for investigation. In no case, however, was there any positive information to be secured as to the amount stolen or the method of the robbery.

Sent by Los Angeles Bank. There is reason to believe that the \$50,000 package of currency, which will undoubtedly prove to be the largest individual loss, was a shipment made by a Los Angeles bank to its New York correspondent, such transfers being frequent. Mr. Flint and Mr. Vickery are waiting the dispatch from Kansas City that he had been notified of the loss, adding that the responsibility of the Postoffice for its delivery rests with the bank.

Containing Fully \$50,000. "According to our information a mail pouch, made up here on June 3 and leaving for New York on the following morning, has disappeared. A conservative valuation of the currency contents furnished by this bank is \$50,000. The total amount is made up of between 30 and 50 packages, the exact number being difficult to determine.

Was Sealed in Transit. It is admitted that the registered pouch that has disappeared left here over the Santa Fe Railroad the morning of June 4, and was due in Kansas City on Saturday. In the shipment of registered packages through the Postoffice, mail pouches are sealed with a rotary lock at the initial point with no opportunity being opened except by force or mutilation prior to reaching their destination.

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CHAIN OF PACKING-PLANTS Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Announce Plans in Chicago. CHICAGO, Ill., June 10.—(Special.)—The following article appeared in the Chicago Examiner of today relative to the packing-house situation: "Independent packers complete chain of houses. Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Company new plant in Portland, Or., and uplifts market. Plans of the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Company of Chicago, New York and Kansas City, the largest independent firm of packers in the United States, to establish a chain of packing-houses in the far West has been inaugurated with the founding of a plant at Portland, Or. The Portland establishment already has revolutionized the beef market on the Pacific Coast. It has boomed the price of beef on the foot sold by the farmers and ranchers. It will undoubtedly lower the price to the consumers. For these reasons rival packing firms are fighting the entry of the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Company into Portland. It is said they attempted to buy a site chosen for the plant by the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger, though in this they failed. The Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Company now owns an established packing-house, to which it has begun large additions. "In the meantime its rivals have not ceased their warfare. They are now attempting to secure an injunction to prevent the independent firm from operating its plant. They also are seeking to influence the Portland City Council to pass an ordinance prohibiting the operation of a packing-house inside the city limits. Despite the opposition, the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger people are planning to establish other plants in San Francisco and other Western cities. With their plants in New York, Chicago and Kansas City, they will thus complete a chain of establishments extending from coast to coast. They propose to take care of their growing Western and fast Eastern trade through their plants at San Francisco and Portland."

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