

GATHERS FACTS ABOUT HARRIMAN

Agent for Government Works on Merger Suit.

HOW COMPETITION IS KILLED

Will Compare Conditions Before and After Merger.

BIG STICK STILL SWINGING

Chicago Shippers Asked to Tell How Joint Control of Pacific Roads Affects Business—Evidence Wanted for Trial.

CHICAGO, July 30.—(Special.)—Special agents of the Government are in Chicago trying to collect evidence to substantiate proceedings for the disruption of the Harriman system of railroads upon the ground that the combination is in violation of the Sherman anti-trust act.

For more than a week Ralph M. McKenzie, who did a great deal of preliminary work in the investigation which the Interstate Commerce Commission made into the affairs of the Harriman railroads, has been industriously working among big shippers with a view to ascertaining how the Harriman combination has been used, if used at all, to stifle competition and restrain trade. On Mr. McKenzie's new calling list are all of the traffic men of the big industries in the city. It is not known what success he is meeting, but his investigation is taken as meaning that the "big stick" has again begun to swing over the Harriman lines.

It is understood that evidence is desired for use in connection with a suit to be begun by the Government, which will be similar to the Northern Securities case, which resulted in the disruption of the Hill merger, so far as a holding company is concerned.

The special agent's work is directed toward getting information from shippers with respect to conditions before the combination of the Union Pacific Southern Pacific, Oregon Short line and Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company and a comparison between those conditions and the conditions which exist today. To the men upon whom he has called, Mr. McKenzie has not disclosed his purpose further than to say that he is trying to collect evidence for use in a suit to disrupt the Harriman combination. It is fully understood by Department of Justice officials here that President Roosevelt has not dropped his fight against the Harriman combination of railroads.

EBERHARD IS INDICTED

Cousin Testifies Against Man Who Killed Her Mother.

HACKENSACK, N. J., July 30.—Gus Eberhard, the New York grocery clerk who recently shot and killed his aunt, Mrs. Ollie Eberhard, on a lonely road near here, and robbed her of her life savings, was indicted today for murder in the first degree. His trial was set for September 14.

Chief of Police Dunn and Miss Eberhard, who was also shot and wounded, were the only witnesses before the grand jury. Miss Eberhard and her mother reached this country from Vienna only two days before the tragedy.

Chief Dunn testified that Eberhard confessed to him.

PRINCE AUGUST A DOCTOR

Kaiser's Fourth Son Takes Degree at Strasburg University.

STRASBURG, July 30.—The University of Strasburg announced today that Prince August, the fourth son of Emperor William, had passed his examination for the degree of doctor in the science of government with the endorsement "very good" on his papers, and that the title of doctor had been conferred on him. This would seem to be the first time that a Hohenzollern has taken the degree of doctor.

Prince August is the young man whom the emperor some years ago intended sending to Harvard for the completion of his education. This plan was not carried out, because the emperor did not wish to be separated from the young man so long.

GALE ON ATLANTIC COAST

Storm From West Indies Is Sweeping Northward.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 30.—The Weather Bureau today, in its daily forecast, says:

A West Indian storm of great intensity is centered this morning off the Carolina Coast, while another disturbance is centered off the Middle Gulf Coast.

NORFOLK, Va., July 30.—The West Indian storm now sweeping the Atlantic Coast had, at noon today, reached a wind velocity of 30 miles an hour.

ROBBED BANK TO WED SWEETHEART

WELLS CONFESSES ROMANCE ENDING IN TRAGEDY.

Could Not Wait for English Girl, So Kenosha Married and Followed to England.

BOSTON, July 30.—According to the police, Harvey T. Wells, ex-cashier of the First National Bank, of Kenosha, Wisconsin, who was arrested here last night, confessed today that he had taken about \$6000 from the bank. He gave as his excuse a desire to marry Miss



Samuel Gompers, President of American Federation of Labor, Aroused to Anger by Critics of His Support of Bryan.

Florence Winniston, whom he had met in Chicago in September, 1907. He eloped with Miss Winniston to New York, where they were married. Mrs. Wells went to England and Wells returned to Kenosha.

Shortly afterward, he is said to have told the police, he took \$3000 in a lump and joined his wife in England. Later they came to Montreal when their money gave out. Wells confessed to his wife and they resolved to come to Boston, get work and pay back the money. They bought a lodging house with money obtained by selling Mrs. Wells' jewels, while Wells found a position in Cambridge. Then the arrest put an end to their dreams.

Mrs. Wells visited her husband in the Tombs today and gave him pathetic assurance that she would stand by him. Wells says he will go back to Wisconsin and throw himself on the mercy of the court.

AMERICAN CAR IS AT PARIS

Received With Rapture on Completion of Round-World Journey.

PARIS, July 30.—The Thomas car in the New York to Paris race crossed the French frontier at noon and reached Paris at 8 o'clock this evening. The car was escorted by the boulevards by automobile enthusiasts, who met at Meaux, 25 miles east of Paris, and was greeted with cheers. The race committee was awaiting it at the office of the Matin to receive the car.

Congratulations were showered upon the interested crews, the American of which proceeded to a hotel after their health had been drunk.

Medford Swelters at 106.

MEDFORD, Or., July 30.—(Special.)—The temperature has been 106 today, for the second time during the present season. The first occurred ten days ago, but after one day the heat gradually lowered until ideal weather was experienced.

GOMPERS RAGES AGAINST CRITICS

Not Trying to Deliver Labor Vote.

NOT QUESTION OF POLITICS

Says Criticisms So Unjust as to Be Contemptible.

NO SWERVING FROM COURSE

Declares Charges of Enemies Are Infamous Lies, Calls Them Outcasts and Renegades—Denies Seeking Political Office.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—"The report that I have ever said that I would or would not deliver the labor vote to any political party is an infamous lie," said Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, today. "Organized labor is not only honest, but intelligent enough to choose the party for its support which will best represent its interests."

"It is possible that by lies and misrepresentations the enemies of organized labor may injure me personally and even be successful in accomplishing my removal as president of the American Federation of Labor," said Mr. Gompers, "but that will never change my course in battling for the principles for which I stand. It is not a question of politics with me. I have no politics or, if I have, they are the politics of the people."

Calls Criticism Contemptible.

"I fully expected when I took the stand which I have," said Mr. Gompers, "that some would disagree with me. I don't expect the labor vote to accept my conclusions in every instance. I expected to be criticized too, in some quarters, but I did not think that the criticism would be so unjust as to be contemptible. I stand for the right of individual opinion. I regard my position as president of the American Federation of Labor as the most exalted and honorable in this world to which I ever expect to aspire."

"They may take that honor away from me, if they like, and I will bow to their will, but it will not prevent me from fighting for the cause which is my life's work, just as I have in the past and I purpose to do in the future."

"I want no political office or honor. I have nothing for sale and don't propose to begin at this late date by selling my honor. What I think and what I say is from conscientious conviction that it is the truth. No one can make me sacrifice my honest conviction."

Renegades and Outcasts.

"My editorial in the American Federationist plainly and forcefully sets forth my position. He who runs may read, and understand. Those who have taken issue with the position therein set forth—not, understand me, with the position I am alleged to have assumed—are political renegades and discredited outcasts of labor. I do not mean that those who differ with my opinion are such, but those who have denounced me and claim that I have not set forth the facts as they are found."

Frank H. Hitchcock, Republican National chairman, when asked as to the truth of the report that a personal campaign was to be waged against Mr. Gompers, replied:

"Nothing of the kind has been arranged."

MAY HOLD BURNS IS IN CONTEMPT

JUDGE SUMMONS DETECTIVE TO ANSWER CHARGE.

Accused of Attempting to Influence Members of Jury Panel in Pending Ruel Trial.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—Judge Sturtevant today issued a citation for contempt against William J. Burns and two of his assistants sought for by counsel for Abraham Ruel, and ordered that they appear before Judge Lawler Saturday and show cause why



Detective W. J. Burns, Summoned to Answer Contempt Charge in Ruel Trial.

they should not be adjudged in contempt.

Detective Burns is accused of having attempted to influence members of the jury panel.

FIRST SHIP REACHES FIJI

Storeship Reports Fleet 1000 Miles Behind Her.

SUVA, Fiji Islands, July 30.—The Glacier, storeship of the United States Atlantic fleet, arrived here today. She reports having been in communication by wireless with the battleship Georgia Tuesday at a distance of 1200 miles, and hopes tonight to effect a chain of communication with the fleet through the tender Yankton, which is in the Tonga Island group.

STEAL PIECE OF RAILROAD

Pima Indians Build Village With Harriman's Ties.

PHOENIX, Ariz., July 30.—Fourteen Pima Indians were taken to the county jail today at Florence to serve a term for the theft of railroad property from the Southern Pacific Company. The Indians are the leading men of a village on the Pima River built largely out of railroad ties.

The stolen material was traced to the village recently and the Indians, when arrested, freely admitted their guilt.

GOBBLING UP NEW WHEAT

Pendleton's Crop Fast Changing Hands at 75 Cents Bushel.

PENDLETON, Or., July 30.—(Special.)—Wheat has advanced another two cents in the Pendleton market, with the result that probably 300,000 bushels have changed hands within the past two days. The purchases are being made on a basis of 75 cents, and it is not recalled when the prices were so good and so much wheat changing hands so early in the season.

GOULD SECURES MONEY HE NEEDS

Has Not Given Up Control of His Roads.

TERMS OF LOAN NOT SETTLED

Wabash Will Be Liable for Lake Erie's Notes.

HARRIMAN BANKERS HELP

Effort to Avoid Surrender Continued by Gould, Who Still Protects Wabash Interest in Embarrassed Road.

NEW YORK, July 30.—(Special.)—George J. Gould announced tonight, after many conferences with Wall-street bankers, that the money to pay the \$3,000,000 maturing notes of the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad had been obtained. It was stated that the bankers, Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and Blair & Co., had agreed to furnish the money to meet the notes due tomorrow, after which they will hold a claim against the Wabash, the indorser of the Wheeling & Lake Erie notes. The terms of settlement and the character of the collateral for the money furnished are still matters of negotiation.

Has Not Given Up Control.

It appears that Mr. Gould has slightly the better of the negotiations so far, and that he has been able to prevent the immediate passing of control of the collateral under the maturing notes. Two propositions were presented to him today, both involving control of the \$2,000,000 equipment bonds, comprising the security for the notes, and which, experts agree, carries with it the control of the Wheeling & Lake Erie. All parties were convinced that it would be the best policy to provide funds to meet the notes on Saturday and continue negotiations as to the terms of the loan. The obligation becomes a demand on the Wabash after August 1.

Gould's Significant Statement.

The following statement, prepared by Mr. Gould and his counsel, W. S. Pierce, was today issued for publication:

"Mr. Gould authorizes the statement that the Wabash Company has made satisfactory arrangements for the protection of the \$3,000,000 Wheeling & Lake Erie notes at maturity."

"This statement, simple as it appears, means a great deal to the supporters of the Goulds," said a banker identified with the several Gould properties, this evening. "As I read the statement, it means that the Wabash has so far been able to protect its interest in the Wheeling & Lake Erie, otherwise the arrangements would not have been described as satisfactory."

Declines Further Statement.

After the close of the stock market today Mr. Gould stated that he would make no public statement today concerning the plans for meeting the notes, nor would he indicate whether he intended to make any public announcement on that subject in the near future.

New Schedule Increases Traffic.

MARSHFIELD, Or., July 30.—(Special.)—The new train schedule of the

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MARRY BROTHERS; NOW SEEK DIVORCE

TACOMA SISTERS SOON TIRE OF HUCKABRIS.

One Husband Deserts Bride in Few Weeks—Wife Says He Was Opium Smuggler.

TACOMA, Wash., July 30.—(Special.)—Some light on why Clarence Huckabris deserted his bride of a few weeks in San Francisco last February is shed by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Everett Huckabris. Tuesday Mrs. Clarence Huckabris obtained a divorce from her husband



Theodore B. Wilcox, Successful Business Man Who Has Purchased \$410,000 Worth of Portland Real Estate Within Last Month.

of a few months. Her sister, Mrs. Everett Huckabris, has applied for a divorce from her husband, who is a brother of Clarence, and to whom she was married the same day her sister married Clarence.

Both couples left on a wedding trip to San Francisco, where, after a stay of a few weeks, Clarence Huckabris suddenly deserted his wife, leaving her absolutely destitute. She returned to Tacoma a few days later with her sister and sister's husband, Everett Huckabris, who in turn deserted his wife a few days after Tacoma was reached.

It is declared by Mrs. Everett Huckabris that she and her sister became convinced before the San Francisco desertion occurred that Clarence Huckabris was a smuggler of opium.

PAY RAISED AS HE STEALS

Cashier Whose "Fidelity" Is Rewarded Admits Theft of \$48,000.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 30.—(Special.)—R. F. Parkhurst, first assistant cashier of the Seattle National Bank, had his salary raised from \$175 to \$250 a month while he was gradually making away with the funds of the bank, the increased salary being voted by the directors on the ground of his fidelity and hard work.

After two weeks of investigation the officials decided today that Parkhurst had made away with \$48,000 during the past seven or eight years, and his arrest was ordered this afternoon.

"I have been expecting this for some time," said Parkhurst, as Detective Bryne laid his hand on the cashier's shoulder at the bank door. "It's really a relief to me, for the suspense has been terrible."

Tampering with accounts with outside banks is said to have produced the shortage, which will be fully covered by a security bond and property transferred to the bank.

POISON IN ALL VICTIMS

Helgelein and All Gunnesses Died by Same Means.

LAFORTE, Ind., July 30.—Coroner Mack announced today that Dr. Walter Haines, of Rush Medical College, Chicago, who analyzed the stomach of Andrew Helgelein, of Aberdeen, S. D., the last victim of Mrs. Belle Gunness, finding strychnine and arsenic in fatal doses, has also found in the stomachs of Mrs. Gunness and two of the children arsenic and strychnine in quantities sufficient to have caused death. The county officials who are working on the Gunness case issued a formal statement this afternoon, in which they say:

"We hope that this report will set at rest the wagging tongues who have seen fit to declare that Mrs. Gunness is still alive, for the seeming purpose of creating a sentiment to that effect. Just what effect this report may have on the trial of the case of Ray Lamphere we are unprepared to say at this time."

INFLATE AIRSHIP TODAY

Baldwin to Begin Tests of Army Craft by Monday.

WASHINGTON, July 30.—The work of inflating the big gasbag of Captain Thomas S. Baldwin's airship will be begun tomorrow. The tent in which the balloon will be housed arrived at Fort Meyer today and will be pitched tomorrow. By Monday, barring accidents, Captain Baldwin will be ready to make his first flight.

There is an element of uncertainty as to what Captain Baldwin's aerial craft will do when it gets up in the air, many of its features being new in this country. In the past Captain Baldwin has steered his balloon by shifting the weight of his

T. B. WILCOX BUYS BUSINESS CORNER

Will Build at Sixth and Washington.

PAYS \$250,000 FOR 100 BY 50

Price Sets New Mark for Portland Realty Values.

SHACKS TO BE REMOVED

Modern Eight or Ten-story Building Will Be Erected as Soon as Leases Can Be Terminated—Effect on Real Estate Market.

RECENT LARGE REALTY SALES.

Jones - Williamson - Eskeraya Block, Seventeenth and Couch, School Board	\$100,000
Sixth and Everett, H. Jacobson	50,000
First and Main, G. G. Gresham	50,000
Melinda Heights, Texas Timber syndicate	288,000
Seaside and Street, T. B. Wilcox	100,000
Fourth and Ankeny, buyers name withheld	65,000
Portland Realty Associates	210,000
Sixth and Washington, T. B. Wilcox	250,000

The southeast corner of Sixth and Washington streets was yesterday sold to Theodore B. Wilcox, through the agency of Charles K. Henry & Son, for \$250,000. Mr. Wilcox contemplates the erection of an eight or ten-story office building on the site. The ground is 100 feet on Washington street and 50 on Sixth, and is occupied by a number of one and two-story frame buildings of little value in themselves, but which, on account of the location, have brought in rentals out of all proportion to their worth.

The building on the corner is leased to M. A. Gunst; the next room on Sixth to a saloon, and the second story to Sharkey's real estate office. On Washington, next to Gunst, is a saloon, next to that an umbrella store, then a candy store, and adjoining the Olds, Wortman & King building a hair store.

Some of these stores were leased for from two to three years by the former owners, Labbe Bros., represented by Blaise Labbe for himself, and as trustee. The title latterly has rested in Blaise Labbe, who executed the transfer to Mr. Wilcox.

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