

BOYCOTT CAUSES PRICES TO DROP

Pork in Chicago Declines 53 Cents on Exchange Within Second Hour of Trading.

BUTTER DOWN SIX CENTS

In Pittsburg Cattle Prices Lowered at Stockyards and Hotel Men Join No-Meat Crusade.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Partly as a result of the threatened boycott on meat by the labor unions, and directly as a result of the agitation against the high cost of living, prices of food products are beginning to be dropped.

On the Elgin Board of Trade the price of Elgin fancy creamery butter dropped from 35 to 34 cents. It was admitted by the board members that this sudden drop was caused directly by the agitation in various parts of the country and the rumor that in some localities a boycott of butter had been started.

At the Union Stockyards in Pittsburg cattle prices dropped from 5 to 40 cents a hundred today. This was a direct result of the boycott on meat started in that part of the country. Veal and pork have been reduced somewhat, but beef continues at the high price that started the boycott.

From Schnechtady it is reported that meat deliveries are being decreased in their business of 15 per cent. The boycott has been generally signed among the 16,000 employees of the General Electric Company.

HEINZE'S TRIAL IS SET Copper King to Appear March 3. One Indictment Quashed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—F. Augustus Heinze lost one point and gained another today in connection with the pending charges against him for alleged misapplication of bank funds.

Judge Hough in the United States Circuit Court denied the application of the former "Copper King" for an order enjoining the Government from seeking further indictments on the charge following the recent quashing of one of the indictments previously found.

LOG-JAM CAUSES FLOOD Humptulps River Backed Up Till Banks Are Overflowed.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—A log jam is reported in the Humptulps river said to extend about two and a half miles and containing about 25,000,000 feet of logs, backing the river up until it is now from three to four feet above the banks, while the water is on a level with the Moolips extension of the Northern Pacific, about 12 miles from this city, and the floors of section houses are under water.

3 MIDDIES ARE DISMISSED Flowing Bowl at Christmas Downfall of Naval Academy Men.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—President Taft today approved the recommendations of the Superintendent of the Naval Academy at Annapolis for the dismissal of Midshipmen James M. Whitehead, of New Jersey; Scott Lynn, of Utah; and Grover C. Cleveland, of Missouri.

HOUSE FROWNS ON JUNKET (Continued From First Page.)

Summer of 1907. It called May 18 and returned September 17, and no report of the trip has ever been published, and in my judgment, will not, for it seems the trip was a pleasure junket for most of the members, rather than an information-gathering trip.

MEAT NEARLY KILLS DINER Eugene Man Chokes; Quick Aid Saves Life.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Uncle Fred Warner, of Fall Creek, while eating dinner in a local hotel here today, choked on a piece of meat and fell from his chair to the floor, unconscious.

TWO UNION MEN ACCUSED Switchmen Alleged Pistol Wielder. Painter Wanted for Battery.

SEATTLE, Jan. 24.—A. W. Lamson, a striking switchman, was held for trial today on a charge of carrying concealed weapons, at the instance of the Northern Pacific Railroad. Lamson entered a Northern Pacific round-house yesterday, held up the engineer and fireman of a

were accompanied by their families and two of the secretaries of the Commission, one of them a Mr. Crane, whom, I am advised, is a nephew of Senator Crane, of Massachusetts, and the other Mr. Durand, Senator Dillingham's secretary.

Shampoo Costs Marked Up. "I have heard that the auditor of the State Department has entered a protest against a certain member of the Commission for charging up as part of his expense account the amounts paid out by him for laundry, haircuts, shampoos, and automobile rides for pleasure on the Appian Way. I understand that Mr. Bennett and his secretary have been abroad several times at the expense of the Commission. He is one of the three members of the steering committee."

Mr. Macon referred to Professor Jenks' work as influencing students "in the political way the party in power would have them walk." He declared the Commission's report contained a mass of material that could be culled at any time from the police courts. Chairman Tawney, of the Appropriations committee, condemned the practice of creating Commissions with "permanent appropriations."

Hand of Politicians Seen. Instead of incurring expenses and then asking Congress for the necessary money to meet them, as the Immigration Commission had done, he said such work should be provided for by annual appropriations.

Declaring that he believed the failure of the Commission to make its final report was to prevent legislation restricting immigration because an election was approaching, Representative Burnett of Alabama, a member of the Commission, said he believed it should have concluded its work before now.

The House passed the urgent deficiency bill carrying nearly \$5,000,000. This is a reduction of more than \$1,000,000 under estimates submitted by the treasury department.

GALLANTRY COMES HIGH

NEW YORK FINANCIER-GENTLEMAN LOSES \$28,000 ROLL.

Warner Van Norden, Trust Company President, Aids Women, Who Prove to Be Ex-Convicts.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Warner M. Van Norden, president of the Van Norden Trust Company, is \$28,000 poorer in pocket and correspondingly wiser in judgment as to when to be polite but cautious.

Wednesday night Mr. Van Norden went to the theater and later to the Waldorf to write some letters. In a wallet in the pocket of his dresscoat was \$28,000 in \$100 bills and \$50 in \$1000 bills and one \$50 bill. His letter written, he stepped out to the street, undecided whether to walk home or call a cab.

As he stood hesitating, a well-dressed woman passed him and dropped her handbag. Mr. Van Norden stooped and picked it up. As he stooped, a second woman stepped on his feet and, in regaining her balance, threw her arms about his neck. There was a moment of confusion, many apologies and then all three went their several ways.

When Mr. Van Norden next morning transferred his pocketbook from his dress coat to his sack coat, he noticed that it felt slim. The \$28,000 bills were gone. He reported the robbery to the police instantly and two arrests followed today. The men were Charles Robert Klittle Dowd, alleged by the police to be No. 8746, and May, alias Margie Williams, No. 9291, in the rogues gallery. Both women are in the city jail.

The Williams and Roberts women were arrested in front of the hotel. The well-dressed girl is pretty. The other woman is older.

Mr. Van Norden identified both women and they have been held in \$15,000 bail each. He hopes to recover part of the money stolen. He had taken the precaution to note the numbers of the bills and \$1000 bills are not easy to pass.

PALOUSE STREAMS RUN FULL Highways Are in Bad Shape, but Railroad Service Improves.

COLFAX, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The high water mark was reached by all Whitman County creeks and rivers Sunday night, the water being almost up to the mark of last year's floods. This year no serious damage has been done and the streams are receding daily.

Heavy rains and chinook winds have taken the snow from the Palouse hills except on north hill slopes. Rains and thawing have put roads in bad condition, culverts in many places being open.

Big Orchard Planned. SPRINGFIELD, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—J. M. Clark and G. O. Overman have arranged a shipment of nearly 3000 peach trees and a smaller number of apple trees, which they will set out as soon as the winter permits on a 25-acre tract two miles above this city. The ground is river bottom land, and its semi-sandy soil is especially adapted to the growing of peaches. The fruit will be used for shipment and a cannery may be built on the grounds.

STAYTON Turns Down Bond Issue. STAYTON, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—At the special election held here Saturday, a total of 106 votes was cast, and the fight for the \$1000 bond issue for the erection of a high school was lost, the vote being against and 27 in favor of the proposition. On the proposed purchase of six additional city lots for school purposes, the citizens favored by a vote of 54 to 49.

Dufur Plans Fruit Institute. DUFUR, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the Dufur Valley Fruitgrowers' Union this afternoon, arrangements were made to hold a fruitgrowers' institute in February. A lecturer from the agricultural college at Corvallis is to be invited to give a lecture on pomology and kindred subjects. Several other speakers will assist.

Eleven Vessels Dash Over Bar. HOQUIAM, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Eleven barboned steam schooners made a successful dash for the open sea today and all are reported as having got safely over the bar, although there was a heavy swell and another dense fog while the vessels were on the bar proper. They had been in the lower bay for several days.

The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They do the work whenever you need their aid. These tablets change weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, gloominess into joyousness. Their action is so gentle one don't realize they have taken a purgative. Sold by all dealers.

DENNETT ANSWERS HITCHECOCK CHARGE

Denies Any Fraud in Buying Paper Fasteners, Explains Brick-Chimney.

EXPENDITURES TO BE GIVEN Land Commissioner to Explain Disposition Made of Million-Dollar Fund, Which, He Says, Has All Been Legitimate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Admitting that the paper fasteners used by the General Land Office were invented by his chief of accounts, Irving C. Pittenhouse, but declaring the latter made no profit on them, Commissioner Dennett answered another of the charges made against the Interior Department by Representative Hitchcock of Nebraska, before the House Committee on Expenditures today.

Mr. Dennett said he was careful to ascertain that it was no violation of law before the purchase was made and required Mr. Pittenhouse to waive his royalty.

Mr. Dennett denied the charge that a "certain brick chimney" which he identified as a new one just built at the General Land Office Building had been paid for out of the \$1,000,000 appropriated for public buildings; declared it was constructed under separate appropriations.

Information Hard to Get. When Mr. Dennett resented the suggestion that Mr. Hitchcock was personally non grata at the Land Office and that he could not get information he wanted, Mr. Hitchcock, who for a time examined the witness, said he had read his statement on the president's recent order against subordinates divulging information. Because of this, and the peculiar position he occupied in having presented charges he had not applied for information, he said.

Condensation of the testimony before the last hearing of the committee, as reported in these dispatches, led to the omission of an important statement of Dennett regarding the charge that private telegrams were paid for out of the funds of the department. This is what the Commissioner said, as shown by the stenographer's report:

"I have no knowledge of any such telegrams being sent, with the exception of two telegrams which were sent to the Commissioner of the General Land Office at a critical time, stating certain remarks which were being made in a paper. These telegrams, after having been received, were taken to the chief of the field service, and the Western Union was notified that they must not be charged to the public land appropriation; that they be treated as private matters; that no bill would be authorized which was submitted for those telegrams."

It appears from the record that this statement was substantiated by Mr. Newburgh, assistant chief of the accounts division, the purport of the testimony being that the telegrams referred to as transmitting newspaper articles, which were not paid for by the department at all.

Expenditures to Be Stated. Examined by Mr. Hitchcock, Commissioner Dennett agreed to furnish a detailed statement of all expenditures from the million-dollar fund around which revolve charges of improper use of the million-dollar fund, or "Schwartz rolls," as he called them, and the punishment that would follow exposure of these sources.

Mr. Dennett said that a little more than \$600 worth of furniture, including carpets and rugs, had been bought for use in the General Land Office under the million-dollar public domain protection fund, but that it was all incidental to the work under that appropriation and was of the cheapest kind of material and bought under the regular contract system. He said the million-dollar appropriation had enabled the bureau to catch up largely with the work of protecting the public domain.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Accused by the application of the Grays Barbo and Puget Sound (Union Pacific) Railroad for franchise for a spur track on Hume street from Division to F streets, property owners along the thoroughfare are circulating a petition asking the Council to refuse to pass the ordinance.

It is probable that a meeting will be held at the City Hall tomorrow night, when plans for organizing opposition will be framed.

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The stories that emanated from Los Angeles of a plan to dispose of D. W. Long as secretary proved a bloomer. The subject was not even brought up by the meeting, but it is supposed to be the father of the idea, and in any event, Long had enough votes to hold him, had the scheme been brought before the meeting and there was nothing to ruffle the harmony of a fully represented session.

Feronian Society Wins. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—The Feronian Literary Society carried off first honors in the girls' inter-collegiate literary contest last night. Missie Price won the extempore reading contest, Esther Leech the oratorical section, and Vera Haskell the impersonations.

Marshfield Plant Sold. MARSHFIELD, Or., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—A representative of Billingsby & Co., of Chicago, is looking over the plant of the Cross Bay Gas & Electric Company here and it is understood a deal is about to be closed whereby the local electric gas plant will be bought by the Chicago firm. The company here is owned by Hewitt & Bell, of Tacoma.

switching locomotive with a pistol, and warned them that he would kill them if they dared to move the engine out of the building.

The Prosecuting Attorney's office today issued a warrant for the arrest of John Bungentock, a union painter, who is alleged to have assaulted and severely beaten Joseph F. Groh, a contractor painting some Italian figures in the dome of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, after demanding that Groh produce a union card. In the construction of the big church of the union painter, it was maintained, and at one time the police had much difficulty in preventing violence.

DAYTON, Wash., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—Escaping without a scratch, what looked for a time like certain death, was the experience of George Hubbard, a young rancher living ten miles south of Dayton.

The accident was a peculiar one. Hubbard discovered several days ago a wad fastened in his rifle, which was a powerful 30-30. Busy with his farm work he neglected to remove the obstruction. The appearance of the other morning of three o'clock in his barnyard caused him to disregard caution and leveling the weapon across a log he fired. A terrific explosion followed and flying steel and wood were buried in the frozen ground all about the man. Hubbard was not scratched, although he fears he may lose his hearing. Parts of the gun were never found.

VANCOUVER RAID SUCCESS "Chinks" Dens Entered by Police Reveal Tunnels Under City.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 24.—(Special.)—A raid today by Chief of Police Chamberlain, three detectives and several officers on a gambling den in Chinatown has revealed a series of underground tunnels and cellars which would vie with the caverns in San Francisco for extent and filth. They were a big surprise to the police.

Only one white man, out of 25 captured by the police in dens, was found. Numerous gambling paraphernalia were carried away and an exploitation of the underground tunnels made.

The latter contain the worst assortment of rubbish and best-planned series of escapes and hidden places for Orientals and criminals that could be conceived.

GANG OF EIGHT IS TAKEN Detectives Make Raid on Room Full of Criminals.

Eight criminals with long records were taken by Detectives Snow and Coleman in a room in a building at Grand avenue and East Davis street last night. They are held on the charge of vagrancy pending an investigation.

John McGuire, James Jordan, Harry Peavey, H. E. Carpenter, Albert Williams, Elmer Mason, George Dempsey and Charles Brandt are the names given. McGuire and Jordan are in the reformatory. Since his release from the Penitentiary, where he served two years for a burglary, McGuire has been soliciting the city of Vancouver to give him a gallery. The latter contain the worst assortment of rubbish and best-planned series of escapes and hidden places for Orientals and criminals that could be conceived.

FATHER CONFESSES CRIME Choir Singer Says He Killed Child to Prevent Wife's Disgrace.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Jan. 24.—Confessing to the "Schwartz roll" infamy, a man whose body was found in a creek with its throat cut, Willard E. Thomas, a singer in a local church choir, was charged today with the murder of his wife, who he maintains that she is innocent of any part in the crime.

The child was born several days after the marriage of its parents. The police declare that Thomas admits having killed his wife, and that he hopes of saving himself and his wife from disgrace.

PORTLAND MAY GET TEAM (Continued From First Page.)

State League to open each week in San Francisco.

Meeting All Harmony. A similar change, which has been sought by Director James Brooks, of Vernon, was granted. The midweek game at Vernon will be played on Friday afternoon of each week while the Tuesday game will take place at Chutes Park, Los Angeles.

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CAR TAKES PLUNGE Automobile Runs Over Cliff, Taking Six Lives.

TUMBLES END - OVER - END Kansas City Contractor Loses Control and Three of Party Are Instantly Killed, Three Others Sure to Die.

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