



RATES STAY DOWN TWO YEARS MORE

Commission Refuses to Give Roads Respite.

ADVANCE MUST BE ANNULLED

Offer to Suspend it Voluntarily Till November Fails.

SUBMISSION IS LIKELY

Eastern Lines Vainly Appeal for Brief Suspension of New Tariff. Conference Will Decide Whether Roads Appeal.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Denial of the request of the railways of official classification territory that they be permitted voluntarily to suspend proposed advances in class freight rates from March 15 until November 1 next was made by the Interstate Commerce Commission today.

In the decisions announced in the great rate cases ten days ago the commission directed that the proposed tariffs advancing rates be annulled on or before March 15. If this direction were not followed, the commission announced that on that date it would issue an order recalling the rates and putting into effect, for at least two years, the existing rates.

Participating in the conference today were President W. C. Brown and General Solicitor Clyde Brown, of the New York Central; President James McCrea and General Counsel F. I. Gowen, of the Pennsylvania; President Daniel Willard and General Counsel Hugh Bond, of the Baltimore & Ohio; President Frederick Underwood and General Counsel George Brownell, of the Erie, and Walker D. Hines, representing the Delaware & Hudson.

It was suggested to the commission that the carriers in official classification territory be permitted to postpone voluntarily the tariffs proposed to take effect on March 15 to November 1 next, in order that they might have opportunity to ascertain the general result of this fiscal year's business.

Their contention was that this year's business might show a falling off from the revenues of 1910, which would afford them an opportunity again to ask the commission to consider an advance in rates, perhaps some time late next autumn, when they would be enabled to make a better showing in support of the request than they made in the recent cases.

Their desire also to ascertain whether the record made in the recent cases would be available in any future proceedings they might institute.

Commission Denies Request. Denial of the request was made in a letter to President Brown, of the New York Central, written by Commissioner Prouty on behalf of the Commission. The letter says:

"The committee of which you are chairman requests that defendant carriers in the Eastern rate advance case, No. 2490, be allowed to postpone their tariffs of advanced rates until November 1 next instead of cancelling the same, as now required by the Commission.

"After considering the reasons adduced in support of this request, those members of the Commission who are in Washington are unanimously of the opinion that it must be denied and that we must adhere to the report, which clearly states the attitude of this body toward the future.

"With respect to the suggestion that in any future proceedings the present record will not be available if these tariffs are canceled, it is proper to observe that this proceeding was instituted by the Commission itself and that the record is entirely subject to its control, either with respect to further proceedings on the same record or with respect to new proceedings involving the same issue."

Roads Will Submit.

Tomorrow at the New York Central offices in New York City a general meeting of Eastern railway officials will be held, at which the participants in today's conference will make their report. It is probable that a decision will be reached to cancel the proposed advances in accordance with the direction of the Commission and, in the light of developments, let the future take care of itself.

TWO TEXANS SEEK LIGHT

They Want to Know From Bailey and Lorimer All About Purity.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 6.—In the House today Representatives Terrell and Shannon introduced a resolution, inviting United States Senators Bailey and Lorimer to come to Texas at an early date and address the Legislature on the subject of "Purity in Politics."

Bailey's friends instantly protested against a second reading of the resolution, which, the Speaker assured them, would not be permitted.

RAVAGED BY FIRE, LOST SHIP IS SAFE

WITH CAPTAIN BLIND, ARYAN LIMPS INTO SAN DIEGO.

After 207 Days Coming From Philadelphia, Crew Has Pitiful Tale of Hardship to Tell.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 6.—Two hundred and seven days out from Philadelphia, the American ship Aryan, which had been given up for lost, arrived here late today. Members of the crew tell a story of unusual suffering.

Hardly had the ship left Philadelphia before a fire broke out in the cargo. For more than two weeks the men of the crew fought the flames, which, at one time, appeared to have gotten beyond control.

Orders were given to abandon the ship, but the smoke appearing to be less heavy, the attack on the fire was resumed and it was put out the next day.

From then on the ship was almost constantly fighting heavy storms and strong head winds. Eighty days ago, as the ship was rounding the Horn, Captain Klimmitz was suddenly stricken blind, and the first officer took command.

Captain Klimmitz was given medical attention when the ship arrived today, but it is feared that he will be permanently blind.

HEINZE IS RICH AGAIN

Copper King, Hit by Panic, Makes New Fortune in Canada.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 6.—(Special.)—F. Augustus Heinze, former copper king of Montana, who went on the rocks of financial difficulty in the money stringency of 1907, with his brother Arthur Heinze, has struck it rich again. This time he has found a fortune in the Porcupine Gold Fields in Northern Canada, and is now well on his way to regain his position in the world of affairs.

Charles E. Herron, a well-known Nome mining man, who has just reached Seattle from the new gold fields, is an authority for the report that Heinze is once more "inside the big money." He has procured the Foster group of claims, adjoining the celebrated "Dome" mines, from which it is estimated that \$2,000,000 will be gleaned this year and for the development of which a railroad is now under construction.

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\$30,000 IS BOY'S PROFIT

J. R. Keene's Telephone Operator Testifies in Hocking Pool Inquiry.

NEW YORK, March 6.—W. J. Roman, a telephone boy in the office of James R. Keene, made \$30,000 in a Wall Street speculation, according to his testimony today in the bankruptcy proceedings of Lathrop, Haskins & Company, one of the stock exchange firms caught in the collapse of the Hocking pool.

Creditors are endeavoring to show that Mr. Keene was responsible for the failure of the pool and that young Roman, knowing the collapse was imminent, turned his knowledge to good account.

Mr. Keene knew nothing of his transactions, he testified, and he kept the stock in his own safety vault.

UTILITY FRANCHISES GIVEN

Vancouver Council Awards Rights to Public-Service Corporations.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 6.—(Special.)—The City Council tonight granted to the Oregon-Washington Corporation, recently formed to take over the gas, water and traction systems, three 50-year franchises for these utilities and to the Mount Hood Light & Power Company, supplying the city with electric light and power, a 50-year franchise.

The Oregon-Washington Corporation agrees to spend \$500,000 on improvements in the near future. A gravity water system will offer five protection, and the city will install 100 new hydrants.

REED TO MARRY PARISIAN

Portland Man at Harvard Announces His Engagement.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 6.—(Special.)—John S. Reed (Harvard '10), of Portland, Or., announced today his engagement to Miss Madeline Filon, of Paris, France.

Mr. Reed met his fiancee while visiting a classmate, Walter Pierce, in Paris. Mr. Reed, while at college, was captain of the swimming team, manager of the musical club, vice-president of the dramatic club and occupied editorial positions on the Lampoon and Monthly. He will start in the newspaper business in New York.

RUEF LOSES AGAIN; CELL AWAITS HIM

Supreme Court Refuses to Hear Petition.

GOES TO SAN QUENTIN TODAY

Only Hope of Escape Is Now Habeas Corpus Petition.

THAT APPEARS TOO LATE

Federal Court May Next Be Begged to Save ex-Boss—Written Appeal to Supreme Court May Be Made From Prison.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—(Special.)—Convicted boss Abe Ruef made a last play today to prevent his removal to San Quentin prison for 14 years and lost, so that tomorrow morning will probably see the arch-grafter, who has lived like a sybarite at the French restaurants for years, eating plain prison fare.

Ruef a week ago obtained a stay of sentence on the ground that he wished to attend to private business before going to prison. Instead, he devoted the time to studying up technical points for blocking justice.

After giving the five hours' notice to the District Attorney which the judge's order required, Ruef applied late this afternoon to the California Supreme Court for permission to present a petition for the court to reconsider its recent orders and to grant a stay in the meantime. The court refused to consider Ruef's appeal, because, as Chief Justice Beatty said, it presented no new facts, but merely threatened over the old history of the case.

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AUTO RACES DEATH, WINS

Woman Takes Poison by Mistake, Corvallis Machine Speeds.

CORVALLIS, Or., March 6.—(Special.)—In almost a mile-a-minute rush today an automobile saved the life of Mrs. Fred Cooper, who drank poison, mistaking it for medicine. Delay of five minutes would have been fatal.

The Cooper's live three miles from Corvallis. As soon as Mrs. Cooper's mistake was learned a telephone message was sent to Corvallis urging Hartway Brothers to send an automobile at full speed.

Mrs. Cooper seemed to be in the throes of death. She was rushed to Corvallis and was saved by the stomach pump.

"In another five minutes," said the attending physician, "the case would have been hopeless."

The automobile made the round trip, six miles, in nine minutes.

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CORCORAN WAS PAID \$115,000

Attorney Says He Paid It and Saw Corcoran Living in Comfort.

SEATTLE, March 6.—Edward Corcoran, who was adjudged heir to the \$50,000 estate of John Sullivan, a Seattle pioneer, was in feeble health when he visited Seattle two years ago. The property went into the possession of a syndicate of Seattle men, headed by ex-United States Senator Samuel H. Piles, the syndicate paying Corcoran for his rights in the estate.

Fred H. Peterson, who effected the final settlement between Corcoran and the attorneys who had been handling the estate, said tonight that, when Corcoran and his Irish counselor, Charles P. O'Neill, left Seattle July 6, 1909, Corcoran took with him \$10,000 in cash and \$149,000 in bonds of the Provident Investment Company, which

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SULLIVAN'S HEIR POOR AND INSANE

Dublin Sends Sequel to Famous Seattle Suit.

CORCORAN LIVES IN SQUALOR

His Son Asks Court to Send Him to Asylum.

LAWYERS GET HALF MONEY

One Seattle Attorney Induces Heir in Ireland to Sign Away Right to \$250,000 for \$6000, but Deal Is Later Annulled.

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TROOPS RUSHED TO TEXAS

From All Parts of United States Army Is Being Concentrated.

ATLANTA, Ga., March 6.—Orders were issued tonight for the 17th United States Infantry, at Fort McPherson, and the 11th Cavalry, at Fort Ord, Cal., to proceed at once to San Antonio, Tex., for service along the Mexican border.

SALT LAKE CITY, March 6.—The 15th Infantry, U. S. A., received orders tonight to leave Fort Douglas at once for Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

FRESNO, Calif., March 6.—The entire garrison at Fort Whipple, consisting of two companies of infantry, a detachment of hospital corps and a machine gun platoon, received orders tonight to report at Fort Sam Houston, fully equipped for field service.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—Two regiments of infantry, the 20th, from the Presidio here, and the 81st, from Monterey, have been ordered to the Mexican border. The troops comprise 22 companies and four platoons of machine guns.

FARM SELLS FOR \$90,000

Umatilla Wheat Rancher Abandons Soil for Home in Lents.

PENDELTON, Or., March 6.—(Special.)—John Bahr, a wealthy Umatilla County farmer, disposed of his 929-acre wheat ranch near this city today for \$90,000, making one of the most important real estate deals ever consummated in this county.

Barney Anderson, a local farmer, is the purchaser. The land is used exclusively for growing wheat, and for this purpose is regarded as one of the best in the county. Bahr recently gave up farming and purchased a small home at Lents.

COLUMBIA GETS \$2,000,000

University Receives Large Donations Including Kennedy Gift.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Gifts amounting to nearly \$2,000,000 were announced at the meeting of the trustees of Columbia University today. Among the largest was \$230,000 from an anonymous donor to the School of Architecture.

Sums of \$750,000 and \$693,000 from the estates of the late John Stewart Kennedy and George Crofer, on account of bequests previously announced, were included in the list.

Hawley Names West Point Cadet.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, March 6.—Representative Hawley today appointed George C. Henderson, of Medford, as cadet at the West Point Military Academy. Millard I. Gillett, of Oregon City, and Leo Walton, of Salem, are appointed alternates.

10 KITTENS DIE; OWNER GETS \$50

WOMAN WINS SUIT FOR LOSS OF YOUNG FELINES.

Products of Cat Farm Sent to City for Sale, but Succumb to Attack of Homesickness.

Because 10 kittens, sent by Mrs. Emma Chute, of Two Rivers, Wash., to the Portland Bird Company, to be sold, turned up their little pink toes and lost all of their nine lives, suit filed in Justice Court was decided yesterday by Justice Bell in favor of Mrs. Chute, with judgment for \$45.

Mrs. Chute runs a cat farm at the Washington town, and produces felines of high degree for the market. F. A. Stuhr, proprietor of the Portland concern, was one of her customers. Last October she shipped him 10 kittens, worth \$5 apiece, but they grew homesick soon after arriving here, and after making several nights hideous with their caterwauling, expired. Mrs. Chute admitted the receipt of \$45, and sued for the remainder of \$90 due.

Stuhr made answer that the cats were received on commission, but as in several letters offered in evidence he admitted his obligation, judgment went against him.

The case was hard-fought, the deposition of Mrs. Chute being taken at her home at Two Rivers. Much correspondence was offered in evidence.

"I will pay you soon," wrote Stuhr, "but you must remember that I am paying for dead cats. I am loser on the cat deal between \$75 and \$100."

BILL LEADS TO ARREST

Measure Abolishing Capital Punishment Passes; Fugitive Surrenders.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 6.—After listening to the discussion and hearing the Assembly pass a bill abolishing capital punishment, Joseph W. Cooney, wanted as the murderer of his cousin, walked over to the Senate chamber and gave himself up to Senator Thomas Finn, who is Sheriff of San Francisco City and County.

"I'm Joe Cooney and they want me, Tom," he said when the Senator appeared.

"All right," replied Finn, "come along." The two left the Senate chamber without attracting notice.

Investigation showed Cooney had apparently drifted into the Assembly by chance. He listened as a man might to an argument over his own life, until late in the day the lower house decided for the abolition of the death penalty. Cooney then hurried to the Senate chamber.

He is charged with killing his cousin yesterday in a quarrel over a woman.

In the bill passed by the Assembly, murder in the second degree is made punishable by a minimum penalty of 10 years in the penitentiary.

Men Reported Missing

How many men are missing? Where is Johnson, whose horse rushed into town riderless last week? What has become of the stranger who ordered a stock of supplies and has not called for them? These and other questions are heard at every corner and visitors to Boise from the Prairie are recalling midnight shots and screams they regarded as only ordinary at the time.

Lending color to Vaught's declaration that nightriders hold sway over the Prairie, several settlers called by the grand jury told city friends how they had been threatened with tar and feathers by masked men if they did not desist contesting against certain entrymen. Lynching was threatened a few; others showed bruises obtained in fights with entrymen under suspicion.

Gang's Extent Unknown

The extent of the night-rider gang, if one exists, is not known, but the possibility of the power of such a band may be judged from the fact that 200 desert land entries covering 30,000 acres are said to be open to contest on Camas Prairie.

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The evidence was placed in the hands of United States District Attorney Lingenfelter. He ordered Deputy Marshal Beemer to Camas Prairie armed with subpoenas. Mr. Lingenfelter is said to be in possession of sensational evidence tending to show that the alleged nightriders subjected their foes to most inhuman treatment to gain their end.

UMATILLA STREAMS RISE

Rain, Followed by Warm Winds, Is Melting Snow Rapidly.

PENDELTON, Or., March 6.—(Special.)

—Rain last night followed by warm winds this afternoon and evening is causing the snow to disappear rapidly from foothills and mountains. All streams are rising rapidly.

IDAHO HAS NIGHT GANG, IS ASSERTED

Camas Prairie Ruled by Riders Is Plea.

36 ARE SUMMONED BY JURY

Joseph K. Vaught Gets Ear of Uncle Sam.

RIGID INQUIRY STARTED

Man Who Killed D. V. Emmons Declares Victim Was Member of Band of Masked and Mounted Entrymen.

BOISE, Idaho, March 6.—(Special.)—That Camas Prairie, in the heart of Idaho, is swept by cut-throat nightriders whose thirst for blood outrivals that of Kentucky and Tennessee outlaws is the defense offered by Joseph K. Vaught for the murder of D. V. Emmons a month ago.

Subpenas issued for three dozen entrymen pointed to by the lawyer as members of the gang show that the prisoner has caught the ear of Uncle Sam and rigid inquiry by the Federal grand jury now in session is under way. All 36 men accused by Vaught have been ordered to appear before the investigators here March 20.

Midnight raids by mounted masked men, swoops by them, upon protesting entrymen and threats of death by gun, knife and noose are said to have been recited by the alleged murderer in telling why he shot down Emmons February 14.

His victim was a prime mover of the night-rider clique, declares Vaught and he spilled his blood in defense of his own life and homestead.

Settlers, contestants and their witnesses have been the prey of nightriders for months. Vaught is reported as telling the United States District Attorney here.

With the issuance of subpoenas for alleged members of the band of entrymen accused by Vaught excitement is at high pitch.

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