



DEBTOR OF JOHN D. STRIPPED IN DEAL

Steel Trust Helped to Get Iron Range.

BULLION GROWS 700 FOLD

Victim Blames Baptist Minister More Than Rockefeller.

OIL MAN TO BE WITNESS

Engineer Says He Was Ordered to Pad Cost of Missabe Railroad to Commission to Justify Ore Rates Charged.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Alfred Merritt, of Duluth, Minn., first president of the Duluth, Missabe & Northern Railroad, who styled himself a "lumber jack," unacquainted with the methods of the "money trust," told the House Steel Trust investigating committee today that through loans of less than \$1,000,000 from John D. Rockefeller, he had lost his holdings in the Missabe iron mines and the railroad property now owned by the United States Steel Corporation and estimated to be worth today as high as \$70,000,000.

Merritt and his brother, Leonidas Merritt, who will testify tomorrow, were among the original mine owners in the Lake Superior region and part owners and builders of the Duluth, Missabe & Northern Railroad. The elder Merritt declared that he was induced, through F. D. Gates, Mr. Rockefeller's secretary "in charge of his charitable work," to put up all his holdings as collateral for loans and Mr. Rockefeller in 1892 and 1893. One loan was for \$120,000.

Minister Aids Scheme. Gates, he said, was a Baptist preacher, in whom he had confidence. The witness related how, two months after he had put up his collateral, Mr. Rockefeller during the panic of 1893, Rockefeller called in the loan, giving him 24 hours to raise \$120,000, and that he and his brother lost their property. He admitted that Mr. Rockefeller offered him an opportunity to buy his property back within a year, but declared that the oil king told financiers to "keep hands off and that he was unable to raise money anywhere.

Rockefeller to Be Called. The introduction of Mr. Rockefeller's name in this manner almost resulted in the issuance of subpoenas duces tecum for him to appear before the committee with the contract made at the time of the Merritt loans. Representative Beall, of Texas, moved that this be done. No objection was heard when Chairman Stanley put the motion, but the committee decided later in the executive session not to call Mr. Rockefeller until Leonidas Merritt had testified.

The Merritts were first parties to a transaction with Mr. Rockefeller and others in the formation of the Lake Superior Consolidated Iron Mines. In this the mines of the region of the Duluth, Missabe & Northern were consolidated. Out of this a suit by the Merritts against Rockefeller developed on the ground of misrepresentation of the value of mining properties turned in by the Rockefeller interests.

Offer From John D. Refused. Subsequently Rockefeller paid the Merritts \$225,000 in settlement for this. Before the settlement and after he had lost his holdings and ceased to be president of the railroad, Mr. Merritt testified, Mr. Gates went to him and said that Mr. Rockefeller wanted him to continue as president of the road for another year.

POLICE JOB LISTED WITH PROFESSIONS

MANKIND'S SINS MAKE CALLING, SAYS CHURCHMAN.

"Doctors, Lawyers, Ministers and Officers Are Among Learned," Is Preface to Chief's Talk.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—Classification of policemen as members of the learned professions, along with doctors, lawyers and ministers, was made by President T. J. Gary, of the Congregational Brotherhood, when he introduced Acting Chief of Police Slover, of Portland, at a meeting of the organization here last night. President Gary explained that the ministers, lawyers and doctors made their living because of the sins of mankind, and pointed out that Mr. Slover qualified in the same category.

PATRONS FIGHT CARMEN

Seattle Police Time Bouts So That Law, May Be Obedied.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—With the police standing aside and holding a stop watch on the fights between passengers and conductors and motormen, the Seattle, Renton & Southern and Seattle Electric companies are complaining of a lack of protection from the city authorities. They say they are practically helpless against the rowdism of a vicious element of the city, who declare themselves representatives of the people of Rainier Valley, but who really constitute an infinitesimal part of that community.

FIRST ICE MOVEMENT OUT

Nome Reports Roadstead Will Be Closed Soon by Floes.

NOME, Alaska, Nov. 21.—The first ice movement in Bering Sea this season moved down from the Arctic and drifted into the roadstead. The floes did not remain long and soon were carried out to sea by the tide. The oldest pioneer can recall no season in which the ice has been so late. The floes are moving southward and it is believed the roadstead will soon be closed.

1:30 OWL CARS TO BE TRIED

On Sunday Morning Street Railway Company Will Start Move. Beginning Sunday morning at 1:30 the streetcar company will start its "owl" car service. Announcement was made yesterday by officials of their intention to put on one more car on each line to make the run at that time every morning of the week, except Monday. The company has decided to put on this service as an experiment.

HOUD DIES FROM DRINK

TRENTON, N. J., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—Ben Franklin, a valuable English greyhound owned by Edward Tschopp, outside the city, has died, and the cause of his demise, veterinary surgeons agree, was Bright's disease superinduced by alcoholism. Ben could drink more beer in a day than any two men, and for the past two years he scarcely drew a sober breath. Those who knew Ben's mother say that she was even a regular tippler than her offspring. He had a regular round of saloons to cover almost daily.

CASTRO VICTOR IN BATTLE

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 21.—A dispatch to the Nuevo Era from Caracas today says that General Cipriano Castro, ex-president of Venezuela, has won in a battle which occurred in Venezuela day before yesterday, having entered his native country with thousands of followers.

REBELS MASSING OUTSIDE NANKING

Attack on City Is Believed Imminent.

BESIEGERS ARE WELL ARMED

Canton Officials Reported Deserting Posts.

ATTACK ON PEKIN PLANNED

Republican Commander in Southern City Holds Troops in Readiness for Movement Against Imperial Capital.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—Revolutionary troops are assembling in great numbers just outside of Nanking, according to a cable dispatch received today by the Chinese Free Press. Advice says that the troops are commanded by General Chao Shu Ching, former General under the Manchu government. The attack on Nanking is expected to begin within a few hours. The revolutionists are well supplied with arms and ammunition.

AMERICAN WOMAN IS SLAIN

Further Confirmation of Massacre of Foreigners Received. PEKIN, Nov. 21.—The killing of foreigners at Sian Fu, Shap Si province, has been further confirmed by two Chinese students who have arrived from that city.

During the fighting in Sian Fu a mob attacked the China Island Mission, just outside the city. The mob murdered Mrs. Beckman, who is said to be an American, and five of the mission children. Mr. Beckman was wounded, but escaped, saving an infant.

Now Let the Ladies Show What They Can Do. A resolution declaring that the proposed manhood suffrage bill, leaving it to the House of Commons to decide whether women should be given a vote.

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SUFFRAGETTES ARE BEATEN IN BATTLE

Attempt to Storm Parliament Fails.

LONDON POLICE VICTORIOUS

Prominent Women Are Among Those Under Arrest.

MUCH PROPERTY DAMAGED

Premier's Refusal to Pledge Government to Bill Giving Equal Suffrage to Both Sexes Leads to Disturbance.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—The suffragettes fared badly at the hands of the police tonight. They had threatened to force their way into the House of Commons and make a protest on the floor against the Prime Minister's refusal to pledge the government to a bill giving equal suffrage to both sexes, but they failed to reach the entrance to Parliament. Thwarted by the police, who arrested 22 women and three men, the suffragettes resorted to a campaign of window smashing. Driven from Parliament Square by the police, 1800 of whom were on duty, the women, accompanied by sympathizers and gangs of rowdies, proceeded through Whitehall, armed with bags of stones, concealed under their coats, and broke windows in public offices, the Liberal headquarters and the National Liberal Club. They extended their operations to the Strand, where windows of the Postoffice Bank and other private concerns suffered from the onslaught.

Premier Angers Women. The militant tactics of the suffragettes followed a statement by Premier Asquith, that the government was unable to introduce a bill to enfranchise women, as the cabinet was divided on the question, but would allow an amendment to be introduced to the proposed manhood suffrage bill, leaving it to the House of Commons to decide whether women should be given a vote.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—Initial steps toward bonding Chehalis County for \$1,000,000 to build permanent good roads, to organize a company to finish the uncompleted part of the Aberdeen to Westport road, and to install and operate a ferry in connection with the road, were among the important matters taken up at the regular weekly luncheon of the Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce at the Hotel Washington.

7 CHICKEN HEADS ARE COURT KNOT

MAN CAUGHT IN COOP, DEAD FOWLS AROUND HIM.

Judge Must Decide Whether Slaughter Constitutes Theft of Which Dan Riley Is Accused.

Chicken heads for a second time recently formed the basic evidence in a larceny case, when Dan Riley went to trial in the Municipal Court yesterday on a charge of raiding the chicken coop of John Norris at 19 Killingsworth avenue. Before the blanched face of the prisoner the heads of seven Buff Cochins were dumped on the table, after the defense had made strenuous efforts to exclude the exhibit. Norris told of hearing a noise in the chicken-house and of his strategical maneuvers to keep the exit covered without going too near the intruder. "You are not a brave man," said the attorney for the defense. "I may live the longer," said Norris. Norris said he whistled, to let the intruder know he was about, until another inmate of the house came, when he went across the street for Patrolman Mallon. Mallon, with gun and flashlight, entered the coop and found Riley, who was just released from jail that day, pretending to be in a drunken sleep, while the decapitated chickens lay around him, some still kicking.

SCHOLARSHIP TAKES DROP

University of Washington Students Flanked and Conditioned in Scores.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, Nov. 21.—(Special.)—With 14 students flunked this year and 470, or one-fourth the attendance at the university conditioned, scholarship standing at Washington is in a worse condition than it has been for years. The number of conditions are just double that of last month. "Such a condition is a disgrace to the university," said Dean Sewall Haggart today. "I can see no reason or cause for such a showing as this. Something is radically wrong somewhere, and the trouble must be in the student himself. Those who have received conditions should be careful to remove them at once as they are a stain on their scholarship throughout the semester." The new rules which make it possible for a student to get a flunk, probation or condition at the end of a month instead of six months are largely responsible for the poor showing. Students will play along, according to Dean Haggart, until toward the end of the year and then will cram enough to get through.

TURKEY MARKET WAVERS

Middle West Floods Coast With Birds and Price Takes Drop.

ROSEBURG, Or., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—As a result of flooding the Northwest buying centers with turkeys from the Middle Western States, the Douglas County market is today in a state of uncertainty. A week ago Roseburg buyers were offering 25 cents a pound for dressed birds, while today the same class of produce is tentatively quoted at 20 cents. Most of the Douglas County buyers are refusing to accept turkeys until such time as the market becomes normal.

CLEW TO LING IS FOUND

Arrest of Murderer of Elsie Siegel May Come Soon. CLEVELAND, Nov. 21.—The arrest of Leon Ling, sought for two years or more for the murder of Elsie Siegel in New York, may follow action of the Cleveland police who tonight telegraphed the authorities of a Texas city asking them to find Ling. Information on which the police acted reached them as the result of a long feud.

ITALIANS REPULSE TURKS

Aeroplanes, Acting as Scouts, Tell of Enemy's Position. TRIPOLI, Nov. 21.—The Italians report that the Turks were repulsed yesterday in three outposts with 29 killed. Five aeroplanes, returning to camp, reported that there had been no change in the Turkish position. They succeeded in dropping bombs inside the Turkish camp, which was destroyed. At the same time the Italian armored cruiser Carlo Alberto bombarded the village of Amrus and the fort of Hennl, a few miles from Tripoli.

AVIATOR FALLS 400 FEET

Kald Belton's Injuries, Say Physicians, May Be Fatal. CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—Kald Belton, a former English army officer, studying aviation in the Pullman field here, fell 400 feet in an aeroplane today. His injuries, physicians say, may be fatal.

GIRL TELLS OWN STORY OF TARRING

Villagers Strain Ears to Catch Words.

DAY IN COURT DRAMATIC

Mary Chamberlain Is Calm as She Recites Great Wrong.

DECOY GIVES NEW FACTS

Barber Who Led Schoolma'am Into Trap Relates How She Thwarted Part of Rustics' Plan to Humiliate Her.

LINCOLN CENTER, Kan., Nov. 21.—This was Mary Chamberlain's day in court in the "tar party" case. Facing three of the men accused of complicity in attacking her on a country road north of Shady Bend on the night of October 7, in a crowded room she told of her horrifying experience. Her story was dramatic for its simplicity. She gave a coherent narrative of the episode in a low, even voice. Not once did she entirely lose her self-control. Nor did she speak with any feeling against the defendants. Had she been telling of the experience of some other person, she could not have been calmer.

Jury Listens Intently. Throughout the time she was on the stand she watched the jury, and every jurymen gave her story the closest attention. On cross-examination her story was unshaken. A crowd of men, the majority of whom have attended every session of the trial in the hope that they might be present when she told her story, strained their ears in an effort to catch her every word, and perhaps a hundred persons vied with one another outside the doors for places near the entrance in the hope of catching a word of her testimony.

State Rests Case. The girl was on the witness stand about half an hour. The defense reserved the right to recall her later. With the completion of her testimony, the state rested its case. The defense immediately began its examination of witnesses, and 10 had been questioned when adjournment was taken tonight. It was not the freshness of Miss Chamberlain's story that held the interest of the throng, for she told little that was not known. Her narrative set forth how Edward Ricord, a village barber, decoyed her into the country on the pretense of going to a dance, of his alleged insults and their decision to return home; how, when they had gone a short distance, a party of five masked men dragged her from the buggy, while Ricord fled, and the subsequent pouring of tar on her body and limbs by one man, while others rubbed it in with their hands; how by this experience she was rendered unconscious and later awoke to find herself being driven home by the companion who had deserted her, and how she tar clinging to her body for days after the attack.

Assaults Not Recognized. She said she failed to recognize any of her assailants. The different viewpoints of the plaintiff and at least one of the defendants regarding the case stood out plainly when the defense offered the testimony of James Booz, a few minutes after Miss Chamberlain had finished her dramatic story. Booz started to the "tarring," but did not reach there. "Why did you wish to go?" he was asked by Prosecutor McCanness. "I just wanted to see the fun," he replied. "By fun you mean the process of putting tar on Miss Chamberlain?" "Yes." Booz under Arrest. Booz is under arrest but not on trial now. The three defendants now before the court are Sherrill Clark, A. N. Simms and John Schmidt, charged with complicity in the attack. A. N. Simms, the first defendant to take the stand, testified regarding conversation at the mill. "I heard them say it was the intention to hold up Mary and Ed," he said. "Chester Anderson said it was the plan to catch the couple in a compromising position at a designated point." It was noticeable that not a woman besides Miss Chamberlain and her mother was in the courtroom. The rule regarding the exclusion of minors was strictly enforced. None of the witnesses who testified during the morning session gave any detailed testimony regarding the actual act of "tarring." The prosecution used the witnesses simply in an effort to establish a chain of evidence showing the three defendants now on trial were involved in planning the attack and actually started to attend the "party." It is the contention of these three men that they took no part in spreading the paint and were not present when it was done.

Man's Remarks Indecent. Miss Chamberlain described Ricord's injuries, physicians say, may be fatal. (Concluded on Page 2.)

