

MELLEN PROMISES HE WILL TELL ALL

Ex-President of New Haven Has Attitude of Eagerness as He Testifies.

POSITION DUE TO MORGAN

Desire to "Reach People of Influence" in Effort to Amend Charter Admitted—Deals Carried On by T. F. Byrnes.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Cool, composed and responding readily to the fusillade of questions put to him, Charles S. Mellen, ex-president of the New Haven & Hartford Railroad, today began before the Interstate Commerce Commission what is expected to be one of the most amazing stories ever told in the history of high finance.

Mr. Mellen, placed on the stand over the emphatic protest of Attorney-General McReynolds, is the principal witness in the proceeding through which the Commission, by direction of the United States Senate, is endeavoring to develop the facts concerning the financial operations of the New Haven and its subsidiaries, as well as of the much-discussed "Billard Company."

Full Evidence Promised. He promised to place at the disposal of the Commission every fact and "every scrap of paper with a New Haven mark on it" relating to the transactions with which he had to do as president of the New Haven system.

It was evident that Mr. Mellen is strongly desirous of telling his story. He had indicated his desire in letters heretofore produced in the inquiry, in which he said he was tired of bearing the brunt of the criticism heaped upon him for the New Haven transactions, and that, if blame attached to them, he proposed to put the blame where it belonged.

As a witness, Mr. Mellen told of negotiations with ex-inspector Byrnes, of New York, for the exchange of \$6000 of New Haven shares for 24,000 shares of West Chester stock, because he thought that Byrnes had influence with people whom "it was necessary to reach." Mr. Mellen said he would have been willing to deal with the "devil or anybody else" in the transaction.

Reward Bestowed by Morgan. When Mr. Mellen was asked who was responsible for making him president of the New Haven, he named J. P. Morgan.

"Where did you meet Mr. Morgan to discuss the matter of the presidency of the New Haven," he was asked. "In his office in New York. My connection with the Northern Pacific required me to visit Northern Pacific about a year and the fact that I was president of that road brought me into close relations with Mr. Morgan."

"I entered into negotiations with Mr. Morgan concerning the New Haven presidency, Mr. Morgan simply told me he was going to make me president. I thought it was a reward for good service."

Mr. Mellen said his salary was \$50,000 a year for a time and afterward \$50,000.

Charter Changes Desired. Mr. Mellen explained that the power to grant the franchise of the West Chester road was in the hands of the board of estimate of New York City, and continued:

"When I was carrying on this transaction through Byrnes, I had a hunch he could reach people of influence in regard to having the change made in the proposed charter. I wanted to reach the people it was necessary to reach. I wanted the devil or anybody else who could amend the charter."

Asked as to the names that appeared on the West Chester shares as holders of the stock, Mr. Mellen said:

"The shares apparently were made out in the names of clerks and others." Mellen said he believed an attempt was made to conceal the owners of the stock.

VETERANS HAVE AUXILIARY

Albany Women Form Organization Named for Dewey.

ALBANY, Or., May 14.—(Special).—The first women's auxiliary to the Spanish War Veterans formed in the state outside of Portland has been organized in this city. It is to be known as "Dewey Auxiliary" and is auxiliary to Camp Phillips, No. 4, of this city.

The only other similar organization in the state is the auxiliary to Scout Young Camp, of Portland.

Mrs. Eva Patterson has been chosen president of the new organization and other officers are as follows: Mrs. C. H. Baker, senior vice-president; Mrs. Alvin C. Baker, junior vice-president; Mrs. W. A. Salsbury, secretary; Mrs. Dora Flood, treasurer; Mrs. Fred Westbrook, conductor; Mrs. W. D. Morris, assistant conductor; Mrs. M. L. Peters, guard; Miss Allie Worrell, musician.

BRADLEY NOT CANDIDATE

Kentucky Senator Dreads New Campaign; Gallinger May Run.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Senator Bradley, of Kentucky, Republican, tonight announced that ill-health and inability to bear the hardships of a campaign compelled him to announce that he would not be a candidate for reelection. He is serving his first term, which ends next March.

Senator Gallinger, leader of the minority and oldest Senator in point of continuous service, is expected to announce Saturday whether he will be a candidate. Friends believe he has decided to make the race.

STORES WILL CELEBRATE

Astorian to Close June 3, When Work on New Project Starts.

ASTORIA, Or., May 14.—(Special).—The Merchants' Association of this city held a meeting today and decided to close all the stores in the city the entire day on Wednesday, June 3.

On that day there will be a dual celebration of the beginning of work on the construction of the Hill terminal docks and the Astoria public wharves.

ORENCO TO AID MARKET

Produce to Be Brought In by Special Truck in Time for Parade.

ORENCO, Or., May 14.—(Special).—At a well-attended meeting of the

farmers and growers near Orenco Monday night, final arrangements were made for attending the opening day of the public market in Portland Saturday.

C. D. Minton, secretary of the Portland Public Market Association, and Mr. Atchison, of the Progressive Business Men's League, were present. W. J. Head was appointed to take charge of the produce from Portland.

R. S. Hurd, of the White Motor Truck Company, has agreed to send an auto truck and driver free of charge to arrive at Orenco Friday night. As the Orenco Marketing Association has not yet erected a warehouse, the Oregon Nursery Company has given free use of its parking-house. The produce will be brought in Friday evening. The truck will leave at 7 A. M. Saturday morning, arriving in Portland in time for the parade. Banners are being prepared to decorate the truck, and the Bethany district will have two floats in the parade.

ROSE WAR NOW ENDED

PORTLAND INSISTS UPON VISIT FROM PASADENA KNIGHTS.

Conference Ends Discussion and Itinerary Includes Afternoon Stop Here in June.

PASADENA, Cal., May 13.—(Special).—All the horrors of a bitter war in which thousands of roses yet unbudded might have been sacrificed have been averted. Mediation has triumphed again. Pasadena and Portland are at peace.

When it became known to the Royal Rosarians a few weeks ago that the Pasadena Knights of the Rose Tournament were going to make a trip to the Canadian Northwest late in June, on a special train, the Rosarians decided that the Knights must make Portland their abiding place for at least one day, even though the great floral classic would be over before the date of the visit.

"Not so" came the reply from the Pasadena Knights, for even as was said to the youth "he who should kiss a girl whom he had taken to the theater, to supper and home in a taxicab, you have done enough for us. It is our turn to entertain, and we will not insinuate ourselves upon your hospitality until you have returned on our visit."

The Knights held a war conference. The special train itinerary has just been completed, and it calls for a stop in Portland from 3 to 12 P. M. the afternoon of June 29.

Calgary is the objective point of this year's trip, and all the wonders of the Pacific Coast festivals—with special reference to the Pasadena Tournament of Roses—are to be told all along the line. Seattle, Victoria, Vancouver and Spokane are scheduled for visits, but there is probably keener anticipation concerning the Portland stop than any other.

APPLE MARKET IN PERIL

LONDON OBJECTS TO FRUIT SHOWING COPPER SULPHATE.

Only One State in United States Mentioned as Offending, but Consul Sends Warning.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 13.—The presence of copper sulphate on some of the American apples sold in the London market the past winter has given rise to considerable adverse comment in the London newspapers, according to a report from Consul-General Griffiths at London, and the intimation is conveyed that unless apples free from this deposit are shipped abroad the market is likely seriously to be impaired.

Mr. Griffiths says that evidences of copper sulphate spray are found on the apples shipped from only one state. He does not designate the state using this particular form of spray, but the mere fact that some American apples go onto the London market with this poisonous substance still on them is likely to affect the importation of apples from the United States generally.

The Department of Commerce, seeing in this report a hint that should receive attention, has referred it to the Department of Agriculture, and it is expected that within a short time the latter department will issue a warning to apple exporters.

TUG OF WAR IS FEATURE

Albany Has First of Series of Summer Band Concerts.

ALBANY, Or., May 14.—(Special).—Leading ministers, lawyers and doctors of this city tugged at one end of a rope here last night, while merchants exerted their efforts on the other in a tug of war, which was the leading event of Albany's first social evening and public band concert of the summer. The merchants won.

The band concert was given by the Albany High School Band in the new bandstand, which was worked last week on the grounds of the Central public school. It was attended by several hundred people.

REFUGE IS SOUGHT

Suffragettes Demand Sanctuary of Unionist Leaders.

LONDON, May 14.—"General" Mrs. Flora Drummond, leader of the militant suffragettes, pitched her camp today on the doorstep of Sir Edward Carson's residence in Eaton place and informed the "Unionist" leader that she, as a militant, had come to him as another militant to seek his protection from arrest.

CAMPS MADE ON DOORSTEP

"General" Flora Drummond Appeals to Sir Edwin Carson as Fellow Militant—Mrs. Dacre-Fox Takes Nightie Along.

Mrs. Drummond had been summoned to appear at the Police Court today in connection with her campaign of militancy. As she had made up her mind not to appear before the magistrats, she expected to be arrested and declared that she would remain on Sir Edward Carson's doorstep and appeal to him for protection when the police arrived to take her into custody.

Mrs. Dacre-Fox, another prominent militant, who also had been summoned to appear at the Police Court on a charge of inciting women to commit crime, appealed to the Marquis of Lansdowne, Unionist leader in the House of Lords, at his residence in Berkeley square. She hammered at the door for a long time, attracting a big crowd, before being arrested.

Mrs. Dacre-Fox was subsequently released and immediately returned to Lord Lansdowne's house and renewed her demand for sanctuary. Apparently she had given up hope of securing a lodging, as the night attire which she had brought with her in the morning was taken away by a friend in the course of the afternoon.

Neither Mrs. Dacre-Fox nor "General" Drummond appeared at the Police Court to answer the summons sent to them and they were later arrested.

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In crocheting, embroidering, knitting, tating and all kinds of fancy needle-work. —Fifth Floor

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10 New Models in Women's Summer Suits Rushed to Us by Express—They Are Exceptional And Were Obtained Under Extraordinary Conditions We Doubt if You Have Ever Seen Their Equal Before—Regular Price \$25 to \$35 \$17.50

These suits were ordered by a New York department store and when almost ready for delivery were countermanded, owing to the unfavorable weather conditions. The maker of these suits, having no other alternative was obliged to accept the cancellation. Our New York representative was fortunate enough to have the first opportunity to buy the entire lot of suits. We made an offer—it was accepted—the suits shipped and today we place on sale the smartest and most attractive tailored suits ever offered in this city at \$17.50.

10 new midsummer models of serge gabardine, fancy wool crepes and poplins. They are reproductions following in the closest detail French imported models. The colors are black, navy, Copen, tan, tango, reseda and black and white checks. The manufacturer from whom these suits come, specializes exclusively in suits where perfect tailoring, style and materials are all essentials. THESE SUITS BEING OF SUCH AN EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER, WE MUST RESTRICT APPROBATIONS, RESERVATIONS AND MAIL ORDERS. —Third Floor.

FIRE BOYS REORGANIZED

St. Johns Department to Have Paid Chief and Assistant.

ST. JOHNS, Or., May 14.—(Special).—Reorganization of the St. Johns Volunteer Fire Department, as recommended by the special committee, was confirmed at the meeting of the City Council Tuesday night. This includes appointment of Lee Cormany as chief and Eric Peterson as assistant. These two will be the permanent paid members.

Contract for improvement of Burr street, between Dawson and Banks streets, was let to Cochran & Nutting for \$6738. This improvement consists of grading and the laying of cement sidewalks. The St. Johns Express Company secured the contract for hauling garbage at 50 cents per load.

VARSITY DIRECTORS READY

State University Men Hope to Win From Washington This Year.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., May 14.—(Special).—The University of Oregon representatives in the Washington-Oregon oratorical-extempore speaking contest to be held in Portland Thursday are prepared to retrieve the double defeat dealt the local talkers last year. The contest occupies a unique place in intercollegiate oratorics, for it combines the two common types of public speaking. The first competition will be between speakers who have prepared and committed their orations in the usual way. The second event will be purely extemporaneous.



HATS ILLUSTRATED WERE SKETCHED DIRECTLY FROM MODELS INCLUDED IN THIS GREAT SALE

500 Smart and Attractively Trimmed \$4 and \$5 Hats \$1.95

When unusually attractive hats awaken expressions of appreciation, there is little need of flowery terms in describing them. A little human interest in advertising serves its purpose, but to us the serious matter is the worthiness and the economy that we offer in our millinery sales. That these hats represent the best in style and material that can be purchased for \$4.00 and \$5.00, are positive of.

When offered at \$1.95 the occasion becomes so unusual—so exceptional—that we have every right to expect a tremendous response.

Two double windows are used to display these trimmed and tailored hats. The assortment is so varied, so comprehensive and in such great variety that we hardly know how to convey more than a partial description to you.

Sailors, side rolls, bandeaux, turbans and close-fitting models attractively trimmed with ribbons, silks, malines, pompons, small, medium and large hats in black and colors for women, misses and matrons. —Second Floor.

La Vida Corsets at Half Price

The La Vida corsets are the corsets which meet with much favor from the best-dressed women. They are graceful, worthy corsets that satisfy every test of comfort and good looks.

Women who can afford the best corsets will choose one of these fashionable models.

Made in many models suitable for large, medium-sized and slender women.

In three different models, made of the best quality coutil and fancy broche with embroidery trimmings.

The best quality boning is used in these models—modeled with low or medium bust line and extreme length over the abdomen, hips and back. Some with elastic goring at the bottom to insure ease in sitting.

\$12.00 La Vida Corsets \$6.00 \$6.00 La Vidas \$3.00—\$5.50 La Vidas \$2.75 Fourth Floor

25% Reduction on All Picture Framing to Order Sixth Floor.

A Free Lecture on New Thought and Psychology will be given Friday morning on the Mezzanine Floor, 11 to 12 M. "The Joys of Living"

The best books on this subject will be discussed and reviewed in this course of free lectures, the first one to be given Friday morning by Dr. De Lory, Ph. D. Everyone interested in philosophy is invited to attend.

Exactly twelve different new styles in these waists of crepe de chine. In white, black, emerald, maize, flesh, peach, lavender, Nile, tango, orange, mahogany, light blue, wistaria and corn. The latest ogandic Gladstone collars are shown on these blouses, as well as the new fancy plaited sailor collars with silk cords, and a number of other new and charming styles. —Third Floor

Great Sale of Imported and American Bristle Goods One-Third to Half Price First Floor.

Good Luck for the Woman Who Needs A Dress of One of the Newest Silks \$12.50 For New \$16.50 to \$25.00 Silk Dresses

This is an offering that will undoubtedly arouse the keenest interest among women who desire a dress that will do service for many social affairs—and even among those who wish dresses for street as well as theater wear. Of chiffon taffeta silks, charmeuse, crepe de chine and wool crepes, serges and black and white shepherd checks. In black, dark blue, Copenhagen blue, tango, reseda, white, mahogany, tan and gold. Fashioned in the newest tunic, bouffant, bustle and tier effects. —Third Floor

The Portland's Sunday dinners are marvels of delicious cookery—to be thoroughly and lingeringly enjoyed.

You and your family are cordially invited; the spacious lobby and parlors, the broad aisles and the pleasant outdoor balconies overlooking the flowering courtyard—all make capital lounging places.

Dinner in Main Dining-Room 5:30 to 8 o'clock \$1.25 Sundays \$1.00 Week Days

The Portland Hotel

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HYDEGRADE WEEK

A Notable Event of Luxurious Cottons The Most Important Sale of Wash Fabrics Ever Held in This Store

An extraordinary offering. It was and still is unrivaled for beauty, novelty and variety. It has been accepted by the public as the most advantageous opportunity of its kind. This interest will continue until the end of the week, presenting a distinctive, exclusive appeal.

40c WOVEN STRIPE CREPE, 29c This fashionable weave comes in white and tinted grounds in crinkled effects. It has a satin warp stripe harmonizing with the ground shade.

85c SILK MIXED RATINE, 59c In this material beauty of texture and durability are combined—soft, clingy, non-crushable—full 36 inches wide. In solid colors in all the new and standard shades.

75c CREPE DE CHINE, 59c This is probably the best adapted dress material for the 1914 styles, is constructed of silk and cotton, and almost defies detection from the all-silk fabric. In all the late colors, also black and white.

50c STRIPE TUB SILK, 39c —32 inches wide, in staple and fancy stripes, in all the new color combinations.

25c CHIFFON SHANTUNG, 17c A silk mixed light weight dress material in solid colors and changeable effects. In 35 of the new colors.

60c PRINTED JACQUARD, 49c A light weight silk and cotton fabric with self Jacquard dots over which are printed floral and figured designs in the latest hues. 36 inches wide.

60c CRYSTAL SILK CREPE, 39c Full 36 inches wide—in solid colors with pebbled surface. Blues, pinks, lavender, black, green and peach. —Basement