ORIENTAL TRADE IS ALL GIVEN AWAY

La Follette Act Said to Have Put American Flag Off Pacific.

JAPANESE NOW IN CONTROL

H. H. Berg, Pacific Mail Officer, Tells Why It Is Impossible to Compete With Low Wages Paid by Other Nations.

"The LaFollette seamen's act does not go into effect until November 4, but already it has made an outright gift of the trans-Pacific carrying trade to the Japanese, and in a short time American ships now running between San Francisco and Central and South American ports will also be withdrawn," said H. H. Berg, purser of the Pacific Mail liner Newport, Wednesday.

Mr. Berg is in Portland on a visit to his brother, Charles F. Berg, prominent in the Chamber of Commerce and Portland Ad Club. He has been with the Pacific Mail eight years, on the San Francisco-Panama run.

"With the sale by the Pacific Mail line of the steamers Mongolia, Manchuria, Korea, Siberia and China, which were under the American flag, and the Persia, under the English flag," continued Mr. Berg, "the Japanese now have the Oriental trade out of San Francisco to themselves. The disposal of these vessels has been a terrific blow to shippers.

Shippers Face Big Losses.

"Some idea of the conditions they are facing may be gained from the fact that the Japanese line which has succeeded to this trade has every foot of space on its ships and every passenger accommodation sold up to the end of January. Shippers can't get space for their goods, can't fill their orders and are up against big losses.

"The opportunity is so tempting that it is understood that another Japanese line is going to enter the field. Shippers have no prospects of relief for a long time to come, however. And the addition of this other line will only serve to give the Japanese a further throttle-hold on the trans-Pacific trade.

"Under the LaFollette act it is simply impossible for American ships to continue in the trans-Pacific trade. This is not theory, but cold fact. The act requires that 75 per cent of the crew must be able to understand the language of the ship's officers, and thus makes it necessary to employ white men as ordinary sailors, waiters, stokers and for other rough work on a vessel.

Handicap Regarded as Impossible.

"Where the Japanese ships pay these men $8 to $10 a month, the American ships will now have to pay $30 to $40 a month. When you consider that the Manchuria carried a crew of 400 men, you can see what an impossible handicap this imposes on American vessels. Without the advantage of being able to employ the same cheap labor that the Japanese lines employ, competition is impossible.

"The Pacific Mail has long been known around the whole world as the best steamship company to work for. Wages on ships on the Pacific Coast are higher than anywhere else in the world, and the Pacific Mail paid higher wages than any of the other Pacific Coast companies. Now it has not only gone out of the trans-Pacific carrying business, but as soon as it can sell its ships, it will go out of the Central and South American business as well.

"It is impossible for anyone who is not in the business or familiar with it to realize what a calamity this will be to the Pacific Coast. Not only in San Francisco, but at all the ports in Central America where these vessels touch, they do realize it, and are clamoring against it.

"When the Pacific Mail ships go out of business the service will probably fall into the hands of tramp steamers, going wherever they get cargoes and not operating on any schedule."

Mr. Berg has been in Portland since Monday. He leaves Portland today for San Francisco to join his ship, the Newport, which sails on October 23. The round trip to Panama takes two months.

NEW WAY SAVES BABIES

GROWTH CAUSING STARVATION IS CONQUERED.

Discovery of Operation for Congenital Pyloric Stenosis Announced by Chicago Physician.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—(Special.)—After working out theories and experimenting on animals for years, Alfred A. Strauss and Isaac A. Abt, of the staff of Michael Reese Hospital, has announced the discovery of a new operation for congenital pyloric stenosis, which, it is said, will save the lives of thousands of babies.

The operation has been performed successfully by the two physicians during the last year, but the first public announcement of the experiment and its success was made today. Many newly born babies are found to have tumorous-like growths around their pylori, which prevent food from passing from the stomach to the intestines. As a result the baby is unable to retain food, it suffers starvation, grows weak and eventually dies.

Instead of forming a new connection, the new operation cuts away the thickened muscles around the pylori. It is a sort of shelling-out process which leaves the opening clear.

DRYS WIN IN MONTANA

County Election for Which Prayer Is Offered Banishes Saloons.

BILLINGS, Mont., Oct. 14.—The local option election today in Richland County, concerning which prayer was offered today in the National W. C. T. U. convention in Seattle, resulted in an overwhelming victory for the drys, according to reports received here late tonight.

The vote in Sydney, the county seat, was drys 301, wets 95.

BERI BERI PATIENTS IN

Peruvian Crew Barely Able to Make Tow Line Fast.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Oct. 14.—The Peruvian barkentine Stella, which passed in at Cape Flattery Tuesday flying signals that all hands were ill of beri beri and unable to work the ship, reached port last night in tow of the United States coast guard cutter Snohomish and the tug Prosper. Hurto Marredonr, the steward, died October 5 of the disease, which made its appearance aboard the ship six weeks ago.

When physicians from the quarantine station boarded the vessel tonight they found four sailors in a serious condition and all the rest of the crew, including the master, too ill to work. It taxed the strength of the men to bring the vessel inside the cape and when the Snohomish arrived they could hardly make fast the tow line.

So weak were the sailors that they could not reef the sails and the Snohomish and the Prosper frequently had to struggle against the wind which filled the loose canvas. The Stella was 74 days making the passage from Callao.

The sick men will be transferred to the marine hospital tomorrow and the ship sent to quarantine for fumigation and cleaning. The quarantine officers said the Stella was in the most unsanitary condition of any vessel that ever came to Puget Sound.

MORE POWER IS WANTED

RAILROAD COMMISSIONS TO PETITION LEGISLATURE.

Authority to Eliminate Ultimately All Grade Crossings on Railroads to Be Asked.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14. — State Legislatures throughout the United States will be petitioned by their respective railroad commissions to adopt laws giving the commissioners power to eliminate, ultimately, all grade crossings, according to a resolution adopted today by the 27th annual convention of the National Association of Railway Commissioners, which is in session here.

The crossings were branded as dangerous. No definite plan looking toward their elimination was adopted.

Alexander Gordon, of San Francisco, a member of the California Railroad Commission, told the convention that figures compiled by the Southern Pacific Company and the Pacific Electric Company, both of California, showed that out of approximately 25,000 persons only 35 stopped and looked in both directions when passing over a railroad grade crossing; 1694 did not stop, but looked in one direction; 8950 kept going, but looked in both directions, while 14,000 neither stopped nor looked on either side.

OFFICER'S FAMILY BARRED

Board Tells Joe Keller State Will Pay for His Maintenance Only.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—Acting on the opinion of Attorney-General Brown, the State Board of Control Wednesday instructed Warden Minto, of the penitentiary, to inform Parole Officer Keller that he no longer is entitled to residence and board for his family at state expense. In a recent ruling the Attorney-General held that the parole officer alone was entitled to maintenance and office room.

Governor Withycombe told the other members of the Board that he believed the original intent of the law was for the parole officer to receive a residence and maintenance for his family, as the law states he shall reside at the prison. Officer Keller offered to pay rent for the house belonging to the state in which he has been living and to pay the state for provisions obtained, but the Board deemed this could not properly be done.

ALLEGED SWINDLER HELD

Promoter Said to Have Induced Many to Invest in Scheme.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—Arrested as L. A. Kingkenny on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, a man known here as L. A. King will be returned to Seattle tomorrow to face charges made by persons who are said to have invested money in his scheme for the manufacture of briquets. He was arrested last night by Sheriff Biesecker.

The prisoner is said also to have organized a company in Portland for the manufacture of briquets.

The man, who is about 60 years old and of impressive appearance, is said to have passed as L. A. Kenney at Seattle and as L. A. King at Spokane, where he was a Justice of the Peace.

ANTHRAX PATIENTS BETTER

Both Mercury and Serum Reported to Have Good Results.

BENSON CITY, Ill., Oct. 14.—Mercury is being used successfully in the treatment of Dr. J. C. Helper, of this city, who is suffering from anthrax, the rare disease which attacks men and cattle, physicians here said today.

Dr. Helper was stricken about the same time as Dr. George F. Stackpole, of New York City, who is being treated with a serum prepared in Government laboratories in Washington.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Physicians who have been aiding George F. Stackpole in his determined five-day fight against anthrax, announced today that the serum obtained from the Government was slowly overcoming the disease.

PACIFIC MAIL STOCK CUT

Capital Reduced, Difference to Be Returned to Stockholders.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Shareholders of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, which is controlled by the Southern Pacific Company, yesterday approved the plan outlined bythe directors calling for a reduction of the capital stock from $20,000,000 to $1,000,000. It was also voted to change the par value of Pacific Mail shares from $100 to $5 and to authorize the amount of capital above the amount of the reduced capital to be returned to stockholders on a proportionate basis, at such times and in such manner as the directors may hereafter determine.

Today's action is the outcome of the withdrawal of the Pacific Mail from the trans-Pacific trade.

BULGARIANS MEET CHECK

Division Reported Almost Annihilated by Serbians.

PARIS, Oct. 14.—Private advices are to the effect that a Bulgarian division was almost annihilated in a fierce battle near Kraguyevats, Serbia, says a dispatch to the Havis Agency from Bucharest dated Tuesday and delayed in transmission.

Kidnaper of Official Sentenced.

MERCED, Cal., Oct. 13.—Albert E. Fisher, convicted of kidnaping City Attorney Henderson with intent to commit robbery and extortion, was sentenced today in the Superior Court to serve 25 years in the state penitentiary at San Quentin.

EX-BANKER SEIGEL SHUNNED IN PRISON

Convicted Merchant Retaliates by Speaking to None, Because He "Isn't Sorry."

MANUAL LABOR NOT DONE

Man Who Defrauded Many Now Is Pondering Over Figures of Bertillon Measurements, Acting as Hall Clerk.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Oct. 9.—When Henry Siegel, the New York banker-merchant, went to Geneseo, last June to accept his ten months' prison sentence, Captain Bill Craig, warden of the Monroe County Penitentiary, happened to be in the village and was introduced to the man who within a few days was to become his enforced guest.

"Well, warden," Siegel asked jokingly, "what kind of work are you going to give me to do in jail?"

"Well, Mr. Siegel," Captain Bill replied, "can you curry horses?"

The former department store magnate, seated in a rocking chair on the porch of the Big Tree Inn, stretched his arms and legs to their full length, surveyed them whimsically and replied: "Yes, Mr. Warden, I can if you will give me a stool."

A reporter, who visited Monroe County's model institution in Rochester, found that no such crude labor has been thrust upon Siegel. More than two months after he was locked up, the most arduous thing Siegel has had to handle has been a pen.

Siegel has two duties in the prison. He keeps the Bertillon records and assists the "hall clerk," who registers the inmates much after the fashion of an up-to-date hotel.

Favoritism Is Denied.

That the lightness of his duties is due to any favoritism is emphatically denied at the prison, where it is explained that both Siegel's age and his diminutive stature unfit him for manual labor, while the ability at figures which proved so disastrous for the thousands of depositors in his savings bank makes him useful in the clerical work of the institution.

The biggest surprise that Siegel has had since the failure of his department store enterprises is declared by those who have watched him to be the fact that he has failed to be a popular prisoner.

Up to the moment the penitentiary doors were closed upon him he was "Mr. Siegel." Supreme Court Justice Clark so called him staying sentence. The court addressed him so when, six months later, he directed that sentence be carried out. The Sheriff of Livingston County "Mistered" him on the way to the prison, while Deputy Sheriffs politely carried the convicted man's baggage.

But the story of Siegel's misdeeds followed him into this confinement and the part of it that has been emphasized and reiterated behind the prison gates has been that the once wealthy merchant's victims were nearly all poor people. After that he was plain "Siegel" when he wasn't just "A. L.," his prison number.

Men in Gray Shun Him.

And so the men in gray have shunned Siegel. He was quick to perceive their attitude and he retaliated by assuming an air of exclusive aloofness. He speaks to practically no one within the place except an occasional word to Warden Craig and the necessary talk with those with whom he works.

One of the first requests he made after he had fallen into the routine was that he be transferred to clerical work in the front office. The prison wireless accounts for that as a desire to escape the suspicious and resentful glances of the gray-clad men who somehow managed to deny him the brotherhood of the convicted. But the request was at once refused and Siegel remained among but not of his fellow convicts.

An attitude that was spontaneous on the part of the inmates at first has now become fixed and intentional. The reason is that Siegel hasn't shown any remorse or any realization of the suffering he caused.

"He doesn't seem to feel it," Captain Craig said.

"That removes the one claim that he might have to sympathy. If he suffers for what he did no one knows it and the feeling here is that he got off too easy."

The big, good-natured warden, who has made his prison farm the admiration of prison workers all over the state, then more than intimated that the prison authorities believe there may be further punishment in store for Siegel.

Mr. Craig didn't say that the authorities in Boston, where there is a perjury indictment hanging over Siegel's head, had formally asked to be notified of the exact time that he emerges from the institution. He did admit, though, that in some way he, as head of the prison, has been made officially aware of the existence of the claim of the Boston police on his prisoner's person.

Interview Denied Reporter.

"I don't want to say anything and I don't want to hear anything," was the reply he returned when told a reporter would like to talk with him.

A few moments later, as the reporter walked through the cell block, Siegel, dressed in the plain prison gray, was perched on a high stool at the "room clerk's" desk, peering at a book through steel-rimmed spectacles and chewing gum in his old vigorous fashion. He looked well and there was no change in his appearance except that his mustache has been shaved off and the bald spot on the top of his head has widened its margins a bit. The prison records show that he has gained seven pounds in weight.

When Siegel saw the reporter approach he moved his glasses, sat up straight, threw out his small chest, and let the ghost of a smile flit over his face. But though the reporter was known to him he gave not the slightest sign of recognition or greeting.

Of late he has talked less about "restitution and rehabilitation," though now and then he still declares he hopes to square up his huge indebtedness some day.

It will be recalled that the day he went to jail Siegel admitted that rather than offer to pay back $150,000 to his depositors in the hope of having the stay of execution of his sentence made permanent, he had decided to serve his time and use that sum, promised him by friends, to establish himself in business when he comes out. This plan, the officials say, he has not mentioned for weeks, though he did tell Henry Solomon, chairman of the State Prison Commission, two weeks ago, that he still "hopes to make good."

May Be Out in February.

Besides Mr. Solomon, the only visitors the former department store king has had have been his Geneseo counsel, State Senator Charles Newton, who has called twice; a nephew, who came to see him from Cleveland, and a brother from Chicago, who called once.

He receives no letters except an occasional one of the crank variety, and he seldom writes. His spare time—and under the lenient administration of a prison where Captain Craig says, "We try to treat them as humans, no matter what they've done," he has plenty of it—is devoted to reading. He devours everything in print he can get.

The visits of Attorney Newton gave rise to rumors that an attempt was to be made to get Siegel a commutation of the remainder of his sentence. About the time the lawyer called, Mrs. Emmeline Baker, who lost heavily in the bank crash and led the fight to have his prospective offer of $150,000 repayment to the depositors refused by the court, wrote the prisoner a letter in which she offered to intercede with Governor Whitman in Siegel's behalf provided he would promise to try to pay all his debts.

"What could she do?" Siegel asked contemptuously of Warden Craig and tossed the letter away.

Since then the prison has heard nothing of pardon ambitions. With good behavior, such as has so far always characterized him—for Siegel, though aloof and taciturn, is not surly—he will get 50 days off his ten months' sentence, five for each month, that will bring about his release about the middle of February.

For two weeks, shortly after he was locked up, Siegel had a heavy cold, which necessitated his removal to the institution's hospital. He got thin and coughed constantly and his condition somewhat alarmed the physician. But he soon mended and was sent back to his cell after 14 days, declared to be in better health than when he entered.

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BAIL SECURED BY RADIO

Andrew D. Meloy Arrested on Liner for Conspiracy.

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—Andrew D. Meloy was arrested by United States agents when he arrived on the steamship Nieuw Amsterdam and was arraigned before United States Commissioner Houghton, charged with conspiring with Frans Rintelen, a German wine merchant, to defraud the United States Government in procurring a passport for Rintelen.

Meloy, who said he had recently been engaged in promoting Mexican enterprises, was released on $10,000 bail, for which he arranged by wireless.

Meloy, his secretary, Miss Hattie Brophy, and Frans Rintelen, alias E. V. Gasche, were taken off the Noordam at Kirkwall by British military authorities in August. Meloy and Miss Brophy were returned to this country at the instigation of the Department of Justice.

VANCOUVER MOOSE RAIDED

Liquor Confiscated in Buffet of Lodge and Two Arrested.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 14.—(Special.)—In a raid on the buffet in the Moose Club here last night Sheriff Biesecker and Chief of Police Barbeau confiscated a quantity of beer and whisky.

George C. Cates and Al Jacobson were arrested on charges of conducting the buffet and selling liquor in a dry unit.

Highwaymen Rob Lawyer.

C. R. Thompson, a lawyer who lives at 541 Sixth street, reported to the police Wednesday that he had been held up at Sixth and College streets by two men and robbed of $4. Mr. Thompson said he was going home from a French class at Lincoln High School, when the men covered him with revolvers and backed him into an alley. One of the robbers then held Mr. Thompson's arms while the other ransacked his pockets.

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VILLA MAKES DENIAL

Confiscation of American Mining Works Not Authorized.

PROTECTION IS PROMISED

Governor Avila Said to Have Issued Decree—William Loeb, Jr., Confers With Secretary Lansing on Situation.

EL PASO, Tex., Oct. 13.—General Villa, in a telegram from Casas Grandes tonight, denied that he had authorized confiscation of American mining property in Chihuahua, or elsewhere. He added that he would not permit Americans or other foreigners in Mexico or their property to be harmed.

Villa officials in Juarez explained tonight that the recent decree threatening confiscation of the American Smelting & Refining properties and also that of other large mining companies in Mexico had been issued by Governor Fidel Avila, of Chihuahua, and that the latter acted without authority from General Villa.

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—William Loeb, Jr., who represents the American Smelting & Refining Company, Guggenheim properties left tonight for Washington for a conference tomorrow with Secretary Lansing regarding the reports from El Paso that General Villa had ordered the reopening of the company's mines and smelters by Friday under the threat of seizing them and operating them himself.

Before leaving for Washington Mr. Loeb explained that work on the properties of the American Smelting & Refining Company in the Chihuahua and Santa Eulalia districts was suspended three weeks ago when Americans received warning from the State Department to leave Mexico. Mr. Loeb added that thousands of Mexicans were thrown out of employment as the result of the closing of the mines.

THREAT CHECKS POLICE

Citizen Defies Officers to Enter House Without Warrant.

With threats to shoot anyone who tried to enter his home without a warrant, Howard Brown, 555 East Morrison street, successfully defied a squad of police sent Wednesday night to investigate a report that Brown was abusing his family. After loitering in the vicinity for a time, the police concluded that their interference had at least stopped internal trouble in the home, and returned to headquarters.

The first intimation of trouble in the Brown home came when Mrs. Vera Westman, Brown's sister-in-law, and Brown's small step-daughter fled screaming from the Brown home to a neighbor's house, where Mrs. Westman fainted.

Motorcycle Patrolmen Crane and Gouldstone rushed to the house, but notified the police station that Brown refused them admittance and threatened to shoot them if they tried to enter without a warrant. Lieutenant Harms went with reinforcements to take charge of the police activities.

The small stepdaughter told the police that Brown had spanked Mrs. Westman, following a family quarrel.

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