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MINNESOTA VS. THE RAILROADS

Inauguration of a Big Fight in the United States Supreme Court.

NAMES OF THE ATTORNEYS FOR STATE AND RAILROADS.

Action is for an injunction preventing Cooperation Railroad Official to Secure Certain Ends—Minnesota's Immediate Interests Lie in the Protection and Development of State Lands.

Washington, July 7.—The case of Minnesota against the Northern Securities Company alleging violation of the state laws and asking for an injunction, opening in the supreme court today.

In this case the government has no direct interest. The original intention was to hear this case prior to the hearing of the United States case which was recently argued, but on request of Attorney General Douglas, of Minnesota, the case was postponed until after the government case, thus enabling Minnesota to take advantage of the masterful argument by General Knox.

Minnesota is today represented by Attorneys Douglas and Mann, of St. Paul, and Wilson, of Minneapolis. The Securities Company is represented by Attorneys Burns, Clough, Johnson, Young and Glover.

Injunction Demanded. Minnesota demands an injunction to prevent the Securities Company voting at any meeting of the stockholders of the Great Northern or Northern Pacific in participation for the management of the two roads, or permitting any officers to exercise control over the same and from holding stock in either company.

One of the state's strongest arguments is that it still owns 3,000,000 acres of public land traversed by the two railroads, and that under the merger the roads would cease building spurs into these lands, thus preventing increase in valuation, and causing loss of taxes.

Defense's Argument. Securities counsel offers an argument covering much the same ground as in the case of the United States against the company. The main contention is that consolidation is necessary to extend the trade of the United States to the Orient, and that it is essential to have an eastern connection, which was secure through the purchase of the Burlington.

Blockade Around San Domingo. Washington, Jan. 7.—The United States cables the state department from San Domingo that the provisional government has established a blockade of all ports save San Domingo City by means of vessels capable of firing solid shots only.

Ships sailing from the West Indies are given 20 days in which to clear, while those from the United States and European ports may take 45 days. It is believed in Washington this government will not recognize the blockade.

New York for Roosevelt. Washington, Jan. 7.—Among the president's callers today was Senator Platt, of New York, who assured Roosevelt he will have the united republican support of New York in 1904. He said not only would the state send a Roosevelt delegation to the national convention, but it could be depended upon to give a handsome majority at the fall election.

Want Smoot Expelled. Washington, Jan. 7.—In the senate today Penrose presented a large batch of petitions from Pennsylvania for the expulsion of Smoot of Utah.

To Fight Cotton Boll Weevil. When Morgan's resolution that the president exceed his power in declaring war against Colombia was taken up, Mr. Morgan took the floor. The house committee on appropriations reported the bill providing \$250,000 for the eradication of the structure of cotton boll weevil would be considered tomorrow.

ERRATIC STOCK MARKET. Great Slump in Steel Stocks and British Consols. New York, Jan. 7.—Steel, common, is quoted at ten fifty this morning. The general opinion of brokers is that the dividend on common, of which \$50,000,000 worth of shares are held by 40,000 persons, will never be resumed. The public paid \$10 to \$50 per share. This half billion is worth about fifty millions.

Brokers this morning offer to waive even money that the next preferred dividend will be cut. Great excitement and turmoil characterized the morning session, when the board opened with a gain of two and a half over yesterday's close. This was caused by the warlike situation in the Far East, and a decline in British consols.

WRECK CAUGHT FIRE AND PANIC FOLLOWED. Part of the Cars Were Dropped into the Street—Three Trainmen Killed and Twenty Injured Persons Were Sent to Hospital—Accident Was in the City.

New York, Jan. 7.—John Sullick, yardmaster; James O'Brien, switchman, and William Ferguson, foreman, were killed and several injured in a rear-end collision on the King's County Elevated road at Williams and it was in the morning.

The wreck caught fire, the cars burned and panic followed. The current was turned off the third rail in

Intense Cold in East.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The weather bureau this morning says the New England storm is showing an exceptionally cold wave. In New York this morning the weather was with a low of 20 degrees, the coldest ever recorded, 22 below, at Albany, and 25 below at Hampton Harbor. Traffic is almost entirely at a standstill.

BOILER KILLED 43 MEN. British Cruiser Meets With Terrible Disaster at Sydney.

Sydney, N. S. W., Jan. 7.—Forty-three persons have been killed by the explosion of a boiler on the British cruiser Wallaroo. The Wallaroo, which was proceeding to Hobart, signaled Montserrat Island, reporting the boiler had burst and the ship was sinking. The naval authorities are advised that one boiler burst and the killed are assumed to include the whole shift of 22 stokers and a number of deck hands.

CORONER'S INQUEST. Jury Has Engineer of Rock Island Passenger Under Fire.

Topeka, Jan. 7.—The coroner's jury of Waubesa county convened this morning and began investigation of yesterday's Rock Island wreck. They met in an office over the undertaker's, where lay 10 victims. Twenty witnesses, including the engineer, the fireman, and the conductor, were called to the stand. The blame is cast by his superiors, are subpoenaed.

FOR THE LEWIS AND CLARK. Senate Committee Favors the Appropriation.

Portland, Jan. 7.—Harvey W. Scott telegraphed to today senate committee has agreed to report unanimously in favor of the Lewis and Clark expedition bill.

HANNA A CANDIDATE. A National Committeeman Declares That He Is.

Kansas, Jan. 7.—The Star today quotes National Committeeman R. C. Kearns as stating that Senator Hanna, which was secured through for the presidency Tuesday next.

MARSHAL COULD NOT FIND HEATH. DENIES THAT HE EVADED SERVICE OF A SUBPOENA.

Marshall Heyward, His Personal Friend Says He Made Diligent Search for Mr. Heath and Returned Subpoena Indorsed "No Service"—Denouncement Follows Reports That Heath Has Been Hiding.

Salt Lake, Jan. 7.—Perry Heath appeared in court today at midnight and stated he had just returned from Denver. He denied he evaded the service of United States Marshal Heyward, and that he is a close friend of Heath, stated he received a subpoena for Heath a week ago to appear in court before the arrival of Heath, the United States vs. Drecks, former congressman; that he had made diligent search and yesterday afternoon, six hours before the arrival of Heath, he returned the subpoena to Brooklyn, endorsed "no service."

The denouncement follows the perjury charges of the past four days that Mr. Heath came to the city inognito and has been in virtual hiding at the home of Senator Kearns in this city. Not many people in Salt Lake believe that Mr. Heath has been wilfully a party to the frauds in the postal service, as claimed by Britton's report, and detailed in the Federal Register, and that he is being evaded by the Britton report, and his ambiguous actions of late afford his political and personal enemies a great deal of ammunition.

PRESIDENT HARRIMAN. Directors Union Pacific Appoint Burr's Successor.

New York, Jan. 7.—The directors of the Union Pacific today accepted Burr's resignation and elected E. H. Harriman president.

The Oregon Returns. Portland, Jan. 7.—The steamship Oregon arrived in port last night, after an absence from here of several years. She is under charter to the O. R. & N. company and will run on the San Francisco route while the steamships Columbia and George W. Elder are being overhauled.

ENTERTAINMENT OF DELEGATES. Portland Prepares to Make it Pleasant for Livestock Men.

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Topeka, Jan. 6.—Fourteen passengers were killed in a collision of a Chicago and San Francisco limited and a freight at 1:15 this morning, five miles west of the city. Twenty people are seriously injured. A second train is coming with the freight and a relief train has arrived here with 29 of the most seriously injured, and two corpses. The collision was so great the smoker jumped high in the air and landed on the roof of the first chair car. The second chair car was completely driven into each other.

MOHLER DENIES REPORT. Says O. R. & N. Trains Will Not Run Into Seattle, as Reported From Portland.

Portland, Jan. 6.—President A. L. Mohler, of the O. R. & N., on his return from the East, denies the report that the trains of the O. R. & N. will be run into Seattle over the tracks of the Northern Pacific, as stated in the Portland papers. He says all he knows about the matter at this time is the press dispatches from New York which have not been confirmed by any information from Mr. Harriman himself, and which Mr. Mohler believes to be ungrounded.

KILLED IN A QUARREL. Bottle of Beer Causes a Murder in San Francisco.

San Francisco, Jan. 6.—In a quarrel over payment for a bottle of beer, Edward Richards, a liverman at Visalia, this morning shot and killed Joseph Martin, proprietor of a saloon here.

CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION. CHARGED PERRY HEATH IS A PARTY TO FRAUDS. Senate Committee Has Taken Up Panama Canal Treaty, But No Action Probable for Some Time—Impeachment of Federal Judge Wayne of Florida is Demanded—Contest From St. Louis.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The Carmack resolution calling for a congressional investigation of the postoffice department, created a flurry today when Lodge moved it to be referred to the committee on postoffice. Carmack wanted more thorough investigation. Mr. Lodge declared congressional investigations clumsy and worthless.

Since the entered railroad service at an office clerk in Chicago, Northwestern, at Galt, Ill., in 1858, Mr. Mohler has, by his energy and ability, won steady promotion. His railway experience has included one year as station agent, next as clerk in the auditor's office, two years of service as traveling auditor and pioneer agent in the railroad work in the freight department, one year as assistant general freight agent, six years as general freight agent, and one year as general agent for seven months have been spent in the O. R. & N. The remarkable growth in business and earnings of that company is largely attributed to Mr. Mohler's ability and record have been widely recognized and a number of occasions in recent years for seven months have been spent in connection with the presidency of today roads. He has heretofore refused to leave the O. R. & N. but as the resignation of Mr. Burr rose from a disagreement between the president and Mr. Harriman, chairman of the board, Mr. Mohler was a strong advocate of private work in the railroad shops, which Mr. Harriman has ordered abolished.

COUNTY BOOKS STRAIGHT. Experts Complete Task of Examining Walla Walla County Records.

Walla Walla, Jan. 7.—The report of Experts Buchanan and Clark, who for seven months have been engaged in expediting the books of past and present Walla Walla county officials, will be presented to the board of county commissioners either today or tomorrow. It will be an exceedingly voluminous document.

ARMSTRONG HAS A CHANCE. Attorneys File Bill of Exceptions to Rulings of the Court.

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