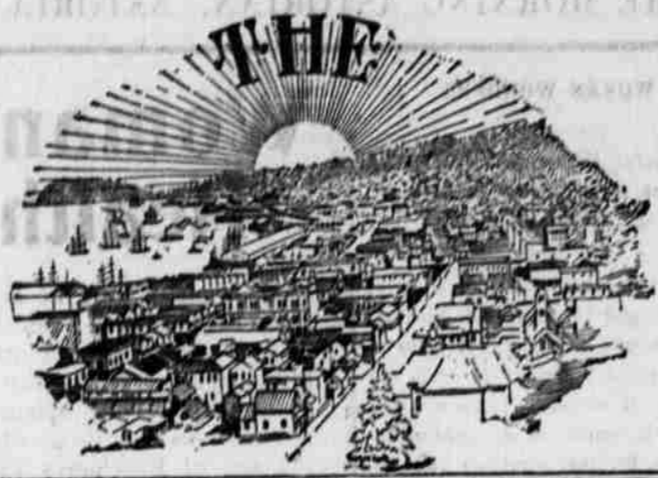


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PENALTIES ARE HEAVY

Packers Fined \$15,000 and Prison Sentence.

THEY TOOK REBATES

Thomas and Taggart Not Only Fined But are Sent to "Pen."

PRISONERS TO APPEAL CASE

Packers Have Filed Appeals and Judge McPherson Grants Stay of Execution Until June 29—Attorney-General's Opinion.

KANSAS CITY Mo., June 22.—Judge McPherson, of Red Oak, Ia., today passed sentence as follows upon the seven defendants, recently convicted in the United States District Court here of making concessions and accepting and conspiring to accept rebates on shipments:

Swift & Co.—\$15,000 fine.
Cudahy Packing Company—\$15,000 fine.

Armour Packing Company—\$15,000 fine.

George L. Thomas, of New York—\$6000 fine and four months in the penitentiary.

Nelson, Morris & Co.—\$15,000 fine.
L. B. Taggart, of New York—\$4000 fine and three months in the penitentiary.

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway—\$15,000 fine.

The fine of \$15,000 assessed against the Burlington covered all four counts, and the aggregate amount of the fines in the seven cases totaled \$85,000.

Thomas and Taggart Present.

Appeals were filed in each case and a stay of execution was granted until June 20. The bonds in the case of Thomas and Taggart were fixed at \$6000 each. These two men appeared in court personally, and upon being sentenced, promptly furnished the required bonds. The bonds in the case of the packing companies and the Burlington were fixed at \$15,000 each.

Before sentence was passed in the various cases, motions for new trials were made by John G. Cowan of Omaha, and Frank Hagerman of Kansas City, for the packers, and by Judge O. M. Spencer, of St. Joseph, upon behalf of the Burlington Railroad, and Thomas and Taggart. All these motions were overruled.

The passing of sentence in these cases marked the end of the rebate cases to be tried at this term of court. One other case, that of the Chicago & Alton, and two of its officers, has been reset for trial in September. The indictments upon which the various defendants were tried were returned in Kansas City by the grand jury on December 13, 1905.

Of the 11 cases brought up at this term, the government has secured seven convictions, one defendant was acquitted and three cases were dismissed.

Outcome Important.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Speaking of the decision of Judge McPherson at Kansas City today against Armour, Swift, Morris and Cudahy Packing Companies and Burlington Railway and individual defendants, Taggart and Thomas, the Attorney-General said:

"I regard the outcome of this case as of the first importance. The sentence and imprisonment imposed for the first time on persons guilty of rebating, will, in my judgment, have the most potent effect of checking the widespread practice of unlawful discriminations."

OFF FOR EUROPE.

Robert McCurdy Will Join His Notorious Father.

NEW YORK, June 22.—The Tribune today says:

Robert H. McCurdy, former general manager of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, will sail for Europe within a day or two. He goes to join his father, who just after he resigned as president of the company went abroad.

At the time his father sailed Robert McCurdy declared that he would remain to face the storm that had already begun to rage around the heads of the former officers of the company. He was here during the investigation of the insurance grand jury, but was not called as a witness. Since that body completed its work, which resulted in the indictments of former Vice-President Gillette and Grannis, it is understood that the elder Mr. McCurdy has expressed a desire to hear in detail about the revelations.

BERRY CROP AVERAGE.

COVE, Ore., June 22.—Cove's first crop of strawberries, although reduced somewhat in quantity by the late heavy, cold rains, causing them to come in slowly, is up to its usual high standard as to size and quality, buyers readily giving \$2.50 to \$2.75 per crate.

No disheartened were the pessimistic among the growers by the preponderance of dark and rainy over bright and sunny days that the Elgin crew of pickers and packers was notified two weeks ago there would not be more work than the Cove forces could handle.

SUPPLY VERY SHORT

Seamen's Strike Cuts Off Frisco's Lumber Trade.

PRICES ARE ON INCREASE

But Two Weeks' Supply of Lumber on Hand in the Bay City—Shipowners Positively Refuse to Arbitrate With Sailors.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 22.—As a result of the strike of the seamen the lumber supply in this city is becoming very short. It is declared that but two weeks' supply is on hand. Prices are advancing.

The reply of the United States Shipping and Transportation Association to Mayor Schmitz' request for arbitration was sent to the Mayor today. Although not made public, it is understood the association declined to arbitrate, for the reason, it is said, the owners are not experiencing great difficulty in moving some vessels with non-union crews.

CANCEL ALL POLICIES.

Underwriters Cancel All Policies of American Dock & Trust Company.

NEW YORK, June 22.—Fire insurance underwriters have cancelled every policy covering the \$20,000,000 worth of merchandise in the American Dock & Trust Company's stores, at Tompkinsville, R. I. Three fires there within two weeks from May 25 to June 11, destroyed \$1,000,000 worth of cotton, hemp and jute.

The American Dock & Trust Company is one of the oldest and best "stores" in this port.

Fire underwriters, cotton exchange members and representatives of warehouse companies had a long conference yesterday to discuss steps necessary to secure the return at New York of normal conditions respecting cotton insurance rates.

At the meeting the entire subject was discussed and it was finally decided that the underwriters should suggest such changes in the warehouses as were considered absolutely essential to a return to normal conditions. The handicaps that have been placed on cotton warehousing at New York have had the effect of renewing the agitation in favor of the proposition to deal in cotton certificates stored in Southern warehouses.

CORONATION OF HAAKON

Norway Grets New Ruler With Acclaim.

CEREMONY ELABORATE

Cold Weather Causes Winter Clothing to Be Worn By the Guests.

TRONDHJEM CROWDED PLACE

King is Crowned by Bishop of Trondhjem and Assisted by Leading Cabinet Ministers—Queen Crowned Shortly After.

TRONDHJEM, June 22.—Coronation day opened with a glowing but cold sun shining. In the early morning splatters of rain fell and a chill wind came off the fjord, making it necessary to wear overcoats and winter clothing.

The city was alive at an early hour, and by 8 o'clock the avenues reaching to the Cathedral were filled with struggling lines of people, making for the choice places of vantage from which to see the members of the royal family and the distinguished guests enter the cathedral. The doors of the latter were opened at 11 a. m.

The cathedral filled rapidly. By 11:15 a. m. the majority of the spectators had arrived and were seated, the women in evening costumes and many of the men in bright uniforms and wearing orders. The effect was imposing in spite of the half light in the interior of the old cathedral.

Haakon Is Crowned.

The coronation ceremonies, which were elaborate, were conducted by the Bishop of Trondhjem, assisted by the leading Cabinet Ministers and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. After the anointing of the King by the Bishop the latter and Prime Minister Michelsen jointly placed the crown on his head, after which Foreign Minister Loevland and the Bishop jointly handed him the scepter. After a prayer offered by the Bishop, the latter and Interior Minister Arelander jointly handed the King the orb, and later the War Minister, Olason, and the Bishop handed the sword of state to his majesty. These ceremonies were followed by the benediction.

The King, having taken his seat on the throne, the Queen was crowned by the same high personages and in a similar manner. The ceremony throughout was impressive.

When the newly crowned sovereigns returned to their thrones after the benediction, all the royal guests and special ambassadors saluted them with deep reverence.

At the termination of the proceedings the President of the Storching called out: "God Save the King and Queen," and the whole company heartily took up the cry.

SENTENCE PACKERS.

Judge McPherson of U. S. Court Will Impose Sentences.

KANSAS CITY, June 22.—In the United States Court this morning Judge McPherson will impose sentences upon the packers, freight brokers and a railroad convicted of accepting and giving rebates. Among those convicted are George L. Thomas and L. B. Taggart, the New York freight broker, and his chief clerk, respectively, who negotiated for rebates for Kansas City rebate takers. These men are liable to a fine of from \$1000 to \$20,000 and also to two years imprisonment. The worst that can hap-

pen the packers is a fine up to \$20,000. The railroad up for punishment is the Burlington, and the packers are the Armour Packing Company, Swift & Co., the Cudahy Packing Company and Morris Company.

These packers were convicted of having accepted 12 cents per pound rebate on provisions shipped between August 6 and December 31, 1905. The Burlington Railway was convicted of having paid these rebates which the packers received.

Thomas and Taggart will be in court this morning. The packers and the railway company will appear by their attorneys.

ELECTED TRUSTEES.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 22.—At the annual meeting of the corporation of Brown University yesterday, Everett Colby, Professors Benjamin Clark, William T. Peck and Franklin E. Brooks were elected trustees to fill vacancies in the board.

While several changes were made in the faculty, the only new member chosen was Camillo von Klenz, professor of German literature, in the University of Chicago. It was voted to raise \$50,000 for the proposed John Hay memorial library.

SCHWAB IN POLITICS.

NEW YORK, June 22.—Reports have been numerous recently that Charles M. Schwab would enter politics as a candidate for United States Senator from Nevada. Mr. Schwab arrived in New York yesterday from Europe and when asked concerning the story replied: "I have no political aspirations whatever."

SENSATIONAL SUIT

Step-Grandchildren Sue Step-Grandmother.

WOULD RECOVER \$1,000,000

Plaintiffs Allege Chicago Mediums Induced Grandfather to Deed Away Property—Defendants Deny Blood Relationship.

LOS ANGELES, June 22.—In the hope of proving title to, and gaining possession of \$1,000,000 worth of real and personal property in Los Angeles, Catalina Island, Chicago and in Kern, Placer and Shasta counties, California, Frank D. Haddock, formerly a Fresno newspaper man, and Mrs. Sarah Haddock Whitset, his sister, have brought a sensational suit in the superior court of this county against their step-grandmother, Mrs. Cynthia Willett Haddock, widow of the late millionaire and Chicagoan, Charles G. Haddock. Frank Haddock and Mrs. Whitset, allege that after the death of his first wife (their grandmother) of Charles Haddock fell into the snares of Chicago spirit mediums, who under the guise of "The directing hand" told the man to deed away \$1,000,000 worth of city and suburban property and personal effects. The defendants to the suit deny flatly the charges and gainsay any blood relationship of the plaintiffs to the dead millionaire.

PASSED BOGUS GREENBACKS.

PENDLETON, Ore., June 22.—It has just been learned that a man passed a number of bogus greenbacks here a few days ago. The bills are all of \$10 denomination, being old state bank notes issued before the war. One was passed at the St. George Restaurant, one at the Elite Candy Kitchen, and a third on a Chinaman. It is believed the man left on the night train after passing the bills. Similar bills were passed here two years ago.

FUNERAL OF H. E. BURNS.

CORVALLIS, Ore., June 22.—The funeral of the late Harvey E. Burns occurred here yesterday afternoon from the residence of E. W. Strong, and interment was in Newton cemetery. The service was conducted by Rev. T. T. Vincent.

PRESIDENT GETS MONEY

Senate Allows Traveling Expenses.

\$25,000 APPROPRIATED

Upper House Passes Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill Carrying \$102,000,000.

LOCK CANAL IS NOW FIXED

Unsuccessful Effort Made to Strike Out Items Prohibiting Canteens at the Soldiers' Homes—Clause Is Strengthened Instead.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—The opposition to the committee amendment to the sundry civil bill appropriating \$25,000 annually for the payment of the traveling expenses of the President which was begun by Senator McLaurin resulted today in a withdrawal of the amendment by Senator Hale in charge of the bill and a subsequent passage of an independent bill providing practically for the same appropriation which was recently passed by the House of Representatives.

The greater part of the day was devoted to a discussion of this, but considerable other business was transacted, including the passage of the sundry civil appropriation bill. An effort was made to strike out from bill the clause prohibiting canteens at the soldiers' homes, but instead it was made stronger. The bill, as passed, carries an appropriation of \$102,000,000.

The bill also retains the House provision for a lock canal at Panama.

Canteens Are Discussed.

With the question of paying the traveling expenses of the President out of the way, the consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill was resumed and Senator Nelson moved to strike out the provision providing for canteens at the soldiers' homes. He offered several statements, one from Archbishop Ireland, testifying to the improved conditions under the regulated sale of beer and wine at the homes.

On motion of Hale, the motion was laid on the table. Senator Hansbrough offered the following which was agreed to: "Hereafter there shall not be maintained at any branch home of the national home for disabled volunteer soldiers, any bar or canteen for the sale of beer, wine or other intoxicating liquors."

HOUSE WILL ADOPT PURE FOOD BILL UNCHANGED

WASHINGTON, June 22.—The pure food bill held the attention of the House throughout today. The constitutional features of the pure food bill were debated by the leading lawyers of the House, the democrats splitting wide on the question, wherever the bill took away from the states their police powers. The various features applicable to localities and interests were discussed earnestly, but it was early apparent that the bill practically in the form it came from the interstate and foreign commerce committee will be adopted. By a unanimous vote the House passed the senate resolutions expressing the sympathy of the people of the United States with the Hebrews of the United States in the massacres of their race in Russia.

GOVERNMENT TO PROSECUTE STANDARD OIL TRUST

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Formal announcement of the purpose of the government to prosecute the Standard Oil Company was made today by Attorney-General Moody. It appears from his statement that proceedings in the first instance will be had under the terms of the Elkins law, which prohibits rebates in interstate commerce. The Attorney-General, however, gives notice that in all probability should the investigation be still making justify it he will bring further action against the Standard Oil Company under the terms of the Sherman Anti-Trust law, and also will take steps to insure against the continuance on the part of the company of discriminations in trade and transportation not now the subject of prosecution under any existing law, but especially provided against in the pending rate bill.

FARMERS JUBILANT.

LA GRANDE, Ore., June 22.—Wheat-growers in the Grand Ronde Valley are jubilant over the outlook for their crops this season. Fall wheats are giving every indication of being equally as good as last year and the Spring wheat, it is closely estimated, will yield nearly two bushels to one of last year. Judging from the little difficulty the farmers are having in securing employes, there will be no trouble in getting sufficient help to harvest the crops. Unless there is an exodus to other sections there should be no shortage of help. Besides the regular farm hands that are working by the season, there will be opportunities for 500 men to obtain work at wages ranging from \$1.75 to \$3.00.

ACT OF INSANE PERSON.

GUTHRIE, Okla., June 22.—A special to the State Capitol from Cordell, Okla., says James Locke and John Wallace, prominent farmers were held up and murdered on the road between Foss and Arapahoe today. The man, who is alleged to have committed the crime is under arrest. He is thought to be insane.

VISIT POSTPONED.

HERNE, Westphalia, June 22.—The proposed visit of a delegation of 600 Frenchmen to the Hibernia coal mine next week as an acknowledgment of the work of the party of 15 life savers sent from here in March to assist the French miners entombed at Courrieres has been postponed until September owing to political reasons.

RATE BILL REPORT

Conferees Will Likely Sign Report Sometime Today.

TILLMAN MAY NOT SIGN IT

Fiery Senator in Philadelphia and May Refuse Signature to the Rate Bill—Report Will Be Filed Anyway.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—The conference report on the railroad rate bill was not filed in the House today as expected. The report has been drawn and signed by the House conferees, Hepburn, Mann and Richardson and also Senator Elkins of the Senate conferees. Senator Tillman objected to one of the features of the settlement and Senator Cullom, it is understood will not sign the report tomorrow.

Senator Tillman left for Philadelphia, but is expected here tomorrow. He will be given an opportunity to sign the report, but should he decline, the report will be filed in the House without his signature.

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EMPEROR WINS YACHT RACE.

KIEL, June 22.—Emperor William at the wheel today, sailed his yacht Meteor and defeated the German yacht Hamburg and the British built yacht Clara in the first of the large schooner races.