



## METCALF GIVES TESTIMONY AT THE TARIFF HEARING

### Says His Company is Not Worrying About Case

### He Disagrees With Gary

### Denies That Material Entering Into Manufacture of Machinery Has Increased

### DOESN'T FEAR COMPETITION

### Admits That His Firm Manufactures Over 50 Per Cent of the Agricultural Machinery in the United States Shipping Much to France.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The testimony of E. D. Metcalf of Auburn, N. Y., representing the International Harvester Company in the tariff hearing today was similar in many respects to that of Judge Gary of the United States Steel Corporation yesterday. Metcalf said his company is so well entrenched in agricultural implements that it did not need tariff and it is immaterial to them how the tariff is changed. He did not deny that his company manufactures over 50 per cent of the agricultural machinery in the United States. Metcalf said that the fact that his company is selling machinery in France and England, he believes that he can manufacture goods cheaper than they can there. Metcalf disagreed with H. E. Miles of the National Association of Manufacturers and several other manufacturers of agricultural machinery that the cost of materials entering into manufacture of their goods has increased. Metcalf's suggestion as to a removal of tariff is with the proviso that if any foreign country did not give America the benefit of its lowest tariff, a duty of 20 per cent should be imposed on agricultural machinery from that country.

Representative McKinley of California filed a communication from the growers of hops declaring that an increase of 50 per cent in the duty on hops will not reduce the amount of revenue which the government secures from the present importation of hops.

### RELATIVES TO GET MONEY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—Several thousand dollars will be sent from here by the Alaska Packing Company to the relatives in China of the 60 Chinese who were drowned in the wreck of the bark Star of Bengal off Coronation Island several months ago. The Chinese were employed by the packing company. From \$100 to \$250 will be given to each family, according to its needs.

## BELLINGHAM TRAIN WRECKERS AT WORK

### Throw Switch, Endangering Lives of Forty Passengers But Engineer Acts in Time

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 19.—Train-wreckers tonight threw the switch on the Bellingham Bay & British Columbia Railroad inside the city limits here and derailed the south-bound passenger train, endangering the lives of 40 passengers. The train

### TAFT STOPS RUMORS.

Has Made no Progress With Cabinet Excepting Appointment of Knox.

AUGUSTA, Dec. 19.—Directed as an answer to the numerous newspaper cabinet suggestions, President-elect Taft said tonight he made no progress in making up the cabinet aside from the Knox appointment. Taft said there is nothing in the rumors of offers to position to anyone.

The president-elect said he should consult his secretary of state thoroughly before going further into the cabinet-making business.

## MEETS DEATH WAVING FOND FAREWELL

### A YOUNG CHICAGO SCHOOL TEACHER INSTANTLY KILLED BY TRAIN.

### TELLING THEM TO BE GOOD

### Young Lady Was Just Leaving Children For Their Christmas Vacation and Was Laden With Gifts From Youngsters When Accident Occurs.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—While a bevy of school children whom she had just dismissed for the Christmas vacation waved loving farewells to Miss Mabel Crandall, a teacher at Meyers Road, the young woman stepped in front of an express train on an electric line and was instantly killed.

One arm held a bundle of Christmas gifts made by her charges. The other was upraised in a gesture of affection to the little group and a laughing admonition to them to "be good" was on her lips as the car struck her. The happy farewell was never finished, and the young woman died without a cry.

### WILL PUT UP FIGHT.

### Shippers and Importers Will Protest Against Increased Rates.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—The shippers and importers of California are arranging to unite in a state-wide protest against the increase in trans-continental tariffs announced by the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe roads. Opposition on part of the interests most affected will take form of a score of mass meetings held in the leading cities on December 30, when representatives of the leading industries will set forth the grievances of the business men against the carriers.

### FIGHT TEN ROUNDS.

### NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19—Young Donough, of Boston, and Dave Despler fought a ten round draw here tonight.

### DALZELL AND BURKE.

Two Pennsylvania Representatives May Try For Job Knox Leaves

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Announcement of their candidacy for the United States Senatorship to succeed Senator Knox is hourly acknowledged by Pennsylvanians in Washington from two members of the House—John F. Dalzell and James Francis Burke, both of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Dalzell has served 20 years in Congress, and by reason of his ability and long service, is one of the ruling powers in the House. He is said to pin the confidence of the business world of the Pittsburgh region and will have a strong following.

Representative Burke, now serving his second term in Congress, has had a brilliant career. In the last campaign he was sent out by the Republican National Committee. He also managed the campaign of Senator Knox for the Presidency, and speculation is heard as to whether Knox will throw this young Congressman any of his support.

### LINE NEARLY FINISHED.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Dec. 19.—The construction crew of the Oregon Electric Railway has the track laid to within 200 feet of the college campus, across the corner of which the track will run. Had it not been that it ran short of ties and rails yesterday the crew would have finished the track-laying to the terminal grounds today. The first car of the new line is expected to reach the city early next week.

## CHICAGO TEAM DEFEAT BUTTE TEAM

### WRESTLE TITLE OF NORTHWEST CHAMPIONSHIP FROM THE WESTERNERS.

### BY A SCORE OF 12 TO 4

### Butte Team Was Outweighed Three Pounds to a Man But Chicagoans Are Handicapped by the High Altitude.

BUTTE, Dec. 19.—The Englewood High School of Chicago wrestled the title of champion of the northwest from Butte today by a score of 12 to 4. The battle was a fierce one from the start. The local team was outweighed three pounds to the man, but this was somewhat offset by disadvantage of the Chicago boys in playing at the high altitude. Butte made its score in the first 15 minutes of play on the field goal. Ten minutes later Chicago scored a touchdown and goal. In the second half Butte's star quarterback was hurt and was withdrawn from the game. Englewood scored a touchdown and goal in this half also.

### DENIES HE DISAGREED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—President Roosevelt today stated that there was no truth in a printed story that he had a disagreement with President-elect Taft about the candidacy of the latter's brother, Charles P. Taft, for the Senatorship from Ohio. The President stated that the subject of the Senatorship had never been remotely mentioned in conversation between himself and Judge Taft, and that he has no thought of in any manner interfering in the contest.

### POSTMASTERS NAMED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—The President sent to the Senate today the following nominations for Oregon postmasters:

William M. Brown, Lebanon; J. E. Beezley, Falls City; Merritt A. Baker, Weston.

## OFFICERS MAKE BIG HAUL

### Burglars Who Have Terrorized City Caught.

### GOOD WORK OF POLICE

### Rose City Finally Breaks Up Worst Gang of Highway It Ever Had.

### MAY BE THE TRAIN ROBBERS

### Detectives Working on Several Cases Which the Prisoners Are Supposed to be Connected With Including Express Holdup the Other Night.

### Highwaymen Arrested.

### Oscar Johnson, leader of the gang, 24 years of age, claims to be a Norwegian.

### Harry Benson, age 32, a Norwegian.

### Chris Bons, age 24, a Norwegian.

### Crimes Committed by Trio.

### Monday night—Held up F. W. Lutkemier's saloon, 49 Union avenue.

### Wednesday night—Held up John Carlson's saloon, 394 Front street.

### Friday night—Held up A. M. Hyatt's saloon, 269 Fifth street.

### Looted Hoffman's saloon, Union and Hawthorne avenues, about a month ago.

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—Within five hours after having successfully held up eight men in A. M. Hyatt's saloon, 269 Fifth street, including the proprietor, Oscar Johnson, Harry Benson and Chris Bons, the bandits, who have created a reign of terror throughout the city by a series of unparalleled robberies, were captured at 5 o'clock this morning by Sergeants Keller and Kienlin and Patrolmen Arnold and Potter, in a lodging house at 359 1/2 East Water street. The trio have been positively identified as the thugs who also invaded the saloon of F. W. Lutkemier, 49 Union avenue, Monday night, and John Carlsons place, 394 Front street, Wednesday night.

The apprehension of the criminals was accomplished without bloodshed. To the foresight of Patrolman Arnold and the bravery of Sergeants Keller and Kienlin and Patrolman Potter's due the jailing of a desperate, dangerous and well-organized band of highwaymen who have baffled the police for weeks. Chief Gritzmacher is loud in his praise of the arresting officers.

Detectives are now at work on several other robberies and burglaries with which it is expected the prisoners will be connected, including the train robbery last night. The trainmen who were held up by the "road agents" are now being sought by the police and will be requested to visit headquarters at once to identify the crooks. Johnson and Benson correspond in every particular to the description furnished by the engineer, fireman and express messenger, the latter even having the pronounced foreign accent noticed in one of the bandits.

The tramp, who was riding on the blind baggage at the time of the hold-up, and was subsequently arrested by the Sheriff's deputies, will be brought from the county jail this afternoon to view the prisoners.

The capture of Johnson, Benson and Bons occurred at 5 o'clock in a cheap lodging house at the corner of Hawthorne avenue and East Water street. While patrolling his beat about 2 a. m., Policeman Arnold noticed a suspicious character enter the room-

ing house, and at intervals of an hour two others stealthily made his way into the building.

Satisfied that the trio were crooks, the bluecoat communicated with headquarters, and Sergeants Keller and Kienlin and Patrolman Potter were detailed to assist Arnold in making an investigation. Shortly before 5 o'clock Keller, Kienlin and Potter quietly wended their way into the hotel, leaving Arnold to stand guard on the outside to prevent the escape of the prisoners through the window of their room.

After ascertaining the apartment occupied by the crooks, Keller rapped for admittance, and when the door was opened by Johnson, the three policemen with drawn revolvers dashed into the rooms. The men had no opportunity to offer any resistance and all were quickly manacled. A search of the room brought to light a nickel-plated revolver and a quantity of tobacco, which was afterward found to have been stolen from Hoffman's saloon.

The prisoners were rushed to the city prison in the patrol wagon and placed in separate cells, so as to prevent any intercommunication. When searched, \$18.35 and a pair of spectacles were found on Johnson, \$3.50 in Benson's possession and \$21.95 in Bons' pockets. A watch stolen from Tom Killon in the Hyatt saloon robbery and a \$10 goldpiece were found secreted in the latter's prisoner's shoe. The crooks resisted all attempts to "sweat" any incriminating admissions from them and defied the police to connect them with any crimes.

## NIGHT RIDERS DEPEND UPON ALIBIS

### MORE THAN 100 WITNESSES SUBPOENAED IN EFFORT TO PROVE WHEREABOUTS

### STATE SCORES BIG VICTORY

### State Against Eight of the Alleged Night Riders Almost Complete Its Work—Frank Fehring to Take the Stand Monday.

UNION CITY, Tenn., Dec. 19.—When court adjourned this afternoon until Monday, the State had nearly completed its case against the eight alleged night riders now on trial for the murder of Captain Rankin. On Monday the State will put Frank Fehring on the stand. Fehring declares he knows the name of every night rider present. The defense depends solely upon alibis, and has subpoenaed more than 100 witnesses to testify the whereabouts of the indicated men on the night of October 9.

### SUSPECTS AT THE DALLES.

### Officers Believe Train Robbers Have Served Sentences There.

THE DALLES, Or., Dec. 19.—The police officers of this city think that the three men who held up train No. 1 on the O. R. & N. Thursday night, were released from serving 10 days' sentences in the city jail here Wednesday at noon. Three men were picked up here December 6 on the charge of vagrancy. They were traveling together and the police thought they were yeggmen, but could hold them on no more serious charge than vagrancy. One of the vags was short and wore a dark mustache. Another was a Scandinavian and spoke broken English, answering to the descriptions of two of the train robbers. The third was an elderly man, about 55 years of age, tall and of rather heavy build. When last seen he had a heavy growth of beard. When released from jail and ordered out of the city they stared along the railroad toward Hood River.

## AWFUL DEED OF MOTHER WITH DERANGED MIND

### GUNBOAT HIST IS FLOATED.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19.—The gunboat Hist, which cleared from this port on Thursday for Charleston and which grounded in the Delaware River yesterday, was floated last night and proceeded, undamaged.

### FORAKER OPENS CAMPAIGN.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 19.—Senator J. B. Foraker arrived here today and opened his campaign to succeed himself. Mr. Foraker declined to give out any estimate as to his strength. He said that he was in the race to win.

## EDITOR PULITZER IS TO VISIT PANAMA

### TRIP IS THOUGHT TO BE FOR PURPOSE OF FURTHER PROVING HIS STORY.

### TO INVESTIGATE PURCHASE

### Pulitzer's Trip is of Special Interest on Account of President's Attitude Regarding the Prosecution of New York World.

### NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 19.

Joseph Pulitzer, publisher of the New York World, accompanied by a party of friends and several staff writers, arrived off old Point Comfort today in Pulitzer's yacht, The Liberty. It is said he is on the way to Panama to investigate conditions prevailing in the canal zone and probably to secure evidence in connection with the purchase of the canal property by the government. Pulitzer's trip is of special interest on account of the attitude of President Roosevelt in demanding congress to have Pulitzer and other publishers prosecuted for criminal libel for publishing articles in connection with the canal purchase.

### 1424 PUPILS IN ASHLAND.

ASHLAND, Or., Dec. 19.—Ashland has a school population of 1424, according to the census just completed by School Clerk T. H. Simpson. Of these girls are in the majority, numbering 727, to 697 boys. The gain over last year is 60. A special meeting of the voters of the school district has been called for Monday, to vote the annual tax for the maintenance of the schools for the year 1909.

## STANDARD OIL CO. FILE THEIR BRIEF

### In Supreme Court for Proceedings of the Government Against the Company

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The Standard Oil Company's brief in the proceedings of the government against the company on a charge of accepting rebates from the Alton, in which the United States district court for the Northern district of Illinois imposed a fine of \$29,000,000 was yesterday filed in the supreme court. The case comes to the supreme court on a writ of certiorari. The petition is contested in the court on a petition by the government for a writ of certiorari. The petition is contested on the ground that the law does not "authorize a review by the supreme court on application by the government on judgment of the circuit court of appeals in criminal cases by a writ of error for defendant is sustained and disposed of by revering the judgment and sentence of the trial by court."

### Poisons Her Three Children, Then Suicides

### STRYCHNINE IN WINE

### Mother and Two Children Already Dead—One Boy Still Living But May Die

### MELANCHOLIA THE CAUSE

### Oldest Boy is Sent For Help by His Father and Falls Dead in the Road While on Errand—Some Hope For Second Son.

MONTPELIER, Idaho, Dec. 19.—Three deaths, to which the fourth may be added, are the result of a mother's deranged mind and the quick action of the deadly poison, strychnine. Mrs. John Rosen, wife of a well to do rancher, living a few miles from here this morning administered strychnine to her three children, a baby of four and two sons aged seven and ten after dissolving the drug in wine. She then poisoned herself. Rosen, who was in the barnyard at the time entered the house soon afterward and discovering the condition of affairs, he sent the elder boy to neighbors for help. Death soon claimed the mother and youngest child. The father followed his son who had gone for help and found him lifeless in the road. There is thought to be some hope for the second son who resisted the effort of his mother to give him the wine and swallowed but little of it. Mrs. Rosen was suffering from melancholia.

### ADJOURN AT NOON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The brief session of the Senate today was devoted to routine business. Several messages on minor legislation were received from the president and bills and other measures were introduced. At noon the Senate adjourned until January 4.

### TO MEET AGAIN MONDAY.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—So far as practical work of first session parliament under the premiership of Herbert J. Asquith, came to an end today. The two houses will meet again Monday, but only to receive the king's assent to the bills already passed, after which they will be prorogued until February 15th.