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W. L. BOISE IS CHARGED WITH THE BREZZLE MEN

MILLIONS DRAWN INTO UNION PACIFIC COFFERS

Report That Financial Depression Has Damaged Harriman Interests Disproved in Report for Fiscal Year—Not Justified in Raising Rates.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Omaha, Neb., July 17.—Earning its regular 10 per cent dividend, with \$11,000,000 to spare, the Union Pacific proved that it was uninjured by the recent financial depression. A report of the financial condition of the road for the year ending June 31 was made public today. An earning of 16 per cent on common stock is shown by the figures, which are exclusive of equities in affiliated lines. A new record in total gross earnings is made by the report, which shows them to reach the \$90,000,000 mark. During the year the Union Pacific has received \$1,134,000 on its Southern Pacific preferred, \$2,015,000 on its Illinois Central, Atchison and other stocks, and \$80,000 on San Pedro bonds.

That the railroads of the country are altogether unjustified in recent increases of rates and further proposed increases is indicated by the annual report of the Union Pacific system, just issued. It is shown by this report that the Union Pacific company has in the year just closed earned \$90,000,000, or more than ever before in a year of its history.

Big Dividends. The company has earned enough in the last year to pay 10 per cent dividend on the entire common stock and have \$11,000,000 left over. This during a financial depression that was alleged to have been an awful blow to the railroad business of the country, is said to be the most remarkable evidence possible to produce, proving that the railroads are fattening with unbecoming greed upon the necessities of the people, and are taking advantage of the cry for transportation by over-charging for their services.

The Union Pacific has for some years been earning handsome profits, and has

worked its annual dividend up to 10 per cent with abundant ease. After it began paying this large dividend the company saw that it could make extensions and improvements out of the surplus, and a few small extensions were attempted. The financial stringency frightened the management and all work was discontinued pending the outcome of the stringency.

Needs New Roads. The natural conclusion is that Mr. Harriman will use this big surplus to build some railroad tracks in the Pacific northwest where he started more than a year ago to make extensive additions to the railroad mileage of the companies controlled by him. It was announced at the time that he would spend something like \$30,000,000 in making extensions and building new railroads in Oregon, the surplus of the Union Pacific for the fiscal year just closed is enough to build the Oregon Eastern and its branches.

GASPIPE THUGS AT ALAMEDA

Henry Bangs, Watchman at Borax Plant, Found Dead, With Evidence of Murder Most Revolting—Motive, Robbery.

Victim Pursued As a Rat Might Be, by Two Men, and Pounded to Pulp As He Seeks First to Hide and Then to Flee.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Oakland, Cal., July 18.—His head crushed to a pulp, the body of Henry Bangs, for 20 years watchman of the Pacific Coast Borax company's plant in Alameda, was found in the yard of the plant today.

Evidence of a fearful struggle were found all through the basement of the plant and out to where the body was found, 20 feet from the main building.

Two pieces of inch and a half gaspipe, each two feet long, and one covered with hair and clogged blood, show the manner in which Bangs was killed, and indicate that two men were implicated in the crime, though one dealt all the blows. A cut on one of Bangs' hands shows a knife played a part in the fight, and the absence of the weapon indicates that the murderers wielded it.

It is evident that the watchman was attacked in the basement of the plant, which is filled with large vats. Among these vats the fearful battle was waged, Bangs evidently trying to avoid his pursuers. The course of the weakening man can be traced by the bloody hand prints on the sides of the vats as he fled himself against them in his flight.

Out in the yard are four pools of blood, showing that Bangs was felled many times by the thugs, only to arise and attempt to continue his flight.

The condition of the body when found indicated that the thug must have pounded Bangs' head for some minutes after the man had fallen for the last time. Bangs' pockets were found turned inside out, showing robbery was the motive for the crime.

Bangs was a money saver and it is supposed the murderers thought he kept a large sum of money on his person or about the plant. Nothing found by the authorities indicates that they were right in that assumption.

Bangs was hurt by a falling elevator in the plant when he was 14 years old. He has since then been a cripple since. F. M. Smith, the multi-millionaire head of the borax company, at the time promised him a life pension. Today he issued orders that every effort be made to apprehend the murderers.

So far, the Oregon detectives have been unable to locate Mrs. Ellis, either here or at her former home in Los Angeles.

IMMENSE SUMS SAID TO HAVE BEEN SOLELY FROM RICH HAWTHORNE ESTATE

Five Warrants Issued for His Arrest and Bail Fixed at Twenty Thousand Dollars—Prominent Attorney Must Face Startling Accusations

Detective Price arrested Boise at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Warrants for the arrest of Whitney L. Boise, prominent in the club, political, social and business life of Portland, were issued this morning from the municipal court, charging embezzlement from the Hawthorne estate of some \$6,000 on five separate and distinct complaints. The complaints were sworn to by Mrs. Catherine H. Collins, one of the heirs of the Hawthorne estate. The alleged embezzlements from the estate, however, may reach the claim of \$150,000.

Boise is to be prosecuted to the full extent of the law, every effort having been made to allow him to sever his connections with the case, make good what he could or leave the state and start life anew where he would not be troubled with his absorption of the Hawthorne funds. He has refused to do this, and it is now the intention to prosecute him to the limit of the law.

Throughout the trouble Mrs. Boise has stood loyally by her husband and will not believe that he has done wrong.

Boise, when asked this morning for a statement of his side of the case said that he had not seen the nature of the charges against him and until he had did not care to make any statement for publication.

Reluctant to Act.

"It is with reluctance that the members of the Hawthorne estate have been forced to take criminal action against Mr. Boise," said M. O. Collins, husband of Mrs. Catherine H. Collins, the complaining witness, this morning. "Mr. Boise has been given an opportunity to leave Portland and start life anew but he has refused to do so and has continued to force himself into the business affairs of the estate. It has become necessary therefore to prosecute him and it is the intention of the complainants to prosecute him to the limit."

The five suits were filed this morning, each charging embezzlement to the aggregate amount of \$6,000. The commencement of the cases was made in the municipal court because of the new law which required preliminary hearings and has abolished the power of the district attorney to sit as a grand jury.

"I have nothing to say at this time," said Mr. Boise, when asked for a statement regarding the case. "I have not seen the charges and until I know their nature do not wish to make any statement for publication."

Experts on Books. For a long time experts have been at work on the books of the Hawthorne estate, and while the suits have been brought on the relatively small amount of \$6,000, it is said that the books show a shortage of between \$14,000 and \$50,000. The experts have made a careful investigation of the books covering the period of Mr. Boise's stewardship of the estate, extending from 1888 until he was ousted from office some months ago.

Besides Boise, the late R. L. Cate, his brother, W. B. Cate, of Hillsboro, T. Carter Powell, partner of R. L. Cate, and others more or less well known, are mixed up in the milking of the Hawthorne property, and most of these have either made what reparation possible

for their share or have admitted their participation in the deals. According to the story, which has since worked its way into public knowledge, it was discovered some time ago that Mr. Boise had been exceeding his authority as the agent and manager of the Hawthorne estate and an accounting was demanded. Matters which came to light caused the heirs of Dr. Hawthorne, who consist of his widow, Mrs. Rachel L. Hawthorne, Mrs. M. O. Collins and Mrs. Boise, to oust Mr. Boise from the management of the estate and begin an investigation into the transactions of the past. In this, however, Mrs. Boise has stood by her husband, believing him not to have been guilty of any irregularity, and it has been through her pleadings for her husband that the vigorous prosecution of the investigations has been held up until this time.

Tangle of Dates. The beginning of the tangle dates back for 10 years or more, when Mr. Boise first began to represent the Hawthorne estate. For some time before the settlement of the estate through the probate court he acted as the attorney for the heirs.

In 1898 Mrs. Hawthorne and the two daughters banded together and incorporated their holdings into the Hawthorne Estate, a regularly organized corporation. Mrs. Hawthorne was made president of the corporation, Mrs. Boise secretary and Mrs. Collins, then Mrs. W. Foster Beck, treasurer. Boise acted as manager and was supposed to work for the corporation at a salary of \$100 per month. Since that time up to the date of his rejection as manager, however, he told the members of the corporation that the estate was badly involved, that it needed the money worse than himself and that he would not draw his salary. At a recent meeting of the members of the corporation, Mrs. Hawthorne was re-elected president, Mrs. Boise vice-president and Mr. Collins secretary and treasurer. Mr. Boise was re-elected manager and all matters now coming before the estate are considered in open meeting and there decided.

Boise has sold, according to the story, during the nearly 10 years of his stewardship approximately \$500,000 worth of property belonging to the Hawthorne estate, which is estimated to be worth between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000. Out of this amount of property sold, the story has it, that the members of the estate have received nothing more than an economical living.

Lived Comfortably. Boise has lived in better circumstances than either of the other members of the corporation. He has planned this to Mrs. Boise, so it is said, by the contention that all his money came in as retaining and other charges gathered in his practice as an attorney.

It has also been shown that R. L. Cate, who died in 1900, was a partner in the property he possessed, as indemnity. His holdings, however, did not cover the property he retained and other charges. R. L. Cate, who had charge of the Hawthorne farm near Hillsboro for

three years, also admits having drawn checks on the estate for \$20,000, when he had no authority other than that given him verbally by Boise.

Thousands Involvement. These statements show that \$229,000 are known to have been drawn out of the estate and that all the difference between that sum and \$500,000 represents living expenses and as yet undetermined expenditures made by Boise. Mr. Boise does not admit having got the \$140,000 or \$150,000, but R. L. Cate did admit having profited by his connection with the estate. He was the agent who sold lands in the Hawthorne tract upon three building houses on the lots for the purchasers. While so engaged he collected \$40,000 which he admitted transferring to his own account, while he stated that he had given checks aggregating \$10,000 to Boise, which Boise in turn has stated that he deposited under his own name. It is understood that at the time of his death Mr. Cate left a written statement with the members of the Hawthorne estate, detailing his connection with the estate and telling how much he had made out of it.

Mr. Cate's Statement. W. B. Cate also admits having checked out \$20,000 against the estate, signing the checks "Hawthorne estate by W. B. Cate." He says, however, that Boise gave him authority to do this and that he had entered into an agreement with Boise which he was to buy stock with money of the Hawthorne estate for the Hawthorne ranch, which Cate was occupying. Boise has stated that he did make such an agreement and gave the bank verbal authority to honor Cate's checks, but that Cate exceeded his authority in that he paid for groceries, pianos and sent his children to the agricultural college by means of these same checks.

Other Charges. It is also charged that Boise while manager of the Hawthorne estate acted actively against the interests of the estate and individuals which were transacting business with the estate. He therefore appeared on both sides of these transactions, the instance has been brought to light in connection with the improvement of the streets in the Hawthorne tract, the contract for which was let to Elwood Wild, who has offices with Boise. The story has it that Boise, who is estimated to have received \$27,000 and before it is finished will receive \$8,000 more than other contractors offered to do the work for, swindled the estate for \$35,000 of the work and the loss will perhaps not exceed \$7,000.

MILLION AND A HALF BROKERAGE FAILURE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Detroit, July 18.—With liabilities of \$1,600,000, the brokerage firm of Cameron, Currie & Co. went into the hands of a receiver today. F. G. Austin was appointed receiver of the firm, which is in the hands of a receiver. They were members of the Chicago board of trade.

UNIONTEERS PUT OUT FIRE

Midway Company Has Blaze Extinguished 20 Minutes Before City Company Arrives—Woman Jumps Through Window of Burning Home.

Nip, nip hooray, nip, nip hooray. For the Volunteer Fireman. Give him a cheer to help him on his way. For he's doing the best he can. All Midway is joining in the chorus today because the Midway hose company it was that first responded to the alarm of fire that was rung in by Mrs. Margaret Smeed of Midway and that had the fire out some 20 minutes before the boys of the Brooklyn engine company with their helmets and brass buttons reached the smoking ruins of Mrs. Smeed's house. That is, all Midway but Mrs. Smeed—she is at the home of a neighbor nursing a badly cut face and head received in jumping through her bedroom window in order to escape from her burning home.

Mrs. Smeed's husband is night watchman at the Iman-Poulsen mill and so she is left alone in the house every evening. She was awakened about past nine last night, first carefully locking the front door, the back door and her bedroom door. At 11:15 she was awakened by the smell of smoke and getting up found that all one side of her house was in flames. She tried to get out the front door but could not

get it unlocked and the back door was cut off by the fire. The windows buckled when they tried to raise them and she arched up by jumping through the glass and the frame. It cut her face and she ran over in her night clothes to the bell and rang it, calling out the volunteer fire department.

When they arrived they found the house burning fiercely but formed a bucket brigade and got the fire out before the Brooklyn company of the regular department had pulled through the fire. Everything in the house was ruined by fire, smoke and water. The damage is about \$1,500 with \$850 insurance.

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DRIVE WHITE SLAVE TRADE FROM CITY

Government to Prosecute Owners of Property Harboring Women Who Violated Immigration Laws—Prominent Men Concerned

Federal Officials Making Rigid Investigation Preparatory to Beginning Prosecutions—Await Outcome of Chicago Cases.

Names of a dozen or more of the wealthy property owners of Portland are on the government's list as holders of property in the north end where French women are being harbored under the rule of the maqueaux. As soon as the white slave prosecutions in Chicago have been concluded the government will proceed against all connected with the traffic in Portland, including the owners of property where the unfortunate women are kept.

An investigation being conducted by J. H. Barbour, chief of the United States immigration bureau in Portland has revealed the existence of the nefarious French society in Portland to an almost extent. The arrest by the city authorities of a Frenchman named Victor this week in a room from which several young French girls have been taken immediately before will probably mark the beginning of the prosecutions in this city.

Although still held by the city, Victor is being watched by the immigration department and is not to be the plonker defendant in the long list of cases that the federal officials are known to be preparing.

Underground Railway. Not only is there a very influential branch of the maqueaux in Portland, having its headquarters at Second and Davis streets, but the investigation of the department has revealed the existence of an underground railway for the transportation of French women between the United States and Canada that rivals in many respects the famous one of ante-bellum days for the carrying of negro slaves.

With the aid of this system, French women are brought into America from the port of New York, usually in the first cabins of the Atlantic liners, pass the immigration officials at New York, and are then driven down into Canada, where they come west by way of the Canadian Pacific.

It is known that many of them come as far west as Blaine, near the Washington and British Columbia boundary line, and across the border in many ways. Some of the best known law firms on some point on the Canadian Pacific. But a short while ago a party of these women were arrested while walking across the international border.

Await Eastern Trials. Both United States District attorney and the immigration inspector here refuse to state what action they are taking in the matter at present and it is known that they are awaiting the outcome of the trials in Chicago before filing any suits in this city but it is admitted that an investigation of the conditions here, probably with reference to the filing of suits, is being made.

There is nothing that I can say until the outcome of the Chicago cases," said Mr. Barbour yesterday, "but we are and have been making an investigation of the conditions here. We will not be against the women and their masters only, but against all who have violated the immigration laws." The officers believe the maqueaux whom Mr. Barbour refers to are the owners of the property where the women are kept. The immigration laws state that not only the women and those who keep them but those who harbor them are liable to five years' imprisonment and to a fine of \$5,000. It is against the owners of property particularly that the immigration department will direct its attention.

Ignorance No Plea. There are several blocks in the north end containing houses all of which are used as homes by these French women, most of whom have been in the country less than the prescribed three years. This property in many cases is owned by some of the best-known land owners in town.

They have usually leased, sub-leased it and rented it again in order to get

STANDARD OIL TAXES REDUCED

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, July 18.—Action of the board of review in reducing the taxes on the personal property of the Standard Oil company of Indiana is being freely criticized today. The oil company, which was recently fined \$29,000,000 by Judge Landis, pleaded poverty.

GIBBONS DEPLORES ILLS BUT DECLARES COUNTRY IS SAFE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Baltimore, July 18.—The country faces serious problems, but its future is safe, no matter how the presidential election turns out, according to Cardinal Gibbons, who is en route to New York. He discussed general conditions in the United States today, in part, as follows:

PLANS MASSACRE OF JEWISH PEOPLE WHO WILL BE ON DEFENSE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Berlin, July 18.—A general slaughter of Jewish people throughout all Russia has been planned by M. K. Rushevian, the famous anti-Semitic leader, according to information received here today. Rushevian is said to have organized the horrible Kishineff program of 1903, when it was the worst massacre in the history of the attacks on the Jews in Russia.

The statement made here says that Rushevian's new plan contemplates simultaneous attacks on the Jews in

DETECTIVE AFTER GOLDIE ELLIS

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Bernardino, Cal., July 18.—Authorities of the state of Oregon are seeking Mrs. Goldie R. Ellis, the child wife, a detective having arrived here today with a warrant for her arrest. Mrs. Ellis, who is 16 years old, through her guardian, Mrs. Ada E. Kenney, recently brought suit here to annul her marriage. It was alleged that she was flogged into wedding Joseph Ellis when she was only 14 years old.

SAYS WIFE HAS 17 HUSBANDS

Joseph Carbone Alleges This Is at Least 16 Too Many for Him. (United Press Leased Wire.) San Jose, Cal., July 18.—Alleging that his wife has married at least 17 men without going through the necessary legal formulae of having one marriage contract annulled before she entered into another, Joseph Carbone, a well-known sporting man of this section of the state, has begun suit for the annulment of his marriage. The woman has disappeared and was sent to the insane asylum.

JOURNAL WANT ADS BRING RESULTS

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