

CALIFORNIA IN ARMY OVER RATES

Entire State Threatens Reprisals if Harriman and Santa Fe Insist on Increased Tariff—Shippers Throw Down Gauntlet.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Dec. 19.—Angered at what they deem and indirectly term a deliberate steal of \$10,000,000 from their resources by the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe railroads through the increase of freight rates on California products and imports, thousands of shippers in the state today determined to throw down the gauntlet to the railway people.

A central committee of the leading shippers throughout the state have combined for cooperative mass meetings to be held on December 30 in all the cities of California, "for the purpose of demonstrating to the transcontinental railroads and to the United States that the people of California have no intention of paying the increased freight rates which it is proposed to put into effect on January 1, 1909.

The shippers' executive committee has "seriously questioned the advisability of spending more than the cost of the state government, a sum estimated at \$10,000,000 annually, because the railroads have concluded that they require additional revenue."

Letters have been sent out by the general committee to sub-committees in all the cities and towns of California. The day will be known as rate day. The representation will be made that the property of the state is menaced and that safety is only to be obtained by unified demonstrations and unified defense.

Plans have been formulated secretly for weeks. The members of the committee and the chairman of the mass meetings will be men directly interested in the protest, and will include all branches of trade and commerce.

In the call for the meeting the letter says:

"The committee has other plans, which, if adopted, will, it believes, have a salutary effect upon the action of the traffic men in deciding this special question. Rather than pay this \$10,000,000 to the transcontinental railroads, the shippers of California will encourage the government in establishing a first-class steamship service on the Pacific coast to Panama."

San Francisco, Dec. 19.—Nearly two dozen branch railroads in the west, as well as the middle western connections of the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe railroads, are preparing to make an advance in freight rates to points within state lines to correspond with the schedule that will be announced on January 1, by the traffic managers of the Harriman and Ripley roads. Hence the proposed advance has affected only California shippers and these have been the only protestants against the railway officials against the proposed tariff increase. The fact, however, that the branch lines subsidiary to the two roads are awaiting the schedule in order to announce a similar increase, means that the shippers throughout the west and middle west must meet the rates or go out of business.

The decision of the traffic chiefs at present in this city will be final, so far as the railroads are concerned. Appeal to Harriman and Ripley will be ineffectual, as the two magnates will not interfere with the decision of their subordinates.

LEWIS PROBABLY ELECTED BY MINERS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Indianapolis, Dec. 19.—Information obtained from local union secretaries of the United Mine Workers of America indicate the election of President Lewis by a majority of 30,000 votes. Illinois the home of J. H. Walker, Lewis' opponent, will probably give Lewis a majority of from 5000 to 10,000. Other districts throughout the country indicate big majorities for Lewis. Colorado, Montana and Wyoming undoubtedly will go for him.

SALTON SEA CLAIM CASE POSTPONED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Washington, Dec. 19.—The White House conference on the Harriman claims for remuneration for improvements in the Salton sea, in southern California, was postponed today. It is rumored that President Roosevelt is impatient and wants the railroad's case heard and the remuneration fixed and disposed of immediately. Senator Flint will press the matter before congress and it is likely a report of the exact amount due Harriman will be made after the holidays. Harriman claims \$500,000.

POSTOFFICE ROBBERS' RENDEZVOUS FOUND

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Riverside, Cal., Dec. 19.—Evidence in the hands of government secret service agents leads to the belief that an organized gang of postoffice robbers is making its headquarters at either San Bernardino or Colton. Officers are running down clues and believe they will soon apprehend the criminals.

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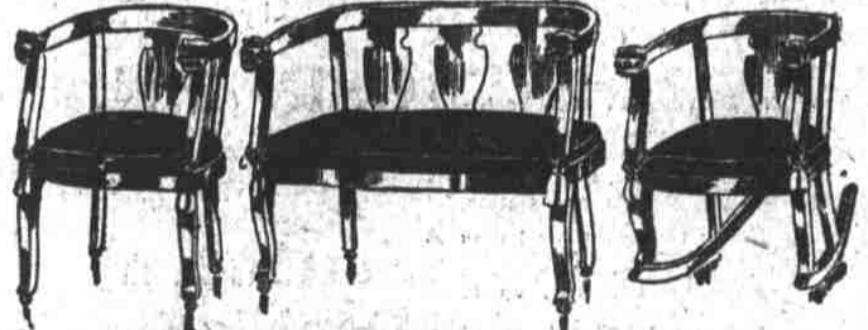
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