

PACKERS PAY FINE

One Is Nervous Wreck and Jail Sentence Is Remitted.

GUILTY OF ACCEPTING REBATES

An Aggregate Fine of \$25,000 Is Paid by Four Officials of Beef Trust.

Chicago, Sept. 23.—Four officials of the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Packing company, of Chicago, were fined an aggregate of \$25,000 by Judge Humphrey in the United States district court here today. The fines followed a plea of guilty to indictments charging conspiracy to accept railroad rebates. The defendants were Samuel Weil, of New York, vice president of the company; B. S. Cusey, traffic manager; Vance D. Skipworth and Chess E. Todd, assistant traffic managers. Weil was fined \$10,000, the other three \$5,000 each.

With the entering of pleas the declaration was made that unless at least one of the cases is immediately settled the life of Samuel Weil, vice president of the company and one of the defendants, is in jeopardy. He is said to be a nervous wreck, and fears were entertained for his life if he had been allowed to continue under the stigma of an indictment.

While in Chicago the attorney general was apprised of the condition of Vice President Weil.

These four defendants were charged with unlawfully combining and agreeing to solicit rebates for the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger company from the Michigan Central Railway company, the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, the Grand Trunk Western railway, the Lehigh Valley Railroad company, the Boston & Maine Railroad company and the Mobile & Ohio Railroad company. Charges were made that the defendants conspired with each other in presenting supposed claims for damages, which were in reality claims for rebates.

Vacation Time Ends.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Sept. 26.—President Roosevelt will complete his summer sojourn at Sagamore Hill and return to Washington next Saturday. The president, Mrs. Roosevelt and members of the family; Secretary and Mrs. Loeb, and the members of the executive force will leave here about 11 o'clock Saturday morning on a special Long Island train. They will go by boat from Long Island City to Jersey City, and thence via the Pennsylvania railroad to Washington, reaching the capital shortly after 6 o'clock.

Calabria Is Wind Swept.

Rome, Sept. 26.—Another tornado today caused enormous damage in Calabria. A gradual clearance of the buildings ruined by the recent earthquake shows that the number of persons who perished was greater than given in the first estimate. Large numbers of bodies are being discovered daily. The work of constructing wooden cabins under government supervision is progressing rapidly. Two hundred have already been completed and 4,000 more will be necessary to shelter the homeless people.

Islands Are Seized.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 26.—News has been received here that the American steamer Montara, having on board Baron Bruggen, manager of the Kamchatka Trading society, was seized by the Japanese near Nikolakoe, Behring sea, and that the Japanese occupied the Kommander islands and hoisted the Japanese flag. Neither the date of the seizure of the vessel nor the occupation of the island is given in the information received.

PROGRESSIVE IDAHO.

No Time Being Lost on the Boise-Payette Irrigation Work.

Washington, Sept. 25.—The Reclamation service has made the following announcement:

"The engineers in charge of the Boise-Payette project, Idaho, have made such progress with preliminary work that the board of consulting engineers will meet at Boise October 18 to consider plans and decide on future arrangements. The splendid work of the Water Users' association in harmonizing the many conflicting claims of private interest in lands, canals and water rights is beginning to bear fruit, and it is believed that practically nothing stands in the way of early construction.

"About 100,000 acres are already irrigated in this section, but plans for the full development of the natural resources of the valleys which will come under this project are of such magnitude as to be beyond the reach of community effort.

"The present estimated cost of the entire system is nearly \$11,000,000, and completed works will supply water to approximately 372,000 acres of land. On account of the restricted condition of available reclamation funds, however, a portion of the project has been selected which, though only an integer of the whole, will yet complete the project itself.

"The Payette and Boise valleys constitute one of the most attractive sections of the West. Progress in agriculture in this vicinity in the past few years, and the consequent growth of adjacent towns, furnish an excellent example of the result of irrigation and give promise of substantial and wonderful development in the future."

Work Begun on Western Pacific.

Salt Lake City, Sept. 23.—Forty teams began work on the Western Pacific road 20 miles west of the city, and officials announce that 1,500 or 2,000 teams will be at work by October 1.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Oats—No. 1 white feed, \$23.50@24; gray, \$23.50@24 per ton.

Wheat—Club, 71c per bushel; blue-stem, 74c; valley, 71c.

Barley—Feed, \$19 @ 20 per ton; brewing, \$19@20; rolled, \$22@23.

Rye—\$1.30 per cental.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$14@15 per ton; valley timothy, \$11@12; clover, \$8@9; grain hay, \$8@9.

Fruits—Apples, \$1@1.50 per box; peaches, 65c@1 per crate; plums, 50@75c; cantaloupes, \$1@1.25 per crate; pears, \$1.25@1.50 per box; watermelons, 3/4@1c per pound; crabapples, \$1 per box; quinces, \$1 per box.

Vegetables—Beans, 1@4c per pound; cabbage, 1@1 1/4c per pound; cauliflower, 75@90c per dozen; celery, 75@90c per dozen; corn, 8@9c per dozen; cucumbers, 10@15c per dozen; pumpkins, 1 1/4@1 1/2c per pound; tomatoes, 25@30c per crate; squash, 5c per pound; turnips, \$1.25@1.40 per sack; carrots, \$1.25@1.50 per sack; beets, \$1@1.25 per sack.

Onions—Oregon, 90c@1 per sack; globe, 75c per sack.

Potatoes—Oregon, fancy, 65@75c per sack; common, nominal.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 25@30c.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 27@27 1/2c.

Poultry—Average old hens, 13@13 1/2c per pound; mixed chickens, 12 1/2@13c; old roosters, 9@10c; young roosters, 11@12c; springs, 13 1/2@15c; dressed chickens, 14c; turkeys, live, 18@21c; geese, live, 8@9c; ducks, 13@14c.

Hops—Nominal at 13c for choice 1905s.

Wool—Eastern Oregon average best, 19@21c; lower grades down to 15c, according to shrinkage; valley, 25@27c per pound; mohair, choice, 30c.

Beef—Dressed bulls, 1@2c per pound; cows, 3@4c; country steers, 4@4 1/2c.

Veal—Dressed, 3@8c per pound.

Mutton—Dressed, fancy, 6 1/2@7c per pound; ordinary, 4@5c; lambs, 7@7 1/2c.

Pork—Dressed, 6@7 1/2c per pound.

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