

NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

ADVANCE IN RATES.

Old Equipment Will Cause Railroads to Seek Relief From Shippers.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Shortage of rolling stock caused by the failure of the railroads to keep up their equipment during the recent financial stringency will result in sweeping advances in rates, according to the statement of members of the interstate commerce commission.

"I have no doubt," said one of the commissioners in explaining the situation, "that an attempt will be made all along the line to push up rates in every possible way. The railroads have cultivated the impression that they are not receiving sufficient money to maintain their efficiency and to give good service and pay their stockholders anything."

"As soon as business revives the railroads all over the country are going to find themselves short of equipment. For two years they have bought no rolling stock to speak of and they have not kept their old equipment in repair."

"The railroad managers will soon begin announcing that they must get more money to lay tracks and buy cars and that to advance rates is the only means of getting the needed cash. Whether they will be permitted to enforce their highest rates is something the commission cannot pass on now."

"Already the advances have begun. The commission has before it one case which involves an advance in rates in all the southeast. There is another case which involves advances in the southwest."

Site Prices Too High.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Winthrop has intimated that the prices asked for the four sites in San Francisco suggested as locations for the new subtreasury, were too steep; higher than business conditions in that city warranted and more money than the Federal government proposed to pay. The choice of one of these four sites may be swayed by the alacrity with which the owners of the property take the hint and reduce their figures. The new subtreasury will be a four-story structure of classic design, constructed of stone and concrete.

Uncle Sam to Keep Afloat.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The United States government has no present intention of intervening in Haitian affairs. This statement is made on the best of authority. The situation on the island is an internal one and as far as known here it is to deal entirely with the people. The Haitian situation is not complicated by the position of the work of "emigrados," which obtains so frequently in Central American revolutions. President Nord Alexis has been in power a number of years and for the time being at least there is no ground for American intervention.

Navy's Vital Need.

Washington, Dec. 1.—The possibility of the great Atlantic battleship fleet, strong and powerful afloat, lying weak and helpless because of lack of coal, is shown in the report of Admiral Cowles, chief of the bureau of equipment, to the Navy department. According to the report the cruise of the fleet shows the need of more colliers. Had there been foreign complications or a combination of foreign shipowners the fleet might have remained helpless in some foreign port.

China's Envoys at Washington. Washington, Dec. 3.—Tung Shao Yi, special envoy of the Chinese government, and Prince Tsai Fu, together with attaches and secretaries belonging to the official suite, 19 Chinese students, attendants and servants, have arrived here on their mission to thank President Roosevelt for the remittance of \$1,000,000 of the Boxer indemnity fund. The visitors occupy a house prepared particularly for their reception.

Works for Coast.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The construction of six torpedo boats by Pacific coast builders has been suggested to the president by Victor H. Metcalf, former secretary of the navy, who is preparing to leave Washington. Mr. Metcalf suggested that six of the eight mosquito craft should be built or delivered on the Pacific coast. Delivery on the Pacific coast would handicap Eastern builders so much that they would be compelled to relinquish the contract.

Damages Awarded Paper Mill Men. Washington, Dec. 3.—Interstate Commerce Commissioner Lane gave a decision today awarding reparation to American lumber manufacturers and others on account of the imposition of unjust freight charges by the Southern Pacific from the paper mills in Oregon to Queen Junction, Pa., because of the carriers' inability to supply cars of the size ordered by the shippers.

Hitchcock for Postmaster.

Washington, Dec. 2.—While both President-elect Taft and Frank H. Hitchcock today reiterated their statement that no announcement had been authorized, it is generally believed that Hitchcock will be the new postmaster general.

Keefe Commissioner of Immigration. Washington, Dec. 4.—Daniel J. Keefe, of Detroit, president of the Longshoremen's union, has accepted the position of commissioner general of immigration.

MAKES NEW RECORD.

Government Printing Office Did Much Campaign Work.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The government printing office was an important factor in the recent presidential campaign. This institution turned out for the Republican and Democratic parties 7,418,700 copies of speeches delivered in congress, surpassing all previous records by 3,000,000 copies.

The total weight of campaign speeches printed since the beginning of the Sixtieth congress exceeds 400,000 pounds, or about 14 carloads. The printed sheets would completely cover 45 square acres of ground, and if each page could be laid end to end a bicycle track 947 miles long could be obtained.

The number of words contained in this year's of speeches has been roughly estimated at 230 billion. With the newspaper calculation of four readers to each copy, this would require the assimilation of nearly a trillion words.

The printing of speeches in the government printing office for members of the senate and house of representatives has been reduced to an exact science through years of experience. The printing is paid for by the member of congress drawing the requisite, but the mailing is done by frank, at public expense.

MARRIAGE PROVES FAILURE.

Federal Statistics Show One Divorce for Every 12 Weddings.

Washington, Dec. 1.—A higher divorce rate in the United States than any of the foreign countries where statistics are available is announced by the census bureau, which, in a bulletin just issued, says that at least one marriage in 12 in this country ultimately terminates in divorce.

Divorce is now two and one-half times as common, compared with the married population as it was 40 years ago. Utah and Connecticut are the only two states showing a decreased divorce rate for the past 20 years.

Feel Need of Uncle Sam.

Washington, Dec. 4.—"To keep her relations with the United States of the most friendly character is the keynote of Japan's policy." This is the statement of John C. Laughlin, secretary of the United States commission to the Tokio exposition, who has just returned from his trip to Japan and who today commented on the treaty which in the last few days has drawn the two nations closer than ever before. "The people of Japan," he said, "realize that they need the aid of the United States to insure them against aggression."

Condemnation Suits for Ground.

Washington, Dec. 1.—The Federal court in Hawaii will soon begin condemnation suits for possession of land for a new military post at Waikiki. The post will be made the headquarters of the coast artillery branch of the army. Prices for the property have been agreed upon and no trouble is expected. It is believed the government will place dredges on the submerged lands and use the material taken from the bay for new road building.

Let Fleet Go On Around.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Senator Flint, of California, announced today after a conference with the president, that he would take no part in a movement to keep the battleship fleet in the Pacific waters. The senator said: "The president's aim was to send the fleet around the world. It is now on its way home. No reason has arisen why the journey should not be completed." Senator Flint said the president favored more ships for the Pacific.

Public Printer Resigns.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Public Printer John S. Leach has sent his resignation to President Roosevelt, asking to be returned to service in the Philippines. Samuel B. Donnelly, of Brooklyn, N. Y., former president of the International Typographical union, was appointed to succeed Mr. Leach. The change took effect December 1. It is said Mr. Leach's retirement was due to the president's opposition to some of his policies.

Fleet to Put on Paint.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The Navy department has ordered that war color be applied to those naval vessels on the west coast of the United States. Accordingly a slate color will be applied to the West Virginia, Colorado, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Tennessee, Washington, California, South Dakota, St. Louis, Oregon, Buffalo, Milwaukee and Rainbow. The ships' forces will do the painting.

Assistant Secretary Saterlee.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Herbert L. Saterlee, of New York, has been tendered the post of assistant secretary of the navy, which was made vacant by Truman H. Newberry becoming secretary of the navy. Saterlee is reputed wealthy. He is a relative of J. P. Morgan.

Denies Petroleum Report.

Washington, Dec. 4.—"Alleged Oil Prospects in Nevada" is the title of the preliminary report issued today by the United States geological survey, which effectually disposes of claims made in certain quarters that the sections investigated abounded in petroleum veins.

SPEED CONTEST ON.

Hill and Harriman Are Contending for Through Mail Contract.

Salt Lake, Utah, Dec. 2.—The Herald this morning says that behind an order just received for a change in the schedule of the Oregon Short Line's Salt Lake-Portland express is mapped out an elaborate campaign between two great transcontinental railways. The fruit of victory will be the cream of the through passenger business and the choicest mail contracts between Chicago and Portland.

By speeding trains on the Union Pacific from Granger, Wyo., on the Short Line, through Huntington, Or., on the Oregon Railway & Navigation road, to Portland, the Herald continues, it is hoped to reduce the time of the through trip by five hours at least.

This contest against time is inspired by the completion of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle from the Northern Pacific connection at Pasco, Wash., to Portland, along the north bank of the Columbia river.

The Spokane, Portland & Seattle is a Hill enterprise. It reduces by many hundreds of miles the trackage between Chicago and the Oregon metropolis. With the Northern Pacific to Billings, and the Burlington from Billings to Chicago, it forms almost an airline from the ocean to the lakes. With it eliminated, the Harriman system could easily maintain its supremacy, but with the Spokane, Portland & Seattle as a factor, the middle route will need every ounce of steam its locomotives can make.

Beginning next week the Portland express will leave Salt Lake at 10:45 p. m., instead of 11:45, to connect at Pocatello with the Granger-Huntington flyer, whose running time is to be reduced 45 minutes between those points.

MYSTERY IS UNSOLVED.

Some Believe San Francisco Police Chief Committed Suicide.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—Although numerous boats patrolled and searched the bay since daylight yesterday morning from the Golden Gate to Hunter's point and the officers of the ferryboats and other craft were asked to keep a sharp lookout for it, the body of Chief of Police W. J. Biggy, who mysteriously disappeared from the police launch Patrol and is believed to have fallen overboard shortly before 12 o'clock Monday night, while returning to this city from Belvedere on the north shore, has not yet been recovered. Up to a late hour last night the police launch Patrol and other boats, with searchlights, were still on the bay, but it is feared that the body of the late chief of police has been carried out to sea by the tide.

Among officials of the department there are two theories to account for the disappearance. A number of his subordinates incline to the belief that worry and grief over the newspaper criticisms of his official and private demeanor impelled him to end his life, while others affirm with equal confidence that he fell from the slippery deck during an attack of vertigo or a fainting spell.

HIGH TOWER ON MOUNTAIN.

Sun to Be Studied With a Monster Spectroscope.

Los Angeles, Dec. 2.—Dr. George E. Hale, director of the Carnegie solar observatory on Mount Wilson, announced today that a great steel tower 150 feet high, with a well 75 feet deep under it, with which to use the spectroscope, will be constructed on the peak next summer. The five-foot reflecting telescope will be ready for use next Monday and Dr. Hale predicts that with the powerful reflector now installed—the greatest in the world—a number of important discoveries may be expected, particularly in the photographing of the sun's surface and the various curious nebulae.

A wireless telegraph station is projected on the crown of the mountain, tests being now in progress to determine the best points for locating the operating plant. It is expected by experts that messages may be flashed to Japan or beyond, so perfect are the conditions found. A coil capable of giving out the extreme length of spark is to be installed.

Runs Away on Mountain.


Butte, Dec. 2.—A freight train of an engine and 14 cars was wrecked on the west side of the Blossburg hill on the Northern Pacific branch between Garrison and Helena west of here this morning. The train got beyond control while descending the mountain, due to the accumulation of ice and snow on the rails. An operator grasped the situation as the train thundered past and wired ahead to Weed, where a derailling switch was thrown. The fact that the engine remained upright saved the lives of the engine crew.

Frustrate Rebel Plot.

San Salvador, Salvador, Dec. 2.—A plot to overthrow the government of President Figueroa was discovered and frustrated today. Martial law has been proclaimed. The revolutionary movement, which was started in the department of Sonsonate, was crushed immediately. Many persons well known in political circles opposed to the government were implicated and are believed to have been arrested and imprisoned.

Pope's Doctors Anxious.

Rome, Dec. 2.—The pope's physicians, while they declared tonight that the cold from which he was suffering was following a normal course, expressed anxiety on account of his weakness.



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