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## BETWEEN 30 AND 40 KILLED IN WRECK

### NO MEET TRUST IN CALIFORNIA

Scarcity of Beef on the Ranges Cause for High Prices of Meat.

### NO COMBINE IN EXISTENCE

Owing to Keen Competition Between Wholesale Butchers Meat Is Two and a Half Cents Cheaper in San Francisco Than Other Coast Cities

San Francisco, Jan. 22.—Declaring that the price of meat in San Francisco is no higher today than at corresponding dates for years past, Jefferson G. James, a wholesale meat dealer, today asserted that there is no meat trust in California, and on the other hand, keen competition exists among the wholesalers. The advance in prices noted at this season of the year, he said, is due only to the scarcity of beef on the range, and not a premed-

tated attempt on the part of the dealers to hold up the figures.

Leroy Hough, vice president of the Western Meat company, corroborated James' statements. He declared that prices in the city have not exceeded a normal figure, more than in any other Pacific Coast city. "The people of the city are to be congratulated that they are not charged exorbitant prices for," Hough said. "The reason are not is because there is no combination here among the wholesalers. Because of the existing keen competition, meat costs 2c per pound less here, on an average than it does in Los Angeles, Tacoma, San Diego, Portland or Seattle.

"There is a marked scarcity of livestock on the Coast this year, and many smaller cities have secured portions of the supply that should go to the larger centers. Expense of feeding cattle at this time of year is high, and that contributes to the generally advanced prices in many cities. San Francisco has not suffered from these conditions, however, nor have other coast cities to any appreciable extent."

#### Committee Organizing.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 22.—The first step toward activity on the part of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation committee of congress was taken today when Senator Nelson was elected chairman of the committee and Senator McCall secretary. The committee will meet again next Tuesday.

### FATAL ACCIDENT ON SOO LINE; DEATH LIST WILL PROBABLY REACH FIFTY

Two Coaches Filled With Passengers and a Dining Car Plunge Into River After Crashing Down the Embankment—Many of the Injured Will Die.

Sault Ste Marie Ont., Jan. 22.—At three o'clock this afternoon Canadian Pacific officials said that thirty-seven persons were known to be dead in the wreck of the Montreal-Minneapolis express.

From the number of missing, it is estimated that the death list may reach as high as sixty-seven.

Thirty-seven passengers were injured. Several of them are expected to die.

Ten bodies have been recovered. Divers are at work on the submerged cars.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Jan. 22.—Following a more thorough search of the wreck of the Canadian Pacific's Montreal-Minneapolis express which plunged over an embankment into the Spanish river 35 miles west of Sudbury, Ont., it was estimated this afternoon that between 35 and 40 persons lost their lives.

The records show that when the train left Sudbury, there were about 100 persons on board. Of this number 22 were seriously injured, while practically none escaped unharmed.

Many of the injured are in a precarious condition. It was predicted by physicians who are attending them that the death list probably will reach fifty.

Three of the cars that were hurled over the embankment were submerged in the waters of the Spanish river which is filled with ice. Divers were sent to the scene of the wreck. They will explore the sunken coaches but it is not probable that they can complete their work before at least three days. Until then the number of dead cannot be correctly stated.

The train was composed of one mail, one baggage and one express car, a second class car, a colonist coach, a standard Pullman, a first class coach, and a dining car.

While the train was crossing the steel bridge over the Spanish river, the second class coach left the rails and was cut in two when it was hurled against the bridge abutment. Half of this car with the colonist coach, the first class coach and the dining car, were plunged through the ice into the river after crashing down the embankment.

The heavy Pullman sleeper broke away from the rest and toppled over on one side, lodging on the shore of the stream.

Following are the known dead:

George McGilheny, fireman, of North Bay.

Will Lavary, fireman, of Ontario.

Mrs. C. Houde, Ontario.

John Kesbrook, fireman, North Bay.

An unidentified priest.

Among the injured are the following:

G. A. Martin, drummer, Waterloo.

George B. Locke, Erie River, Mich.

J. D. Pierce, Toronto.

W. J. Bell, (dying) Sudbury, Ont.

P. J. O'Brien, Randall, Man.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown, London, Ont.

Nathan Johnson, Belleville.

W. Mansfield, Montreal.

W. H. Willmot, Montreal.

Judge D. M. Brodie, Sudbury.

Thomas Parish, a Pullman waiter, St. Paul.

Sam Bolland, St. Paul.

E. S. Smith, Ontario.

J. D. Wade, Sudbury.

Mrs. John Dierman, Bozeman, Mont.

Alphonso Rolfo and child, Soo.

A. L. McDonald, Minneapolis.

Arthur Irwin, Minneapolis.

Hans Edeman, a Norwegian.

Mike Nikolsi, Max, N. D.

Mrs. Lindell and Harry Lindell, Winnipeg, Man.

tion of the packers with the presentation of a long account of data gathered by himself and his assistants. That the government intends a vigorous and hard fought campaign is believed to be shown by the fact that civil procedure has for the time been made secondary to the criminal.

Sims has scores of witnesses; he has been working secretly for months, and it is upon their testimony that Sims expects to secure indictments of the leading packers.

Swift & Company, Armour & Company, Nelson, Morris & Co.,—names standing for nearly everything in the packing world—are designated as concerns which must undergo a federal probing. The National Packing company, reputed to be the incorporated name for the "beef trust," will also be investigated.

The meat barons connected with the foregoing companies will be required to show the connection, if any, of their companies with the National Packing company and also be required to show whether or not any combination has been formed among themselves for the purpose of maintaining extortionate prices. Prosecutor Sims promises that prosecutions will move forward rapidly. It is intimated that the government will profit by mistakes made during the former campaign against the packers, when many of them escaped through immunity.

That time many were haled before the inquisitorial body and questioned closely regarding their reported connection with a so-called "meat trust." Later at their trials many claimed immunity on the ground that they had been forced in the grand jury rooms to testify themselves.

To avoid this, it is said that the government will disclose only enough of its case to the grand jury to warrant the bringing of indictments. Heavy broadsides of evidence will be reserved for the trials proper that are expected to follow the grand jury's action. Secondly, it is probable that the government will begin suits for dissolution of the National Packing company. This action, it is intimated, may not wait upon the outcome of the criminal prosecution, but may be taken after the criminal procedure is well under way.

#### Rev. Moore Improved—

Rev. A. Moore, who has not filed his pulp at St. Joseph's, but been confined to a hospital at Portland since the week before Christmas, is very much improved, and expects to be home about February 1.

### HYPNOTISED FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

Worked Two Days and Thought He Never Would Wake Up.

### WILL TAKE THE REST CURE

The Very Idea of Work Had a Depressing Effect and He Became Strangely Stiff Every Time the Subject Came Up—Failed to Support His Family.

#### [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 22.—Psychic waves which stiffened Martin Hannon, so that he was obliged to eschew all manual labor resulted in his commitment in Steilacoom insane asylum, and he was taken to the sanitarium today to be treated for his peculiar malady.

Hannon was haled into Judge Frater's court yesterday on the charge of failing to support his family. It developed from the court's questioning that active exertion had a very depressing effect upon Hannon, which was aggravated by the psychic waves which various unknown persons had projected toward him. Mrs. Hannon as in court, and she told Judge Frater that she took no stock in the psychic phenomena, but though it was undeniable that her husband became strangely stiff every time the subject of work came up.

"What I want him to do is to go to work," she said, "and quit talking so much. His tongue never gets so stiff he cannot use it."

"What is the cause of your trouble?" asked the court of Hannon.

"I don't know," replied the recalcitrant husband. "I have been hypnotized by persons in this country and Canada for 25 years, and if I work a day I am fastened to the straw the next morning. Once I worked two days, and I thought I never would wake up."

The lunacy commission was then called, and decided to give Hannon the "rest cure" at Steilacoom.

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### ACCIDENTLY SHOT BY HIS PLAY MATE

Bright Young Salem Lad Instantly Killed by Bullet From 22-Rifle.

### SON OF LEE W. ACHESON

Carlton Eugene Acheson Accidently Shot Through the Head by Hermann Viesko, 11 Years Old, While Target Practicing on Minto Island.

Carlton Eugene Acheson, the 12 year son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Acheson lies cold in death on a slab in the morgue of the undertaking parlors of A. M. Clough & Company this afternoon as a result of a bullet wound received in the head from a 22 calibre rifle which was accidentally discharged while the hands of Herman Viesko, the 11 year old

### GOVERNMENT TO PROSECUTE "BEEF TRUST"

Criminal Prosecution Will Be Commenced in Chicago Next Monday.

### SCORES OF WITNESSES

Second Big Battle Against the Alleged Combination of the Packers to Maintain High Prices for Meats—Government Will Try to Avoid Mistakes Made in Former Trial.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—With leading attorneys for the Chicago meat packers hurrying toward this city or already here, the federal grand jury is making preparations today to meet next Monday for the initial movement in the government's second big fight to break an alleged combination of the packers to maintain high prices for meats. United States District Attorney Sims will open a criminal prosecu-

### KNOX'S NEUTRALIZATION PLAN MAY BREED TROUBLE

Looks Like Realignment of Powers in Oriental Affairs, in Which All of the Powers Will Take a Hand.

#### [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]

Washington, Jan. 22.—Almost simultaneously with the rejection by Japan and Russia of Secretary Knox's plan for the neutralization of the Manchurian Railway, the Chinese government issued an imperial order granting permission for the construction of an American-British Railroad from Chien Foo to the port of Aigun, it was learned today, according to a despatch from Henry P. Fletcher, secretary of the American legation at Peking.

The granting of this official permission is said to be the result of much diplomatic interchange between China and the United States. The road probably will be effective in securing practical neutralization of railways in Manchuria, although Knox's proposals were rejected by Russia and Japan, and furnish the opportunity for a commercial foothold in Manchuria which was con-

sidered one of the principal objects of the neutralization plan.

The new road, it was stated, will be built with British and American capital, but in view of the administrations commitment to railway neutralization, it is thought all other powers will be offered an opportunity to subscribe to the necessary bonds.

China's action in issuing the imperial rescript may change the status of her relations with Japan because she has become dangerously near overstepping the terms of her treaty of September 24, 1904, with Japan, in which it was provided that she must consult Japan whenever she proposed making a railway or mining concession in Manchuria.

It is predicted that her action may result in a re-alignment of powers in Oriental affairs, with the United States, Great Britain, Germany and China on one side, with Japan, Russia, and France on the other.

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