

SOUTHERN PACIFIC'S TAXES.

AGENT RYAN AND THE STATE EQUALIZERS.

The Company Not Given the Benefit of the Reduction Last Year.

E. Black Ryan, representing the lines of the Southern Pacific system in California, was before the State Board of Equalization yesterday in answer to the citation to appear and explain matters pertaining to values of the lines.

Mr. Ryan lost no time in giving the board a hard nut to crack. In 1897, it will be remembered, the valuation of railroads was fixed before the question of county assessments was taken up.

A majority of counties in the State were reduced from the Auditors' return to the board 15 per cent. on all values, while in a few cases, notably that of Sacramento County, assessable values were reduced 10 per cent.

Mr. Ryan said that the reduction of the valuation in the several counties did not change the percentage assessment on the Southern Pacific Company's lines, and, as a consequence, while its values remained at the figure fixed in 1897, the other lines were taxed accordingly, nearly every county through which the lines run were reduced 15 per cent. below the Auditors' returns, thereby entailing an excess of taxes amounting in round numbers to \$45,000 on the railroad company.

These points were pressed succinctly by Mr. Ryan, who urged that the assessments on all lines be reduced to correspond with the reduction of property values in the counties through which they run.

Mr. Ryan asked also that a specific reduction from \$11.50 to \$8.00 per mile be made in the rate of the South Pacific Coast Narrow Gauge, which he submitted was assessed 40 per cent. higher than any narrow gauge road in the State.

Mr. Ryan compared the valuation fixed on the lines in California with that fixed on the lines in other States and Territories. In Arizona the Southern Pacific road, including everything, is, he said, less than \$7,000 per mile, while just across the line in California the valuation last year amounted to \$17,000 per mile.

Statistics were produced by Mr. Ryan showing that the Central Pacific road, between Ogden and Truckee, uses coal mined at Evanston, Utah, and which costs \$3 per ton at the mine. Annually there is consumed 200,000 tons, at a cost of \$600,000, or \$3.00 per ton, the cost of transporting the fuel, which is enormous. He quoted from a report made by Charles Francis Adams several years ago, to the effect that if the Central Pacific road had the same facilities for fuel as the Union Pacific it would add to its actual earning capacity \$5,000,000 annually.

Mr. Ryan said he had made careful examinations of equalization reports from other States, and that the Central Pacific, the Northern Railway and the California Pacific in California are assessed at higher rates per mile than any other roads in the world.

Equalizer Beamer had a report from which he gleaned that a portion of the Union Pacific in Utah was valued at only a small percentage of the value of the road. Mr. Ryan inquired whether Mr. Beamer had cited that report to show that the Central Pacific in California ought to be taxed at \$17.408 per mile.

Equalizer Beamer, however, discovered that he had been mistaken, and that the Union Pacific in Utah was really assessed at from \$8,250 to \$9,000 per mile.

Mr. Ryan again reiterated that the Central Pacific, Northern Railway and California and Oregon lines are assessed 40 per cent. higher than any roads in adjoining States, and that the California Pacific in California are assessed at higher rates per mile than any other roads in the world.

"Yes, but there is only one California," said Controller Colgan. Mr. Ryan said that the action of the Board of Equalizers in reducing county valuations and allowing railroad values to remain as first fixed had caused the Southern Pacific system to pay \$45,000 extra taxes.

"Somebody ought to be pleased at that," said Chairman Morehouse. "I leave it to the board to say who," replied Mr. Ryan.

Controller Colgan inquired whether or not the Central Pacific had directly benefited by carrying soldiers and munitions of war for the Government during the past three months, and said he thought not, as being a subsidized road, charges were simply applied to the debt owed to the Government by the road.

The law governing the matter was looked up, and it was found that while the road received a pro rata through rate for soldiers and munitions of war during a state of actual war, the charge was applied directly toward reducing the debt owed the Government by the road, and no money charge was or could be made.

In other words, the company was only benefited by being enabled to reduce its debt, and not by an refund of cost of treasury owned to the original subsidy granted by the State in 1854, governed by enactments of the Federal Congress.

THE SANTA FE. At the afternoon session, A. P. Maginnis, representing the Southern California and the Santa Fe Pacific (formerly the Santa Fe and New Mexico), was before the board and made a statement, based on the report already before the board, in which he requested that specific reductions be made on portions of the Southern California road.

In 1897, the road was valued by the Board of Equalization at \$6,019 per mile. Its main track, including spurs, is 461 miles in length, and is paralleled by the Southern Pacific. The statement of Mr. Maginnis showed that the operating expenses of the line had exceeded its earnings, and it was for that reason he requested a reduction.

He asked that that portion of the line between Barstow and Mojave, 7.33 miles in length, be reduced \$3,000 per mile from the valuation fixed in 1897, and that the spurs from Oceanside to Escondido, East Riverside to Temecali and Paris to San Jacinto, ninety-four miles, be also reduced at the same ratio.

Mr. Maginnis said none of the spurs in question were paying expenses for running, but in answer to a question, said the company would have no objection to paying taxes on the Southern California road at the rate of \$6,000 per mile, provided the valuation of the Santa Fe Pacific—242 miles, between Mojave and The Needles—be reduced to \$4,000. He only wished a reduction which would allow the road to earn enough to pay the taxes, and was not particular on which section or on which line it was made.

Mr. Maginnis referred to the statement filed with the board, showing that for the year ending December 31, 1897, the earnings of the line between Mojave and The Needles were \$363,765.61, while the operating expenses amounted to \$1,099,395.91, leaving an excess of expenses of \$126,540.29.

PULLMAN CAR COMPANY. J. P. Mehan, Superintendent of the Pullman Palace Car Company in California, was also present at yesterday's session, but said he could add nothing to the statement heretofore filed with the board. Practically no change had been made in the rolling stock on California lines, and he left the matter entirely in the hands of the board.

The board, as usual, took the statements made under advisement. Every road in the State has, through its representatives, had a hearing before the board, and it now remains for that body to fix the valuation of the several lines. The board has, under the law governing its action, until including Monday next to finally settle on the valuation of railroad properties, and it will probably consume all the time the law allows.

Articles of Incorporation. Articles of Incorporation were yesterday filed in the office of the Secretary of State as follows: Alpha Mining Company, Principal place of business, Yreka, Siskiyou County. Directors—T. Y. Reed, W. C. Stanley, L. F. Coburn, J. F. McBride, A. B. Shearer, all of Yreka. Capital stock, \$50,000, all subscribed.

Suit to Foreclose. W. A. Anderson, executor of the estate of Manuel Dubois, deceased, has brought suit to foreclose a mortgage for \$1,440.75, with interest since August, 1897, on lot 5 in the block between H. I. Fifth and Sixth streets. The sum of \$500 is added for attorney's fees.

Land Patents Signed. The Governor has signed patents for school lands as follows: Wm. W. Ingraham, 200 acres in San Diego County; Swamp lands, 200 acres in Del Norte County; R. S. Floyd, 22 acres in Lake County.

APPARENTLY INFANTICIDE.

A JAPANESE WHO IS IN A TIGHT PLACE.

Y. Tanaka Under Arrest for the Murder of His New-Born Infant.

A gruesome scene was enacted last night on the bank of China Slough, once known as "Lake Como." That was when the late respected Improvement Association conceived the idea of having the foul slough, or pond, emptied, cleaned and preserved as a lake on which gondolas should glide in the soft summer nights, and lovers stroll on the grass covered banks.

But the old slough is still there (minus the gondolas) with its accumulation of rubbish and instead of its banks being grass clad they are strewn with tin cans, old clothes and all sorts of cast away trash.

As the novelist would say, "we digress," hence to our story. About 9 o'clock a "Record-Union" reporter went to the bank of the slough, between Fifth and Sixth streets, and there found Chief of Police Dwyer, Officer Maley and two Japs, Deputy Coroner Clarence Clark arrived just as the reporter got there, carrying a small rough coffin under one arm. He said he was sent to the bank of the slough, expecting to have a murdered infant in the box on his return.

As the Deputy Coroner and the reporter were on the same mission, they searched about in the dark for a while and finally caught a glimpse of a lantern down in the grass and brush under the overhanging bank. At the same time they heard a noise such as is made by a person in the agonies of seasickness, and soon a man came climbing up the bank. He was holding his nose and striking blindly for some spot where he could get fresh air.

It proved to be Officer Fisher. He beckoned the visitors down a narrow, dusty pathway toward where the lantern flickered, but kept on his way. And he never came back.

Descending the bank the group were held in suspense for a moment, said the reporter, as the Chief of Police Maley was holding his nose with one hand while the other brandished a shovel with which he was trying to fan himself. The two Japs stood stolidly by.

"There it is," said the Chief to the Deputy Coroner, pointing to a freshly dug hole in the bank, on one edge of which was a bundle of rags tied with a cord. "There's the body."

The exhumed bundle was laid in the little coffin by the light of the lantern. Deputy Clark gently covered it with a clean white cloth, and then picked up the coffin and carried it away to his buggy on I street.

The bundle contained the body of a new-born babe that had been murdered (as is alleged) by its father, Y. Tanaka—one of the Japs who had assisted in the exhumation.

The story of the alleged infanticide, briefly told, is as follows: A few days ago a rumor reached Chief Dwyer's ears that a Japanese couple had done away with their new-born babe, and the Chief detailed Officers Fisher and Maley to investigate the case.

The officers found a Japanese who informed them that a woman who had acted as nurse to Mrs. Tanaka had stated that the child was born strong and lusty. The parents had made no provision for the new-comer, and she had gone downstairs to get some clothing for the infant. When she returned to the room she was told by the husband that the child had died. Its body had been placed in a bucket that stood near by.

When the police went after Tanaka about the alleged infanticide he professed a physician's certificate to the effect that it was a case of still-birth. The physician was called on and he said Tanaka had come to him with a statement that the child was born at a house a mile and a half out in the country, and that it was stillborn. He did not doubt the statement and gave the certificate accordingly.

Up to that time the officers had not learned where the mother was. Tanaka insisted that she was in the country and that the child was buried over in Yolo, but another Japanese, an interpreter, was found, who knew the facts, and he was finally made to understand that he had no right to conceal the truth in such a case.

N. Gregg, Red Bluff; Mark R. Plasted, Riverside; J. Gray, Chicago; Mrs. R. R. Rusk, Miss B. M. Rusk, Berkeley; T. H. Emanuel, New York; J. H. Draese, St. Louis; T. S. Buttle, New York; A. J. Burns, N. M. Gattaschak, Chicago; Paul H. Brader, Los Angeles; J. Hart, H. Sultan, S. S. Sates, P. E. Wiley, F. H. Bradbury, H. G. Reck, Al. Murphy, H. S. Keller, W. J. Hoffman, J. P. Gilchrist, S. M. McMullin, H. G. Weisbrod, J. F. McCarty, San Francisco.

MONUMENTS.

Those From Plymouth Rock to the Pacific Coast.

The above and other subjects will be treated by Rev. A. C. Herrick in an illustrated lecture to be delivered in the United Brethren's Church, Fourteenth and K streets, this evening.

Among other things, Mr. Herrick, who spent two months in Spain, will lecture on "The Moorish Alhambra in Granada" and "The Spaniard in Spain, Cuba and the Philippines."

PERSONAL MENTION.

Adam Haushold is back from a visit to Santa Cruz.

C. W. Mier is sojourning at Emigrant Gap, Placer County.

Mrs. R. R. Rusk and Miss B. M. Rusk of Berkeley are at the Golden Eagle.

W. C. Schroth and Henry Mohr are among Sacramentans at Bartlett Springs.

Phil. Riehl, the Preepport merchant, is confined to his bed from an attack of rheumatism.

The Misses Ethel and Hazel Jones of Newcastle have returned home from a visit with relatives here, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bohn.

Corporal W. I. Woodman of Company F, now in camp at Santa Cruz, has been here on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Woodman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hall and Mrs. H. M. Crowley have returned from a three weeks' camping tour at Lake Tahoe. The many tourists at the lake will remember Camp Hobson and its social campfires.

At the residence of Mrs. Rippon, 1815 I street, Homer O. Buckman and Miss Ora Runyon, daughter of the late S. L. Runyon, were married in the presence of a few friends. They returned yesterday from Bartlett Springs, where they had been members of the Sacramento colony of summer pleasure-seekers.

Weather Reports.

The Weather Bureau report shows the highest and lowest temperatures yesterday to have been 101 and 57 degrees, with gentle to fresh southerly and northerly winds, clear weather prevailing.

The barometrical readings at 5 a. m. and 5 p. m. yesterday were 29.85 and 29.75 inches, respectively.

The highest and lowest temperatures one year ago yesterday were 90 and 52 degrees, and one year ago to-day 90 and 55 degrees.

The average temperature was 79, and the normal 71, showing yesterday to have been 8 degrees warmer than usual for the 28th day of July.

The river is at a standstill, and has been in that condition for a week or more, the water being 4 inches, which is lower by two inches than ever before recorded during the month of July.

Pugs at a Discount. Young Griffo, the worthless Australian pugilist and vagrant, has been jailed up at Redding because he would leave the town when ordered out.

Chief of Police Dwyer of this city has caused Theodore Van Buskirk and Tom Jensen, pugilists out of a job, to be notified to leave Sacramento. He has instructed the officers to arrest or rid the city of all idlers.

School Tax Election.

W. I. Sears, William Elkus and C. I. Forman, Trustees of Orangevale School District, announce that an election will be held on August 12th to determine whether or not the sum of \$375 shall be voted for the purchase of the schoolhouse and lot in that district.

Death in San Francisco. The death was announced at Palo Alto yesterday of Mrs. E. C. Humphrey, wife of a former Sacramentan, who removed from here a few years ago.

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