

THE PACKERS' PROBE
Congressman Doolittle Insisting on Investigation
Files Formal Complaint Against Packing Firms.
ON METHODS OF MARKETING
Prices, Too, on Shipment and Sale of Live Stock
Doolittle Charges Stock Yards-Packers Combination.

Congressman Dudley Doolittle of the Fourth Kansas district, has followed his usual habit of making a formal complaint against a number of the large packing companies. He has followed his formal complaint with a demand for an investigation of the trade commission immediately investigate evidence and charges contained in his petition.

The Kansas congressman has asked the federal commission to investigate the Swift, Armour, Cudahy, Morris and other packing companies. The investigation is to extend to the methods of marketing and shipment of live stock, prices paid, profits and operating expenses. Methods of slaughtering, transportation, sale and distribution of meats will also be investigated under the complaint.

Copies of the Doolittle charges against the packers have been sent to stockmen in Kansas. These charges cover three typewritten pages and the allegations are backed by transcripts of evidence taken in former congressional investigations. The testimony offered in the form of exhibits and the allegations against the so-called "meat trust" are based on this evidence.

Blocked by Packers.
Filing of charges before the federal trade commission means an investigation of the packers this fall. The influences in Washington the packers are said to have worked to prevent the Doolittle resolution from passing. Should the resolution fail to pass during the present session, the Kansas congressman has indicated his point and started the desired investigation. Investigation of conditions surrounding the sale of live stock has created state-wide interest in Kansas and hundreds of stockmen and shippers have urged the passage of the resolution.

All phases of the shipment and marketing of livestock will be investigated under the charges filed by Doolittle. Recently the Kansas congressman openly charged existence of a combination of stock yards and packing houses influencing the sale of livestock in the principal markets. Thru an investigation of conditions by the federal trade commission, Congressmen have declared their intention of the collection of sufficient evidence to warrant federal prosecutions.

Split in Camp
The president has stirred up what he termed "a hot and opinion" of the railroad powers. It is now known that the B. & O. and the Southern railway executives are ready to make concessions to the president. Holders of the Burlington, in whose hands Louis W. Hill has placed power for negotiating the settlement of the railroad strike, are also expected to accept the president's proposal.

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Both Parties Stage Fight for Chairmanship.
Cowgill for Democrats—G. O. P. Has Two Aspirants.
RUSS AID SERBS
Force Arriving at Saloniki to Join Serbian Ranks.
Rumania Holds Trump Card With 800,000 Men.

Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. 22.—A contest for the Republican state chairmanship seemed probable as the members of the state committee prepared today for the meeting of the committee which precedes the meeting of the state conventions this afternoon.

THE TOPEKA HEARS
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MOVIE SLIDES
Every motion picture house in Kansas will display films telling of the political campaign. A "feeler" will be sent out to every prospective member of the executive committee of the two associations, expect to be able to deliver the address in person.

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All Summer Men's Furnishings Suits
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Men's 19c Lisle Hose, 2 and 1 Dress pairs for 25c at 58c
Men's 75c and \$1 Dress Shirts at 58c
Men's 10c and 15c Sox, all colors 7c
All Men's 50c Silk Neckties at 35c
Men's \$1.25 German dyed Blue Bib Overalls \$1.00

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6,653,000 bushels, including 4,513,000 bushels from America.
World's shipments of corn last week were 4,688,000 bushels compared with 5,037,000 bushels in the previous week and 4,245,000 bushels a year ago. America shipped 1,238,000 bushels of corn, 2,294,000 bushels of wheat and 1,510,000 bushels of oats; wheat and corn combined 1,238,000 bushels, 2,294,000 bushels of wheat and 1,510,000 bushels of oats, a year ago 1,912,000 bushels; corn, 2,294,000 bushels and wheat, 1,510,000 bushels. Total world's shipments of wheat last week, as reported by Broomcorn, were 9,862,000 bushels compared with 10,840,000 bushels in the previous week and 5,709,000 bushels a year ago. The world's wheat crop is estimated at 1,200,000,000 bushels, including 700,000,000 bushels in the United States and Canada.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—WHEAT—Rains in the northwest and strength abroad caused an opening advance in the wheat market today. The market opened at 118c for No. 2 hard, 117c for No. 2 mixed and 116c for No. 2 soft. The market closed at 118c for No. 2 hard, 117c for No. 2 mixed and 116c for No. 2 soft. The market was 1/2c higher at 154 to 155c, dropped to 152c and then reacted to 154c.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—COTTON—Spot, easy, 12 points up; middling, 14.50.
New York Cotton Market.
New York, Aug. 22.—COTTON—Spot cotton, unchanged, middling, 14.50. Sales, 100 bales.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—BUTTER—Market firm; unchanged.
EGGS—Market firm. Fresh gathered, extra large, 33c; large, 32c; medium, 31c; small, 30c.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—WHEAT—Close: September, 118c; October, 117c; November, 116c; December, 115c; January, 114c; February, 113c; March, 112c; April, 111c; May, 110c; June, 109c; July, 108c; August, 107c.

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