

Big Electric Smelting Factory Comes to Keokuk

FIRST FACTORY FOR KEOKUK FROM THE POWER COMPANY

Industrial Department of the Mississippi River Power Company Announces a Smelting Plant for This City.

BUILDING AND PLANT TO COST \$75,000

Promoters Hope the Business Will Reach One Million and a Half and an Enlarged Plant Will Be Built Here.

A manufacturing building and plant costing \$75,000 to be built at once in Keokuk is one result of the activities of the industrial department of the Mississippi River Power company.

And this \$75,000 plant is only a sort of model from which later the real, big plant is to be built to do business running over \$1,500,000 a year.

The vice-presidents of the company coming to Keokuk will be here next week to select a site for their plant.

Contracts have been closed which make this addition to Keokuk manufacturing a certainty, and the news was given out this morning.

TO SMELT ORES.

The company is the Johnson Electric Smelting company, with its main offices now at 18 East Forty-first street, New York. It has an electric process for smelting zinc, lead, and other ores by which the largest quantity of metal is secured at the minimum of smelting cost.

The present plan is to build at Keokuk a smelting plant to use a hundred tons of ore a day.

The company is conservative, and especially desires to demonstrate that its process works well in the large size plant planned for Keokuk. To this end, it will build first a demonstrating plant costing about \$75,000, and will run this over a year under thorough test conditions.

TO GROW BIG SENSIBLY.

Then, the company will take advantage of the experience and testing done in the primary plant and build the really big one adjoining the smaller first one.

The contract made by the Mississippi River Power company with the Johnson Electric Smelting company is very favorable to the smelting company, if the latter completes its intentions and builds the big smelter later. If the smelting company stops with the demonstration plant to be built at once, or fails to build the big plant, the smelting company will pay a large forfeit.

Woolsey McA. Johnson, first vice-president, and Joseph Struthers, second vice-president, of the smelting company, will be here between July 18 and July 28, to arrange the location of the demonstration smelter.

The above are facts furnished from an authentic source to The Gate City and the announcement of the first big factory for Keokuk since the availability of electrical power from the dam.

And it will be of interest to know in this connection that it was the very low and favorable rate made by the Mississippi River Power company that brought the factory to this city.

The Mississippi River Power company has been working on this proposition for a long time and has exercised great care in investigating the men who are back of the project,

satisfying themselves that the men are thoroughly good people.

If the development is as there is every indication it will be, this plant will become one of the largest in the country and be to Keokuk what the steel plants are to Joliet, Ill.

This plant will give employment at the start to about one hundred men. As stated the location will be determined later, upon the arrival of the officers in this city.

If a factory of this character can be secured during the prevailing inclement weather, the project will be a success.

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SATCHEL CONTAINING \$8,000 SNATCHED FROM GIRL'S HANDS

Lone Highwayman Held Up the Cashier at Point of Revolver and Escaped.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 13.—Miss Esther Cohen, cashier of the L. Cohen Wholesale Grocery company, was robbed by a lone highwayman of \$8,000 in cash and checks down town this morning, as she was on her way from the store to deposit the money in a bank.

Covering the young woman with his revolver, the man snatched the satchel from her grasp and fled, escaping, despite the fact that her screams had aroused the neighborhood.

A squad of patrolmen and special officers are working on the case. The cash Miss Cohen carried represented late collections Saturday and the checks were those which had arrived in the morning mail.

Miss Cohen, who is 19 years old, is the daughter of Louis Cohen, president of the grocery company.

JUSTICE LURTON DIED SUNDAY

Associate Judge of United States Supreme Court, Victim of Heart Failure.

BURIAL IN TENNESSEE

Successor Will be Named by President Wilson, Who Will Certainly Not Name Taft.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, July 13.—Messages of condolence and floral tributes in hundreds poured into the home today of Associate Justice Horace H. Lurton, of the supreme court, who died yesterday at Atlantic City of heart trouble.

The body will be brought here early this evening and at 11:10 p. m. will be taken to Clarksville, Tenn., the former home of the justice, where funeral services will be held Wednesday.

Arrangements for the funeral were in charge of Major J. M. Wright, marshal of the supreme court. A special funeral train with honorary and some of the active palbearers, justices and officers of the court and members of the Lurton family, will be made up here.

Chief Justice White will join the funeral train tomorrow morning at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., where he has been spending the summer vacation. Justices Lamar and Vandevanter and other members of the high court who can reach here in time, will go on the funeral train.

Selection of a successor to Justice Lurton will be the first of President Wilson's appointments to the supreme bench. It was stated authoritatively today that former President Taft is not considered and as positively that a democrat will be named.

The names receiving the most attention today were Attorney General McReynolds and Solicitor General Davis who live in the district formerly assigned to Justice Lurton; former Solicitor Frederick W. Lehmann, United States mediator representative; Secretary of the Interior Lane and Secretary of War Garrison.

McReynolds, Lane and Lehmann were said to be the most likely of these.

At the white house it was stated it is doubtful that the president will fill the vacancy before fall, although he may conclude to act before congress adjourns so the nominee can secure confirmation immediately and be ready to take his seat when the court resumes sittings in October. The president desires to look the field over most carefully, it was stated.

The death of Justice Lurton leaves only two democrats, Chief Justice White and Justice Lamar on the bench. Of the eight justices remaining White, Hughes, Lamar, Day and along some lines McKenna are regarded as the "progressives" of the body, with Pitney, Vandevanter and Holmes as the most "conservative" wing.

Party leaders closest to the president today strongly urged consideration of McReynolds who has long had supreme court aspirations as a successor to Lurton. It was considered highly probable that the attorney general will ultimately be chosen. Speculation regarding his successor as head of the department of justice mentioned Secretary of War Garrison for whom the president has unbounded regard most strongly.

President Wilson today sent the following telegram of condolence to Mrs. Lurton:

"Our deepest sympathies go out to you in your bereavement. The country has lost a gifted and honored servant whose memory it will always honor and I am sure that my feeling is the feeling of the whole country. (Signed) Woodrow Wilson."

Busse's Funeral.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, July 13.—Flags were half masted all over the city today, while the body of Fred A. Busse, former mayor, lay in state in the Knights Templar hall. Private funeral services were held earlier in the day at the Busse home. The Masons were in charge of the public funeral this afternoon, when city officials and several thousand members of the republican organizations marched.

NEW HAVEN GETS TONGUE LASHING

Interstate Commerce Commission Flays the Road in Report of Investigation.

VIOLATION OF THE LAW

Directors Held Responsible for Loss of Over Sixty Millions to Stockholders of the Company.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, July 13.—That the monopoly theory on the New Haven road was unsound and mischievous that its directors were criminally negligent, and that a substantial part of the stockholders' money wasted can be recovered, was the gist of the interstate commerce commission's report today to the senate in the New Haven investigation. The report is regarded as the most condemnatory document ever issued by the interstate commerce commission.

The commission declares the New Haven directors consciously violated the federal anti-monopoly laws.

No attempt was made to fix the responsibility for the New Haven transactions as between President Melton and J. P. Morgan, but the report condemned the "control generally". It is up to the department of justice to act upon the commission's findings that the New Haven directors were criminally responsible in the New Haven transactions, an interstate commerce commission official stated. Chief Counsel Joseph Folk who conducted the New Haven inquiry said that the report made the directors directly responsible for more than \$67,000,000. The total loss to the New Haven stockholders through mismanagement and carelessness is somewhere between \$60,000,000 and \$90,000,000 the commission estimates. The commission put the matter squarely up to the department of justice for action by furnishing it with a complete record of the testimony.

"The result of our research into the management of the New Haven system has disclosed one of the most glaring instances of maladministration revealed in all the history of American railroad," the report reads. "In the course of investigation many instances were uncovered of violation of laws of different states. As they were not directly pertinent to our inquiry under the senate resolution, we could not follow them into their details. As pertaining to violation of state laws, we have turned over evidence concerning local occurrences in New York City to the district attorney of the proper district and the testimony relating to irregularities in Massachusetts and Rhode Island have been laid before the proper authorities in these states. The commission has also furnished the department of justice with a complete copy of the testimony."

In arranging the directors the commission said: "If these directors who were faithless to their stewardship, were held responsible in the courts and at the bar of public opinion for the failure to do these things they would have done, the lesson to directors who do not direct would be very salutary."

That the directors should be held responsible for the Westchester, Steamship, Rhode Island, Conn., and Massachusetts trolleys, and other transactions was declared. Testimony of "high finance" was cited as follows: "Marked features and significant incidents in the loose, extravagant and imprudent administration of the finances of the New Haven as shown in this investigation are the Boston and Maine despoliment; the iniquity of the Westchester acquisition; the double price paid for the Rhode Island trolleys; the recklessness in the purchase of Connecticut and Massachusetts trolleys at prices exorbitantly in excess of their market value; the unwarranted expenditure of large amounts in educating public opinion; the disposition without knowledge of directors of hundreds and thousands of dollars for influencing public sentiment; the habitual payment of unitemized vouchers without any clear specification of details; the confusing interrelation of

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REIGN OF HUERTA IS NEAR END

Within Next Few Days He Will Send in His Resignation as the President.

REBELS ON THE MOVE

Villa Gets Busy When He Hears of Victories Without Himself Being on the Firing Line.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] VERA CRUZ, Mex., July 13.—The next few days will see the end of the reign of General Huerta as dictator of Mexico. This was the confident belief here today, following the arrival of Roberto Esteve Ruiz, former acting minister of foreign relations who declared that before he left Mexico City he understood Huerta was to submit his resignation to congress within the next few days.

It would cause no surprise here if General Huerta announced his retirement today. The dictator has invited newspaper men in the capital to a dinner this afternoon and it was expected he might make this statement then.

With General Huerta it is considered certain that General Blanquet, the dictator's chief advisor, will step down. He is expected to leave the capital with Huerta. They may take refuge upon a British cruiser but there is a possibility that the reins of government may be handed over to Francisco Carbajal, present minister of foreign relations, in time for Huerta and Blanquet to sail on the steamer Alfonso XIII from Vera Cruz Thursday.

The "loot ship" Espaspe bearing Francisco De La Lama, former minister of commerce, Querido Moheno, the Mass families and many representatives of Mexican aristocracy sailed for Havana yesterday carrying with them their fortunes, aggregating several million dollars.

Villa Not the Whole Thing. CHIHUAHUA, Mexico, July 13.—Fearing the sudden turn of affairs in Mexico will result in Gen. Alvaro Obregon and Gen. Pablo Gonzalez pushing their forces to Mexico City before the division of the northern constitutional army can reach there, Gen. Francisco Villa today ordered all his commanders in the field to prepare for an immediate movement southward. Villa announced that the campaign against Queretaro and Mexico City would be well under way in less than a week.

The success of General Obregon's army in taking Guadalajara and the reports reaching here that General Gonzalez is attacking San Luis Potosi, the last Huerta stronghold north of Queretaro, are causing Huerta much worry as it has been considered impossible for either of these armies to accomplish anything without his assistance.

From Cerritos field headquarters of the division of the east, it is understood General Gonzalez is on his way from Saltillo to take personal command and that the San Luis Potosi campaign is on. Gen. Jesus Carranza is also enroute from Tampico bringing ammunition and supplies. The federal garrison at San Luis Potosi estimated at 12,000, is commanded by Gen. Joaquin Meas.

Simultaneously with this news, comes word from Guadalajara that General Obregon has started five thousand troops eastward to repair the railway to Mexico City so that his 15,000 remaining troops may be moved by train.

Villa to Juarez. CHIHUAHUA, July 13.—Villa will leave this afternoon for Juarez to secure arms and ammunition for his coming campaign. He was met here today by Lieut. D. Mori, of the Japanese navy, who has been attached to the army of the north as military observer. He is the first foreign officer to be assigned to the constitutionalist army.

Francisco Carbajal will not be acceptable to General Villa as an interim president of Mexico. Villa agrees with General Carranza that the revolution must continue in strict accordance of the plan of Guadalupe. Miss Virginia Menges of Santa Fe, N.

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MERCURY OVER 100 MARK IN THE WEST ON SUNDAY

Every Point in Kansas Reported Hottest Day of the Year and Everybody Complains

TODAY IS A SCORCHER

Nebraska in Grip of Heat Wave and Other Points Tell of the Terrific Heat.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 13.—The mercury climbed to 97.2 in Kansas City yesterday, a new record for 1914 and throughout Kansas temperatures of over 100 degrees were general. Humidly during the day was near 98. A near phenomenon in yesterday's atmosphere was the electricity. The air was so charged with electricity that transmitting messages by telegraph was seriously hampered, the charged air acting as a conductor to short circuit the wires.

Concordia was the hottest place in Kansas, the weather office there reporting 108 degrees. Other high records in Kansas were: Clay Center 106; Manhattan 105; Wichita 105; Topeka 99; Atchison 98 and Emporia 97. Every station reporting last night showed the highest temperatures of the year. The nights have been unusually hot and there is more complaint about the heat this year than during the long drought of last summer.

Highest Lowest.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 13.—The highest "low" temperature in the history of central Illinois was recorded last night, the minimum registration being 81, according to the weather bureau today. The only heat prostrations were a score among members of Illinois national guard at Camp Lincoln, the visiting soldiers not being used to Springfield's record smashing torridity.

114 in the Street.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 13.—With the mercury beginning to climb early today and bidding fair to rival the temperature of yesterday, the hottest day of the year, this section of the country today continuing in the grip of the heat wave. The record for this year was reached yesterday afternoon when the mercury stood at 103, on the government thermometer. In the kloek in the business section the mercury stood at 114 degrees.

The entire state was engulfed in the heat wave Sunday. At McCook the official temperature was 107 and at Fairbury it was 108.

There have been three deaths in Lincoln resulting from the present heat wave.

Was a Hot Night.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 13.—With 82 degrees the lowest temperature registered last night—the hottest night in years—and the mercury at 90 at 10 o'clock, St. Louis faced another day of a protracted heat wave with no relief in sight. Temperatures of 100 degrees or more were in prospect for this afternoon.

HALF DOZEN SEPTEMBER MORNS AND ONE OPENED EYED MAN

Nymphs Closed Both His Eyes But Refused to Appear Against Him in Court.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 13.—John H. Smith who gave his name to the police with his fingers crossed, is free today because six athletic stenographers from the Wells building here who greeted yesterday's dawn a la September Morn refused to appear

Fierce Electrical Storm. DETROIT, Mich., July 13.—Street railway service was disrupted, telephone and light wires were blown down, several buildings were destroyed by fire and police and fire signal boxes were burned out during a fierce electrical storm that swept Detroit and vicinity early today, doing damage estimated at \$400,000.

Destruction by fire of the Chope Stevens paper company plant in the downtown wholesale district was the largest single item of loss. The flames started from a bolt of lightning and despite efforts of the entire city fire fighting force, the building was wiped out and adjoining structures damaged. The loss was placed at \$200,000.

The Chope-Stevens fire immediately followed one that destroyed the stock sheds of the Sullivan Packing company. Trapped in their pens, more than a thousand cattle, hogs and sheep were burned to death.

MRS. CARMAN IS UNDER SUSPICION

Case Will Come up Before the Grand Jury Some Time Tomorrow.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, July 13.—Despite assertions of Dr. Edwin Carman that he believes the shot fired through his office window, which killed Mrs. Louise Bailey, was intended for him, District Attorney Smith will go before the grand jury at Mineola tomorrow with but one theory in mind—that Mrs. Bailey was intended as the victim.

The district attorney also believes that only some person in the Carman house could have known that Mrs. Bailey was in the physician's office. According to the best information, Mrs. Bailey entered Dr. Carman's waiting room about 7:15. He did not enter his office until twenty minutes later. The shades at the office window were down and no one outside the house had any way of knowing that Mrs. Bailey had entered the room. Working along these lines the district attorney believes he will present a strong case against Mrs. Florence Carman, beautiful wife of the physician. A chart has been drawn showing the position of Dr. Carman and Mrs. Bailey when the shot was fired, as described by Carman. Mrs. Bailey was just leaving the office.

If Carman's story is true, then Mrs. Bailey's back was exposed to the assassin. Mr. Carman stood on the far side of her, his left hand on the door knob and his right hand on her shoulder, he said. Only his right elbow would then have been exposed to a shot from the window. Mrs. Bailey turned when the window glass was broken and received the bullet on the right shoulder blade.

Celia Coleman, the negro maid in the Carman home, will appear before the grand jury tomorrow.

Prevention of Insanity.

CHICAGO, July 13.—Legislation for the prevention and cure of insanity will be urged in resolutions by the alienists and neurologists of the country who opened a five days session here today.

"Practically all cases of insanity have their origin in preventable diseases," said Dr. L. Harrison Mettler, chairman of the convention. "Mental defects are increasing far too rapidly. The public must be educated and preventative medicine must be utilized to combat this condition."

against him in police court. The six young women took an early car and "Smith," son of a wealthy manufacturer bound for an early tennis game, was aboard. What he overheard from the bevy caused him to forsake the tennis game to lie outstretched on the banks of the upper Milwaukee while six water nymphs splashed in the water below. Then—He was discovered and the nymphs descended upon him in wrath. With his clothes torn and both eyes bruised and closed, he was turned over to a policeman. The nymphs were reprimanded by the shocked blue coat and Chief Janssen today announced that the river would be patrolled to prevent further "nature parties."