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PARITY REMOVED MAY KILL CITY

Manufacturers and Business Men of Quincy and Hannibal Tell Rate Examiner That St. Louis is Dangerous.

EQUALITY IS NECESSARY

Hearing Adjourned Yesterday After Considerable Amount of Testimony Was Presented by Shippers to Referee.

Depicting the losses of big sums of money which evidence was submitted to show would eventually terminate in the complete shut-down of some of the biggest manufacturing and wholesale businesses in Quincy and Hannibal, merchants, manufacturers, bankers and even professional men of Quincy and the down-river city Friday poured a continuous stream of facts, figures and possibilities into the ears of G. N. Brown, United States interstate commerce commissioner there for the purpose of hearing the shippers' arguments against advanced freight rates, says the Quincy Whig.

Shipper after shipper on the witness stand pictured the possible ruin of two enterprising and recognized manufacturing centers in event the commission upholds the railroads and permits the new rate schedule to go into effect. In every case the argument was based on the failure of Hannibal and Quincy to maintain a parity with St. Louis shippers in event the advanced rates are allowed.

Several shippers testified that the removal of the parity would mean death to their business and that in event they did not close out entirely they would have to seek locations where shipping could be conducted on a parity with St. Louis and other places where competition was keen.

Rate Parity Necessary.

That a rate parity with St. Louis similar to the one that shippers in Quincy and Hannibal have for several years enjoyed is a necessity to shippers in both cities was the point that Attorney F. B. James of Washington, D. C., employed by the Quincy freight bureau, attempted to make and it is believed that they did make.

The taking of testimony of Quincy shippers was started early yesterday morning and will not be concluded before late today. L. B. Boswell, local freight commissioner for the shippers, will have the heads of more than thirty of Quincy's biggest concerns submit figures for the information of Commissioner Brown.

Yesterday morning Louis Balzer, shipping clerk at the Knittle Show Case works, and Rudolph Tenk, of the Tenk Hardware company, proved two of the strongest witnesses that have been examined since the hearing opened.

St. Louis Dangerous. Mr. Balzer testified that St. Louis was a dangerous competitor in the show case manufacturing and that the business was done on narrow margins. He said under question that he believed it very probable that the plant here would be closed and that the company would have to seek location elsewhere in event the rates were increased and the parity with St. Louis destroyed.

of thousands of dollars to his company.

Decision in November. The hearing in regard to the proposed advance by the railroads of the freight rates between Quincy, Hannibal and eastern points closed at noon, says the Quincy Herald of last night, and Chief Examiner George N. Brown of the interstate commerce commission has set November 13 as the date upon which a decision in the matter will be handed down by the commissioners. This means that the case must be argued some time before the first of November which will set the date in October. The carriers were given until August 29 to file their brief, the protestants and their intervenor were given until September 23 to file theirs and the carriers were given until October 1 to file a reply.

The witnesses examined this morning were C. H. Williamson of Quincy, E. E. Williamson, rate expert, of Washington, D. C., W. S. Warfield and L. B. Boswell.

Mr. Boswell, head of the Quincy Freight Bureau, testified that the carriers neglected to file information on the proposed change in the rates and that he found out about the proposition from outside sources. Mr. Scheideker, secretary of the Hannibal Commercial club stated that the first intimation his organization had had of the proposed change was when Mr. Boswell called him on the telephone and so informed him.

MOTHER IS SEEKING NEWS OF HER SON

Mrs. Mary McFadden Wants to Know Whereabouts of Edward McFadden.

A heartbroken mother of Dunucot, Pa., is seeking her son, who, at last accounts, wrote her that he was working in Keokuk in a power house here.

The woman in Pennsylvania who has addressed letters to local banks here in the hopes of finding some trace of her lost son, is Mrs. Mary McFadden. She is trying to find Edward McFadden. In her letter to one of the banks, she writes: "Can you give me any information concerning my son, Edward McFadden, who left home five years ago. When last heard from was November 14, 1912. He said in his last letter that he was working in Keokuk and was working in a power house there. He said he was getting good pay and was putting his money in the bank there, but did not say what bank. I got the names of all the banks and I thought I would write to them and see if they could tell me anything about him."

OLD SAYING TRUE APPLIED TO KEOKUK

Adage About All Roads Can be Applied to This City, It Seems.

That all roads lead to Keokuk these days is apparent in all kinds of publications. Come of the metropolitan newspapers have dropped the word "Iowa" in telegraph news date lines and references to Keokuk—something that some other towns have fought for unsuccessfully for years.

The widely circulated magazine named Opportunity, has in the July issue the following short article: "The opportunity seeker will do well to keep an eye on important power projects throughout the country, for their development almost always spells heightened business prosperity in a remarkable degree. A notable instance is the lately completed Keokuk, Iowa, dam, which is credited with Keokuk's increase from 10,000 to 20,000 population since the water-power development began, and a correspondingly increased prosperity in nearby towns and cities. Throughout the country very similar projects are under way or will be promoted in the near future, and the results are apt to be just as wonderful."

David Ayers, Jr., is rapidly recovering from his recent accident and is able to walk about. Miss Flora Hammel who is taking her vacation this month has returned from Quincy where she visited friends and expects to leave this week for Chicago to visit a brother.

The Warsaw Gate City

Warsaw, Ill., July 19, 1914.

The "Around the World" trip under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Methodist church which was begun and ended Thursday evening was participated in by over 100 travelers. Five countries were visited, America, Ireland, Germany, Turkey and Japan. Refreshments were served in each country by ladies dressed in the garb of that country, the decorations of the room corresponding. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Grant represented America, the starting point of the journey, and Japan, the last country named was represented by the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shippe which was reached by automobiles, where a lawn social wound up the evening's entertainment which included cake and ice cream. A delightful evening was spent and a neat sum realized for the league.

The Inspector Hollingshead of the Marsh line has returned after a short absence.

Mr. J. A. White, Jr., who recently discarded steam power in his planing mill, and installed electric power from the dam, says that his power expense has been reduced one-half. Put this in your hat, all you who are hesitating as to adopting electricity for power.

Warsaw is rejoicing with Keokuk over the prospect of the latter securing the big smelting works from New York, knowing that now "the ice is broken." Other factories will follow in the course of a short time as financial conditions improve throughout the country and as Warsaw is one of the twelve "power zone cities" she may be recognized as a desirable point for a location. At any rate any factory of size located even between Hamilton and Warsaw in the industrial tract cannot but benefit both cities. A bumper corn crop all over the country guaranteed by recent rains and the settlement of the Mexican question will do much to restore confidence in the future and will loosen up the purses of some of the "doubting Thomases."

The following officers were elected for the ensuing term at the last meeting of Angelica Rebekah lodge: Ella Swearingen, N. G. Cora Neves, V. G. Ella Wallace, recording secretary. Emma Daugherty, financial secretary. Jennie Grant, treasurer. Minnie Blesner, R. S. N. G. Endora Crane, L. S. N. G. Daisy Bennett, R. S. V. G. Rita McCredie, L. S. V. G. Marie Herten, warden. Ora Anderson, conductor. Matilda Niefer, I. G. C. P. Young, O. G. Geo. J. Risto of this city was last Sunday, July 12, called to mourn the death of his step-father Frederick Eichenauer in Quincy, which has been his home for some years, though for twenty-five years he was a resident of Warsaw. He was born in Wetzlar, Prussia, Oct. 13, 1839, and came to this country in 1864, locating in Warsaw where he followed his trade, that of a cooper, until 1889 when he removed to Quincy. On Nov. 28, 1872, he was married in Warsaw to Mrs. Elizabeth Risto who died in Quincy, Aug. 31, 1899. To this union five children were born, three of whom died in infancy. Those surviving are Miss Amelia and Chas. F., both of whom made their home with their father. He is also survived by his step-son Geo. J. Risto of Warsaw, and two brothers in Germany. The deceased had suffered with asthma for thirty years, and in 1914 was stricken with paralysis from which he never recovered. His passing away was apparently painless and he died in his bed while asleep. He was a member of the First German M. E. church of Quincy and was buried from that church Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Burial in Greenmount cemetery.

Warsaw's population is increasing. A 10 pound boy at Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Taylor's on Monday and a 10 1/2 pound boy at Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Powell's the Friday before.

Eruptions Became Tame.

REDDING, Calif., July 18.—Redding has become so blasé from frequent eruptions of Mt. Lassen that the city trustees today issued an order against the ringing of fire bell when the mountain bursts into activity as has hitherto been the custom.

Early morning is the commonest time for outbreaks and the bell disturbed sleepers. There was an exhibition at 5:30 a. m., today.

The crater has increased so much in size that it is now visible from here, a distance of about 45 miles.

Fiction and Fact. Cincinnati Enquirer: In the novels the husband strolls into the conservatory for a little smoke before dinner. In real life he strolls into the kitchen and raises blue blazes with the light of his life because dinner isn't ready.

EXAMINER BROWN AND PARTY HERE

Men Who Have Been Taking Part in Rate Hearing at Quincy Visit Keokuk Dam Yesterday.

IMPRESSED WITH PLANT

Government's Property, Lock and New Dry Dock Are of Interest to Members of Visiting Party.

George N. Brown, examiner for the interstate commerce commission; W. N. Phillips, his stenographer; George H. Crosby, attorney for the Burlington railroad, and E. E. James, Washington attorney for the Quincy shippers, all of whom participated in the rate hearing at Quincy in the last three days, were in Keokuk yesterday. They were accompanied from Quincy by C. R. Joy, president of the industrial association, O. B. Towne, manager, L. A. Hamill and Ira W. Willis, members of the commerce committee of the association, and were met here by James M. Fulton of the industrial association.

The party made a thorough inspection trip of the power plant and the government lock and dry dock. Examiner Brown was particularly interested in the hydro-electric plant here, for he was secretary to Congressman Marsh of Illinois who was active in securing the passage of the Keokuk dam bill in 1905.

The members of the distinguished party were particularly interested in the government's part of the big plant. They showed a keen appreciation of the lock and of the dry dock now in the course of construction, and fast approaching completion. The power plant claimed their attention, too, in its immensity of size and its operation.

The party made the trip from Quincy by auto, yesterday afternoon. The rate hearing in which the men were concerned ended at noon, and they were escorted to the Hamill and Joy cars which were waiting at Quincy for them, and the trip commenced to Keokuk. The party arrived at 4:20 o'clock and stayed on the power plant until after 6 o'clock.

Dinner was served the party at the Keokuk Country club. Wells M. Irwin, Judge William Logan and A. E. Johnstone were invited to meet the examiner and his party at dinner at the Country club. These three men were the local men largely responsible for the success of the dam measure.

AUNTS WIN OUT OVER THE MOTHER

Girl Would Rather be With Aunt Kate Than With Her Own Mother.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 18.—Three women engaged in physical combat in probate court late today for possession of fifteen year old Lorinda Simpson, who backed by two aunts, desired to become the bride of a Lakewood, Ohio youth, over the protests of her mother, Mrs. Matilda Simpson.

The aunts—Mrs. Zilla Bowes, Los Angeles, Calif., and Miss Kate M. Goring, this city, succeeded in repulsing the mother and rushing the girl into a waiting automobile, in which she was whisked away.

LATEST MARKET QUOTATIONS

United Press Association Telegraph Market Report Over Gate City Loaded Wire.

Weekly Stock Letter.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, July 17.—The trend of the stock market was downward nearly all week, railroad stocks in particular suffering losses.

The severe arraignment of the New Haven in the interstate commerce commission report sent its issues to the lowest price in the history of the road. A number of other roads, suspected of being financially embarrassed followed in the downward movement and practically the entire list of railroad securities felt the pull toward lower levels.

Continued delay in the handing down of the rate decision by the interstate commerce commission was another depressing factor. Court decisions favoring Union Pacific common shareholders as against the preferred, imparted stability to the Harriman lines, but the Gould lines showed weakness.

The end of the Huerta regime brought encouragement to the market but none of the industrials showed any decided gains. The close of the market today showed some activity on the buying side and partial recoveries but for the most part the market was dull and weak.

Weekly Grain Review.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, July 18.—Unfavorable crop news from Russia and other European countries, fear of a spread of the black rust in the American and Canadian spring wheat belt and the fact that the old crop is about exhausted, caused wheat prices to advance early in the week.

Late in the week more encouraging news regarding European prospects came from Liverpool, cool weather removed the fear of the black rust in this country and wheat prices declined. The close today found wheat futures 3/4 above last week's closing prices. Early in the week corn futures advanced because of hot dry weather, but cool rains later in the week caused a slump. Close today found July 5-7 and September 1 1/2 under last week's closing prices. December also slumped on the probability that by the time that month rolls around, liberal receipts from Argentina will have been recorded.

There were heavy hedging sales of oats all week. The current receipts more than filled the demand and oats futures slumped, July losing three cents and September 2 1/2.

Provisions moved within a narrow range all week, governed by the hog market. At the close today, prices were generally a little lower than on last Saturday.

Daily Range of Prices.

CHICAGO, Ill., July 18.—			
	Open.	High.	Low.
WHEAT—			
July	79 1/4	79 3/4	79 1/4
Sep.	79 1/4	79 3/4	78 3/4
Dec.	81 1/4	82	81 1/4
CORN—			
July	70	69 3/4	69 3/4
Sep.	67	67 1/2	66 3/4
Dec.	56 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2
OATS—			
July	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2
Sep.	34 1/2	35	34 1/2
Dec.	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2
PORK—			
July	22.75	22.75	22.75
Sep.	21.17	21.35	21.15
LARD—			
July	10.20	10.22	10.20
Sep.	10.30	10.37	10.30
Oct.	10.37	10.45	10.35
SHORT RIBS—			
July	12.20	12.20	12.20
Sep.	12.07	12.07	12.00
Oct.	11.65	11.65	11.60
Chicago Cash Grain.			
CHICAGO, July 18.—Wheat—No. 2 red, 80 1/4@80 3/4; No. 2 hard, 80 1/4@81; No. 2 northern, 88@90 1/4; No. 3			

spring, 87@88 1/4. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 71 1/4; No. 3 yellow, 71c. Oats—No. 3 white, 36@36 1/4; standard, 37 1/4@37 3/4. Rye—No. 2 new, 62c. Barley—49@56c. Timothy—\$4.00@5.25. Clover—\$10.00@13.00.

Peoria Cash Grain. PEORIA, Ill., July 18.—Corn—Receipts 12 cars; market unchanged. No. 2 yellow, 71c; No. 3 yellow, 70 1/2c; No. 6 yellow, 69 1/4c; sample, 67 1/4c. Oats—Receipts 16 cars; market unchanged to 1/4c lower. No. 1 white, 37c; standard, 36 1/2c; No. 3 white, 36 1/2c; No. 4 white, 36c.

New York Produce. NEW YORK, July 18.—Butter—Steady, unchanged; receipts 5,500 tubs. Eggs—Firm and unchanged; receipts 7,100 cases. Poultry—Alive, firm. Western chicks broilers, 24@24 1/4c; fowls, 18c; turkeys, 15c. Dressed, quiet, unchanged.

Chicago Produce. CHICAGO, Ill., July 18.—Butter—No market. Eggs—No market; receipts 11,828 cases.

Potatoes—Higher; receipts 25 cars. Kansas and Missouri Ohio, 75@85c; home-grown Ohio, \$1.25@1.50 per bag; Virginia barrels, \$2.50@2.75. Poultry—Alive, unchanged.

Chicago Live Stock. CHICAGO, July 18.—Hog receipts 11,000; market 5@10c under yesterday's average. Bulk of sales, \$8.50@9.05; light, \$8.65@9.10; mixed, \$8.55@9.10; heavy, \$8.45@9.10; rough, \$8.45@8.60; pigs, \$7.75@8.90. Cattle receipts 200; market weak. Beeves, \$7.70@9.90; steers, \$6.40@8.30; stockers and feeders, \$5.40@8.00; cows and heifers, \$3.90@9.10; calves, \$7.50@11.00. Sheep receipts 4,000; market slow. Sheep, \$5.25@6.10; yearlings, \$5.65@7.00; lambs, \$6.25@8.50.

St. Louis Hay. ST. LOUIS, July 18.—Market steady, strong; receipts at St. Louis, 7 cars; at East St. Louis, 14 cars. Choice timothy, \$22.50; No. 1 timothy, \$20.00@21.00; No. 2 timothy, \$17.00@19.00; No. 3 timothy, \$14.00@16.00.

STEAMER ON FIRE IN THE RIVER

Was Loaded With Passengers But There Was No Panic on Board.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, July 18.—Loaded with passengers bound for Boston, the Eastern Steamship company's steamer Massachusetts caught fire off the battery late this afternoon. The Massachusetts went into East river and two fire boats steamed to her assistance.

From the shore it could not be seen to what extent the fire had burned. So far as could be seen there was no panic among the passengers. The fire boat New Yorker succeeded in extinguishing the blaze by the time the Massachusetts had reached the pier at East Eighteenth street. The Massachusetts then continued its journey to Boston. Fire started when an assistant engineer went into the bilge room carrying a lighted torch. Oil, dripping from the engine room above had soaked the timbers and they became ignited. There was no panic. One woman passenger was hysterical but she was soon quieted.

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