

FOR THROUGH ROUTE

PLAN TO CONNECT EUROPE AND ORIENT DIRECT.

BY STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD

Report That Pennsylvania and Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe and International Navigation Company Will Form Combine.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 7.—Emil L. Boas, local agent of the Hamburg-American steamship line, is in Germany, conferring with the high officials of the company concerning the operations of the ocean line in conjunction with an American railroad.

Mr. Boas went abroad a few weeks ago, and it was then said that American capitalists, through "dummies" in Vienna, were seeking to get control of the German Steamship company, and that Mr. Boas had been hurriedly called to the main office at Hamburg to explain if possible what the combination of Atlantic transport and Leyland lines really meant.

Negotiations That Failed.

It is said in shipping circles that it would be impossible for Americans to secure control of the Hamburg-American line, the capitalization of which is about \$80,000,000, and that Mr. Boas' mission to the establishment by the Hamburg-American company plans and arrangements for a deal with the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad.

It was announced some time ago that negotiations were in progress looking to the establishment of the Hamburg-American Steamship company of a line to the Pacific, to be operated in accordance with the Atchafalaya road, but these negotiations yielded no results.

The report now is that the Pennsylvania road, which has close relations with the International Navigation company, operating the American Red Star steamships, is to be associated with the Atchafalaya in any arrangement which may be made with the Hamburg-American line, thus forming a through route from Europe to the Orient by way of the United States. That report, however, could not be confirmed in this city.

No Details of the Plan.

Mr. Meyer, who is Mr. Boas' assistant in the New York agency of the Hamburg-American line, said the directors of the line were considering some sort of arrangement with the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, but he was not in a position to explain the details of the proposition.

NEWS STORIES BRIEFLY TOLD

BERLIN.—The long reports of the proceedings in the United States senate concerning anarchy, which have been printed here, are attracting much attention.

NEW YORK.—Nine games have now been played in the international billiard championship contest and so far it looks as if Schaefer and Slosson will be in at the finish.

MELBOURNE.—The immigration restriction bill, which excludes from Australia all persons who cannot speak a European language, passed the commonwealth senate.

VIENNA.—After a debate of nine hours the lower house of the reichsrath has adopted an urgency motion for the establishment of a university for the southern Slavs.

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Fire in the storage compartment of Foster & Glassel's cotton warehouse at Shreveport, La., destroyed the compartment and 1500 bales of cotton. Loss \$60,000.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Representative Kahn, who represents the San Francisco district containing the Chinese section in which some 30,000 Chinese reside, has introduced a Chinese exclusion act.

WASHINGTON.—Representative Taylor of Ohio has introduced a bill to pension Mrs. McKinley at the rate of \$5000 a year, beginning September 14, 1901, the date of the death of the late president.

NEW YORK.—Judge Newberger in the court of general sessions has handed down a decision denying a motion to dismiss the indictment for murder against Roland B. Molneux.

VIENNA.—The local press announces the formation of an anti-dueling league.

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ALLENTOWN, Pa.—Jack McCormack of Philadelphia was knocked out by James Jeffords of California in the 14th round of what was to have been a 15 round fight at the Keystone Athletic club.

NEW ORLEANS, La.—In a fire at Bayou DesAllemandes, La., Miss May Ernest, aged 17, and Flossie Delabreton, aged 12 years, were burned to death. They are prominently connected in New Orleans.

SEATTLE, Wash.—The first mail from Nome, according to last fall's plan, has left that camp for its overland trip via Illiamna to the coast. It is expected to arrive in this city about January 1.

PEKIN.—The principal object of the visit to Pekin of Yuan Shi Kai, the new viceroy of Chi Li, who arrived here December 3, is to induce the foreign powers to relinquish their control of the government of Tien Tsin.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The steamer Boscowitz, which has arrived from the North, brings news that the steamer Elk from Cape Nome for Seattle, with 21 passengers, was in Shushartie bay, at the head of Vancouver island, repairing her rudder.

DENVER, Colo.—A special from Fort Morgan, Colo., says Capt. Thomas B. Robinson, retired, died at his home in Fort Morgan from the effects of an attack of apoplexy. Captain Robinson was a native of England and was 64 years old.

MANILA.—The import merchants here are preparing a petition which will be sent to congress asking that Manila be made an American port, free of duty. Major Velasco, an insurgent outlaw, who tried to murder a Filipino judge, has been sentenced to be garroted.

CHICAGO.—After a spirited contest between the friends of Portland, Ore., and Kansas City, the National Livestock association closed its convention by selecting the latter city as the place for the next convention. This convention will begin the second Tuesday in January, 1902.

SAVANNAH.—Mrs. Catherine O'Keefe of this city has received a letter from Joseph Michaels of Yap, Caroline Islands, advising her of the probable loss at sea of her husband, Capt. Davis B. O'Keefe, and the fact that he had left property worth probably \$1,000,000.

OTTAWA.—Miss Bessie Blair, daughter of A. G. Blair, minister of railways and canals, and H. A. Harper, assistant editor of the Labor Gazette, were drowned in the Ottawa river while skating. They broke through the ice at a point where the river is swift.

ST. JOHNS, N. F.—William Marconi, the inventor of wireless telegraphy, has arrived here on the Allen line steamer Sardinian. He is accompanied by two assistants and brings two portable balloons which will be employed in sustaining the wires used in making his experiments.

BARNSTABLE, Mass.—Miss Jane Toppin of Lowell stood up in the superior court room and heard the grand jury's indictment, charging her with poisoning three persons she had been engaged to nurse back to health, but who had died under her charge, according to the indictment, by her hand.

WASHINGTON.—Representative Gardner of New Jersey has introduced a joint resolution authorizing the state department to purchase the Danish West Indies and appropriating \$4,000,000 for that purpose. The resolution refers to the desirability of American ownership of these islands under the Monroe doctrine.

WOULD MOB HENRY

PRINCE OF NETHERLANDS DARES NOT APPEAR IN PUBLIC.

QUEEN IS BROKEN HEARTED

Feared She Will Never Forgive Her Husband—Consort Accused of Neglect and Drunkenness—Peculiar Test of Manhood.

(By Associated Press.)

The Hague, Dec. 7.—Prince Henry has not appeared in public since the recent disclosures in regard to the domestic trouble in the court of the Netherlands. If he did he would certainly be mobbed. His picture has been withdrawn from the cinematograph exhibitions in the music halls throughout Holland, owing to the fiery demonstrations of anger it provoked.

The first printed accusations against Prince Henry appeared in the Rheinisch press, bordering the Dutch frontier. He was charged bluntly with neglect and drunkenness. Homeric carousals are still kept up traditionally in the German military set of junior officers, with whom Prince Henry graduated and saw service.

They think it attests their manhood to get helplessly drunk at dinners, and the German newspapers accused Queen Wilhelmina's husband of frequently observing this congenial custom after his marriage.

The young queen, heretofore the pink of active, graceful, robust womanhood, now looks shockingly bad. It is said she shuts herself up alone for hours in her apartment, where it is believed she passes the time crying over her troubles, but no one has ever seen her cry in public.

Her pride is overmastering. Those who are acquainted with her character and temperament declare she will never forgive her husband and will not long endure her present position.

FOR NEW STEAMSHIP LINE.

Plans for Direct American Route to the Philippines.

(By Associated Press.)

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—The chamber of commerce of this city has appointed a committee to consider ways and means for encouraging a direct line of American steamers to the Philippines.

The treasury department has ruled that by the recent Philippine decision of the supreme court, shipments may not be made to the Philippines in foreign bottoms, as it would be in violation of the statute providing that coastwise shipping must be carried on vessels of United States charter, under penalty of forfeiture of the shipment.

The Toyo Kisen Kaisha and Occidental and Orient steamship lines are thus disabled from handling Philippine shipments, even though transferred to them from American ships at Asiatic ports.

In view of the supreme court decision, it is authoritatively reported that the Pacific Mail Steamship company will start a new line of steamers to ply between the Philippines, Hawaii and San Francisco.

Capt. W. B. Seabury will start for the East next week for Newport News to bring out the first of the line, the steamer Corea, of 10,000 tons.

WASHINGTON.—In order to expedite the shipment of troops and supplies from the United States to the Philippines, the secretary of war has transferred the transport Kilpatrick from the New-York-Manila route to the San Francisco-Manila route.

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LONDON WEEKLIES FIND FAULT WITH PRESIDENT'S IDEAS.

DOES AUTHOR LITTLE CREDIT

One Paper Says Trust Domination Has Caused Widespread Ruin, Corruption, Economic Tyranny and Domestic Affliction in America.

(By Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 7.—The comment of the weeklies on President Roosevelt's message to congress is not generally so friendly as that of the dailies.

The Speaker devotes the entire space to acrid comment on the trust references. The paper declares the president's treatment of a grave economic subject as trivial in form and unsatisfactory in substance, adding: "Did we not entertain a genuine belief in the goodness of the president's intentions we should regard his diagnosis of the industrial situation as insincere."

The Speaker's word picture of the widespread ruin, corruption, economic tyranny and domestic affliction brewing over in America, as the result of trust domination, would be a revelation to the most ardent anti-trust advocate in the United States. The article concludes as follows:

"For such a student of industrial politics as Mr. Roosevelt professes to be, to ignore these conditions is an act of intellectual daring that does him little credit. The upshot of the message is to minimize and misrepresent the dangers of trusts and to postpone any serious attempt to grapple with them."

The Saturday Review, on the other hand, remarked: "All industrial undertakings in the United States are more scientifically organized than in any other country, as we have learned to our cost. The trust is the last work of this system of scientific organization and the president is

right when he declines to hamper the captains of industry."

Turning to the canal treaty, the Saturday Review declares Great Britain has sacrificed everything to gain the problematical friendship of the United States "which will last just as long as it takes America to build a fleet and not a day beyond."

The Outlook is mildly commendatory on the message. It says: "The anarchist program is splendid in theory, but in practice it is impossible."

As regards reciprocity, the Outlook remarks: "Frankly, selfish America will accept freely whatever benefits herself, but will be careful no infant industry is squeezed out of the perambulator."

ITALY WANTS GOOD CORN.

Government Adopts Measures to Insure Better Quality of Maize.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 7.—The Italian consul in this city, G. Branchi, has written to the secretary of the produce exchange to notify all the members and traders in this city interested in exporting grain to Italian merchants that by a recent decision of the Italian government that any maize imported into Italy without a consular certificate as to its quality will be rejected by the health authorities and its landing absolutely prohibited. Consul Branchi when asked about the matter said:

"Our grain traders have received during the past year such a very miserable quality of corn, when they had every reason to expect a superior grade, that they have been compelled to resort to this expedient to insure obtaining better grades in the future. The usual consular fees will be the extra charge that the American shippers will have to pay."

It appears that in many cases it has been impossible to obtain grain of first class or "contract" quality, as the entire crop has graded far below the standard. Walter Munn, the New York representative of Norton Switzer & Co., of Chicago, which firm is among the largest shippers to foreign countries, said, when asked why this extra certificate was demanded:

"I suppose the Italian government considers that Italy is the country which has had to put up with poor grades of

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corn in this year. In reality the same state of affairs exists everywhere all over the world.

"Undoubtedly the consul's certificate will guarantee the receivers in Italy that the grain is as reported on the regular grain inspection certificate, though I must say I cannot see why the latter is not of itself sufficient."

WASHINGTON.—Several anti-trust measures have been presented to the house. One of them, by Mr. Ball of Texas, proposes the appointment of a special committee of nine representatives to represent an anti-trust bill.

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