

MORE COMMUTERS HIT HEARING FOR SHIPPERS

Attorney General Sets Day for Considering Freight Rates. Washington, May 28.—Because of the emphatic representations made against the proposed action of various railroad trunk lines in the Middle West to increase their freight rates on June 1, Attorney General Wickham today announced that on Monday afternoon he would give a hearing to all persons interested.

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The government was asked to enjoin the railroads until such time as it was ascertained whether the step contemplated was proper under the law. The protests were supplemented by personal appeals for action by Senators and Representatives of the states that would be affected by the proposed changes.

Company Says, However, That Order Revoking New Rates Won't Be Permanent.

Increases in commutation rates on the Lackawanna Railroad which will affect the pocketbooks of about eighteen thousand commuters after June 28 were published yesterday by the executive officers of the road, although not officially announced. In a few instances there are no increases, and the price of fifty-trip family tickets has been reduced in some cases.

REJOICING ON NEW HAVEN

The new and the present rates for sixty-trip tickets between New York and the principal stations on the different divisions are as follows:

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New Increases on Jersey Central.

An increase of 25 cents in the price of commutation tickets of the Jersey Central road, not previously announced, will affect, after July 1, commuters from Raritan, North Branch, White House, Lebanon, Annandale, High Bridge, Glen Gardner and Hampton, on the main line, and all stations on the south branch and the High Bridge branch.

Westchester Commuters Jubilant.

In commenting yesterday on the fight of Westchester County commuters against the New Haven road's proposed tariffs Hugh M. Hewson, who with William L. Ransom represented the commuters at the Public Service Commission's hearing, said:

CONTROLLEERS DISMISSES CLERKS.

Frank O'Meara and Alexander McConnell, two junior clerks in the Finance Department, were dismissed yesterday by Controller Prudden. Their dismissal was caused by the part they took in attempting to obtain the alleged forged vouchers for postage stamps.

BANKERS TO TEST NEW LAW

Italians Meet and Protest Against Bond for Private Institutions. A mass meeting of Italian bankers was held in the rooms of the James E. March Association, Spring and Lafayette streets, yesterday afternoon to take action in regard to the recently enacted laws requiring private bankers to furnish a bond of \$50,000, and in addition to deposit \$10,000 with the State Controller.

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SIGNAL COMPANY WINS SUITS.

Judge Ray decided, in the United States Circuit Court yesterday, in favor of the Union Switch and Signal Company in the two suits it brought against the General Railway Signal Company for alleged infringement of its patent rights. In the same decree there is a decision in favor of the Long Island Railroad Company in the infringement suit brought against it by the General Railway Signal Company with Samuel Marsh Younger as defendant.

CORDAGE DENIES INSOLVENCY.

In an answer to the petition in bankruptcy of the Standard Cordage Company denied yesterday that the payment of \$70,150 interest on the first mortgage bonds was a preference. There was a general denial of the allegations of the petition, and it was stated that the company had no other liabilities than the bonds, secured by two mortgages; the insurance, payrolls and current bills. The book value of the company's property was said to be over \$5,000,000. The answer was filed in the United States District Court.

HEKE'S CASE TO BE LAST

Lawyers of Gerbracht and Bendernagel to Open First. EXPECT MORE INDICTMENTS. New Ones, However, Likely To Be Held Back Until After Pending Trial. One new indictment in the sugar fraud case is expected this week as a consequence of the later confession of Oliver Spitzer. There may be others which the government counsel will carefully guard from publicity until after the trial of Charles R. Heike, secretary of the American Sugar Refining Company, and the two former employees of the company still in the list of defendants, Ernest Gerbracht and James F. Bendernagel.

BURNT COTTON DECISION

Commission Refuses Special Rate for Damaged Product. Washington, May 28.—No distinction between cotton and burnt cotton may be made in railroad freight rates, according to an opinion of the Interstate Commerce Commission handed down to-day. It is held by the commission that, in view of the small traffic in burnt cotton and the difficulty, without opening the bales, of determining the extent of the injury, and the possibility that a special rate might be taken advantage of and lead to abuses, the public interest does not require a distinction in rates to be made.

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IMPETUS TO WAR ON FLIES

Dr. Lederle Plans Greater Precautions to Check Germs. Health Commissioner Lederle stated yesterday that the recent death of Edward H. Pratt, a prominent Jersey City business man, of blood poisoning, caused by a common house fly infection, has given an impetus to the nation-wide warfare now being waged against flies.

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CAULS WALSON DERELICT

Sharp Attack on Corporation Counsel by Justice Ford. OVER SUITS AGAINST CITY. Poorly Defended, Says Justice, as Jury Gives Plaintiff \$12,500 Verdict. Justice Ford, in the Supreme Court, yesterday severely criticized the negligence department of the Corporation Counsel's office, after a jury in his court had brought in a verdict for \$12,500 in favor of Michael McNamara, formerly a chief engineer of a Hudson River steamer, who had sued the city of New York for damages.

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Stern Brothers

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Automobile Coats, of wool materials, silk lined, at \$25.00, 35.00, 45.00 Tan Pongee Paletots, " 13.75, 18.50, 25.00 Satin Top Coats, " 15.00, 18.50, 25.00 Attention is directed to their extensive assortments of Women's Summer Waists and Blouses Exclusive Styles of Chiffon Jumpers and Tunics to be worn over Lingerie and Foulard Dresses.

Yachting Waists of Linen and China Silks in Mannish Effects. Batiste Waists in High and Dutch Neck styles, with long or three-quarter sleeves. Imported Handmade and Hand Embroidered Waists, trimmed with Cluny, Valenciennes and Irish Crochet Laces. Tuesday will be placed on sale a collection of very desirable Cotton Dress Fabrics Silk and Cotton Mixed Foulards, in desirable designs and colors. Value 28c to 35c Yard French Suede Finish Linens, 48 ins. wide, medium weight, in all colors and white, for Dresses and Coat Suits, at 43c Regular Value 75c Yard

A Special Offering of Silk Parasols Taffeta Silks in Plain and Tucked Models, Pompadour, Striped Effects and Pongee Silks, at \$1.85 Value \$2.75 Extra Heavy Plain Taffeta Silks, in all desirable colors, also black and white effects, at 2.45 Value \$3.75 Taffeta Silks, in Persian designs, also Novelty Models in Plain Taffeta Silks, at 3.50 Value \$5.00 Imported Silk Parasols, in Embroidered Taffetas and Floral Effects, at 7.50 Former Prices \$10.75 to 11.50 Upholstery Departments Attention is called to their exceptional facilities for Furnishing Country and Seaside Homes Large assortments of exclusive styles in Lace Hangings, Lace Materials and Curtains of every description to select from. Cretonnes, Chintzes, Art Fabrics, Java, Persian, Dutch and Austrian Printed Bed Spreads, Portieres, Couch, Table and Stand Covers in sets. Sun Fast Textiles for Casement Curtains. Furniture Loose Covers, Window Shades and Awnings made to order in our own workrooms. Vudor Porch Shades, Hammocks, Cedar Chests, Utility Boxes, Draught Screens, Chintz Covered Shirt Waist Racks, Bedroom Cabinets, Etc.

West Twenty-third Street

Table with columns: Destination, Time, Price. Includes routes to Bermuda, Havana, and other ports.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS Chicago, May 28.—Lingering nervousness and a slight decline in prices were noted in the market for grain and provisions. The market opened on a note of uncertainty, but after a few minutes' trading it settled on a firm basis. The market for grain was particularly active, and the price of wheat advanced slightly. The market for provisions was also active, and the price of pork advanced slightly.

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