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SCANDAL BREWING OVER LAND FRAUDS

Upheaval in Hitchcock's Department to Follow Exposures.

ROBBERY OF GOVERNMENT AIDED IN LAND OFFICE

Unfaithful Subordinates Said to Have Facilitated Thefts.

Journal Special Service.

Washington, Nov. 23.—There is brewing a scandal in connection with the administration of the general landoffice, which promises to be fully as sensational as anything yet revealed.

Facts are coming to light showing the existence of stupendous frauds in the operation of the landoffice by which the government has been cheated out of millions of acres of valuable lands. Not only is an effort being made to secure the restoration of the lands to the public domain, but the general landoffice, including its agents, receivers and inspectors, is to be thoroly reorganized. Honesty of administration is to be the watchword.

Assistants Unfaithful.

It is considered remarkable that Secretary Hitchcock, handicapped as he has been by unfaithful subordinates, subjected to immense political pressure and frequently compelled to justify by evidence and argument actions he has taken, has been able to ferret out the fraud and to punish the men guilty of it. But tho the secretary has dug deep, the full extent of the system which he was undermining has been revealed only within the last few months.

It is alleged officials of the general landoffice have held up papers in order to facilitate the transaction of underhand business, and even destroyed records.

Have Powerful Influence.

Frequently the secretary has received information from outside sources showing orders not approved had been issued. The affairs of this office have been run with a high hand, and it has been almost impossible for the head of the department to bring the offenders to justice because of the powerful influence they exercised.

It is predicted that when the full truth about the land situation is known there will be a sensation which will astound the country.

BLAMES VANITY AND PRIDE

Agricultural Expert Offers Solution of High-Price Problem.

Journal Special Service.

Washington, Nov. 23.—Pride and vanity on the part of the individual, rather than an increase in the cost of raw products or manufactured, cause the present high prices for foodstuffs, according to Dr. L. E. Grand Powers, agricultural expert of the census bureau.

"People nowadays, I mean average people, common people, if you will, insist upon having the best of everything," said Dr. Powers.

"The workingman insists upon the finest cuts of meats and he buys better meat, perhaps, than the salaried or professional man. He doesn't subscribe to the shinbone doctrine of Edward Atkinson. He has a feeling that he is as good as anybody else, and this feeling asserts itself in his purchases. That is vanity.

"You remember the time, perhaps, when a man who wanted to buy a steak threw his basket over his arm and went to the grocery after it. But he won't carry a bundle now. His meat must be sent to him. That is pride."

SERAGUSA MADE THREATS

State Presents Damaging Evidence Against Italian Band.

Special to The Journal.

Ellsworth, Wis., Nov. 23.—The testimony of Jacob Schultz, foreman of the crew of Italians who killed Contable Isaac at Prescott, brought out a new phase of the case, now on trial before Judge Helms here. Schultz testified that Seragusa, the leader of the Italians and principal defendant, told him at noon the day of the killing that if Isaac returned in the afternoon to arrest any of the men he would kill him. His testimony, and that of John F. Schmidt, one of the crew, was very helpful to the prosecution.

60 DIE ON ST. LAWRENCE

Long List of Casualties During Recent Season of Navigation.

Chatham, N. B., Nov. 23.—More than half a hundred lives were lost and nearly a score of vessels were swept to destruction on treacherous reefs and sandbars of the gulf and river St. Lawrence during the season of navigation now drawing to a close.

Of sixty persons who perished in these waters in the past year, nearly fifty met death this month, the most disastrous to shipping in the St. Lawrence in a dozen years. The financial losses aggregated a quarter of a million dollars.

The majority of those who perished were lost from square-rigged vessels of foreign register.

SON ELOPED; HE LAUGHS

Mayor Tom Johnson of Cleveland Says It Is Old Story.

Special to The Journal.

New York, Nov. 23.—Announcement that his son, Loftin E. Johnson, had been secretly married in North Tarrytown, N. Y., to Miss Emma Elizabeth Tarner, young Johnson's sister's maid, failed to astonish Mayor Tom Johnson, who is in this city. In fact he laughed uproariously as tho he considered it a good joke.

"Why," he said, laughing heartily to the reporter, "that's an old story. They've been married three years. If you say they have recently been married why then they must have done it all over again, that's all."

Yet, despite Mayor Johnson's positive statement, the Rev. Dr. Clark Wright of St. Paul's M. E. church at North Tarrytown is certain he married the couple on Aug. 21, last. He today filed the facts of the marriage with the bureau of vital statistics.

Cleveland, Nov. 23.—Society in Cleveland is mystified by the conflicting reports of the date of the ceremony. Mrs. Johnson has refused to discuss the wedding, but showed clearly to reporters that she was aware it had taken place.

Young Johnson's college days were spent in the east. He is an ardent automobilist, preferring to drive a fast touring car to engaging in business.

BIG INHERITANCE TAX.

Winona, Minn., Nov. 24.—County Treasurer Ben Kalmer today received an inheritance tax amounting to $34,026.68 on the estate of the late H. W. Lamberton.

WIELDS THE MUCK-RAKE

SECRETARY E. A. HITCHCOCK, Chief of the Interior Department, Who Plans an Upheaval as the Result of the Exposure of Alleged Connivance Between His Subordinates and Land Thieves.

WORK OF ENEMIES, SCHMITZ CHARGES

Graft Allegations False, Declares Frisco's Mayor—Courts Full Inquiry.

New York, Nov. 23.—Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz of San Francisco, who arrived here today on the steamer Patricia, said there was absolutely no truth in the charges made against him and that he will go to San Francisco and court the fullest inquiry.

When Mr. Schmitz was shown newspapers containing reports of the charges against him in San Francisco, he said:

"There is not a scintilla of truth in the charges. The fact is, it is an attack made against me by my political enemies because I made a strong fight against District Attorney Langdon, who was defeated for governor. His friends are now taking their revenge.

"I did not know of these charges until today, after the pilot came on board. I shall court the strictest inquiry and as promptly as possible. I want it. I can only say that I have a clear conscience in this matter, and where guilt does not exist I have nothing to fear."

No attempt was made to arrest Mr. Schmitz when he came ashore. An automobile was waiting for him and he entered it and left the dock at once, presumably to go to his hotel.

HOFFMAN WANTS TO FLY

Famous Pianist Invents Machine—Will Try for $50,000 Prize.

Journal Special Service.

Berlin, Nov. 23.—Josef Hoffman, the pianist, is the inventor of a flying machine built on the principal of a stork with legs and wings, with which he will compete for the prize of $50,000 offered by the London Daily Mail from London to Manchester. He hopes the German government will grant him a subsidy. The kaiser inspected Hoffman's machine, in which he displayed interest.

POWER DAM ALMOST READY

Work on Big Plant at St. Croix Falls Nearly Completed.

Special to The Journal.

St. Croix Falls, Wis., Nov. 23.—Water was turned thru four of the penstocks of the great power dam here today. This, however, is only to clear the water above of rubbish. The work of concreting the tunnels has been rushed; while the work was in progress the water was entirely shut off below the dam, and many took advantage of the situation to walk across the bed of the rapids, where several pieces of machinery washed out of the cofferdams last spring were found.

BIG SHIP AT FAULT

Kaiser Wilhelm Should Have Heeded Orinoco's Signals.

Cherbourg, Nov. 23.—The preliminary investigation made by the captain of the port into the cause of the collision Wednesday night between the North German Lloyd steamer, Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, and the British Royal Mail steamer, Orinoco, seems to establish the fact that the former vessel should have heeded the Orinoco's signal that she was going to starboard of the German ship.

Bremen, Nov. 23.—It has finally been decided that the North German Lloyd steamer, Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, will be repaired here, and it is estimated that two weeks must elapse before she is again ready for sea.

The second-cabin and steerage passengers of the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse will sail for New York Sunday on the North German Lloyd steamer Rhein, and the first-cabin passengers will leave Cherbourg for New York tomorrow on the American line steamer St. Paul and the French line steamer La Lorraine.

Paris, Nov. 23.—According to the advices received by the officers here of the North German Lloyd company, the captain of the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, damaged in collision with the Orinoco off Cherbourg, Nov. 21, insists that he gave the proper signals and that the Orinoco is to blame for the accident.

FINES HIS OWN FATHER

Prosecuting Attorney Punishes Parent for Not Keeping Walks Clean.

Journal Special Service.

New Britain, Conn., Nov. 23.—This city boasts a Spartan prosecuting attorney in Charles H. Mitchell. He has fined his own father for not keeping his sidewalk clean. He fined Mayor Landers, too. As the supreme exhibition of his civic courage, Prosecutor Mitchell issued a warrant for himself, but it was not served.

THIRD AUTO VICTIM DEAD

One of Women with Tom Cooper Dies of Injuries.

Journal Special Service.

New York, Nov. 23.—Helen Lambert, an actress, who was in the auto smashup in Central park on Monday night in which Tom Cooper, the bicycle rider and chauffeur, and Daniel Barkalow, a cotton broker, were killed, died of her injuries.

ANARCHISTS ARRESTED

Italians Take Precautions for Coming of Greek King.

Rome, Nov. 23.—In anticipation of the arrival here today of King George of Greece, who is to be the guest of King Victor Emanuel, the police last night and this morning made several additional arrests of suspected anarchists. King George passed the Austrian frontier last night and reached Florence in safety this morning. He was warmly welcomed everywhere.

CARUSO'S ACCUSER FAILS TO APPEAR

Mrs. Hannah Graham, Woman Who Caused Tenor's Arrest, Cannot Be Found.

Hearing Is Concluded—Magistrate Reserves Decision—Hisses in the Courtroom.

New York, Nov. 23.—Every seat in the Yorkville police court was occupied today when the court opened for the trial of Caruso, the operatic tenor, on a charge of insulting women. Out in the street nearly a thousand people struggled unsuccessfully to pass the police line established to hold back a crowd. Inside there was a great bouquet of roses sent to the singer and bearing a card on which was written: "Take it easy, whatever you do. From your friends and the people who know you."

A subscription for money to buy the flowers was taken up in the court yesterday. When Caruso stepped from his cab he was cheered by the crowd. There was no hissing. Within the door of the courthouse a messenger presented the big bunch of roses to the tenor, but on the advice of Mr. Conried he refused to accept them.

Decision Is Reserved.

The hearing was hurried to a conclusion, Magistrate Baker reserving his decision.

Hannah Graham, the complaining witness, did not appear to press the complaint against Caruso. Deputy Police Commissioner Mathot, in informing the court that Mrs. Graham would not be present, said:

"I received information as to the identity of the woman known as Hannah H. Graham and expected to have her in court, but learned that she has now left the jurisdiction of this court, and I am unable to produce her today."

Former Judge Dittenhoefer, Caruso's counsel, protested against such an explanation being made to the court and declared that he did not believe there was any such woman as Hannah Graham, unless perhaps it was a woman who, in this case, is a confederate of Officer Cane.

Discharged for Dishonesty.

The first witness today was A. M. Mahon, secretary of the New York American League Baseball club. He was called to testify concerning Jeremiah McCarthy, the man who corroborated the evidence against Caruso given by Policeman Cane. Mahon testified that McCarthy was discharged by him.

"Why did you discharge McCarthy?" asked Judge Dittenhoefer.

"For dishonesty," replied Mahon.

Caruso was then called and questioned by Deputy Police Commissioner Mathol.

"Do you recall being at a reception in a house in Fifth avenue in the vicinity of Thirty-sixth street on the Sunday afternoon preceding Thanksgiving last year?"

Caruso did not remember, but would not say he had not been there.

Another Insult Charged.

"Do you recall that as you were leaving a guest invited you to step into her auto to conduct you to your hotel, and while on the way being charged by the lady with having attempted to take certain liberties with her in the automobile?"

Judge Dittenhoefer objected to this question and Magistrate Baker sustained him.

"As the automobile was opposite the Union League club did it not stop, and did you not leave the automobile because you were charged by the lady with attempting to take liberties with her, and was not a mounted policeman

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HE SAVED FAMILY FROM FIERY DEATH

Frank Quinn Hustled Out Mother and Children Thru Fierce Flames.

Mrs. Henry Dutton, colored, and her two small children, living at 12 Central avenue, Nicollet island, were saved from death by fire last night, when Frank Quinn of the municipal court staff ran into the burning home and helped them over a blazing stairway to the street.

The flames broke out shortly after 9 o'clock as Quinn was on his way home. Seeing the flames coming out of the first-floor window, he broke in the street door leading to the stairway and ran up the stairs, which were already burning. By the time he reached the women and children the fire had broken thru the floor and he was just in time.

Carrying the children and sending the mother ahead, Quinn got them to the street just as the old stairway fell in. As he passed down, his overcoat was burned and his hands slightly scorched, but the children and their mother escaped without injury.

The fire department saved a part of the building, which was one of the first buildings erected on the island. It was used as a residence in the early days, but for many years the first floor has been used for mercantile purposes.

SET FIRES, HE SAYS, AT LORD'S COMMAND

Young Man Arrested in New York Confesses He Started Blaze that Menaced Hundreds.

New York, Nov. 23.—Walter E. Finney, 23 years old, who the police declared has informed them that he has a mission "from the Lord to cleanse and chastise by fire," was arrested today charged with setting the series of fires which created consternation and caused considerable damage in the vicinity of Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue early yesterday.

The police say that Finney has confessed that he set one of the fires and he was present when several other houses were burning and also at numerous fires in the upper West Side within the past few weeks.

Finney is quoted by the police as saying that he was passing 330 West Seventeenth street when the Lord told him to cleanse and chastise them by fire. He went into the hallway, he is said to have told the police, and piled a lot of paper against the gas jet and set fire to the place.

Finney lives with his widowed mother not far from where he was arrested.

JILTED MAN SLAYS GIRL

Rejected Suitor Cuts Young Woman's Throat with Scissors.

Journal Special Service.

Holloway, Mich., Nov. 23.—Miss Ola Kelly, aged 23, was murdered last night at her home here by Joseph Ehlich of Adrian, Mich., 20 years old, a rejected suitor. Miss Kelly's mother, upon returning home from a neighbor's, stumbled over her daughter's body. The victim's throat had been cut, apparently with a pair of scissors, which were left sticking into the young woman's heart.

Ehlich, when arrested here, confessed to the crime. He had been paying attentions to the girl for some time, and a few days ago she wrote him that she did not care to receive his attentions longer. He went to her home to talk the matter over. Finding her unyielding in her determination, he killed her.

NORTH DAKOTANS ACCUSE DULUTH

Rank Manipulation of Grades in the Handling of Grain Is Charged.

Committee of State Bankers' Association Submits Figures—War On in Earnest.

Special to The Journal.

Fargo, N. D., Nov. 23.—Sensational allegations against the terminal elevators at Duluth are made in behalf of Minnesota and North Dakota farmers in the report of the committee appointed by the North Dakota Bankers' association to investigate the market conditions for the wheat raised by the farmers of this state.

For a period of three months the committee says it was furnished figures alleged to be official. For that time the wheat receipts at Duluth were 890,245 bushels, graded into 91,711 as No. 1 northern, 141,455 as No. 2 northern, 272,047 No. 3 northern, 201,267 No. 4 northern, 116,021 with no grade and 59,742 rejected.

The out shipments of this same grain, according to official figures, were No. 1 northern, 196,288; No. 2 northern, 467,764; No. 3 northern, 213,459. There were no out shipments of No. 4 northern, none of no grade and none rejected, and a balance of 12,733 remained in the elevators.

A Colossal Per Cent.

This shows that the out shipments of No. 1 northern and No. 2 northern were more than 300 per cent greater than the receipts of the same grade. The outshipments of No. 3 northern were less than the receipts, and there were no shipments of more than a half a million bushels of No. 4, rejected and no grade wheat that had been bought.

The report has just been completed and will be filed with the association and given the widest publicity in this state.

The committee goes into its investigation in detail, showing how the farmers suffered in the dockages and grades and the careless manner in which the roads handle the wheat, causing leakage and waste.

The Remedy.

The committee's recommendations are for the organization of an independent shippers' association, and the preliminary steps will be taken at the meeting of the drainage association in Fargo on Dec. 11 and 12, and the permanent organization effected at the meeting of the Tri-state convention in January. The committee recommends the lease of the Great Northern and the other elevators at Superior, slight amendments to the Wisconsin inspection and ultimately federal inspection.

Secretary Macfadden of the bankers' association, who was a member of the committee, has gone to Duluth under subpena before the interstate commerce commission and will file a copy of his report with the commission. He was accompanied by Colonel J. D. Benton, O. G. Major, president of the independent farmers' exchange; Secretary Borneman of the Farmers' association at Colgate and former Representative Leech of this city, who are also under subpena to testify.

The people of the state are more aroused than ever before. Federal inspection seems to the majority of them to be the surest plan, but the lease of the Superior elevators is regarded as the best temporary expedient.

DULUTH HEARING IS ON

Attitude of the Roads to Wisconsin Inspection Is Given Attention.

Special to The Journal.

Duluth, Minn., Nov. 23.—The interstate commerce commission gave much of its time today to a hearing of the

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WHAT TO DO WITH AN EX-PRESIDENT.
Work in sight for Mr. Roosevelt.

CITIES JOIN TO ASK FOR LOWER FARES

A Formal Statement Is Submitted to the Twin City Rapid Transit Co.

The Position of the Company Is Not Indicated to the Conferees.

Alderman Lyle of Duluth Explains Why the Request Is Made.

[Yesterday's late proceedings on Page 7.]

The Twin City Rapid Transit company today received the statement of the joint committee on lower fares from the city councils of Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth. But the company has made no answer. The company's silence is taken by some to mean that it is planning a concession.

Acting on an invitation from four cities, the street railway interests of Minnesota this afternoon sent its representatives to meet with he join committee to secure reduced street railway fares in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth and Superior. The meeting was held at the city hall and was attended by fourteen aldermen, and by Mayors D. P. Jones of Minneapolis, and Mayor Victor Linley of Superior. Mayor Cullom of Duluth, who has taken an active part in the movemnet for lower fares, was unable to be present.

At the meeting of the committee in the morning it was impossible to formulate a definite proposition which was acceptable to all the delegates. After debating nearly two hours it was decided to interview the representatives of the street railway interests to ascertain if they would consider the general matter of a concession for the four cities. If the company signified a willingness to negotiate the various propositions could then be pressed.

Mayor David P. Jones was chosen as spokesman for the joint delegation. Alderman W. E. Satterlee, who had been delegated to invite the street railway people to attend the afternoon meeting of the committee, reported that assurance had been given him that the street railway interests would be represented by persons empowered to negotiate. With this understanding, the committee adjourned. All delegates pledged themselves to support with utmost loyalty any plan of action which the majority might adopt.

WHAT IS DONE ELSEWHERE

Originator of Minnesota Movement Points Out Low Fare Cities.

Duluth is much interested in the lower carfare conference between the officials of the street railway companies doing business in the twin cities and at the head of the lakes, and the representatives of the city councils of Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth and Superior. The Duluth delegates to the conference have given the subject much attention and have secured a mass of general information on the conditions in other cities.

It was Alderman A. J. Lyle of Duluth who proposed the joint committee, and if any material results are achieved, the greater part of the credit will fall to him. Mr. Lyle supplies The Journal with the following statement of certain cities which do better by their patrons than a straight 5-cent fare:

All Under 5-Cent Fares.

Six tickets for 25 cents, or twenty-five for $1—Akron, Ohio; Washington, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, Trenton, N. J.; Wilmington, Del.; Reading, Pa.; Terre Haute, Ind.; Springfield, Ohio; Lancaster, Pa.; Indianapolis, Detroit, Winnipeg, Seattle, Youngstown, Ohio; Canton, Ohio; Fall River, Mass.; Richmond, Va.; Des Moines, Waterbury, Conn.; Saginaw, Mich.; Cleveland.

Twenty-two tickets for $1—Quincy, Ill.; Lincoln, Neb.

Seven tickets for 25 cents—Columbus, Ohio.

Eight industrial tickets for $1—Detroit, Winnipeg.

Twenty-seven tickets for $1—Youngstown, Ohio.

Three-cent fare—Cleveland, on one line of forty miles.

Half fare or betetr to school children—Rockford, Ill.; Denver; Little Rock, Ark.; Detroit; Winnipeg; New Haven; Worcester, Mass.; Lynn, Mass.; Salt Lake City; Omaha, 3 1-3 cents; Bridgeport, Conn.; Portland, Me., free fare in the outskirts; Newark, N. J., 3 cents; Elizabeth, N. J., thirty-three tickets for $1; Springfield, Mass.; Toledo, Ohio; Cincinnati, Ohio, all children between 5 and 12 years, half fare; Seattle, Wash.; Portland, Ore., thirty-three fares for $1; Los Angeles, Cal.; Tacoma, Wash.; Houston, Tex.; Spokane, Wash.; Youngstown, Ohio, thirty-three tickets for $1; San Antonio, Tex.; Mobile, Ala.; Lowell, Mass.; Haverhill, Mass.; Chelsea, Mass.; Canton, Ohio, children under 12 years, 3 cents; Buffalo, N. Y., children under 12 years, 3 cents; Dayton, Ohio; Fall River, Mass.; Richmond, Va.; Wilkesbarre, Pa., 4 cents; New Bedford, Mass.; Saland; Toronto, Paducah, Ky.; Baltimore; Dubuque, Iowa; Taunton, Mass.; Waterbury, Conn., 3 cents; Louisville, Ky.; Rochester, N. Y., three cents; Saginaw, Mich., eight tickets for 25 cents; Des Moines, Iowa, children under 12 years free; Dallas, Tex.; Springfield, Ill.; Columbus, Ohio, 3 cents; Holyoke, Mass.; Syracuse, N. Y., 3 cents.

This, Alderman Lyle says, is not a complete list of the cities in the United States enjoying the benefit of reduced rates. It simply suffices to show that concessions have been granted in all parts of the country and that the companies have not suffered by such reductions.

What Mayor Cullom Said.

In his message to the city council of Duluth, Mayor Cullom said in part:

"Of eighty-nine cities that have been asked to give data on this subject, twenty-one report that the traction companies sell six tickets for a quarter, and one seven for a quarter, all with transfer privileges. Eight of them sell what are called industrial tickets during certain hours in the day for workingmen, fifty-six of these cities sell schoolchildren tickets at 2½ cents, in a majority of cases, and in a few cases at 3 cents a passenger.

"By the census reports straight 5-cent fares with transfer privileges in the majority of cases are used in about two-thirds of the cities in the United States for the ordinary passengers. One-third of the cities give to all their passengers a lower rate than 5 cents.

COSTLY BLOCKS BURN AT ABERDEEN

Loss on the Famous Old Sherman House and B. B. Ward's Building Is About $200,000.

Special to The Journal.

Aberdeen, S. D., Nov. 23.—Sherman house $110,000, insurance $60,000; Sherman department store $60,000, insurance $36,000; B. B. Ward's restaurant $10,000, insurance $9,000; Keating's barber shop $500, insurance $800; Foster's barber shop $700, fully insured; Blaine's cigar store $1,000, fully insured; Woodward's drugstore $2,000, fully insured; Sherman saloon $3,000, insurance on stock $500.

Special to The Journal.

Aberdeen, S. D., Nov. 23.—Aberdeen lost heavily by a fire which started at 10:50 o'clock last night in the rear of the Sherman House department store on Main street. The store was on the ground floor of the new or brick part of the Sherman house, owned and conducted by James and Patrick Ringrose. This part of the hotel was three stories in height by fifty feet in width and extended back to the alley. It was a total loss, as well as B. B. Ward's three-story brick building adjoining it on the north.

The flames leaped the alley from these buildings and burned a large barn belonging to the Ringrose family. The old part of the hotel, which was constructed in the early eighties from wood, and which seems to bear a charmed life, many times before having been on fire, was only slightly damaged in the blaze of last night.

Loss About $200,000.

The total loss is over $180,000, with insurance of something over one-half of that amount. James Ringrose's loss is estimated at over $100,000. The stock of goods in the department store was owned by his sister, Mrs. Isaac Lincoln. The loss there amounts to several thousand dollars. The remainder falls upon B. B. Ward, who conducted a restaurant with sleeping rooms in two stories above, and upon J. E. Foster, who had a barber shop in the basement of the building.

The first report that E. Larson, a traveling man from Minneapolis, had perished in the fire, has not been confirmed and he is believed to be safe. L. A. Block of Kansas City, T. Knudson of Minneapolis and H. P. Maguire and J. E. Dore of St. Paul had narrow escapes. Several citizens were slightly injured in their efforts to save goods and property.

Hotel Business Crippled.

The hotel accommodations in Aberdeen have been inadequate for several years, despite the fact that several new hostleries have been started. The Sherman house is the oldest and best-known hotel in all this section, and the site upon which it stood is probably the best for the purpose in the city. There is every good reason to believe that the property will be restored on a large scale, either by James Ringrose and brother or by a stock company of citizens.

The origin of the fire has not yet been determined.

MORAL PAUPER, SHE SAYS

New York Woman Scored for Spending $200,000 a Year in Dress.

Journal Special Service.

New York, Nov. 23.—Miss Guila Morosini's declaration that she spent $200,000 a year in dress has called forth a spirited reply from Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes, who brands the young woman of wealth as a moral pauper, and says she squanders fortunes while thousands of her fellow beings starve. The former cigarmaker said:

"It is because such women as Miss Morosini never think what the things cost that the women of the working class are compelled to think constantly what the things cost. That rude awakening is bound to come to all of us some day, perhaps at a greater cost than we can afford, unless such women who spend great wealth which they never have done anything to earn, begin to think of the deep injustice underlying our economic social conditions."

WOMAN FIRES ON AGENT

Nurse Shoots Five Times at Book Man, but Misses.

Utica, N. Y., Nov. 23.—Miss Louise Pepson, a trained nurse of this city, went to the office of Frank E. Nagle, book agent in the City National bank building about noon today and fired five shots from a revolver point blank at Nagle.

None of the shots took effect and Nagle ran from his office down several flights of stairs and away. Miss Pepson says that Nagle secured about $400 from her, and that only a small part of it had been returned.

WAGE LIFT ON MILWAUKEE

Advance of 4 Cents an Hour for Trainmen and Yardmen.

Special to The Journal.

Chicago, Nov. 23.—Official announcement is made by Chairman C. J. Dukes of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, that all trainmen and yardmen of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul had been granted an increase in wages of 4 cents an hour, to be effective from Nov. 1.

ROBBERS SLAY TWO MEN

Hotel Clerk and Actor Killed by Texas Safeblowers.

Arkansas City, Texas, Nov. 23.—Early today two masked men in an attempt to hold up the St. Charles hotel here shot and instantly killed William M. Goff, the night clerk, and wounded S. A. Halpin, an actor, so badly that he died a few hours later. The robbers made good their escape.

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