



SOUTHERN LINE ON THE GRILL

Witness Admits Receiving Rebates Because of Change in Route.

RATES ON SPECIAL SHIPMENTS

Secret Rates Enjoyed by Large Number of Shippers, Defense Claiming Figures Are Withheld to Prevent Competitions by Boat Shipments.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 3.—Interstate Commerce Commissioner Lane today continued the hearing of testimony in the inquiry into the dealings of the Southern Pacific Railroad with shippers. Several witnesses testified to having prepared or filed claims with the Southern Pacific Company.

Wakefield Baker, president of the Baker & Hamilton Company admitted his firm had received concessions from the Southern Pacific. This however was between San Francisco and Benicia, and was due to the fact that they had withdrawn the schooner line from the route. This, he added, had nothing to do with trans-contingental business.

Assistant General Freight Agent Stubbs, of the Southern Pacific, was shown a list of "Extra Special Rates." He said he did not make these rates, but had made the rates on special shipments. These were between points within California and were to meet water competition. Stubbs stated in answer to a question by Lane that in a large number of cases these secret rates were enjoyed by all shippers handling a particular commodity.

Lane asked if this was so, why there should be any secret made of it. Stubbs replied that as the rates were to meet river competition, if published, they would be cut under by the boats.

PIRATES IN NEW YORK.

Gang Pillages Cottages of Rich at Glen Cove.

NEW YORK, Oct. 3.—Led by a slender-footed woman of good taste, a daring band of land and water pirates has within the past six weeks looted \$20,000 in jewels and plate from the homes of millionaires at Glen Cove, L. I.

John Alvin Young, president of the Windsor Trust Company, is captain of a vigilant committee of the elect rich. George, M. B. and C. M. Pratt, of the Standard Oil, J. R. and H. W. Maxwell, railroad magnates; E. E. Ladow, Howard Whitney, J. K. O. Sherwood, Samuel Dwight Brewster, W. E. Kimball and George P. Tangerman, all men of many millions, are nightly patrolling the roads and the shores, revolvers belted to their waists and rifles in their hands. They are the home guards, defending their homes.

And while they patrol and guard, their mothers, wives and daughters are getting up a play, the proceeds of which will go as a reward for the capture of the woman "Raffles" and her band, who employ swift motorboats and automobiles to effect their escape with their loot.

In one of their marauding trips the gang chloroformed a well-known matron and her maid. Despite the vigilance of the millionaire volunteers, the robberies continue and several dashes to safety have been made, almost under the eyes of the guards.

Every effort has been made to keep the depredations a secret, and the facts only became known today through arrangements to present the play, which is based on the recent looting.

One of the most prominent society women of Glen Cove will enact the part of the mysterious female, "Raffles." Others will be made up as villainous masked men. They will go off the stage with their booty in a big automobile, in accurate imitation of the actual thieves.

No one of them has seen the much-feared woman leader of the pirates yet, though some servants have, but the rich vigilantes have seen her tracks—made by narrow, pointed, high heeled shoes—leading from their homes to the beaches where she got into the motorboat or the roadways where she entered the

automobile. And they have a clew indicating that she probably lives right in Glen Cove, and thus learned their habits and the lay of their homes.

One reward of \$1000 for her capture has been standing for two weeks. John Alvin Young today added an individual reward of \$300 more. It is expected that not less than \$500 additional will be gained by the play, "The Woman Pirate."

CHAFFEE IN HUMOROUS MOOD.

Says the Women Must Fight if We Have War.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 3.—"When the United States goes to war with Japan, which it probably will not do for many years, it will be necessary to recruit the regiments from the women, for men are not enlisting in the army as formerly, I see."

This significant statement, which may be perisage, but was uttered with apparent seriousness and not in any way explained, was made today by Lieutenant-General Adna R. Chaffee, in the course of an address before the Temple Baptist Sunday-School. It excited deep interest among the hearers because the definite use of the word "when" is taken of mean that General Chaffee, who has hitherto been absolutely non-committal on the Japanese, believes a war to be a certainty, though considering it somewhat far in the future. The remark about recruiting from woman was used as a compliment to the school because there are more women than men in it.

The Sunday-school, which is part of Dr. Robert J. Burdette's charge, had its rally day, and was organized on a novel military basis in honor of the distinguished Army speaker, the classes being designated as companies and composing battalions and a regiment, while for the time being all the school officers bore military titles, Dr. Burdette being a Major-General. Bugle calls were sounded by a musician of the Seventh Regiment, National Guard of California. General Chaffee related Army experience and gave sound advice to the young people.

LOSES MEAL TICKET

Count Boni Failed to Appeal Decree.

TIME LIMIT HAS EXPIRED

"Madame" Gould Pays His Bills and Her Own, But Does Not Give Him a Start in Life—He Will go on the Stage to Eat.

PARIS, Oct. 3.—The time limit in which Count Boni De Castellaine could appeal from the decree of divorce obtained by Madame Gould, expired today. The decree is now absolute. Mme. Gould has settled out of court the creditors' claims both against herself and the count. He will go on the stage to earn a living.

BIG STEEL WORKS CLOSE DOWN.

Bessemer Departments at Homestead and Duquesne Lack Ore.

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 3.—The immense Bessemer departments of the Homestead steel works as well as the Duquesne works of the United States Steel Corporation, have been closed and the announcement is made tonight that the Duquesne departments will not be reopened, but the mills there will get along as best they can until the open-hearth mills are set in motion. At the Homestead, it is announced the Bessemer department will be closed for at least 30 days.

This is one of the first moves of the corporation toward reducing expenses. The Homestead mills will be repaired. The scarcity of Bessemer ore and pig iron is given as the reason of the close-down in what should be the most busy season of the year.

YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL SCORES.

At Tacoma—Tacoma 9, Spokane 4.
At San Francisco—Portland 4, Oakland 2.
At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 7, San Francisco 2.

WANTS GULF TO LAKE CHANNEL

President Declares for Vast Interior Waterway in Speech at Cairo.

OBSERVATION CONVINCES HIM

Finds no Difficulty in Endorsing the Plan of Giving National Aid to Work Because of Its Interstate Character—Next Stop at Memphis.

CAIRO, Ill., Oct. 3.—When President Roosevelt stepped ashore at 9 o'clock this morning he manifested every evidence of having spent a comfortable night on the steambot Mississippi, and his spoken word confirmed the impression made by his appearance. He retired about midnight last night, and there was little to disturb his rest, except two or three demonstrations on shore, which, though violent while they lasted, were necessarily of brief duration.

Quiet as was the after half of the night for the country's chief magistrate, the first portion of it was fully occupied. He was the guest at dinner on the steamer Alton, of the Business Men's League of St. Louis, and with entertainment and the speech-making and conversation that followed the dinner, his time until almost 12 o'clock was fully taken up. The important feature of the dinner was the fact that the scheme of a ship channel from the gulf to the lakes received an impetus which all believe will do much toward insuring the earnest pressing of that enterprise.

The occasion was also notable in that in addition to the President it was attended by no fewer than 15 governors, the members of the Inland Waterways Commission and several representatives of the business world of St. Louis. The governors attending were: Comer, of Alabama; Broward, of Florida; Deneen, of Illinois; Cummins, of Iowa; Hoch, of Kansas; Blanchard, of Louisiana; Folk, of Missouri; Sheldon, of Nebraska; Curray, of New Mexico; Burke, of North Dakota; Frantz, of Oklahoma; Chamberlain, of Oregon; Crawford, of South Dakota; Davidson, of Wisconsin; Brooks, of Wyoming, and Governor-elect Noel, of Mississippi.

Before beginning to read his prepared speech the President made some extemporaneous remarks, outlining his position on the deep-waterways project.

"I have long felt that the Nation must understand the improvement of the great highway of the Mississippi," said he, "but my observations on this trip have had the effect of making me much more ardent than I was."

The President pointed out the necessity of keeping so great a work "free

from all taint of jobbery, folly and extravagance." He reiterated his conviction that there should be "a loop of the sea coast from the Gulf to the Great Lakes," and added that "there must be an inlet from Cairo to Pittsburg."

He said he found no difficulty in endorsing the plan of giving National aid to this work because of its interstate character. He considered the canalization of the Mississippi and its affluents of importance to every section.

"My ancestry," said the President, "is half Northern and half Southern, and I should be ashamed of myself if I were not as much the President of the Southern States as the Northern States," adding, "and I also want you to know that I consider myself a middling good Western man."

Over 50,000 persons gave the President a continuous ovation as he passed, and thousands of school children saluted enthusiastically.

President Roosevelt departed from Cairo shortly before noon. The next stop will be at Memphis, which, according to the schedule, will be reached at 1 p. m. tomorrow.

JILTED, HE JOINS ARMY.

Now Scion of Wealthy Family is Missing.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Oct. 2.—Joining the army three years ago to forget the pretty southern girl who had jilted him for another, Louis E. Mingleford, scion of a wealthy French family of Atlanta, Ga., is being looked for by the United States military authorities on the charge of desertion. Mingleford was a member of Troop E, Sixth Cavalry, which was recently ordered to the Philippines. Mingleford graduated from the University of Pennsylvania and then went to Harvard, where he studied law. He had become engaged to Miss Jessie Mallory, a beautiful young girl of Savannah, Ga. During his second year at Harvard, Miss Mallory, without notice, married another young man and went to live at Mobile. When Mingleford learned of his sweetheart's faithlessness he suddenly left Cambridge, and was next heard from, serving as a trooper. His parents offered to buy his release if he would return home or to college and complete his education, but he declared he preferred army life in the far east and hoped some stray Filipino bullet might end his unhappy existence.

A short time ago the young man re-enlisted and looked forward to leaving for the Philippines with pleasure. Ten days before the troops were to sail, an old friend of Mingleford, from Atlanta, arrived in Deadwood and recognized the student soldier. This man referred to Mingleford's shattered romance and the young soldier promptly turned upon his heel and left. He has not been seen since and is now charged with desertion. His former mesmates think he has killed himself in some isolated spot in the Black Hills.

CYCLONE HITS BURG.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oct. 3.—A message from Elk City says a cyclone struck the small village of Poarch, near Elk City, last night. Nearly every house in the town is reported wrecked. None are reported injured, but the details cannot be obtained, as the wires are down.

FUGITIVES TRY TO POISON DOGS

Astounding Audacity of Assassins Who Blew up Ex-Sheriff Brown.

SCALE STOCKADE OF JAIL

Offer Baker City Prisoner Money to Poison Harry Draper's Bloodhounds Which Prove That Murderers Are Still in the City.

BAKER CITY, Or., Oct. 3.—With an exhibition of audacity and contempt for the authorities almost unparalleled in criminal annals, the same two men who in all probability blew ex-Sheriff Harvey K. Brown into eternity Monday night climbed the wooden stockade in the rear of the county jail last night and offered Dr. Leroy Fuller, the sole prisoner, \$250 to kill Harry Draper's bloodhounds.

On Fuller's refusing to cut the throats of the brutes or give them poison, with which the men had come prepared, they threatened that they would blow up the jail and send both Fuller and the dogs "to hell."

Bloodhounds were placed on the tracks of the criminals at the base of the stockade at daylight this morning, and trailed them a distance of 150 feet to Fourth street, where they entered a buggy. The tracks of the buggy, which had been drawn close to the curb showed plainly, and the footprints of the men were also left in one spot near the stockade where the earth was soft and barren of grass.

Not only has this performance of the murderers of Brown proved they are still in the city, but that they are men who will stop at nothing to intimidate the authorities. If further proof of the presence of the assassins and their desperate characters were wanted, it was furnished yesterday by the performance of the bloodhounds, which plainly indicated that their hoped-for quarry was right in the nearby crowd.

Between Brown's house and Stoddard's mill, across the railway track, lie two residence blocks, one intersected by a sort of alleyway. The dogs were taken along this alley yesterday morning and gave no signs of scenting the tracks of the assassins.

Thirty minutes later they were taken over the same ground and bayed frantically, straining at the leash, and showing they had struck a hot trail. They headed straight for the mill, but became confused on striking a large area of sawdust. Many men had walked across this spot and several vehicles had also gone that way.

ROOT AND FAIRBANKS CONFER.

Secretary of State Reaches Indianapolis on Way to Mexico.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 2.—Secretary of State Elihu Root and party, en route to the City of Mexico, were here for a short time today. One of the callers on the secretary was Vice-President Fairbanks and the two talked privately a few moments. Mr. Root said to an interviewer that he was badly run down when he went to Muldoon's farm, but the treatment brought him out, and that he felt like a new man.

He said his visit to Mexico is purely social, and that nothing of a political nature would be discussed. There are no questions, he said, but could be entirely settled without visiting Mexico.

WEEDING OUT THE BAD TRUSTS.

Department of Justice Ready to Take Up Work Again.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—Milton D. Purdy, assistant to the attorney general, who has charge of all trust investigations and prosecutions, arrived tonight from a two months' outing. The department of justice is now prepared to take up the work of weeding out "bad trusts" at the point where it was interrupted by the heat of summer. The first case to be taken up will likely be that against the International Harvester Co., the prosecution of which has been delayed by the trial of the Standard Oil rebate case at Chicago.

S. B. Kellogg, who investigated the Harriman cases in the dissolution suit against the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, conferred by special appointment with Mr. Bonaparte this afternoon. He discussed that portion of his evidence which has not yet been made public, but which, it is declared, justified criminal prosecution of individuals.

BURGLARS CAUGHT.

TACOMA, Oct. 2.—The police tonight landed J. M. Chadwick, A. S. Stine and Frank Helm, three of the men who several days ago robbed the house of Chas. A. Funk of \$800. A Goodwin, a fourth man implicated, was arrested in Ellensburg today and will be brought to Tacoma tomorrow.

Funk kept his money in a baking powder can. The quartette knew of it, and Helm and Goodwin steered Funk away from the house while Chadwick and Stine lifted the plant. Helm, Stine and Chadwick confessed to the robbery today.

KIPLING TO TRAVEL IN CANADA.

MONTREAL, Oct. 3.—Rudyard Kipling, accompanied by Mrs. Kipling, has arrived here. Kipling expects to remain in Montreal for a couple of weeks, after which he will cross Canada to the Pacific coast. He will return to Eastern Canada, but after that he said his plans were undecided.

BALLOON GOES SIXTY MILES.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—A successful military balloon ascension was made here yesterday by Captain Charles F. Chandler, U. S. A. An elevation of 4,300 feet was attained before the supply of gas compelled the descent. The balloon traveled sixty miles in three hours.

TAFT TO MANILA.

KOBE, Oct. 3.—The steamer Minnesota, with Secretary Taft and party on board, left here at midnight for Manila.

FRENCH SHIP LOST

Sailed From Portland a Few Months Ago.

LANDS ON THE IRISH COAST

Coast Guardsmen Work Hard For Hours and Manage to Save Crew of Leon XIII, Which Struck a Rocky Barrier Close in Shore.

KILRUSH, Ireland, Oct. 3.—Not until late this afternoon did the coast guardsmen succeed in rescuing the crew of the French ship Leon XIII, which went on the rocks near Seafield yesterday. Although the ship was only about 250 yards from the mainland, a rocky barrier prevented the life boats from coming to her. The Leon XIII arrived at Queenstown, September 26, from Portland, Oregon, and thence sailed northward.

BRAKEMAN LOSES FOOT.

ROSEBURG, Oct. 3.—A. J. Willard, a freight brakeman running between here and Junction, suffered the loss of his right foot in the Roseburg railroad yards late this afternoon. He had just come in from his run on train No. 225, and was standing near the front of his train watching for a signal from the rear brakeman when an engine coming from the round house struck him as he stood beside the track on which it approached unseen by him. He was thrown with his right foot upon the rail and it was almost completely severed at the ankle. He was taken at once to the local emergency hospital where Drs. Hoover and Seeley amputated the foot and the young man was placed on board the flyer en route to a hospital in Portland.

MORE DISGUST TO U. S.

NEWPORT, Oct. 3.—The widow of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt today formally announced the engagement of her daughter, Gladys, to Count Ladislav Szechenyi, of Buda Pest.



T. R.—I'll put this message in there until I'm ready for it again. The President has about finished his message to the forthcoming Congress. It will be the longest on record.—News Item.