

OIL TRUST BOSS SANTA FE ROAD RAILWAYS OF COUNTRY IN "SYSTEMS" GRASP

Deal is Made Through E. H. Harriman and Rockefeller Interests Now Control 72,740 Miles of Line

Immediately began buying all the shares in sight. This resulted in an agreement being speedily reached, the official approval of which will be made at the meeting tomorrow.

The Rockefeller, together with their new railroad friends, now control the transportation industry west of the Mississippi river to the coast and from the Mexican border on the south to the Canadian line on the north.

Harriman is General An interesting feature of this tremendous Standard Oil campaign is the fact that Edward Harriman has been chosen as the commanding general.

Between Chicago and the Missouri river the Standard Oil interests are now sufficiently strong to exercise supervision, if not actual domination.

Rockefeller Will Exercise Careful Supervision Over the Property NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—William K. Vanderbilt and wife and Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt Jr. sailed today for Europe, where they will remain until fall.

From now on Vanderbilt senior will devote less attention to the details of the management of the Vanderbilt system and more time to recreation and travel.

During the present winter the executive department of the great railway system is being thoroughly reorganized. In the last two years the Rockefeller influence in the system has steadily increased until now it is as strong as that of the Vanderbilts.

It is understood that Rockefeller will

enforce a policy of economy. James Stillman will at an early date become the chairman of the finance committee and Rockefeller will exercise a very careful supervision over the property hereafter.

Nothing has been heard from the Newport since, but it is supposed she is on her way back to Norfolk for repairs and has been delayed on account of the heavy winds.

Accident to Gunboat Newport Reported Off Cape Hatteras With Propeller Gone

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The navy department has received a telegram from the captain of a Boston fruit steamer stating that he passed the gunboat Newport on Feb. 3, about seventy miles southeast of Cape Hatteras, proceeding under sail, with her propeller gone.

Postal Boodlers Finally in Jail COURT REFUSES TO CONSIDER DILATORY PLEAS

August W. Machen and the Groffs Must Go to the Penitentiary. Lorenz Still Sick at Home

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—August W. Machen, former general superintendent of the free delivery postal service, and Diller B. Groff of this city, both under sentence of two years' imprisonment and \$10,000 fine for postal conspiracy, today surrendered themselves to the United States marshal and were placed in the cell room of the city hall.

Attorney Maddox, for Samuel A. Groff, produced a certificate of two physicians saying that he was not in condition to be moved from his house, and suggested that if the district attorney wanted to imperil his client's life, as well as his liberty, he had better take a gun and go to the house.

District Attorney Beach replied that Samuel A. Groff, his surety and his attorney had been advised of the possibility of this mandate for some time; that Samuel A. Groff had visited the district attorney's office last Thursday and that Groff's son yesterday communicated with the district attorney's office to know what clothing his father might take with him to the penitentiary.

Under the present circumstances, the district attorney suggested, it was rather a sudden stroke of illness. Mr. Beach insisted upon the immediate appearance of the prisoner and he was sent for. Nothing has been heard today of Dr. Lorenz, who is reported ill at his home in Toledo, Ohio, Machen and the Groffs will be taken to the Moundsville, W. Va., penitentiary this afternoon.

Escape of Prisoner Plunges Through Depot and Disappears in River Brush

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 7.—Deputy Sheriff John Simons of Alameda, brought Fred Herman here today en route for Folsom state prison, to serve six years for stealing bicycles.

While waiting at the depot for the Folsom train Herman had permission to get a drink of water, and when a few feet away sprang through the door, rushed into the crowd outside and ran across the railroad yards, dodging behind and between cars.

The fugitive followed but the prisoner got away in the American river brush. Constables and deputy sheriffs came to Simons' aid but the escape has not been found. Herman has already served one year in San Quentin for burglary in the second degree.

Must Support His Wife

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7.—The supreme court decided today that John Gay of San Diego must pay \$100 a month toward his wife's maintenance while their suit for divorce remains unsettled. The action for divorce is before the supreme court at present, but some time is likely to elapse before an opinion in the matter is handed down.

State to Refine Oil

TOPEKA, Kas., Feb. 7.—The Kansas senate sitting as a committee of the whole today recommended for passage the bill providing for the establishment of a state oil refinery at a cost of \$410,000.

Will Close Pool Rooms

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—District Attorney Jerome said today that he had begun a crusade against poolrooms in this city and intended to close all of them.

Mr. Stevens of Iowa threw the brunt

of the responsibility for the present condition of affairs principally upon the railroad directors, who, he said, did not seem to realize their relation to the public, but had only the one (thought in mind of a sufficient financial return for the interests they represented.

The traffic managers, he declared, were obliged to earn the utmost out of their properties in order to hold their positions. Many of these men, he said, had told him that neither the president nor directors of their roads had ever directed them to change a rate. He would support the Townsend bill, but he anticipated it would not afford much help to the shipper in its present form. It would, he said, operate more psychologically than actually.

The views of the speakers as to legislation needed were many and varied, but with the exception of Mr. McCall and Mr. Sibley (Pa.) all were agreed that the time had arrived for the granting of relief. The names of W. J. Bryan and President Roosevelt figured prominently in the discussion, the allegation being made from the Democratic side of the chamber that the president's recent message to congress on the subject of rate legislation only reiterated the views of Mr. Bryan and the declarations of the Democratic party in three national platforms.

Attacks State Charity Board ASSEMBLYMAN URGES THAT IT BE ABOLISHED

Resolution Introduced by Atkinson as Result of Alleged Criticism of Junketing Committeemen at Whittier

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 7.—In the assembly an attack was made on the state board of charities and corrections this morning by Atkinson, who introduced a resolution looking toward the abolishment of the board.

The resolution is based on an article in a Los Angeles paper in the course of which it appears that the state board criticized the assembly committee on public charities and corrections, which recently made a junketing trip to the Whittier Reform school. In the article the board appeared to be accusing the legislators of having "but a hazy notion of why they had come to the southland except for a good time."

The resolution then continues: "Whereas, the state board of charities and corrections is a creature of this legislature, instituted at the expense of the taxpayers of this state for the purpose of enlightening this legislature upon the conditions of the public service and institutions; and

"Whereas, the insulting statement; above quoted indicates that the members of said board are forgetting their duty; and

"Be it, therefore, resolved, that this matter and this resolution be referred to the committee on commissions and public expenditures with instructions to investigate and bring into this assembly a bill providing for the abolition of such state board of charities and corrections by repealing the law under which such board was constituted, providing the committee finds such action desirable."

The resolution was referred to the committee on commissions for action. Another effort was made in the house today to shut off the pay of members who absent themselves without excuse.

Assemblyman Drew renewed his resolution providing that members may draw their warrants for only the actual days they sit in the legislature. The author of the resolution said the state had lost thousands of dollars last Saturday because so many assemblymen had played truant.

Assemblyman Chandler admitted he had been absent Saturday and ought to be made to forfeit his pay. Espy made the same confession but was not willing to forfeit his pay unless the other members agreed to do so.

On roll call the resolution was lost by a vote of 21 to 29.

Repeals Vaccination Law

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 7.—Senator Leavitt's bill repealing the law compelling school children to be vaccinated was finally passed by the senate today. The vote was 22 to 15.

A spirited debate occurred during the last consideration of the measure.

Heavy Weather North Puget Sound Shipping Tied Up by Raging Storm

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 7.—A severe storm is raging on the straits at the entrance to Puget Sound and all shipping has been suspended. The British ship Peleus was unable to make the port of Victoria this morning and has put in at Esquimalt for shelter.

Mrs. Duke Is Discharged

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Mrs. Alice Webb Duke was discharged from custody when arraigned in police court today, with the consent of the authorities of Nacogdoches county today, where she had been indicted.

The Grandest Sight in the World is the Grand Canyon of Arizona; the most stupendous and awe-inspiring of natural wonders. If you have not visited the Canyon, take advantage of the Santa Fe excursions on February 11th and 22nd.

\$5.00 round trip from Southern California and \$2.00 from north of Bakersfield. Agents will tell you about it. P. B. "El Tovar," the new hotel, is open.

BRIBERY CASE DRAWS THROGNS TESTIMONY ON CHARACTERS OF DETECTIVES

Various Opinions Are Expressed Regarding Veracity of Hartling and Tichenor—Matter Before the Grand Jury

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 7.—So great was the crowd that endeavored to gain entrance to the bribery investigation in the senate chamber at the state capitol tonight that the doors were closed at 7:30 o'clock. After that hour only the members of the legislature and their friends and persons connected with the trial were admitted to the room.

Despite the precautions to keep down the crowd, the floor and the lobbies were filled to standing room, fully half of the spectators being women. At 8:15 o'clock Chairman Belshaw declared the meeting open. He announced that on account of indisposition Senator Diggs, a member of the board of inquiry, had been excused for the evening.

A. Wehe of Berkeley, who was called by the prosecution, was the first witness. Between 1892 and 1902 he had been district attorney of Sierra county. He had known Henry Hartling, the detective who swore to seeing Senators Bunkers and Emmons take money, for forty years. According to the witness, Hartling's reputation for truth and veracity was good. The witness, in answer to questions by the prosecution, stated that C. W. Cross, who gave Hartling a bad reputation on the stand last night, was an attorney in the Irvine murder case of Downieville, in which Hartling was a detective on the opposite side.

Ervine Trial Recalled Attorney Cator, who cross-examined Witness Wehe for the defense, brought out the admission that Hartling had made two entirely different statements during the Irvine murder trial. C. O. Nichols, a railroad conductor, who swore at last night's proceedings that he had been discharged for stealing \$25.00 which he claimed had in reality been stolen by George N. Tichenor, a detective employed by the prosecution, was recalled to the stand. The defense used the witness to corroborate some important testimony given last night.

W. H. Daley, a San Francisco bookkeeper, said he would not believe Hartling under oath, although he had not seen the detective for seven years. Attorney McNab of the prosecution took considerable time to belittle the witness to the great merriment of the spectators.

Throng Is Immense The throng that filled the chamber and corridors was so great by 9 o'clock that the sergeants at arms had considerable difficulty in bringing the witness to the bar. After a long wait Dr. A. F. Schafer of Bakersfield was called to the stand. He said he would not believe George N. Tichenor or any other private detective under oath. The witness admitted that he was a member of a gang of sixteen who had shot at oil land squatters in the Midway district near Bakersfield. Dr. Schafer would not say that he had fired the bullets that had wounded the squatters.

"Whom did you shoot at, Dr. Schafer, during the oil land trouble?" asked Attorney Frank Gould of the defense. "One of the men was Connell." "Do you know him?" "Well, I ought to. He not only shot at me during the oil land trouble but six months ago as well."

The witness proved to be a poor one for the defense, declaring in conclusion that he had nothing derogatory to the character of Detective Tichenor, whose reputation the defense sought to besmirch.

"Traitor and Spy" E. Rousseau of Bakersfield characterized Detective Hartling as a "traitor and a spy whom he would not believe under oath."

J. W. Briscoe of Bakersfield declared he would not believe Detective Hartling under oath. The answers given by the witness were so wittily turned that the spectators laughed heartily and were often called to order.

Tichenor was also given a bad reputation by E. J. Boust of Bakersfield. As Boust was being examined, one of the attorneys for the defense accused the counsel for the prosecution of interrupting the witness in his answers. "I am tired of this bantering between lawyers," interrupted Chairman Ralston as he rapped his gavel for order.

"During the oil land trouble in Bakersfield," said Boust, "Tichenor attempted to connect me with wrongdoing. I was innocent, but Tichenor said he would make it an object for me to confess to something I had never done. He offered to bribe me to tell an untruth."

"Tichenor No Gentleman" The crowd went into a paroxysm of laughter when Boust said: "Tichenor is no gentleman, as is any man who will attempt to convict an innocent person. Tichenor is not a detective; he is a Hawkshaw."

Attorney Cator stated at this juncture that as he had but five more character witnesses to examine, he preferred to wait until the persons who had been subpoenaed in Downieville arrived. Bert Schlessinger, who is to be a witness for the defense, was reported to be ill, but it was stated that he would probably be present at the investigation tomorrow night.

On account of the fact that other witnesses who had been subpoenaed did not answer the call of the ser-

geants, Chairman Belshaw declared that citations for contempt would be issued if they did not appear tomorrow night.

Joseph S. Jordan, who is accused of having passed the bribes to the senators under trial, was reported to have been excused as a witness for the evening.

An adjournment was then taken until tomorrow at 8 o'clock.

Grand Jury Investigation The charge of bribe taking preferred against Senators Emmons, Wright, Bunkers and French was under investigation today by the grand jury of Sacramento county. The entire day was spent by the jurors in examining the witnesses who were called by the investigating committee of the senate to substantiate the charges presented by the affidavit filed by William Corbin.

This morning Clarence Grange, the secretary of a San Francisco building and loan association, who declared that he raised the money that is said to have been passed to the senators through Joseph S. Jordan, was closely questioned. Attorney Gavin McNab has been called to tell what he knows of the allegations of bribery, and this afternoon Henry Hartling and George N. Tichenor, the detectives who swore they laid the trap for Jordan and the senators, were called to reiterate their story to the effect that they saw the money given by Jordan to Senators Emmons and Bunkers.

The greatest secrecy is being maintained regarding the investigation into

the bribery scandal, and it has not been learned who has been subpoenaed on behalf of the defense. It is expected, however, that the accused senators will be called before the grand jury while the investigations are concluded.

B. U. Steinman is foreman of the Sacramento grand jury which is composed of the following:

G. E. Hook, Charles Baumgarten, William Calder, Carl Mathison, George Phillips, Henry A. Mohr, Herman Fisher, P. M. Rooney, L. F. Bremer, Alexander McDonald, D. H. Miller, F. H. Krebs, W. R. Gore, Julius Gattan, George G. Locke, William Schaw, D. Gillis, Peter Flaherty.

An appropriation of \$1500 to pay for the mileage of the witnesses who had been subpoenaed to appear at the investigation of the senatorial bribery charges was passed by the senate today.

DEATHS OF THE DAY Daniel Kean, San Jose

SAN JOSE, Feb. 7.—Daniel Kean, prominent grocer, died suddenly this morning of heart disease.

Canal Employes Resign

PANAMA, Feb. 7.—Several canal employes have resigned on account of the alleged insufficiency of the salaries. Yesterday some engineers resigned, but they were immediately engaged by the Panama government for supervising the construction of national railroads.

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