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FREIGHT RATES ARE REDUCED BY COMMISSIONERS

INTERSTATE COMMERCE BODY TAKES ACTION

KNAPP AND HARLAN DISSENT FROM CONCLUSIONS

Commission Orders Restoration of Previous Rates West of Line from Pembina, S. D., to Port Arthur, Texas

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Sweeping reductions in lumber rates west of the Missouri river and a 5 per cent reduction in the advanced rates in the east as well as other changes in the tariff are ordered under decisions announced by the interstate commerce commission today.

The rulings are made in a group of important cases involving the rates on lumber, shingles and other forest products from points in the Willamette valley to San Francisco and from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana and British Columbia to eastern and southern markets.

In the cases of the Oregon and Washington Lumber Manufacturers' association against the Union Pacific and other roads, Pacific Lumber Manufacturers' associations and others against the Northern Pacific and others the Southwestern Washington Lumber Manufacturers' association against the Northern Pacific, involving a general advance in lumber rates in many counties 20 per cent, from north Pacific coast territory to points east thereof, which became effective in November last, the commission make a geographical decision in its action. On the ground of unreasonableness, it orders restoration of the previous rates west of a line drawn from Pembina, N. D., through Grand Forks, Council Bluffs, Kansas City and Sioux City to Port Arthur, Tex., along the Kansas City Southern railroad, and including all points east of that line, "which now take the same rates as a point between and including Sioux City and Kansas City."

A part of the increase to the more distant markets lying east of the Missouri river is permitted to stand.

Establish Differential Rates. Differential rates from Spokane rate group points, Montana-Spokane rate group points and Hood river, Ellensburg and Leavenworth districts, which lie east of the line, are maintained, embracing parts of Washington and Oregon and all of Idaho to eastern territory are established under a decision in the case of the Polish Lumber commission and others against the Northern Pacific and other roads. Rates from the Spokane districts are ordered lower than the Pacific coast.

In the case of the Western Oregon Lumber Manufacturers' association against the Southern Pacific the commission decides the advance of 35 per cent from all mills in the Willamette valley, not including Portland, is unjust and unreasonable; that from both the east and west banks south of Corvallis the rate should not exceed \$3.40 per ton, and upon the west bank north of Corvallis \$3.65 per ton.

Because of the water rate the Portland rate is reduced.

In the case of the Pacific Coast Manufacturing association against the Northern Pacific and other roads the commission orders the advance of 10 per cent other through rate from Washington to Colorado common points and eastern destinations. It requires, however, the Northern Pacific to reduce the advance of 10 per cent on cedar lumber and shingles prescribed for through traffic.

Chairman Knapp and Commissioner Harlan dissented from the conclusions reached by the majority in these cases, on the ground that most of the advance in rates was reasonable.

TWENTY PERSONS INJURED IN WABASH COLLISION

Passenger Train Crashes Into Freight While Running Fast to Make Up Time—Both Engines Demolished

ST. LOUIS, June 19.—Twenty persons were injured in a collision between a passenger train and a freight on the Wabash road last night near Fendleton, Mo.

A number of the most seriously injured were brought here today. The passenger train was running at a speed of 40 miles an hour and crashed into the freight, demolishing both engines, the baggage and mail cars, and a number of freight cars.

HOLD UP BARTENDER, ROB CASH REGISTER

MASKED HIGHWAYMEN MAKE OFF WITH RECEIPTS

East First Street Saloon Raided in Early Hours by Two Young Men, Who Escape Unmolested

The Dan Pitzel saloon, at 901 East First street, was held up by two highwaymen few minutes before 1 o'clock this morning and A. J. Sowinski, the bartender, robbed of \$55, which was taken from the cash register at the point of a revolver.

INSANE WOMAN THREATENS LIFE OF GOVERNOR BUCHTEL

Saved from Probable Death by Presence of Mind of Assistant Secretary of State Humane Society

DENVER, June 19.—Through the coolness of Assistant Secretary James E. Dougherty of the State Humane society, Governor Henry A. Buchtel escaped possible injury yesterday afternoon at the hands of Mrs. Annie Jochim, an insane woman. Laboring under the delusion that the governor had got possession of \$40,000 she imagines was left her by W. S. Stratton, and is scheming to force her to marry him, the woman visited the executive office with the intention of shooting him with a .42-caliber revolver. Unable to obtain admission to the executive chamber the woman went to the Humane society and made threats to "kill" the governor.

BRYAN PREPARES ANALYSIS OF REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

LINCOLN, Neb., June 19.—William J. Bryan today declined to discuss the work of the Republican national convention. He received a bulletin of the proceedings of the morning and these were telegraphed to his library at Fairview. He entertained a number of callers during the morning. This afternoon he prepared an analysis of the Republican platform. This he probably will make public tomorrow.

HAMBURG LINE WILL HAVE TWO NEW LARGE STEAMERS

NEW YORK, June 19.—Emil Boas, president of the Hamburg-American line, has returned from a hurried trip to Europe. He volunteered the information that there will be two new vessels of his line by the Hamburg-American line, beginning next season, to be named the Cincinnati and Cleveland.

THE NEWS SUMMARY

FORECAST For Los Angeles and vicinity: Fair Saturday; fresh west winds. Maximum temperature yesterday, 70 degrees; minimum, 52 degrees. LOCAL Alleged Fagin captured and much valuable property recovered. Big estate case apparently must go pending. Traffic nomination to be ratified at Temple auditorium. Majority of council favors regulation of dancing. Chinese vote wins prize at baby show. Democrats prepare to give Bell great reception. COAST Steamships are slowly making way toward Nome rough ice packs. Incendiary sets fire to box factory and destroys \$75,000 worth of property. Jury fails to agree in Pollard murder case at San Francisco and is discharged. Bodies of two brothers are recovered from river at Modesto elapsed in dying embrace. EMBERS Delegates to world's temperance convention at Saratoga unveil monument to mark spot where first temperance society was formed. Tornado sweeps through Minnesota village and does much damage. Twenty are injured in collision of trains near St. Louis. Noted rabbi dies in Chicago after undergoing operation. Insane woman threatens life of Governor Buchtel of Colorado. Carload of dynamite explodes and freight train is blown up. FOREIGN French engineer invents electric gun that will fire 120 shots a minute without powder. Muli Haddi is defeated by Straghina tribesmen in Morocco city.

CHAIRMANSHIP OF COMMITTEE OF COMMITTEE HARD PROBLEM

CONFERENCE WITH TAFT WILL BE HELD TODAY

EIGHT MEMBERS LEAVE FOR CINCINNATI

Republican Nominee Will Be Permitted to Name Head of National Body—Three Names Suggested

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, June 19.—Eight members of the Republican committee left Chicago tonight for Cincinnati to confer with Secretary Taft concerning the election of a national chairman to manage the Republican campaign. The subcommittee was appointed at the suggestion of Secretary Taft, who is said to be anxious to have a national chairman appointed by his friends in Ohio for the appointment of Arthur I. Vorys or Myron T. Herrick of that state, and by the demand made in a petition by a majority of members of the national committee for the appointment of Frank H. Hitchcock. The latter, because of his Ohio connections, is being strongly pushed by his friends, while those who are personally attached to Mr. Vorys have announced that they intend to make efforts in his behalf.

Congressman James S. Sherman of New York, who was today nominated for the vice presidency, accompanied the subcommittee to Cincinnati. The men who will confer with Secretary Taft over the chairmanship are Powell Clayton of Arkansas, Myron T. Herrick of Ohio, Frank B. Kellogg of Minnesota, Charles Nagle of Missouri, E. E. Hart of Iowa, Senator W. E. Borah of Idaho, E. C. Duncan of North Carolina, and Frank O. Lowden of Illinois.

Half for Hitchcock The subcommittee was selected when the national committee met for organization immediately after adjournment of the convention. The friends of Hitchcock insist that more than half of the eight members will vote to elect him chairman, while the advocates of Vorys say that the members favor the election of the latter, or of some man other than Hitchcock. It is conceded, however, that the chairmanship will go to the man who has the widest support. Mr. Taft, who has not publicly expressed any preference. Nevertheless, he has indicated that the question is one of practical politics and that no selection will be made for sentimental reasons.

Keen interest in the selection of a national chairman for Secretary Taft is taken by Charles P. Taft of Ohio and Henry W. Taft of New York, brothers of the Republican nominee. In view of the fact that Mr. Taft is expected to be elected, both have strong following, an effort was made today by Charles P. Taft to have both withdrawn from the race. The suggestion that his course be taken when made to Mr. Hitchcock caused him to state that he had at no time been a candidate for the chairmanship and that he would not embarrass the secretary by asking for the place. Mr. Vorys would make no statement, however, leaving his interest entirely with his friends.

Mr. Hitchcock in his reply to Charles P. Taft said that while he would not ask for the chairmanship, he would not consent to accept a subordinate position. He said he was willing to participate in the pre-convention activities and had served to the best of his ability, but that his work was over unless the nomination were to continue in capacity that would be congenial to Mr. Hitchcock.

Power to Select Chairman That the subcommittee is empowered to select a chairman and a treasurer was asserted by Myron T. Herrick, one of the members of the committee. However, do not understand the authority given them in the same manner. Mr. Herrick, it is the belief of those that the subcommittee has the authority to elect in the event that Secretary Taft declares whom he favors. Any choice the secretary may wish to indicate for chairman and treasurer is not doubted, but it is likely that a meeting of the full committee will be held to fill the position in the event that Mr. Taft does not express a preference.

The secretaryship and the position of sergeant-at-arms were settled by the election of Elmer Dover of Ohio and William F. Stone of Maryland, to succeed themselves as secretary and sergeant-at-arms, respectively. Mr. Dover is the secretary of the Republican party in Ohio, and Mr. Stone is the secretary of the Republican party in Maryland. Mr. Stone was chosen to act as chairman until a permanent official is named.

The motion to create the subcommittee was made by Myron T. Herrick of Ohio, and included the names of the committee as appointed, with the exception that Mr. Ward of New York was put in the place of Mr. Hart of Iowa.

The motion carried in the original form, but later Mr. Ward was compelled to return at once to New York, and Mr. Hart's name was substituted. An effort was made by Senator Scott of West Virginia to have the committee enlarged to eleven members, but it was defeated.

It was decided the committee should start for Cincinnati late tonight, and the conference with Secretary Taft is to be held tomorrow morning, the secretary having left Washington today.

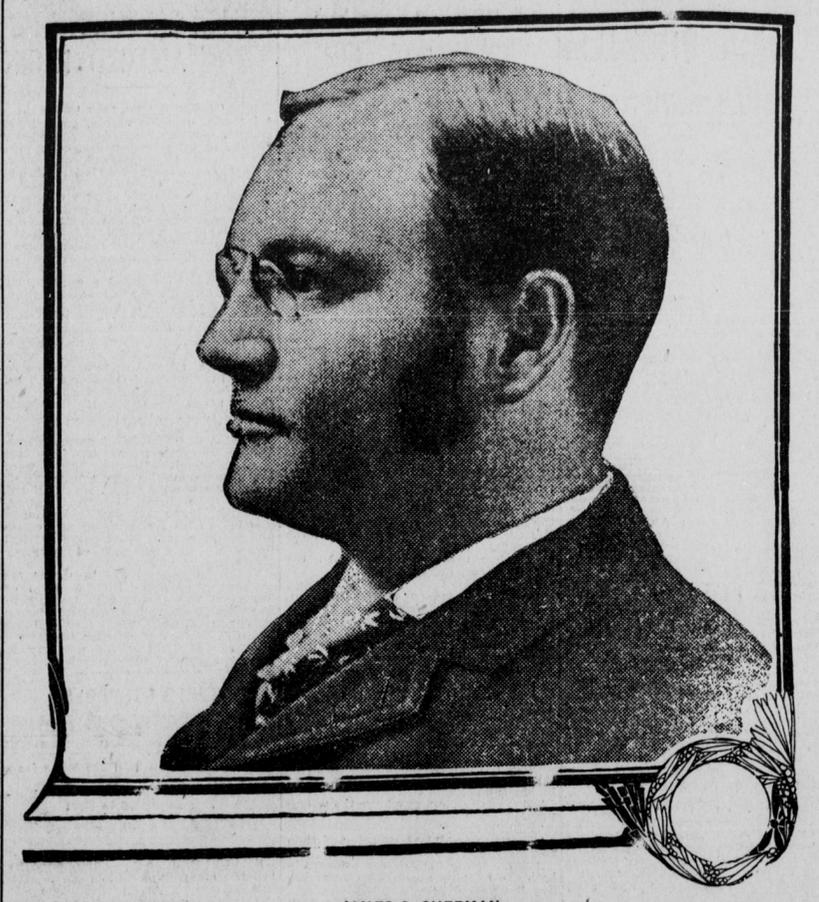
Before the subcommittee met a score of the members of the national committee who are insisting that Mr. Hitchcock shall be appointed met at an adjoining room. They drew a petition addressed to Secretary Taft asking for the selection of Mr. Hitchcock. It will be delivered tomorrow. Twenty-four signatures were secured in the meeting, and it was then circulated among other members who had been absent. Before the meeting of the subcommittee was held a majority of the national committee, it is asserted, had signed the petition, and the signatures did not include any member of the subcommittee appointed to confer with the secretary.

This petition is intended by the friends of Mr. Hitchcock to augment the influence of individual letters mailed to the secretary several days ago.

PARIS PAPER CALLS IT IMPERIALISTIC VICTORY

PARIS, June 19.—The nomination of Secretary of War Taft for the presidency (Continued on Page Two)

New York Representative Chosen on First Ballot as Running Mate with Secretary of War Taft



JAMES S. SHERMAN

BARTNETT GIVES LIE TO BROWN

DENIES ALL OF ASSOCIATE'S TESTIMONY

GLIBLY GIVES EVIDENCE IN HIS OWN BEHALF

Where Statements of Former Business Partner Are Corroborated San Francisco Banker's Memory Is at Fault

By Associated Press. SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—With a set smile upon his face and with a voice well modulated and firm, Walter J. Bartnett went through the ordeal of an hour and a half of cross-examination, before the jury, today, in the case of the Colton securities. At the end of this ordeal, still smiling, Bartnett left the stand to be embraced and patted on the back and shaken by the hand by his half dozen of prominent attorneys, and to hear the attorneys for both sides say that the evidence in his case was all in.

Thomas J. Geary, attorney for Bartnett, called Bartnett to the stand early this afternoon. It was, however, a voluntary move on his part, and made at his own request. Mrs. Bartnett, accompanied by a score of woman friends, sat in the court room. Geary asked Bartnett eight questions, all relating to testimony given by J. Daisel Brown, the Colton securities and Trust company in San Francisco without taking the numbers of the bonds of the Western Pacific Railroad company, which were among them. He had taken no insurance against their loss in transmission, and he had placed a valuation of \$150,000 on them, when he knew that their value was over \$200,000.

He did not even place his own name as sender on the package, and for some time after they had had time to reach California he did not ask for a receipt for them, or inquire about them.

"Why did you omit all of these ordinary precautions of business?" asked Cook.

"Because I did," replied Bartnett. "For no other reason," asked Cook. He was trying to show the bonds were never sent as testified to by Bartnett. "For no other reason than that I can remember of," replied Bartnett.

Bartnett testified that he never directed Brown to hypothecate or sell the Colton securities in order to save the falling bank. Nor did he tell Brown, he testified, that the spirit of Ellen M. Colton, deceased, directed him to use the bonds placed in his custody as executor of her estate, for the use of the bank.

To all the other damaging testimony of Brown, Bartnett gave absolute denial, except in some cases where there had been testimony of others to corroborate the testimony of Brown, and in these instances his memory did not serve him well, and he was in doubt.

The jury has been locked up until Monday morning, when the arguments will begin.

RESULT OF FIRST BALLOT CAST FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Table with columns for States, Sherman, Murphy, Guild, Fairbanks, and Absent. Lists results for 48 states and a total.

POLICE CAPTURE ALLEGED FAGIN

PROPERTY SEIZED TOTALS MORE THAN \$10,000

RANGES FROM PRECIOUS GEMS TO WORKMEN'S TOOLS

Officers Claim That a School of More Than Forty Boys Trained Specially for Thieving Had Been Established

Two truckloads of property, ranging from unset precious stones, gold nuggets and valuable furs to new writers' tools, were recovered by the police last night from the home and store of Alex Draper, a second-hand dealer at 500 East First street, who lives at 519 Banning street.

The police believe and allege that the majority of this property has been stolen. In value it will total more than \$10,000, and officers were on guard at both Draper's home and store last night to see that none of the stuff was removed.

The case was presented to the police department by Patrolman F. A. Brown, who is assigned to the East First street beat.

In the early part of the week Patrolman Brown arrested Charles Adams and Raymond King, two boys about 18 years of age, and placed them in jail on suspicion.

It is alleged that the boys stole a watch and a bicycle which they disposed of to Draper. Further investigation of the case, it is said, revealed the fact that there were more than forty boys living on the east side who had been trained in thievery and have been turning their spoils over to Draper for disposal.

According to the confession made to the police by the two boys under arrest, they were induced by Draper to steal articles of value, carry them to his home and deposit them in a box placed in police court, and to bear of his house at 519 Banning street.

Great Precaution Shown Early next morning the property would be removed, but in no instance would they have direct dealings with Draper when it came to transferring goods.

The boys allege that having stolen the articles and placed them in the box in the rear of the Draper home they would call at the second-hand store of First and Alameda streets daily or two later and receive their share of the spoils.

Yesterday Patrolman Brown, who has been working on the case for several days in company with Patrolman Browning, arrested Draper at his home and placed him in jail at central station. Further investigation of the case, it is said, revealed the fact that there were more than forty boys living on the east side who had been trained in thievery and have been turning their spoils over to Draper for disposal.

Search warrants were then issued to the police by the two boys under arrest. In order that suspicion might not be created it was stated that he was wanted merely for the purchase of a set of stolen harness and a lot of buggy harness which was found at the house was confiscated as evidence, after Draper was taken to the city jail a return trip was made to his home and a thorough search of the premises made.

NEW YORK MAN NOMINATED FOR VICE PRESIDENT

JAMES S. SHERMAN GETS AN ENORMOUS VOTE

FIRST BALLOT DECIDES SECOND PLACE ON TICKET

Murphy, Guild and Sheldon Receive Weak and Scattering Support and at No Time Are Seriously Considered

By Associated Press. CHICAGO, June 19.—Taft and Sherman. This is the ticket of the Republican party, flung to the breeze today as the Republican national convention concluded with the nomination of James S. Sherman of New York for vice president amid a final roar of tumultuous demonstration. Again the vast assembly was swept with wave on wave of wild, exultant clamor as the multitude, realizing that at last the work was done and the record made upon which the Republican party goes before the country, united in one last mighty outburst of enthusiastic tribute to the men who will bear forward the standard in the struggle now at hand.

Another inspiring picture was presented today as the convention named its candidate for vice president. The enormous throngs had waited through an hour of oratory, sweltering in the heat laden atmosphere, packed as before into solid masses of humanity, with only here and there a few vacant spots in the remote galleries—the delegates in the broad arena below, the bright hued lines of femininity in the circling galleries, and over all the enveloping folds of Old Glory.

From the onset it was distinctly a Sherman crowd, with galleries already thrained into choruses of Sherman songs and an invading host of Sherman marchers starting the processions with a high portrait of the New York candidate. Among the early arrivals on the floor were Speaker Cannon, only yesterday a candidate for president, his today a pillar of strength in the Sherman movement.

Delegates Affectionate The widespread affection for the old war horse of the party was also shown by the crowds of delegates surging about him to grasp his hand and bid him adieu. The preliminary program was brief, and at 10:30 the nominating speeches for vice president began, with a limit of ten minutes to each speaker.

On the call of states, Delaware, ringing to New York, an former Lieutenant Governor Timothy L. Woodruff mounted the platform for a glowing speech placing in nomination James S. Sherman, who is chosen for vice president. Now came a surprise, as the venerable Cannon, with his Lincoln-like visage and shaggy beard, emerged from the Illinois delegation, and stepped on the platform, was yielded unanimous consent to second the nomination of Sherman.

Such a picture of sturdy, homely plain American citizenship as Cannon appeared as he advanced before the throng which rose to do him homage has seldom been seen before at a national convention.

His face beaded with sweat, his collar had melted to a rag which hung limp about his neck. His vest was thrown wide, revealing a crumpled shirt and the sleeve of a worn alpaca coat curled up about his dangling cuffs to his elbows as his waving arms emphasized his ringing words for his colleague and ally.

From the outbursts of enthusiasm which greeted every mention of Sherman's name, the vice president nomination of the convention had been made up, and that the decision was only to be recorded.

Guild Is Nominated But for a moment there was a halt in the Sherman movement as Senator Lodge, in a speech, urged the nomination of Guild of Massachusetts for the vice presidency. The senator's voice was strained with the exertions of recent speeches, but his words carried forward the nomination of the Massachusetts candidate.

Michigan, through Chase E. Osborne, added her voice for Guild, and New Jersey brought forward her favorite son in a speech by Thomas N. McCarter, nominating ex-governor Murphy of New Jersey for the second place on the ticket.

Now began the vote taking, amid confusion at first, which increased as the totals climbed upward to the nominating point. The result was never in doubt as the totals of states were heaped one upon another, there were scattering votes, but the great body of delegates swelled the total of Sherman until it touched 816. With keen appreciation of the effect of climax, Chairman Lodge announced the result, reserving Sherman's huge total until the last.

Vice President Fairbanks gets one vote; Governor Sheldon of Nebraska ten votes; Governor Curtis Guild of Massachusetts seventy-five votes; Governor Murphy of New Jersey seventy-seven votes, and James S. Sherman of New York 816 votes.

After the floodgates of wild enthusiasm were let loose the floor and gallery joined in the pandemonium of demonstration for the nominee.

Notification Committee Named The nominations completed, final details were now quickly perfected—committees from the various states to wait upon the candidates for president and vice president and formally notify them of the action of the convention in nominating them; executive committees of the national committee to perfect plans for the coming campaign and thanks and congratulations to Chicago, which has given a convention hall of such perfect equipment.

And then, just before noon, amid cheers, still cheering and the inspiring strains of the national anthem, the national convention finally adjourned and the multitude dispersed.

The action of the convention touched a sympathetic chord throughout the city and tonight the party spirit of Republicanism is high.

The nominee for vice president, Mr. Sherman, will be accompanied by his wife and family to the city.

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SECRETARY TAFT RESIGNS: WRIGHT TO TAKE HIS PLACE

Tennessee Man Will Be Appointed to Fill Unexpired Term of Secretary of War—Eliminates Dividing Line

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Secretary Taft today presented to the president his resignation to take effect June 30, and it was announced that the White House had accepted it. Secretary Taft will be appointed secretary of war to succeed Mr. Taft.

In making this appointment the president desired to recognize in an emphatic way that there is no longer any dividing line between the north and the south and that all Americans are in thought and sentiment united.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 19.—When seen by an Associate Press representative Gen. Luke E. Wright said he did not think it proper to discuss the announcement that he would succeed Secretary Taft until he had received further advice from Washington.

Lawyer Not Guilty NEW YORK, June 19.—A jury today found Carl Fischer-Hanson, the lawyer, not guilty of the charge of extorting \$5,000 from Joseph E. O'Brien of Philadelphia.