

DELUGE WATERS WITH CIRCULARS IN LIGHT FIGHT

Huntington, Lissner and Corporations Issue Statements Concerning Rates

BOARD DEFENDS CUT CHARGES Companies Show That Average in Fifty-Seven Cities Is Over 11 Cents

There were things doing in the light rate fight yesterday. H. E. Huntington gave out an open letter to the citizens of Los Angeles in which he deplored the movement to reduce rates charged by public service corporations as tending to make their shares unstable, injure the markets for their bonds and hamper the growth and expansion of Los Angeles.

Meyer Lissner, president of the board of public utilities, issued a statement in which, on behalf of the board, he takes exception to the use of a statement embodied in the board's recent report in the interest of the light rate corporations. The board stated that it had not had time to go into all phases of the questions involved and the light rate corporations have used this to support their argument that the action taken was hasty.

While admitting that the board did not have time to go into all the details, Lissner says that it does not admit that the board was not warranted in the recommendations made. He points out that the investigation could not have altered the findings of fact.

A third development of the day was the issuance of circular No. 2 by the light corporations in their campaign of argument which they hope will persuade voters to cast their ballots in favor of light at 9 cents per kilowatt hour, the present rate, instead of 7 cents, the rate fixed by the city council. The gist of circular No. 2, which contains a table of rates, said to be charged in fifty-seven cities, is that the average rate in the cities enumerated is 11.4 cents per kilowatt hour.

HUNTINGTON'S STATEMENT In his letter Huntington asserts that the Los Angeles rate has more mileage than the Market street railway of San Francisco, but because of the scattered population does not earn one-half the returns on the investment. He also states indirectly that he is not closely allied with the lighting corporations of Los Angeles in the battle over the rate.

The Pacific Light and Power company, in which he is interested, was organized to furnish power to the Huntington lines, and less than five miles from the city for lighting purposes in Los Angeles. Huntington takes the position that he is like the average voter of the city outside of the city limits, and states frankly that he has made no study of the plants or their earning capacity or investment. His letter follows:

THE LETTER To the Citizens of the City of Los Angeles: I fully expect that among those who do me the honor of reading this letter there will be a few who will give me credit for thinking only of my private gain in expressing my views publicly upon the question of the rates of public utility companies. However, I sincerely hope that most of you will feel that the question of the rates of the city of Los Angeles, and its general prosperity, is of far more importance to yourself and to me, both from a financial and a civic standpoint, than the very small compensation to be made by the proposed reduction of rates.

I became very much interested in Los Angeles at the time of my first visit here many years ago, and I have never, for a moment, wavered from my opinion formed then that this particular part of California had a future beyond the wildest dreams of the most enthusiastic real estate man. I am proud of the part that I have taken in the upbuilding of the country, and I believe I can say to you, without being accused of egotism, that the expenditures that have been made by myself and many other men in the development of public utilities has been one of the great factors in our enormous growth and general prosperity.

SECURITIES MARKET NECESSARY To continue the necessary extension of these various properties and to care for the future growth, makes it absolutely necessary that all these public utility corporations shall be able to market their securities in large amounts and at this market must, of necessity, to some extent, be found in the east, and even in foreign countries.

In eastern cities the territory covered is much more densely populated and the investment in any public utility company is which less, comparatively, by reason of the fact that where the houses are built close together and without lawns and grounds, a very much larger population is served with much less equipment than is the case in our city, where almost every man, whatever his walk may be in life, has his own home, a comfortable lot, with lawns, flowers, shrubbery, etc.

To illustrate this point: Most of you are undoubtedly familiar with the city of San Francisco, and will be surprised to know that the Los Angeles railway has a great many more miles of track than the Market Street railway in San Francisco, and that the Market Street railway earns on its much less trackage more than twice as much per annum as does the Los Angeles railway. In short, all the public utility companies of the city of Los Angeles serve a very much larger territory than similar companies in San Francisco and other cities and in covering this territory reach a very large number of patrons.

Constant agitation for reduction of rates has created and will create an impression among investors here and in the fact that our securities are unstable and uncertain, and I know of no single thing that will contribute more to a general depression of the prosperity (Continued on Page Thirteen).

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NEWSBOY HERO RESCUES LAD FROM WATERY GRAVE NEW YORK, June 21.—A prosaic police report told today how the courage and endurance of 18-year-old Antonio Teleso, an east side newsboy, saved the life yesterday of Dominick Fredo, aged 8 years, as the boy was drowning in a water tank on the roof of a six-story tenement house where he lived.

When playing on the roof with the other children the Fredo boy climbed to the water tank, twelve feet high. Slitting astride, he lost his balance and fell into the water.

When the policemen hurriedly summoned reached the roof they beheld a hand tightly gripping the edge of the water tank. The policemen scrambled to the top of the tank and found that the hand clinging to the edge was that of young Teleso, whose other hand clutched in an unbreakable grip on the collar of little Dominick, thus keeping him above the water.

MEXICAN TROOPS MASSES TO STOP BORDER REVOLTS

Rurales Pursue a Party Taking Ammunition Into San Jose Mountains

HOUSES SEARCHED FOR ARMS Line from Cananea to Laredo Controlled by Soldiers and Impressed Citizens

EL PASO, Texas, June 21.—Although the expected attack on the Mexican customs house at Naco, Sonora, has been frustrated by the arrival of soldiers from Cananea, the entire border opposite Laredo, in a state of revolutionary ferment and outbreaks are feared at a dozen places.

All available Mexican troops have been detailed along the border with orders to suppress all disturbances with an iron hand. Principal reliance is being placed on the rurales organized by President Diaz himself and recognized as his ardent supporters and the most efficient troops in the Mexican army.

Many citizens have been pressed into service and armed to protect government funds at the customs houses along the border.

At Naco, Sonora, the government funds, removed to the Texas side last night for protection, have been taken back to Mexico and the Mexican officials and men, women and children who fled to Arizona have returned home. The troops sent from Cananea are quartered in the warehouse of the Cananea Copper company and are making preparations for an extended stay. Two hundred additional troops are held in readiness at Cananea to march to Naco at a moment's notice.

Commissioner Chubb has purchased all available arms at Naco, Arizona, and has armed a body of citizens to protect the town.

REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVE Reinforcements have been received by Col. Kosterlitzky, in command at Cananea. This has enabled him to spread troops along the border to intercept smuggled arms. He has ordered the house-to-house search for arms continue in all the northern Sonora villages.

Three burros were seized by masked men on the American side Sunday night and taken to a Spanish mission, which was carried across the border into the San Jose mountains. A squad of rurales is in pursuit of the party.

FLY TO TEXAS Serious disturbances are reported to have taken place at Ciudad Porfirio Diaz, Coahuila, from where the revolutionary leaders have fled to Eagle Pass, Texas, to escape arrest.

It is said by Mexican authorities that newspapers printed in Spanish on the American side of the border have a large factor in stirring up the discontent now finding expression. The movement has been singed by troops from expressions of animosity to Americans, in marked contrast to the election riots of four years ago, when anti-American feeling was strong.

That the Mexican government views seriously the threatened uprising in the state of Sonora was made evident today when the United States has appealed to the United States to protect its frontier. Two troops of the Eighth cavalry at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., have orders. It is said, to move at the first notice of trouble.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN AJO CANYON IS DYING OUT Thousands of Cattle Will Perish on Barren Range

EL PASO, Tex., June 21.—After destroying everything in its path for ninety miles or more, causing a loss of millions to mining and cattle men and costing the lives of five Mexicans and one American, the fire in Ajo canyon, northern Sonora, Mexico, is dying out. The cattlemen are in despair, for, deprived of this great range, thousands of cattle will perish before the rains begin.

DESPONDENT MAN WRITES FAREWELL NOTE; ENDS LIFE A passerby in the fashionable Westlake district heard a shot at 1:30 this morning coming from the direction of the park, and on investigating found the body of a man lying on its side with a bullet wound in the head.

The coroner was notified and the body removed to Breese's morgue. The only identification found in the clothing was a poll tax receipt made out in the name of Peter J. Morrissey. The man, who was 55 years old and was fairly well dressed.

By side of the body in the park was found a note addressed to the coroner begging that official's pardon for the trouble he was about to cause him and stating that he had been sick and without funds he had decided to end his life. He said that it was no use hunting for any relatives, as he was alone in the world.

KAISER READY TO GO TO WATCH KIEL YACHT RACES BERLIN, June 21.—It is decided that Emperor William will leave for Hamburg tomorrow. He will board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern at Altona and proceed thence to Kiel to be present at the regatta. His majesty had all but abandoned his purpose of seeing this year's races, but the inflammation of his right knee yielded so rapidly to the treatment that the physicians were willing he should take the trip.

Replace Man's Jaw with One of Pure Gold

Surgeons Perform Remarkable Operation Which Saves Life of Patient.

NEW YORK, June 21.—A remarkable operation just completed here at the post-graduate hospital by which a man has been provided with an artificial jaw of pure gold, to replace a jaw bone destroyed by disease.

The operation is said to be the first of the kind ever performed in a New York hospital.

Michael Wood, 54 years old, of Greenwood, Conn., is the patient. His disease had progressed so far that Wood's family believed his death only a question of months.

BOB TAFT AMONG YALE HONOR MEN Athletic Leaders Also with Those Who Attain High Scholastic Standing

NEW HAVEN, Conn., June 21.—The dinner of the alumni classes of Yale were the principal feature of the Yale commencement tonight. It was a noticeable fact that the captain of the football team, baseball team and crew were among the honor men.

Among those accorded highest scholarship honors was Bob (Robert) A. Taft, son of the president.

At the Yale corporation meeting acknowledgment was made of the receipt of \$50,000 from Henry Z. and William D. Sloan of New York. In addition to the \$450,000 already given by them for the erection and endowment of the Sloan laboratory.

The purpose of the faculty of the Yale medical school to raise \$1,000,000 to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the school was approved.

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Wm. KRUG, OMAHA-BREWER, KILLED IN AUTO COLLISION Dead Man Maintained His Winter Home Near Los Angeles

OMAHA, June 21.—William Krug, vice president and general manager of the Fred Krug Brewing company of Chicago, was killed in a collision with an automobile driven by Ernest McCormick of Denver and Al Schultz, an automobile liability driver, were seriously hurt, and Frank Kirkland of Omaha slightly injured, when their automobiles came together at Thirty-fourth and Leavenworth streets shortly before noon today.

William Krug, vice president and general manager of the Krug Brewing company in Omaha, who was killed yesterday, had passed all his winters several years at La Crescenta, at the head of Verdugo canyon, where he maintained a comfortable home. He left La Crescenta about the end of May to resume his duties at Omaha during the summer.

Mr. Krug's only child, Miss Catherine, was a student in Marlborough school for several years and lived with her father when he returned to Omaha.

INDORSE TAFT POLICIES BUT TABLE ROOSEVELT'S SENATE WILL VOTE ON POSTAL BANK BILL TODAY

ST. PAUL, June 21.—Indorsing the "wise conciliatory" administration of President Taft, but laying on the table by an overwhelming vote a resolution "reaffirming our unalterable support of the policies promulgated by Theodore Roosevelt," the Minnesota legislature today adopted a resolution endorsing the policies of President Taft.

Senator Moses E. Clapp was unanimously nominated to succeed himself in the United States senate.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Agreeing to vote at 5 o'clock tomorrow on the Carter motion to concur in the house postal savings bank bill, the senate adjourned at 6 o'clock tonight, after a day devoted largely to an onslaught on the house measure.

A number of amendments were offered, but the "old guard" of the regulars was on duty and each assault was successfully resisted, the majority ranging from 16 to 8 votes.

Word was circulated early in the session that the president desired the house bill, and the message undoubtedly had an influence in keeping the measure intact.

ISSUE WARRANT FOR CHARLTON LONDON, June 21.—A warrant was issued here today for the arrest of Porter Charlton, whose wife, Mary Scott Castle-Charlton, was murdered and her body thrown into Lake Como after being placed in a trunk.

The issuance of a warrant followed a request by the Italian government, which is of the opinion that Charlton is hiding in England.

CHARGES COMPANY ORGANIZED SOLELY TO GRAFT ON R. R.

Illinois Central Alleges Fraud in Asking Receiver for the Equipment Concern

ACCUSES FORMER OFFICIALS Petition Says Men Formed Plot to Swindle Corporation by Overcharges

CHICAGO, June 21.—Charges of graft are made in a petition for a receiver filed today by the Illinois Central Railroad company against the Blue Island Car and Equipment company. Judge Windes appointed the Chicago Title and Trust company receiver.

Other defendants named in the petition are J. E. Baker, William Benshaw, O. S. Keith and J. M. Taylor, all formerly holding positions with the Illinois Central, and H. C. Osterman and F. H. Niles.

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CHICAGO, June 21.—Precluding the possibility of the defendant going on the stand in his own behalf, counsel say, and shutting out all testimony that Senator William Lorimer might have to offer in denial of the charge that his seat in the United States senate was purchased, lawyers for Lee O'Sell Brown abruptly rested their case in the criminal court here at noon today.

The sudden move of the defense was wholly unexpected. More than fifty witnesses for the defense were thus excluded. Several of these, in addition to Browne and Lorimer, were considered important testimony in the case. Lieutenant Governor Oglesby, who arrived in Chicago from Springfield this morning.

It is said Browne's counsel believes the case stands or falls on whether the jury is willing to accept the testimony of Representative C. A. White, who made the first confession and delivered the principal testimony in the case because of the close connection of the defense that the jury will look upon White's testimony as doubtful.

Attorney W. Forest, who has led the defense of Browne, has insisted from the beginning that he is not concerned materially over the outcome in the criminal court; that he has made a bargain for his client to stand on in the higher court.

CLADS PROBE IS FEARED State's Attorney Wayman, however, says that Browne and his lawyer fear to allow the case to be probed further; that they are under the impression they dare not chance another slip.

Although Mr. Wayman began his closing argument to the jury comparatively early in the afternoon, he had not finished at the day's adjournment. He will finish tomorrow morning, and will be followed by the defense.

Immediately after the unexpected announcement that the defense rested its case, Attorney Forest moved on technical grounds that the case be taken from the jury and a verdict not "guilty" be returned. Judge McSweeney refused the motion.

State's Attorney Wayman was asked by Mr. Forest to elect on what count he will ask the jury to convict Browne, but Mr. Wayman declined to do so. Judge McSweeney refused to instruct the prosecutor so to elect.

Mr. Forest said there were so many variations about the indictment that the defense could not prepare instructions to the jury. Judge McSweeney told Mr. Forest to prepare the instructions for the defense.

Mr. Forest expected to use this refusal to define the issues in the case, and asked for twenty-four hours in which to prepare instructions for the defense after the prosecution had entered theirs. This also was overruled.

MILWAUKEE PUBLIC WORKS IN CONTROL OF ONE MAN MILWAUKEE, June 21.—A change in the city administration, second in importance only to that in the mayor's office, went into effect yesterday when Harry E. Briggs became commissioner of public works, succeeding the outgoing board of four commissioners. Mr. Briggs puts all public works under one official.

The new commissioner named J. J. Handley, business agent of the machinists' union, as superintendent of the street cleaning department.

HOUSE INSURGENTS HOLD ANTI-CANNON CONFERENCE WASHINGTON, June 21.—A secret conference of the house insurgents was held late today to discuss the subject of further activity at the present session. The question whether another attempt should be made to depose Speaker Cannon was broached, and again a divided sentiment was discovered. Statements were delivered by different members who have canvassed the situation and reports were made of careful counts on the proposition.

DEMOCRAT IS UNSEATED WASHINGTON, June 21.—The house committee on elections No. 2 voted today to unseat Edward Saunders (Democrat) of the Fifth Virginia district and give his seat in the house to J. M. Parsons (Republican), who contested Saunders' election.

CALIFORNIAN IS APPOINTED WASHINGTON, June 21.—Among the consular nominations were Hernando de Soto of California, consul at Riga, to be consul at Palermo, Italy.

CHICAGO LAWYER TO BE NAMED BY TAFT FOR SUPREME BENCH

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ANOTHER AMERICAN GIRL WEDS TITLED BRITISHER Miss Mildred Carter Becomes Bride of Lord Acheson

LONDON, June 21.—Miss Mildred Carter, only daughter of John Ridgley Carter, American minister at Romania, Servia and Bulgaria, and Lord Acheson, oldest son of Lord and Lady Gosford, were married in St. George's church in Hanover square this afternoon.

This was one of the weddings of the season which had been anticipated with much interest by the late King Edward because of the close connection of the parents of the bridegroom with the household and his majesty's personal friendship for Mrs. Carter.

The reception that followed at Dorchester house, the home of American Ambassador and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, brought together most of the members of London's social set, and was as brilliant as the nuptial ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter gave their London residence as a wedding present. Among the other gifts were a diamond band and a diamond tiara from Mrs. Daniel Morgan, grandmother of the bride.

OHIO DEMOCRATS ARE HOLDING CONVENTION DAYTON, Ohio, June 21.—After committees had been appointed and other preliminary work arranged during the day, the Ohio state Democratic convention was called to order at 7:30 o'clock this evening. In the session of the delegates from the Twelfth district (vicinity of Columbus) it was necessary to summon police to quell the disturbance that arose when the delegates proceeded from personalities to violence.

Contrary to expectations, former Mayor Tom L. Johnson of Cleveland was re-elected a member of the state committee.

RECLAMATION FUND CARRIES WASHINGTON, June 21.—By a vote of 255 to 20, the house, at 10:10 tonight, passed a bill providing for the issue of certificates of indebtedness to the amount of \$20,000,000 to provide a fund for the completion of the reclamation projects already begun.

CONFIRM MOODY'S RETIREMENT WASHINGTON, June 21.—The house bill authorizing the retirement of Justice Moody of the supreme court because of protracted illness was passed by the senate today. The measure now goes to the president for his signature.

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