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BEEF TRUST BILLS QUASHED BY COURT

JUDGE LANDIS DISMISSES INDICTMENTS AGAINST BIG PACKERS BECAUSE OF DEFECT.

ORDERS ANOTHER GRAND JURY TO RETURN PERFECT BILLS

Present Indictments Failed to Show That Offenses Had Been Committed Within Past Three Years—Joy of Packers Suddenly Turned to Grief—Landis Gives Reason For Dismissal.

Chicago, June 23.—Judge Landis, of the United States district court here, today sustained the demurrers of the so-called beef trust to the indictment charging a combination in restraint of trade. A new grand jury was ordered to renew the investigation of the packing companies.

The indictment was drawn on evidence secured by agents of the federal government and ran against the National Packing Company and its ten subsidiary companies, charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. Smiles, handclaps and congratulations were exchanged with much glee when Landis announced that the indictment would not stand, but the demonstration came to a sudden, almost breathless end when the court said: "Call a special grand jury venire of seventy-five men for July 14. This body will be ordered to hear testimony with a view to finding valid indictments against the packing companies."

The indictment quashed today failed to show, in the view of Landis, that any offense had been committed within the last three years. It did not show that during this statutory period defendants had been engaged in interstate commerce. The general averment that the packing companies engaged in a combination in restraint of trade the court declared to be a mere conclusion, Landis said.

"The court is not clothed with authority to supply, entirely by inference, a complete omission of so fundamental an element of the offense."

POSTAL BILL PASSED

Senate Accepts House Amendments and Measure Will Become a Law—Iowa Senators Opposed to the Last, Despite Wielding of Big Stick.

Washington, June 23.—After voting down several amendments the senate decided by a vote of 44 to 25 to concur in the house amendments to the postal savings bank bill and thus took the last legislative step necessary to the establishment of a postal savings bank system in the United States. The measure was included in the administration schedule and its passage marked another triumph for President Taft.

Most of the "insurgent" republicans joined with the regulars in supporting the measure in the final action on it but Senators Bristow, Cummins and LaFollette refused to yield and cast their ballots in the negative vote.

Mr. Carter admitted his desire to have the bill passed but found such a course impracticable so late in the session. He expressed confidence that the measure would prove an unmixt blessing to "struggling men, women and children."

The postal bank bill, as it goes to the president, provides for the designation of postoffices as postal savings depository offices. The opening of such depositories is left to the discretion of a board of trustees, consisting of the postmaster general, the secretary of the treasury, and the attorney general. This board is given complete control of the depositories and of their funds. As it will require considerable time for the board to prepare its regulations it is impossible at this time to predict when the postal banking system will be in operation.

WARSHIPS REACH ENGLAND.

Squadron Consisting of Indiana, Massachusetts and Iowa on Long Cruise.

London, June 23.—The American battleships Indiana, Massachusetts and Iowa, with 500 midshipmen from the United States naval academy, arrived here this morning. The squadron sailed from Hampton Roads June 9. Instead of following the usual routine of practice cruise along the New England coast, the vessels steamed for the Plymouth and found the 10,000 mile trip. Local authorities are planning a round of entertainment for the visitors. The midshipmen will be given a dinner by the lord mayor of London.

BANDITS KILL TRADERS

Moros in Philippines Create Trouble That May Require Military Demonstration to Suppress—Dutch Traders Murdered and Robbed.

Seattle, Wash., June 23.—Mindanao Moros have murdered Dutch traders on the island of northern Borneo, under conditions which may develop into an outbreak so serious that a demonstration by troops from the military station at Camp Jolo may be required, according to a report brought by the steamer Tampa.

HE KNOWS NOW.

Witness Gives Instructive Evidence in Fish Bill Bribery Case.

Springfield, Ill., June 23.—Testifying before the grand jury Dr. T. J. Schweer said he had made arrangements with Frank Traut by which the latter was to receive money to defeat the fish bill. Traut had testified that he did not know from what source the money came.

RUNS AWAY WHEN WHIPPED.

Muscantine Girl Dons Brother's Clothes and Can Not Be Found.

Muscantine, June 23.—Following a chastisement which she received from her father, Stella, the 14-year-old daughter of Albert Weber, cut off her hair so that it would resemble that of a boy, and after stealing her brother's clothes, ran away. Despite police activity no trace of her can be found.

PREMATURE FIREWORKS

Dynamite Accidentally Exploded in Boone Store Ignites All Fireworks in Place and Spectacular Fire Ensues, With Loss of \$15,000 to \$20,000.

Boone, June 23.—At noon today a small go-cart hanging in a window of the Temple of Economy dropped from its fastening, struck some dynamite and exploded same, causing a spectacular fire.

AVIATOR CODY INJURED.

Falls 100 Feet and is Caught Under Wings of Machine.

London, June 23.—Captain F. S. Cody, the aviator, while making a flight at Aldershot today, fell from a height of 100 feet and was gravely injured. His aeroplane was caught in a gust of wind and, becoming unmanageable, plunged to the ground. Cody was pinned beneath the wreckage of his machine and rendered insensible.

CASE NEARING AN END.

Closing Argument in Browne Bribery Trial—Defenses Denies Everything.

Chicago, June 23.—The losing argument for the defense in the Browne bribery trial was begun today by Attorney Forrest, who denied that Browne bribed White, that he ever agreed to do so, or ever paid him money as a bribe. He asked the jury to reject White's testimony.

GRECE MAKES AMENDS TO ROMANIA.

Bucharest, Romania, June 23.—The Grecian government has granted the demands of the Romanian foreign office in satisfaction of the recent incident at Piraeus, when a Greek mob attacked a Romanian mail steamer. Romania demanded official apologies, a monetary compensation and dismissal of the prefect of the port of Piraeus. Greece was given eight days in which to comply with the terms of the ultimatum.

BUILD RURAL SCHOOLS INSTEAD OF SHIP

RAILROAD PRESIDENT BROWN TELLS BANKERS CAUSE OF HIGH COST OF LIVING.

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATIONS TO TEACH FARMERS

Says Land Must Produce More, Products Must Be Cheaper and Wages Less to Avert National Danger—Real Menace From Within and Not From Without, He Says.

St. Paul, June 23.—President Brown, of the New York Central Railway, spoke before the Minnesota Bankers' Association today on "High Cost of Living." He argued that with the increase in the supply of gold, "everything measured by and paid for with that metal is invariably enhanced in value," and that for this reason the pay of labor has advanced in ratio with the increase of the cost of the things labor must buy.

While he favored a strong navy, Brown would like to see the cost of one battleship (about \$10,000,000) devoted to the work of improved, intelligent agriculture.

"What one battleship costs," he said, "would establish two splendid agricultural experiment or demonstration farms in every state in the union, and I will guarantee, if this is done and the work intelligently and energetically carried on, that as a result of it the value of the natural product of the nation's farms will within ten years buy and pay for every battleship of every navy that floats on salt water today."

HUGHES TO MEET ROOSEVELT.

Governor Asked to Hold Conference at Sagamore Hill—Pinchot to Be Guest.

New York, June 23.—Theodore Roosevelt has asked Governor Hughes to visit him at Sagamore Hill in the near future, for a conference.

The news came out in the course of a brief supplementary statement Roosevelt chose to add to his denial this morning of the printed report that he is to come out in opposition to the governor's policy of direct primaries.

JOICE IS INDICTED

Former Lakes Mills Banker Accused by Federal Grand Jury on More Than 100 Counts—Warrant Sent to St. Paul and Joice Will Be Returned to Iowa.

Special to Times-Republican. Fort Dodge, June 23.—The federal grand jury reported at noon. While no definite information was given out, it is understood from a reliable source that P. M. Joice, a former Lakes Mills banker, was indicted on over 100 counts, charged with issuing fraudulent papers of half a million. The warrant was forwarded to St. Paul. Joice will be brought here at once for arraignment.

GOOD LANDS HIS MAN

President Names Progressive for Postmaster at Marion Despite Opposition of Murphy and Other Standpatters.

Washington, June 23.—The postoffice department has commissioned J. S. Alexander as postmaster at Marion. Representative Good was told today that his commission has been forwarded. The standpatters have been fighting Alexander bitterly. Finally Mr. Good told the president all the facts, and that the ground of the opposition of such men as Colonel Hapburn, Bernard Murphy and others was purely sectional and unjust.

CAR COMPANY BLAMED.

No Fender on Street Car That Killed Muscatine Boy—May Die.

Muscantine, June 23.—The coroner's jury is making a thorough investigation of the death of Kenneth Anderson, the little boy who was killed by a street car yesterday. Motorman Callahan, who was prosecuted by the fatal accident, is unconcerned and his condition is serious. The hearing was postponed until he has another trial.

FIRST CENSUS FIGURES.

Population of District of Columbia and Illinois County Announced.

Washington, June 23.—The population of the District of Columbia is 331,069, an increase of 22,351 in ten years, according to the new census figures, made public today.

The population of Adams county, Illinois, is 64,533.

NOW YOU KNOW WHY

Senate Committee on Cost of Living Makes a Report Telling Why Prices Have Increased—Many Reasons Assigned.

Washington, June 23.—The majority of the senate committee on the increased cost of living presented its report today. Among the causes given are: Increased cost of farm production; increased demand for farm products and food; shifting of the population of the country to the cities; holding of crops by farmers; cold storage plants; industrial combinations; organization of producers and dealers, and a higher standard of living. The minority will file a report later.

MORGAN PICTURE OF HEALTH.

Reaches Home From Europe and Says New York Overlooked for Paris.

New York, June 23.—J. Pierpont Morgan came home today from Europe looking the picture of health. The banker has been abroad for several months and during that period there were numerous reports that he was in poor health. "Look good, don't you?" asked Morgan, and then answered his own interrogation by saying: "I never felt better in my life."

BUILDING BILL TO CONFERENCE.

House Non-Concurs in Senate Amendment—Overriding for Conference.

Washington, June 23.—The house today non-concurred with the senate amendments to the public building bill, and the measure was sent to conference.

FULFILLS PARTY PLEDGES

President Taft Issues Statement Claiming That Congress Has Accomplished More Than Any of His Predecessors—Equipped for Campaign.

Cincinnati, Ohio, June 23.—In a signed statement in the Times-Star President Taft is quoted today as expressing great satisfaction over the legislation enacted by this congress. Heretofore the custom has been to redeem the party pledges in the year of a presidential election, but this now has been done during the first regular session of congress.

TAFT SAVES CANNON'S HIDE.

Insurgents Promise Not to Depose Venerable Speaker.

Washington, June 23.—"Uncle Joe" Cannon will be permitted to end this session as speaker of the house of representatives. The insurgents have sheathed their snickerers and will allow the venerable standpatter to depart in peace and seek the suffrage of his fellow citizens at election to an ordinary seat in the next congress.

CENSUS ANNOUNCEMENTS SOON.

Population of Cities to Be Given Out Within a Few Days.

Washington, June 23.—The mammoth task of recording the thirteenth decennial census of the United States has progressed to such a point that within a few days the bureau of the census will begin to make public the population of the larger cities of the country.

GOOD BUT IMPRACTICABLE.

So Declares Comptroller of Currency Regarding Central Bank.

Washington, June 23.—Frank Sandier, comptroller of the currency, today addressed the Illinois Bankers' Association. He maintained that a central bank could not be successfully adapted to our present independent banking system, although recognizing the great economic advantages enjoyed by European countries under the central bank plan. He found many objections, from his point of view, to such an institution, the principal one being the possibility of legislative or demagogic attack. He claims that such an attack upon institutions carrying immense deposits as a central bank would be likely to seriously affect the entire banking system of the country.

WILL ELECT CARNEY

Marshalltown Lawyer to Be Honored by State Bar Association—Judge Cole Proposes Division of Supreme Court, With Enlarged Membership.

Des Moines, June 23.—At the state bar association meeting today the welcome was by C. G. Cole, and response by Senator Van Law, of Marshalltown. Papers were read by Justice Weaver, of Iowa Falls, and S. J. Clark, of Mason City.

FAMOUS BEAUTY ENDS LIFE.

Mrs. W. P. G. Harding, Birmingham Banker's Wife, Found Dead.

Birmingham, Ala., June 23.—Mrs. W. P. G. Harding, wife of the president of the First National Bank of Birmingham, the largest bank in Alabama, was found dead in her residence in Glen Iris, the fashionable part of the city, shot thru the heart. A pistol near her body indicated that the case was one of suicide. A note was found in the room. Mrs. Harding was 33 years old yesterday. She was considered the most beautiful woman in Alabama. The cause for the suicide is known.

NEW DEPARTMENT TO BE ORGANIZED

DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS TO BE LAUNCHED IN INTERNAL REVENUE OFFICE.

DEAL WITH LARGE CONCERNS, COLLECT CORPORATION TAX

New Division, Altho Numerically Small Will Look After Large Business Interests—Bureau Rounding Up Delinquents—Treasury Statement Show Over \$2,000,000 Corporation Tax.

Washington, June 23.—Beginning July 1, conformably with the law, there will be organized a division of corporations in the office of the commissioner of internal revenue. While it will deal with very large business interests, the new division will be numerically small, consisting of not more than a chief, a dozen clerks and a messenger. Their work will be that of classifying, indexing, exhibiting and caring for the returns of corporations which are liable to a tax of one per cent on their net income.

Agents of the bureau are now rounding up the delinquent corporations which failed to make returns as required by law. Most of them are organizations which went out of business after the law became operative. This did not save them, however, from complying with the law, as the attorney general decided such as were in existence when the law became effective were amenable to its provision.

INSURGENTS PROMISE NOT TO DEPOSE VENERABLE SPEAKER.

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T.-R. BULLETIN

Noticeable News of Today

The Weather.

Sun rises June 23 at 4:30, sets at 7:38. Iowa—Generally fair in the east; probably showers in the west late tonight or Friday; continued warm.

Illinois, Missouri and Wisconsin—Fair tonight and probably Friday; continued warm.

South Dakota—Clear tonight or Friday; cooler Friday and in the west tonight.

PA ONE.

Telegraphic News Items Quashed.

New York Items Announced to Remedy Defects.

Charlton Arrested and Confesses. Agricultural Schools, Not Battlegrounds.

New Government Department. Fireworks Cause Bad Fire at Boone. Many Indictments Against Joice.

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Iowa News: Progressive Vote Grows. Appeal for Sage Fourth. McPherson Seeks Commerce Court Job.

Reforming a "Down and Out." PAGE FOUR.

Editorial: Is History to Be Repeated? In an Iowa Summer.

The Froecher and the Women. Topics of the Times. Iowa Opinion and Notes. Farmers' Column.

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Iowa News: Epworth Leaguers at Iowa Falls. Big Damage Suit in Federal Court.

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Story: The Courage of Captain Plum. PAGE SIX, EIGHT AND NINE.

City News: Claim Gilman Man a Suicide. Report From St. Louis Tells of Death of Lloyd McCluer.

Woman's Fall May Prove Fatal. Watch Paving Brick Game. Two Pioneers of County Dead. "Stop That Fight" Reaches Here. Flower Mission Tomorrow. General and Brief City News.

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Markets and General: Sharp Bulge in Wheat. Corn Also Higher. Hogs Go Still Lower. Cattle Trade Slow. Railroads Are Choked With Business.

relieve county attorneys of at least a part of the responsibility for the enforcement of all laws. The sentiment among them was that the law is at present too drastic.

Officers elected are: President, W. C. Edson, Storm Lake; vice president, C. A. Dewey, Washington; secretary, W. C. Ratcliff, Red Oak.

BUYS NEW CAR, DYING

G. W. Horton Fatally Hurt and Two Daughters Injured Near Nashua—Was Driving Auto to His Home From Waterloo.

Special to Times-Republican. Waterloo, June 23.—While driving a new automobile from Waterloo to his home in Nashua last night, G. W. Horton was probably fatally hurt, and his two daughters, Mattie and Emma, sustained fractures of their right arms. The car struck a patch of sand and turned completely over. Homer Morris and Eva Hanson, the other occupants, were from Waterloo, escaped with minor injuries. Horton was hurt internally, is paralyzed and is reported to be dying.

NO RELIEF THIS WEEK.

Hot Wave to Continue Two Days or More—Rain Area Far Distant.

Washington, June 23.—The hot wave will continue over the eastern half of the country for forty-eight hours longer, at least.

The nearest rain area in sight is over the Rocky mountain region and is causing unsettled weather in the northwestern states.

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TAKEN IN CUSTODY WHEN SHIP ARRIVES AT HOBOKEN

Makes Full Confession on Being Confronted With Crime—Says Murder Followed a Violent Quarrel, During Which Mrs. Charlton Goaded Him to Assault—Then Placed Body in Trunk

New York, June 23.—Porter Charlton, husband of the woman whose body was found in a trunk in Lake Como, Italy, arrived here on a German liner at Hoboken today, and was arrested. He gave the name of Charles W. Coleman, but the Hoboken police say that at the station he broke down and admitted that he was Charlton.

Captain Scott, brother of Mrs. Charlton, was summoned when Charlton was arrested. He took one glance at the prisoner and said the man was Charlton. Later Charlton confessed to the murder, in a signed statement.

QUARREL LED TO CRIME.

The police later announced that Charlton said, in his confession, that he and his wife had been having supper together at a villa on Lake Como, and that the quarrel followed. Charlton said his wife called him vile names, and that finally, when he could not stand her abuse any longer, he attacked her with a wooden mallet. He said he struck her over the head three times, knocking her unconscious and saw her fall, as far as he knew. Charlton told the police he then stuck the body of his wife in a trunk and carried it down to the lake, where he threw the trunk in the water.

FIRST BLUFFS THE OFFICERS.

Charlton traveled under the name of Charles W. Coleman, Omaha, the name appeared on the passenger list as John Coleman. The accused man was utterly broken in spirit following his arrest. Charlton denied flatly when arrested that he was the man wanted, and took the officers to his cabin to prove his name was Coleman. He asserted that he lived in Omaha and had never heard of Charlton or his wife.

When asked if he could produce letters to prove he had received any money under the name of Coleman, he said he could not. Charlton began to break down and he wavered and almost fell, but the detectives had to wait until he recovered himself. He was placed in a patrol wagon and taken to the station.

WHILE GIVEN "THIRD DEGREE."

While Charlton was being sweated under the "third degree," he became infuriated, and drawing a revolver tried to shoot Chief of Police Hayes. He was disarmed and a few minutes later confessed the crime. In his confession, after telling of the quarrel and the killing of his wife, Charlton said: "About 12 at night I brought the trunk to my house and dragged it down to a small pier and threw it overboard. I left the following night and went to Como, and from there to Genoa, where I took the steamer Irens three days later."

He added a postscript exonerating the Russian Ispolatoff, once under suspicion, from any part in the crime, and said he had no defense to make.

HOME BASE OF MISSIONS.

Conference at Edinburgh Listens to Report and Suggestions.

Edinburgh, Scotland, June 23.—The report of the commission on the home base of missions, presented to the World's Missionary conference today by the chairman, Rev. James L. Barton, met with a hearty reception. The report, polices and results of the operations of missionary societies upon their home side. It collated an immense amount of material gathered to show how to secure an adequate constituency, the proper training of missionaries, financial support, and an increase in the number of missionaries.

Under the head of "Promotion of Missionary Intelligence," the report asks for more enthusiastic missionary work in the pulpits at home. "The leaders of our churches," it continues, "are unanimous in their judgment as to the imperative importance of interesting the boyhood and girlhood of the churches in the work of foreign missions. One of the most encouraging features of missionary advance is the rapid development of the Sunday school field during the last five years."

DENY MINISTER'S CHARGES.

Rev. John D. Leek and Mrs. Lavender Testify in Chicago Slander Suit.

Chicago, June 23.—John D. Leek, formerly a Methodist minister, testified today in the \$50,000 slander suit of Mrs. Mary A. Lavender against Rev. John D. Crawford, pastor of the Woodlawn M. E. church. Mrs. Lavender also gave her testimony. Both denied that their relations had been more than friendly. Both denied that Leek wrote a letter to Mrs. Lavender incriminating themselves.

THE BLESSED RAIN.

Crops Benefited in Western South Dakota—Grain Generally Aided.