

TRUST SCALES THE FISH SALE PRICES OF FISH Retail Dealers Follow With Corresponding Reduction of Cost to Customers

Combine Apparently Fearful of Furnishing More Evidence for Grand Jury Net

As one result apparently of the grand jury's investigation, the wholesalers composing the fish trust have materially reduced their prices this week.

The rates prevailing at the Western and Paladini companies yesterday, compared with those in force before the inquiry, show as follows:

Soles, \$2 for an 80 pound box as opposed to \$3.50 and \$4 during the previous week.

Flounders, \$1.50 for the same size box against \$2.

Halibut, 7 cents a pound, reduced from 9 or 10.

Salmon, 2 cents a pound, which is one or two cents less.

The supply of the fish named has been practically the same as during the past week and leaves no economic reason as to why a reduction should be made.

With smelts and sand dabs the case has been otherwise, for smelts are getting out of season, while sand dabs are freaky fish and often hard to find.

These two exceptions are therefore kept at their old figures in spite of a general lowering of prices down the line among other varieties.

Retailers over the city have been making corresponding reductions in their own rates. They think the trust is now trying to create evidence in its own behalf for future use by showing more moderate profits.

The moral effect of the investigation has also reacted strongly on fishermen's wharf, where there has not been so much free buying since the wholesalers put Nicolo Storlesi, agent and weigher for the men, on their payroll.

The suits by Catania Brothers to enjoin firms now in the trust from shutting it out of the wharf market was brought as far back as June, 1907, so that Storlesi's tyranny is an old one.

Besides the fear of furnishing the grand jury newer evidence, the trust suffers the antagonism of the fishers themselves. It was only last Saturday the trust offered through Storlesi to sell for a week's catch of rockcod at 3 cents and of cod at 2, for which the retailers had to pay, respectively, 8 and 5 cents.

Because of this trick the men are ready to sell independently in defiance of the trust. They traded openly with retailers appearing at the wharf yesterday.

The retailers do not fear the trust will attempt its usual blacklisting tactics at this time.

ANOTHER ABUSE STOPPED

Another abuse stopped by the investigation is the open and notorious way in which the Western and Paladini had of keeping up prices by limiting the market.

The Western has not been sending its excess fish to the X. L. O. grease factory in the city, as it has done in the past, but is now taking its surplus supply to his trawling tug at the foot of Filbert street to be dumped at sea—at least not in the daylight.

The practice of keeping up last week until the Call exposed the case that is made against them.

Meantime the new Portola fishing company is making ready to bring the price of fish within the means of the mass of people. It will begin to compete with Paladini and the Western early next month. The tugs Annie and Blanco are at Anderson's shipyard, where their conversion into trawling steamers is in progress. Their deck houses have been removed and frames strengthened. Derricks have been set up for the handling of the nets and steam winches installed for pulling in the lines.

The grand jury will meet this afternoon in a double session, lasting into the night. More evidence as to the blacklist and boycotts maintained by the trust will be heard and new witnesses put on record. District Attorney Fickert intends to make the investigation as complete as possible.

CANADIAN NORTHERN BUYS DUNSMUIR LANDS

Coal Mines and San Francisco Properties Included in Deal

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 18.—A payment of \$2,750,000, a fourth of the purchase price of the Dunsmuir coal mines and coal lands on Vancouver island, and the Dunsmuir properties in San Francisco, was made to James Dunsmuir in Victoria last Saturday by representatives of Mackenzie and Mann, owners of the Canadian Northern railroad.

The purchaser will not take possession of the mines until the final payment is made. They will continue to be operated by James Dunsmuir until the final payment, and the profits will be turned over to the new owners.

The principal mines are the Extension near Ladysmith and the Union at Cumberland. Their joint output has ranged between 750,000 and 1,000,000 tons a year.

23 CHINESE WOUNDED IN FIGHT ON STEAMER

Find Among Orientals Results in Bloody Battle

SEATTLE, May 18.—Twenty-three Chinese passengers on the Blue Funnel line steamer Keenun, which arrived here last night from Hongkong, were wounded in a battle on the ship three days ago, a feud having broken out between the men from Wuchow and those from Samsu.

The first the officers knew of the battle was when wild shrieks were heard in the part of the ship occupied by the 400 Chinese passengers.

At dinner time 50 Wuchow men were pounced upon by 50 Samsu men. The Wuchow men responded briskly, using knives and chairs.

DIVORCED AFTER 40 YEARS' LIFE TOGETHER

KANSAS CITY, May 18.—Mrs. Ada V. Strong, for 40 years the wife of F. M. Strong, a wealthy Los Angeles real estate dealer, has been granted a decree of divorce by Judge Thomas J. Seehorn here today.

The woman charged her husband with inconsiderate treatment. Among other allegations was the charge that she was forced for five years to remunerate her husband every month for the money he spent on her.

The couple married in St. Joseph, Mo., in 1870. Mrs. Strong is said to have an independent fortune.

A straight Kentucky Whisky of top-most class, Old Taylor yellow label, bottled in bond.

Maud Allan Offers Girl Singer Training of European Masters



Nadine Parker, soprano, who has been taken under protection of dancer.

ROADHOUSE SONGS ENTRANCE DANCER

Nadine Parker Charms Maud Allan, Who Offers Protection and European Study

Her dreams of wealth and fame realized after years of struggle, Maud Allan, a California girl herself, has found and taken under her protection a nineteen year old native daughter, pretty Nadine Parker, who has been singing during the week, at a roadhouse in the Ocean boulevard, with Miss Allan intends to take the girl with her to the music masters of Europe.

It was only by chance that Miss Allan, accompanied by her manager and her companion, Miss Rosa, stopped at Dibble's, in the Ocean boulevard, some two weeks ago. Nadine Parker, a soprano, was singing there then. The famous dancer remained at the place four hours or more, listening to the girl and entranced with the purity of her notes.

SINGER SUPPORTS MOTHER

A week ago the singer signed a six months contract with the management, not knowing what bright prospects were in store for her, and since then Miss Allan and her friends have returned twice, and spent hours listening to the girl's songs. On the dancer's advice several classical songs were purchased and sung, and the test of the trying notes only made Miss Allan more enthusiastic.

Since that time several interviews have been arranged with Nadine Parker, her ambitions learned, her past life investigated and her character studied. In every way the girl has stood the test, and a life of study and achievement in Europe seems assured to her.

The little hazel singer in the roadhouse, Miss Allan learned, has supported her mother for years by singing in every way the girl has stood the test, and a life of study and achievement in Europe seems assured to her.

ELOPEMENT AND DIVORCE

Two years ago, when she was 17, she met 18 year old William M. Parker, son of a wealthy Chicago businessman, in Los Angeles. Miss Rinn, for that was her maiden name, entertained by her slinging at a party and there the two youngsters met. They eloped to this city where they were married in San Rafael, despite protesting telegrams from both mothers in Los Angeles. But the love dream faded when Parker refused to support his wife, and she secured a divorce.

Though Nadine Parker is under a six months' contract with us," Andrew C. Dibble said last night, "I will let her go if she can better herself so much. We would hate to lose her, but I could not keep friendly with my self-respect and at the same time refuse to allow an artist the opportunity to develop the talent that this girl may have."

GREATER SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE ORGANIZES

To Urge Consolidation Amendment to Charter

Joseph Rothschild, T. D. Boardman, Dr. F. W. d'Evelyn, Paul Pickney, A. H. Elliott, William Keith and Victor Robertson, recently appointed as the advisory committee of the greater San Francisco general committee, met yesterday and organized. It was decided to meet with the local charter committee to urge the introduction in the charter of a clause that will permit any of the cities that may wish to become part of the greater metropolis.

Next Tuesday the committee will meet to listen to Harris Welstock and B. A. Watson give their views on the proposed extension of the city.

Warren Olney, president of the general committee, has recalled the resignation he tendered two weeks ago.

HEAVY RAINS IN NEW MEXICO

Albuquerque, N. M., May 18.—Unusually heavy rains in central New Mexico last night were worth thousands of dollars to the farmers. The prospects now are that the crop will be the greatest in the history of the territory.

KILLED BY ENGINE

Los Angeles, May 18.—J. E. Hanson, a Southern Pacific engineer, was killed by a switch engine in the railroad yards today. Hanson was married only two months ago, and his young wife is so distressed by the shock of his death that her recovery is doubtful.

COLONEL R. F. AMES COURT-MARTIALED

Suicide of Lieutenant C. M. Janney Causes Charge of Unbecoming Conduct

Dead Officer's Widow, Who Was Mrs. Pedar Bruguiere, Witness of Tragedy

MANILA, May 18.—Upon instructions from Washington, Lieutenant Colonel Robert F. Ames was today confined to quarters and will be court-martialed on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and to the prejudice of military discipline.

The action is a sequel to the investigation of the circumstances which led Lieutenant Clarence M. Janney of the Twelfth Infantry, U. S. A., to take his life after a dinner party at the home of Ames at Fort William McKinley. The suicide's wife remains at the fort and probably will be the chief witness at the court martial.

QUARREL AT DINNER PARTY

A Filipino coroner and an army board of inquiry found that Janney committed suicide and so reported to Major General William H. Carter, commanding the department of Luzon. After examining the findings, the general returned them to the board, with instructions that it obtain additional testimony covering certain features. No further developments were made public until the receipt of the instructions from Washington today.

Janney's death occurred on the night of March 12, when Janney and his wife attended a dinner party given by Ames, Captain William H. Jordan Jr., also of the Twelfth Infantry, completed the party.

According to the testimony of the witnesses, Lieutenant Janney and his wife quarreled during the evening. It seems that Janney recognized in the home of his friend a champagne cooler which had belonged to him, but which Mrs. Janney had given to Ames.

WIFE HAS TO APOLOGIZE

Janney upbraided his wife because of the gift and harsh words followed. Finally Janney demanded an apology from his wife, and this was made. This ended the quarrel, and the dinner was resumed.

A little later, however, Janney left the house, but returned with a revolver with which he shot himself in the presence of his wife and Colonel Ames. The witness said that Janney rushed into the dining room and flourished the revolver, while he talked wildly. Before the others could interfere, they said, he placed the revolver to his head and fired. Death followed quickly.

AMES CLEARED BY BOARD

After the shooting Ames was placed under arrest, but a preliminary investigation of the special board of inquiry having cleared him, he was released.

The only witnesses of the tragedy were Colonel Ames and Mrs. Janney. Mrs. Janney testified that her husband and Ames had been good friends. The Janneys were married in New York in 1908. Mrs. Janney was Madeline McKisick and belonged to a prominent family of San Francisco. She first married Dr. Pedar Bruguiere, whom she divorced on ground of failure to provide for her. When she married Janney he was stationed at Governors Island. He went with the Twelfth regiment to the Philippines in July, 1909.

For a Good Time

Take a trip over the Ocean Shore Ry—valleys, mountains and ocean always in sight. Leave daily, 8 a. m., 9:30 a. m., 3 p., 5:40 p.; also 10:30 a. Sundays.

TRAIN KILLS TWO

Salina, Kan., May 18.—While scuffling on a station platform today, William Brown, a baggageman, and John Keeler, a dayman, fell on the tracks and were killed by a Missouri Pacific passenger train.

BANK LOOTER GETS 15 YEARS IN JAIL

G. W. Coleman Given Heavy Sentence in Boston

BOSTON, May 18.—George W. Coleman, after admitting today that he looted the National City bank of Cambridge of \$309,000, was sentenced to 15 years in the county jail.

BALLINGER CASE NEARING AN END

Committee Thinks Report Might Be Made Before Congress Adjourns

Only Letter Found From Perkins to Secretary Suggests Names for Glaciers

WASHINGTON, May 18.—Members of the Ballinger-Pinchot committee are discussing the probability of a report during the present session of congress. Several members expressed the opinion today that the hearings could not be concluded and the mass of testimony reviewed and passed upon before congress adjourns.

Senator Root will leave at the end of this week, for The Hague and democratic members of the committee have suggested that it would be improper for him to cast his vote prior to the completion of the investigation.

REGULARS IN CONTROL

The republican regulars still would hold the control with Senator Root eliminated, even though Representative Madison, the "insurgent" member, still holds a vote with the democrats. The vote would stand 5 to 5.

Chairman Nelson said today that it was impossible to forecast just when the investigation would end. He said no agreement had been reached by members of the committee and the matter rested with counsel.

The hearings will be resumed tomorrow and continue the remainder of the week.

E. C. Finney, assistant to the secretary of the interior, will report to the committee tomorrow that he has searched through all the files in the department and has found only one letter of the Ballinger-Perkins personal correspondence which has not already been brought before the committee.

NAMES FOR GLACIERS

This letter was one written by George W. Perkins, of J. P. Morgan & Co., to Ballinger last summer on the former's return from a trip to Alaska. Perkins wrote that he had discovered two new glaciers in Alaska and asked Ballinger if they could not be named Princeton glacier and Tiger's Trail glacier, after the New Jersey university. Ballinger referred the matter to the coast and geodetic survey, which replied that the two glaciers had already been charted and bore other names.

Finney will report that Ballinger's personal files at the department contain no letters from any of the Guggenheims or from J. P. Morgan & Co.

The "prosecution" has sought to show that the Morgan-Guggenheim interests were the persons controlling or seeking to control the Alaska situation through the interior department.

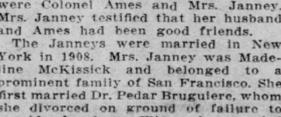
Stenographer Kerby read several letters from Secretary Ballinger's personal file yesterday which he contended showed Ballinger to be on friendly terms with Perkins.

One of these letters showed that the secretary was a guest of Perkins one Sunday last May.

Attorney Brandeis of counsel for the "prosecution" holds it to be exceedingly material to the investigation for the committee to know the extent of Ballinger's relations with Perkins.

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