

FAST STEAMERS AT RATE FIGHT Cut Made by San Francisco and Portland Line Is Met by Rival Company Pacific Coast Company May Extend Its Run as Far as Portland

The Pacific Coast steamship company yesterday met the cut made by the San Francisco and Portland steamship company, between here and Los Angeles, and the rate war is on. In addition to meeting the cut of the Harriman line, the Pacific Coast company threw down the gauntlet to the Pacific Navigation company by extending the reduced rates to San Diego, to which port the Pacific Navigation company recently extended the run of their fast steamers, Yale and Harvard.

It is expected that the Pacific Navigation company will now extend its run north as far as Portland, which will serve the double purpose of making trouble for the San Francisco and Portland line, which started the rate war, and cutting in to the Pacific Coast steamship company's Seattle business. This will be done by the Pacific Coast company, which has been making reductions at Portland for the Puget sound country.

The new rates, effective today, established by the Pacific Coast steamship company, are as follows: Between San Francisco and Los Angeles, the steamer President and Governor, the rate has been reduced from \$11.50 to \$8.35, and \$7.35 on the steamer Santa Rosa. The rate to San Diego is \$10.00, and the rate to San Diego and Los Angeles, \$11.45 to \$10, and \$9 on the Santa Rosa. These reduced rates include berth and meals.

The new rates are the same as the flat fare charged by the Yale and Harvard. On the latter ships, however, berth and meals are extra, and represent an expense from \$2 to as high as the passenger wishes to go. The new rates of the Pacific Coast steamship company include berth and meals, so that the cut to San Diego is really deeper than the cut to San Pedro. On a basis of \$2 for berth and meals, the new rates are \$10.00 to San Diego, and \$11.45 to San Diego and Los Angeles. The Pacific Coast steamship company practically meets the cut made the other day between here and Los Angeles by the San Francisco and Portland line.

Captain James H. Bennett of the Pacific navigation company yesterday issued a typewritten statement on the situation as follows: "We understand that the Pacific Coast steamship company has followed the San Francisco and Portland steamship company by cutting its rates from here to Los Angeles to \$8.35 and from here to San Diego, including berth and meals. We consider the company has been very liberal in making this arbitrary differential, considering the class of ships it is operating on the route, and the saving in cost, in comparison to the Yale and Harvard.

"Unless the cut made by the Pacific Coast steamship company affects us more than the one made by the San Francisco and Portland steamship company we will not take notice of the cut rates. However, if it appears that both companies are combining to run the Yale and Harvard on the route they are now on, we wish to state that both ships can average 21 knots per hour, and with that speed we are in a position to compete with any rates put in effect by either company and coast from San Diego to Puget sound, giving better service and more frequent sailings than is being given now."

HUBBY SUES WIFE FOR DIVORCE

Wm. Elberling Starts Action When She Refuses to Get a Divorce

William Elberling is anxious to get back with his wife Jennie a lot in San Mateo county, and has been presented to her, the consideration being that she should get a divorce. He is suing for the return of the real estate and money, and in Judge Van Nostrand's court yesterday he explained why she did not carry out her part of the compact. Her husband told her, she said, that he loved Josie Stark and desired to marry her. So that she might be free to do so he begged Mrs. Elberling to get a divorce. After the husband had been told to her and the money in bank transferred she decided that it would not be fair to her children for her to obtain a divorce. Judge Van Nostrand has the case under submission.

Testifying that her husband, Lester Prager, an accountant, "threw a stick of brush at her, attempted to beat her with an umbrella and upbraided and abused her for no cause, Rowie Prager sued a divorce by Judge Van Nostrand yesterday and allowed to resume her maiden name of Hilson. She also said that to frighten her into hysteria he threatened to commit suicide, and on one occasion actually pretended to kill himself.

Divorces were granted as follows: By Judge Van Nostrand—Maud Caputo and Emanuel Caputo, cruelty; Ella E. Sampson from Frank J. Sampson, desertion.

By Judge Mogan—Katherine M. Harrington from Henry J. Harrington, willful neglect; Alfred James Bruce from Eva B. Bruce, cruelty; Francis M. B. Brogen from Martin A. Brogen, willful neglect.

By Judge Hunt—Hazel Copland from James Copland, cruelty. Suits for divorce were begun by: Axel Lundgren from Margery Lundgren, infidelity.

Alma Williams from Joseph L. Williams, desertion. Helen Hill against Edward C. Hill, desertion. George Leachery against William O. Leachery, willful neglect. Giuseppe Miraglia against Rosa Miraglia, cruelty.

Calvin E. Scoville against Beattie Scoville, desertion. DURAND WILL LECTURE—Prof. William F. Durand, dean of the college of engineering at Stanford university, will speak tonight on "The Limitations of Aerial Navigation" at the meeting of the Pacific club in the Pacific building. Professor Durand is the leading American authority on mechanical engineering and naval architecture. He formerly was dean of mechanical engineering at Cornell university.

APHYXICATION VICTIM REVIVED—Despondent because of ill health and falling business, Hermann Brendel, a tailor, attempted to commit suicide by drinking poison in his shop at 41 Eddy street by swallowing gas. He was revived by a nurse and taken to the hospital where he was revived. He has a wife and four children residing in Oakland.

ARIZONA ENTITLED TO STATEHOOD AS ROOSEVELT'S REPRISAL No Reason, as Far as He Can See, for Rejection by Congress of Constitution Containing Reforms

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tory to statehood when its proposed constitution does not essentially differ from the actual constitutions of certain states already within the union. The principles of the initiative and referendum may or may not be adapted to the needs of a given state under given conditions—I believe they are useful in some communities and not in others—but to deny a territory the right of statehood because it has not adopted these principles is as wrong as to say that Vermont should not be a state because its governmental system is based upon the principle of the town meeting.

"If the constitution of the United States forbids the use of the referendum or the initiative, then the constitution should be amended without delay. According to the varying conditions in each state, and according to the limitations upon the use of the initiative and referendum, this use may or may not be wise in any given instance. But the right to its use is inherent in every community and no community should be allowed to dictate to any other community in this matter.

"It is so with the principle of the recall. I do not believe in its wisdom in Arizona as provided in the constitution, but Arizona has an absolute right to try the experiment if it sees fit.

FULL STATE LIBERTY "Indeed, a system under which judges are appointed by the people is more from one under which they are elected for short terms than from a system which provides for the recall.

"Each state should have full liberty to experiment in such matters. Therefore each territory desirous of being admitted as a state should have the same liberty. I am a strong nationalist, but I am no less a believer in the rights of the states wherever the rights of the states mean the rights of the people. In this case the rights of the people include the right to decide upon any state to decide upon any course of action it deems best in this affair.

"The United States government is in honor bound to admit Arizona under its present constitution, and I believe, now, my friends, although in the fullest way I thus acknowledge your right to form the constitution that you have formed and to be admitted as a state member of the federal union, I also wish to distinctly understand that though there are many provisions in your proposed constitution with which I most heartily agree, there are some with which I do not.

"Notable among these is the provision of the recall, especially affecting the judiciary. I have the right to act as you think fit in this matter, but I do not believe the nation you have seen fit to take is wise. It is strongly the wrongfulness of the position you are occupying in treating your adoption of the recall of the judiciary as a justification for refusing to admit you to the union, yet making a distinction in such a matter as your conditions the proposal you have made is against the interests of justice, and therefore against your interests.

"I admit the melancholy fact that there are states where judges have so acted as to make it justifiable and necessary for the people to adopt measures for retiring all such judges from office. But speaking generally, and as regards most communities under normal conditions, I feel that it is to our self-interest, to the interest of decent citizens who wish nothing except justice in its broadest and truest sense, not to adopt any measure which would make judges timid, which would make them afraid, just deciding rightly, to some given case might arouse a storm of anger, temporary, but fatal.

GIVE BENCH LEUWAY "You should show every measure which would deprive judges of the rugged indifference and straightforward deliberation it should be possible to see that they preserve. "Some way should be provided by which in extreme cases and after careful deliberation it should be possible to remove a judge even though the circumstances would not justify his impeachment. But I think that some such wisest method than that you have provided for your constitution, if adopted, some method free from the vicious effects which the adoption of your constitution, I believe, would tend to cause.

"In any event, a measure fraught with such possibility of mischief as the recall of judges, for which you have provided, should not be adopted until by actual experiment you are driven to the conclusion that it is so pre-emptively of doing away with some even worse evil.

PEOPLE'S STAND IMPORTANT "Do remember, my friends, that the question of the form of government, though of great importance, is of infinitely less importance than the question of the spirit in which the people support and stand for the government.

"The initiative, referendum and recall in themselves are not ends of value. They are simply means for the achievement of an end. The conditions under which they are exercised will largely determine their value. "If the results are good, then, no matter what the theory about them may be, they will stand as having been found wanting.

"No matter what your governmental form may be, your condition will be bad if you either surrender yourself to an attitude of sympathy with and support of the privileged classes which endeavor to exploit the community, or if you surrender yourself to the lead of the political quack, the extremist, the theorist, the visionary or the insular demagogue, who seeks to reach high place by appealing to envy and malice.

"If you do not practice self-control, you will merely show that you need to be controlled from the outside. "And it is especially incumbent upon you to practice self-control at the outset of your career as a state, and to recognize the fact that the safest and best representative you can have is the representative who, while in the closest sympathy with and eagerly desirous to represent the people, nevertheless recognizes as his paramount duty his obligation to be true to every demand that principle makes for him.

CONSCIENCE BEST MONITOR "He can serve you best if he declines to serve you against his conscience and prefers to retire to private life rather than do so.

"Over here all of us need to act together as Americans and to distrust the hybrid Americanism in every form, whether he represents a nationality, a section, a creed or a social or business caste.

"We need to war unceasingly against privilege and to demand the fullest recognition of the people's rights, but we need also ourselves to be no less scrupulous as regards the rights of others and to administer this government in accordance with the immutable laws of honesty, justice and fair dealing.

"If we fall short in these respects no constitutional device, no adroitness of law will save us from ruin. "The private car in which Roosevelt and his party are traveling was attached to a Santa Fe train, which is due in Los Angeles at 10:45 o'clock tomorrow morning. Roosevelt attended a luncheon given him by the members of the Rough Rider regiment, visited Governor Sloan at the executive mansion, drove in an auto through the great valley irrigated by the Roosevelt dam and arrived at his car just before the train started. The last event of the busy day was a talk at the dedication of St. Luke's home for tubercular patients fostered by Bishop Atwood.

There was no reply from the man in the crowd. A slight change in Roosevelt's program has been made necessary by the desire of President Wheeler of the University of California that he should arrive in Berkeley on Thursday morning, without fail in Berkeley on Thursday morning. It was expected that the former president would leave Los Angeles by the San Joaquin valley route on Wednesday evening instead of going over the coast line.

Mrs. Roosevelt and her daughter will proceed to San Francisco by the coast line, meeting Roosevelt on Thursday morning.

ONE THOUSAND PAINTERS STRIKE—Pittsburg, Mo., March 20.—The thousand painters here today, demanding an increase of \$3.40, which expired March 1.

WICKERSHAM ON RECALL CLEVELAND, O., March 20.—Attorney General Wickersham, speaking before the chamber of commerce tonight, made a strong plea for an independent judiciary and scored the recall as "the latest invention of self-characterized 'progressive government'."

Representative republican government, our system of government should subject him to the rage of the mob when he asserts the supremacy of the law in the face of unjust clamor?"

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The department will have mail boxes installed in Washington street cars for a test authorized in the last postoffice act. The experiment is expected to demonstrate whether the popularity of the convenience warrants extension to other cities.

FINGER NAMED MEMBER OF OPIUM COMMISSION State Department Appoints Its Representatives to the Hague

WASHINGTON, March 20.—The United States representative at the international opium conference at The Hague today announced the national guard, the department today as follows: Bishop Charles H. Brent, of the Episcopal church of the Philippine Islands; Dr. Hamilton Wright of Maine, and Henry J. Carter of New York. Dr. Wright and Dr. H. H. Hildebrand of Washington has been appointed secretary.

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DEATHS Andrews, Lester J., 5, Reddy, Michael G., 75, Benedict, Rosa, 45, Ryan, Joseph P., 73, Bennett, Harold, 61, St. Joseph, Edm. Henry, 61, Crogore, Patrick, 62, Scott, Jennie, 61, Crogore, Maria, 61, Smith, Mrs. Minnie, 62, Crogore, Ernest, 53, Struch, 53, (Infant) Crogore, Hugo A., 43, Sukow, Herman, 58, Danner, John, 53, Sullivan, Ellen, 53, Danner, Joseph, 18, Thompson, Philip, 64, Gulliver, Violet, 19, Thompson, A. B., 80, Danner, Joseph, 18, Thompson, A. B., 80, Hankins, Susan, 62, Webb, Francis, 78, McCreary, J. J., 78, Wessman, Thomas, 78, Mangini, Maria C., 78, Wessman, Thomas, 78.

ANDREWS—In this city, March 20, 1911, Lester J., beloved son of Allan and Lucy Andrews, aged 5 years 3 months and 10 days, (Infant) papers please copy.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services tomorrow (Wednesday), March 22, 1911, at 11 o'clock a. m., from the parlors of H. F. Sahr & Co., 2919 Mission street between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh streets. Interment private.