

"INDESCRIBABLY FOUL" IS THE DESCRIPTION GIVEN BY HUMANE OFFICERS

Sensational Disclosures of Awful Conditions at Slaughter House Made at Trial By Two Women Witnesses

The Misses Marie and Fannie Irvin this afternoon told the jury in the libel case of the Central Pressed Meat company against the Capital News in which the plaintiff asks \$10,000 damages from the defendant because of the publication of an article describing alleged insanitary conditions at their slaughter house that conditions there were "indiscribably foul," "horribly dirty," with maggots in the lard they found. Both witnesses were emphatic in their statements to the jury and the plaintiff's attorneys interposed frequently objections to prevent their making their declarations stronger by stating conclusions instead of facts.

Humane Society Officers.

Miss Marie Irvin was first called to the stand. She is the secretary and treasurer of the Idaho State Humane society and has been since May, 1905. She visited the slaughter house of the plaintiff company Aug. 14 with State Pure Food Commissioner Wallis and others with whom was the reporter for the Capital News. She described the location of the slaughter house as being in an isolated place. When they got out of the carriage Wallis broke the seal and opened the lard house door. The house is about 11 by 6 feet. In the left hand corner is a dirt floor with a small furnace-like stove and near it an iron cauldron. On the right was a floor raised about six inches. That floor was simply indescribably dirty and "if any one could eat lard out of such a place, well—" She broke off her statement.

"In a lard can was lard horribly dirty with maggots and I said—" she continued, but Gibson objected. "The lard was depressingly dirty and there were two brooms that were indescribably dirty. They were filled with grease and flies—the flies just clinging to the brooms—they were indescribably dirty and I was told they were the brooms used in cleaning up. I noticed mice running across the floor and there were new cans as if intended to be thrown away.

Q. Was there anything more you saw there?  
A. I don't think there could be anything more if I have reasonably described what I saw.

Miss Irvin told of seeing dead chickens lying around; of the hogs and sheep confined without water or any evidence

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Outside the lard house was a kettle of tallow refuse. In some of the lard were crawling insects, flies and mice droppings. "I took the pails to be new pails, on which grease had been dropped, and the dirt, flies and mice droppings had accumulated on them." These pails were marked "Pure Lard," probably with the name of the market stand on, he said.

The offal pile contained intestines, heads, paunches, decaying animal life and refuse, which was one solid mass of maggots, and the whole was covered with the big green or "blow" flies. He said they would readily go from this pile to the meat. "Flies," he said, "are considered one of the greatest means of conveying disease germs to meat and elsewhere." He said they would convey germs of diphtheria, typhoid, scarlet fever, consumption, syphilis and

some of them I did not.

Q. Did you find any maggots in any of it?  
A. There were so many kinds of insect life and death that it would be hard for me to say whether some kinds should be called maggots or not.

Q. What kinds of insect life did you see?  
A. I saw flies—3 kinds of them—bugs, small beetles, mice manure. I can't remember what else except just pure dirt blown in.

Q. Could that lard be used for domestic purposes?  
A. It could not in that condition.  
Q. And it so appeared did it not?  
A. It did to me.  
Q. Was that lard dingy?  
A. It was very.

Q. Still you think the top could be skimmed off and the balance sold as good lard?  
A. I think it could be done. Of course, more lard would have to be poured in.

Wallis Cross-Examined.

James H. Wallis was still on the witness stand under cross-examination at the opening of court this morning. He was asked a number of questions relative to sewer system, water system at the slaughter house, the sealing of the doors to the slaughter house and the lard house.

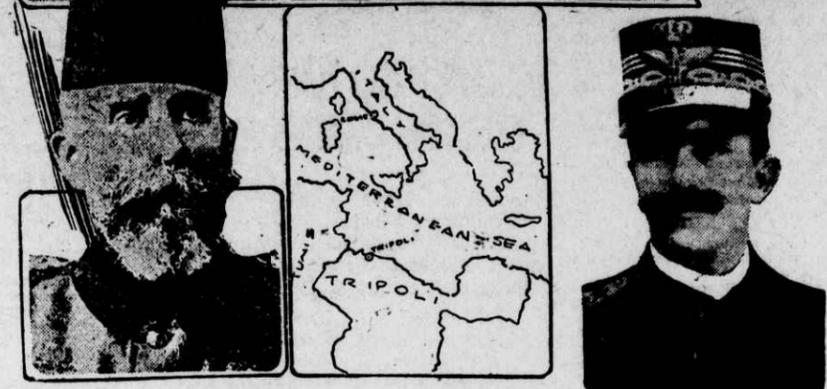
Q. Did you give permission to take the heart, tongue and liver of the beaves slaughtered there that day?  
A. No.  
Q. Did any one give such permission?  
A. No.  
Q. Were you ever engaged in butchering animals?  
A. No.  
Q. Do you know whether when a knife is stuck into the paunch of an animal just killed it will emit a stench if the animal is healthy?  
A. It did that day.  
Q. Did you revoke the license of the plaintiff company for the year 1912?  
A. Yes.  
Q. How did you do that?  
A. As the law provides.  
Q. How was that?  
A. By marking it revoked on the records of my office and by giving them notice not to slaughter any more animals until the place was put in proper condition.

The attorney brought out that the place had been inspected last year and that then the company had been compelled to put in a cement floor which had not been in before it was ordered done by a deputy of the health department.

There was no water, he said, on the place except that supplied by this pitcher pump. There was no toilet. After finishing the killing the day of the inspection the butcher did not clean his knives and instruments except by just dipping them into cold water standing near by.

Q. How far was the paunch that the butcher stuck with the knife from which a vile odor came, from the newly dressed beef?  
A. Right next to it.  
Q. Do you know whether or not freshy killed meats absorb filth and odors?  
A. Yes, they do very readily.

TURKISH-ITALIAN WAR OVER: NET RESULT: ITALY GETS BARREN AFRICAN TERRITORY, BOTH COUNTRIES HAVE HUGE WAR DEBTS



Upper picture shows some of Italy's new subjects in Tripoli; map shows relation of Tripoli to Italy; at extreme left, Turkish Minister of War; at the right, King Victor Emmanuel of Italy.

Rome, Sept. 23.—If any further argument is needed to make out a clear case against war, the outcome of the present unpleasantness between Italy and Turkey should convince the most skeptical. Thousands of lives have been lost, millions of dollars have been spent, homes filled with tears, commerce and industry injured, taxes raised to the breaking point. All to what end?

Peace negotiations are in progress and a treaty putting an end to hostilities will soon be signed. Both countries are much worse off than they were before the first shot was fired. Italy will get Tripoli, but the acquisition of this barren strip of north Africa can hardly be regarded as an addition to the national wealth. Tripoli is inhabited by a savage race

—an alien people who have nothing in common with their new rulers. The Tripolitans will be hard to subdue and more lives will be lost, more millions spent, before these people will recognize the Italians as their masters. And once subdued, of what use will Tripoli be to Italy? Its lands are poor and unproductive either of agricultural or mineral wealth. Except for a narrow strip along the coast of the Mediterranean, Tripoli is a desert. The conquered territory will not be useful as an outlet for Italy's crowded population. Few Italians will care to live there. Those who are in a position to know predict that Tripoli will be a losing proposition to Italy for generations. It can never be very useful to her. In spite of these facts, Italy agrees

to compensate Turkey for the loss of Tripoli by ceding to the Turks some portion of Italian territory in the Red sea; and further by paying Turkey annually a certain amount of the national debt. Turkey will retain a Mediterranean port, with a strip of territory allowing communication with the Arabs in the interior. Both nations are near bankruptcy. As a result of the war Turkey will be forced to borrow at least \$100,000,000, and negotiations are now being made for the loan. Italy has been compelled to borrow and to levy burdensome taxes that would not have been levied had it not been for the war. The Italian people who at first clamored for war are now grumbling at the heavy load they must carry. They will not be so anxious for another war.

THREE CONVICTS BEING WORKED AT NAMPÁ, ESCAPED REBELS ACTIVE IN STATE OF SONORA; BRIDGES BURNED

Disappeared During Night and No Trace of Men Has Been Found—The Prison Board Acts.

Although they were to have been paroled within three months, three of the 12 convicts taken to Nampa a week ago to work on the state sanitarium for the feeble minded, made good their escape last night from the unguarded house in which they were quartered, and although special men have been out all day scouring the country, no trace of the fugitives was found at a late hour this afternoon and as it is believed they left early in the night. It is feared they boarded a freight and are now well out of the country.

The escape is the fourth one made at Nampa during the past week and Warden Snook is up in arms over the matter. Today he made a demand that the convicts be sent there be better guarded. With the members of the prison board he visited the scene of the escape this afternoon.

One of the prisoners who escaped was John Corby, who was received at the penitentiary Nov. 17, 1911, from Ada county to serve a sentence of from six months to five years for assault with a deadly weapon. He is 15 years of age, is five feet five and one-eighth inches in height and weighs 135 pounds, has light brown hair and gray eyes.

The other two men were both Mexicans, one being Jose Garcia, who was sent up from Bonneville county July 14, 1911, to serve a sentence from six months to five years for burglary in the second degree. He is 23 years of age, five feet nine inches in height and weighs 150 pounds and has black hair and eyes. Manuel Martinez, the third man who took French leave, was received at the penitentiary April 29, 1911, to serve a sentence of from six months to five years for burglary in the day time. He was sent up from Lincoln county. He is 25 years of age, five feet eight inches in height, weighs 153 pounds and has black hair and eyes.

Princess Dies Suddenly. Madrid, Sept. 23.—Princess Myria Teresa, sister of King Alfonso, died suddenly today from the effects of embolism.

(From Judge) Multum in Parvo. She thinks of dropping Latin, and all her friends concur; For, knowing he, they quite agree One tongue's enough for her.

BREVITIES

Mrs. Edgar Wilson is ill at her home on Warm Springs avenue.

A marriage license was issued this morning to Leslie E. Hayford and Blanche Castle of Garden Valley.

J. M. Wise left this afternoon for his ranch near Salem, where he will superintend the harvesting of his big crop.

Articles of incorporation were filed with the secretary of state today by the Weiser Valley River Fair association of Washington county. The association is capitalized for \$5000.

A small rubbish blaze in the rear of the shoebaker's building at Grove and Front streets, called out the fire department yesterday morning and the blaze was extinguished without damage.

The Boise Choral society will hold its first meeting tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium. Work will be started at that time on the concert to be given for Christmas.

Suit for \$188.90 on a note, together with \$60 attorney fees and interest from Oct. 24, 1911, is brought in the district court by C. A. Carter against Harry W. Powers and Alona E. Powers. The original note was for \$228.90, part of which had been paid. The suit is now brought for the remainder claimed to be due.

The first fall meeting of the Presbyterian Brotherhood will be held at 6:30 o'clock tomorrow evening at the First Presbyterian church. The organization proposes to take an active part in the work of social conditions in the city this winter and it is likely plans will be laid for the policy to be pursued. H. E. McElroy will address the brotherhood.

Charged with assault upon his wife, Henry Stevenson of 508 South Fifth street was arrested last night upon complaint of Mrs. Stevenson and will be given a hearing before Judge W. C. Bower tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Stevenson came to police headquarters Sunday afternoon, carrying her three-months-old baby in her arms, and with tears flowing down her cheeks appealed for protection from her husband, whom she stated had abused and beat her. She was placed in communication with Judge Bower and swore to a complaint against her husband, who was arrested and released upon furnishing bail in the sum of \$100.

Work is progressing rapidly on the \$25,000 guard house being built at the penitentiary with convict labor and the superstructure of the building, which will be the best at the institution when completed, is about up. The home for the guards employed there is being built of cut stone from the state quarry and will be two stories in height with a full basement. It will contain a laundry, gymnasium, dining room and living room, five large bed rooms and a large sleeping porch and will be modern in every particular. Plans for the building were drawn by Wayland & Fennell and work on the building has been going on for several months.

American Lumber Center on Border Southwest of Juarez Threatened by Attack of 600 Rebels.

Douglas, Ariz., Sept. 23.—Although Sunday passed quietly in this immediate vicinity, rebel bands have resumed their activities along the Southern Pacific lines in Sonora. A bloodless battle was fought 19 miles south of Naco after a band of rebels had burned a small bridge on the Cananea road. The pilot train guard was reinforced by troops from Naco and Cananea, and the rebels were chased into the hills. Traffic was resumed today.

A band of hostile Yaquis burned a bridge on the Tonichi branch of the West Coast line and a southbound train ran into the ditch before its destruction was discovered. A report from Empalme to Tucson says 50 rebels under Valenzuela are approaching Pundlicion, which is guarded by 15 rurales. A part of Campa's band cut telegraph wires at Puerta, near Carho, Sunday, and fled eastward, pursued by Colonel Girons and 250 federals.

Lumber Center Threatened. Juarez, Mex., Sept. 23.—Pearson, the American lumber center southwest of here on the border, is threatened by an attack of 600 rebels, who occupy the mountains within five miles of the town. Only 150 federal soldiers defend Pearson. General Antonio Rabago, federal cavalry commander, is a few miles north, at Casas Grandes, but has sent no assistance. The federal army of Juarez is proceeding by train toward the city of Chihuahua. The rebels about Pearson are reported to be commanded by Antonio Rojas, who a few days ago was operating in Sonora, below Douglas.

DEATHS—FUNERALS

Mrs. Minnie L. Ward, wife of Davis L. Ward and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Heffner, of Engle, died of septemia at 4:20 o'clock this morning. She was 40 years of age and leaves, besides her husband, one son, besides a number of sisters and brothers. The funeral will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow at the family home, Eighteenth and Washington streets. Burial will be in Morris Hill cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Elenor McMullen, wife of David McMullen and sister of C. H. Packenham, who died Saturday, was held yesterday afternoon at the home, one mile north of the Victory school house. Rev. Powers of Meridian officiated and burial was in Morris Hill cemetery.

The body of Clyde Senter, who died here last Wednesday, will be taken to Shoshone tomorrow and buried beside his father in the family burial plot there.

THREE MINERS KILLED BY FALL OF EARTH

Hobart, Tasmania, Sept. 23.—As a result of the fall of 400 tons of earth from the roof of the Mount Lyell mine Saturday three miners were killed outright and five seriously injured. Several others were buried and a rescue party has started to dig them out.

Democratic Committee Meets. New York, Sept. 23.—The Democratic national committee met here today to consider what action, if any, will be taken in the matter of urging the nomination of a "progressive Democrat" for governor.

WILL TRAVEL 5,000 MILES TO SEE PLAY



Miss Marjorie Rambeau, actress, will travel 5,000 miles to see a play. Late in October she will sail for Salt Lake City, where she is now playing in stock, and journey to New York. Arrived in New York she will immediately take ship for England. Arrived in London she will taxicab to the Drury Lane theater. There she will witness a performance of "Everywoman." Within forty-eight hours thereafter she will set sail for America. Miss Rambeau has been engaged to play the title role in "Everywoman" this season, and her manager thinks she ought to see the part acted before she herself undertakes it. That accounts for the long trip.

WHAT IS?