

CUMMINS CURIOUS

GOVERNOR OF IOWA INVESTIGATING THE ROCK ISLAND REORGANIZATION

THINKS IT MAY BE IN CONFLICT WITH STATE LAW

Doesn't Like the Enormous Increase of Capital, and is Not Sure That It Does Not Represent Lots of Water Power Dangerous.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Aug. 1.—Gov. Cummins announced today that he is investigating the recent reorganization of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company with a view of ascertaining whether the organization is in all respects in harmony with the laws of Iowa.

Too Much Latitude, Perhaps. "It may be," he stated, "that the Iowa laws contemplate as much latitude as the company has used, but I doubt it very much. It is my opinion that the reorganization is out of harmony with the Iowa laws. I may be mistaken, but if I have read the press dispatches right, there has been such an inflation of the capital stock which is not contemplated by the laws of this state. It is true that there is no limit placed on the capitalization of such a company, but there is a limit upon the indebtedness of such corporations and there must be some shown to the credit of the state by the company that will represent the difference in increased capitalization.

Watered? "Now, the capitalization of the old Rock Island company was but \$75,000,000, while the new company, located in Iowa, declares a capital of \$125,000,000. There is something, to my mind, to show more than is indicated in the above plan, that the increased capitalization is not excessive in proportion to the stock which has been issued in the state. Under the Hubbard bill, which I vetoed last winter, it would have been possible for the new company to be organized without any difficulty, as all limitations to the indebtedness of such corporations were practically removed by that act in its original form. Under the present law there are limitations in this regard, but I am not prepared to state that the Iowa law has any penalties which could be inflicted for violation of such statutes, but I am not prepared to allow a proposition of such enormous size to amalgamate without inquiring into the methods which it employs and their conformity to the laws of the state. I am convinced that such a centralization of capital and power is dangerous, and that it is not to be encouraged without the most careful supervision.

Passed Assistant Paymaster Penrose Under a Cloud Will Be Court-Martialed on Charges of Embezzlement, Etc. WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 1.—An order was issued by the navy department today for the trial by court-martial of the assistant paymaster Charles W. Penrose. The officer is charged with retaining false and fraudulent returns of balances to his credit, and with the receipt of money and the absence from station and duty and negligence in obeying orders. The shortage in balance is said to amount to about \$800. The court will meet on the 7th inst. at Erie, Pa. Commander Perry Garst is his president.

Says All is Legal. NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Regarding the dispatch from Des Moines here that Gov. Cummins may take action against the Rock Island company, an official of that road said today: "I don't believe that there is any point at which our incorporation in the state of Iowa can be attacked. The incorporation papers were drawn up with due regard to the laws of that state, and we believe that they will hold in law."

W. & G. N. TO BE OPENED SEPT. 1. Non-Arrival of Equipment Prevents Traffic on Line. It is announced that the Washington & Great Northern will not be formally opened to traffic until about Sept. 1. The government at Washington has been making inquiries relative to the inauguration of a mail service to Republic, via the route to the Washington & Great Northern, and has been referred by the local officials to the Great Northern officials of this city.

He Feeds Himself. Among the reminiscences of the class of '02 at Yale is the story of a stout and healthy-looking member, who was told by a classmate that he was better fed than the rest. "You teach me," he said, "I fed myself."

Up-to-Date Arrangement. "This edition of the Bible is the very latest." "But surely you can't improve on the Bible?" "I refer especially to the 'Family Register' which is published with the Bible, and contains the names of the living and the dead, and marriages, we give three pages for divorces."—Philadelphia Record.

As Safe as Soap. "Say, Mandy, hadn't you better take in them towels you hev out that hangin' on th' clothesline?" "Some tramp'll come along an' take 'em." "Shucks. Who ever heard of a tramp stealin' towels?"—Exchange.

Would Exterminate Them. "I could put an end to the war in the Philippines in a month." "Of course you could," said the man who was asked, "but how does your army do?" "Equip the army with racing automobiles and turn 'em loose!"—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Distinction Without Difference. "Ikey—Fader, will it be a difference between sindy and economic?" "His Father—Vell, I can only say dot der man who is sindy is more economical dan der man who is egnomical."—Puck.

Loses His Balance. "Jack—Yes, I had a little balance in bank, but I became engaged two months ago, and now my balance is gone." "Need—Ah! love makes the world go 'round, Jack." "But I didn't think it would go 'round so fast to cause me to lose my balance."—Philadelphia Press.

It Hadn't Gone Up. Mrs. Wickler—Did you ever see how all the necessities of life have gone up? Wickler—No, they haven't all gone up. Wickler—It should be to have you mention one thing that hasn't gone up. "Certainly. My salary."—Brooklyn Life.

Victor Smalley Receives Word That Bonds Are to Be Placed. According to advices received yesterday from New York, arrangements have been made for the floating of the bonds of the Alaska Central railway.

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HELP WANTED—FEMALES.

HOUSEWORK—Girl wanted for general housework; one who can do home sewing. Call at 100 West Sixth street.

KITCHEN GIRL wanted. Restaurant, 167 East Seventh street.

STENOGRAPHER—Wanted, experienced competent stenographer; permanent position. Address 100 West Sixth street.

WANTED—Woman to wash dishes. Restaurant, 167 East Seventh street.

WANTED—Finishers of fur coats and jackets. Gordon & Ferguson.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES.

Anybody Out of Work in St. Paul or Minneapolis may insert an advertisement under this heading free of charge.

A YOUNG LADY, with good references, wants a good position for time, saying he could make restitution, and was given ten days in which to restore the missing funds. He turned over proper about \$100,000, but, as complete settlement appeared remote when the ten days of grace had expired, it was resolved to prosecute the case. Under the state law, as amended, a trader, Address J. P. Hoyt, Farmington, Minn.

A YOUNG WOMAN wishes day work of some kind, or cooking in a private family. Address 100 West Sixth street.

COOK—Cooked woman would like situation as cook in boarding house or hotel. Address 786 Rondo street.

DRESSMAKER—Competent dressmaker would like a few more engagements by the day in families. Address Dressmaker, 47 Summit av.

DRESSMAKER would like position sewing in the evening. Address 100 West Sixth street.

HOUSEKEEPER—Lady, many years' experience and permanent desires opening as managing housekeeper in hotel, club home or large modern home. Address Mrs. Justice, Minneapolis, Minn.

MIDDLE-AGED LADY wishes place as housekeeper for widower. Mrs. A. Betts, Peshigo, Wis.

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