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INSIDE DETAILS OF NEW HAVEN FINANCING ARE GIVEN MEAGERLY

Witnesses Profess to Remember Nothing of What Became of Check for Three Million Dollars.

DUMMY TREASURER ADMITS IGNORANCE

Effort to Secure Information Regarding Big Transactions Met by Evasive Answers Nearly Always.

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, May 6.—Some of the details of the organization of the Metropolitan Steamship company of New Jersey were revealed today when the Interstate Commerce Commission resumed its inquiry into the affairs of the New Haven railroad and the subsidiaries.

Grosvenor C. Richards of Portland, Maine, said he acted as "dummy treasurer of the company when it was formed. He testified in suing in New York of the report of Warren D. Chase, of Hartford, Conn., and their agents for checks totalling $2,000,000, without knowing what they were for and without asking. This was in March 6, 1913, and Richards said he returned to New York about two weeks preceding it a day and his expenses and sundry papers, about which to bill the steamship company.

Work for Legislation, an Item

James D. Brown, an examiner for the commission, told of entries in books of the New Haven on July 1, 1912, and December 1, of payments for "work in connection with legislation, special legal service and advertising."

Warren D. Chase, corroborating some of the statements made by Richards described Samuel as a "business man and lawyer" of Hartford, and indicated that he had been active in the organization of various companies. He said he formed the Metropolitan Steamship company at the request of E. Dexter Bishop, treasurer for the New Haven road, but explained that it was a corporation in which Mr Robbins was interested personally and that it did not concern the New Haven.

Some of the questions put by Chief Counsel Folk, for the commission, Mr Chase refused to answer on the ground that to do so would be to violate confidential relations between lawyer and client. Later, he partially receded from this stand and replied to some of the queries. His answer frequently was, "I don't recall." He said that whatever Richards did was at his (Chase's) instance. He did not remember, he said, why he had selected Richards to act as treasurer. He was closely questioned as to where the $2,000,000 came from, but averred he was unable to recollect.

Samuel Hemingway, president of the second National bank of New Haven and formerly treasurer of the Billard company, was asked about a $60,000 check mentioned by Richards as having been signed by John, but could throw no light on the matter. A question put to him which at first was objected to by Henry Cummings, his attorney, brought forth the statement that the Billard company was interested in a large New England newspaper to the extent of $100,000.

Mr. Hemingway told of the purchase by the Billard company of bonds of the Eastern Steamship company for $1,700,000. These, he said, were bought from former Governor Hill of Maine. The arrangements, Mr Hemingway thought, were made by Mr. Robbins, but his memory was indistinct. He then told how, as the result of a verbal agreement with former President Mellen, the Billard company bought 13,607 shares of New Haven stock from the New England Navigation company, for $2,-000,000.

"We took the shares at 154," said

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, May 6.—New Mexico: Fair Thursday and Friday.

The Day in Congress

SENATE.

Met at noon.

Debate on Panama canal exemption bill continued.

Continued discussion of agricultural appropriation bill.

Senator Lippitt urged adoption of resolution asking President Wilson to explain reports that he would sustain General Villa.

Continued consideration of agricultural bill.

Adjourned at 5:50 p. m., to noon, Thursday.

HOUSE.

Met at noon.

Miscellaneous bills on the calendar considered.

Secretary Lane, before public lands committee, advocated the Ferris bill regarding water powers on public domain.

Judiciary sub-committee resumed hearing on "impeachment charges against Justice Wright of the District of Columbia supreme court.

Secretary of war submitted request for immediate appropriation of $25,-000 for sanitation of military posts and equipment of Panama canal zone.

War department adversely reported on proposed federal improvement of Bayou St. John, Orleans parish, La.

Adjourned at 6 p. m., to noon, Thursday.

Lose Trace of $2,000,000 Check.

"If the stock had gone up to 175, or what would the Billard syndicate have done with the securities?

"Oh, I think the bonds have been given to the New Haven road," replied Mr. Hemingway. The witness said he could not remember being in the bank of the Manhattan in connection with the organization of the Metropolitan Steamship company and had no recollection of the $2,000,000 check. Mr Richards was then asked to stand up, and Mr Hemingway was asked if he could identify him in the bank. He said he could not "On the description of him at Omaha," he said.

"Did you have anything to do with the formation of the Metropolitan company?" Hemingway was asked.

"Not that I can recall."

He remembered that the Billard company borrowed $3,000,000 from the Farmers Loan & Trust company and then loaned it to another company, but had forgotten the name of the latter. This matter was taken up at a meeting, he said, attended by himself, Billard, Richards and a representative of the company in question.

Mr Folk showed the witness a check for $2,000,000 made out to the Billard company and indorsed by Hemingway. It was dated March 1, 1911, and was from the New England Navigation company.

What was this for?"

"It looks as if it might have been a loan, but I don't remember anything about it.

"You write checks for $2,000,000 and don't recollect what they were for?"

"It seems to be so in this case," answered Mr. Hemingway, as a smile went around the room.

WANT TENT COLONY AT LUDLOW RESTORED

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

Indianapolis, Ind., May 6.—Telegrams requesting permission to install tents and camp at Ludlow, Colo., were sent today to President Wilson and secretary of labor Wilson on the authorization of the executive board of the United Mine Workers of America. The telegram to President Wilson, which was signed by John P. White, president, and William Green, secretary-treasurer, follows:

"Our striking miners and families were driven out of tents at Ludlow, Colo., by state militia when they burned and destroyed the tent colony. We are being cared for at hotels at great expense to our organization. Federal officers in charge of federal troops are withholding decision giving authority to rebuild our tent cities as homes for these homeless miners and families. We respectfully request you to issue orders to the commander in charge, giving us permission to erect our tents on our property as homes for miners and families immediately."

The telegram to Secretary Wilson quoted the message to the president and asked the secretary to use his influence with the president to obtain the granting of the request.

ROOSEVELT LEAVES 55 POUNDS IN BRAZIL

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

Para, Brazil, May 6.—Colonel Roosevelt, during his exploring trip through the wilds of Brazil, lost fifty-five pounds in weight. He was still very weak today, but his condition was better and he is recovering from the abscess on his leg.

It is his intention to deliver a lecture before the Royal Geographical society in London when, it is said, he will contradict the accuracy of some of the affirmations of A. Henry Savage Landor, the British explorer, in regard to the interior of Brazil, which was traversed by Mr. Landor in 1908-9.

RESERVE BANKS MUST ORGANIZE WITHOUT DELAY

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, May 6.—Notice was given by the reserve bank organization committee that expedition would be required in effecting the organization of reserve banks. The committee, not later than May 9, will designate five cities in each reserve district to execute the organization certificate provided for by the law. To facilitate the incorporation of the reserve banks, the representatives of the five banks designated will meet in the reserve city of their districts as soon as practicable. This done, the subscribing banks will become member banks and will at once select electors, who in turn will choose the directors of the reserve banks.

The organization committee will divide the member banks in each district into groups, the banks in each being of similar financial strength. Two of these groups will be fixed by the organization committee and the third by the federal reserve board when it is organized. The committee's statement added:

"The organization of the federal reserve banks in these districts whose member banks act promptly will not be held back and delayed to keep pace with the organization of banks in other districts whose member banks are slow in taking and making their return to the organization committee."

The minimum of $4,000,000 of stock for each reserve bank has been subscribed for by ten of the reserve banks of the system, according to advices received today by the committee. Of the 7,561 banks in the system, 5,797 have forwarded to the treasury department their stock subscriptions, an increase of 186 for the day. The total amount of stock subscribed to date is $97,154,300.

ALLEGED DIAMOND THIEVES ARRESTED

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

New York, May 6.—Detectives, acting on information received from the United States government, Joseph Bosko Calitinos and Salvatore Piano Romano, who are alleged to have stolen $1,500,000 worth of uncut diamonds and precious stones from the Holland-American steamship Noordam, on the pier in this city, on April 20.

Wore Stolen Diamonds.

Romano is said to have worn the diamonds while on board the steamship and Calitinos is charged with stealing a number of valuable stones. Both men were held in $50,000 bail each for examination before the United States commissioner.

WIFE SEARCH HAS BEEN MADE PUBLIC BY DIVORCE

New York, May 6.—A wife search had been held up since the middle of November, last year, by the divorces Justine and Joseph Bechler Calitinos, formerly jewel brokers in maiden lane, in this city, who were married November 15, 1911. Now allegations, charging with cruelty, made known the cause of Justine Calitinos' "quest of Bluebeards" for her ability as a superwoman, by she was known to have had $1,000,000 worth of gems in her keep.

MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE SAYS JURY

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

Oakland, Cal., May 6.—After 36 hours of deliberation, a jury in the superior court here today found Mrs. Ida Sharp guilty of murder in the second degree for killing Fred Sharp, her husband, at Emeryville, Dec. 31, 1913. The jury was not unanimous for acquittal, a majority of one favoring conviction, but unanimous for murder in the second degree.

Taking the stand today on her own behalf, Mrs. Sharp told of her marriage eleven years ago in San Francisco when 16 years old. She declared, however, she was afraid her husband would kill her. Three days after her marriage she committed suicide with carbolic acid and also declared because he refused to marry her promise to marry her.

VILLA'S AMMUNITION TIED UP IN NEW YORK

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

New York, May 6.—General Villa will have a shortage of ammunition in his promised attacks against central Mexico cities, judging from the large quantities of ammunition ordered and yet undelivered in New York arms companies offices.

Inquiries today showed that the rebel leader had ordered bounds after the battle of Torreon, where it was shown that his "home-made" shrapnel was almost useless against the imported French shells used by the federals.

It was also said that large shipments of rifle cartridges had been ordered through agencies here and that most of these shipments was delivered owing to the regaining of the railroads to arms.

GREAT BRITAIN COLLECTS DEBT FROM HAITIANS

Ultimatum Delivered Gives Black Republic Until Six o'Clock to Pay $62,000 to Englishman.

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

Port-au-Prince, Haiti, May 6.—The National bank tonight advanced to the Haitian government $62,000, the amount of the indemnity claimed by Mr. Peters, a British subject, whose sawmill had been destroyed by fire during the Leconte revolution. The payment had been demanded today in an ultimatum from the British diplomatic representative.

The Haitian congress this afternoon authorized the government to treat with the British diplomatic representative in the matter of the demand submitted today for the payment of $62,000 to a British subject and to open a credit for the payment of that amount.

The incident is regarded as closed. Consternation had been caused in the capital by the British ultimatum, whose time limit expired at 6 o'clock this evening and which was supported by the presence of the British cruiser Suffolk. A joint session of the senate and congress was called immediately but was soon dissolved owing to the inability of the legislators to reach a decision.

The cabinet was bitterly criticised for not being in a position to meet the payment which had previously been awarded to Mr. Peters by a court of arbitration.

A resolution was adopted calling on the president of the republic to demand the resignation of J. N. Leger, minister of foreign affairs, or to dismiss him from the cabinet, as he was held responsible for the incident. Later in the evening the resignation of M. Leger was announced and this brought about an abatement of the excitement.

In the northern part of the republic the partisans of the revolutionary leader, Senator Dartiguar Theodore, still offer resistance to the government troops in the vicinity of Gonaminthe.

MARIE GANZ GIVEN WORKHOUSE SENTENCE

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

New York, May 6.—Marie Ganz, industrial Worker of World speaker, who repeatedly threatened John D. Rockefeller, Jr., with bodily harm because he refused to interfere in the Colorado coal strike, was sentenced today to serve sixty days in the workhouse on Blackwell's island.

She was charged with disorderly conduct.

Leaving the defendant in the hands of other persons with whom to continue, Margaretta Morgan went to pronouncing sentence. "She has tried to be a heroine. Were she a misguided young woman here to an asylum or the workhouse as the offense warrants."

PREPARATION FOR PEACE PLAN GOES ON UNCEASINGLY AT WASHINGTON

Purpose to Endeavor to Advance the West Indian Trip Can't Be Concealed—Not Even Secret Is Desired.

CARRANZA ELIMINATED FROM CONFERENCE

Latin-American Envoys Not to Take Constitutionalists' Proposition Under Consideration Without Assurance.

(By Morning Journal Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, May 6.—Certain evidence of preparation for the peace conference at Niagara Falls, to which Mexico contributes six envoys, appeared in persistent and unmistakable form today. Not even the pretense that the administration desires to keep secret the preliminary preparations for the conference was maintained. Secretary Bryan and other officials of the state department were busy all day with the details which would be taken care of by the envoys.

The news of preliminaries in Mexico was collected mainly by the various state department officials who had a share in the preparations for the conference. Reports to the headquarters of Generals Carranza, Villa and Zapata in Chihuahua, Sonora, Coahuila, Durango and Chihuahua, Sonora, Coahuila, Durango and Chihuahua, Sonora, Coahuila, Durango and