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CARD GAMES TO BOOM N.H.

Payments to Former Legislators and Newspaper Men

PROBED BY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

New Haven Messenger Refuses Answer as to Number of Poker Games

Boston, Dec. 19.—Further explanations of some of the payments made by the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad to newspaper men and former legislators under the "general expense" account, was sought at the hearing before the public service commission yesterday.

A newspaper reporter, a former member of the legislature and two New Haven employes testified during the forenoon.

Testimony that he was employed by the New Haven to read all legislation in search of "jokers" affecting the railroad was given by John J. Gartland, a real estate dealer, who formerly served in the House of Representatives.

It required an expert, he said, to detect the hidden meanings in some of the bills.

George H. Sargent, reporter for a Boston newspaper, testified that he received money from the railroad in return for a weekly letter which he mailed to small newspapers throughout the state.

John A. Alarby, who described himself as a legislative messenger, employed by the railroad, said that he received \$750 a year in 1912 and 1913 for following legislation at the State House.

He denied ever speaking to members of the legislature, explaining that his duties merely required him to attend all committee hearings.

Information regarding card games alleged to have been conducted by employees of the New Haven company at a Boston hotel and at which members of the legislature were said to have been allowed to win large sums of money was sought from Henry E. Bowden, another railroad messenger, by Arthur D. Hill, attorney for a Boston newspaper.

Bowden denied that he conducted any card game in which legislators habitually participated.

When asked to give the commission all facts in regard to the card games in which members of the legislature took part, Bowden declined on the ground that the answer might incriminate him in some way.

B. & M. AFFAIRS DISCUSSED.

New Haven Executive Board Has Meeting at New York.

New York, Dec. 19.—Boston & Maine affairs were discussed at yesterday's meeting of the executive board of the New Haven company, which has a controlling interest in the Boston & Maine, which has \$27,000,000 in one year 6 per cent notes due the coming year.

Chairman Elbott deprecated rumors of a receivership. He intimated that with a little more time the New Haven directors hoped to extricate the Boston & Maine from its present situation.

payment of charges for any transportation service within a period of 90 days shall be deemed guilty of giving a rebate to the shipper.

That all suits brought to enforce or set aside orders of the commission be directly under the supervision of the commission, instead of, as now, under the direction of the department of justice; and that the commission be charged primarily with the duty of presenting such cases in court subject to the review of the department of justice or private individuals to intervene to protect public or private interests.

That the commission be authorized to make orders after investigation, respecting the constitution and maintenance of the physical properties of railroads engaged in interstate commerce and rules and regulations pertaining to the use and operation of such properties.

That the commission be given control and supervision over railway capitalization.

That, further to minimize the danger of accidents, the commission be empowered "to require the use of block signal systems and to require the adoption and use of steel or steel underframe cars in passenger service."

That explicit authority be given the commission to examine all books and papers of common carriers subject to the law.

That the commission be relieved of all duties under the parcel post law, "or that such duties and the standards to be applied be more clearly stated."

The report gives some consideration to the law providing for physical valuation of railroads. Up to the present time it has not been possible to do more than prepare an outline of the plans for the great task of valuing American railroad property.

The report shows that the work of the commission increased tremendously in volume. Scores of violations of the law by both carriers and shippers were investigated. In this connection the report says that "the false billing of freight by shippers continues." It is pointed out that serious abuses of transit privileges by both carriers and shippers constitute a continuing evil, remedy for which is being worked out by the commission. Failure on the part of carriers to collect from shippers certain demurrage charges was made the subject of many investigations, because this is regarded by the commission as one of the most insidious forms of rebating. Stress also is laid upon violations of the anti-pass law, but the report indicates that these are becoming less and less frequent.

BRICKLEY HARVARD CAPTAIN.

Famous Drop Kicker Elected to Lead Football Team.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 19.—Charles E. Brickley of Everett, the famous drop kicker, was elected captain of the Harvard football team yesterday.

Christmas Suggestions

Cigars in Christmas Boxes

We have the largest stock of High Grade Cigars in Christmas boxes ever shown in Barre. Our Cigars are kept in our humidifier until ready to be delivered.

Gentlemen, when purchasing step up to our Cigar case and see if our Cigars are in good condition. You can tell for yourself; the indicator on the inside of our case will tell you.

Cigars in Christmas Boxes 50c—\$5.50



Leather Goods

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Christmas Seals and Tags in 5c and 10c bunches

Liggett's and Fenway Chocolates

35c—\$4.50



FOUNTAIN PENS—Paul E. Wirt, Crocker Ink-Tite and Rexall \$1.50—\$8.00

Safety Razors

- Gem Junior \$1.00
- Ever Ready 1.00
- Mark Cross 25c—\$5.00
- Gillette \$5.00—\$6.00
- Auto Strop \$5.00—\$6.00
- Durham Duplex \$2.50—\$5

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- Manicure Sets \$2.50—\$9.00
- Toilet Sets \$4.50—\$10.00
- Comb, Toilet and Manicure Sets \$5.25—\$11.50
- Combs, Brushes, Nail Files, Nail Buffers, Picture Frames, Trays, etc.



- KODAKS \$6.00 to \$65.00
- BROWNIE CAMERAS \$1.00 to \$12.00 (They work like Kodaks)
- PREMO CAMERAS ... \$1.50 to \$26.50

Perfumes and Toilet Waters

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MORE POWER DEMANDED

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running by stop signals or failing to reduce speed as directed by caution signals. In these 14 accidents 105 persons were killed and 311 were injured. In seven of these accidents the culpable engineers themselves were killed.

"No adequate reason can be offered for these serious lapses from duty by men who in many cases suffer death as a consequence. Frequently it is hard even

to suggest a plausible explanation for the disobedience of signal indications. That they are disobeyed, however, is a fact, and the lives that are annually sacrificed from this cause call loudly for some means of arresting its results. The most disastrous accidents of this character occur on roads equipped with modern systems of automatic block signals, where elaborate precautions to prevent accidents (short of guarding against the consequences of signal disobedience) have been taken. The trains involved in these lamentable disasters generally are operated by trusted employees of long experience.

"But the record abundantly proves

that even splendid signal equipment and admirable discipline, coupled with long experience and high moral character on the part of employees, cannot prevent the occasional man failures which produce such fatal results. These facts, brought to the attention of the Congress, with the suggestion that these man failures indicate the necessity for the development and perfection of some system of automatic train control to be used in connection with existing signal systems.

High Speed Condemned.

"High speed was an important contributing cause of several serious accidents during the past year. On many roads there is no limit to the speed at which passenger trains are allowed to run. Engineers are thus encouraged to run their trains at excessive speed in order to make up time lost on schedules that are in many cases already sufficiently fast for safety. Such high speed is especially dangerous in times of fog or storm, when signals can be seen but a comparatively short distance. The maximum allowable speed of trains on all roads should be established at a safe limit, and it should not be left entirely to the judgment of engineers to determine whether or not this limit is exceeded.

"Inasmuch as the only purpose of investigation," the report continues, "is to learn the true causes of accidents, so that such causes may be eliminated as fully as practicable, it is manifestly impossible for the commission fully to accomplish such purpose unless empowered by law to enforce its recommendations. Furthermore, the commission should be authorized to conduct independent investigations with respect to all matters affecting the safety of railway travel, the object being to prevent accidents as far as possible rather than, as at present, merely to point out the causes of accidents after their occurrence. There is particular need for an investigation of the conditions surrounding the use of steel rails and car wheels upon railroads.

Recommendations.

Among the important recommendations for new legislation are the following:

That one period be fixed for the beginning of all actions relating to transportation charges and that that period be within three years from the completion of the service as to which damages are claimed.

That a carrier which fails to demand

Seasonable Gifts

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TO CONTEST RUSSELL WILL.

This Action Probably Will Be Taken by "Dakota Dan's" Attorney.

Boston, Dec. 19.—The will of William C. Russell, which was allowed yesterday by Judge McIntyre of the East Cambridge probate court, probably will be contested. William E. Scharton, counsel for "Dakota Dan" yesterday sent his appearance in the case and asked for necessary papers by which he can file a claim for an appeal to the supreme court.

ESTATE OF \$15,000,000.

Miss Marjorie Ward Likely to Inherit Bulk of Father's Estate.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Miss Marjorie Ward, aged 25, is expected to receive the major portion of the estate of her father, the late A. Montgomery Ward.

THEY FIND NO PEANUT TRUST.

Investigators Make Report After an Inquiry.

Washington, Dec. 19.—There is no peanut trust and the price is largely determined by the size of the crops in the United States and Spain, according to the investigators of the department of justice.

Killed in Fight.

Boomer Springs, Kan., Dec. 19.—Rolla Harvey, an alleged "bootlegger" was killed and two other men were wounded here yesterday in a fight that ensued when a posse of 15 men surrounded the city hall building on the second floor of which Harvey was suspected of illicitly selling liquor. More than fifty shots were fired.

Useful Christmas Gifts

Slippers to Please all Members of the Family

- THE KOZY KIND, all colors, felt, for the little tots and grown-ups \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50
- Women's Boudoir Slippers, all colors... \$1.00
- Women's Black Velvet Party Pumps... \$2.00
- Women's Soft Leather House Slippers, Ribbon Ties and Strap Sandals... \$1.50
- Women's Felt Juliettes, fur-trimmed, also plain—all colors... \$1.50
- Men's Slippers, all styles \$1.25, 1.50, 2.00

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