

PROBES INTO COAL LAND CONSPIRACY

FEDERAL GRAND JURY HEARS REVELATIONS

Land Department Discourages Efforts of Special Agents Seeking Evidence—General Railway

By Associated Press.
SALT LAKE, Nov. 28.—Reports that the federal grand jury which has been sitting in this city and which has been investigating alleged coal land frauds has voted several indictments cannot be confirmed.

According to the reports the indictments will not be returned until after the close of the investigation being conducted here by Edward E. Clarke, interstate commerce commissioner.

When Commissioner Clarke resumed his investigation today Attorney Allison made the request that H. G. Williams, general manager of the Utah Fuel company, a Gould corporation, be summoned before Commissioner Clarke as a witness. Mr. Marchand, who is conducting the government's case before Mr. Clarke, flatly refused to examine Mr. Williams, stating that he did not propose to render Mr. Williams immune to future action.

At the request of Mr. Marchand Commissioner Clarke was excused from giving testimony at the present time, as were Frank B. Cook, a mining operator, and William D. Foster, secretary to Robert Forester, a geologist in the employ of one of the coal companies under investigation.

It was stated that these men will be asked to appear before the grand jury.

Myendorff's Revelations
Sensational testimony was given by Michael A. Myendorff, a special agent of the government, who began an investigation of the coal land frauds in Utah and who, because he had completed his investigations, was transferred to Los Angeles and then to Portland, Ore.

Mr. Myendorff presented an affidavit in which he told of efforts made by several men to induce him to cease his investigation of the coal land frauds.

He named Senators Warren and Clark of Wyoming, Commissioner Richards of the general land office and George F. Pollock, chief of department B, interior department, Washington.

He alleged that in Denver Senator Warren told him he ought not to go after the Union Pacific and incur the enmity of that company. He charged that the land department at Wash-

ington had suppressed evidence secured by him.

In two charges which he filed against Robert Forester, geologist of the Utah Fuel company, he alleged no action was taken. The witnesses further alleged that George F. Pollock, chief of department B, interior department, instructed him to destroy four affidavits which he had made against the Union Pacific coal company.

Mr. Myendorff's affidavit goes at length into the methods of the coal companies in securing coal lands by locations through dummies who transferred their rights to the corporations.

Seventy-seven Bogus Signers
Myendorff's affidavit alleges that on one occasion seventy-seven men were taken into the offices in the union department in Denver before W. I. Gilford, agent of the Union Pacific, and signed their names to powers of attorney, relinquishments and affidavits which were used to acquire title to coal lands in Wyoming. Some of these men it was asserted signed fictitious names.

The men who signed received \$4 each for their trouble.

The Myendorff affidavit includes affidavits made by a Denver saloon keeper named Bartelle and Victor Lebat, an expressman of Denver, stating how a wagonload of these men had been picked up on Seventh street in Denver and driven to the offices in the union depot. After they had signed the papers Bartelle collected \$1 from each man for his trouble in getting them together, each man retaining \$3.

In his reference to Senators Warren and Clark the affidavit states that on one occasion when he met Senator Warren in Denver the senator produced confidential letters which Myendorff had written to the land commissioner in Washington and read extracts from them.

Myendorff alleged that it was reported to him that to stir up the Wyoming coal lands at that time would incur the enmity of the Union Pacific in this and prevent the re-election of Senator Clark.

Myendorff alleged that he was removed from Denver in 1905 as a result of his activities, and that pressure was brought to have the Wyoming lands turned over to Inspector N. J. O'Brien of Denver, whom the affidavit described as a confidential friend of Macey, chief clerk of the department at Washington, and also a personal friend of Senator Warren. Senator Clark also, he alleged, wanted O'Brien located on this work.

Counsel for the Union Pacific contended that all the matter contained in the affidavits be stricken out but the motion was overruled and the affidavits will be included in the report to congress.

Sowers' Hands Tied
Colonel P. S. Sowers, agent of the land department, was again called as a witness and told of his inability to induce the land department to act in matters relating to coal lands.

Witness told of numerous letters written to the land commissioners and of the submission of affidavits bearing on land frauds and suggestions that investigations be made, but his letters were not answered.

In November, 1900, he reported in re-

turn to lands which eventually transferred to the Pleasant Valley Coal company, a Gould corporation. Witness testified that he had recommended action against Robert Forester of the Pleasant Valley Coal company, but was informed by the department that the facts did not warrant prosecution.

Following this in January, 1905, he testified, he was asked by the department to tender his resignation. In response he wrote to the commissioner of the general land office calling attention to the gross laxness in probing the coal land scandals in Utah but he received no reply.

Sowers resigned from the service, but later was reinstated, he testified, at the request of George Sutherland, then attorney for the Pleasant Valley Coal company, and now United States senator from Utah.

Five witnesses testified that they had acted as "dummy" locators to the Pleasant Valley Coal company, receiving small sums for the use of their names. Adjudgment will be taken on Friday morning.

CHICAGO TACKLES CAR PROBLEM
Crusade Against Overcrowding Being Directed by Police

By Associated Press.
CHICAGO, Nov. 28.—A record of 132 persons killed and 2271 others injured on the surface and elevated traction lines since the city's last gives impetus to the crusade against the overcrowding of cars which was begun by the officials of the city.

The police, mounted and unmounted, will assume a measure of control over the operation of traction lines. Granting the expected "permission" from the corporation counsel the force under Chief Collins will undertake the task of preventing the overcrowding of all "L" trains and the blockading of surface cars within the loop.

It is planned to place uniformed policemen on every station of the loop. Just how many passengers will be permitted on each car has not been decided, but the suggestion was made that not more than one and a half times the seating capacity of each car should be considered as safe. Every car on the loop during the rush hour has far overpacked the "safe" limit under this stipulation. The average seating capacity of the cars used in the elevated trains is fifty-six. The count of the passengers on board the cars showed that the average was between 125 and 135, while some cars, with their overcrowded platforms, carried as many as 150 and 160.

It is planned to divide the police forces for the supervision of surface and elevated car traffic into two squads—the mounted police to prevent teamsters from blockading surface cars and patrolmen to prevent the overcrowding of "L" trains.

New York Central Settles
By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—It was stated that the basis of settlement which will be reached between the engineers of the New York Central and the officials of the road regarding the wages of engineers who will run the electric

motors will be accepted as a precedent by the engineers of the other roads which are electrifying some of their divisions.

The settlement between the Erie firm and the railroad resulted in the signing of an agreement by the adjustment committee and the railroad officials.

Settling I. C. Illinois Claims
By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—At the direction of the Illinois Central Governor Deneen announced that a committee consisting of Directors Auchincloss, Vanderbilt, Astor, Harriman and President Harahan, ex-officio, had been appointed to take up the case of taxes of \$3,900,000 due the state of Illinois.

The governor stated that satisfactory progress was being made and he looked for an early adjustment of the state claims.

Moody Will Not Appear
By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Attorney General Moody tonight said that he will not appear as the representative of the government in the suit which has been filed in the United States court at Memphis, Tenn., against the Illinois Central railroad which is an action to test the constitutionality of the employers' liability act passed at the last session of congress.

Worry Kills F. L. Pomeroy
By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Frederick Lawrence Pomeroy, freight traffic manager of the New York Central railway, died at his home in Brooklyn from heart disease. The worry he underwent in connection with the trial of the New York Central for giving rebates to the sugar trust had told heavily on Mr. Pomeroy, who was himself fined \$6000 for his connection.

Colorado Roads Raise Pay
By Associated Press.

DENVER, Col., Nov. 28.—The Denver & Rio Grande, Colorado & Southern and Colorado Midland railroads have increased switchmen's wages four cents an hour.

Reading Differences Settled
By Associated Press.

READING, Pa., Nov. 28.—The differences between the management of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad company and its employees in the coal, freight and yard service were settled. The train men receiving an advance of 10 per cent in wages.

Big Four Grants Increase
By Associated Press.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 28.—The Big Four system will grant an increase in wages of 4 cents an hour to switchmen on the road. The advance is retroactive, going into effect November 1.

Sends Joy to Springfield, Ill.
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Nov. 28.—The Wabash railroad has granted an increase from \$112 to \$125 per month to conductors and 4 cents per hour to yardmen.

CHANGE MADE IN PROGRAM

Third Event of Winter's Entertainment Given at Polytechnic High School

The third event of the Polytechnic entertainment course given by the board of control of the Polytechnic High school was rendered in the school auditorium last night. The entertainment was originally to be a lecture on the subject of "In the Year 2000," by Prof. Reno B. Willbourn. The lecture was to treat on radium and electricity. Owing, however, to Prof. Willbourn's sickness, the school was unable to secure his services. Prof. H. LaV. Twining, instructor of science in the Polytechnic school of science, consented to give the lecture, using the school apparatus.

At an early hour the ground floor of the auditorium was well crowded. The Polytechnic orchestra of thirty pieces rendered several very fine selections under the leadership of Byron Stanley. The first piece, a medley, "Sounds of the Sunny South," received great applause.

Prof. Twining was introduced from the stage by Victor Hecht, and the professor proceeded to explain the fundamental principles of modern science. Henry Scott and J. Taylor rigged a wireless outfit for the lecture and sent messages from one end of the auditorium to the other.

The school was indebted to Mr. Matthey of the Professional Supply company for a large 10-inch induction coil and also for some fine X-ray apparatus.

Some very pretty light experiments were produced with Gysler tubes, which were also provided for the occasion by Mr. Matthey.

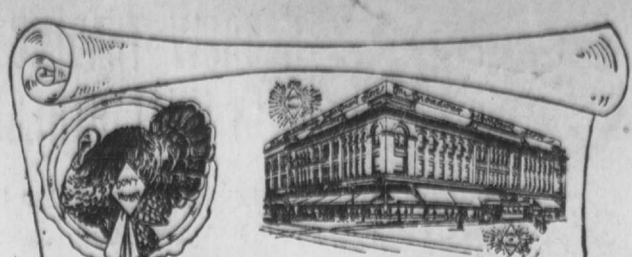
Mr. Twining's lecture proved very interesting. He was very ably assisted by the students of the physics department. All the apparatus was put up and connected by H. M. Calkins, W. H. Benjamin, Elmer C. Richardson and Harold O'Brien.

NEW YORK—A gift \$100,000 to the Children's Aid society for the establishment of a lodging house for friendless boys in Harlem is announced. Mrs. William E. Dodge contributed the money.

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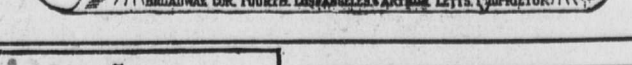
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Thanksgiving today, Christmas next month. Holiday shopping is in full swing now and the Broadway Department Store is ready to help all gift buyers. Christmas gift hints are blossoming out all over the store.

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