

U.P. RUINS GRAIN DEALERS

Chicagoan Says He was Bankrupted in Grain Business in Nebraska by Union Pacific Railroad

Chicago—James B. Hogarth, secretary of the Chicago City Railway company admits that he is the man President A. B. Stickney of the Chicago Great Western railroad referred to as "the man who had been driven out of business and made an anarchist, by the Union Pacific's contract with the Peavey Grain company, for elevation allowances at the Missouri river."

Mr. Hogarth, who is exceedingly bitter toward the Union Pacific railroad, says the rebates paid to the Peavey people drove him out of business. He further alleges that when he tried to force a settlement from the railroad he was driven out of Nebraska and even now he fears he is not beyond the reach of the railroad's vengeance.

Hogarth says he went into the grain business at Cozad, Neb., fourteen years ago, and became financially connected with E. M. F. Leflang of Lexington. He was forced out of business by the Peavey Grain company, which, he asserts, received a concession from the Union Pacific.

He declares that practically all the small grain merchants west of Omaha have been driven out of business by the Peavey company, because they found it impossible to compete with the latter, as it could outbid competition.

Hogarth produces legal documents to show that he entered suit against the railroad company fourteen years ago. He also complained to the interstate commerce commission, but the cases were allowed to slumber.

Mr. Hogarth declares he believes J. A. Mumroe, traffic manager of the

Union Pacific, is a large stockholder in the Peavey company, thus accounting for the alleged favoritism.

Leflang returned last night to his home at Lexington, Neb. He declared that he was after the Peavey concern and the Union Pacific and that he will not rest until he "gets" them for their alleged conspiracy.

FLOODS RUIN INDIAN CROPS

Country People are Starving and Raiding the Remaining Wheat Fields

Berlin—Disastrous floods are reported from Behar, India.

The indigo crop is ruined, the food crops are destroyed and whole villages have been obliterated.

Some fields are under nine feet of water, and the country looks like an open sea for miles. The peasantry are taking refuge on elevated roadways which have, however, been breached by the floods.

Bridges have been swept away by the waters. The starving country people are raiding the few remaining wheat fields which are lying on high ground, although the corn is not yet ripe.

They are openly defying the rural police, crying: "Send us to gaol. We shall be fed there."

WOULD ABOLISH CHILD LABOR

American Federation of Labor Will Try to Secure Legislation

Washington—The executive council of the American Federation of Labor decided to make every effort to secure the passage of laws more generally to abolish child labor. The applications of several unions to be supported in the presentation of wage scales to their respective employers upon the question of higher wages were approved. At the same time it was impressed upon them that every effort should be made to prevent strikes if possible. The appointment of more organizers was authorized.

ANTICIPATING DEATH OF POPE

Church Authorities at Rome Want the Body of Pope Leo XIII Removed From Tomb

Rome—The arrangements for the removal of the body of Pope Leo XIII from St. Peter's to the lateran have been upset owing to the fact that the sculptor, Fadolmi, will be unable to complete the monument before next March.

Cardinal Rampolla, who is arch-priest of the cathedral of St. Peter, urged the necessity of having the tomb there empty lest the present pope should die.

He wishes to hasten the removal of Pope Leo's remains so as to have them placed in the provisional tomb in the lateran within the present year.

Cardinal Satolli opposes the plan on the ground that the space is not available and that the changing of the burial place would savor of lack of respect.

Owing to delicacy in submitting the matter to Pope Pius, lest he should believe that he is not destined to live long, the removal probably will be postponed until next spring.

The Lumber Business

A bulletin issued at the census bureau shows that more than 517 million dollars was invested in the lumber industry last year.

The value of lumber and timber products turned out in 1905 was \$700,264,939, as compared with \$555,197,291 in 1900. In the manufacture of lumber and in the cutting of timber in 1905 about 425,000 employees were paid salaries amounting in the aggregate to more than 190 million dollars. Employees to the number of 42,000 were paid salaries amounting to a little over

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