

ICE INQUIRY AT TOLEDO

CONVICTED MANAGER TELLS OF DEALS WITH ROAD.

PAID NO RENT ON FREIGHT

Employe of the Railroad Acted as Selling Agent for the Ice Concern, His Salary Being Paid by the Parent Company.

Toledo, O.,—Judson C. Clements, member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Tuesday began an inquiry on behalf of the government into the relations between the railroads entering Toledo and the ice companies shipping over the lines. Joseph A. Miller, manager of the Toledo Ice & Coal company, and one of the men sent to the workhouse by Judge Kinkadee for conspiracy in restraint of trade, was first witness called by the government. Miller's testimony was to the effect that previous to five years ago, when he became manager of the ice company, he was purchasing agents for the Ann Arbor railroad; but while an agent for the road he had sold ice for the ice company and was paid by the road, and that Wellington R. Hurt, president of the Ann Arbor, and Harry Ashley, general manager, were directors of the ice company, and that practically all the stock in the ice company was owned by the railroad people.

He further testified that the office of the ice company is located on Ann Arbor railroad property, but that no rent was paid. The 100 or 125 men sent each year by the ice company to cut ice were carried free by the Ann Arbor road until 1904, when a flat rate was charged. Miller testified that as manager of the Ann Arbor, he traveled over the road on an annual pass.

The most important witness of the afternoon session was Wellington R. Hurt, once receiver and president of the Ann Arbor railroad. Mr. Hurt testified he was president of the road when the Toledo Ice & Coal company was organized, that he suggested the organization and was president of the railroad to become stockholders in the concern, but that he did not know the road carried freight for the ice company free of charge. He said the ice company was organized to hold real estate as a basis of operations, but this was done by other companies which produce freight.

In regard to free or reduced freight rates for the ice company, Mr. Hurt said it is the custom to haul freight at half rates for building up industries.

When asked by Commissioner Clements if he did not think it had policy for an official of a railroad to be interested in industries along the line and thus be in position to discriminate in rates, Mr. Hurt replied that if he had it in his order to build up the business of his road.

Employees of the Ann Arbor testified that supplies and material were carried over the road free of charge for the Toledo Ice & Coal company.

H. E. Meyers, local freight agent of the Pere Marquette railroad, was the last witness for the day. He said the Michigan Lake Ice company was the principal shipper of ice over his road, but he had no records to show that the company was given a lower rate than other ice shippers. Mr. Meyers said he himself would want to know what they were, the witness laughingly said he did not think he wanted to know, but would try and get the information.

ENCYCLICAL STIRS UP FRENCH

Belief Exists That Pope Seeks to Secure Favorable Compromise.

Paris.—The pope's encyclical to the archbishops and bishops of France prescribing their attitude with regard to the church and state, which has attracted widespread attention here, and its probable effects are the subject of animated discussion. At the archbishopric it was stated that as the bishops have yet to issue the continued operations of churches.

The view generally prevails that the Vatican seeks to create a situation compelling government to enter into negotiations for some form of church organization that will be acceptable both to the church and to the state.

Paying Teller is Accused.

Birmingham, Ala.—Within 12 hours Monday Alexander R. Chisolm, paying teller of the First National bank, was arrested charged with the embezzlement of \$97,000 of the bank's funds, given a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner R. B. Watson, put under bond of \$50,000 and failing to make it is in the custody of the United States officials at one of the principal hotels of the city.

Vendetta in Territory.

Marietta, I. T.—The killing of Dr. Graham, of Holder, I. T., who was shot dead about a month ago by Ben Stewart, was arranged Tuesday when unknown persons, who Stewart was ambushed, killing him instantly.

Form Latin-American Club.

Born Jose, Cal.—An international association entitled the Latin-American club has been formed here and will be extended through all the Latin-American countries. A general meeting will be held soon.

G. A. R. VETERANS GATHER

MINNEAPOLIS OPENS ARMS TO BOYS IN BLUE.

Every Attention Paid to Old Soldiers

—Fully 100,000 Visitors in Minnesota City.

Minneapolis, Minn.—The rush of visitors to this city for the annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic continues unabated, and the prospect is that the meeting will be one of the most successful ever held by the Grand Army. According to the estimates of railroad men fully 100,000 people have so far arrived, and dozens of trains running in two and three sections are still on the way.

Minnesota has risen to the occasion in magnificent fashion, and it is difficult to mention anything that could be done for the entertainment and comfort of her visitors which has not already been provided. Numerous committees have been appointed to receive the veterans at the depot, and a man has been named who is to declare his desire. The remainder of the programme is handled by the committee in the most capable fashion.

At nearly every corner in the business section of the city is situated an "Information Booth," which is tenanted by a young man of education who knows his business and is capable of answering all sorts of questions in a satisfactory manner.

A feature of the thoughtfulness that underlies the entire work so far done by the local entertainment committee is found in the "Information Booths" that are stretched along both sides of all the downtown streets. They are rough affairs, fashioned crudely out of unspiced plank, but they afford a resting place for scores of thousands of weary pedestrians. No feature of the encampment has been so productive of comfort and satisfaction.

The city itself is decorated as though every man had made it his personal business to see that Minneapolis looked her bravest and best.

MOB LEADER IS CONVICTED.

North Carolina Lyncher Given 15 Years in Jail.

Sallisbury, N. C.—What is said to be the first instance of the conviction of a lyncher in the history of the state was furnished here Friday night when George Hall, a white convict of the state prison, North Carolina, who was one of the party that Monday night lynched three negroes in jail here for the murder of the Lyster family, was found guilty of conspiracy with a white man with crime and was sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary.

FOUR LIVES ARE LOST IN VAIN

Each Plunges into Undercurrent in Effort to Rescue Others.

Davenport, Wash.—Five persons prominent in social life of Davenport, who had been enjoying an outing on the banks of the Spokane river about 12 miles northeast of here, were drowned Sunday.

The dead were Miss Winnie Jones, A. L. Bergert, Mrs. A. L. Gergert, Roy Howard, A. L. Inlian.

Paris—William to Arrive August 30.

Paris.—Byram J. Bryan called C. W. Bryan, of Lincoln, Neb., fixing the date for his arrival in New York as August 30. He will visit New Haven and Bridgeport August 21; Jersey City, September 1; Chicago, September 4; Lincoln, September 5; St. Louis, September 11; Louisville, September 12, and Cincinnati September 13, stopping at Kansas City on the return trip.

To Wipe Out Puljanans.

Manila.—Gov. Ide returned to Manila Tuesday after a conference at Tacloban, island of Leyte, Aug. 13, with Maj. Gen. Wood, Brig. Gen. Lee, Col. De Veyra, 15 presidents and Gov. Taylor of the consulars. The American authorities and to furnish information leading to the extermination of the Puljanans.

Missouri Equalization.

Jefferson City, Mo.—The state board of equalization assessments on railway, bridge, telegraph and telephone companies was held for 1908 when the total increase this year is \$10,900,335.62 over last year.

Edward to Visit Francis Joseph.

Vienne.—King Edward, when he leaves Marietta, will be the guest of Emperor Francis Joseph at the Schonbrunn palace September 9 and that he will start on his journey for England the following day.

ROOT IN BUENOS AYRES

AMERICANS INTERESTED IN THE SOUTHERN REPUBLIC.

MONROE DOCTRINE PRAISE

Says Country Rejects in Argentine Because it Justifies Contention for Home Rule on Part of United States.

Buenos Ayres.—At the official banquet at the government house by President Alicia in honor of Secretary Root, to which only the diplomatic corps and high officers of state were invited, the secretary made what was considered the most important speech he has delivered while on his tour.

Mr. Root, in replying to the official welcome, thanked the president in behalf of President Roosevelt and the "millions of citizens in the United States." Then he said: "We inherit the right to be interested in the Argentine Republic, and to be proud of the Argentine people.

From the time when Benjamin Rush was fighting from the day when James Monroe threw down the gauntlet of a weak republic, we were then in defense of its independence and rights, and from that day to this the interest and the friendship of the people of the United States for the Argentine Republic have never changed. We rejoice in your prosperity. We are proud of your achievements. We are proud of your justifying our faith in free government and self-government; that you are maintaining our great thesis which demands the possession, the enjoyment and the control of the earth to the people who inhabit it. So how can the people of the United States help feeling a friendship and sympathy for the people of Argentina?"

"There are no political questions at issue between Argentina and the United States. There is no thought of grievance by one against the other. There are no old grudges or scores to settle."

CIVIL WAR VETERANS PARADE

Two Grand Army Men Drop in Ranks and Third is Killed.

Minneapolis, Minn.—For the fortieth time since its work in war was finished at its last service, the Grand Army of the Republic was in line Wednesday. There had been many parades more gorgeous, many spectacles more dazzling and bewildering, but never was there in this country one more appealing and impressive than that which passed through the streets of Minneapolis during the morning.

Col. Charles T. Keating, of New Orleans, was overcome by the heat and exhaustion and died an hour after reaching the hospital.

Thomas A. Martin dropped while marching in the parade and died on his way to the emergency hospital.

George A. Penny, of Logan, Ia., was seriously injured by an automobile, which ran him down.

CONCERTED PLAN TO MURDER

Bombs and Revolvers Cause Terror to Russian Officials.

St. Petersburg.—Acting apparently with a definite plan, and at a signal, the terrorists and revolutionists Wednesday inaugurated a carnival of murder, planting bombs and firing revolvers on the police and troops in various cities in Poland, echoes of which are heard from Samara, Ufa, Yalta, Kiev and even far away Chita, where a Russian official, Mr. Korshchenco was slain almost on his own doorstep. The revolutionist campaign flamed out with special vigor during the night of the 20th, and many more were wounded.

REPORT SAYS DIETZ IS SLAIN

Rice Lake, Wis., Story Discredited by Brother of Dan Holder.

Rice Lake, Wis.—It is reported here that John Dietz has been shot and killed.

William Dietz, who lives here and who has just returned from Cameron, says that he knows nothing of the shooting, and he does not believe that the report is true.

Safety Appliance Reports.

Washington.—An order was issued Wednesday by the interstate commerce commission to all railroads in the United States engaged in interstate commerce to report to the commission not later than September 1, 1908, the total number of freight cars owned on August 1, 1906, together with the number of such cars equipped with air brakes.

Two Killed by Boiler Blast.

Three Rivers, Mich.—The boiler of a salt distillery on the farm of William Mohney, three miles from this city, exploded Wednesday, instantly killing Mr. Mohney and his son Roy, and wounding two of Roy's children.

Clark's Assessment Raised.

Butte, Mont.—The board of equalization assessed W. A. Clark \$1,000,000 on his San Pedro railroad stock, \$2,440,000 on his United Verde mine, and raised his bank assessment \$649,000, an increase of nearly \$4,000,000.

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Veterans Rapidly Passing Away.

Veterans of the civil war are dying now at the rate of 190 a day, according to records of the United States pension office. The monthly reports for several months past have shown the death rate among the old soldiers to be in the neighborhood of 3,000 a month.

Intoxicants in Vegetables.

Vegetables not only contain stimulants but are capable of producing an intoxicating influence on those who depend on them exclusively for food, according to an investigator. He cites as a case in which some young people of his acquaintance suffered from partial intoxication as the result of a purely vegetable meal.

Laid Out Like Checker Board.

The country in which the large towns are most nearly equidistant in Holland. They are at an average distance of 20 miles from one another.

SICK HEADACHE

Nicotine in Tobacco.

A scientist writes: "The essential quality for which tobacco is smoked or chewed lies not really in the leaves themselves, but is contained in thousands of hollow-knobbed hairs which cover their surface. The vital nicotine is garnered in these perillike balls, but as it is impossible to shave off these hairs, and would be a scarcely conceivable achievement if it could be undertaken, it becomes necessary to preserve the whole foliage for commercial purposes."

A constable who arrested four men

on a country road in England the other day for gambling told the magistrate the men played cards in each other's pockets, stopping to deal.

Insanity is infrequent in India,

according to a blue book. In Bengal in 1904 the ratio of insane was 1.93 per 1,000 population, against 34.71 in England.

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