

ROOSEVELT SAYS RAILROAD POLICY NEED NO EXCUSE

Declines to Address the Illinois Manufacturers' Association ---Nothing to Explain.

PROTECTION OF LINES

President in a Letter Reiterates That They Must Be Shielded From the Clamor of the Public.

Washington, D. C., April 3.—President Roosevelt today declined the request of the Illinois Manufacturers' association to make an address in Springfield on the railroad and financial situation. In a letter to C. H. Smith, the president, he explains that such an address from him at this time would be useless, as his position is well understood.

It is reiterated that the president has not the slightest intention of taking any action which would invalidate railroad securities.

He holds that every executive action of his administration regarding the roads has furnished its own ample justification. Neither has the president, it is pointed out, made any reference to the physical valuation of the railroads, holding that they are capable of working out that problem for themselves.

Attention is called to the fact that the Northern Pacific and Great Northern have already submitted figures regarding such valuation. It is also understood that the president will again ask congress for power to deal with the over-capitalization question, which request was denied at the last session.

The president's letter outlines his position on the railroad and financial questions, by means of copious extracts from the speeches he delivered in Raleigh, N. C., October 19, 1905, and in Washington, November 14, same year, as well as from one of his recent messages to congress.

Needs No Amplification.

His position, he declares, has been amply justified by the course of events. Its wisdom is obvious, he adds, and there is no occasion for its amplification now.

Quoting from his Raleigh address, the president calls attention to his belief that the government should own nothing which can properly be left in private hands, but that such regulations should be exercised against the railroads as will insure their operation in a spirit of fairness. The railroads, he declares, must be protected from any public clamor, no matter how violent, when they are in the right. Referring to the Washington address, the president says the railroad rates are not as a whole too high, but that the evils that exist are due to unjust discrimination and this should be prevented by law.

CATCHES COLD IN SLEEP, SNEEZES AND IS STRICKEN BLIND

Doctors Decide Nightmare Causes Woman to Have Hemorrhage of the Eyes.

Trenton, N. J., April 3.—Mrs. Joseph Jack in the course of a terrifying nightmare moved her right foot from under the covers and allowed it to hang over the edge of the bed so that she contracted a cold and sneezed long and violently.

When she awoke in the morning she found herself to be blind.

The doctors decided that hemorrhage of the eyes had been caused during the sneezing fit.

DOG THAT INSULTS AMBASSADORS, OUSTED FROM WHITE HOUSE

Rollo, Scaring Jusserand and Von Sternberg, No Longer in Roosevelt's Good Graces.

Washington, D. C., April 3.—Rollo, a big St. Bernard pup has been banished from the White House.

When the French ambassador, M. Jusserand and Baron Speer von Sternberg, the German ambassador, came to the White House Rollo evinced a disposition to make them climb trees and jump fences.

FIGHT FIRE IN SILK HATS AND DRESS SUITS

Philadelphia, April 1.—White shirt-fronts and patent leathers were no drawback to the efficiency of the Sheltonham Hook and Ladder company when they were called from a banquet in their clubhouse to a fire.

With swallows flying in the wind and silk hats crushed down over their ears, they joined the bucket brigade, threw water on the flames, and after four hours' fighting, returned to the banquet board early yesterday morning famous.

Their guests, including a number of women, accompanied them to the fire and gave encouragement.

POSTAL ALSO RAISES ITS TELEGRAPH RATES

New York, April 3.—Charles P. Bruch, assistant general manager of the Postal Telegraph company, today said the company had raised its rates to practically the same basis as recently announced by the Western Union. Bruch said the increase is caused entirely by the increased cost of maintenance.

BOY, AS THIEF, SCARES MOTHER; SHE MAY DIE

Philadelphia, April 3.—As the result of a "practical joke" played upon her by her 12-year-old son, Fred, Mrs. Annie Williams, is writing in convulsions in the Presbyterian hospital, where physicians fear she will die.

Mrs. Williams retired early in the evening, and her son, Fred, wishing to scare her, crept quietly up to her bedroom door, gave it a kick and said in a gruff voice:

"Open this door, or I'll break it down!"

He was more successful than he had wished, for his command was answered by shrieks from his mother, who believed a burglar was attempting to gain entrance to her room.

Frightened by the child's cries, neighbors rushed in, forced the lock of the door and found Mrs. Williams lying in a swoon.

AGAIN THEY ROLL EGGS ON WHITE HOUSE LAWN

Washington, D. C., April 3.—Juvenile Washington in big numbers attended by parents, friends and nurses, indulged in the annual egg rolling festival on the White House lawn. Mrs. Roosevelt from the south windows was an interested observer.

Des Moines, Ia., April 3.—Ten thousand children took in the first Iowa annual egg rolling contest on the grounds of the capitol this afternoon. The contest was patterned after the egg rolling contest in Washington.

Governor Cummins was official starter, firing a pistol which sent thousands of children over the turf, rolling eggs before them.

This Man Has a Tremendous Task



T. J. GRIER.

Mr. Grier has the great task of directing one small army of men fighting the stubborn fire in the Homestake mine of Lead, S. D., and keeping another small army at work in other parts of the property getting out ore.

SITUATION AT MINE FIRE IS IMPROVED

Lead, S. D., April 3.—At night men were brought out of the Homestake mine overcome by gas.

Today forces are able to work at the 900 and 1,100 foot levels and gas was disappearing at 11 o'clock today.

The mills have shut down for the monthly clean up. The situation, which was bad last night, looks better today.

CHILD IS KILLED BY GUN AT FATHER'S SIDE

Custer, S. D., April 3.—While driving with his father, little Harry Lucas, 13 years old, was accidentally killed by the discharge of the gun which he was carrying. The wagon ran into a deep rut, and in some way the gun was discharged. The boy died within a few minutes.

SO HUNGRY HE NEARLY "BREAKS" THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

New York, April 3.—The hungry lad they ever had in the children's court is Jonas Frankel, who attributes all his woes to his stomach. He said he came from Kansas City to visit his aunt in New Milford, N. J. He had such an appetite he almost ate her out of house and home. The aunt stood him for a week, he said, then told him to be on his way.

Then Jonas got in a huff and came to New York. The pangs of hunger were too much for him, so he dropped into the Children's society and asked for food. He devoured more than any three boys in the place could get away with, and when he was told after he had his fill that he was in custody he started up a howl.

In children's court, Justice Mayo remanded him back to the society until his father is heard from.

CONVICT OPIUM FIENDS PAY \$200 FOR EACH OUNCE.

Columbus, O., April 3.—Edward Fisher, a foreman in the bolt works at the penitentiary, was arrested smuggling gum opium into the institution. Several prisoners confessed that convicts addicted to the drug have paid as high as \$200 an ounce for the drug, and it has been smuggled into the institution in large quantities.

NON-UNION BILLS ADVERTISE GOMPERS

Ann Arbor, Mich., April 3.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, is billed to speak on the students lecture course of the University of Michigan this week, but because the bills advertising the lecture were printed in a non-union shop, he may refuse to appear. Local printers notified him of the situation and he may not come to Ann Arbor.

OIL TRUST ASKS JUDGE TO SAY NOT GUILTY

Standard's Request Opens One of Greatest Battles in Federal Court Records.

TARIFF NOT GOVERNING

Cotopus Claims That the Levy Was Never Intended to Control the Shipments of Oil.

Chicago, April 3.—This morning the attorneys for Standard Oil presented a motion to Judge Landis in United States district court that the entire case in which the trust is charged with accepting less than tariff rates from the Chicago and Alton be taken from the jury and an instruction given for a verdict of "not guilty."

This motion provoked one of the greatest legal battles ever known in the history of the federal courts. Even Judge Cline, personal attorney for John D. Rockefeller, will take a hand.

The government closed its case against the trust several days ago. When the prosecution announced it was ready to rest, the trial had left behind this summary of its work:

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| Number of days in trial | 48 |
| Number of words of testimony taken | 1,000,000 |
| Number of exhibits introduced | 6,000 |
| Number of book entries introduced | 6,000 |
| Cost to government | \$100,000 |
| Cost of Standard Oil | \$200,000 |
| Number of objections overruled by court | 7,000 |

Federal Showing

The government has shown these things:

That the Chicago and Alton had a rate of 18 cents for the public.

That the Chicago and Alton transported oil for the trust at 6 cents.

That the tariff rate of 18 cents was filed with the Interstate Commerce commission.

That the agents of the road had signs displayed at their stations notifying the public that all tariffs could be had upon application.

That each of the 1,903 cars charged to have been shipped from Whiting to East St. Louis and St. Louis were actually shipped.

That the Standard Oil company paid for the shipments at the end of every two weeks at the rate of 6 cents per 100 pounds.

The big legal contest that began today involves all the leading objections the trust made, and can make to the form of the indictment, the character of the evidence and the many angles that present themselves to expert lawyers.

It will be sought to be shown that the tariff that is relied upon by the government never did govern and was not intended to govern the shipment of oil, and that all its products were left from the tariff for express purpose of permitting the railroad to make a special commodity rate for its transportation.

RED PEPPER IN HIS BEARD; INVOKES LAW

Camden Man Gets Warrant for Boys to Save Whiskers From Insult.

Philadelphia, April 2.—Isaac Harris, 60, Tenth street and Kaighn avenue, Camden, has whiskers a quarter of a yard long. He is proud of them, and so is his family. This luxuriant growth of beard has caused him heaps of trouble at the hands of the small boys of the neighborhood. The whiskers and the boys are now about to figure in court.

The boys have pulled Harris' whiskers and run. So he told Justice Weaver yesterday. But for the fact that his family objected, he would have shaved them off.

Then the boys tried a new plan. They threw red pepper into Harris' whiskers.

He got the name of one of his tormentors, and went before Justice Weaver, who issued a warrant for the arrest of John Felski.

OIL KING SPURNS USE OF HAIR OIL, HE WILL NOT PAY DUTY

Box of Lozenges For Indigestion Will Also Be Sold by the Government.

New York, April 3.—A bottle of hair oil which a celebrated pharmacist in Berlin sent to John D. Rockefeller is to be sold by the government in the seizure room of the appraiser's store, because the oil king failed to pay the customs due on the package.

John D., at the time the precious preparation reached the city, had already given up hope of growing his own hair on his own head, and had purchased a wig.

A box of lozenges which a Scotchman forwarded to Mr. Rockefeller from Edinburgh, for the cure of his indigestion, is also to be sold for nonpayment of duty.

FISH ADMITS RAINEY WILL WED DAUGHTER

Newport, R. I., April 3.—The definite announcement of the wedding of Miss Marian Fish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, to Paul J. Rainey, the New York and Cleveland multimillionaire, is to take place in September in Trinity church.

When the engagement of the young couple was first announced last July, Mrs. Fish formally denied that there was any truth in it. A month later Miss Marian also contributed not a little to the mystification of society by notifying Mr. Rainey to remain away from the Crossways. She said that the rumors of an engagement made her stay in Newport wretched.

TIED, DRAGGED OVER SALOON, DIES, ARRESTS

Saut Ste Marie, Mich., April 3.—The coroner's jury in the case of Thomas Boucher, who was found dead recently in Cassidy's saloon, closed a nine days' investigation today and gave a verdict that he came to his death from intoxication and abuse.

Five of the persons arrested earlier in the week, T. J. Cassidy, Bert Himpelbach, John Duetschner, James Russell and Mrs. Lottie Thomas, were held in the charge of involuntary manslaughter, and the evidence shows that while drunk, Boucher was tied with ropes and dragged around the saloon floor, buried under a pile of furniture and afterwards thrown into a room, where he died alone.

The body had been in the room several hours before found.

MRS. SAGE BEATS CARNEGIE AT TAXES

New York, April 3.—Mrs. Russell Sage failed to avail herself of the opportunity to swear off her personal tax assessment within the limits of the period fixed by law, which has expired. In consequence she becomes the largest taxpayer on the city's books. This is a distinction which Andrew Carnegie has had for several years and for which there is no answer to the marked competition among local millionaires.

Carnegie will pay taxes this year on a total assessment of \$7,200,000.

HUSBAND 2 TELLS HUSBAND 3 ABOUT HUSBAND NO. 1

Beautiful Pauline Getreu's Husband Charges Her With a Trio of Marriages.

New York, April 2.—Pauline Getreu, a beautiful young woman of Brooklyn, is charged by her husband, Abraham Getreu, with having been so careless about her matrimonial affairs that she has acquired three husbands since 1901 without the formality of being legally separated from any.

Getreu learned of his wife's former marriage through husband No. 2, while riding with her on a Brooklyn "L" train he noticed a strange man raise his hat rather stiffly and saw glances between the two that he thought called for an explanation. Mrs. Getreu declined to explain. Later Getreu chanced to meet the stranger alone and demanded to know who he was and why he eyed Mrs. Getreu so strangely.

"My name is Burnknap and the woman is my wife," replied the stranger.

Wives led to an understanding and Burnknap proved his story by taking Getreu to the rabbi who had performed the ceremony in February, 1904.

Husband No. 2 let Getreu in on another secret that he professed to have discovered, that Mrs. Getreu, born Glaser, had eloped in December, 1901, with a man named Morck, from whom she had never been divorced. All three marriages had taken place in Brooklyn, it is alleged, but the records fail to show that the courts were appealed to in an effort to untie the knots.

MUSCLE DANCERS FORCED TO LEAVE BY INDIANAPOLIS

Judge Rings Curfew for "Girl in Blue Who Pays Fine and Departs."

Indianapolis, Ind., April 3.—When Mile DeLeon paid a fine of \$5 and costs (\$15 in all) to the city clerk from a large purse she said she not only had enough of the Indianapolis police court, but of Indianapolis itself.

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MAGNATE HILL'S COMPROMISE REJECTED

St. Paul, Minn., April 3.—The offer of a compromise by the railroads on pending rate legislation was submitted to the joint legislative committee Monday night and rejected. The committee quickly agreed to recommend to the legislature the enactment of a 2-cent mile passenger rate law and no compromise on the freight rate reductions ordered last December by the state railroad and warehouse commission.

The offer of the railroads consisted of 2 1/2-cent passenger fare on the basis of that put in force in Wisconsin, with mileage books on practically no more advantageous terms than they are at present issued; reduction in freight rates on lumber amounting to 60 per cent of the schedule of the railroad and warehouse commission; reduction in the local rate of about 50 per cent of the same schedule, and a reduction of from 10 to 11 per cent of the commission rates on grain.

VIRTUE BANQUET PUTS PITTSBURGERS IN WORRY FRENZY

Iowa Quotation on Sodomy Causes Anxiety Among a Lot of Rich Men.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 3.—"And the Lord said: 'If I find in Sodomy, fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the places for their sake.'" Every prominent and wealthy man in Pittsburg is going around with a worried look for fear his name will not appear in the list of the "righteous" selected by the Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce for its "Virtue Banquet," Thursday night.

Some time ago a newspaper published in a little town out in Iowa declared in an editorial that if Pittsburg had been in existence in the days of Sodomy and Gomorrah, the city would have been destroyed long before those ancient cities.

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GIRL'S RESCUER SLAIN BY MAN WHO ASSAULTED HER

St. Joseph, Mo., April 3.—Charles E. Stanley, a commercial traveler, was killed last night by Wesley Christopher, Christopher assaulted a young woman in an alley and when Stanley heard her screams he ran to her rescue and was shot in the heart.

Christopher was arrested.

HENRY M. STANLEY ADOPTED A BOY

Paris, Ill., April 3.—Henry M. Stanley, the explorer, whose widow has just remarried, made a provision for the perpetuation of his name adopted in the last year of his life.

A boy who is now 8 years old, is known as Denzil Stanley, and is being educated in England under Sir Henry's ample provision for his future.

HUSBANDS BLOOD SAVES THE WIFE

Table Placed on Operating Husband Bled His Spouse and Artery Opened.

HE WILL ALSO RECOVER

Weeps for Joy Upon Coming Out From Under Ether's Influence on Finding Remarkable Experiment a Success.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 2.—Dying from anaemia, the life of Mrs. Peter Anderson has been saved by a remarkable operation in which her husband's blood was pumped direct from his arteries into hers.

The woman who was in a state of coma at the time is now on the road to recovery, and her husband, though weak from the loss of blood will be restored to his normal condition.

Anderson and wife were placed on the operating table together and the man put under an anaesthetic. An artery in his left arm was punctured and through a tube blood was pumped into an artery in his wife's arm.

Anderson wept with joy when he came from under the influence of the ether and saw his wife restored to consciousness.

DIVORCE EVERY THREE MINUTES IN THE U. S.

Washington, D. C., April 2.—During working hours of court officials there is a divorce suit filed every two minutes and a divorce granted every three minutes in the United States according to figures compiled by the census bureau.

This has been the average for the last twenty years, and census officials say the average is increasing at an alarming rate.

For the twenty-year period from 1867 to 1887, there were only 328,000 divorce suits filed in the country. For the twenty-year period, from 1887 to 1907, the number aggregates 1,400,000, or four times the number of the first period. However, the population also increased somewhat.

Experts figure that for the twenty-year period prior to 1887 there were thirty-three divorces for every 100,000 inhabitants while for the twenty-year period, from 1887 to 1907, there were seventy divorces for every 100,000 population. Decrees are issued in about two-thirds of the suits filed.

FOUR MEET DEATH AT A CROSSING

Kansas City, Mo., April 2.—Four persons in a buggy—two men and two women—were instantly killed at the Fifteenth street crossing of the Chicago and Alton railroad, two miles east of this city, by the Alton's Red Flyer, westbound from St. Louis. The bodies were horribly mutilated. The dead: GEORGE HENRY, aged 33, and his wife, aged 30. D. H. MONNER, aged 30, and his wife, aged 40.

The men were salesmen for a local mercantile house.

Trainmen say that the carriage drove directly in front of the engine, although the electric bell at the crossing had been ringing several minutes. Two of the occupants, a man and a woman, were picked up by the cowcatcher of the locomotive and carried some distance. The other two were thrown clear of the track. The horses and carriage escaped injury. The four people were returning from an Easter picnic in the country.

JURY JOLTS JUDGE AND CAR COMPANY

Newark, N. J., April 2.—The New Jersey Street Railway company, which operates a large system of street railways in this city, was indicted by the grand jury today for maintaining dirty and unsanitary cars, providing useless fenders, and allowing its cars to be overcrowded by passengers.

The indictment was returned to Chief Justice Gummere, who a few days ago warned the jury not to be influenced by public clamor against the company.

In its indictment the jury declared that the suffering and protests for a long suffering public which have been interpreted by the court as "public clamor" have not influenced the grand jury in its consideration of this question.

The justice dismissed the jury without thanking them.

DIS DE BAR IN A NEW ROLE NOW

Detroit, April 1.—"Mother Elinor," sometimes known as Mrs. Elinor L. Mason, late "Queen of the House of Israel," of Windsor and Detroit, now a wanderer on the face of the earth, her whereabouts being a mystery even to the closest of her local associates, is proven beyond all doubt to be none other than the notorious "Edith Loleta Jackson," alias Laura Horas, a much-wanted person in London, England, and a woman with a police record reaching over two continents and embracing many crimes.

As Anne O'Della De Bar she is well known to the New York police. A criminal record from Scotland yard is in the possession of certain Detroit persons interested in the doing of Mother Elinor. This record is a lengthy one, containing a list of the woman's offenses under her several aliases. Attached to it is remarkable likeness of the revered Mother Elinor.

'NO WOMAN IN CASE'... EMMA EAMES' HUSBAND

Philadelphia, Pa., April 2.—"Incompetibility of temper. That is all there is to it."

That is the whole trouble between Julian Story and his beautiful wife, Madame Emma Eames, according to Mr. Story's own statement.

Her charge that he has been unfaithful to his marriage vows and the gossip of his attachment for other women that is going the rounds are, he says, "positively ridiculous and untrue."