

NATIONAL PACKING COMPANY DISSOLVES

Formal Statement Showing Distribution Of Assets Given Federal Attorney.

Chicago, July 22.—A formal statement showing the method of distribution of the assets of the National Packing company with a declaration that the company has been dissolved was presented to United States District Attorney James H. Wilkerson, today.

Counsel for the packers assured the federal officers that the distribution of the assets had already taken place and told him that complete details would be presented soon.

The plan of distribution adopted by the owners of the National Packing company, which was regarded by the government as an instrument used to control the meat industry, will be carefully scrutinized by federal officials and if it meets the approval of the attorney general will be allowed to stand. Should the federal changes may be made or court action taken by the government to induce compliance with its desires.

More Consolidations.

According to the plan set forth by counsel, the assets of the National Packing company have been distributed in the following manner:

The G. H. Hammond company is taken over by the Swift interests.

The Omaha Packing company plant at Chicago, the St. Louis Dressed Beef and Provision company and the United Dressed Beef company, of New York, are also acquired by these in control of Swift and company.

J. Ogden Armour takes over the following subsidiaries:

The Fowler Packing company, the Anglo-American Provisions company and the New York Butchers' Dressed Beef and Provision company, of New York.

The Omaha Packing company plant at South Omaha is taken over by Morris & Co. There has been a similar division of the branch houses and selling agencies through the United States, according to a statement issued by Mr. Wilkerson, based on the packers' report of dissolution.

Property Distributed.

The statement further declares:

The attorneys for the different stockholders of the National Packing company state that the division of the property of that company in accordance with their plans to wind up business, has been practically completed. There has been an outright division of the property of the company and there is no joint ownership of the packers, the interest that formerly controlled it. The property has been distributed among its stockholders in proportion to the amount of stock held by them.

It is represented that as to absolute ownership of these and other joint interests such as characterized the National Packing company and its subsidiaries.

"In other words the National Packing company wound up its business and its assets have been distributed among its stockholders," Mr. Wilkerson said.

Car Company Dissolves.

Mr. Wilkerson said that complete details of the distribution of the property would be ready in a few days. In addition to the dissolution of the National Packing company, the National Car Line company, operating the refrigerator car system of the packers, has also been dissolved and the cars apportioned to each of the stockholders, the district attorney was informed. The announcement of the dissolution was made after a conference between Mr. Wilkerson and Attorneys A. R. Urion, Ralph Crowl, M. W. Borders and Henry Vreder, representing the packers.

Mr. Wilkerson declined to express any opinion whether the plans of dissolution would be approved by the government.

"All we ask," said Mr. Wilkerson, "is that the packers dissolve and dissolve in reality, and not on a 'paper' basis. Whether the present plan will be approved by the government cannot be determined just now."

TRUST DISSOLUTION WILL NOT BE URGED

Chairman Stanley Says Report Was Circulated To Effect New York Stock Market.

Washington, July 22.—Chairman Stanley, of the House steel trust investigating committee, today authorized a denial of the reports that the committee would recommend the dissolution of the United States steel corporation.

Mr. Stanley declared he believed that reports given out to that effect had been calculated to affect the New York stock market.

Some of the things the democratic members of the committee really have agreed upon follows:

That hereafter the records of the officials of the Federal Reserve corporation shall be open to congress.

That they will propose to amend the act creating the department of commerce and labor to make the investigations of the bureau available to congress as well as the president.

This determination is said to have been influenced by the refusal of Herbert Knox Smith, former commissioner of corporations, to give to the Stanley committee the facts he had gleaned from the steel trade.

WITHDRAW TROOPS.

Uncle Sam Evidently Thinks Mexican Revolt Near End.

Washington, July 22.—All troops dispatched to El Paso and the Mexican rebels were moving on Juarez will soon be removed with the exception of a regiment of cavalry. A battalion of infantry, a battalion of field artillery and a regiment of cavalry are now here.

HELD FOR MURDER.

George R. Harkness, Wealthy Real Estate Dealer Arrested.

New York, July 22.—George R. Harkness, a wealthy real estate dealer, of Seacliff, on Long Island, was arrested today, charged with having shot and killed Mrs. Florence Hopp, of Lewisburg, Pa., at the hotel here where they were guests early today. Mrs. Hopp, who was about 25 years old had been in Harkness' company for several days. Mrs. Hopp leaves a 7-year-old son in Lewisburg.

DEATH OF THE MIKADO AWAITED BY SUBJECTS

Life of Japanese Emperor Admitted By Physicians To Hang By Slender Thread.

Tokio, July 22.—The condition of Emperor Mutsuhiro at 3 o'clock this morning was so critical that the ministers of state were assembled at the palace and the announcement was made that his majesty was sinking.

A bulletin issued by the attending physicians gives the history of the emperor's illness as follows:

"Since July 14, his majesty has been suffering from intestinal trouble. Great drowsiness followed the early attacks, this symptom increasing rapidly. On July 18 his majesty became unconscious and his brain was affected.

"On the evening of the 19th the fever suddenly increased, showing a temperature of 104.7. The pulse rate was 104 and the respiration 38."

Has Acute Nephritis.

The court physicians in attendance on his majesty at 9 o'clock this morning diagnosed the case as acute nephritis.

Another bulletin issued from the palace at 3 o'clock this afternoon was as follows:

"The emperor has been suffering from diabetes since 1904. This developed into chronic kidney trouble in 1906."

It was announced later in the morning that uremia had developed. His majesty's bed has been moved to a sitting room in the palace. The empress remained at the bedside during the day. The crown prince, Yoshihito, who is recovering from a case of chicken pox, and is still confined to his bed, received the news of his father's illness this morning. He has not yet been able to visit the palace.

Princes Summoned.

The imperial princes have been summoned from their summer residence and together with all the notables at present in the capital, they repaired to the palace, where they await the latest news from the sick chamber.

The present situation is without precedent in the history of the new Japan. The news of his majesty's illness came as an absolute surprise and its unexpected announcement resulted in the quick collapse of prices on the local stock exchange.

The return to Tokio of Prince Katsura, the former premier, who left some days ago on a mission to Europe, is expected. The prince was among the first to be officially notified by telegraph of the emperor's illness.

It became known today that his majesty was unconscious from this illness yesterday.

10 p. m.—No bulletin has been issued from the palace since 3 o'clock this afternoon, but it was learned from the imperial residence that his majesty's condition remains unchanged. He is semi-conscious. The physicians in attendance have not given up all hope.

PROPOSES CURB FOR HIGH COST OF LIVING

Washington, July 22.—Representative Lindbergh of Minnesota has introduced a resolution in the house to name a permanent committee on industrial relations, authorized to make a study of the economic aspects of all legislation.

Mr. Lindbergh, who is father of the "money trust" inquiry, made a statement accompanying his resolution in which he declared the business of the country is resting on a false basis. Unless something is done to put a solid foundation under it, it is his opinion a gigantic collapse will come in the near future. It is his hope, through the proposed committee, to prevent this collapse.

DENY REVOLT RUMOR.

Reported That Rebels At Lisbon and Oporto Are In Arms.

Madrid, July 22.—The correspondent of the Universe, published at Orense, Spain, has sent a dispatch to this city saying that a revolution has broken out at Lisbon and Oporto, in Portugal.

This news was received at Orense by way of Verin, a town in Spain near the Portuguese border.

Madrid, July 20.—Senator Barossa, the Spanish minister of the interior, today afternoon declared without foundation the statement that a revolution had broken at Lisbon and Oporto.

RIVER BILL PASSES.

Senate Agrees To Spend \$6,000,000 To Improve 'Old Miss.'

Washington, July 22.—The river and harbor appropriation bill, carrying about \$33,000,000, including \$6,000,000 for Mississippi river improvement, was finally passed by the Senate yesterday when the conference report was adopted.

PIPES FROZE IN BOSTON.

Boston, July 22.—In spite of the complaints of hot weather in Boston it was so cold in one place in the city last night that a plumber had to be called to thaw out water pipes. It was at a big clothing store which main- tains three bubbling drinking fountains. Some mischief maker mixed salt with the ice that covered the coils and everything froze up.

"MYSTIC" GOES TO JAIL.

Oriental Cult Leader Gets Three Years For Swindling Wife.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 22.—Gorham Tufts, Jr., the Oriental mystic and cult leader, convicted of having fraudulently obtained more than \$100,000 from his wife, formerly the wealthy Mrs. Roe, of Fort Worth, Tex., was sentenced today to three years in San Quentin prison. A term of probation was imposed after Tufts pleaded for probation.

ITALIAN OFFICIALS ADMIT NAVAL DEFEAT

Warships Unable To Force Way Through Dardanelles—Turk Defense Is Strong.

Rome, July 22.—The Italian government admitted in an official note issued today that a flotilla of Italian torpedo boat destroyers attempted yesterday to enter the Dardanelles. The destroyers succeeded in advancing to Chanak-Kalesi when it was decided to withdraw on account of the severe bombardment directed at them from the Turkish forts and ships. The Italian vessels, the note adds, were not much damaged.

Chanak-Kalesi, commonly called Dardanelles, is a town on a flat point opposite Khilla-Bahri fort on the European shore. The town is defended by Castle Chanak-Kalesi, which of late years has been reinforced with heavy guns and modern equipment.

SULTAN IS ALARMED.

Constantinople, July 22.—The grave nature of the government's difficulties is revealed in a proclamation of the sultan to the army, which was read to the garrison here Friday. After announcing the appointment of Tewfik Pasha as grand vizier, the proclamation reminds the troops of their oath of loyalty and, referring to demands made by certain officers as contrary to the constitution and supreme rights of the sultan, exhorts the army not to mix in politics, but to devote itself exclusively to the defense of the country.

CATLIN DECLARES HIS ELECTION WAS HONEST

Washington, July 22.—Representative Theron E. Catlin, of St. Louis, in a statement characterized as a "monumental fraud" the action of the House committee on elections in voting to recommend that he be deprived of his seat in the House. The committee decided by a vote of 6 to 3 to report that Mr. Catlin had not been properly elected because it was disclosed that his relatives had spent approximately \$13,000 in his campaign, contrary to the state law.

"The action of the democratic members of the committee on elections in declaring that Patrick Gill is entitled to my seat violates every principle of political decency and is a travesty on elementary justice," said Representative Catlin.

"Not a scintilla of evidence was produced in support of any kind, character or description. In order to consummate this monumental fraud and to seat Mr. Gill, the democratic members of the committee arbitrarily threw out votes of two wards, both of which I carried by very substantial majorities."

MRS. MORROW IS FREED.

Woman Accused Of Killing Her Husband Found Innocent By Jury.

Chicago, July 22.—Mrs. Rene B. Morrow was found not guilty of the murder of her husband, Charles B. Morrow, an inventor, by a jury in Judge Kersten's court last night. The verdict was returned after the jury had deliberated three hours and 10 minutes. The case was given to the jury shortly before 6 o'clock last evening.

Mrs. Morrow held her hands to her face and wept several times during the address of her attorney, Charles E. Erbstein. He analyzed the state's testimony and said the prosecution had failed in its efforts to prove the guilt of his client. He bitterly attacked the police for the methods used in gathering the testimony.

The verdict is said to have been reached by the jury on the third ballot. Half crying and half laughing with excitement, Mrs. Morrow shouted: "I knew it would be this way; I knew it would be this way."

MORROW CASE WILL GO TO JURY TODAY

Chicago, July 22.—The trial of Mrs. Rene B. Morrow, charged with the murder of her husband on December 27 last, was expected to come to a close today as far as the closing arguments of counsel and the jury instructions of Judge George Kersten were concerned.

Attorney Charles Erbstein, who yesterday began his closing argument to the jury in behalf of the defendant, was expected to finish during the morning. He was to be followed by Assistant State Attorney Northrup in the closing argument for the state. The instructions of the court to the jury it was presumed would be delivered late in the afternoon and the case passed into the hands of the jury.

COMPETITION IS KEEN.

Large Produce Dealers "Squeeze" Smaller Ones, Court Is Told.

Chicago, July 22.—T. F. Gallagher, a member of the quotation committee of the Chicago butter and egg board, told Master in Chancery Morrison today that there was much competition between butter and egg dealers. His testimony was in the injunction suit brought to restrain the board from controlling prices of butter and eggs.

"It is a struggle for us to make a dollar now, because we always have to meet the prices offered by other firms," said Gallagher. "There is a tendency for a few large members or produce merchants to squeeze out the small man, isn't there?"

"Yes, there is and it is a mighty struggle to stand up under it," said Gallagher.

LADIES' AUXILIARY ELECTS.

Chicago, July 22.—The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians today elected these officers: President, Mrs. Ellen Ryan Jolly, Pawlucket; vice president, Miss B. A. Mahoney, Calumet, Mich.; secretary, Mrs. Adella Christy, Columbus, Ohio; and treasurer, Mrs. Mary Connolly, Amsterdam, N. Y.

COST COLUMBUS \$7,600 TO DISCOVER AMERICA

Madrid, July 22.—The cost of the discovery of America was \$7,600, according to ledgers just found at Palos, Spain, containing facts concerning the outfit made by Christopher Columbus on his expedition to the New World. The armament of the fleet cost \$2,800. The personal expenses of Columbus and his officers amounted to about \$400, and \$4,400 was spent on the voyage. According to the ledgers the crew each received a monthly wage of \$1.25.

News Brevities

WILKESBARRE, PA.—Two thousand partisans of the home team of the New York State league, angered by decisions which they evidently believed were unjust, gathered in a mob with Troy, swarmed out on the field at the close of play yesterday and made a rush for Umpire Cleary. The situation looked serious for Cleary, but seven members of the state constabulary who had witnessed the game went to the umpire's aid and beat off his assailants with their clubs.

EMPORIA, KAN.—Mrs. Hiram Waite, 21 years old, of St. Louis, her sister, Miss Nellie Anderson, 26 years old, and Edward S. Newlin, former sheriff of Lyon county, were drowned in the Cottonwood river near here yesterday. The women were wading in the shallow part of the stream when they came to a "steppoff" and sank. Hearing their cries, Newlin, who was nearby, ran to their rescue, and while endeavoring to save them lost his own life.

MOBILE, ALA.—For the first time, it is said, in the history of Alabama, a court was adjourned yesterday out of respect to the memory of a negro, Henry Kinney, the negro, born in slavery, became a janitor of the county court house here soon after he obtained his freedom. He died last night and today the circuit court, the only one in the building, was ordered adjourned until after his funeral.

PEKING—Prof. Jeremiah Jenks, of Columbia university, and formerly of Cornell, has been offered the post of financial adviser to the Chinese republican government. This marks an important step towards governmental reform and shows the desire of the Chinese cabinet to employ expert foreign talent. Other advisers are to be appointed shortly.

WILMINGTON, DEL.—The new bathhouse in Wilmington, which left Philadelphia on her trial trip yesterday morning is stuck on a sandbar at Third and Quince streets, about a mile and a half below this city. Government tugs have gone to her assistance. Her commender reports no damage done, and it is expected she will proceed with the high tide.

FARKERSBURG, W. VA.—The body of a man, from whose clothing all identification had been removed, was found in the Ohio river here yesterday. A paving block had been fastened around his neck with a piece of wire and his skull had been fractured. Other marks on the body showed the victim had been beaten.

BRISTOL, TENN.—New York and Memphis limited trains No. 25 left the city on a down grade curve south of Bristol yesterday while running at a high rate of speed. Bruce Hodges, a mail clerk, was killed instantly and his father, M. L. Hodges, senior clerk in charge, was seriously injured. Others were injured, but not dangerously.

IRON MOUNTAIN—For a second time within a few years the residence of Mayor R. L. Hammond was partially wrecked by dynamite yesterday. The explosive was placed under the kitchen and ignited by a long fuse. The rear of the building was demolished and furniture and glassware broken. There is no clew to the dynamiters.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—The experiment of government by commission for Atlantic City began yesterday when the five commissioners elected a week ago organized by selecting William Riddle, as mayor. He succeeds Harry J. Smith, who was elected mayor by the office of mayor, but was elected one of the commissioners.

NEW YORK—Herman Rosenthal, a gambler, whose charge of graft against leading officials of the New York police department led to a thorough investigation into the workings of the department, was shot and killed today morning in West Forty-third street, almost in front of the Hotel Metropole.

MUSKOGEE, OKLA.—Joe Morris, a youth of Sulphur Springs, near here, was shot and instantly killed by J. R. Barnes, father of the girl for whose smiles he had just whipped another boy. The boys quarreled over a girl who should court the Barnes girl. In the fight that followed Morris was the victor.

CORNING, N. Y.—William Schroeder, engineer of the Lackawanna express which crashed into the rear of the passenger train here July 4, costing the lives of 40 people, admitted at a coroner's inquest yesterday that he probably passed a block signal set "caution" and the warning fuse placed beside the track by the flagman.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The yacht Bonita, of Seattle, was captured after a running fight for poaching off the western coast of Vancouver by the fishing protection cruiser Newton. Many shots were fired, from each boat, and the launch was finally run down and captured.

MINNEAPOLIS—Despair over her failure to hold her position as stenographer and fear that consequently she would become a burden on her father caused 17-year-old Meta Dittmann to take her own life. The girl, according to a note left for her father, The girl recently had been ill with typhoid fever.

BAY CITY, MICH.—Norman Stanley yesterday shot and killed himself after seriously wounding Police Sergeant Harry Anderson, who attempted to arrest him in connection with the murder of Stanley's 17-year-old wife. The girl's body lies in the throat cut was discovered today.

WILKESBARRE, PA.—A heavy explosion of gas in No. 5 colliery of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal company at South Wilkesbarre last night caused the death of three miners and serious injuries to three others.

QUINCY, MASS.—Lawrence Stafford, 17 years old, fell 200 feet to his death in Quincy bay while attempting a parachute jump. The parachute failed to open. Stafford's mother was killed in a similar manner.

ST. PAUL, MINN.—The condition of A. B. Stuckey, former president of the Chicago Great Western railway, who underwent an operation for kidney trouble at a hospital yesterday, is much improved.

WASHINGTON—The democratic caucus of the House last night formally elected Charles M. Riddell, of Indiana, sergeant at arms of the House, to succeed the late Stokes Jackson.

AKRON, OHIO—Fire here yesterday destroyed the Schumacher block on Main street, causing a loss estimated at between \$300,000 and \$400,000. Several firemen were injured.

WASHINGTON—Gifford Pinchot, former chief forester, and Roosevelt champion, cannot increase his taxes in the District of Columbia, though he wants to. Mr. Pinchot recently decided his mansion had been under assessed about \$44,000 and proposed to pay more taxes.

PRICE OF MURDER PLACED AT \$2,000

Detectives Trailing Crime Find That Gunmen Have Market Rate For Killings.

New York, July 22.—The gang of gunmen and black jacks that riddled Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, with bullets is believed by detectives today to have been procured by "Bald Jack" Rose, under pressure of the "police system," which was seeking to effectually close the mouth of Rosenthal against further charges that gamblers had to divide their gains with the police. Rose is a close friend of Police Lieutenant Becker, who was yesterday removed as the head of the "strong arm" squad which handles the gambling situation in the city. District Attorney Whitman has gleaned enough information to convince him that Rose, at the suggestion of or knowledge of the police, hired some of Jack Seelig's gang of gun fighters to make away with Rosenthal. The market rate for killing men by some of the East Side gunmen is said to be \$2,000.

Shapiro Turns Informer.

From William Shapiro, driver of the "murder car," District Attorney Whitman and private detectives employed by him have learned that after the shooting the murderers looked around the scene of the crime with no apparent fear of arrest. Shapiro has told enough details to cause the public prosecutor to believe that the private detectives will soon round up the gang of gun-fighters whom the police have daily promised to arrest, but have failed to do. That the gambling plot and murder will lead deeper into the police department is now generally believed.

Shapiro told the prosecutor and the detectives that he picked up Rose and two other men, Tucky and Schapiro, by appointment on Fourteenth street and on the way uptown there were several changes made in the party. Information regarding these changes of the passengers in the "murder car" is being withheld.

Slayers Were Leisurely.

Shapiro says that after the men shot Rosenthal they put their guns in their pockets and stood around for a time. After a while Shapiro says they walked leisurely over to the car and got aboard. The chauffeur said he worked with the motor, hoping the men would come, but that one of the murderers pointed a gun at him and said: "Quit monkeying and roll along."

Shapiro said the car made only 15 miles an hour and he did not see any chase being made to capture them. Going up Fifth avenue, Shapiro said one of the passengers said to him that he was a fool to get scared as no body was going to get into trouble, because the job had been fixed and the police were not doing anything.

Police Commissioner Dougherty secured from Rose the information that he was working for Lieutenant Becker early Monday night. Rose told the deputy commissioner that he was afraid of Becker and had gone to the house of Doris Gilchrist, Becker's divorced wife, on Monday night because he knew she was going to make an affidavit against Rosenthal. Rose told the commissioner that he was not surprised when he was told that Rosenthal had been killed, as he thought he would get it because he talked too much.

MANY KOREANS HELD.

Russians Charge Them With Plot To Assassinate Prince Katsura.

Seoul, Korea, July 22.—More than 100 Koreans have been arrested by the Russian authorities at Harbin and its vicinity in connection with an alleged plot to assassinate Prince Katsura, when the Japanese ex-premier passed through that Manchurian city on his way to St. Petersburg.

ANOTHER PROBE SOUGHT.

Investigation Of Forest Service Expenditures Is Asked.

Washington, July 22.—An investigation of expenditures in the forest service by a special Senate committee is asked in a resolution today introduced by Senator Overman. The committee would sit during the recess of congress.

NO WORD OF MISSING MAN.

Washington, July 22.—The governor of Puebla, Mex., has advised the American embassy at Mexico City that he has heard nothing of Patrick Dunne, of Jersey City, N. J., recently reported to have been condemned to death at Beristain in that state. He says no official in Beristain has authority to impose a death sentence, that such a sentence would have to be confirmed by the court at Puebla, that he would investigate if he was making further investigation.

JENKS GOES TO CHINA.

Peking, China, July 22.—Prof. Jeremiah Jenks, formerly of Cornell university, who recently was offered the post of financial adviser to the Chinese government has notified the government of his willingness to accept the position. Negotiations regarding the terms under which the American professor will take over the post will now be conducted.

GIRLS WEARING MEN'S SOCKS; THEY'RE COOLER.

St. Louis, July 22.—St. Louis society girls wearing men's silk socks and using men's garters to hold 'em up.

Some of the most riotous colors are in demand. And nary a protest against this tendency to appropriate men's rights has been heard. In fact, the men view the combination of oxfords, short skirt, men's socks, and shapely feminine ankles as a thing of beauty and a joy forever.

Although a filmy lace stocking does not impress one as being a heavy garment, the advocates of short ones say there is a big difference. They wouldn't go back to the long ones for anything.

FIVE SAILORS SCALDED ON ITALIAN STEAMSHIP

New York, July 22.—Details of the accident reported by wireless on the Italian steamship Principe Di Piemonte, in which five men were killed, were learned today when the vessel arrived here from Naples and Genoa.

The captain, Domenico, reported that the men were killed in the engine room on Wednesday last.

A branch steam pipe burst, filling the fire room and engine room on the port side with a great volume of steam.

PARCELS POST BILL FINALLY COMPLETED

Bristow and Bourne Compromise On Zone Arrangements—Merchants Benefit.

Washington, July 22.—After a dispute of more than two months the Senate committee on postoffices and post roads has reached an agreement on the postoffice appropriation bill and the measure will be reported on Monday.

The parcels post provision, the principal matter in dispute, finally was thrashed out by Senator Bourne, the author of the provision in the bill and Senator Bristow of Kansas, former assistant postmaster general.

The result was a compromise.

The maximum rate remains at 12 cents, the rate of the postal union.

Senator Bourne and Bristow agreed upon the parcels post zones as follows:

- First zone, length 50 miles; rate 5 cents for the first pound; 3 cents for each additional pound.
- Second zone, length 150 miles; rate 6 and 4 cents.
- Third zone, length 400 miles; rate 7 and 5 cents.
- Fourth zone, length 600 miles; rate 8 and 6 cents.
- Fifth zone, length 1,000 miles; rate 9 and 7 cents.
- Sixth zone, length 1,400 miles; rate 10 and 9 cents.
- Seventh zone, length 1,800 miles; rate 11 and 10 cents.
- Eighth zone, length over 1,800 miles; rate 12 cents per pound straight.

Maxim packages 11 pounds.

Senator Bourne originally proposed six zones to range in length from 50 to 2,000 miles.

The idea of shortening the zones is that it would be of benefit to the smaller merchants and that it would also increase the average income of the system and make it self sustaining.

As completed by the Senate committee the bill carries about \$262,000,000 or an increase of about \$4,000,000 over the House provisions.

WOMAN SHOT; MAN HURT.

Scranton Girl Killed and Companion Wounded—Suspect Sought.

Allentown, Pa., July 22.—Eric Schaefer, of this city, a former theatrical man, for whom the police had been searching in connection with the murder of Miss Lovina Price, of Scranton, Pa., who was found dead in her apartments today, committed suicide on the Lehigh Mountain this afternoon.

TENTH OF MILL ADDED TO STATE ASSESSMENT

Des Moines, Ia., July 22.—The governor and state officers today levied a state tax for this year of three and four-tenths mills on the dollar on taxable value of all property to raise state revenue. This is an increase of one-tenth of a mill over last year. Taxable valuation of railroad property was fixed at \$65,951,444 and of interurbans, \$1,233,577. This is an increase of \$126,362 on the former and \$96,554 on the latter. The Hawarden branch of the Northwestern is changed to \$5,000 a mile, the Rock River Valley branch of the C., St. P., M. & O. tax is reduced from \$6,000 per mile to \$3,000, and the Sioux City Terminal increased from \$6,000 to \$7,500 a mile.

REGATTA STARTS.

Stockholm, July 22.—The yacht regatta, in connection with the Olympic games, was started here today in magnificent sailing weather. Twenty-two boats participated in the various events. Today's results were: Norway, 14 points; Sweden, 13; Finland, 4; France, 3.

\$2,000,000 FIRE LOSS.

Vancouver, B. C., July 20.—Estimates today of the loss in the fire at midnight in the Main street warehouse district place the damage at nearly \$2,000,000. Three warehouses, each valued at \$250,000, were destroyed, as well as a number of other smaller blocks. The loss on stock was very small.

SWATS 150,000 FLIES.

Vincennes, Ind., July 20.—Louis Schuff is the champion fly swatter of this city. In the three days' contest young Schuff brought in a water bucket full of flies. According to weight he was credited with killing 150,000 and received \$10 in gold for his feat. Herschell Jones, who killed 130,000, was awarded second money.

NEW GOLF RECORD.

Rock Island, Ill., July 20.—A new record was set at the Rock Island Arsenal Golf club today by Alex Robertson, local professional, who covered the 18 holes in 67, the 450 yard hole being made in two strokes.

The former record for the course, 70, was held by James G. Phelps, of the Midlothian club, Chicago.

NEGRO BABIES BETTER HUMORED THAN WHITES.

New York, July 20.—Negro babies, according to the child hygiene bureau of the New York city health department, are much better humored than other babies.

A large number of pickaninies are being cared for this summer in connection with the department's infantile miliary stations, and a report by the head of the bureau comments on their conduct as follows:

"The little negro babies seldom are fretty. They are the most philosophical baby patients we have. You rarely hear one cry, but the white babies cry a great deal, especially when they are being weighed."

WILL HELP DOCKERS.

Gompers Says Federation Will Send Money To British Strikers.

Washington, July 20.—That the American Federation of Labor will send financial assistance to the London dock strikers who yesterday called to Samuel Gompers, president of the federation, was indicated today by Mr. Gompers. "We will take the question up directly with the English union," said Mr. Gompers, "but I will not discuss for publication any of the details."