

Letters Praising Colonial Offers Are Read at Trial

One of Defendants in Fraud Case "Dumb With Wonder" Over Land, He Tells Prospective Bond Buyer.

Letters written in 1919 by Charles H. Rogers, then president of the Guaranty Securities company of Lincoln, to William L. Gove, director of the Farmers' State bank of College View were read yesterday afternoon in federal court at the trial of Rogers and 14 other men charged with mail fraud in promotion of the Guaranty Securities company and Colonial Timber and Coal corporation.

Rogers, writing of the Colonial bonds, stated "there is no speculation about them," "the writer has been over the Colonial lands and has stood amazed at the great trees upon them, dumb with wonder at the resources on these lands."

"Opportunity Knocks."

The latter told Gove that "opportunity is knocking at your door." Gove invested in various securities offered by Rogers.

The government is alleging in the prosecution of the 15 men that the Colonial concern had no title whatever to the 700,000 acres which it claimed to own in West Virginia.

Letters written by Willard V. Mathews to Gove were also read. They bore a specially intimate personal regard and desired to hear of Mr. Gove's trip to California while urging the excellence of the Guaranty investments.

Other witnesses who told of investments ranging from \$1,000 to \$9,000 each in Guaranty or Colonial bonds were P. C. Kuper, C. W. Chaman, Edward Roberts, Rev. Samuel Buechner, J. L. von Bergen and H. W. Cox.

Jurors Acused.

Charging that August Groves of Columbus, Neb., a juror, was discussing the Colonial Timber and Coal corporation mail fraud case with a witness Tuesday, defense attorneys Wednesday morning moved that the big case be thrown out of court as a mistrial.

JAMES Cloud of Omaha, one of the 13 defendants, informed W. L. Baughn, a defense attorney, that he had overheard Groves in the corridor talking about the case to F. C. Lettwich, a government witness from West Virginia.

The matter was brought officially to Judge Woodruff's attention at the opening of the court. He ordered a hearing in his chambers during the morning recess at which he directed Mr. Groves, Mr. Lettwich, Mr. Cloud, Mr. Baughn, Ralph Sunderland and Howard Sharrick, the latter two also defendants, to be present. Evidence was taken by a court reporter. The hearing continued about 15 minutes.

Use Separate Corridors.

The case was then resumed. Judge Woodruff gave orders that the 12 jurymen in the future shall use the corridor on the fourth floor before and after court sessions and during recesses, so that they will not mingle with defendants, witnesses or attorneys, who will be in the corridor on the third floor.

Groves and Lettwich both said their conversation had nothing to do with the case. The Colonial case is now on its third week of trial and many thousands of dollars have been expended both by the prosecution and by the defense. Judge Woodruff in the new order regarding the jury in order to preclude any possibility of even casual conversation between jurors and witnesses or defendants.

Mrs. Millie Hastings, formerly of Alma, Neb., now of Chesterfield, Ill., testified to purchase of bonds of the Guaranty Securities company of Lincoln. Letters which she received from that concern, now defunct, were read, advertising the bonds of the Colonial concern as "secured by 700,000 acres of West Virginia timber and coal lands" and "safer than money in a bank." She lost \$3,000, she said.

Reparations Distribution Percentage Is Settled

Paris, April 4.—The percentage of distribution of the \$50,000,000 gold franc reparations from Bulgaria has been agreed upon with the exception of 1 1/2 per cent, which is reserved for those allied countries not represented at the Spa conference in 1920.

Serbia will receive 5 per cent under the Spa agreement, the percentages of which will stand: France will receive 32 per cent; Great Britain, 22; Italy, 10; Belgium, 8; and Japan and Portugal each three-fourths of 1 per cent. While reparations in kind will be made by Bulgaria to Rumania and Greece, they will not participate in the cash payments under the present agreement.

It is understood that the first payment of 2,500,000 gold francs will be made to the allies in July. The reparations commission has not yet formally approved the settlement reached in Sofia.

Autoist Forbidden to Drive His Car for Fifteen Days

Judge Wapich in municipal court fined R. L. Layton, 2556 Laurel street, \$35 for reckless driving and forbade him to drive a car for the next 15 days. Layton had been arrested Tuesday evening when he was seen by officers zig-zagging his auto along a main street.

Others fined for reckless driving are Frank Forman, 2528 Parker street, \$25; Joseph Ambercrombie, 1216 Pacific street, \$25; Mike Fedesco, 213 Burt street, \$10; J. Wilson, 425 Dodge street, \$25. Two speeders were fined \$15. O. Perry, 1702 Cumins street, and Don Winter, 545 South Twenty-fifth street. Max Fried, 211 Grace street, had to pay \$10 and V. L. Gerlmer of Council Bluffs, \$5.

Wife of Chicago Broker Kills Herself in Frisco

San Francisco, April 4.—Mrs. Esther Grant, said to be the wife of a Chicago broker, was found dead in her room in a hotel here yesterday. Police say that Mrs. Grant committed suicide. Friends declared that she had said repeatedly she would commit suicide when her resources were exhausted, rather than accept employment.

Cathleen Vanderbilt in Society Romance



Cathleen Vanderbilt.

A romance in smart New York society was disclosed here with the announcement of the engagement of Cathleen Vanderbilt to Harry C. Cushing, 3d.

Cushing, it appears, had been keeping "steady company" with Miss Vanderbilt for some time, and had escorted her to most of the winter parties. Miss Vanderbilt is not yet 20. Cushing is a veteran of the world war and is engaged in the stock brokerage business.

Miss Vanderbilt is the daughter of Reginald Vanderbilt, who recently married Gloria Morgan.

Krupp Death Toll Mounts to 13

All to Be Buried in Common Grave—Five of Victims Shot in Back.

Berlin, April 4.—The death toll from the shooting at the Krupp plant at Essen last Saturday has been increased to 13. All will be buried at a common grave at Essen the coming week end, according to special dispatches from the Ruhr today. The Krupp works, at which a 24-hour protest strike against the killings has just been completed, will be shut down during the funeral.

The four Krupp directors arrested by the French are reported to have been imprisoned at Weiden pending trial by court-martial.

Imitate Irish Rebels.

Paris, April 4.—Imitating the methods of the Irish republicans, the Germans successfully dispatched nine trains without engineers from Friedrichsfeld, in unoccupied Germany, in the direction of Wessell, says a Krefeld telegram to the Journal. The eighth train ran into the seventh on the Lippe bridge, with the result that 70 cars were derailed.

Wife of New Haven Man Dies After Debauch

New Haven, Conn., April 4.—Acute alcoholism, and not murder, caused the death of Mrs. Lena Huntington, wife of a prominent resident, whose body was found in a deserted shack here Saturday morning, and three men held in connection with the crime were absolved from blame, in a decision by Coroner Mix.

Evidence disclosed that Mrs. Huntington went to the shack voluntarily and spent 10 days there alive and indulged in the debauch.

Finnish Business Man Says Russia Recovering

Soren Berner of Helsinki, Finland, at Hotel Fontenelle yesterday, stated that Russia is "getting on her feet." Mr. Berner is a business man of Finland. He stated that during the bolshevik invasion of his country he suffered many hardships and related the circumstances of atrocities which were almost unbelievable.

Two Battleships to Be Delivered During September

New Vessels Will Mean Scrapping of Veteran Ships, Delaware and North Dakota.

Washington, April 4.—A further step in the execution of the naval limitation treaty will be taken by the United States during September, it was indicated today, when completion of the battleships Colorado and West Virginia will require the elimination from the fleet of the Delaware and North Dakota. One of the discarded ships will be scrapped and the other used as a target, according to the present naval program.

Reports from the New York Shipbuilding company indicated that the Colorado would be turned over September and completion of the West Virginia two weeks later was promised by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company. Both ships were authorized in the navy bill of 1916 and are being constructed on a "cost and fee" basis. Their main armament comprises eight 16-inch guns with an estimated range exceeding 60,000 yards.

Six cruisers are in the list of new ships to be delivered to the Navy department during the current year. They are the Detroit, to be delivered June 1; Richmond, May 25; Milwaukee, May 1; Concord, June 1; Cincinnati, July 1, and Raleigh, September 1.

Private Detective's Wife Saves Him From Jail

After having him arrested on a complaint of nonsupport and seeing him sentenced to jail for 15 days, the wife of F. M. Eaton, a private detective living at 2116 California street, pleaded with Judge Wapich for his release and got him free.

Mrs. Eaton and a daughter testified that he had given an average of \$16 a month to his family's support. The judge ordered him to come back on May 1, adding: "You must contribute \$25 to your family by that time."

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY.

Mrs. E. O. Bonner, an expert instructor in the art of batik work, will teach you free of charge how to make beautifully tinted scarfs, shades, etc. Main Floor

Thursday We Present Smart Spring Styles for Larger Women

The gracious charm and dignity that characterize the woman of larger proportions have given her the right to wear severely plain costumes, cut with a slenderizing length of line, and graceful draping. For this spring season, our buyer spent some time in New York selecting only such models as were deemed best suited to this type of figure. In regard to pricing, you will find the markings unusually low.



Books

As a gift or for one's self we suggest.

"Ponjola"

The new Cynthia Stockley novel with a setting in South Africa. Because of her knowledge of the country, Miss Stockley has been termed "The Tiger of South Africa". Book Shop—Main Floor.

Finer Hosiery In Out Sizes

Women who find that specialized sizes fit better and wear more satisfactorily will be delighted to know that they may now obtain chiffon and fancy cloxed hose in the larger sizes.

Out Size Chiffon Hosiery

Sheer and clearly worn with slightly reinforced foot and garter top. In black and gunmetal pair—\$3.50

Out Size Clox Hosiery

A beautiful pure thread silk hose with lisle top and reinforced foot. Comes only in black. Pair—\$3.75

Hosiery Shop—Main Floor.

THE DRESSES—Long of line with low placed belt. Fashioned of cambridge and canton crepes that hang in graceful folds. Blue, black and Porto Rico brown. \$39.50 to \$125.

DRESS COATS—Wraps and capes for the many occasions that demand them. Fashioned of Marvella cloth in black and cocoa brown.

THE SKIRTS—Carefully styled to overcome a larger hip line and finely tailored of attractive wool mixtures. Most remarkable low priced at \$7.50 up.

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THE SUITS—Smart twills, severely tailored—a style best worn by women of large proportions; Balkan jackets with fitted belt; and the very fashionable three-piece suits that with their accompanying blouse become a dress when the jacket is removed.

Dresses from \$39.50 to \$125.00
Coats from \$79.50 to \$125.00
Capes from \$49.50 to \$110.00
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Burgess-Nash Apparel Shop—Third Floor.

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Offering comfort and modish appearance to women of larger figure, producing a slenderized silhouette with lat front and back and straight hip-line.

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\$2.95

\$3.95

Leather pouch bags of soft angora or Persian leathers; also the extreme leathers in bright hues in flat vanity styles in silk bags in Persian or batik brocade.

Soft India leathers on attractive frame fitted with coin purse and mirror; tapestry reproductions and petit prints; flat moire vanities of every shade.

\$5.00

Odd shapes in shirred double pocket styles, gathered on fillagree frames. Developed of beaver leather in tans or grays, in black and brown pin seals and in light colored tapestries.

Bag Shop—Main Floor.

Novelty Footwear at a Popular Low Price

Smart Styles in the Newest Leathers and Combinations



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Patent cross-strap pump with color; Cuban heel.

A midget tongue pump in black or brown suede; Spanish heel.

Gray buck sports oxford in bal and blucher styles; flat walking heel.

Black satin Egyptian center strap pump with suede trimming; Cuban heel.

Shoe Shop—Main Floor.

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Styleplus Clothes for Men and Young Men

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2-Pant Suits \$30--\$35 \$40.00

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Latest styles of new spring materials: Worsteds Tweeds Cashmeres Serges Grey Tan Brown Green Pensil Stripes and Mixtures

Parents will do well to take advantage of this offer, for the suits are well made with two pairs of fully lined knickers. All sizes.

Others at \$10.00 to \$27.50

Boys Shop—Third Floor

Children's and Girls' Apparel Special for Thursday Only

Sport Skirts, \$3.95 6 to 14 Years



Girls' Coats 2 to 6 Years \$4.35

Tan, blue, brown and grey models in polo, camels' hair or tweed. Plain or belted lines with full length or half lining, in good quality sateen.

Gingham Dresses 2 to 6 Years

Bright colored, good quality gingham in slip-over and waistline styles. Pleated or gathered skirts, values up to \$2.50. Other Styles 98c

Children's Hats 2 to 6 Years

Gay colored little hats in straw and taffeta, trimmed with ribbon bows, and straw hats. \$1.85 Others Up to \$5.00

Girls' Shop—Third Floor