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PORTLAND MINE TAX DEAL

Rumor that Attempt Will Be Made to Set Aside Compromise.

STATE MAY TAKE ACTION

Attorney General Said to Believe that Company is Liable for Full Amount or for Nothing.

There is a possibility that the arrangement entered into between Pottawattamie county and the Portland Gold Mining company, whereby the latter is to pay \$20,000 and certain costs in full settlement of the 1,000 suits instituted by the county to collect taxes aggregating over \$800,000 from the company and its individual stockholders, may be sought to be set aside.

The movement to have the settlement set aside, if made at all, will come, it is said, from the state authorities. A person who is known to be in the confidence of Attorney General Byers is authority for the statement that the attorney general is opposed to allowing the settlement to stand and that he is considering the advisability of taking steps in court to have it annulled.

It is said that Attorney General Byers holds that a settlement of a suit involving the large amount of money that the Portland company tax case does, such an insignificant sum as \$20,000 is against public policy. The attorney general, it is said, holds further that if the Portland company or its individual stockholders were subject to the payment of taxes on the stock, they were liable for the full amount sued for or nothing at all. Once the suits were begun they should have been determined by the courts to be in the opinion of the attorney general.

The amount that the state will receive from the settlement with the Portland company will be very small, whereas if the 1,000 suits were prosecuted to a successful termination it would receive quite a considerable sum as its proportion of the taxes thus collected. The state, it is contended, was never consulted by the authorities of Pottawattamie county relative to the proposed settlement, and if it had been, the attorney general, it is said, gives it as his opinion that it would not have consented to any such compromise.

That the Portland company and its individual stockholders, if liable at all, are liable for the full amount of taxes assessed against them and this question should have been determined by the courts is the view of the matter expressed, it is said, by the attorney general.

M. E. Schlicher of Minneapolis, a member of the firm of Fleener & Schlicher, who had a contract with Pottawattamie to "ferret" out taxes which had been omitted to be assessed has written to County Auditor Cheyne inquiring when and how the firm of which he is a member may receive its commission on the settlement. Under its contract this firm was to receive 15 per cent of all moneys recovered into the county treasury through its "discoveries" of omitted or unassessed taxes. If the compromise settlement is permitted to stand, will amount to \$2,000.

In his letter to the county auditor Mr. Schlicher says that, while the amount to be paid by the Portland company is much less than the amount due, the settlement of the cases on that basis was doubtless better than to continue the litigation. In view of the uncertainties involved this was the view taken by the Pottawattamie county authorities.

WEEK OF PRAYER SERVICES

Several Omaha Rectors Will Assist at St. Paul's Church.

At the services at St. Paul's Episcopal church yesterday, the rector, Rev. John William Jones, made announcement of the "week of prayer" to be held in that church the same as it will be in other churches throughout the United States. These special services will commence next Sunday and continue over Sunday, December 4.

On the two Sundays services will be held at 8 a. m., 10:15 a. m., 12:30 p. m. and 4 p. m.

p. m. Each evening during the week there will be a service at 7:30 o'clock and the morning services will be as follows: Monday, 10 o'clock; Tuesday, 9 o'clock; Wednesday, 8 o'clock; Thursday, 7 o'clock; Friday, 6 o'clock; Saturday, 10 o'clock.

Each service will be thirty minutes in duration, except the 10:15 o'clock services on Sundays. The Rev. Messrs. Kneckerbocker, Mackay, Brown, John Williams, E. A. Dicks of Omaha will give meditations at the evening services, beginning Monday evening, November 30, in the order named. At the 10:15 a. m. service on Sunday, December 6, W. A. Jaberstro will deliver an address on "Prayer."

OLD FIRE STATION IN DANGER

Structure Started to Slide Into Indian Creek.

For a while yesterday the old fire station at the foot of Bryant street was in imminent danger of sliding backwards into Indian creek. As it was the structure which had been jacked up on blocks preparatory to being moved across the street while the new fire station is being constructed, sank about two feet at the south end.

J. E. Hollenbeck, who has the contract for moving the building, was hastily summoned and about 4 o'clock in the afternoon he got a gang of his crew movers to be drawn on to terra firma and safety. The driving of the piling close to the rear of the building is believed to have been responsible for the building sinking. The constant jarring from the pile driver loosened the bank and yesterday morning a long strip of it subsided about four feet at the rear and east of the fire station.

The first warning the men of No. 22 of Omaha will give meditations at the evening services, beginning Monday evening, November 30, in the order named. At the 10:15 a. m. service on Sunday, December 6, W. A. Jaberstro will deliver an address on "Prayer."

Investigation showed that the south end of the building had dropped about a foot and word was sent to Contractor Hollenbeck to come to the rescue. About 4 o'clock in the afternoon there was another cracking of the timbers and the building settled nearly another foot. It was then decided that the structure must be moved to prevent its toppling into the creek and Hollenbeck and his men got busy. By 8 o'clock the building had been moved about twenty-five feet on to terra firma. Hollenbeck will begin this morning moving the building across the street on to the Steinkop lot, where it will remain until the fire station is completed.

While the building is being moved across the street the chemical wagon has been given shelter in the shed next the patrol house which holds the city ambulance, and the fire horses have been provided with stalls in the police stable. Chief Nicholson's buggy and horse are quartered in a stable at the rear of the lot where the building is to be moved.

Contractor Hollenbeck said that he was unaware that it was the intention of Councilman Seeger to drive piling Sunday, otherwise he would have made arrangements to move the building sooner.

A water pipe directly under the old fire station burst yesterday morning and, owing to the blocking and other timbers under the building, the break could not be got at and the water company was compelled to shut off this main. The closing of this main shut off the water from Vine street to the entire distance from Bryant street to First street, and on Bryant street from Broadway to Washington avenue. This left the city jail and police headquarters without water and residents on Vine street were forced to haul water in buckets from wherever they could obtain a supply.

An effort to locate the break will be made the first thing this morning. It is not known whether a joint was broken or merely the service pipe into the fire station. The break, whatever it may be, is supposed to have been caused either by the jarring of the pile driver or by the weight of the heavy timbers placed under the fire station preparatory to moving it.

WORK FOR SOLONS TO DO

Iowa Legislature Will Have Plenty of Laws to Enact.

TAXING RAILWAY TERMINALS

State to Make Bid for Position in Consular Service—S. H. M. Brera After Swiss Mission.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DES MOINES, Nov. 23.—(Special.)—That the Iowa legislature which meets in January will not be without abundance of business is now certain. Members are already preparing the bills. A part of the session will be devoted to measures relating to business affairs. A meeting of various business organizations is to be held here next month to plan a campaign for a number of measures, among them the following just as a starter for the legislature:

An insurance department, with commissioner appointed by the governor and approved by the senate, to have full charge of the insurance business.

Reorganization of the State Railroad Commission, making positions appointive, as formerly, and greatly increasing salaries, and adding to the powers of the commission.

Exemption of moneys and credits from taxation, providing for taxation of mortgages only when tiled.

Providing for taxing state banks by assessing all stock to the bank as in the case of national banks.

Law for the organization of trust companies separate from banks, strictly to handle trust funds.

Assessment of the terminals of railroads, depots and other property where located instead of including it in the general value of the railroads and distributing the taxes.

New law for graduates in cities, taking it all away from the railroad commission and placing it in control of cities, and making railroads entirely responsible.

Agricultural Extension.

Enlargement of state agricultural department and adding to the funds for the agricultural extension work to the end that Iowa industries should be better known.

Law to require annual dividends on insurance policies and to limit the amount of the laws relating to hail insurance companies.

Laws to stop the pollution of Iowa rivers by sewage from the cities, and to further safeguard the health of the people.

Creation of a state tax commission to advise as to taxation matters in the state.

Iowa in Consular Service.

Orlando H. Baker, one of the Iowa men in the consular service, has been transferred from Sydney, where he had been, to a post at Sandakan, North Borneo, which statement conveys very little to the average reader, who knows as little of Sandakan as the residents of Sandakan do of Iowa. In a recent letter Consul Baker paints a fine picture of Sandakan, and although it is near the tropics he points out that it is regarded as a very healthful place of residence. He does complain, however, of the snakes, lizards, monkeys, orangutans, rhinoceros, and elephants.

Another Iowa man has been located for years in an out-of-the-way place in the Falkland Islands—Consul Bowen. It is recalled that with the death of MacFarland, Iowa now has but three men holding good consular positions in Europe.

For Ministers to Switzerland.

S. H. M. Brera of this city is going hard after the Swiss mission. He has had the backing of the politicians who do things and to secure the position as a reward for political activity in these many years. He formerly lived at Okaloosa and for political services was rewarded with the office of consul general in Chicago, where he became perfectly familiar with the foreign service of the country. Now the consular service is taken out of the hands of the congressman and is made practically a life service. The Swiss mission pays \$4,000 a year. It is supposed there will be no other Iowa man a candidate for any place in the foreign service, in which case it is certain Major Byers will have easy sailing in his ambition.

Sale of Oleomargarine.

The sale of oleomargarine is rapidly increasing in Iowa under a new policy inaugurated, and strange as it may seem, its sale is being pushed right into the city districts. Des Moines has now come to the front as one of the big butter-making cities of the state, is consuming large quantities of oleo for table use. It is sold as oleo or butterine and the forms of the law are complied with. The stuff is not artificially colored, really has so little color in it that it would be difficult to convict the dealers. There are 100 oleo licenses in the state now and their number is increasing as the business is being extended into the small towns. Waterloo has the largest number of licenses, fifteen in all. Des Moines has thirteen. Other cities have: Clinton and Lyons, twelve; Dubuque, ten; Cedar Rapids, thirteen; Independence, five; Fort Dodge, three; Marshalltown, Manchester, Amer and Cedar Falls, two each, and these one each, Burlington, Coggon, New Hartford, Belle Plaine, Haidt, Center City, Cosgrove, Delmar, Denison, Grundy Center, Guttenberg, Hurstville, Iowa City, Iowa Falls, Lamont, Lost Nation, Masonville, Maquoketa, Olin, Onawa, Ottumwa, Parkersburg, Seovers, Winthrop and Wyoming.

Secret Divorce Not in Favor.

Secrecy in divorce cases is not to be longer tolerated in the courts of this county. Judge Brennan has decided that henceforth, at least in his court, there are to be no hearings in private. It has been common to have private hearings in divorce cases and this has resulted in so much scandal that they are to be abandoned.

Candidates for One Place.

There are at least five candidates for one place which will be disposed of by the State Executive Council in January. This is the position of secretary of the council. The place is at present held by A. H. Davidson, who has been largely influential in making the position one of real importance in the state. Now the candidates for the place are Ames, Brera, deputy auditor of state; O. O. Roe, head of the insurance department; D. W. Hites and Cassius Stiles of the archives department, and C. S. Byrkit, formerly deputy secretary of state. It is not certain but that Davidson will be retained.

Will Get a New Curator.

It is expected that on Monday a new curator of the state historical department will be named by Governor Cummins. The library board has recommended a candidate and the governor is considering the matter. The place has been temporarily filled by Mr. Harlan, assistant curator. The names of Prof. Shambaugh of Iowa City and Prof. Herriott of Drake are being considered in connection with the place.

Corporation and Saloons.

MARSHALSTOWN, Ia., Nov. 23.—(Special.)—For the first time since the Iowa court law went into effect the supreme court of the state will be asked to decide whether or not a corporation can own and manage a saloon and sell liquor at retail. This case comes from this city, it having been decided in and appealed from the district court Saturday morning. The supreme court decision will have a widespread influence in the state.

Charles Delhoyde and Charles Marx, saloon managers, were indicted by a recent grand jury for nuisance for the illegal selling of intoxicating liquor. They pleaded not guilty and set up their defense that the Des Moines Mail company owned the saloon, they being only the managers. On a motion to dismiss the case was taken from the jury by Judge Bradshaw and a verdict for the saloon managers given. The state, through the county attorney, will appeal, basing its appeal on the moot law, which it contends gives the right to retail liquor only to individuals.

OFFICER IS KILLED AT MURRAY

Bulgarian Railway Employee Attack Deputies with Search Warrant.

OSCEOLA, Ia., Nov. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Howard Martin was killed at Murray last night by having his skull crushed by a member of a Bulgarian gang, in what proved to be a pitched battle in the dark. A search warrant for stolen goods was sworn out by O. E. Garret, Mayor Ruffler deputized Martin, with others, and they started to search four cars occupied by the foreigners. When they reached the second car the occupants resisted and fired through the door.

A fusillade followed, several hundred shots being fired. But one of two men were wounded.

Martin's body was not found until morning. A fire alarm was turned in and 300 armed men gathered quickly, but the Bulgarians surrendered at daylight without opposition and all are under arrest. They claim that they thought it was robbers, as Saturday was payday.

Murray is in a state of great excitement and violence is threatened. Martin was a butcher and 40 years of age.

ORDER IN TELEPHONE CASE

Independents in Ohio and Indiana Take Fight Against Bell Companies into Court.

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 23.—(United States Judge Taylor yesterday, granted an injunction against the American Telephone and Telegraph company (Bell, long-distance system) and the Central Union Telephone company (Bell company operating in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois), restraining them from interfering with the business of the independent companies operating in those and adjoining states. The injunction was granted at Cleveland, upon the application of Clarence Brown, general counsel, and James S. Bralley, Jr., president of the United States Telephone company, the Independent Distance Telephone company operating in Ohio and adjoining states in a suit brought by that company.

It is charged the Bell company is pursuing the policy of buying independent exchanges or selling Bell exchanges where there are competing companies, and in some instances absorbing independent companies, by merger and consolidation, or division of territory, so as to eliminate competition and establish a complete Bell control. This is said to be in violation not only of the Sherman anti-trust law, but also of the laws of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and other states. The policy is said to be shown by the official reports of the officers and directors of the Bell company to their stockholders.

WOMEN'S DUEL EXAGGERATED

Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Crabtree of Gainesville, Mo., Fight, but Neither is Injured.

GAINESVILLE, Mo., Nov. 23.—The story sent from here last night to the effect that Mrs. James Crabtree and Mrs. Frank Graham, Indiana and Ohio women, had fought a duel to the death in the Ozark woods, which was exaggerated. There was a fight between the women, but neither was seriously hurt.

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Women who are sick and want to get well should refuse to accept any substitute for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

ALL NOW QUIET IN CHINA

Fear of Possible Outbreaks Causes Regret to Take Unusual Precautions.

PEKING, Nov. 23.—While all is quiet at Peking, detachments of troops guard the city gates and gendarms are on duty at the approaches of the foreign legations. The government has not ceased to take precautionary measures, for revolutionists are spreading all kinds of reports, which might set firebrands to the spirit of uneasiness underlying present conditions in China.

There have been rumors of an insurrectionary movement in the south, but this has proved to be only a minor outbreak amongst the artillery and cavalry stationed at Nanking.

Nevertheless it has been thought advisable to post a guard at each of the gates of Peking and half companies of Chinese regulars are now under arms at these points.

TRACTION DEAL IN CHICAGO

Surface and Elevated Lines and Proposed Subway to Have Unified Control.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—The Record-Herald tomorrow will say that plans for the unification under the control of one company of all the surface and elevated railroad lines in Chicago, together with the proposed subway, are under consideration by local traction men and eastern capitalists. The electrical corporation which now furnishes most of the power is said to be the prospective operating body. John J. Mitchell, president of the Illinois Trust and Savings bank, declared that the combination could not be effected for many months.

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APHTHOUS FEVER SPREADS

Two Cows Suffering with Disease Found in Dairy in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 23.—The first cattle in this city found to be suffering from aphthous fever, or hoof and mouth disease, were located today through the department of health and charities. Inspectors learned that four cattle had been shipped from an infected district near Norristown, Montgomery county, to Jacob Haesler, a dairyman. It was found that two cows were suffering from the fever.

A report that reached Dr. Leonard Pearson, the state veterinarian, that eight cattle had been shipped from an infected district to a slaughter house in the lower section of the city, caused the inspector to quarantine that place also and order the destruction of the cows and 113 sheep in the yards with them.

Dr. Herbert Fox, chief of the laboratory of the state department of health, who was sent to Danville last week to examine seven children supposed to have contracted the disease, said today that there need be little fear of the fever becoming epidemic among humans. He said he does not believe the disease is inter-communicable between cattle and men by butter and milk.

BUFFALO, Nov. 23.—"The tustion looks good," said Commissioner Pearson of the state department of agriculture tonight.

"No new cases of the foot and mouth disease have been discovered in western New York since last Tuesday and unless unfavorable developments come on the reopening of the East Buffalo stock yards should be but a matter of a few days."

The commissioner returned from Albany this morning and spent the day at East Buffalo with P. B. Wende, Dr. John Clark and Sheriff Smith watching the progress of the work of cleaning the yards and passing upon applications for permits for through shipments of live stock.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 23.—Dr. Frank J. Fless of the local branch of the bureau of animal industry, with two other veterinaries, inspected today the herds of cattle in Livonia township, twenty miles from this city, where hoof and mouth disease is suspected. Four farms were visited and about 100 cattle were found afflicted with the suspected disease. After his inspection Dr. Fless said he would not state positively that the cattle have hoof and mouth disease, as the sickness resembles in some respects myocotic stomatitis. He reported the situation tonight to the bureau of animal industry at Washington, with a request that experts be sent to further examine the suspected herds, which have been placed in quarantine.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 23.—Four men perished in an attempt to rescue a miner.

SALT LAKE CITY, Nov. 23.—Four men perished yesterday in the working of the Utah Copper company's mine at Bingham. When the day shift withdrew it was known that one Italian miner, Diminich Shatta, lay unconscious and probably lifeless in one of the mine levels where he had gone in the performance of his duty. Another miner was thought to be missing.

Foreman P. Kent Smith started down an incline tunnel, followed by Hugh Burns and George White. Two shafts withdrew it was not return. Other mine employes waited a reasonable time and then ventured into the tunnel, after taking the precaution to tie ropes to their waists.

Smith and his companions were found where they had fallen in their struggle to regain the outer air. Shatta was found later. He had been dead for hours. The second missing Italian was not in the mine.

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In speaking of his success in New York Cooper said: "It is this way everywhere I go. As I have said before, the stomach causes most of the ill-health of this generation. Any successful popular medicine's New Discovery puts the digestive apparatus in shape, then nature does the rest."

"I no longer have to make any claims for the medicine. I let others do the talking; this beats anything I could say on the subject. Nine out of ten cure in a day have been sent by friends who are taking the medicine. More people are now calling to thank me for the relief my treatment has brought them than I have time to talk with. What could I say that would compare with this?"

The following is a sample of what people say who, as Cooper stated, are now coming in numbers to thank him:

George Bedell, of No. 371 Marion street, Brooklyn, when interviewed, said: "Others have had their say about this Cooper medicine, so I will give mine. I am within one month of sixty-five years old, and have had chronic gastric indigestion, distention of the stomach, and extreme constipation for twenty-five years. During every year of this time I have been consulting physicians and specialists and I have taken enough pills and prescriptions to load a boat."

"For from seven to nine days at a time I have suffered the torments of purgatory, with no relief. During this time I would be bent double with cramps, and not even take liquid food, and would not get a wink of sleep."

"When I first heard of Cooper being in New York, O. said, 'here's another Westerner who has come to get Eastern money; well, he gets none of mine.' After a while I heard of many people who were being benefited, and I figured that New York, I said, 'here's another Westerner day about a month ago I stumbled in to see him, so weak I could hardly stand up. I took the treatment none and at the end of the first week began to see some results. I continued, and at the end of the third week I felt actually like a dead man brought back to life."

"I have been a great smoker all my life, but of late years I have had to stop. I could no longer relish a smoke, as the tobacco sickened me. I now smoke with greater enjoyment than for many years, with an evil effect. I can sleep soundly in any position, and do not toss and thrash. In fact, all my complaints have disappeared. I have thanked God every day for the past two weeks that this man came to New York. I hope he lives long to enjoy his success, for if ever a man deserved it he does."

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