COMMISSIONER ACCEPTED A BRIBE

Alleged to Have Taken Money for Favorable Report on N. W. Nat'l Life Ins. Co.

SO SAYS ITS EX-PRESIDENT.

He Also Feathered His Own Nest in Ways Known to "High Financiers."

Minneapolis, May 10.—The attorneys tomorrow will begin their summing up in the case of the state vs. W. F. Bechtel, former president of the Northwestern National Life Insurance company, who is charged with grand larceny in having appropriated to his own use $3,500 of the funds of the company. The cross examination of Mr. Bechtel was completed at such a late hour today that the court ordered an adjournment until tomorrow before permitting the attorneys to begin their arguments.

The testimony given by Mr. Bechtel in his direct examination and the information elicited from the witness on cross examination by Atty. Dahl was sensational in the extreme.

The charge Mr. Bechtel made that a former insurance commissioner of Minnesota had accepted a bribe of $5,000 for a favorable report on the proposed consolidation of the Northwestern Mutual and National Life associations had been considered by the grand jury which brought the indictment against Mr. Bechtel and in its report the grand jury severely reprobated the alleged conduct of the insurance commissioner, but said that he was exempt from prosecution because of the statute of limitations.

The amounts paid through Mr. Bechtel for the "reimbursement" of Dr. J. F. Force, former president of the National Life association, according to testimony brought out, aggregated $113,500, of which no record is found in the Northwestern National's books.

Other sensational statements made by Bechtel while on the stand related to personal profits made by transactions supposedly carried on for the benefit of the company. The company contracted to re-insure an Iowa company, but instead of doing it Bechtel turned the contract over to a California company at a profit of $40,000.

The Minneapolis auditorium building, which the Northwestern National Life erected, also was gone into, and it was shown that Bechtel owned the site selected for the building and that it was sold to the company at a high profit to Bechtel of $40,000.

Mr. Bechtel was cross examined at the afternoon session. He said he kept no record of the funds of the company in relation to his personal accounts. He persisted in maintaining that the $3,500 had been used in the company's services and that he had simply reimbursed himself for a legitimate expenditure.

Atty. Dahl introduced a letter written by Bechtel to Albert H. Reed of Colorado, in which he made the statement that he had used the $3,500 to reimburse himself for money he had paid for the good of the company as legislative expenses, during a session of the legislature.

BURIED BY THE COUNTY.

Unknown Man Found Beside Track In Wyoming.

Laramie, Wyo., May 10.—The coroner's inquest on the body of the man found lying beside the track between Lookout and Rock river, and who died after being taken to Hanna, did not develop the man's name or identity, or lead to anything tangible as to the man who assaulted him.

The two men arrested and held at Hanna were discharged, there being no evidence against either, although they admitted that they had been with the man before he lost consciousness, and they said he had told them the name of his assailant. He was buried by the county.

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GOV. PARDEE IS AVERSE TO AN EXTRA SESSION.

San Francisco, May 10.—Although being strongly urged by many influential interests to call an early special session of the state legislature, Gov. Pardee is in no haste to take action in the matter. He openly declared himself against a precipitate course today, saying.

"It is better not to have any legislation at all than to enact bad laws."

That there is urgent need of unusual legislation to meet the distressing result of the disasters that have befallen San Francisco, Santa Rosa and San Jose, the governor readily admits, but he insists upon having a program for the legislators mapped out before he issues his convening call. As an outcome of his statements the committee on special legislation today decided to draft a call for the legislature and to frame the bills which the governor will be asked to recommend for enactment. The governor will privately discuss the call and the bills with the committee and when they are arranged to conform with his ideas, the legislators will be summoned together at Sacramento.

Another step toward former civic conditions was made today when a portion of the United States marines were sent back to their ships and stations. The balance will leave tomorrow. These men have been doing patrol and sentry duty and their conduct in general has been admirable. The state troops are being gradually sent home and it is understood that the necessity for the presence of the regular soldiers will soon cease to exist. The rougher element and the criminal classes have gone elsewhere, the presence of the soldiers and the utter absence of liquor furnishing the main reasons for their departure, and the usual police force is now nearly in a position to maintain order.

S. F. CITY VAULTS SAFE.

San Francisco, May 10.—The vault of the city treasurer, which had been in the fire, was opened today. The interior was found in good condition. The vault contained $5,200,000 gold, and this was removed to the mint.

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Ex-Agent Wilhoit Says it Was Not Called That, Explaining How It Was Done.

Chicago, May 10.—Corruption of railroad employes and agents of independent oil companies, dishonest methods of procuring land leases, the giving of short measure and the selling of three different kinds of oil out of the same tank and misrepresentations as to the quality of the oil sold, were charged against the Standard Oil company at today's hearing before the interstate commerce commission.

Incidentally it was charged that the 'Frisco road gives a rate of 2 cents a hundred to the Standard Oil company when it charges competitors of that corporation 10 times as much for the same haul. The inquiry was held under an order of Congress, and this session held here today was along the same lines as that held some time ago in Kansas City.

The principal witness of today was E. M. Wilhoit of Springfield, Mo., formerly for 10 years agent of the Standard Oil company at Topeka. It was he who made the charge of bribery and dishonesty against the company, and said that the 'Frisco road discriminated in favor of the Standard Oil company. Other witnesses for the day were H. C. Deran of Fremont, O.; E. P. Ripley, president of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road, and M. Maxon, a former agent of the Standard Oil company in Illinois. The last witness gave testimony which in many instances was the same as that given by Mr. Wilhoit.

The first witness was E. M. Wilhoit of Springfield, Mo., now an independent operator, who, 10 years ago, was an agent of the Standard Oil company.

Mr. Wilhoit said that fully three grades of oil were sold from the same tank by agents of the Standard Oil company.

Several letters were read by the witness in which he was instructed to watch shipments in his territory and report the name of every customer of the independent concerns and the amount and quality of oil received by him. He said that he had bribed clerks in the offices of the Rock Island, Santa Fe and Missouri Pacific to give him lists of shipments to the customers of independent companies. He told also of bribing teamsters in order to obtain information.

"Cylinder oil is the most profitable sold," said the witness, "and the Standard Oil company dislikes to have any independent sell any of this grade. Our instructions were that if we found a competitor selling this oil in our territory to cut the price so as to get orders and then substitute an inferior grade of oil and guarantee it to be of superior quality."

"Did you ever give short measure to your customers?" asked Commissioner Prouty.

"Well, we did not call it that," replied the witness. "I was frequently advised by agents of the company that my stock was not showing up as it should, and was told that it was a simple matter to sell 205 to 208 gallons from a 200-gallon load of oil. The company explained this by saying that oil expanded in the wagon."

Attorney Miller, for the Standard Oil company, broke in at this point to inquire the scope of the investigation. He said that it was his understanding that the power of the commission was limited to an investigation of the relations of the company with common carriers, and that so far not the slightest evidence upon that point had been given. He was opposed, he said, to the raking of muck and scandal by going back 10 years in history.

"For your information I will assure you that the Standard Oil company is doing the very same things today," said Mr. Wilhoit.

"I object to that statement," shouted Atty. Miller.

Commissioner Clements, in answer to the inquiry of Mr. Miller, said that it was desired to obtain all the information possible and report it for the consideration of Congress.

Mr. Deran was asked for the official record of the trust agreement of the Standard Oil company as contained in a case tried in Ohio, and it was introduced into the record of the hearing.

A pipe line way drawn by W. W. Tarbell of Philadelphia was introduced. It was said that it discloses secret lines unknown to any but officials of the company. The map will be verified at the hearing in Philadelphia next week.

E. P. Ripley, president of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway, was then called to the stand. He was asked concerning agreements of the railroad company with a number of companies alleged to be subsidiary companies of the Standard Oil company.

"The first contract," said President Ripley, "was with a man in Kansas City to lay a pipe line on our right of way for $40 a mile. The next was for a line from Kansas City to Joliet, and for this we received $50 per mile. We got $250,000 for hauling the pipe. I was very sorry to see the pipe line built, but, as it had to be done, I did the best I could out of it."

"Is there any contract between your company and the Standard or any of the subsidiary companies for furnishing the road with lubricating oil?" asked Commissioner Prouty.

"Our purchasing agent can tell you better."

Mr. Ripley declared that two of the oil companies with which he made contracts are affiliated with the Standard Oil company.

"Didn't you raise the rate in Kansas on oil when the pipe line was put in?" asked Atty. Monnett.

"We did, but we carried oil before the pipe line was put in, and we have carried none since."

He was asked if the rate on gas oil was not lowered, and that on crude oil raised, and answered that it was.

"When the crude oil was piped the rate was raised, but the rate on gas oil was lowered, it being shipped; is not that so?"

"It is," replied President Ripley.

The last witness of the day was M. Maxon, formerly agent of the Standard Oil company at various points in Illinois. He said that the Standard Oil company, through subsidiary companies, fought the independent dealers by reducing rates in their territory, and although the reductions were not made in the name of the Standard Oil company, it was in reality that concern which was making them. He said that the state oil inspectors did not, except in rare instances, inspect barrels of oil, and that many of them left their stencils in the hands of the Standard Oil company over night.

The hearing will be continued tomorrow.

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TROUBLE ON THE ISTHMUS.

If it Interferes With Canal Work Will Justify Interference.

Washington, May 10.—Revolutionary movements or election troubles in Panama, which in any way interfere with the work of the canal zone, justify the interference of the United States in support of the Panama government.

Such is the tenor of the instructions sent to Gov. Magoon of the canal zone by Secy. Taft, who also submitted to Gov. Magoon a letter from Secy. Root of the state department, setting forth in detail what is stated to be the justification of American interference in case of disorder in any part of Panama.

The emphatic setting forth of the position of the United States, it is believed, will prevent serious trouble at the elections to be held in June. As Secy. Taft makes it clear that any disorder in the republic will hinder canal work, his letter will be doubly discouraging to opponents of President Amador, who are represented to have been planning a movement against him outside of the canal zone, believing that the United States would not suppress any insurrection unless it extends within the zone.

THE DUKE CASE APPEALED.

Trenton, N. J., May 10.—Counsel for Mrs. Duke today filed an appeal carrying to the court of errors and appeals the divorce granted to her husband, James B. Duke.

CONFERENCE ON REBUILDING.

New York, May 10.—Secretary Shaw today held further conferences with leading banking interests regarding the various plans for rebuilding of San Francisco.

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No. 63—For Nephi and Sanpete Valley..... ..... 8:00 a.m.
No. 53—For Garfield .....11:30 a.m.
No. 65—For Nephi ..... 4:45 p.m.
No. 61—For Nephi and Lynn .... 8:30 p.m.

ARRIVE DAILY.

No. 8—Los Angeles Limited .... 8:35 p.m.
No. 2—Los Angeles Express .....6:30 a.m.
No. 62—From Lynn & Nephi.... 9:50 a.m.
No. 54—From Garfield ..... 1:25 p.m.
No. 66—From Nephi & Sanpete Valley .... 1:30 p.m.
No. 64—From Nephi ..... 8:45 p.m.
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No. 8—From Ogden, Portland Butte and San Francisco..... 8:30 a.m.
No. 6—From Ogden and Intermediate Points ..... 9:30 a.m.
No. 12—From Ogden, Cache Valley and Intermediate Points.. 11:45 a.m.
No. 18—From Chicago, Omaha, Ogden and Intermediate Points ..... 4:25 p.m.
No. 2—From Ogden, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, Denver and San Francisco..... 5:15 p.m.
No. 10—From Ogden, Cache Valley, Butte, Portland, and San Francisco ..... 7:35 p.m.

DEPART.

No. 5—For Ogden, Omaha, Chicago, Denver, Kansas City and St. Louis ..... 7:10 a.m.
No. 7—For Ogden, Portland, Butte, San Francisco and Intermediate Points ..... 10:30 a.m.
No. 1.—For Ogden, Omaha, Chicago, Denver, Kansas City, St. Louis and San Francisco.. 1:30 p.m.
No. 11—For Ogden, Cache Valley and Intermediate Points... 4:05 p.m.
No. 17—For Ogden, Omaha, Chicago and Intermediate Points. 5:55 p.m.
No. 3—For Ogden, Denver, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Louis and Chicago ..... 6:05 p.m.
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No. 10—For Heber, Provo and Marysvale ..... 8:00 a.m.
No. 102—For Park City ..... 8:15 a.m.
No. 6—For Denver and East... 8:50 a.m.
No. 11—For Ogden and Local Points ..... 10:25 a.m.
No. 5—For Ogden and West.... 10:35 a.m.
No. 1—For Ogden and West... 1:45 p.m.
No. 2—For Denver and East.... 3:50 p.m.
No. 8—For Provo and Eureka. 5:00 p.m.
No. 112—For Bingham ..... 8:10 a.m.
No. 114—For Bingham..... 3:00 p.m.
No. 13—For Ogden and Local Points ..... 6:05 p.m.
No. 4—For Denver and East.... 8:00 p.m.
No. 3—For Ogden and West..... 11:10 p.m.

ARRIVE SALT LAKE CITY.

No. 6—From Ogden and the West ..... 2:40 a.m.
No. 12—From Ogden and Local Points ..... 9:50 a.m.
No. 7—From Eureka and Provo 10:00 a.m.
No. 5—From Denver and East. 10:25 a.m.
No. 1—From Denver and East. 1:25 p.m.
No. 14—From Ogden..... 2:25 p.m.
No. 2—From Ogden and the West ..... 3:40 p.m.
No. 101—From Park City ..... 5:15 p.m.
No. 9—From Heber, Provo and Marysvale ..... 6:00 p.m.
No. 113—From Bingham ..... 10:50 a.m.
No. 115—From Bingham ..... 5:40 p.m.
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