LINES TIGHTEN ON BEEF TRUST

Judge Landis, in Charge to the Grand Jury, Opens the Fight in Chicago

SAYS HE STARTED THE HUNT

Declares That He Mentioned It to District Attorney on Jan. 20 and on Jan. 22 Washington "Functionaries" Told of Anti-Trust Plans.

Chicago, Jan. 27.-In one of the most remarkable charges ever delivered to a Federal Grand Jury, Judge Kenesaw M. Landls formally launched the inquiry that is to be made into the alleged combination among the big Chicago packing concerns in restraint of trade

Excordiating the Department of Justice at Washington in sizzling language, and referring to certain of its members as "governmental functionaries," Judge Landis deplored the forecast published in the newspapers concerning the plans of federal officials to place the Beef Trust under a legal fire and seek the conviction of those believed to be responsible for an illegal

Such disclosures on the part of federal legal officials and the press, he asserted, not only tend to obstruct the orderly administration of justice, but also inflict a wrong upon any individual whose conduct is under scrutiny.

A stir was created in the court room when Judge Landis informed the members of the Grand Jury that he had reached the conclusion some time ago to call the attention of that body to "alleged circumstances and conditions" connected with the fresh meat inquiry. He said he called the attention of District Attorney Edwin W. Sims on January 20 to his plan of advising the grand jurors to consider the subject, and that two days thereafter long despatches came from Washington informing the public that the Department of Justice was fully primed for an attack on the "Beef Barons" that probably would land some of them behind the bars.

TAFT TO WAR ON THE TRUSTS.

Start Made in a Crusade of Wide Extent.

Washington, Jan. 26 .- With the beef trust already under fire and the Standard Oll and American Tobacco Company cases in the hands of the Supreme Court, it was made known on high authority that the Administration is planning a crusade of "trust busting" such as this country has never seen since the passage of the Sherman anti-trust law about twenty years ago.

President Taft, it was made known, s waiting only for the decision of the Supreme Court in the Standard Oil and Tobacco cases before he begins als campaign against the trusts.

CHILDREN FORCED TO WORK.

High Prices of Food Driving Them from Schools at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Jan. 26,-High prices of neat and other foods are forcing chilren out of the schools into the facory and workshop. This statement as made to-day by W. W. Williams, tate Factory Inspector. His office is lled with children who desire to quit chool and go to work. Each must ave a certificate from the Factory aspector before being allowed to do

When children leave school to ork, Inspector Williams inquires the eason, and almost without exception he great number of applicants in the ast ten days, he says, have given the ost of living as the reason.

The applications for child labor perwits have almost doubled for the first alf of January, as compared with the previous month.

BANDIT-SUICIDE IDENTIFIED.

Prosperous Realty Man Who Killed Himself After Robbery.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 25.-The earch for Vincent Vander Weyde, a rosperous young real estate broker, lirty years old, who last Thursday isappeared from the home of his idowed mother at No. 415 West One undred and Fifteenth street, ended the Brooklyn morgue yesterday orning when the robber who on that ame day murderously assaulted a trooklyn jeweler and took carbolic cid when the police got him was dentified as the missing man. Dr. harles E. Dennison, the family phycian and for years a personal friend Vander Weyde, made the identifica-

A sudden attack of insanity is the aly explanation the physician can ve for the young man's deeds. He id a good income, no business troues, and his home life was happy.

A HOLD-UP FAILS.

ngineer Opens Throttle Wide and Saves \$15,000.

Huntington, W. Va., Jan. 26,-Four en, armed with Winchesters, atupted to hold up Lex Coleman, payaster of the Knox Creek Lumber ampany, near Devon. Coleman had 5,000 in cash with him and was board a yard engine. The engineer rew the throttle wide open and taked by the bandits, amid a shower bullets.

GIRLS LEAP TO DEATH IN SUDDEN FIRE PANIC

Shirt Waist Factory Employes Perish in Philadelphia Blaze-Fire Escapes Useless.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 27.-Pire persons-four girls and one manleaped to their death in a panic caused by a fire in the four story factory building at Nos. 208-210 Chanceller street, near Second and Walnut streets. Five others received injuries from which they will probably die, and many more were less seriously The property damage is esti-

mated at \$50,000. The dead are Morris Pessan, aged twenty-six, fractured skull; Clara Swartz, aged eighteen, crushed by fall; Ida Greenberg, twenty, burned and crushed; Rebecca Kaufman, n neteen, fractured skull, and Elizabeth Chachkin, sixteen, burned and crush-

The probably fatally injured are Rebecca Chachkin, aged fourteen, fractured skull, internal injuries and burns; Hyman Belokin, aged twentyfive, both legs and arms broken and probably internal injuries; Sarab Cohen, seriously burned and probably internally injured; Philip Poklos, arm and both legs fractured; unidentified negro woman, overcome by smoke and

Nearly all of the dead and severely injured were employed in the shirt waist factory of Joseph Chachkin. which occupied part of the fourth floor of the building. Chachkin himself was injured. One of his daughters is dead and another dving.

The flames, which originated in the elevator shaft on the fourth floor, are supposed to have been caused by the short circuiting of the electric motor which ran the elevator.

The girls and men in Chachkin's factory became panic stricken and jumped wildly from the fourth story windows. Men on the street spread blankets and an awning to break their falls, but in the dense smoke which filled the narrow street many fell to the pavement before the improvised fire nets could be extended for them.

The building was perfectly equipped with fire escapes, and nearly every window had a rope. These proved useless, however, owing to the panic. One man instead of lowering the rope and sliding down it jumped from the window with the loose end in his hands. He died with a fractured skull. Others had their hands burned to the bone by their rapid descent on the

FARMER BEARS THE LOSS.

Packers Take None of the Reduction In Meat and Butter.

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 27.-The meat boycott is hitting the farmer instead of the beef trust, and instead of the great corporation suffering it is making money out of the people by purchasing its live stock at lower prices and selling at the old prices. The same conditions prevail in the butter market, which is controlled by the packers and in which the reduction in prices is saddled on to the farmers.

At the South Omaha stock yards cattle, sheep and hogs are bringing less than ten days ago, but the wholesale price of fresh meats has not changed.

Omaha is the largest producer of butter in the world. When prices dropped six cents a pound to-day announcement was sent to all dairymen that beginning to-morrow they will get a proportionately lower price for their cream, thus throwing all the loss on the farmers.

PLUCK AVERTED FLOOD.

How Austin, Pa., was Saved from Disaster Like That of Johnstown.

Austin, Pa., Jan. 27.-Heroic work by men of Austin has saved this town from a disaster similar to that which almost wiped out Johnstown twenty years ago.

A concrete dam, restraining a huge volume of water, showed signs of giving way yesterday, and three hundred families went to the hills where they remained all last night.

When the break was discovered, however, a large gang of workmen, na Schumacher, a young girl of Rechassisted by many volunteers, set to work blasting one end of the breast of the dam. Others, at the risk of their lives, worked all night trying to reach a release valve at the bottom of the dam. They finally succeeded, and the water was gradually released until all danger was passed.

SMALLPOX KILLS 1,000.

Record of One Chinese City for a Week.

Amoy, China, Jan. 25,-Native reports estimate that a thousand deaths from smallpox, principally among children, have occurred at Chang-Chow, one of the largest cities of China, during the last week.

Joseph A. Graham Dead.

Salisbury, Md., Jan. 25 .- Joseph A. Graham, a widely known editor and author, died at his home here to-day. He was at different times connected with the Kansas City Times, the St. Louis Republic, the Philadelphia North American and Public Ledger, the St. Paul Dispatch and the Omaha Bee.

Teaching 4.000 Sallors to Swim. Washington, Jan. 25 .- Manoeuvres are not the only activities of the battleship fleet now at Guantanamo. A regiment of seamen and a battallop of marines encamped ashore for a fortnight for small arm target practice and drill and 4,000 men who cannot swim are being instructed.

OFFERS A ROYALTY FOR ALASKA GOAL

John E. Ballaine Says Government Would Get \$50,000,000 by Suggested Lease

A REVENUE OF \$8,000,000,000

Proposal Made in Opposition to Bill Practically Giving Lands Away-Fighting \$10 an Acre Lease Plan Which is Under Advisoment.

Washington, Jan. 27.- A new factor appeared in the already excited sicuation over the Alaska coal lands, on the eve of the beginning of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation, which largely concerns that question. John E. Ballaine of Seattle, said to be the largest individual property owner in Alaska, has proposed to the Senata Committee on Territories, of which Senator Beverldge is Chairman, to pay the Government a royalty of 50 cents a ton on coal mines for the lease of 5,000 acres of some of the choicest coal lands in Alaska. Such a royalty would not to the Government, Mr. Ballaine says, as high as \$2,000,000 a hundred scres.

This proposal is made in opposition to another proposition embodied in a bill which has been prepared, but not yet introduced, designed to permit he sale or lease of such lands at \$10 an acre. It is said that the general features of this plan have the approval of officials high in the Administration and of influential members of both houses of Congress.

Mr. Ballaine offers to enter into a bond of \$1,000,000 with the Covernment for the performance of his part of the agreement which he proposes, and charges that "other interests" have now at work in Washington a lobby "headed by a former United States Senator" in support of the bill referred to above, under whose provisions the Government would extend an unconditional guarantee to a railroad or railroads which these interests purpose to build in Alaska and would virtually donate to them at \$10 per acre one or more tracts of 5.000 acres each to be selected by them.

Mr. Ballaine quoted the United States Geological Survey as stating in one of its recent reports that there are 16,000,000,000 tons of coal in sight in the known coal areas of Alaska and and probably at least as much again in regions yet unexplored, and he pointed out that the leasing of these areas on a royalty basis such as he was offering for an area of only 5,000 acres would ultimately bring to the Government a net revenue from that source exceeding \$8,000,000,000.

RESCUE 115 AT SEA.

Captain, Wife and Crew Lashed to Masts All Day.

Edgartown, Mass., Jan. 25.-The schooner Mertie B. Crowley, one of the few sixmasters flying the Amelican flag, lies a total wreck on the reefs miles off the southeast end of Martha's Vineyard Island, Already the Crowley has broken in two, and great seas are fast smashing her stort timbers to pieces. She was bound from Baltimore for Boston with con!

To the bravery of the skipper, Levi Jackson, and his crew of four men. of the Edgartown fishing smack Priscilla is due the rescue of the fifteen persons aboard-Captain Haskell, Mrs. Haskell and thirteen members of the Crowley's crew. Mrs. Haskell. like the others, had been lashed for ten hours to the rigging of the battered schooner.

CONFESSES GIRL'S MURDER.

James K. Hall Admits He Killed Anna Schumacher in Rochester.

Portsmouth, N. H., Jan. 25 .- James K. Hall, a sailor now imprisoned on the United States prisonship Southery. confessed to the brutal murder of Anester, N. Y. She was strangled to death last August in Holy Sepulchro Cemetery, near that city, where she had gone to place flowers on her brother's grave.

Hall, who is of Swedish descent and hails from Minnesota, did not spare himself in his confession. The brutality of his words matched the brutality

Buy Texas Lands with Whiskey.

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 27,-James B. Aitkin, of Fort Worth, said here today that he has completed the sale of 100,000 acres of land in Brewster and Presidio counties for 100,000 gailons of whiskey. The land, which has been purchased by distillers of Dayton, Ohio, is valued at \$1.10 an

Sixth Cavalry Back from Manila.

San Francisco, Jan. 14.—The army transport Sheridan arrived to-day from Manila, carrying the Sixth Cavalry, whose term of service in the Philippines has expired. The troopers have been ordered to Fort Des Moines, Ia.

Ezra Kendall Dead.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 25.-Ezra F. Kendall, one of the best known comedigns of the country, who has been starring in "The Vinegar Buyer" for several years, died suddenly at a sanitarium in Martinsville, Ind. Apoplexy was the immediate cause of his death. Starin estate.

WORLD NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Covering Minor Happenings From All Over the Globe

DOMESTIC.

Ten of the largest milk retalling companies announced that eight conta a bottle would be their price for mild in future.

Innocent investors who lost heavily by the collapse in Hocking Coal and fron are planning to sue the members of the pool, who they claim are responsible for their losses.

The United States Steel directors declared a quarterly dividend of 1 100 cent, on the common stock with an ... tra dividend of 3-4 of 1 per cent. Warner M. Van Norden, President

cused two women of the theft of \$28, 000 from his pocket. Herbert J. Dennison, a magician who has been in insane asyluma, was arrested, in the belief he was the mur-

of the Van Norden Trust Company, ac-

derer of little Robert Lomas and Arthur Shibley. President Cortelyou of the Consolidated Gas Company, of New York, in his annual report said the earnings were 2.73 per cent; that the expected increase in gas consumption from the 80-cent law has not taken place. The company may again appeal to the

courts. The Alexander Campbell Milk Company, of Brooklyn, reduced the price of wilk to eight cents.

Rubbi Charles Fleischer, of Boston. preached a sermon in which he advocated early marriages and small fami-

The forces of the government gathered at Chicago preparatory to beginning the investigation into the high price of meat

Floods in the Susequehanna River caused heavy damage near Havre de Grace, Md.

By a decision rendered in the federal court at Kansas City the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad was enjoined from refusing shipments of liquor into the "dry" states of Kansas and Oklahoma.

Inquiry is made into an alleged gift of \$2,000,000 worth of United States Independent Telephone stock to W. J. Conners, chairman of the New York State Democratic Committee.

"Al" Kaufman, of San Francisco. defeated "Jack" O'Brien, of Philadelphia, in a six round bout before the National Athletic Club, Philadelphia. WASHINGTON.

The fortifications appropriation bill was passed by the Senate and a measure creating a new national forest in Montana was considered.

President Taft issues a statement denving sensational stories of an impending, indiscriminate prosecution of important industries. It was announced that President

Taft is preparing a special message on the high cost of living. Robert L. O'Brien, editor of the

Boston Transcript, says it is plain the government's postal loss comes from magazine transmission and urges a complete departmental overhauling. Washington reports a growing fear

of the attitude of Mr. Taft and Attorney General Wickersham by the

Senators Nelson, Flint and Smoot are leaders of a revolt against President Taft's policies in the Senate.

It was said at Washington that friends of Speaker Cannon were in favor of his retirement as Speaker for the good of the party, as well as of a new House leader in place of Representative Payne.

Senator Penrose demands such reclassification of magazines and periodicals as will end the government loss of \$63,000,000 annually.

Addressing the Association of Life-Insurance Presidents in Washington, Gov. Hughes warned them against any attempt by bribery to thwart legislative attacks upon the interests of polscy-holders.

FOREIGN.

The floods in Paris continued to rise at the rate of half an inch of water an hour, and no immediate relief is expected.

Lord Minto, in opening the Imperial Legislative Council of India, in Calcutta, warned the members that the preachings of the revolutionary press would not be allowed.

A special dispatch from London says it is now estimated that the Liberals will have a majority of 118, including Laborites and Nationalists.

in the next House of Commons. The flood situation in France is becoming desperate, Premier Briand declares.

Floods did great damage in Paris and rendered hundreds homeless. A special dispatch from London says the incoming Liberal govern-

ment in England will depend for existence on the Irish vote. Rivers in the East of France have overflowed their banks, following a violent storm of forty-eight hours' du-

ration. Fire destroyed the Palace of Cheragan, one of the finest on the Bosphorus, where the Turkish Chamber of Deputies held its sessions.

GLEN ISLAND BRINGS \$600,000.

Ignatius Roth Buys Old Picnic Property from John H. Starin's Heirs. New York, N. Y., Jan. 26 .- Ignatius Roth, an importer of cloths, paid 2600,000 for Glen Island, formerly a well known amusement resort and at one time the country home of the late John H. Starin. The sellers were Caroline Starin Carroll, Harriet M. Spraker and Gen. Howard Carroll, executors and trustees of the John II.

ALIEN CONVICTS ARE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO **NUISANCE TO STATE**

Every Condemned Prisoner at Close of Last Year a Foreigner, Says Supt. Collins

ARE A CLASS BY THEMSELVES

He Would Bar Them from Entering Country-If Government Won't Exclude Them It Should Provide Jails, Declares Head of Prisons.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 27 .- Supt. Col-Ilns of the State Prison Department in his annual report to the Legislature makes a strong appeal for the exclusion from this country of undesirable immigrants. He points out that at great cost and inconvenience the State is maintaining and endeavoring to educate, train and rehabili- beorporation for their common benefit tate 1,091 men who are subjects of foreign countries. Most of them have but recently come to the United States, and all of them are by reason of conviction of felonies forever debarred from citizenship.

Statistics of foreign born prisoners show that there were 312 Italians in the State prisons in 1906 and 608 in 1909: 200 Germans in 1906 and 219 in 1909: 107 Irish in 1906 and 95 in 1909: 101 Russians in 1906 and 190 in 1909, The prison population of Italians and Russians nearly doubled in three

Supt. Collins calls attention to the fact that of the nineteen condemned prisoners at the close of the last fiscal year not one was a naturalized cillien of the United States.

A classification of the crimes of foreign born prisoners shows that Italy leads in crimes against the person, with 318, while Germany and Russia each have 29 charged against them. Russia leads in crimes against property with 102, while Italy is second with 94.

"It is apparent to all," says Supt. Collins, "that the interests of this country would be best served by the exclusion of this undesirable class of immigrants, who claim and receive the protection and benefits that our form of Government affords, but disregard our laws.

"They are a class by themselves. Our modern methods of penal administration and control do not fit them. They should be segregated and treated as a class, and it would seem but right that the Federal Government, which permits these alien criminals to land on its shores, should assume the burden of maintaining them when they are convicted of crime and that it should provide prisons where they may be kept by themselves and where the systems of discipline, education and training shall be especially adapted to apply to this distinctive class of prisoners. When they have served their terms they should be deported and never allowed to return here.

"As 59 per cent, of the allen prisoners now in our prisons are unmarried and less than 50 per cent. of the marman should not be deported, leaving a helpless family here, would apply to but few of the present allen prison pepulation."

SITE FOR A NEW SING SING.

State Commission Decides on Peakskill Camp Grounds.

Troy, N. Y., Jan. 25 .- The State camp grounds at Peekskill have been selected as a site for the new State prison to replace Sing Sing, and a bill will be introduced in the Legisature authorizing the deal

Superintendent of Prisons Collins, the State Prison Commission and Messrs. Hill and Merritt, Chairman of the Legislative Committees on Building and Site, are unanimous in their choice.

This action was brought about by the abandonment of the Bear Mountain site in favor of a park.

PITTSBURG HAS MEASLES.

Alarming Increase of Scourge is Reported by Health Bureau.

Pittsburg, Jan. 27.—The measles record of 520 cases reported to the Bureau of Health last month is expected to be doubled in January. Up to the noon yesterday the cases reported for this month numbered 687, with from thirty to fifty new cases being reported daily. Yesterday there were thirty-three new cares reported.

While these figures are the official record, the health authorities say that many cases have not been reported because no physician has been

GRIFFITH ELECTED SENATOR. Plurality in Raines's Old District Exceeds 3.800.

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 27.—The plarality of Frederick W. Griffith, of Palmyra, Republican candidate for the state Senate, to succeed the late John Raines, is given as 3,806. His pluralities by counties are: Wayne, 2,506; Ontario, 638; Yates, 6332. The vote was light. The Democratic candidate was John Colmey, of Canandaigua,

Miners to Give Up Meat. Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 26.-Leaders

of the mine workers say that in a few days some thousands of the anthracite workers will have joined the beef boycott and they will abstain from meat until the cost of it is decreased.

SUE THE BEEF TRUST

Blames It for High Meat Prices and May Institute Both Civil and Criminal Prosecutions.

Washington, Jan. 27. The "Beet Trust," so called, is to be prosecuted by the National Government. The Department of Justice evidently believes its existence is a leading factor in maintaining the present high prices of fresh meats.

The contemplated action of the department follows an investigation which has been conducted by its special agents for some months. Initial proceedings will begin at once before the Grand Jury, at Chicago and may contemplate both civil and criminal

The firms mentioned in connection with the matter include Swift & Co., Morris & Co. and Armour & Co., all hig packing house concerns, and all of whom, it is said, are interested in the National Packing Company. The three concerns named are commonly represented to control the National

The aim of the department has been to ascertain the relations between the several firms individually and the National Packing Company, for the purpose of determining where er they have operated to control the prices of fresh meats, which, according to almost universal complaint have been going higher and higher From the fact that proceedings are to be instituted, the inference is that the officials feel satisfied they have a good

One possible method of action may be that of a suit to dissolve the company under the Sherman Anti-Trust law, as an organization operating in restraint of interstate trade. Procoodings against individuals also may cesult.

The investigations conducted by the department, resulting in the determine nation to proceed in the courts against the alleged combination, had their in ception in an inquiry into the practices of one of the Western railroads in making shipments for Morris & Co., which, It had been charged amounted practically to rebating.

These were gone into fully at the time, and the conclusion resulted that while they could readily be regarded as improper they actually had nothing to do with rebating. The practices complained of, however, were discontinued.

Meat Boycott Spreads.

New York, N. Y., Jan. 24.-The countrywide movement against the constantly increasing cost of the necessaries of life has gained impetus in New York and it was confidently predicted that before a week is over many hundreds of thousands of men and women will have joined in the fight to force down the price of meat

and other foodstuffs. From all over the country came telegraphic despatches last night telling of the progress of the campaigns of the consumers. Pittsburg, Springfield, Mass.; St. Joseph, Mo.; Omaha, one of the meat packing centres; Cincinnati, the hog packing town; Asbury Park, St., Louis, Kansas City, Baltimore, Denver, Cleveland, where ried men have wives or children in the movement started about a week the United States, the claim that a ago; Chicago, Providence, Philadeladelphia, Memphis, Milwaukee, Rochester, Atlanta, Des Moines, In., and Indianapolis were among the principal cities heard from, and judging from the reports received over a million people must have already pledged themselves to abstain from meat for thirty or sixty days.

12 Children in 9 Years.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 25.- Two girls and two boys arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wilson, in this city, yesterday, making twelve children born to them in nine years. They were married twenty-five years ago. Two sets of triplets and one pair of twins have previous been born to the couple.

Anti-Treating Bill Before Legislatura. Trenton, N. J., Jan. 26 .- Assembly man Heritage for Gloucester, introduced a bill prohibiting treating in saloons or taverns. Mr. Heritage holds that much drinking would be averted if every man were compelled to pay for his own liquor.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wholesale Prices of Farm Products Quoted for the Week.

MILK-Per quart, 4% c. BUTTER-Western extra, 35@36c.; State dairy, 26@29c. CHEESE-State. Full cream, special,

17 % @18c. EGGS State. Fair to choice, 34@ 40c.; do, western firsts, 30@33c. APPLES-Table sorts, bbl., \$2.25@ 4.50.

DRESSED POULTRY-Chickens, per lb., 15@23c.; Cocks, per lb., 13 14 c.; Squabs, per dozen, \$1.50@5.00. HAY-Prime, per 100 lbs., \$1.15.

STRAW-Long Rye, per 100 lbs., 80@ POTATOES-State, per bbl., \$1.50@

ONIONS-White, per crate, 25@50c. FLOUR-Winter patents, \$5.50@6.00; Spring patents, \$5.50@6.85. WHEAT-No. 2, red. \$1.30; No. 1, Northern Duluth, \$1.22 1/2.

OATS-Natural white, 53 1/2 @ 55 1/2 a.; Clipped white, 54@58c. BEEVES-City Dressed, 8@11 1/2 c. CALVES-City Dressed, 10@16c. SHEEP-Per 100 lbs., \$4.25@5.75.

LAMBS - Per 100 lbs., \$8.65@ 9.25. HOGS-Live, per 1100 lb., \$9.05; Country Dressed, per 1b., 10 1/2 @

CORN-No. 2, 72&74c.