

**SAY STOCKS WERE SOLD AT A LOSS**

**Jersey Central Stockholders Claim Directors Rejected Highest Bid**

An attempt to obtain from directors of the New Jersey Central Railroad Company the difference between the highest bid price they accepted and the highest bid price received for Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal Company stock loans as an alternative plan of dissatisfied minority stockholders.

The other procedure, it is said, will be an effort to have the sale set aside by the United States District Court, to which it was reported last Tuesday. The court here has not confirmed the sale. Thomas Richard White, of counsel for protesting stockholders, declined today to state what course of action will be followed. The stock sold totals 103,758 shares. The total sale price was \$2,500,000.

The difference between the price accepted and the highest bid received is estimated as high as \$3,350,000. E. T. Stotsbury and Agnes T. Dice are among the directors believed by complaining stockholders to be liable for the alleged loss.

Counsel for the minority stockholders were prepared last Tuesday to a plan for the directors that would halt the sale. But the New Jersey Central reported the first payment had been already made and that the stock was transferred a week ago. Accordingly, the protesting stockholders had to work out a new procedure.

**Other Directors**

All the New Jersey Central directors have been notified they will be held liable for the difference in the price action, which is said to be lower than the highest bid received. Besides Mr. Stotsbury and Mr. Dice the directors are W. G. Dwyer, president of the New Jersey Central; Daniel Wilford, president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad; George F. Baker, chairman of the First National Bank of New York; Robert W. de Forest, Henry Graves, Jr., Ernest R. Ackerman and Howard W. Maxwell.

The directors authorized the sale of the stock to the Reynolds syndicate, managed by Jackson F. Reynolds. The sale was made on November 17 for a consideration of \$15 a share, plus net accrued interest to date of sale, and from the Franklin Securities Company of \$18 a share, with the same stipulation that the New Jersey Central should benefit to the extent of the net income of the coal company during the period, less tax and other charges against it.

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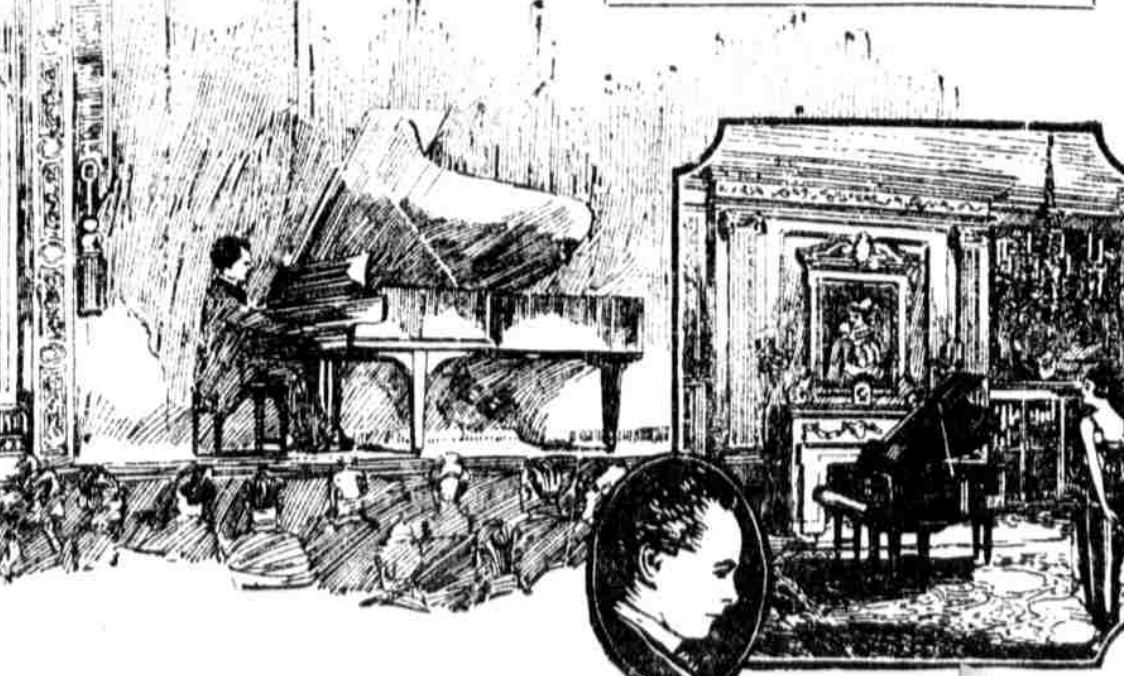
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