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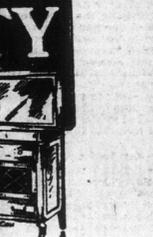
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SPRECKELS' WILL IS BRITISH NAVY PRODUCE PRICES COMES UP IN COURT PREPARED FOR WAR? CONTINUE TO CLIMB

Heirs Who Were Overlooked Enter Suit to Shake the Validity of the Document—Two Sons Ignored

San Francisco, May 19.—Legal proceedings the effect of which will be to test the validity of the will of the late Claus Spreckels, the sugar magnate, who died at his home in this city a few months ago leaving an estate valued at many millions, were begun here.

The will divided the estate into two equal portions, one of which goes to the widow without restrictions of any kind and the other into the hands of Rudolph and Claus A. Spreckels, two of the four sons, as trustees, to be distributed as later directed on the death of the widow. The trustees were named as executors of the will.

During the life of the widow she was to receive a portion of the income from the half of the estate held by the trustees and on her death that portion was to be divided into three parts, one of which was to go to Rudolph, one to Claus and the income to be paid to the daughter, Emma C. Ferris.

Sons Ignored. By these terms the other two sons, John D. Spreckels and Adolph Spreckels, were ignored for unimportant bequests.

The executors filed a petition with the court a week ago that the property valued at between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000, being a portion of the half of the estate held in trust, be transferred from them as executors to them as trustees. This action is protested by John D. Spreckels and Adolph Spreckels in a demurrer to the petition filed today. The demurrer is viewed as a protective measure taken by the plaintiffs with a view to the safeguarding of any rights they may have in the estate. Should the petition have been granted without demurrer, the demurrer would have been null and void.

Aeronaut Has Close Call. Seville, Spain, May 19.—Mortimer Singer, the aeronaut, had a narrow escape from injury yesterday. Just after he had cast off for an ascent, the wind dashed his balloon against the railroad station from which it was bound off, striking a moving train. Mr. Singer threw out ballast just in the nick of time and the balloon shot upwards.

NEW CARS ARE COMFORTABLE FITTED. Rattan seats of comfortable size are a feature of the new cars, two more of which will be used at once.

Woman Found Strangled. Dauphin, Man., May 19.—With a heavy scarf knotted around her neck, Councillor James Moore, of Winnipegosis, found the body of his wife on the floor of the kitchen in his home late Sunday night. It was hard to decide whether it was a case of suicide or murder. Mr. Moore was on good terms with her, and had left her Sunday evening at 3 o'clock and returned to the house about three hours later. There is a family of two children.

ONLY FEW UNIONS ARE ORDERED OUT. Efforts of Revolutionary Labor Leaders for General Strike Have So Far Proved in Vain.

Paris, May 19.—The efforts of the revolutionary labor leaders to bring about a general strike of amiliated unions in support of a concerted movement had not up to midnight had any widespread results.

First Lord of the Admiralty Makes Admission That There Is Not a Drydock on East Coast for Dreadnought

London, May 19.—The unpreparedness of the British navy for war was strikingly illustrated in the House of Commons the other day. Mr. McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, made the remarkable admission in reply to Mr. J. B. Lonsdale that there is not a single drydock on the east coast into which a damaged Dreadnought could enter if she were drawing more water than ordinarily in consequence of being flooded. He added that he understood there were not fewer than five docks in Germany with this capacity.

Mr. Lonsdale cornered Mr. McKenna with his next question: "How long will it be before the Rosyth dock is ready?" Mr. McKenna was silent, but a number of members shouted the answer: "Seven years."

Mr. McKenna stated, in reply to a question by Mr. Middlemore (North Birmingham), that it was impossible to say how many docks England would have in the year 1918. To Sir George Coughty (Grimby) he stated that the government was considering the question of the provision of docks on the east coast.

Another remarkable answer of Mr. McKenna's was to the effect that there is not a single first class battleship on the China or Australian stations.

THE TRAIN ROBBERS SECURE POOR HAUL. After Locking Up Express Messenger, They Got Away With Only Two Hundred Dollars.

Augusta, Ga., May 19.—Two robbers boarded Southern Pacific passenger train No. 87 at Warrensville, S. C., ten miles east of here last night, got the drop on Express Messenger Thomas L. Hutton, knocked him senseless with a lead pipe, cut rubber hose and ransacked the car, after throwing the messenger in an empty express chest.

E. E. Burrill, agent of the Southern Express Co. at Augusta, stated that the records show that the robbers secured about \$200. The average currency expressed is said to be from \$2,000 to \$10,000.

The robbers rode into Augusta, and left the train in the heart of the city. The robbery was discovered when the messenger was liberated at the Union station. Negro porters who were to be unloading the express located the imprisoned man by his vigorous kicking within the chest.

Told About Canada. London, May 19.—J. O. Smith, assistant superintendent of immigration for Canada, addressed the Royal Society Arts yesterday on Canada as a field for investment, laying stress on the tendency of British investors to seek only official issues, whilst United States capitalists had a clear field for industrial. His excellent analytical paper was listened to by an influential audience, Lord Hindlip presiding.

HERE ARE GROUNDS FOR DIVORCE SURELY. Wife Claims Hubby Made Her Wade in Cold Cold Water to Catch Bait.

Washington, Ind., May 18.—In the divorce complaint of Effie Haitt against John Haitt she alleges that shortly after their marriage her husband made her live in a tent on the bank of White river and compelled her to wade in cold water and catch minnows for him to fish with.

HOW "GERRY" FARRAR FIRST GOT HER START. Story of How Wealthy Woman Took Up "The Girl With a Remarkable Voice."

Salem, Mass., May 18.—The story of how Geraldine Farrar, the prima donna became acquainted with Mrs. Webb, who made her home at Danvers. Mrs. Saunders said: "My mother's attention was first called to Geraldine Farrar in the spring of 1895. A friend, whom I believe was a Boston woman, told mother that there was a very promising girl with a remarkable voice studying under Mrs. H. H. Long in Boston at that time. My mother immediately interested herself in the girl and she was introduced to Mrs. Farrar, Geraldine's mother.

Hay Advances Two Dollars a Ton—Butter Has Seen a Drop—Expected Rise of Bread Has Not Yet Come

Produce prices still continue to climb in a few of the important products but prices a week ago or the prospect of a further advance are bright. The steady demand for hay coupled with the heavy supply, has resulted in an advance of \$2 per ton, while the other feedstuffs are also firm. The bulk of supplies are coming from the Fraser river valley, but receipts are not sufficient to meet the demand. The heavy demand from railroad contractors in the interior who have been stocking up for the summer's work, while farmers on the coast show a disposition to hold their stocks for still higher prices.

Butter Declines. On the other hand the expected decline in the price of butter has taken place. The result of the mainland creameries in reducing prices last week being followed by the island creameries has now followed suit. The price of wheat has advanced in the price of wheat having caused several of the interior mills to close down with the result that the supply of mill products have been greatly curtailed. Feed, wheat, oats, barley and other mill-stuffs have followed and are substantially firmer in price.

While the big mills in the east gave a further advance to wheat prices last week of ten cents per barrel, local retail prices have not yet followed suit but advices from the east state that still higher prices will rule, following the continued strength of the market and local dealers expect to advance the price of the manufactured product any day.

California strawberries are more plentiful with the result that prices have dropped to fifteen cents per box compared with twenty-five cents a week ago. The arrivals here are of exceptionally fine quality, much better in fact than has ever been the case at this time of year. Oregon strawberries will be on the market within a week or two. California cherries are also offering, but the quality is very poor. A large shipment of better quality fruit is expected for the 24th. Those cherries now on the market are selling at from 35c to 40c per pound. A fresh shipment of bananas of good quality was received here last week and retail at 35c per dozen for the best quality. A small shipment of Florida pineapples has also been received. They sell at 25c to 35c each.

In the Vegetable Line. In the vegetable line there have been few if any changes. California wax beans are now on the market, selling at 35c per pound, and has a small shipment of Florida pineapples has also been received. They sell at 25c to 35c each.

Foodstuffs. Royal Household, a bag, \$2.00
Lake of the Woods, a bag, \$2.00
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Wild Rice, a bag, \$2.00
Culinary, a bag, \$2.00
Hungarian, a bag, \$2.00
Snowflake, a bag, \$2.00
Dried Snow, per sack, \$1.50
Three Star, per sack, \$2.00
Moffet's Best, per bag, \$1.85

Beef, per 100 lbs., \$1.55
Shorts, per 100 lbs., \$1.55
Mutton, per 100 lbs., \$1.55
Crushed Oats, per 100 lbs., \$1.55
Feed Wheat, per 100 lbs., \$2.20
Oats, per 100 lbs., \$1.85
Barley, per 100 lbs., \$1.70
Crushed Barley, per 100 lbs., \$1.75
Soy Beans, per lb., \$1.40
Whole Corn, per 100 lbs., \$2.00
Cracked Corn, per 100 lbs., \$2.05
Feed Cornmeal, per 100 lbs., \$2.05
Hay, Fraser River, per ton, \$20.00
Hay, Prairie, per ton, \$20.00

Dairy Produce. Eggs—
Fresh Island, per dozen, \$1.35
Eastern Eggs, per dozen, \$1.30
Cheese—
Canadian, per lb., \$1.20
Neufchatel, each, \$1.10
Cream local, each, \$1.10
Butter—
Manitoba, per lb., \$1.35
Best Dairy, per lb., \$1.35
Victoria Creamery, per lb., \$1.40
Cowichan Creamery, per lb., \$1.40
Comox Creamery, per lb., \$1.40
Chilliwack Creamery, per lb., \$1.35
Salt Spring Island Creamery, per lb., \$1.40
Alberni Creamery, per lb., \$1.35

Wagtails, per lb., \$1.00
Red Cabbage, per lb., \$1.00
Tomatoes, per lb., \$1.00
Beans, per lb., \$1.00
Beets, per lb., \$1.00
Carrots, per lb., \$1.00
Fennel, per bunch, \$1.00
Mint, per bunch, \$1.00
Cucumbers, each, \$1.00
Radishes, per bunch, \$1.00
Celery, per head, \$1.00
Potatoes, new, Cal., 4 lbs., \$1.25
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Asparagus, per lb., \$1.25
Garlic, per lb., \$1.25
Onions, 8 lbs. for, \$1.25
Sweet Potatoes, 10 lbs., \$1.25
Rhubarb, 3 lbs., \$1.25

Fruit. Lemons, per dozen, \$1.00
Figs, cooking, per lb., \$1.00
Apples, per box, \$1.00
Peaches, per box, \$1.00
Bananas, per dozen, \$1.00
Eggs, fresh, per lb., \$1.00
Malina, per lb., \$1.00
Grapes, Malaga, per lb., \$1.00
Grapes, Concord, per lb., \$1.00
Cranberries, Case, per lb., \$1.00
Strawberries, Cal., per box, \$1.00
Cherries, Cal., per lb., \$1.00

Nuts. Walnuts, per lb., \$1.00
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Almonds, Jordan, per lb., \$1.00

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Messenger Boy A PRACTICAL JOKER. Pranks of Reichstag Hermes Has Berlin Laughing and Lord Mayor Sore. Berlin, May 18.—Berlin is laughing over the pranks of a messenger boy, who has just been dismissed from service at the Reichstag for indulging in practical jokes by means of the telephone. On the occasion in question he rang up the Lord Mayor of Berlin. A pilot

MARRIED TO GRANT DYING MOTHER'S WISH. Pottsville, Pa., May 18.—At St. Clair, Andrew Turner, aged nineteen, and Miss Annie Checkron, aged fifteen, became man and wife in compliance with a death-bed request made by Turner's mother two weeks before Mrs. Turner told her son that she was about to leave

Rob For Country's Good. Calcutta, May 19.—Political robberies continue in Bengal. On Friday last twenty Bengalees entered the house of a wealthy banker at Diamond Harbor and took by force \$1,350. The thieves declared that they had no practical motive, but that the money was needed for the good of the country.