

STANDARD OIL CO., IN A DECISION ORDERED DISSOLVED

U. S. Circuit Court, for District of Missouri, Holds It to Be an Illegal Corporation.

MOST NOTABLE CASE IN THE NATION'S HISTORY

This, by Reason of Important Legal Questions and the Amount of Capital Involved.

New York, Nov. 20.—News of the order dissolving the Standard Oil company caused an outbreak of liquidation on the stock exchange.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 20.—The United States circuit court for the District of Missouri this morning held that the Standard Oil company of New Jersey is an illegal corporation, and ordered it dissolved.

The case is one of the most notable in the history of the nation on account of the important industrial and legal questions, and the vast financial interests involved.

The government brought suit to enjoin John D. Rockefeller, William Rockefeller, Henry M. Flagler, Henry R. Rogers, John D. Archbold, Charles M. Pratt, the Standard Oil company and about 20 other corporations from maintaining a combination, showing a conspiracy to monopolize interstate and international commerce.

Some Escape. St. Louis, Nov. 20.—Thirty-three of the seventy odd subsidiary corporations of the Standard Oil company are exempted from the order of dissolution, and the bill is dismissed, as against them.

Washington Pleas. Leavenworth, Kansas, Nov. 20.—Attorney General Wickersham, commenting on the Standard Oil decision, declared: "It is one of the most important decisions ever rendered in this country. I am very much gratified."

Cleveland, Nov. 20.—John D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil company, today declined to discuss the decision of Judge Sanborn, ordering dissolution of the oil company.

POULTRY SHOW PREMIUM LIST IS ISSUED TODAY

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The premium list of the Asheville Poultry and Pet Stock association was issued today and an inspection of the catalogue shows that the association is generous in its offer of prizes for high-breed poultry.

The judges selected for the 1909 show are J. S. Jeffrey of Raleigh, who will bless awards on American classes, and B. L. Simons of Charlotte, who will place awards on the Mediterranean classes.

AN INQUIRY INTO 'PHONE MERGER

It is Likely That the Companies Will Be Accused of Violating Anti-Trust Laws.

Washington, Nov. 20.—Because of the many complaints received by Attorney General Wickersham against telephone companies which have been accused of violating the Sherman anti-trust law, the government may investigate the recent merger of the Western Union, the Postal, and the American Telephone and Telegraph companies.

It was reported yesterday that agents are already in New York, taking preliminary steps. Though telegraph and telephone matters come within the jurisdiction of Assistant Attorney General Ellis, it is said that Mr. Wickersham has taken a hand in the matter.

In the other cases, it was said that there are a number of complaints under the anti-trust law on file, in which it is alleged that various companies have another competition in dozens of cities throughout the country.

The local brokers and bankers had no more details yesterday concerning the merger which have appeared in the dispatches from New York. They are waiting for an official announcement.

Losses Were Heavy. "For a long time," he said, "the Western Union has been in a series of wars which cost a great deal. The merger with President Casutt, of the Pennsylvania railroad, cost it millions of dollars and lost it all of the immense business it had along those lines.

Fear Grave Disaster. The greatest interest is manifested in the disappearance of the yacht by treasury department officials and some other fear the Nourmahal may have gone down in the storm with all on board.

Stanton, Va., Nov. 20.—John Gilmore, the actor, today married Miss Ethel Genley, a Californian, and a member of Gilmore's company.

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 20.—Forty thousand people have gathered in the stadium today to witness the Yale-Harvard football clash.

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LIVING MEN FOUND IN MINE

Cherry, Ills., Nov. 20.—At 2 o'clock this afternoon it was reported that 40 men were alive in the St. Paul mine. Four men were reached after all of the debris had broken down. At first the men were supposed to be dead, but one of them lifted his hand and the rest were found to be breathing.

NO WORD FROM THE ASTOR YACHT. Sixteen Days Have Elapsed Since the Nourmahal Was Heard From.

New York, Nov. 20.—It is sixteen days since Col. John Jacob Astor's steam yacht Nourmahal, with the owner and his son Vincent aboard, has been heard from.

FORCES TO COMBAT TAFT'S REFORMS. The Railroads of the Country, Big and Little, Are Opposed to the President's Program.

New York, Nov. 20.—A special to the World says that one of the leading railroad officials of the United States said of President Taft's legislative program, to be submitted to the coming session of congress: "If this program goes through there will not be another mile of railroad built in the United States in the next twenty-five years."

IS SOUTHERN TO BUILD HOTEL HERE? It is Understood That Representatives of Company Are Investigating Matter of Sites.

The subject of better hotel facilities for Asheville is a question that has been frequently discussed hereabouts for some months, and during the summer this matter of a new and modern hotel was taken up with one of the chief representatives of the Southern Railway company.

Friends Clearly Anxious. This did not tend to allay the anxiety felt for the safety of the vessel and those aboard her.

Church Extension Anniversary. The annual celebration of the board of church extension Friday night was properly under the charge of the chairman, J. D. Lineberger.

Another Football Accident. Baltimore, Md., Nov. 20.—William W. Marcus, a student of the Methodist Theological Seminary of West Minister, Me., is in a serious condition in a hospital as the result of injuries sustained in a football game Tuesday.

Death of Mrs. E. B. Melton. Mrs. E. B. Melton died suddenly this afternoon at her home, 91 Grove street. The funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

Arthur McNichols was fined \$75 and costs in Superior court today for carrying concealed weapons. Mrs. Devie Williams obtained a decree of absolute divorce from her husband, Richmond Williams, and also custody of her child.

Washington, Nov. 20.—Official confirmation of the execution of two Americans, Leroy Cannon and Leonard Grace, reached the state department this morning.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The state department has received a telegram from the American vice consul at Managua saying the Nicaraguan minister of foreign affairs had informed him that the two Americans executed admitted laying mines in the San Juan river with the object of blowing up Nicaraguan ships.

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HEAPS OF BODIES BROUGHT TO LIGHT

The Remains of Thirty Men Were Discovered Behind a Heap of Coal and Timbers. CANVASS SPREAD AND BODIES PLACED UPON IT. Finding Relays of Men to Descend the Shaft Proved a Difficult Task This Morning.

Cherry, Ills., Nov. 20.—The magnitude of the mine horror of a week ago became more evident today with the recovery and identification of bodies. By 1 p. m. 40 bodies had been brought to the surface.

Cherry, Ills., Nov. 20.—A great heap of bodies were reached in the St. Paul mine this morning, after a night of desperate efforts to remove the obstructions.

A canvass was spread and one by one the bodies placed upon it. The news spread like wildfire throughout the village. "They're bringing them up at last," brought the crowds of bereaved women and orphans quickly to the scene.

LABORERS WORKED THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT DIGGING GRAVES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE RECOVERIES TODAY. The work of recovering the bodies was checked for a time this morning after ten bodies had been brought out by a fall of coal.

The president's departure was announced by the firing of a salute of 21 guns from the navy yard.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 20.—With the declaration that his stay had been one of continuous pleasure and great satisfaction, President Taft sailed at 1:10 this morning on the Mayflower for Hampton, Va., where he attends the meeting of the governing board of the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute for Indians and negroes. He delivers an address to the student body this afternoon.

MOTHER BETRAYED BY HER OWN BOY

Mrs. Baker, Charged With Killing Her Own Husband, Escaped from Jail, but is Recaptured.

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Norfolk, Nov. 20.—Theodore Roosevelt as a candidate for governor of New York in 1910 is the prediction of Congressman Coombs of the Oyster Bay district, who left here today for New York, after attending the Waterways convention.

Brookline, Mass., Nov. 20.—Cornell was the annual cross country championship run, competing with nine other leading eastern colleges.

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