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## ATTACK ON STANDARD OIL IS BEGUN BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

### Attorney General Moody Institutes Proceedings Under Sherman Anti-Trust Act

### LET THE COMBINE BE DECLARED UNLAWFUL

So Asks the Attorney General in the Proceedings Instituted at St. Louis Today, Adding That in Future it Should Be Enjoined From Entering Into Any Contract or Combination in Restraint of Trade.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Nov. 15.—Attorney General Moody today acting through the resident United States district attorney instituted proceedings against the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey under the Sherman anti-trust act, by filing in the United States circuit court at St. Louis a petition in equity against it and its eighty constituent corporations and partnerships and seven individual defendants, asking that the combination be declared unlawful and in the future enjoined from entering into any contract or combination in restraint of trade.

Statement by Moody. The following statement was prepared and made public by Attorney General Moody today.

"In June last, by direction of the president, Messrs. Kellogg and Morrison were appointed by me special assistant attorneys general, to act with Attorney General Purdy, to make an investigation of the relations of Standard Oil Company of New Jersey to the business of refining, transporting, distributing, and selling oil throughout the United States; to ascertain all the facts, and report whether or not in their opinion there has been a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey or the persons or corporations associated with or managing it. The counsel have completed that duty, and the report of their investigation has received careful consideration by the president and his cabinet.

"The information available to the department tends to show that the various corporations and limited partnerships under the control, in the manner hereinafter stated, of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, produce, transport, and sell about ninety per cent of the refined oil produced, transported, and sold in the United States for domestic use and about the same proportion of refined oil exported from the United States; that this share of the business has been procured by a course of action which, beginning in 1870, has continued under the direction of the same persons, in the main, down to the present time; that these persons now surviving are John D. Rockefeller, William Rockefeller, Henry H. Rogers, Henry M. Flagler, John D. Archbold, Oliver H. Payne, and Charles M. Pratt; that the design throughout the persons having control of the enterprise has been to suppress competition in the production, transportation and sale of refined oil, and to obtain as far as possible, a monopoly thereon; that between 1870 and 1882 the design was effected through agreements made between many persons and corporations engaged in this business; that in 1882 the result aimed at was made more certain by vesting in nine trustees (including five of the above-named) sufficient stock in the thirty-nine corporations concerned to enable the trustees to control their operations in such a way that competition between them was suppressed; that this plan was acted upon until it was declared unlawful by the supreme court of Ohio in action against the Standard Oil Company of Ohio, one of said corporations in 1882; that during the seven years following the same individuals continued to control the business, and in 1888 the majority of the liquidation trustees were pretending to liquidate the trust, but as a matter of fact were managing all of the corporations in the same way and exercising the same control over them; that the individual defendants in 1889, increased the stock of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey from \$10,000,000 to \$100,000,000; that said company was then a producing and selling corporation, and they added to its corporate powers the power of purchasing stock in other companies and practically all of the powers exercised by the trustees under the unlawful trust agreement of 1882; that the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, then taking the place of the trustees, acquired all of the stock of the corporations theretofore held and controlled by the

trustees, paying therefor by the issue of its own shares in exchange; that the president of the board of trustees became the president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey and ever since continued to; that the purpose and effect of the use of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey as a holding company was precisely the same as the purpose and effect of the appointment of the trustees hereinbefore referred to, namely, to suppress competition between the corporations and limited partnerships whose stock was first held by the trustees and then by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey; that by the foregoing methods, aided by the establishment of railroad rates for transportation which discriminated in favor of the corporations whose stock was held by the holding company, that company has been enabled to obtain in large sections of the country, a monopoly of the sale of refined oil, with the result that the prices to the consumer within the territory where the monopoly prevails are very much higher than within the territory where competition to some extent still exists.

Action in Courts Justified. "It is believed that these facts, together with others contained in the report of the special counsel, justify and require action by the United States in the courts. Accordingly a petition in equity under the provision of the Sherman act, has this day been filed against the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey and seventy other corporations and limited partnerships and the seven individual defendants before named, in the eighth judicial circuit at St. Louis, Mo., to have the said combination adjudged and declared to be unlawful, and that the holding and control by the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey of the stocks of the seventy corporations be declared unlawful and in the future enjoined from entering into any contract or combination in restraint of trade.

Dispatches to the Associated Press last night from surrounding towns portray a reign of lawlessness never before equalled in these parts. At South Sharon, Mercer county, the police found McDonald lying in an alley almost dead from exposure and a fractured skull. The latter injury was inflicted with some blunt instrument and the police are utilizing every effort to capture the assassins. At Washington, Pa., bloodhounds were started on the trail of the robber who assaulted Mrs. Cole, wife of the tax collector of Greene county, whose condition is precarious.

Nearly Choked Her to Death. At Beaver Falls, Pa., a thief entered the home of Mrs. Mary McMullen and failing to find money choked her nearly to death. The woman finally broke away from her assailant, and grasping an iron poker struck him several times over the head. At Monongahela, Pa., near this city, the police are searching for John Bosniek, who disappeared. Bosniek is known to have had over \$500 on his person and four play is suspected. Three men were arrested last night at Somerset, Pa., charged with stealing \$250 and several hundred dollars worth of government stamps from the wife of a government revenue collector while she was riding on a street car in Greensburg, Pa., yesterday. At Newbrighton two men were held up and assaulted last night by highwaymen. Both men were seriously injured.

A general man hunt is in progress at McKeesport, Pa., several miles from here in an endeavor to capture James Taylor who murdered Isaac Carter Monday evening, and at Swissvale, a suburb, more police were added to the force last night at a special meeting of the council.

The defendants now have one month in which to enter their appearance, and an additional month in which to file their answer. They also have the option of filing a demurrer to the bill.

## SHOT IN FRONT OF DISPENSARY

This afternoon at 4 o'clock, in front of the dispensary, Sid Crabtree, a young white man of this city, was shot and slightly wounded by M. B. Mundy, also white. Mundy was immediately arrested. He fired twice. One ball struck Crabtree somewhere about the waist, glanced down and inflicted a flesh wound in the thigh. The wound appears to be slight. Crabtree gives the following account of the shooting: "They had words on the street, and Mundy went into the dispensary, where Crabtree saw him take his gun from his hip pocket and put it in his overcoat pocket. Crabtree told him to come on out in the street and he would lick him if he did have his gun. Mundy came out of the dispensary, firing as he came.

## CRIME RAMPANT HARRIS KILLED IN A HOT FIGHT

DEFIES ALL LAW NO CESSATION OF ITS REIGN SURROUNDED BY ARMED POSSE, HE RESISTS IN PITTSBURG

### SCORES OF ARRESTS AND THE GUNS BLAZE

Detectives From Neighboring Cities Are There in Hopes of Apprehending the Criminals—The Lawlessness Prevailing in the Country Around Pittsburgh Never Before Equalled.

(By the Associated Press.) Pittsburgh, Pa., Nov. 15.—With detectives from cities of neighboring states who are here in the hope of finding crooks of international reputation there has been no apparent cessation in the crimes that have stirred Pittsburgh within the past two weeks. During last night and early this morning scores of people were arrested on the streets as suspicious characters. Shortly after midnight today a negro entered the home of David Roney, Perryville Avenue, Allegheny, and was heard in the lower portion of the house by a maid, who immediately notified Mr. Roney. Securing a revolver Mr. Roney went down stairs, arriving there just in time to see the negro crawling through a rear window. Mr. Roney fired several shots at the fleeing negro, none of which took effect. Mr. Roney's home is located in a row of ten houses, nine of which have been robbed during the past two evenings.

He Wounds Two of the Men Lined Up Against Him and Falls at Last Fighting Like a Demon—The Desperate Battle Fought at Fletcher's, Above Asheville.

## THE JUVENILE COURT Justice Badger Will Start With Next Case

Will Suspend Judgment on Next Child Brought Before Him, Especially if a Misdemeanor Case, and Put in Hands of Some Woman as Probationary Officer.

Justice Badger told Mr. Jackson that he would begin to apply the juvenile court principles to the first youthful offender that came before him hereafter. "That means that he will suspend judgment and put the boy or girl on probation under the care of some good woman, who will watch over the child, visit the parents if living and report progress to the justice. The mayor, together with the executive committee of the new organization as elected Tuesday night, will turn over to Justice Badger the names of the probationary officers, from whom one may be selected in each case. These women will probably be chosen by the pastors of the city, each giving in two names from his church. So the system will start as soon as the next boy or girl is brought before Justice Badger, especially if the case is one of misdemeanor. A number of Raleigh citizens have spoken to Mr. Jackson asking him to appear before the coming legislature and urge the passage of a bill for a protective and juvenile courts, and Mr. Charles W. Harris, member elect from Wake county, has told Mr. Jackson that he would secure for him an official invitation.

Mr. Jackson says that liberal subscriptions have been received from Raleigh people to the Central Juvenile Protective Committee in Atlanta.

## A CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION CALLED

(By the Associated Press.) Charlottesville, Va., Nov. 15.—An important educational conference has been called by President Alderman to meet at the University of Virginia on November 22nd to 24th. Those invited to participate are the presidents of seven state universities, the presidents of all Virginia colleges, the state superintendents of education in states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, and Virginia, and the professors of secondary education in the same states and certain experts in agricultural education.

The conference will be the first attempt on the part of those engaged in higher education to reach the secondary schools and aid in relating them properly to the schools below and the schools above.

## A DIVIDEND BY STANDARD OIL

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 15.—The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey today declared a quarterly dividend of \$10 a share, or the same amount as was declared at this time last year. Shortly after the declaration the stock sold off 20 points to 64 1/2.

## COLON GREETS THE PRESIDENT

Children Sing "The Star Spangled Banner"

### THE GUEST OF AMADOR

Mr. Roosevelt Will Go on a Special Train to La Brea to Inspect the Pacific Entrance to the Inter-Oceanic Canal—A Number of Official Functions.

(By the Associated Press.) Colon, Nov. 15.—President Roosevelt left the flagship Louisiana at 7:30 o'clock this morning and landed shortly afterwards. He was met by Canal Commissioner Shonts, Chief Engineer Stevens, General Manager Bierl of the Panama Railroad, and other high officials. All the school children of Colon were assembled in groups about the pier where the president landed and sang the "Star Spangled Banner" and "America."

Since that later President and Senora Amador and the Bishop of Panama reached the spot and greeted Mr. Roosevelt. The entire party then boarded a special train decorated with flags and left Colon at 8:10, steaming slowly in the direction of Panama in order to enable the presidential party to have a good look at all the points of interest along the route.

President Roosevelt will be the guest of President Amador this evening. In order to carry out the presidential program special switches have been arranged to enable the special train to go to La Brea and allow Mr. Roosevelt to inspect the Pacific entrance to the canal.

The main street of Colon and the shipping in port were decorated with flags today in honor of President Roosevelt's visit, but there was no excitement anywhere. A heavy rain fell this morning.

President Roosevelt's arrival here yesterday, ahead of time, somewhat changed the program in connection with his visit to the isthmus. President Amador and his party left Panama for Colon at 4:30 p. m. instead of at 6 p. m., reaching Cristobal at 6:45 p. m. By request of President Roosevelt, Senora Amador was the only lady received on board the flagship last night. President Roosevelt received his visitors at 9 p. m., President Amador being accompanied by Secretary of State Arlank, the others including Chief Engineer Stevens, Commissioner Shonts, Minister Squires and Secretary Bishop of the Panama Canal Commission. President and Senora Amador and Secretary of State.

President Roosevelt apparently is much engrossed with Jamaica and the West Indian labor question. He has requested Mr. Dellisher, editor of the Jamaica Gleaner, who was received with other newspaper men on board the Louisiana yesterday, and British Consul Mallet to meet him at the Tivoli Hotel, Abcon, at 8:30 tomorrow night, in order to discuss the labor question and the present conditions in Jamaica. The president also has arranged to visit Colon and Cristobal on Saturday morning with Messrs. Shonts and Stevens and investigate the complaints regarding the reconstruction of Colon, the housing of laborers at Cristobal, and so on.

## UNIVERSITY TO PLAY INDIANS

It was learned here today that a football game had been arranged between the University of North Carolina and the Carline Indians, to be played at Richmond a week from Saturday, November 24. This will be the last game of the season for the University.

Traveling Passenger Agent Gattis of the Seaboard Air Line said today that he had asked for special rates for the occasion. It is likely that the game will be called about three o'clock in the afternoon.

## NEW YORK CENTRAL DECLARED GUILTY

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Nov. 15.—The New York Central Railroad was today declared guilty of granting rebates.

## A FURIOUS TEMPEST LASHES AND FLOODS THE FAR NORTHWEST

Seattle and Scores of Towns Isolated from the World Thirty-Six Hours

### LIVES HAVE BEEN LOST; HOW MANY IS UNKNOWN

Railroad Traffic is Practically Suspended; Towns Are Under Water; Raging Torrents Pouring Down the Cascades Are Flooding the Plains; Wires Are Prostrate, and Bridges and Tracks Swept Away by the Flood.

(By the Associated Press.) Tacoma, Wash., Nov. 15.—A flood area of three hundred square miles in northwestern Washington is the result today of heavy rains and melting snow which for forty-eight hours have rushed from the slopes of the Cascade mountains, causing nearly all the streams in the northwest to spread over lowlands. Several persons are reported drowned and the monetary loss is already many thousands of dollars.

Seattle and scores of towns have been for the last thirty-six hours cut off from outside communication. Bridges have been swept away, railroad tracks washed out, telephone and telegraph wires torn down. As far as can be learned half a dozen lives have been lost.

Every railroad in the northwest is tied up, and though a few trains are being run, no attempt is being made at a schedule. These tracks have been washed away in many places on the different roads but it is hoped to have the damage repaired in a few days.

Details of the Storm. Portland, Ore., Nov. 15.—Never since the white man came has the state of Washington suffered from such a storm as raged last night and early today. The storm, wind and rain, which for the past week, has wrought havoc with coastwise shipping yesterday swept inland and is venting an unheard of fury upon the whole state, especially the Puget Sound country and is lashing with its tails the northern part of Oregon and the Panhandle of Idaho.

Railroads out of Tacoma and Seattle are demoralized, train service to Portland only from the latter city being maintained.

The creeks and rivers and brooks in the Cascades are roaring torrents. On Puget Sound the towns of Snomahish, Summer and Auburn are under water. In central Washington floods are raging in the Natchez and Yakima valleys. The Clearwater is out of its banks and has done immense damage. Although nothing has been heard from Walla Walla it is only fair to presume that with floods east and west of there the rivers in that part of the state are still on a rampage. At Portland a heavy wind is blowing accompanied by a torrential rain. No damage has been done further than to put the electric lights and street cars out of commission.

The railroads across the state are prostrated and no news has been received here from eastern Oregon. At a late hour last night reports were very discouraging.

## THREE DIED IN A BURNING HOUSE.

(By the Associated Press.) Goodland, Ind., Nov. 15.—The country home of William Whitley, five miles south of Goodland, was burned early today. Two small children and a farm laborer were burned to death. The fire was started by the explosion of a lamp.

Stamford, Conn., Nov. 15.—A fire which caused a loss of \$500,000 occurred today in the factory plant of T. B. Smart. The Atlantic Insulated Wire and Cable Company places its loss upon machinery and stock at \$225,000.

Twenty Men Are Reported Killed. (By the Associated Press.) Douglas, Ariz., Nov. 15.—A report has reached here that twenty men were killed at noon today by an explosion in a stone quarry five miles east of this city.

## ST. LOUIS IS LOST IN A LONDON FOG.

(By the Associated Press.) St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 15.—Humid atmosphere and a slow wind caused a dense pall of smoke to settle over the city this morning, especially over the down-town section. The darkness of night prevailed. All stores, street lamps and street cars were lighted as at night. At 10:30 o'clock the darkness still prevailed and a number of public and private schools were dismissed for the day. The wind blew at less than five miles an hour and the atmosphere was close and oppressive.

## TWO CREWS RESCUED BY THE LIFE SAVERS.

(By the Associated Press.) Long Branch, N. J., Nov. 15.—The life saving crews at Deal on the Jersey coast, had a difficult bit of work to do today in rescuing the crew of a vessel which was driven on the beach at that place. A northeast gale was blowing on shore and the surf was heavy on the beach, through which the life savers had to launch their life boat. They had just completed the task when another schooner was sighted helpless and drifting shoreward.

The first craft to come ashore was the two-masted schooner James M. Hall, 67 tons, owned at Somers Point, N. J. The schooner was lumberladen and bound from Virginia to New York. She was sighted off Deal this morning with her foremast gone and the flag flying union down, a signal of distress. When she reached the beach, a crew of the Deal Beach Life Saving Station launched their boat through the surf and took off the crew.

The second schooner was the Samuel C. Holmes, from Virginia ports, loaded with lumber. She went ashore and her crew was rescued. Both vessels are pounding badly and probably will go to pieces on the next high tide.

## DEATH OF A LADY; TRAIN KILLS MAN.

(Special to The Evening Times.) Tarboro, N. C., Nov. 15, 1906.—Mrs. John A. Davis, a most excellent county, wife of Mr. John A. Davis, one of the most prominent farmers died yesterday after a lingering illness. She was the mother of Prof. R. M. Davis superintendent of the Tarboro graded school.

This morning a train on the Coast line killed a man at Whitakers and Dr. thippen, coroner has gone there to investigate the death.

## COSSACKS PURSUE TERRORIST ROBBERS.

(By the Associated Press.) Warsaw, Nov. 15.—A small band of terrorists attacked the Vistula Railroad depot at Suednodz this morning, killed a gendarme. They blew up the safe and got away with a considerable sum of money, marching off in military order. Cossacks are pursuing them, but no arrests have been made.