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ROCKEFELLER MILLIONS BEHIND BEEF TRUST

Standard Oil Company Controls Great Packing Companies.

MYSTERY OF FINANCE SOLVED

Phenomenal Business of Swift & Co. Explained by the Backing of Oil Magnate's Money—Rise of L. A. Carton and Samuel McRoberts.

New York City.—John D. Rockefeller's millions dominate the Beef Trust, and the power of Standard Oil controls both Armour & Co. and Swift & Co.

For the first time in seventeen years the mystery surrounding the vast financial power that has been behind L. A. Carton, treasurer of Swift & Co., is dispelled and the sudden rise of Samuel McRoberts from treasurer of Armour & Co. to president of the National City Bank, which is practically controlled by the Standard Oil Co., is made plain.

The story of how the Standard Oil entered the Beef Trust dates back to the panic of 1893. Swift & Co. at that time was hard up for money.

Gustavus E. Swift, founder of the business, which was incorporated in 1886 with \$300,000, tried to borrow from Chicago bankers and failed. L. A. Carton, who was then a private banker in Chicago, went to Swift and said:

"I can get that money for you from Rockefeller. Let me try."

Carton succeeded in raising \$5,000,000. The capital of Swift & Co. was increased from \$7,500,000 to \$12,000,000. Just how much of this stock was taken up by Rockefeller at that time is not known; but at the present time it is known that a large portion of the \$5,000,000 bonds of Swift & Co. are held by Standard Oil interests.

These are First Gold 5s, dated July 1, 1900, due July 1, 1914; but subject to call after July, 1910.

Carton became treasurer of Swift & Co. and ever since Swift & Co. has expanded faster than any other packing house in the world. In 1899 its capital was increased to \$20,000,000; in 1902 to \$25,000,000; in 1904 to \$35,000,000; in 1906 to \$50,000,000; and on January 7, 1909, to \$60,000,000. Ever since 1893 the stock has paid seven per cent.

Swift & Co. and Armour & Co. together own seventy-seven per cent. of the stock of the \$15,000,000 National Packing Company. The latter has, the Federal Grand Jury in Chicago has proved, control of twenty-two packing and provision companies which operate plants and agencies all over the United States, but in England and South America Morris & Co. own the remaining twenty-three per cent. of the National stock.

The gross business of the four companies above named amounted last year to \$300,000,000.

McRoberts, like Carton, was practically unheard of before he was raised to the treasurer of Armour & Co. He was born in Malt Bend, Mo., December 20, 1869. He went to Chicago to practice law and later entered the legal department of Armour & Co. He studied the financial side of the great corporation as well, and in 1894 he succeeded P. A. Valentine as treasurer. Following the acquisition of the United States Leather Company from the Rockefellers by the Armour interests, P. A. Valentine became a director of that company.

In the directorate of the National Packing Company Carton has been a member since incorporation in 1903. McRoberts resigned as a director of the National on becoming vice-president of the Standard Oil bank.

FAMILY FEUD LASTS TO GRAVE.

Neither Governor Draper nor Brother at General Draper's Funeral.

Milford, Mass.—Much comment was made on the fact that neither Governor Eben S. Draper nor his brother, George A. Draper, was permitted to attend the funeral of their brother, General William F. Draper, held here.

The feud in the Draper family that has been carried to the grave of one of its leading members has started tongues wagging, and it is said to have grown out of a quarrel between Mrs. William F. Draper and Mrs. George A. Draper, who are sisters and members of the old Preston family of Lexington, Ky.

The nature of the difference between the two sisters has been kept quiet. Business affairs and political ambitions of the brothers are said to have helped widen the breach.

TOLER, MAD BROKER, SUICIDE.

Had Been a Prisoner on Ward's Island and Threw Himself Into the River.

New York City.—Henry Pennington Toler, once a leader in the First Church of Christ, Scientist, jumped into the East River from Ward's Island and was drowned in Hell Gate.

Toler, who was the originator of the scheme known as the "Harlem heirs," by means of which many persons were induced to believe that they would become rich when the courts had awarded them the property of a large number of other persons in Harlem, had been an inmate of the insane hospital on the island since last July. His idea in the Harlem heirs plan was to establish a new Jerusalem for Mrs. Eddy's church.

VERDICT AGAINST HATTERS

D. E. Loewe, Manufacturer, Wins Anti-Boycott Case.

Federal Court Holds Individuals For Damages in Danbury—Judge Instructs Jury For Plaintiff.

Hartford, Conn.—"A new declaration of independence" is what Daniel Davenport, attorney, of Bridgeport, calls the verdict of \$222,000 rendered in the United States Court by the jury in the suit of D. E. Loewe, of Danbury, against Martin Lawler and 239 hatmakers of this State. After being out more than two hours the jury ordered actual damages of \$74,000 to the plaintiff, but as the suit was brought under the Sherman Anti-Trust law, triple damages can be recovered.

There was a remarkable scene in the courtroom when the verdict was announced. The defendants in attendance were stunned and groups dejectedly discussed the significance of the blow. A conference with the court followed, at which it was decided to give the attorneys for the defense a hearing on March 7, when a motion to set aside the verdict on the ground of being excessive will be argued. The assessment of cost and the fees of the counsel will also be determined. It is estimated that the costs will amount to at least \$10,000, and these, with the counsel fees, may bring the bill against the United Hatters of North America to fully a quarter of a million dollars.

Asked regarding the moral significance of the verdict in the case, which is the most important of its kind ever tried in this country, Davenport, senior counsel for the plaintiff, said: "First, it means that individual members of labor unions are bound by the actions of their officers, and they cannot allow them to do as they please. Secondly, it means that the Sherman Anti-Trust law protects manufacturers and merchants from boycott attacks. In substance it is a new declaration of independence."

The plaintiff, D. E. Loewe, was surrounded by his friends and congratulated upon the outcome of the case. He said that if he had not won the suit he would have had to go out of business.

The judge in his charge practically instructed the jury to bring in a verdict for the plaintiff. He said the only question for them to decide was one of damages, and these were to be based upon the loss sustained by the plaintiff between July, 1902, and September, 1903. The period during which the boycott against the Loewe factory was maintained.

The suit was brought against Martin Lawler, Joan Corbis and 239 other hatmakers, members of Danbury, Bethel and South Norwalk local unions of the United Hatters of North America, who had been employed by the hating firm and who had declared a strike and boycott against the firm July 25, 1902.

The suit, which was for \$240,000 damages, has been on trial for eleven weeks. It was instituted by the Anti-Boycott Society through Loewe, but it is understood the damages awarded are to go to the Danbury hat makers. The expense of defending the suit is being met by the United Hatters of North America, who filed a bond to cover the amount of the attachment of the property of the defendants.

FOUR CHILDREN DIE IN FIRE.

Mystery Surrounds Tragedy in Home of Negro Family.

Wilmington, Del.—Trapped in the attic of a burning farmhouse while their helpless mother looked on, powerless to help them, four children were burned to death near Dover.

The mother, Mrs. Sarah Tatum, was in a critical condition from shock. The children were Maule, fourteen; Lewis, sixteen; Sanford, five, and Daisy, three.

In her night clothes Mrs. Tatum started to summon help. The blaze attracted neighbors, but before they arrived the children had been incinerated.

\$50,000 FOR MRS. PEARY.

Sells to Mrs. Morris K. Jesup Meteoric Husband Brought Home.

New York City.—Mrs. Robert E. Peary, wife of the North Pole discoverer, has sold for a sum said to be nearly \$50,000, three meteorites brought home from the Arctic regions.

Mrs. Jesup, widow of Morris K. Jesup, who, more than any other individual, helped to finance Commander Peary's trips, was the purchaser.

Mrs. Jesup has given them to the American Museum of Natural History. The meteorites are the largest specimens of iron ore composition ever found.

AUTO ACCIDENTS INCREASE.

Forty-six Per Cent. More in Lay State Last Year.

Boston, Mass.—Emphasizing the need of more careful and considerate use of the highways of the State by automobilists, the State Roads Automobile Association issued a statement, in which it is shown that forty-six per cent. more automobile accidents of all sorts occurred in Massachusetts in 1909 than in 1908.

The figures show 396 serious accidents and fifty-four deaths in 1909, compared with 624 serious injuries and thirty-three deaths in 1908.

TO INVESTIGATE HIGH PRICES

Congress to Begin Investigation at Once.

THE WEEK'S PROGRAM OUTLINED

To Complete Postal Savings Bank, Statehood and Other Important Matters.

Washington, Special.—Whether the Senate and House will conduct rival investigations into the causes of the high cost of the necessities of life is a question that concerns the political leaders more deeply than any other problem now before Congress. If both bodies conduct an examination they fear that different conclusions may be reached and that such differing reports, on the eve of the Congressional elections, would be likely to prove embarrassing to the Republican majority. Nevertheless the Republicans of the Senate apparently are determined to order such an inquiry and conduct it with the utmost dispatch regardless of the views of the House leaders on the subject.

The Lodge resolution, which was reported from the Senate committee on finance, has been amended so as to provide for a committee of seven Senators, and it probably will be reported from the Senate committee on touting expenses. The enlarged committee will give Senator Elkins opportunity to serve as one of the investigators, if he cares to do so, and will unite the Republicans in favor of the inquiry. There is a possibility that the investigation proposed by the House committee on ways and means may not be ordered, but no decision has thus far been reached.

It is reported that President Taft desires the effect of the tariff upon necessities of life to be determined by the inquiry, however, it is conducted, and that he will not tolerate any effort to gloss over any ill effects that may be disclosed. He has not expressed himself publicly on this subject.

Appropriation bills will continue to occupy the attention of the House during the week but in the Senate an effort will be made to complete the postal savings bank bill in order to have a vote next later than Thursday or Friday. Of the President's policies it is likely that the Statehood bill next will be considered by the Senate.

Practically no interest is being taken by either branch of Congress in the committee hearings on the administration bill for the creation of a court of commerce and amending the railroad rate laws. Open sessions have been held but few members of Congress have taken the trouble to investigate the progress, and even the members of the committee have not shown the interest usual to such legislation. There is a disposition to pass the bill in about the form in which it was presented by Attorney General Wickensham. The hearings are little more than perfunctory.

CHEAPEST IN SOUTH.

Meals and Lodgings Average \$1 to \$2.50 a Day.

Washington, Special.—The difference in the cost of living for the traveling employes of the Department of Agriculture in the different sections of the country, has been shown in testimony just submitted to the House committee on expenditures by Chief Disbursing Officer Appone of that department.

In the South the expenses for lodging and meals as shown by their own expense statements averages between \$1 and \$2.50 a day, in the far West \$2 and \$3.50, in the central West \$3.50 to \$4.50, and in the East \$4 to \$6.

Paris Resuming Normal Appearance.

Paris, By Cable.—The river Seine was Saturday more than 13 feet below its flood maximum and the city has begun to assume its normal appearance. The streets are clear of water and the wreckage left by the flood is rapidly disappearing.

Another Mine Horror.

Indiana, Pa., Special.—Ten Hungarians and one American is the death toll of a gas explosion Saturday in the No. 2 slope of the Ernest mine of the Jefferson & Clearfield Co., five miles north of this place.

Meet in St. Louis Next.

Indianapolis, Ind., Special.—The convention of the United Mine Workers of America adjourned Thursday morning. A coalition between the western metal miners and the united coal miners will be attempted. The convention will be held at St. Louis.

NORTH STATE DOINGS.

IN MEMORY OF DANIEL BOONE.

Cabin to Be Dedicated With proper Ceremonies at "Devil's Den." Extensive preparations have been made for the dedication of a cabin to the memory of Daniel Boone at what is known as Devil's Den, in Boone township, Davidson county, near Spencer. The cabin, which has been built with great care, will be formally dedicated on May 1, at which time a number of prominent speakers from various parts of North Carolina will be present. The location is at Boone's Cave, which is known far and wide as being at one time occupied by the noted Daniel Boone. It is well preserved to the present time, and is said to be well arranged with seven living rooms underground. A large number of visitors are expected for the occasion.

Food Chemists Report.

During the year 721 samples of food and beverages were examined, 154 or a little more than 21 per cent of which were found to be adulterated or misbranded. Eight violations of the law have been reported to solicitors for prosecution and others are being put in shape to be reported. In each case the defendant was convicted and fined. The adulterations of greatest importance were found in butter, ice cream, vinegar, syrup, molasses and flour. Butter contained fat other than milk fat; ice cream was made from gelatin, etc., and was below standard in milk fat; compound vinegar was sold for fruit vinegar; molasses and syrup contained too much water, and flour was bleached with chemicals that are deleterious to health.

New Railroads.

A corps of surveyors have arrived at Leaksville for the purpose of surveying the Leaksville & Western Railway from that town to Madison, following the banks of Dan river.

In May work will begin on a new railroad from North Wilkesboro to Butler, Tenn., a distance of 90 miles. Frank A. Linney, Ed Coffey and other men of means in Western North Carolina are behind the project and have expended already \$200,000 in securing rights-of-way, under the name of the Watauga Railroad Company. This link will pass through Lenoir and will connect the Southern railway with the coal fields of Tennessee and Virginia by the most direct route.

Big Land Deal.

At Asheville the greatest timber deal of the year in western North Carolina was consummated last week and announcement made when 15,000 acres of land on Forney's creek, in Swain county and extending from Clingman's dome on the North Carolina-Tennessee boundary line to the railroad tracks of the Murphy division, embracing a part of the 700,000 acres in the noted Whittier boundary, was sold by the Harris-Woodbury Lumber Company to the Norwood Lumber Company, a West Virginia corporation, for the sum of \$220,000.

Pleased With Their Trip.

The waterways committee which traveled through the eastern part of the State last week with Senator Simmons, Senator Piles and Clarke and Representatives Wanger and Stevens and Col. A. D. Watts stated that they had a pleasant trip and were favorably impressed with the State and the people they met.

New Officers Elected.

At Denham last week the city public school superintendents of this state held their annual session, and after discussing many subjects of interest, elected the following officers: Prof. Harry Howell of High Point, president; Prof. W. D. Carmichael of Durham, vice president and secretary C. W. Wilson was re-elected.

Site For Mason's Home.

Mooreville citizens have given 11.34 acres to the Masons of the State for a home for the aged and infirm. The ladies of the Eastern Star of the order, have joined in the movement and a handsome building costing probably \$15,000 to \$20,000 will be erected on the site donated.

Briefly Told.

January term of Forsyth criminal court was postponed on account of smallpox.

Five inches of snow fell at Winston-Salem last Saturday.

Monroe citizens are planning for a new and commodious hotel.

The Eagle Furniture Co., at High Point, has failed. Liabilities between \$90,000 and \$110,000; assets \$25,000 to \$35,000.

Wilmington is to have a Commercial Club.

The Raleigh & Southport railroad will build to Clarkton and may be extended to Whiteville.

Some time in March Senator Cummins, of Iowa, will deliver an address before the Manufacturers' Club of High Point. Among the other speakers will be Gov. Mann, of Va.; Gov. Ansel, of South Carolina, and President Alderman of the University of Virginia.

At Goldsboro highwaymen sandbagged and robbed three citizens separately and in different sections of the town. One was relieved of \$500.

The Winston Sentinel says Congressman Morehead will not make the race again for Congress in the fifth district.

A picture of King Edward, of Great Britain, bearing his autograph, has been placed in the Hall of History at Raleigh.

Four negroes were drowned last week near Old Trap, Camden county. A thorough search has been made for the bodies, but so far with no success.

Dormitory of Mount Pleasant school was burned Friday.

Noted Feudist Surrender.

Roanoke, Va., Special.—A Bluefield, W. Va., special says Jim Daniels and his five sons, noted Kentucky feudists, surrendered to the sheriff at Pikeville, Ky., Saturday, and were placed in jail. Old man Daniels said he was tired of cheating justice and having got religion he was ready with his sons to take their medicine.

Robbed Passengers of \$400.

Pittsburg, Kan., Special.—Three unidentified men held up and robbed the passengers on a eastbound Missouri Pacific passenger train, five miles East of here last Friday night. They were unmasked. About \$400 and a small amount of jewelry was taken from the passengers.

Suit For \$375,000.

Cincinnati, O., Special.—A suit for \$375,000 damages has been filed in the United States district court here by the Dubeer Watch Case Company against the Keystone Watch Case Company of Philadelphia and other concerns alleged to be members of an illegal combination within the meaning of the Sherman law.

Dedicate Peace Palace.

Washington, Special.—The new building of the International Bureau of the American Republics, costing \$1,000,000, will be dedicated Wednesday, April 6.

Virginia May Vote on State-Wide Law.

Richmond, Va., Special.—In pursuance of the plan of the Virginia Anti Saloon League, Senator Strode Saturday introduced a bill providing for an election by all the qualified voters of the State on the subject of State-wide prohibition to be held whenever petitioned for by a number of voters equal to 25 per cent of the number voting at the preceding general election.

FOR "FINICKY" APPETITES.

My children had "finicky" appetites, and it seemed impossible to provide a meal that would be acceptable to all.

Some of the things they disliked they had never tasted, so one day I said: "To-morrow Robert may order the dinner. He may be the host and the rest of us will be his guests. Of course, as his guests it would be unardonable for us to tell him we did not like his food. We must at least taste of everything. The one who is the most perfectly bred guest may give a dinner soon after. Of course, if there is any one who is boorish, that one will be denied the privilege of entertaining us."

Well, the result of our series of dinners was that Alice discovered that cream really tasted very nice, and Paul found that eggs were not the abomination he had thought them. Moreover, their father meekly accepted French dressing, although thitherto he had never tasted olive oil.—Harper's Bazar.

May Strike April First.

Toledo, O., Special.—President Lewis of the United Mine Workers said Saturday that there would be a general suspension of work in the bituminous fields of the country April first if agreements on the wage schedule are not reached by that date.

No Increase in Shoe Duty.

Washington, Special.—The Cuban government will not increase the duty on American shoes imported into that country, the United States charge at Havana reported Saturday.

Indict City Officials.

Chicago, Special.—Four true bill charging city hall officials with conspiracy in connection with the \$45,000 "shale rock" scandal were returned by the county grand jury Saturday. The men indicted were: John Ericson, city engineer; Michael H. McGovern, contractor; Paul Redieske, former deputy commissioner of public works and Ralph A. Bonnell, former assistant city engineer.

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