

# REFUSE TO PRODUCE CONTRACTS

### Attorneys For Steel Trust Throw Down Gauntlet At Dissolution Hearing—Secretary of American Sheet and Tin Plate Company Admits that He Destroyed Machinery Contracts—"Understanding" Regarding Prices Reached at Meetings.

New York, May 14.—The refusal of the attorneys of the United States Steel corporation to produce certain papers wanted by the government, and the discovery that other documents which the corporation was subpoenaed to produce had either been destroyed, or could not be found, furnished the sensation of today's hearing of the government suit to dissolve the corporation under the Sherman anti-trust act.

#### Refuse to Produce Contracts.

The papers which the corporation attorneys decided should not become a part of the government's evidence, if they could prevent it, consisted of two contracts between the American Sheet and Tin Plate company, a subsidiary of the corporation, and the American Can company, whereby the can company is alleged to have secured its supply of tin plate at preferential prices. D. G. Reid and Judge William H. Moore, directors of the steel corporation, are also directors of the can company.

#### A Private Business Affair.

"We decline to produce these contracts," announced R. V. Lindabury, chief counsel for the corporation, "on the ground that they disclose the company's private business affairs with one of its customers." The refusal would stand, Mr. Lindabury stated, until the right of the government to the possession of the documents had been ruled upon by the United States circuit judges to whom the testimony in the suit will be certified.

#### Machinery Contracts Destroyed.

The documents destroyed or missing consisted of contracts between the American Tin Plate company and manufacturers of tin plate machinery whereby, it is alleged, the use of the machinery by competitors of the street trust's subsidiary was prevented; of an alleged five-year contract between the tin plate company and the Sharon Steel company for the taking of the latter's output, and of similar contracts alleged to have been made by the American Sheet Steel company, all important to the government's case. Carlo V. Wheeler, secretary and treasurer of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company, the consolidation of the two companies in question, was the witness subpoenaed to produce the contracts. He testified today that he had himself destroyed the machinery contracts "about 1904."

#### Destroyed Them Without Authority.

"Who destroyed them?" asked Judge Jacob M. Dickinson, chief counsel for the government, sharply. "I did," said the witness. "When did you destroy them?" "I don't know."

#### By Whose Authority Did You Destroy Them?

"My own."

#### Contracts Among Obsolete Papers.

"You exercised your own judgment, without authority from the board of directors?" "In this case, yes. There were a number of obsolete papers which I destroyed and I presume these contracts were among them, as I have not seen them since."

#### When Was That?

"About 1904; several years ago, at least."

#### You Remember the Contracts?

"I remember there were some such papers, but I do not recall exactly what they related to."

#### Other Contracts Missing.

The other contracts, Wheeler said, he had been unable to find. "Did you make a thorough search?" "Well, I had a search made. They tell me that they can't find them anywhere."

"Well, I instruct you to make a thorough search, and if you can't find them we will have those subpoenaed who had them directly in their custody," declared Judge Dickinson, apparently exasperated.

#### "Understanding" as to Prices.

Testimony which brought the famous Gary dinners into prominence proved another interesting feature. Howard M. Davis of Philadelphia, now an independent tin plate manufacturer, testified that in 1907 he represented the American Sheet and Tin Plate company at meetings of manufacturers in Pittsburgh at which he said "understandings" were reached as to prices. These understandings were not always observed, but those who violated them were "investigated," and a promise obtained from them that they would abide by the understandings in the future, he asserted.

#### The Gary Dinners.

Judge Dickinson wanted to know if Judge Gary appointed the chairman of the meetings. To this Davis gave a negative answer, but stated that the Pittsburgh meetings usually occurred right after the Gary dinners. At these dinners, which represented some 95 per cent of the steel industry of the country, similar, although more general, understandings were reached, the government contends.

#### FIRE LOSS OF SEVERAL HUNDRED DOLLARS.

### Planting Mill if W. S. Danielson Gunned Late Tuesday Night.

Danielson, May 14.—Willard S. Danielson's planting mill at the head of Water street was gutted by a fire for which an alarm came in from box 23 at 11:18 Tuesday night. The fire had a big start and the interior was a mass of flames when the first streams were turned on. The firemen did good work and the recall was sounded at 12:10. The building is owned by W. A. Burrows and is said to be insured for from \$300 to \$500. Mr. Danielson said after the fire that he was probably protected to the amount of his loss, the amount of which cannot be determined until the machinery is inspected today. The damage to the building, which was flooded with water, is estimated at \$200. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

#### Care of Non-Resident Inmate.

Albany, N. Y., May 14.—A former resident of New York state who becomes insane in another state should be received, treated and maintained at one of the hospitals in this state, according to an opinion by Attorney General Carmody today. The question was raised by the Connecticut authorities, who were called upon to care for a woman who became insane soon after her arrival at Farmington, Conn., from Bellview, Pa. The woman formerly resided at Waverly, N. Y.

#### Catholic Benevolent Legion.

Buffalo, N. Y., May 14.—Delegates to

the supreme council of the Catholic Benevolent legion of America, an organization representing a membership of 90,000 in the United States, gathered here today for the 31st annual convention. The meeting was formally opened with the celebration of solemn high mass, at which Right Rev. Bishop Colton officiated. Business sessions will be held today and tomorrow, and Thursday the delegates will be entertained at Niagara Falls.

#### ROOSEVELT IN OHIO.

### Tells His Auditors Taft Has Gone Over to Enemy.

Canton, O., May 14.—The first day of Colonel Roosevelt's campaign in Ohio ended here tonight with his first prepared speech in the state. It was a day of crowds and noise and speeches in quick succession as Colonel Roosevelt was hurried through the eastern part of the state in an effort to keep up with the schedule which had been arranged. This called for thirteen speeches, and the colonel made several more than that. There were large crowds wherever he spoke.

#### Issue Not One of Personal Abuse.

A new point which Colonel Roosevelt developed was his denial of the right of President Taft to criticize acts of the Roosevelt administration. He took the ground that as a member of the Roosevelt cabinet Mr. Taft was a part of the administration, and as candidate for president he made his campaign with the record of the Roosevelt administration as his platform.

Colonel Roosevelt charged that the president had "joined the enemy."

"I wish to make the issue one of principle, and not of personal abuse," Colonel Roosevelt said.

"I see that Mr. Taft yesterday alluded to me as a demagogue, a neuter, a creature of an exploit and engaged in honey-fogging all of you. This will not tempt me into any retaliation in kind. But I wish to point this to you: Four years ago Mr. Taft had not declared that he was a flatterer, a demagogue and exploit and engaged in honey-fogging the people, and yet I stood then exactly where I stand now. I forget whether it was yesterday or today that Mr. Taft made a remark which I do not think was in very good taste, as to the possibility of my having died in the Titanic disaster. He shall have a complete monopoly of calling me a neuter and a demagogue and stating about what would have happened if I had died in the Titanic and all the rest of it. I ask your attention only to the great issues involved in this fight."

#### Taft Has Changed, Not the Bosses.

Colonel Roosevelt went on to say that the "bosses" who were against Mr. Taft four years ago had not changed, but that it was Mr. Taft who had changed. In his speech here tonight the colonel said:

"We have not changed position, we progressives, and we stand exactly where we stood four years ago. It is Mr. Taft who has left us and who has joined the enemy. Therefore our attitude toward Mr. Taft can be expressed in the words of Abraham Lincoln when he said: 'I will stand with anybody who stands for the right, stand with him while he is right, and part with him when he goes wrong.'"

"I stand by all my administration did, I stand by it, and if I am again elected president I shall try to administer the government in the interest of all you plain people, just as I approve to administer it before. I hope I shall be more successful, because I have learned a good deal. The presidency is a big school and I know whom to trust and whom not to trust."

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#### NOTICE OF 33 CONTESTS.

### Plenty of Work Cut Out for the Republican National Committee.

Chicago, May 14.—Notice of thirty-three contests has been filed with the republican national committee, which will open permanent headquarters in the Coliseum tomorrow. From Florida today came notice that the state's entire list of twelve delegates would be contested by the Taft and Roosevelt forces. Other contests reported today were from the fourth and seventh districts of Mississippi and the fifth district of Louisiana.

A peculiar condition exists in the fifth Louisiana district. One delegate and his alternate were endorsed by both the Roosevelt and Taft followers, but they split on the second delegate and the second alternate.

Through a misunderstanding, it previously was announced at the committee headquarters here that a meeting of the sub-committee would be held tomorrow or Thursday to make final plans for the convention. This meeting will be held May 18.

#### EIGHT FOR CLARK.

### New Hampshire Democratic State Convention Favors Speaker.

Concord, N. H., May 14.—Four delegates at large and two from each of the two congressional districts to the democratic national convention at Baltimore pledged, but "morally bound" by a preferential vote in the convention to vote for Speaker Clark for the presidential nomination, were elected by the democrats of New Hampshire today.

The two district conventions were held immediately after the state convention, which was harmonious. There was applause in the state convention when the chairman mentioned the name of Governor Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey in his opening remarks. The Clark sentiment was clearly predominant, however.

In its platform the state convention favored a six year term for president and ineligibility for a second term.

#### THE MARYLAND DEAL.

### State Convention Endorses Both Taft and Roosevelt.

Baltimore, May 14.—Sixteen delegates, eight of them selected by the friends of President Taft and eight by the supporters of Theodore Roosevelt, met at the convention here today. Roosevelt at Chicago, were elected today at the Maryland republican state convention. The convention was harmonious.

Although the Taft men controlled a majority of the 129 delegates, so far as their personal affiliations were concerned they made no effort to defeat the instructions of the preference primaries, which were for Colonel Roosevelt. After some skirmishing before the convention met a plank was put in the platform, and later unanimously adopted, which declared the presidential record of Colonel Roosevelt "without parallel in our generation," and concluded with a pledge to give him "the undivided support" of the Maryland delegation for the presidential nomination.

President Taft's administration was endorsed in more measured terms. The Roosevelt force yielded the position of national committee member and pledged themselves to re-elect a Taft man, William P. Jackson.

#### 24 FOR ROOSEVELT.

### Minnesota's Delegation Likely to Be Instructed for ex-President.

St. Paul, Minn., May 14.—Minnesota's 24 delegates to the national republican convention probably will be instructed for Theodore Roosevelt. Complete returns from yesterday's county conventions seem to assure this. With the election of six delegates at large by the state convention at Minneapolis Thursday, the delegation will be complete.

Former Congressman Tawney, whose home county, Winona, went for Taft, has declined to become a delegate.

Hope of the La Follette forces that the Wisconsin man would carry the Ninth district were wrecked when Polk county went to the colonel, turning the tide there.

The state convention will be divided thus: Roosevelt 576, Taft 75, La Follette 164.

#### CORNICE AT SPRINGFIELD FALLS, INJURING FOUR MEN.

### Two Artisans May Die as a Result of Hurts Received.

Springfield, Mass., May 14.—Four workmen were injured, two probably fatally, when a 115-foot section of the cornice on the fourth floor of the new municipal building which is under construction fell today.

The men, who were at work on the cornice when it gave way, dropped to the street, 60 feet below. Recent rains are believed to have loosened the mortar which held the cornice in place.

Edward McLaughlin and Elton Fliske, masons, were so seriously injured that surgeons believe they will die.

John P. Haggerty, a mason, is suffering from a broken arm and possible internal injuries.

Arthur La Lande, an electrician, was badly cut and bruised.

New Canaan—A \$300,000 residence is to be built in Talmadge Hill for Lewis H. Lapham of New York.

#### SENSATION IN BANKING.

### CIRCLES IN STAMFORD.

### George S. Wilson and Teller Moores Arrested on Embezzlement Charge.

Stamford, Conn., May 14.—George S. Wilson and DeForest Moores, manager and teller, respectively, in the savings department of the Stamford Trust company, were arrested here this afternoon, charged with embezzlement of funds of the trust company to an amount close to \$50,000.

After the arrests, the following statement was given out by the trust company:

"The directors of the Stamford Trust company announce that owing to defalcation on the part of two of its employees, George S. Wilson and DeForest Moores, the company has lost \$57,637.97. The amount of the loss will be reduced by the amount of their surety bonds, \$12,500, and some additional individual assets.

"The directors assure the depositors and stockholders of the company that the defalcation, while large, in no respect impairs the soundness of the bank, which, after deducting all losses, has unimpaired its capital of \$200,000 and surplus and undivided profits of \$215,000, making net assets over all liabilities of \$415,000."

The statement is signed by John A. Brown, president; Walter Ferguson, vice president; Walter D. Daskam, treasurer, and seven other directors.

Both of the accused men have been with the bank for a long period. Wilson has been prominent in Young Men's Christian association work here and was at one time treasurer of the association. It is understood that the bank officials have been conducting an investigation for some time past.

Wilson and Moores were arrested at their homes.

The arrests created a tremendous sensation in the city, coming almost on the heels of the arrest last month of Major William H. Holly, for a quarter of a century an employe of the Stamford Savings bank, charged with embezzlement of \$14,729 of the funds of that institution. Holly is now under bonds awaiting trial.

Wilson's case was first set at \$40,000 and in the case of Wilson at \$10,000. Up to a late hour tonight neither man had been able to procure a bondsman. They will be arraigned tomorrow morning in city court.

#### And in The Back.

"I am more fortunate in my friends than Mr. Taft is," said T. D. at Danbury, Conn. "Taft's most conspicuous friend has knifed him."—Washington Post.

#### ISMAY GIVES \$50,000.

### Nucleus of Fund for Pensions to the Widows of Seamen.

Liverpool, Eng., May 14.—J. Bruce Ismay, managing director of the White Star line, has contributed \$50,000 as the nucleus of a fund to provide pensions for the widows of seamen who lost their lives while serving in vessels of the British mercantile marine.

#### TEN INCHES OF SNOW.

### Rather a Wintry May Visitation for the State of Colorado.

Denver, Col., May 14.—Ten inches of snow had fallen here early today, and it was still snowing in many parts of the state. Little apprehension was felt by Colorado fruit growers.

#### Steamship Arrivals.

At Liverpool: May 14, Lusitania, from New York.

At Dover: May 14, Finland, from New York.

At Trieste: May 10, Columbia, from New York.

At Cherbourg: May 14, Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from New York.

At Siasconset, Mass.: May 14, United States, from Copenhagen for New York, 192 miles east of Sandy Hook at 2:30 p. m. Dock 8 a. m. Wednesday.

At Siasconset, Mass.: May 14, Kaiser Prinz Wilhelm, from Bremen for New York, 192 miles east of Sandy Hook at 4:10 p. m. dock 8 a. m. Wednesday.

#### Titanic Survivor Sues for \$19,000.

New Haven, Conn., May 14.—Through counsel Mrs. Elizabeth A. Dyker of West Haven, a survivor as well as a widow of the Titanic disaster, has sued the Oceanic Navigation Steamship company, otherwise known as the White Star line, for \$19,000 alleged damages due to loss of baggage, jewelry, money and other effects to the amount of \$4,000, and \$15,000 for loss of her husband.

#### Make That Unanimous.

Gumshoe Bill Stone says that Champ Clark has many times greater mentality than he, and that he is an all-round better man.—Los Angeles Times.

#### Perkins' Favorite Song.

"One to which George W. Perkins serenades the colonel. He certainly was good to me.—Omaha Bee.

#### Berlin.—The Holy Name society of St. Paul's church will be the guests this (Tuesday) evening of the society connected with St. Mary's church of New Britain.

## Stick to The Old Habits

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