

STANDARD BUYS BIG BLOCK OF MAGNOLIA

Part of Archbold and Folger Holdings Figure in \$19,800,000 Oil Deal.

STOCK IS NON-VOTING Western Producing and Refining Concern Obtains Cash for Expansion.

The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, according to the current issue of the Standard Oil Company's annual report, has purchased 42.5 per cent of the outstanding capital stock of the Magnolia Petroleum Company, one of the most important oil companies in this country.

As a result of the deal the Magnolia Petroleum Company obtains an ample amount of cash needed to meet requirements for expansion, besides close affiliation with one of the largest of the country's marketing and shipping organizations.

The amount of the stock purchased by the Standard Oil Company is about \$19,800,000, par value of the amount the stock is non-voting, but its share of the Magnolia's dividends at the present rate, 6 per cent, will be \$1,188,000 annually.

In addition to increasing our authorized capital stock we amended our articles of incorporation to allow us to acquire any stock owned or held by a corporation of the right to vote or participate in control of our company while so owned.

Here to the Archbold estate retained a amount of the old stock of the Magnolia Co. but sold all their subscription rights to the new stock.

When development progresses further it is expected that a lateral pipe line system will be demanded, extending east to the main pipe line at Corsicana.

CURTIS SUCCEEDED KENT. James Freeman Curtis has been appointed deputy governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Mr. Curtis came to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York as secretary and counsel when the system went into effect. He was assistant secretary of the Treasury in the Taft Administration and for a short time in the first Wilson Administration.

NATIONAL GROCER SALES GROW Report for 1917 Shows Increase of \$8,059,305 Over 1916.

The National Grocer Company's report for the year ended December 31 shows a net income of \$1,348,068, an increase of \$1,055,305 over 1916. The balance sheet surplus was \$1,614,509, compared with \$1,168,753 in 1916.

N. J. ZINC INCOME INCREASES. Figures for Last Quarter Above Preceding Three Months.

The New Jersey Zinc Company's report for the quarter ended December 31, 1917, shows net income of \$3,928,423, compared with \$2,994,324 for the same quarter in 1916.

PROSSER HEADS NEW DENVER COMMITTEE Bondholders Organize to Protect Interests Because of Road's Default.

Complications arising from the Government's control of railroads resulted yesterday in the default of the \$23,922,000 semi-annual interest on the \$23,922,000 Denver and Rio Grande first and second mortgage bonds.

As a representative of the committee was hopeful of an early order by the Director-General of the Federal Railroad Administration, he said that lack of time for adequate presentation of the case alone deferred the payment.

CURE STOCKS GO UP ON HEAVY TRADING Large Advances in Standard Oil Issues—Low Priced Mines in Demand.

Further advances were reported in the outside market yesterday, although there was a great deal of profit taking in the early trading. Business was on an increased scale, especially in the mining department, where substantial advances were made by lower priced shares on outside buying.

Chevrolet and other motor and accessory stocks were strong, rising substantially. The first named sold to a new high for the present movement, being 42 1/2 for the announcement that sales of cars during 1917 showed an increase of 94 per cent over the previous twelve months.

Among independent oil shares little change resulted, while large advances were made by Standard Oil issues. Prairie Oil and Gas rose 25 points to the highest level in several months.

War stocks were strong early, but reacted in the late trading. Aircraft and Wright-Martin Aircraft were strong in the morning. Canadian Car and Foundry issues, on a small business, showed large advances.

In the mining list lower priced shares were in active demand and scored comparatively large advances. Among these was Big Ledge Copper. Inquiries were made for Washoe Copper, which will be initially dealt in next week.

Bonds were rather quiet and showed irregular price changes. General Electric No. 12's, reacted fractionally from Thursday's high level.

Sales and quotations follow: Sale. Open High Low Last. 45 Amer Zinc... 24 1/2 25 24 1/2 24 1/2

Am Oil... 10 1/2 11 10 1/2 10 1/2. Am Gas... 10 1/2 11 10 1/2 10 1/2. Am Coal... 10 1/2 11 10 1/2 10 1/2.

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OUT OF TOWN MARKETS. BOSTON. Feb. 1.—There were profit taking sales in mining shares that resulted in moderate declines.

CHICAGO. Feb. 1.—Market developed reactionary trend after early trading with good volume of business in several lines.

PITTSBURG. PITTSBURG, Feb. 1.—Market quiet, with no decided change in quotations. Summary: Sales. Open High Low Last.

BALTIMORE. BALTIMORE, Feb. 1.—Price changes not important, with trading less active. Summary: Sales. Open High Low Last.

PUBLIC UTILITY QUOTATIONS. Am Light & Traction... 20 1/2 21 20 1/2 20 1/2. Am Gas & Electric... 20 1/2 21 20 1/2 20 1/2.

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MONTREAL CLOSING. Montreal, Feb. 1.—The Commercial Bulletin will say to-morrow: "The past week has been a quiet one in the wool market, although not altogether uninteresting."

New Income Tax Regulations THE Treasury Department regulations governing the making of Income Tax returns, and the collection of the tax, have just been issued.

The most important of these regulations, as they apply to individuals, fiduciaries and partnerships, are summarized in a booklet which we have prepared. In addition, the booklet contains the full text of the Income Tax Law, as amended to date.

This booklet of 140 pages is conveniently arranged and fully indexed. It is now ready for distribution. Guaranty Trust Company of New York 140 Broadway

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The Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Co. issued under the Mortgage dated August 1, 1908, to Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee: Default has been made in the payment of the interest due February 1, 1918, on the above bonds, although a surplus over all fixed charges was carried during the calendar year 1917 and notwithstanding the fact that, other than the Western Pacific judgment, which is junior to said bonds, the Company had no unusual floating debt and its voucher account was not beyond the normal amount incident to its going business.

SEWARD PROSSER, Chairman. C. LEDYARD BLAIR, Secretary. BRANT CUTLER, JOHN HENRY HAMMOND, ANDREW J. MILLER, WILLIAM SALOMON, JOSEPH H. SEAMAN, FREDERICK STRAUSS, Committee.

RAILROAD EARNINGS. CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN. 1917. Changes. Third week Jan. 1917... \$27,254 Dec. 1917... \$28,079

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