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'SYSTEM' ARMORED TO DEFY NATION

OIL TRUST HEADS CUMMINS ATTACKS SAFE AS IN FORT DOLLIVER'S BILL Rockefeller, Rogers, and Associate Iowa Governor Tells Fruit Jobbers that Freight Measure Is a Subterfuge.

May Be So Hedged About that Prosecution Is Impossible. Chicago, Dec. 30.—Raymond, in a Philadelphia special to the Tribune, says: There never was a better name for the Standard Oil company than the "System," for a system it certainly is, in the full extent of the word.

Even the most patient inquiry by the government secret service officers has failed to unearth the complete tangled web of these affiliated companies. Almost every state has a separate corporation of its own, and in many cities there are individual companies also.

Other companies pay toll into this great funnel, and into its treasury, is poured all the extraordinary profits which the oil business of the United States, under the monopolistic control of the "System," has been able to produce.

BOLD ROBBERY IN A SEATTLE HOTEL

Theatrical Man Compelled to Sign Check and Tell Bank to Pay It. Seattle, Dec. 30.—Moses Goldsmith, a theatrical booking agent and owner of the Strand theater, was held up yesterday afternoon in his room in the Lincoln hotel, a fashionable resort, and forced to sign a check for \$2,750.

Decoyed Victim to Room. The man who committed the robbery had carried out in a quiet and genteel manner. The visitor even insisted upon shaking hands with Goldsmith and thanking him for the courtesy before leaving him in the improvised lockup.

"DIAMOND" VEIN FOUND. Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 30.—While plowing on the track proper at Oaklawn, workmen were getting the coverage for early spring racing, unearthed a vein of valuable quartz, which extended across the track into the middle of the field.

EXTRA

MRS. BRENNAN FOUND GUILTY

Murder in Second Degree Is Verdict of Jury in Sensational Murder Trial--Maximum Penalty Is Life Imprisonment.

Mrs. Stella Brennan will not hang. "Guilty of murder in the second degree" is the jury's verdict. "Twelve good men and true" have decided that on the night of Nov. 4 she killed her little stepdaughter, Elizabeth Brennan. Imprisonment for life is the maximum penalty.

Table with 3 columns: Category, 1905, 1904. Includes Building permits, Real estate transfers, Bank clearings, Flour output, Births, Deaths, Marriage licenses, Death rate, Arrests by police, Fire losses, Fire alarms.

HERMANN TO FACE TRIAL FOR FRAUD

Oregon Congressman Must Answer Indictment as a Land Graft. Washington, Dec. 30.—Representative Binger Hermann of Oregon, who is under indictment in connection with Oregon land frauds, is expected to arrive in Washington late today or tomorrow and the interior department officials believe his trial will be begun within thirty days.

MOSCOW REDS, IN LAST STAND, LOSE

Revolutionists Take Refuge in Houses Which Troops Storm and Capture. Moscow, Dec. 30.—Three armed bands of revolutionists, whose offer yesterday to surrender if granted a free pardon was refused by the authorities, barricaded themselves today in their houses. According to the latest reports, the houses were stormed and captured by the troops.

HILL SEEMS TO BE IN UNION PACIFIC

Journal Special Service. New York, Dec. 30.—Reports that one or more new directors, presumably representing the Hill interests, would soon be elected to the Union Pacific board, and that the dividend would be increased to 6 per cent in February, appear to have been caused by heart failure.

JURY IN BRENNAN CASE STILL OUT

ANOKA IS AGAIN VISITED BY FIRE

Three Blazes in One Week Cause Nearly \$30,000 Damage. Anoka, Minn., Dec. 30.—Fire at an early hour this morning destroyed the stock of N. H. Hanson's dry goods store on Main street and damaged the building to the extent of \$1,000.

Beresford in Darkness

Beresford, S. D., Dec. 30.—The Beresford electric-light plant and flour mill were burned at an early hour today and the city will be in darkness. The plant was owned by A. O. Mason. The loss is \$25,000; insurance, \$20,000.

Rockwell Church Burned

Marshalltown, Iowa, Dec. 30.—Sacred Heart Catholic church at Rockwell, built in 1892, was destroyed by fire. It cost \$50,000 to build and the handsome fixtures were valued at \$5,000. The insurance is \$10,000.

Wholesale Hazing Evils Revealed

Midshipmen at Annapolis Own the Entire First Class Has Offended. Annapolis, Md., Dec. 30.—Midshipman Stephen Deatur, Jr., charged with hazing Midshipman Isaac N. McCarran and Gaylor Church, was arraigned before the naval court-martial this afternoon and pleaded not guilty on all specifications.

Burglars Murder Hayfield Marshal

Two Men Shoot and Kill Officer and Escape from Town. Hayfield, Minn., Dec. 30.—A murder was committed by burglars at an early hour today. They made good their escape. The victim was Ole Haves, city marshal. He was on his beat, passing Oring & Baten's general store, and saw two men inside. He fired twice through the window and the burglars returned the fire. Haves was struck by a bullet just below the heart.

Joins with Foes of Theater Trust

Journal Special Service. New York, Dec. 30.—The new theatrical syndicate, headed by the Shuberts and David Belasco, has been strengthened by the addition of Walter N. Lawrence's attractions. Mr. Lawrence has been named as the new president of the syndicate.

Moody's Advice

In a letter to the secretary of the navy in March, 1876, the attorney-general says: "I do not believe that the president would be justified in thus abrogating the clear intent and plain meaning of a salutary statute and the attorney-general wishes strongly to advise against any such course as to tend by indirection to nullify the statute."

MURDER DEGREE VEXES THE JURY

Members Are Said to Stand for Conviction, but Cannot Agree on Details. Rumors from the juryroom are to the effect that there is no dispute over the defendant's guilt but that there is a decided division of opinion as to whether the verdict shall be murder in the first or second degree.

Deliberations Have Now Occupied About 24 Hours and Verdict Is Expected Soon

Mrs. Stella Brennan's life still hangs in the balance. The twelve men who are to decide her fate and adjudge her guilt or innocent of the murder of Elizabeth Brennan have so far failed to agree upon a verdict. They have now had about twenty-four hours for deliberation.

LIFE INSURANCE INQUIRY IS ENDED

Vast Accumulation of Testimony Will Go to the New York Legislature. New York, Dec. 30.—After pursuing a line of inquiry into the methods of life insurance companies in this state which has covered a period of nearly four months, the legislative insurance-investigating committee will end its sessions today.

Actuary on Stand

Joel G. Van Cise, actuary of the Equitable Life Assurance society, was the first witness today in the insurance investigation. He has been with the committee for a month and has been answering Mr. Hughes said that he was responsible for the actuarial methods of the society.

World's Fair Figures Burned

Venice, Ill., Dec. 30.—The factory of the Pittsburgh Glass & Plaster company was destroyed by fire early today. Loss \$50,000. No insurance. Hundreds of figures of the staff statuary taken from the world's fair were consumed.

General Davis Off for Europe

New York, Dec. 30.—General George W. Davis of the Panama canal commission sailed for Europe today on the steamer New York.