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WATERS-PIERCE INFAMY. When the Waters-Pierce Oil company was outlawed in Texas a few years ago because it was controlled by the Standard Oil company in violation of the anti-trust statute, it reorganized under the name corporate name and upon a solemn avowment that the Standard no longer held any of its stock it was permitted again to do business in Texas. Now comes H. Clay Pierce, its former president, and his secretary, Charles B. Collins, testifying before a Missouri board of inquiry that all the while two-thirds of the dividends of the company formally paid to Mr. Pierce, as the holder of all the stock except four shares, have been forwarded to the Standard Oil company through Mr. Tifford at 25 Broadway, New York.

MARKET REPORTS. (By E. E. Grillo & Co., members of New Orleans Cotton Exchange.) COTTON MARKET. Ardmore, Oct. 18.—The following are the quotations for today: Liverpool Futures. Oct Nov 5.21 5.20; Nov Dec 5.21 5.21; Dec Jan 5.27 5.26; Jan Feb 5.24 5.23; Feb Mar 5.16 5.15. Spots and Sales. New York Futures. Open High Low Close. Dec 9.93 10.62 9.88 9.91; Jan 10.99 12.16 10.12 10.14; Mar 10.21 10.20 10.16 10.2. Spots and Sales. New Orleans Futures. Open High Low Close. Dec 9.90 10.63 9.88 9.91; Jan 10.99 12.16 10.12 10.14; Mar 10.21 10.20 10.16 10.2. GRAIN. Wheat: Dec 86 7/8 86 1/4; Mar 87 1/2 87 1/2. Corn: Dec 44 3/4 44 1/2; Mar 44 1/2 44 1/2. Oats: Dec 28 5/8 28 1/4; Mar 31 1/2 31 1/2. Hogs: Chicago 20.50; Kansas City 16.00; Omaha 12.00. Cattle: Chicago 10.00; Kansas City 10.00; Omaha 10.00.

TAX AT MUSKOGEE. INDIAN INSPECTOR WRIGHT READS RIOT ACT. Backs His Words With a Call for Indian Police Who Were on Previous Venture Arrested by Mayor. No Legal Method to Collect. Muskogee, T. Oct. 18.—Unless there is some tribal tax paid within the next twenty-four hours there will be something doing, is the text of an ultimatum that Indian Inspector J. George Wright has given out. To back up his statement he has brought in a lot of Indian police and is ready for business, provided Muskogee's mayor don't have all the policemen arrested as he did once before. This condition has been brought about by the expiration of the three months, to which these most persons paid their tribal tax when there was such a furor over the collection last summer. The law provides that the tax must be paid quarterly, except where it is a case of ad valorem. The first intimation of the present collection was given after Oct. 1, when the last quarter expired. Lawyers coming to practice before the Dawes commission were asked if they had paid their tribal tax and if they had not they were told they would have to pay before they could proceed with their cases. This was a snuffer for a good many of them. A great many have not yet paid and the Indian inspector has given out his ultimatum. This order does not apply to merchants to any extent, they paying a percentage per year. The attempt to collect the tax from the real estate agents in Muskogee was a flat failure. The agents refused point blank to pay and told the officials to close their offices if they wanted to; they could do business as well on the outside as they could inside and they would save rent, anyway. There is no way to force people to pay the tax, the only method being to close their places of business. A man does not object to that, the Indian agent is at the end of his rope. There is no further procedure. The real estate men stood together and won out. The tribal tax is one that it is not considered a disgrace not to pay. Everyone, even the officials, realize the injustice of it and everyone who can do so refuses to pay it. Croup is quickly relieved, and whooping cough will not run its course if you use the original Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar. This cough syrup is different from all others because it acts on the bowels. You can not cure croup and whooping cough until you rid the system of all congestion, by working off the cold through a copious action of the bowels. Bee's Laxative Honey and Tar does this, and cures all coughs, croup, whooping cough, etc. No opiates. Sold by City Drug Store.

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The Sequoyah monkey-business has about petered out, having butted squarely up against the logic of events. The Sequoyah constitution is to be signed by proxy; it will doubtless be voted upon, if at all, in much the same manner. The Sequoyah "constitutional convention" is a good deal like a department store. If you don't see what you want, ask for it. The Kansas negro is employing a mandamus to break into the Kansas City schools and at the same time is crying aloud that he isn't after social equality. The Sequoyah following may yet find it necessary to migrate to Arizona or New Mexico in order to find a region where any real separate state sentiment exists. The Mexican government has forbidden the conducting of any more lotteries in that country. The thing for the men running them to do now is to start some giant life insurance companies. Perhaps this Gough-Ramsay quarrel will also start something. If it results in the same sort of disclosures as have followed the Alexander-Hyde-Gill we will be well repaid for enduring it while it lasts. The packers doubtless smiled audibly when they read Secretary Wilson's statement that thereafter the packers would have to pay for meat inspection. They knew who will pay for it, and it won't be the packers either. Since the amount of the insurance companies' contributions to the republican campaign fund has been given out, it is probably no longer necessary for Judge Parkers friends to deny that he was the "candidate of the Wall street money power." Russia and Japan might start life insurance companies like some of ours and pay off their war debts. It wouldn't take long, if the officers operating the concerns for the governments were paid at the rate Togo gets for the work he does for Japan. Young Culver Taggart, youngest son of the notorious major, refuses to leave his mother to go with his father as ordered by the court. Unfortunately for the young man, the learned judge who decreed his future did not use Solomon's methods in reaching a conclusion. The Washington Post may not be far wrong when it says that "it is pretty well determined by the party leaders any tariff revision to be considered at the coming session of the congress will be of the constructive kind." It has so far been destructive to fair and legitimate trade. There are two or three senators who may fail to show up when congress convenes, being detained at home by circumstances over which they have no control. No telling, however, as postponements and technicalities effect wonderful things sometimes, especially for senators. The police of St. Petersburg dispersed the mourners who were accompanying the remains of Prince Troubetzky to the cemetery. It is a great country where a man is not even allowed to mourn without royal permission. The Russian people have a mourn coming to them for their unfortunate country; if for nothing else, they should at least be allowed to mourn in peace.

It is guilty of deception, it is a monstrous monopoly and it has practiced shameful extortion upon the people. Mr. Pierce testified that its dividends have been from 25 to 50 per cent per month, never less than 300 per cent per year upon a capitalization of \$400,000. No wonder the people are considering radical anti-trust measures. No wonder there is hatred of the fish. When the trusts are guilty of such frauds and excesses, when the men who control them lie and deceive in this brazen manner, when one conspiracy escapes into another and the devilry continues in order to feed greed at the rate of 50 per cent per month, the wonder is that honest people are not driven to violence and confiscation. Yet we are told by pretentious philosophers and economists that contentment is necessary and wise. Does any sane man imagine that under fair competition the Waters-Pierce Oil company could have declared dividends of 50 per cent per month? Can any theory of morals justify such profits upon prime necessities? Will any man contend that any sort of genius, other than the devilish genius of monopoly has brought to pass a condition of actually earning and deservng such returns? It is plain that ordinary civil penalties are of no avail in restraining such monsters. The punishment must be criminal. Deception such as this should send the deceivers to the penitentiary. They are worse than highway robbers and burglars. They have outraged the commonwealth and they deserve the suffering and the infamy of the felon. Fort Worth Record.

ROBBED OF DIAMONDS. Jewels Worth \$10,000 Stolen from a New York Hotel. New York, Oct. 19.—The robbery of diamonds valued at ten thousand dollars from the wife of George W. Hoadley, at Buckingham hotel last Thursday, while Mr. and Mrs. Hoadley were at the theatre, was announced today. A bell boy and a waiter are arrested. WANTED—Will pay cash for small house and lot, close in, must be bargain. Address Collins care Ardmoreite. 19-3.

Ardmore Day. Tomorrow is Ardmore Day at the Fair and a large number of merchants have agreed to close for the afternoon. Harold Wallace who circulated a petition, says that nearly all of the merchants have agreed to close.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The Children's Favorite. Coughs, Colds, Croup and Whooping Cough. This remedy is famous for its cures over a large part of the civilized world. It contains no opiates or other harmful drugs and may be given at all times to a child to all ages. Price 25 Cts; Large Size, 50 Cts.

On Time. WE KNOW a possessor of a South Bend Watch movement who had it regulated last Christmas. It has not varied from Western Union time since that date. RODENBERG, Smith Co's. 20-year guaranteed watch chains are built like a 20-year watch case. Have Mr. Nixon show both of them to you. COLEMAN BROS. DRUGGISTS AND JEWELERS.

THE MAN AHEAD.

In every newspaper we pick up we are sure to find a lot of gush about the man behind the counter and the man behind the gun, the man behind the buzz-saw and the man behind his son, the man behind the times and the man behind his rents, the man behind the fence, the man behind the bars, the man behind the kodak and the man behind the ears, the man behind his whiskers and the man behind his fists, and everything behind has entered on the lists. The skipped another fellow of whom nothing has been said, the fellow who is even or a little way ahead, who always pays for what he gets, whose bills are always signed, he's a human sight more important than the man who is behind. All was editors and merchants and the whole commercial plan are haled to evidence to the honest fellow man. He keeps us all in business and his own town is never dead, and so we take our hats off to the man who is ahead.—Exchange. Before you buy, see our line of celebrated Bridge & Beach coal and wood heaters. WEEKS BROS. 1514 Practical Tanners and Plumbers. Diphtheria Closes Schools. The Gutrie Loxler informs us that the public schools at Blackwell and Perry are in the throes of a distressful diphtheria epidemic, and have been ordered closed by the city superintendent. Every possible effort is being made by the authorities to check the spread of the disease, which has already gained considerable headway. At Blackwell the churches have dismissed services through fear of contagion. Several deaths have occurred there. In many families more than one child is ill with the dread disease, and in one instance two children from the same family died the same day. Man in Jail and Apologetic. He is not a lawyer, he is not a doctor, he is not a minister, he is not a member of any church, but quotes every name of bible.

Nobby and Dainty New Shoes. We have secured the exclusive agency for the celebrated "DOROTHY DODD" SHOES and we now have a full and complete assortment of the new fall styles which we shall take pleasure in showing the ladies. This line of shoes is too well known by stylish dressers to need any comment or recommendation—the name "DOROTHY DODD" is sufficient because everyone knows there no better fitting or wearing shoe made at \$4.00 or \$5.00. The price on these shoes is stamped in plain figures \$3.00 and \$3.50. We are are showing a beautiful line of the well known "Krippendorf-Dittman" Shoes for ladies. This shoe is one of the best medium priced lines ever shown in Ardmore. They are so good that WE GUARANTEE EVERY PAIR and will refund a new pair for every unsatisfactory pair. They go at \$2.00 and \$2.50. FOR THE GENTLEMEN: We have a complete line of that peerless make "M. A. Packard" Shoe. This line of shoes is sold the world over and worn by thousands of glad feet in every country under the sun. Equal in quality, style, fit and wear to any \$5.00 or \$6.00 made, and sold at the popular price \$3.50 and \$4.00. The "M. C. Dizer" Shoe. The ONLY MAN'S PATENT LEATHER SHOE SOLD WITH A GUARANTEE. Every pair carries with it a written guarantee signed by the makers and this is backed by our own personal guarantee. A \$5.00 shoe for \$3.50 and \$4.00. Splendid line Men's shoes. \$2.00 and \$2.50. Boys and girls should wear the "Blue Ribbon" and "Webster" Shoes for school wear, solid as a rock and neat as a pin. \$1.50 to \$2.50. Take a look through this department. It is a real shoe store in itself. We take pleasure in showing you because we are proud of the goods we have to show—knowing that no one has better goods or newer styles. Ardmore Dry Goods Co. ONE PRICE. Ardmore's Fastest Growing Store. SPOT CASH.