

OIL PROBE WILL FIND PRICE LOW

Government to Look Into Industry if Bill Passes.

WANT INVESTIGATION

Oil Man Says Finding Would Show Higher Profits Justified by Increased Costs.

Concerning the pending oil investigation in the lower house of congress, a prominent Tulsa oil man has submitted the following self-explanatory statement:

The resolution introduced in the lower house of congress by Representative Dyer of Missouri, calling for investigation of the oil business by the attorney general of the United States, has been reported out of committee, favorably to the investigation but amended so as to substitute the federal trade commission and the attorney general as the investigator. The resolution is now upon the calendar of the house to be taken up by unanimous consent and no doubt in this year of "vote seeking" it will be adopted and the investigation will not doubt be made.

The resolution itself requires the final report to be made, back to congress not later than June 1. While it is absolutely absurd to attempt to make any sort of a fair investigation of the industry in this short period, the matter should be welcomed by everyone interested in any branch of the oil business, because the result, if fairly and impartially arrived at, will show that present prices for both crude and refined oil are very much below what that should be.

While the war was on the federal trade commission made an investigation of some parts of the industry and gave it a clean bill of health and much of the material collected in that investigation will probably be used in the one now impending. If this is done a great injustice will result to the industry because costs of material and labor have advanced enormously since the date of that investigation. Costs of producing, transporting and refining have increased tremendously and it is up to every producer, refiner and pipeline to come right to the front with all of the information that he has at his disposal to assist the commission in getting at all the facts. The actual facts in connection with the profits of independent producers and refiners will make a tale that should cause the commission to make a report favoring government subsidization to the oil men instead of restrictive legislation or regulation.

The great trouble with the whole thing is, that the commission with the short time allotted to it, will not be able to get any idea of the real facts in connection with the profits in the business. As result of this, they are apt to base their conclusions on a few isolated cases involving some of the larger companies, which may show fair sized profits and any legislative action based on such a report would be a frightful discrimination against the smaller companies, by which is meant, the independent companies and individuals; this being so, it is very advisable that all of the independents in all lines of the business co-operate fully and freely with the commission, and in fact insist on being heard by the commission with reference to the profits accruing to the industry in all its branches since the signing of the armistice.

If this is done and the real facts are hammered home to the commission its report will be not that the price of crude and refined products is abnormally high, but that they are abnormally low, under existing conditions, and that unless the normal laws of trade and commerce are permitted to work uninterruptedly, the supply of crude and refined products which are absolutely vital and necessary to the progress of general business throughout the country, will be seriously curtailed and the entire business of the country seriously hampered.

ORDER MORTGAGE CANCELLED

Court Finds for Mrs. Bell in Suit Against Peter Diechman.

Judgment for Mrs. Mary E. Bell in her suit to clear title to residential property on East Tenth street, which she owns, was awarded in district court yesterday against Peter Diechman.

Mrs. Bell brought suit to cancel a note for \$250 held by Diechman as a lien on the property. She proved to the court that the note had been paid some time ago, and upon this finding of fact, Diechman was ordered to cancel the note and release the lien against the property.

ADmits HE BEAT WOMAN

Former Sweetheart Gets Rough on Refusal to Return Money.

Artie Staton, a negro, charged with beating Ethel Williams, entered a plea of guilty at his arraignment yesterday before Justice H. J. Gray and was fined \$10 and costs, amounting to \$25.25 for his violent outburst of temper. Friends of the negro told the court that Staton was a hard working man, but that he had trouble with the woman, his former sweetheart, because she refused to return \$250 after transferring her affection to another man.

Williams Is Held for Trial

Joe Williams, a negro accused of passing a forged check on the Rose Loan company in this city March 17, was committed to jail under bond of \$500 by Justice H. J. Gray yesterday after the court had taken the case under advisement Friday afternoon. A comparison of the handwriting of the negro with the writing on the check, as made by a hand writing expert, led the court to believe the negro guilty of making and passing the forged instrument.

Pleads Not Guilty to Murder

Lewis Willis, the negro driver of the Packard automobile which caused the death of A. E. Davis Thursday night when the latter's automobile was wrecked in a collision with the larger car, entered a plea of not guilty to the charge of murder at his arraignment yesterday before Justice H. J. Gray, and was committed to jail without bond for preliminary hearing April 9.

With Customers in Towels and Lather Barbers Walk Out

At least three men suffered intense grief yesterday morning when the barber shop at 408 South Main was suddenly closed down. The three were in barber chairs undergoing the various stages of being shaved. One had a thick film of lather on his chin, another had his head soused in a wash bowl and the third was calmly resting under the soothing influence of a steaming hot towel.

"Sign this paper," said a man entering the shop.

"I can't do it," said J. G. Scott, proprietor of the shop.

"All right, boys," the man continued. "Come with me."

The three barbers took their coats, put on their hats, lathered, and were gone. The man with the lather on his face was drowsy and did not notice that anything had taken place. The man with his head in the wash bowl remained sitting on the stool, his head immersed in the refreshing salt brine of the Arkansas. It was five minutes before the hot towel became unbearable to the third customer who made not a sound during the last act of the tragedy of the "disappearing" barbers. The barbers failed to return.

ARRAIGNED FOR MURDER

Trial of Cooper, Badgett and Morris in District Court April 16.

Pleading not guilty to the charge of murder, William Cooper, Monte Morris and Fred Badgett, held in connection with the fatal shooting of Merle Brown at a negro roadhouse on March 17, were yesterday committed to jail by Judge Owen Owen in district court, for trial of their case on April 16.

This was originally the date for the trial of Oscar Addington, charged with the murder of John P. Lynn north of this city on August 11, 1919. Addington, because of an attack of appendicitis, will not be able to appear for trial and the case against Cooper and his companions was placed on the docket on that date.

TAG DAY EFFORTS BRING IN \$3,000

Workers Numbering 200 in 35 Teams Put on One-Day Street Drive.

Over \$3,000 was obtained in the annual humane tag day sale yesterday for the work of the humane society, child welfare board, and children's detention home. The total amount could not be announced as a number of checks known to have been sent through the mail for the tag day funds had not yet been received.

About 200 women and girls in 35 teams sold tags during the day on prominent street corners and in down town office buildings. Mrs. G. O. Hollow and Mrs. J. W. Sloan directed the work.

At the workers' luncheon in the Hotel Tulsa at 1 o'clock yesterday, Dr. J. M. Temple, president of the humane society, introduced those on the program. Speakers were: Lee Levering, Rev. J. W. Abner, Mayor Hubbard and A. M. Welch. Two vocal solos by W. R. Gliberson and social rendition of "Lassie O' Mine" by Mrs. Josephine Storey-White, were much enjoyed.

Mr. Levering spoke of the fine work done by the three humane organizations and of the fact that they have no other support than that from individual contributions and tag day receipts. "I see people here who have taken part in every campaign that

means anything to the city, to the state and to the nation. Personally, I am not connected with any organization in which I am more interested than in the humane society. It is no distinction any more to have money. So many people have money that in order to distinguish yourself you must do something."

Mr. Abner declared that humane institutions given religion a splendid practical touch and perfect interpretation in terms of service. "We have two extremes of human society in this city. There are perhaps more rich people here than in any city in America, but there also are many poor people."

Dr. Temple gave a slightly political cast to the dinner by presenting Mayor Hubbard as "a great man, a great mayor and one whose service to the city have been so great that he will probably be again elected mayor." Mr. Hubbard declared that charitable work has always been the work nearest to his heart. Commending the work of Humane Agent Welch, he said, "I have never found him wanting. He is a willing worker day and night."

Mr. Welch told how much the humane work, as that of the other organizations was hampered by the housing conditions.

Lincoln Guard Dies

CHICAGO, April 3.—Patrick Terrell, 58 year old, who was one of the guards about President Lincoln when the chief executive was shot, died today. Mr. Terrell was connected with the secret service for many years.

DISTRIBUTORS FOR

THE PILOT SIX

"THE CAR AHEAD"

Colburn Motor Co.

110 East Third Street.

Cedar 79

SOUTHERN HARDWARE CO.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardware Buyer

It isn't a question of how much you pay for your hardware requirements, but of how good the quality of what you buy really is, you can save money too—on every bit of hardware you buy from us—and the reason is not because it is cheap goods, but because we buy in large quantity and for cash. All we ask is the opportunity to serve you.

Handy Andy Knows

How easy these Lawn Mowers go through the grass, for we tried them out thoroughly before they were placed in stock. We are ready with a fine big stock of the best grass cutters obtainable—kinds that you can be sure of giving complete satisfaction and will hold a good keen edge all summer.

THE SOUTHERN'S PRICE, UP FROM \$11.50



Are You Going Fishing?

The fishing season is here and we have your tackle ready. Everything you'll need on that fishing trip from rods to sinkers. Be sure to see our big line of flies, trollers, spoons, lines, hooks, rods, fish baskets—everything to make your fishing enjoyable and successful. If you're hungry to get your hand on a good casting rod, just come in here and see this big stock.



Roller Skates for Spring Days

Buy the boy and girl a pair of these dandy ball-bearing Roller Skates—Nothing better for keeping them out in this splendid sunshine. No better exercise for developing sturdy bodies. We have an excellent line of durably built skates, adjustable, styles for boys and girls.



THE SOUTHERN'S PRICE, THE PAIR \$3.25

DO YOUR IRONING IN HALF THE TIME WITH

A Good Electric Iron

No up-to-date household should be without one of these excellent electric irons. Each one fitted with cord and plug ready to attach to electric socket. We show them in a variety of good models.

The Dover Make Priced \$6.50

The Favority Priced \$5.25

SECOND FLOOR

SOUTHERN
HARDWARE CO.

IS TULSA A WIDE OPEN TOWN?

(Paid Political Advt.)

If morality is the issue in the city campaign, how can the opposition reconcile their election claims with the following facts? Despite the handicap of a lack of funds, the Hubbard administration, with a handful of policemen, made the following remarkable record:

1,591 arrested for gambling
1,030 arrested for bootlegging, auto stealing, etc.
1,430 turned to venereal disease clinic
930 arrested for lewd conduct
2,577 arrested for vagrancy
10,585 arrested on other charges
15,636 cases tried in municipal court
\$89,581.23 collected in fines

Read the following detailed report of the activities of the police department during the past 21 months and decide for yourself whether Charles H. Hubbard has made a good mayor—whether Tulsa is a clean city.

The following is a summary report of the workings of the Police Department since taking office May 28, 1918, to March 1, 1920. (Total 21 months):

Total number of arrests	18,143
Total number cases tried in Municipal Court	15,636
Total number of convictions and bond forfeitures	12,196
Total number turned to county (auto stealing, etc.)	568
Total number of U. S. cases (bootlegging, etc.)	462
Total number to other cities	190
Total number to Humane Agent	142
Total number auto thieves	213
Total number auto thieves, concealed weapons	284
Total number turned to clinic	1,430
Total number arrested charged with vagrancy	2,577
Total number arrested charged with lewd conduct	930
Total number arrested gambling and conducting same	1,400
Total number arrested gambling and loitering	191
Traffic Violators:	
Total number arrested speeding	916
Total number arrested reckless driving	166
Total number arrested parking	203
Total number arrested bright lights	170
Total number arrested mufflers and cutouts	218
Total average number officers	45
Traffic officers	3
Motorcycle officers	3
Patrolmen	19
Detective and plainclothesmen	8
Auto detectives	2
Sergeants	3
Jailers	2
Patrol drivers	2
Chief, captain and chief detective	3 45
Total amount of fines turned to city	\$89,581.23

(Signed) CHAS. E. ALLEN

Chief of Police

As a result of this unequalled record the state health department of Oklahoma has declared that—

Tulsa Is the Cleanest City in the State

Vote For Hubbard and a Bigger Better Tulsa