



## IMMENSE LOSS TO STANDARD OIL

### Depreciation of Stock Amounts to More Than One Hundred Million Dollars.

## OF ROCKEFELLERS' WEALTH

### Oil King Credited With a Little Over One Hundred Million in Stock—Standard Profits Since 1882 Nearly a Billion.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Accountants for the government are still engaged on the records of the liquidating trustees and ledgers obtained from the Standard Oil Company, and while the examination has not been fully completed it was said today that since 1882 to the present time of the oil combine has earned between \$800,000,000 and \$900,000,000.

It is expected that next week the exact figures will be produced in court. Tilford, treasurer of the Standard Oil, on the resumption of the hearing today was asked if the dividend of the Standard of New Jersey, in 1889, was \$14,304,188 or \$32,008,541. He said he thought it was the former sum. Continuing he said he thought the reason the dividends were so small was that the dividends in some of the subsidiary companies was paid direct to the stockholders, instead of to the Standard Oil of New Jersey.

Tilford didn't know whether it was a fact that in 1888 or 1889 the Manhattan Oil Company, of Ohio, sold its tank cars to the Union Tank Line, a subsidiary company of the Standard; could not state if the Ohio Oil Company, another Standard Company, purchased the Manhattan oil wells, and did not know whether the Solar Refining Company, another Standard subsidiary, purchased the Manhattan refinery.

According to Tilford, 6000 shares of the Standard of New Jersey were owned by John D. Archbold and 150 shares by John F. Archbold, his son. S. G. Payne & Company, owned 410 shares. The witness gave little information regarding the identity of those who owned the stock. Mr. Kellogg read from a list, spread upon the records that Henry M. Flagler owned 30,305 shares. Kellogg's inquiries connected with these names was directed to adduce that many of the individuals who signed original agreement in 1882 are still identified with the company.

Oliver H. Payne holds 40,000 shares; Charles M. Pratt, 52,582 shares, while his son, Charles H. Pratt, secretary of the company, owns 5000 shares.

John D. Rockefeller, said Tilford, according to the record, owns 247,692 shares, William Rockefeller, 11,000 shares, and H. H. Rogers, 16,020. The present record of the company shows that John D. owned 199,000 shares when the Standard Trust was finally dissolved, but had reduced his holdings by 9162 shares.

A recor of the stockholders, only a part of which was spread upon the court records, showed that the University of Chicago owned 5000 shares. Measured by the present market value of \$440 per share, the holdings of John D. in the Standard have a value of \$100,000. Depreciation of the price of the stock in the past 10 years has been more than \$400 per share.

Since legal proceedings against the Standard was instituted, the stock has steadily declined until now it is around \$440. This represents a loss of over \$100,000,000 of Rockefeller's holdings. The shrinkage in the market value has cost the University of Chicago about \$2,000,000.

CHICAGO, Sept. 20.—Judge Grosscup in the United States circuit court announced today that he would accept John D. and Wm. G. Rockefeller, John D. Archbold and Henry M. Flagler, as securities on two bonds of superaedeas to be filed by the Standard Oil Company, of Indiana, before any proceedings in error can be had in the company's effort to obtain the setting aside of the fine imposed by Judge Landis, 600,000.

### YELLOW FEVER AT CALLAO, PERU.

LIMA, Peru, Sept. 20.—A dispatch from Callao says four cases of black vomit, the worst stage of yellow fever, are reported there.

## TEACHER IS MURDERED.

### Women Found Dead With Cloth Around Around Neck.

CHICAGO, Sept. 20.—Mrs. Lillian White Grant, a kindergarten teacher in the public schools, was found dead in bed today at her home, 5520 Madison street, with her neck broken by a piece of linen cloth twisted about her neck. Mrs. Grant's emptied purse was found later in the day in the office of a physician, 50 feet distant.

The police suspect a colored chore man of the neighborhood. Mrs. Grant was intending to move and had engaged two men to carry her furniture. One of them went to her room yesterday morning and seeing the body lying across the bed withdrew. Today they went again and finding the body in the same position notified the police.

## SENATOR LOSES AUTO LICENSE

TRENTON, N. J., Sept. 20.—Commissioner J. R. B. Smith of the state department of motor vehicles today revoked the auto license of Senator James P. McNichol, of Philadelphia. He also reprimanded Senator Nishol's chauffeur, Chas. E. Ruch. The senator and Ruch were arrested at Ellwood, N. J., on Aug. 24 for exceeding the speed limit.

## CHARGED WITH STEALING.

WENATCHEE, Sept. 20.—Deputy Sheriff Fletcher, of Douglas county, passed through here today with William Pierce, whom he got in Spokane on the charge of horse stealing. Pierce at first was suspected of being concerned in the recent hold-up on the Great Northern Railroad at Rexford, Mont., but later established the fact that he had been in Douglas county. He was taken to Waterville by the sheriff.

## NEED NO MORE MEN

### Head of Western Union to Continue Rotton Service.

## ARBITRATION IS REPUDIATED

### Telegraph Companies Hot Over Reports and Will Buck Union—Public Bears Brunt and Pays the Price as Usual—McNally Sends Telegram to Locals.

NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—Regarding the recent talk of arbitration, General Superintendent Brooks of the Western Union Telegraph Company said today that his company had nothing to arbitrate. "We have all the men we desire," Brooks said, "and there is no need for us to seek to secure the services of men who left the employ of the company. Furthermore, we will never again tolerate the conditions that existed before the strike. The action of the union operators before the strike, in deliberately interfering with the business of the company and in abusing those who failed to join their organization, will never occur again in the operating rooms of the Western Union.

There are 175 operators who were employed in this city by the company prior to the strike who will never again secure work with the company. They were all trouble makers."

Edward J. Nally, vice-president and general manager of the Postal sent the following telegram today to all superintendents.

"There is not the slightest ground for the report that we are to arbitrate with the strikers. Notify all offices and assure all that there will be no compromise and pay no heed to reports to the contrary."

## VLADIVOSTOK FOR NAVAL BASE.

### Russian Dispatches Assert America Will Establish Far East Station There.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 20.—The Bourse Gazette publishes for the third time telegrams from Vladivostok to the effect that it is insisted in naval circles there that an agreement will shortly be concluded between the United States and Russia in regard to a naval base for the former country in the far east.

Under this agreement the American fleet will have a base at Vladivostok in addition to the present one at Manila.

## SOUTHERN FAVORS THE OIL OCTOPUS

### Harriman's Road Delivers Three Hundred Tank Cars to Associated Company.

## OTHERS ARE LEFT IN THE COLD

### California Oil Producers Will Appeal to Lane to Have Whole Scheme Laid Before the President—Claim it is a Plot to Ruin Dealers.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 20.—By transferring to the Associated Oil Company 300 tank cars, which have already been delivered, the Southern Pacific Company has aroused the anger of all the other oil producers, dealers and many large consumers throughout the state. They intend to appeal to Harriman, communicate a protest by wire to Interstate Commerce Commissioner Franklin K. Lane and exert every effort to have the whole scheme laid before the President.

Back of the transfer of title to the cars the oil men believe that they see a plot to ruin the dealers, practically confiscate the oil lands and dictate to consumers the price they shall pay for the product. For five years there has been a crying demand for oil tanks. The Southern Pacific has pleaded that it did not own enough cars to take care of the product.

"Why don't you buy some cars?" the oil men asked the representatives of the company.

In answer the company said that 700 had been bought, the first shipment to be delivered here in February of this year. That 300 were delivered the oil men have the statement of E. E. Calvin, general manager and vice-president of the road. But there has been no relief. Any corporation outside of the Associated Oil Company could not get one-tenth the number of cars if it wanted.

"The Associated Oil Company is no longer a competitor of ours," said one of the larger dealers today. "It is rather a confederator. If we can't get cars we can't fill our contracts. Then who gets the contract? Why, the Associated. The names of the Southern Pacific and the Associated both appear upon the cars, and the Associated already is offering to take Arizona business and guarantee delivery for a consideration somewhat greater than the present rates."

## YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL SCORES.

At Tacoma—Tacoma 0, Aberdeen 1.  
At Portland—Los Angeles 1, Portland 0.



TRYING IT ON THEM FIRST.

The President is busy on six speeches that he will deliver in various parts of the country at the end of his vacation.—News Item.

## WANT INCREASE IN PENSIONS.

### G. A. R. to Ask Congress to Give Soldiers' Widows \$12 Monthly.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 20.—The forty-first annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, which has been held here for the last four days, was adjourned this morning. Before adjournment, the veterans adopted resolutions asking Congress to enact measures increasing widows pensions to \$12 a month, establishing a soldiers' hospital near the Gulf of Mexico, providing for a memorial to soldiers and sailors of the northern army who were in the south when the war began, but who refused to join the southern army, and permitting widows of veterans who rest in national cemeteries to be buried beside their husbands. The encampment also decided to take measures for a suitable celebration of President Lincoln's 100th anniversary on Feb. 12, 1909.

## JUDGE RIGG RESIGNS.

OLYMPIA, Sept. 20.—Judge H. B. Rigg, of the superior court of Yakima, Kittitas, Franklin and Benton counties, has tendered his resignation to the governor and requests that his successor be appointed on or before Oct. 1, the date on which he wishes his resignation to take effect.

## BOILERMAKERS JOIN STRIKE.

EVERETT, Sept. 20.—Boilermakers in the Great Northern shops here walked out this morning, joining the general strike. Apprentices and helpers also went out. As the Everett shops employ but comparatively few boilermakers in proportion to the number of machinists, the work is going along fairly well today.

## JAPANESE IN RIOTS.

VICTORIA, Sept. 20.—While Japan is complaining of the treatment of its countrymen in Vancouver and other Pacific coast places, newspapers received here today contain accounts of similar outbreaks against the Chinese imported into South Japan for railway work. The Chinese are being deported and the authorities have forbidden them to leave their headquarters pending embarkment as their clothing is objectionable and might tend to further outbreaks against them.

## LOEB DIDN'T ORDER COCKTAIL.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Sept. 20.—Because of the wide publicity given to the statement of Bishop Berry, of Detroit, that either President Roosevelt or Secretary Loeb, and not Mr. Fairbanks, was responsible for the cocktails served with the luncheon tendered them by the vice-president at Indianapolis, Secretary Loeb today issued the following formal statement in denial:

"The statement is too absurd to be given credence. Neither the president nor his secretary, either directly or indirectly, ordered things of any kind at the luncheon in question or at any other luncheon where they were guests."

## BRUTALITY FOR INSANE INMATES

### California Asylum is Charged With Inhumanity to the Patients.

## URGED TO FIGHT EACH OTHER

### Newspaper Man Gets Facts as an Attendant and Claims Victims Are Beaten, Kicked, Choked and Used Worse Than Violent Cattle.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 20.—Startling disclosures regarding conditions in the Southern California State Hospital for the Insane at Patton are made by A. W. L. Dunn, a newspaper man, who entered the institution as an attendant in order to make an investigation. There have been investigations before, and frequent rumors of harsh treatment of patients and other abuses, but no proof has ever been available. Dunn declares he is prepared to establish with incontrovertible evidence all he says. This is what Dunn asserts he saw during 15 days in the asylum:

Patients kicked and beaten until covered with bruises.

Patients whipped with heavy "muff" straps until they begged for mercy.

Patients strapped down in bed, kicked and punished.

Bald men strapped on the head.

Man choked with legs of overalls until semi-conscious.

Men knocked down and heads bumped on the hardwood floor.

Helpless patients pulled from bed to perform "stunts."

Patients' fight urged on by attendants.

A patient struck on the face for asking the attendant for toothache medicine.

Naked patients knocked down and stamped on for failing to hurry to the bathroom.

Patients forced into the "bullpen" bareheaded, without shoes or stockings, with the temperature at 102 degrees.

## ARMY'S FIRST HANGING.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Details of the first military hanging in the Philippines, that of Sergeant William Taylor, Company M, Twenty-fourth Infantry, have just been received at the War Department.

Taylor, after twenty years in the army, murdered Lieutenant Robert M. Calvert, his commanding officer. A member of the sergeant's company owed him \$4. Taylor gave him a few hours to pay up and then started after him with a gun. Lieutenant Calvert tried to dissuade him from his murderous plans and finally remarked: "Sergeant, you are trying my patience."

"Yes, and you are trying mine," came the answer with a bullet from Taylor's pistol. Calvert dropped dead.

The death sentence of the court-martial was approved by President Roosevelt. The papers were returned to the department commander for execution.

With a command of troops the prisoner was marched several miles from Iloilo to Albuera, and there on a scaffold, built over the spot where Lieutenant Calvert was shot, Taylor was hanged.

## LAWYER'S AUTO HIT BY CAR.

STAMFORD, Conn., Sept. 20.—An automobile of Abraham Elkins, a lawyer, with offices at No. 170 Broadway, New York, and a house at No. 540 Madison Avenue, was smashed here this afternoon in a collision with a street car. Mrs. Elkins was thrown several feet and landed in front of the car. She was bruised, but not badly hurt.

Mr. Elkins was driving the automobile and in attempting to guide it between the street car and a butchers wagon. There was not room enough and the street car hit the automobile and hurled it against the delivery wagon. The front of the automobile was smashed and its party of four were thrown out.

Mr. and Mrs. Elkus went to the summer residence of M. I. Raog, the New York banker, after the accident. They were touring with a friend.

## MINERS CHARGED WITH THEFT.

### Pittsburg Coal Co. Has Employees Arrested—Charged With Conspiracy.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 20.—The Pittsburg Coal Co., the big soft coal concern, has unearthed evidence of a conspiracy of miners all over the district to rob the company of a large sum of money. Five coal diggers were arrested and lodged in jail to await trial. The men are charged with manipulating weights. Michael Dalton, weighmaster at the Bunola mine, is among the prisoners. He claims that his arrest is brought about by a refusal to obey a company order and chest miners on the weights.

The company asserts that the miners received \$50 in excess for several months. Ships were tampered with after the check weighman had ceased work.

## FOURTEEN KILLED.

### Dropping of Cage Ends in Human Holocaust.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Sept. 20.—Fourteen men were killed outright and three were fatally injured today by the falling of a car in the rolling mill at Negaunee. The cage was full of men and every one in it was either killed or seriously injured. The steel cable broke and the cage dropped 700 feet.

## ROBBED BY MASKED MEN.

GOLDFIELD, Nev., Sept. 20.—J. L. Halburn, of Blair, was held up and robbed last night by two masked men three miles west of Goldfield, the robbers securing \$32. Halburn was driving a two-horse team and two shots were fired at him before he obeyed the command of the robbers to halt. The robbers escaped on horseback.

## MURDERER SPEAKS

### Constantine Swears Dead Woman is Suicide.

## REFUSES TO TOUCH RAZOR

### When Asked to Illustrate How Mrs. Gentry Cut Her Own Throat—Testimony of Tragedy Sounds Rather Thin For Court.

CHICAGO, Sept. 20.—Frank J. Constantine, on trial for the murder of Mrs. Gentry, today testified on his own behalf. He declared the woman quarreled incessantly with her husband. On the day of the tragedy Constantine announced that he was going away. The woman asked him to take her with him. Constantine refused. She then picked up a razor with which he was shaving himself and cut her throat.

Constantine carried the woman to the office of a physician and pounded on the door. He left the woman standing there to run for another doctor. While doing so he noticed his sleeve was covered with blood. He feared if he returned he would be arrested and not be given a fair trial, as he is a stranger in the city and without friends.

The state introduced letters from Mrs. Gentry to her husband of an affectionate tone to prove that Gentry and his wife were on good terms immediately before her death. Constantine was asked to take the razor with which the woman is alleged to have killed herself and to show how she did it. He refused to absolutely touch the razor.

## TO RAISE BIG STRIKE FUND.

### International Machinists to be Assessed Day's Pay a Year for it.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 20.—The International Machinists' Association today by a large majority decided to raise a monster defense fund by assessing each member of the organization a day's pay each year. Members foresee a big strike for shorter hours and increased pay.

The convention also, by a large majority, raised the president's salary from \$1800 to \$2400 a year and decided to fill the executive board vacancies by a vote of all members of the organization.