

STANDARD CASES ARE DISCUSSED

Attorney-General and Judge Kellogg Consult.

Four Thousand Men Are Let Out at Panama and Others Will Follow Them.

SECRETARY ROOT IS SICK.

Washington, Aug. 23.—A conference here between Attorney-General Bonaparte, Judge Frank R. Kellogg, of St. Paul, and Charles B. Morrison, of Chicago, the latter being special attorneys for the government in suits for the dissolution of the Standard Oil company, has caused considerable comment and aroused the belief that the department of justice will proceed at once in the effort to break up the oil monopoly by terminating the franchise of the organization.

What strengthens the belief is the fact that Attorney-General Bonaparte had a lengthy conference some days ago with Mr. Morrison, in which the subject was considered in all its phases. It is also intimated that the attorney-general is making preparations to prosecute individuals of the Standard Oil company under the provisions of the Sherman law, and that the action will be pressed without delay, and with the greatest vigor. When officials of the department of justice were questioned on the subject they refused to discuss the matter.

Neither Mr. Kellogg nor Mr. Morrison would say what was discussed at the conference.

It is thought that John D. Rockefeller himself stands in no great danger of prosecution, as it is practically admitted that the government would hardly be able to connect him with the affairs of the company to such an extent as to warrant the bringing of criminal proceedings. If it can be shown, however, that H. H. Rogers, John D. Archibald or any one else who participated actively in the management of the company has been engaged in maintaining a monopoly harmful to the public there appears to be no question that the courts will be asked to act aside from the civil suits that may be pending.

Four Thousand Let Out.

Panama, Aug. 23.—Retrenchment in now a part of the canal program. Work on the new line of the Panama railroad has been suspended and 4,000 men laid off. A new circular provides that silver roll laborers shall be paid only monthly instead of semi-monthly, as heretofore. This will effect a considerable saving.

The department of municipal engineering has been ordered to lay off 10,000 men. A big reduction in the clerical force is also looked for.

The reasons given for stopping work on the railroad is that there is no appropriation for that purpose.

Excavation will show a great increase this month over July. The general progress on the work is entirely satisfactory to the board of engineers.

Secretary Root is Ill.

New York, Aug. 23.—Elihu Root, secretary of state, is a patient at William Muldoon's farm near White Plains. The mental condition of Mr. Root has worried Mrs. Root and all the members of the family, including Mr. Root's nephews, in the last nine or ten months. Mr. Root's trip to South America was really more for relaxation than for diplomacy. The journey laid out for him to Mexico, which in the ordinary course of things would be under way in a week or ten days, was largely meant by President Roosevelt to take Mr. Root's mind off a lot of things that have brought insomnia and other mental disturbances.

Fearful Bank Would Be Robbed.

Information furnished by a woman, who claimed to have overheard a plot to rob the Bank of Murray caused directors of the bank to station five armed guards about the bank, and they have been there constantly for several days. Paducah officers were called down to assist in the work, but did not remain. It is alleged that the plot overheard by the woman was to rob the bank Sunday night, and Police Sergeant Emil Gourdeaux and Detective Will Baker of this city, went down to take a hand in the capture, should an attempt be made.

WEATHER FORECAST.



RAIN.

Rain tonight and possibly Saturday. Warmer Saturday afternoon. Highest temperature today, 77; lowest yesterday, 70.

WOMAN'S TORSO.

New York, N. Y., Aug. 23.—Evidence of a horrible murder, perhaps the most revolting in New York in years, was found in the river at the foot of Bloomfield street today, when a boatman took from the water a package containing the upper part of a woman's torso, freshly severed with a keen-edged knife directed by a powerful hand. A general alarm was sent out and police have been on the lookout for other parts of the body.

MOORS EXPELLED.

Paris, Aug. 23.—Moorish tribesmen, who have been besieging Casa Blanca, were driven back. The hills they occupied many days are now held by the French forces. This is the official report received today from Admiral Philibert, commanding the foreign warships in Moroccan waters.

ASSAULT.

Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 23.—Miss Mallet, a young woman of Tashua, was murdered today by a hired man, who first criminally attacked her, then set fire to the buildings to conceal the crime. It is reported a friend captured him. A lynching is imminent.

FROSTS.

St. Paul, Aug. 23.—Dispatches from northern North Dakota tell of severe frosts in that section.

POOR MIDDIES.

Annapolis, Md., Aug. 23.—No more drinking and late hours, and after the theater dinner parties with chorus girls as star attractions for the students and candidates for Uncle Sam's naval academy. These evils are tabooed by Superintendent Badger. He has enlisted the municipal authorities in a campaign to see that middies are prevented from indulging fondness for such pleasures.

UNION WEALTHY.

Chicago, Aug. 23.—With funds pouring into the local treasury of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union at the rate of \$3,000 a day, the prospects for the Chicago strikers to be able to continue a long siege. President Small is making preparation today for his trip to New York tomorrow.

KILLS HIGHWAYMAN.

Chicago, Aug. 23.—Early this morning Policeman Fee shot and killed Thomas Kelley after Kelley and his companion had held up Michael O'Neill. A citizen rushed to O'Neill and the highwayman fled. Fee was called and Kelley and his pal, Thomas Roach, fired at him. The officer killed Kelley. Roach surrendered.

TAFT.

St. Louis, Aug. 23.—Secretary of War Taft arrived from Lexington, Ky., an hour late this morning and was met at the station by prominent Republicans and escorted to the Planters hotel. He will leave this afternoon for Oklahoma City.

PRINCE KARL.

New York, Aug. 23.—Prince Karl Seal-Seal, Bey of Syria, who has figured in a number of picturesque romances since his arrival in this country, and has been the lion of many society leaders, has disappeared. The fact that the prince's wardrobe is held at Hotel Breslin for an unpaid board bill, is assigned by some heartless people as the cause.

RAILWAY CARMEN IN LINE OF MARCH

Will Participate in the Labor Day Celebration.

Hundreds of Shopmen Will Lengthen Parade and Build Float—Band May Appear.

PROGRAM TO BE COMPLETED

Three hundred and sixty-five strong, the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen will appear in Labor day parade attired in white duck with black caps. It was at first suggested that the brotherhood charter a steamboat and hold a Labor day picnic at Owen's cave, as the brotherhood does not affiliate with the American Federation of Labor, but this suggestion was voted down.

Illinois Central machinists will not appear in the parade as a body, but many individuals will march.

Illinois Central boilermakers, 60 strong, will march in the parade, wearing overalls, and it is probable that a float will be built to exhibit the class of work done.

Pipe fitters and tinners, who are combined into one union, will also turn out in working uniform.

This leaves only the machinists, who will not turn out as a body. Last Labor day the entire shop force turned out, and made a fine showing. There are over 500 men employed in the shops and they lengthened the marching column many squares.

Final arrangements for the parade will be made at a meeting of Labor day committee Sunday. The line of march, marshals and other officers will be selected, and all preparations for the event completed. There will be several bands in the parade and probably a few comic features. It is stated that the Illinois Central shop band will appear in full uniform a feature of a former Labor day celebration that made a hit.

While the blacksmiths at the shops have not fully looked to go in the parade, everything looks favorable, and Tuesday night a meeting will be held to vote on the matter.

MUST BIDE HIS TIME TO GET HIS LICENSE

John Lindenfield, purchaser of Hugh Boyle's saloon, at Fourth street and Kentucky avenue, will have to wait until the council passes on his application for a liquor license before opening. He asked the board of aldermen last night to grant him a license, but the law reads that a license shall come before the lower board first. At a joint meeting Lindenfield asked to be permitted to keep open until his license could be acted on, but permission was refused.

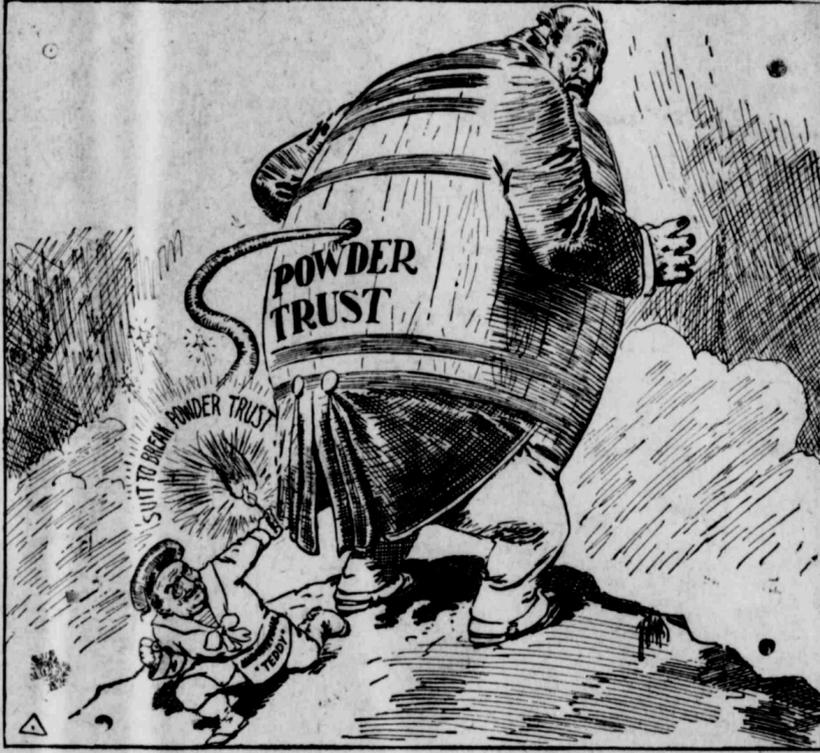
SEWER DISTRICT, NO. 2, PRACTICALLY READY

Thomas Bridges & Son, contractors for the No. 2 sewer district, announce that the contract is practically finished. Laborers are now employed in grading the streets, where sewers have been laid, and when this work is completed, the contractors will announce the sewers ready for inspection. The contract originally called for completion of the system by April 1, but alterations were made, which made it impossible to finish the job by that date.

LINEN TABLE CLOTH WANTED IN MEMPHIS

To save an innocent person in Memphis, Paducah detectives were called on this morning over long distance by the chief of police at Memphis to go to 500 South Eighth street, occupied by colored people, and get a table cloth. The request was complied with. Worked in delicate and fantastic cob-web designs, by hand, was found to be a fine linen table cloth said to be worth \$100. Detective Baker recovered it. From what few facts could be gleaned, the table cloth was stolen in Memphis and shipped here, and some innocent person is charged with stealing it. The table cloth will be expressed to Memphis at once.

WILL THE FAT MAN BLOW UP?



—Williams in Philadelphia Ledger.

Hon. Charles K. Wheeler May Take Stump This Fall in Behalf of the Democratic State Ticket

In an editorial yesterday the Kentucky State Journal, whose editorial columns are the repository of the thoughts, that lie closest to the heart of the state administration, the following information appeared:

"It is said that the Hon. Charles K. Wheeler, of Paducah, who for six years represented the First District in congress, and retired of his own accord at a time when he was most popular with the Democracy of the Gibraltar district, will take the stump this fall for the Democratic ticket after a few years retirement from active politics. The Democracy of Kentucky will welcome this news, and the party will profit if the report is true. Mr. Wheeler is one of the most eloquent of Kentucky orators and is a

campaigner with few equals. By all means, let us have Charley Wheeler on the stump this fall."

Inquiries revealed the fact that it is understood at Democratic headquarters that Mr. Wheeler will make two speeches in Covington, Newport and Lexington during the campaign, as an especial favor to S. W. Hager.

When seen by a reporter for The Sun, Mr. Wheeler said he was out of politics and had not decided to take any part. "If I remain in my present frame of mind," he said, "I shall not make any more political speeches."

Hon. John Hendrick, Democratic candidate for attorney general, will open his campaign at Murray Monday.

TOBACCO SOLD OUT IN JUST ONE HOUR

Association Product Brings Highest Prices Realized For a Long Time.

More than 300 hogsheds of tobacco of the Dark Tobacco association have been sold by A. N. Veal, the association's salesman in this city, this week. This morning a lively sale was held at the headquarters on Broadway. Sales did not begin until 8 o'clock and by 9 o'clock everything resembling tobacco had been sold. Prices were the highest they have been for some time. Leaf ran from \$8.50 to \$14 and lugs brought from \$6.25 to \$9.50.

Local representatives of foreign firms were present and Henry Anderson, of Louisville, was in attendance. Farmers were pleased with the prices. One prominent tobacco man said that little tobacco was left here in the association. Prices have been good all season, but the buyers have bought plentifully and quickly.

The Dark Tobacco association will give a big barbecue and picnic at Rossington August 29. Ex-Congressman W. J. Stone is one of the speakers secured by the committee, but they are after other orators. Local representatives of the Dark Tobacco association will give addresses on the progress of the sales.

May Have Found Fence.

Detective Baker is preparing to investigate the possibility of a certain woman keeping a "fence" for stolen property. He stated this afternoon that he has noticed much fine clothing in a trunk, and that a close lookout will hereafter be kept. He is expecting word from Memphis which will more fully explain.

PATROLMAN SUFFERS STROKE OF PARALYSIS

Walter Shelby, of Broadway Beat, Precariously Ill at His Home.

Patrolman Walter Shelby, a partner of Patrolman James Clark on the night watch on Broadway, lies at his home, No. 407 Tennessee street, suffering from a paralytic stroke, and physicians are doubtful of his recovery. His family and near relatives have been notified to be at his bedside.

Patrolman Shelby yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock felt a numbness about his arm. It extended to his neck and soon had spread over his left side. He finally lost the use of it paralytic. Steadily he grew worse and this morning his condition was precarious. Drs. Robertson and Rivers are attending him.

Shelby is a popular patrolman. He went on the force less than a year ago and has made an efficient officer.

Revival is Success.

Sharp, Aug. 23.—(Special)—Increased audiences are attending the revival being conducted in the Methodist church by the Rev. T. J. Owen and Dr. W. T. Bolling, of Paducah. Since the meeting began Sunday there have been seven additions to the church membership, and many conversions. Three meetings are held during the day and all are largely attended. It is undecided how long the revival will continue.

Mr. Crawford No Better.

Grahamville, Aug. 23.—(Special)—The condition of Charles Crawford is unimproved today. Little hope is entertained for his recovery.

FARMERS IN ARMS AGAINST AUTOS

Attack Those Who Drive Slowly Enough To Reach.

The Paducah Automobile Club Votes Money With Which to Prosecute Them.

ONE MAN TREATED SEVERELY

To run down and prosecute vicious and unprincipled persons who have been guilty of outrageous conduct towards automobilists is the intent of members of the Paducah Automobile club, and steps last night were taken to carry out this plan. Another important action taken by the club at last night's meeting was the appropriation of \$100 towards the completion of Benton road from Sharp, Marshall county, to Benton, a distance of twelve miles.

Hon. James P. Smith Assaulted.

While driving his automobile on the Benton road near Sharp, Marshall county, Mr. James P. Smith, Republican nominee for mayor, was attacked by a party of men and struck in the face with mud balls, assaulted several times with a whip and stoned. Fortunately he dodged the stones and escaped serious injury. On reaching the city he reported the matter to the police, and will employ a detective to investigate the case. As Mr. Smith runs his machine at a moderate speed, he was easily overtaken by natives, who visited their wrath against scorches on him.

Several weeks ago, when Mr. Jesse Weil was driving his automobile at a lively clip on the Lovelaceville road, he struck an obstruction placed in the road evidently intended to wreck some automobile, but his grip was firm and his machine was saved from the ditch by his grit in retaining his grasp.

These, with other similar actions, have incensed automobile owners to drastic measures to remedy such outrageous conduct, and at last night's meeting of the club many speeches were made. It has gotten to a point where automobilists feel their lives in danger. They combined and agreed to appropriate unlimited capital towards prosecuting any one suspected of being implicated in any attacks on motorists.

The Road Appropriation.

The Benton road is conspicuous for the absence of steep hills, and is a favorite road for motorists. The gravel ends near Sharp, Marshall county, and members of the automobile club voted to appropriate \$100, which, with the money appropriated by Marshall county, will be sufficient to complete the 12 miles of road to Benton, making 25 miles of good gravel road from Paducah to Benton.

DEEP WATERWAYS DELEGATE IS MAYOR

Delegates to the deep waterways convention which meets at Memphis, have not been appointed by Mr. Saunders Fowler, to whom the authority was given by the Commercial club. Today Mr. Fowler had not decided on all the delegates, but Mayor Yeiser will be named as one, he said.

ERNEST SPEES DIES, AND BROTHERS SICK

Ernest Spees, 20 years old, son of Mr. Robert Spees, a prominent farmer residing six miles from Smithland on the Salem road, died yesterday of fever. He leaves, besides his parents, several brothers and sisters. Four of his brothers are now confined to their beds with fever, and are in a serious condition. The funeral of young Spees will be held today, burial at the family cemetery.

Still Looking for Leech.

Col. Bud Dale, who was beaten out of \$250 by Henry Leech, is somewhat discouraged this morning over the mistake in identity in the arrest of M. Coffin, of San Antonio, Tex. He has not given up hope entirely and this morning his son, Green Dale, started for Illinois on the trail of Leech. It has been learned the detectives were on the wrong trail, and Green Dale went to another small town in Illinois in the endeavor to capture Leech.

Mr. Heb Moore.

Heb Moore, 28 years old, died of typhoid fever at 10:30 o'clock last night at his home on the Blandville road. He was a farmer and leaves a wife and father, Mr. George Moore, of the Blandville road. The funeral will be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, with burial in Mt. Zion cemetery.