

STANDARD'S SPY SYSTEM

The Statistical Department Keeps Tab on Every Barrel of the World's Product.

BIG LOANS STILL BAFFLE GOVERNMENT

Mr. Kellogg Discovers That Railroads of Country Have Furnished Valuable Aid to Oil Trust in Spying upon their Competitors—Hearings in New York Will Adjourn Friday.

New York, Oct. 15.—While hunting Tuesday for some solution of the mysterious loans, aggregating many millions of dollars, made by two of the Standard Oil company's subsidiary concerns, Frank B. Kellogg, the government's counsel, in its suit against the Standard, unexpectedly uncovered a department of which little is known. This department is known as the Statistical department and includes one of the most perfect spy systems in the world. Through it the Standard Oil company has for years kept tab on every gallon of oil sold in the world, has kept a record of every can, barrel or tank car load which has been taken from the oil fields by competitors and has traced the oil to market, learning each charge incurred and the final selling price.

In perfecting this service, Mr. Kellogg has learned that the railroads of the United States have furnished valuable aid to the Standard, and, in fact, have made possible the successful outcome of rate wars for the Standard Oil company of New Jersey and its many subsidiaries.

While the government's counsel developed more than he expected concerning the operation of the spy system, he was wholly disappointed in his effort to learn why enormous loans were made to P. S. Traitor, James McDonald and "outside interests." Mr. Kellogg has come to believe that the officers and employees of the Standard Oil company are studiously concealing from him the significance of those loans, for always, when he questions concerning them, the answer is the same. No one yet summoned to appear as a witness in the suit has been able to tell why the loans were made. They have even disclaimed knowledge of the identity of those persons included in outside interests to whom the Standard Oil of New York loaned \$32,000,000 last year.

There is one chance left, Mr. Kellogg says, to uncover the significance of the loan. That will be when William G. Rockefeller is called upon, as treasurer of the Standard Oil company of New York, to produce vouchers showing to whom the \$32,000,000 was paid in 1906. Mr. Rockefeller was to have taken the witness stand late Monday, but when the statistical department came to light Mr. Kellogg decided to pursue that line of testimony as far as he could. So Mr. Rockefeller was probably called Tuesday.

Mr. Kellogg announced Tuesday that there would be an adjournment of the hearings in this city on Friday for a month or more.

Nullified Nelson Morris' Will.

Chicago, Oct. 15.—A \$30,000,000 will contest that was argued and settled out of court was disclosed when the last testament of Nelson Morris, the packer, was filed for probate Monday. As a result of this remarkable situation the principal provision of the will has been nullified. Instead of carrying out an arrangement which would have held the bulk of the estate in trust for at least 15 years, the widow and her four children will divide the property equally among themselves at once. Instead of \$500,000 an annuity of \$15,000 during the next 20 years, each of the five principal heirs will receive at once \$6,000,000 in cash and securities.

Panic in Montreal Stock Market.

Montreal, Oct. 15.—The stock market was in a panic Tuesday as the result of the passing of the quarterly dividend of the Detroit United railway. This stock is very largely held here. From 50 at the close of the market Monday, to 40 at the opening Tuesday was the first drop, and later on it dropped to 28 1/2. Toledo dropped to 10 and the whole market was badly affected. A good sized fraction of the total common stock is held here, it having been bought after it had been booked as a safe dividend earner. Widows and orphans in plenty, are depending upon the dividends of this stock for part of their sustenance.

Sold a Joplin "Paper" Mine.

St. Louis, Oct. 15.—Judge Taylor rendered a judgment for \$557,030.22 and costs against John Morton, a Joplin mining promoter Monday in favor of 53 plaintiffs, most of whom live in Cincinnati. Morton, who was president of the Consolidated Troupe Mining company, was sued on the theory that he had organized the mining company with a paper capital of a million dollars, merely to sell to it certain properties in Jasper county at exorbitant prices.

The Last Indian Pow-wow.

Tulsa, I. T., Oct. 15.—The last Indian pow-wow was formally opened Monday at Collinsville, the feature being the reception to Geronimo, the Apache war prisoner. Spiduke, chief of the Shawnee tribe, presented Geronimo with a white pony and the old chief rode proudly around the grounds saluting both white and red men. His reception was a most notable event.

A New Typhoid Terror.

Although the discovery of new sources of danger to health, new carriers of disease germs, should be an encouragement to the scientific worker as tending toward the more accurate application of preventive measures, the knowledge that the typhoid infection is being carried about in scores of supposedly healthy persons will prove rather alarming. To the medical profession it is well known, of course, that the typhoid bacillus sometimes persists for years in certain portions of the human anatomy, and that it is always to be found for a time during convalescence, but the possibility that healthy and apparently robust individuals may be carriers of the deadly germs, and that the arrest and isolation of such "carriers" may come to be a part of the public campaign against the disease, is a comparatively recent aspect of the question. The discovery of this added danger should serve to emphasize the importance of scrupulous care in ascertaining the health and antecedents of household servants, says Philadelphia Ledger. In a particular case that led to the discovery of one aggravated instance of typhoid "carrier" six persons in a single family developed the disease within a few days after the arrival of a new cook. After every other possible source of contamination had been investigated and found guiltless, an inquiry as to the cook revealed the startling fact that during the five years previous to at least 26 cases of typhoid were associated with her service in seven different families. She was detained, and a bacteriological examination revealed her to be a chronic typhoid fever producer.

The Ethical Culture Movement.

The recent meeting at New York of the Societies for Ethical Culture, in New York, Chicago, St. Louis and Philadelphia—now federated under the constitution of the American Ethical Union—should put an end, wherever fairly reported, to any apprehension among the ill informed of their nonreligious character. Their unanimous refusal to adopt a resolution declaring the union to be a religious organization should not be understood as expressing more than repugnance to the ambiguous import of a conventional phrase. A religious organization, explains the Outlook, commonly stands for some special form of religion, based on a particular belief or practice. The Ethical Union wishes not to be so understood. But it is none the less religious in spirit. Its representative speakers at its great meeting in Carnegie hall on Sunday, May 12, put this beyond doubt.

The choice of Prof. August Bier to fill the chair of the late Ernst von Bergmann in Berlin calls attention to the fact that the procedure which made him famous seemed at first to do away with the need for the bold surgical operations of his great predecessor. This procedure was the employment of active and passive hyperaemia as a method of arresting inflammatory and purulent processes. Its importance was for a time greatly exaggerated, but it is now acknowledged to be a substantial contribution to medical science. To Dr. Bier surgery owes another epoch-making innovation. In place of anaesthetics breathed into the lungs he first used spinal injections to kill pain during an operation. While this method is applicable only in cases involving the lower part of the body, it has been welcomed and successfully applied by many medical experts.

That is sad news which comes from Los Angeles, Cal., to the effect that Francis Murphy, the famous "apostle of temperance," is losing his sight and is likely to become totally blind. The great worker against the drink evil has won many notable victories through the potent influence of moral suasion, leading thousands from the darkness of bondage to the light of freedom. Now that physical blindness threatens him he will have at least the comfort of knowing that a world which is better for his work in it extends fullest sympathy.

Let it be understood that it is on account of the painful lack of garments displayed in it that Pittsburg objects to the much-discussed painting, "The Bath," and not to the bath itself as a household institution.

Miss Robb, who has died in Edinburgh at the age of 94, has been a naval pensioner for 93 years. She was the posthumous child of Capt. Robb of the royal navy, and was put on the state pension roll at birth.

Sir John Tenniel, the famous Punch cartoonist, who celebrated his eighty-seventh birthday the other day, is still a military looking man, with all his faculties intact and as keen a mind as when he drew his first cartoon.

A Berlin scientist has made 70,000 examinations to get to the conclusion that woman's brain is undoubtedly smaller than man's.

Ida Lewis recently celebrated her fiftieth year as keeper of the Lime Island Lighthouse, in the harbor of Newport, R. I.

Joplin Dynamiters Caught.

Five Persons Suspected of Blowing up the News-Herald Printing Plant Arrested.

Joplin, Mo., Oct. 15.—Five persons suspected of being the parties who dynamited the Joplin News-Herald plant on the night of September 13, were arrested Tuesday morning at 2 o'clock. They are Minnie St. Claire, Charles Smith, W. S. Martin, known as the "Kansas Kid," Bessie Beam and Hazel Ray, alias Hazel Reed. The parties were arrested by Sheriff Parker, Chief of Police Myers, Deputy Sheriffs Portley and Ross, Constables Drain and Turnbull. The arrests were made at the home of Minnie St. Claire on Pennsylvania, between First and Second streets, and according to the officers, the evidence against them is very strong. Minnie St. Claire formerly operated a notorious bawdy house in this city, while all of those who were arrested are well known in police circles. The prisoners are now being put through a rigid cross examination and it is expected that a confession will be had within a few hours.

Preparing For Balloon Races.

St. Louis, Oct. 15.—The air ship "Beachy," which will be entered in the one-mile dirigible balloon contest and which is the first to arrive of six of this class is being erected at the ascension grounds of the Aero club of St. Louis. Lincoln Beachy, inventor and operator of the air ship, is superintending the work. "There will be no preliminary flights of the 'Beachy' before the races come off next week," said Mr. Beachy. "We have passed that stage of the game long ago."

Sultan of Morocco Out of Money.

Paris, Oct. 15.—In a dispatch from Beirut, the correspondent of the Matin says the extremity of Sultan Abdul Aziz is worse than was at first thought. He had only money for three days and if France does not come to his rescue financially he will be forced to disband his army and shut himself up in Rabat. Such an event becoming known among the partisans of Abdul Haddid would have the gravest consequences. They probably would besiege Abdul Aziz in Rabat.

Kipling Sent by Government.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 15.—That Rudyard Kipling was sent to Van Couver by the Imperial government to investigate and report on the feeling of people of the Pacific coast upon the question of Asiatic and Hindu immigration is believed by many of those who come in contact with him. His object in rushing to British Columbia was never once referred to by him during his visit. Yet he asked many pointed questions on the Asiatic and Hindu problem.

Women Missionaries Met in Chanute.

Chanute, Kan., Oct. 15.—The twenty-fourth annual session of the Topeka branch of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church has closed a four-days' session here. The new officers are: President, Mrs. H. Imboden, Wichita; corresponding secretary, Miss Ella M. Watson, Lincoln, Neb.; recording secretary, Mrs. Torrington, Topeka. The district includes eight states and territories and more than 100 delegates attended.

Inspecting Their Road.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 15.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railroad company; Wm. Whyte, second vice president and manager of the road west of Fort William, and R. B. Angus, a director of the Canadian Pacific railroad, arrived here Monday night on a tour of inspection. Sir Thomas Shaughnessy said nothing had been said regarding the proposed transfer of the Atlantic express steamers to the Pacific.

Moors Marching on Casablanca.

Paris, Oct. 15.—In a dispatch from Tangier a correspondent of the Petit Journal says that Mulai Hafid's army 8,000 strong, is marching on Casablanca with the direct intention of attacking. Gen. Drude, commander of the French forces at Casablanca, is making elaborate preparations for defense. The tribesmen which recently attacked a French column near Oudja also are forming and preparing for an attack.

Wants His Name on Ballot.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 15.—Attorney John O. Yeliser of Omaha Tuesday morning asked the supreme court to grant a writ of mandamus to compel Secretary of State Junkin to place his name on the official ballot. Yeliser is candidate for district judge and he wants both the democratic and republican votes cast at the primary to be counted in his favor.

State Closes in Magill Case.

Decatur, Ill., Oct. 15.—The state closed its evidence in the case of Fred and Faye Graham Magill Tuesday morning counsel for the defense immediately filed a demurrer to the evidence and asked the court to instruct the jury to return a verdict of not guilty. Arguments on the demurrer followed.

Dewey May Go West.

San Francisco, Oct. 15.—A letter received in this city from Admiral Dewey expresses the hope that he will be able to come to California during the visit of the Atlantic fleet to the Pacific.

Territory Masons in McAlester.

McAlester, I. T., Oct. 15.—A three-days' reunion of the Scottish Rite Masons of the Indian territory began here Tuesday. A class of 75 is here to take degrees.

Medical Inspection of Schools.

The cordial bearing and the loving care of children will always be woman's supreme work. Our darkest sociological prophets to the contrary notwithstanding, she will never emancipate herself from those tender duties. Not very long ago the home prepared the children for schools. Now, in the somersault of conditions, the school stands in loco parentis to the children. With the children of the very poor and illiterate this is peculiarly the fact. The training, the care, the instruction, the play, which cannot be had in the home, the public school supplies. The strong manhood and efficient womanhood so vital to our material security depend to-day, declares Herbert D. Ward, in Woman's Home Companion, upon the quality of oversight in the school rather than upon direction and solicitude in the home. Hotel and flat life, the tenement house and congestion in our cities, the public school system and curfew law—these illustrate the decadence of the home. Our women must rush to the rescue. The first requisite of a balanced mind will always be a healthy body. . . . New York city now employs 150 physicians, who visit each public school once a day, shortly after nine o'clock, to examine those children set aside by the teachers as requiring attention.

Headstones for Dead Soldiers.

Another impressive proof of the growing solidarity of the country is furnished by the announcement that the war department will buy headstones and mark the graves of captured confederate soldiers and sailors who died while held in hospitals and prisons. The fact that the order to be given will call for 20,000 such headstones indicates the magnitude of the undertaking, and also emphasizes anew the extent of the sacrifice made during the civil war, says Troy Times. To the hundreds of thousands of union soldiers and sailors who gave up their lives must be added an equal if not greater number from the south who perished in defense of the confederacy. But it is all over, and a kindly government, reflecting the temper of the people from whom it derives its power, recalling that those who fought in gray as well as those in blue were Americans and that their valor gave them fame which is a common heritage, takes this method of showing appreciation.

John Burroughs, who lives near to nature's heart in a picturesque home on the Esopus hills, overlooking the noble Hudson, has been interviewed on the subject of "nature fakers" and shows that many of the writers on the habits of birds and animals are rank humbugs and know little about the subjects regarding which they profess to speak with authority. In many matters regarding outdoor life he is thoroughly in accord with President Roosevelt, of whom he says: "The president is as competent in natural history as he is in politics. He knows our wild life like a book, and whatever he says on the subject you can take without discount." That, says Troy Times, comes straight from a man who never conceals his own opinions, and whose love for the simple and natural life cannot be exceeded.

Pigeons are to be pressed into service to serve one of the tiny colonies not linked to England by cable or wireless telegraph. An attempt is being made at Montserrat, one of the Leeward islands, to establish a pigeon post with Antigua. Some homers have been imported from England, and as soon as they have increased sufficiently attempts to establish a regular post between the two islands will be made.

Two British peers, Lord Forester and Lord Kinsale, enjoy the curious privilege of being allowed to wear their hats in the presence of their sovereign. This quaint right, granted centuries ago, is only exercised on rare and entirely formal occasions.

A New York woman has been awarded damages in the sum of six cents because a dentist kissed her while he was fitting false teeth into her mouth. It should never be necessary for that dentist to take anything for a weak stomach.

If the stream keeps on running through Ellis Island probably we shall have to sit up nights to assimilate it, particularly if a financial depression comes along to fulfill some of the weird predictions.

The city council of Lexington, Ky., has passed an ordinance forbidding dogs to sleep all day and bark all night. As the penalty for violation is death, the regulation is not as foolish as it looks.

Gen. Baden-Powell, who won such distinction in the Boer war, is a descendant of Capt. John Smith, and he have just given Louth (England) grammar school a bust of the famous pioneer.

Miss Margaret Miller, of Paterson, N. J., has taught in one Sunday school for 60 consecutive years. She is 95 years old.

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