

Cutting the Corners

IN discussing the Standard Oil Company, a well-known lawyer said: "The underlying causes of whatever trouble this organization may have had are to be found in its efficiency and its advanced methods, which make competition difficult. As a producer and distributor of petroleum products the Standard Oil Company leads the world."

It is a matter of pride to those responsible to the 4649 stockholders that the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) has been able to operate its business as to insure a maximum production of useful products at a minimum of cost, and it has always been the policy of the Company to sell its products to the consumer at a minimum price.

During the past five years when the industries of the world have been disorganized by war, and the cost of production has been increased tremendously, the Standard Oil Company (Indiana) by reason of its advanced methods has been able to keep the price of petroleum products at so low a point that the people of America can afford to use the output of the Company in ever increasing quantities, while elsewhere in the world only the wealthy can enjoy the comforts of these commodities.

This condition has been brought about by largely increased facilities, and by careful conservation of raw materials.

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Standard Oil Company
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910 So. Michigan Ave., Chicago

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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL BUILDING, WILLMAR, MINNESOTA, OCTOBER 27TH, 1919.

Regular meeting of the City Council with Mayor Wellin in the chair. Mayor Wellin called the meeting to order.

The following members of the Council were present on roll call: Mayor Wellin, Alderman Olson, Scott, Hoaglund, Nelson, Jensen, Bjornberg, 7 absent, Alderman Brown.

City Attorney Stanford also was present.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were, on motion, referred to the Finance Committee:

GENERAL FUND—

Berkness, Lundberg Co., mdse. \$ 2.40
A. O. Bryant, services at traffic light. 4.00
O. J. Elmqvist, repairs. 3.35
A. Sundling, labor sewers. 27.90
The Norman, railroad fare to and from Minneapolis. 1.00
Paul and return, as delegate to Fire Prevention convention. 6.60
Oscar Swanson, labor Park. 12.90

WATER & LIGHT FUND—

Amer. Elect. Heater Co., mdse. 1.62
Crane, Orday Co., mdse. 182.98
Bryan-Marsh Division, mdse. 23.75
Harrison Co., mdse. 40.80
J. B. Clow & sons, mdse. 36.75
Central Supply Co., mdse. 40.80
Jeffrey & McPherson Co., mdse. 25.58
Wm. Bros. Boiler & Mfg. Co., water grate. 72.00
The Maytag Co., mdse. 1.06
General Elect. Co., mdse. 142.33
Robinson, Cary & Sands Co., mdse. 1.00
N. W. Elect. Co., mdse. 304.43

National Bond & Inv. Co., Assign

ment of part payment on new electrical equipment. 1316.00

St. Paul Elect. Co., mdse. 383.33

Huber Bros. Mfg., mdse. 1.62

C. M. McDermott & Co., two cars coal. 238.33

Zenith Furnace Co., three cars coal. 756.63

Great Northern Ry. Co., freight three cars coal. 315.95

Great Northern Ry. Co., freight on well drilling machinery. 55.20

Great Northern Ry. Co., freight on engine and equipment. 159.60

Great Northern Ry. Co., freight generator equipment. 71.12

Palace Grocery Co., mdse. 4.00

Kerr & Chaney Lbr. Co., cement for foundation new addition to Plant. 177.45

L. Fridlund, cash advanced for freight, postage, express. 135.33

T. Christianson, labor. 86.25

L. C. Nelson, drayage coal. 31.84

H. Gunderson, postage and telegrams. 3.35

A. Ray, mason work. 6.00

J. H. Olson, labor. 2.50

C. W. Odell, Aert., fire ins. prem. 11.00

Anderson & Son, repairs and sup. 10.66

Arthur C. Johnson, labor. 99.45

F. W. Johnson, labor. 23.00

R. Swenson, labor team. 1.60

STREET FUND—

P. Anderson, labor. 22.50

A. Sundling, labor. 5.50

A. O. Sather, labor. 4.50

Farmers Mach. Co., labor with tractor, dragging street. 31.50

O. T. Oistad, labor team. 25.20

PERM. IMPROVEMENT FUND—

L. J. Johnson, "Frankline" sewer extension on E. Main Ave. 600.00

A. P. Bergeson, sand for catch basins. 8.00

POOR FUND—

Mrs. Sarah Thompson, water, keeping poor charge, one mo. 20.00

SEWER FUND—

L. J. Johnson, three sewer extensions, contract. 600.00

Vern Power, labor sewer extension and street. 55.00

The Finance Committee reported the foregoing bills back approved and the report was accepted.

Alderman Olson offered the following resolution which was adopted by the following vote: "Ayes," 6; "noes," none.

RESOLUTION.

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Willmar that the City Clerk be, and he hereby is, authorized to issue warrants against the respective funds in payment of the foregoing approved bills.

Approved October 28th, 1919.

E. C. WELLIN, Mayor.

Mr. Wallin, Pres. of the Water & Light Board, reported that the property owned by the City of Willmar, which was planned to put two "one light" iron poles to be placed at said point.

A petition signed by Carl Carlson, Magnus Englund and Herman Berg was presented in which they asked for permission to grade, at their own expense, a lot on 17th Street East, Erickson's 2nd Addition, between the city street and the street.

The City Engineer was instructed to do the necessary surveying in said matter.

A plat of Wolahn's addition of land in the East part of the City, was presented on motion, and referred to the Street Committee.

A plat and profile was presented by the City Engineer for the grading improvement of the street between 17th Street East, Charlotte and Julia Streets in the City of Willmar, as petitioned for by Mr. Martin Johnson, Olof A. Ferring and others.

Alderman Scott presented the following resolution which was adopted by the following vote: "Ayes," 6; "noes," none.

RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, on the 10th day of September, 1919, the Council of the City of Willmar did by resolution, declare its purpose and intention to cause all that part of Trott Avenue East commencing at the intersection of Trott Avenue East and Fourth Street East and thence running East to Inger Street and also that part of Charlotte Street, commencing at the intersection of said Charlotte Street with Trott Avenue East, and thence running South to Minnesota Avenue; to be graded as prayed for in a petition duly presented to the City Council and signed by Martin Johnson, Olof A. Ferring and others, and

WHEREAS, the said petition was duly heard by and read before the Council of the City at a meeting thereof held at the Council Chambers in the City Hall Building in said City on the 13th day of October, 1919, at the hour of eight o'clock in the evening of said day pursuant to a notice of such hearing duly given by the City Clerk as by the Charter of the City provided, at which time all parties interested were permitted to appear and be heard and no objections were made thereto, and no

WHEREAS, The City Engineer has made and filed with the City Clerk a plat and survey showing the nature, course and extent of the said improvement and the parcels of land to be benefited thereby together with the names of the owners of such property as provided in the City Charter.

NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the prayer of said petition be granted and that the grading of said portion of Trott Avenue East, said portion of said Charlotte Street and of said portion of said Julia Street, be and the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done as prayed for in said petition in accordance with the grade established and the plat and survey so made and filed, and

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the prayer of said petition be granted and that the grading of said portion of Trott Avenue East, said portion of said Charlotte Street and of said portion of said Julia Street, be and the same is hereby ordered and directed to be done as prayed for in said petition in accordance with the grade established and the plat and survey so made and filed, and

RESOLVED FURTHER, That all of the property abutting upon that part of Trott Avenue East, between Trott Avenue East and Minnesota Avenue East, and all property abutting upon Julia Street between Becker Avenue East and Minnesota Avenue East, that

will be benefited by the grading thereof, be and same is hereby ordered and directed to be assessed for the cost of the same as in the Charter of the said City provided.

Approved October 28th, 1919.

E. C. WELLIN, Mayor.

The City Treasurer's quarterly report, for quarter ending September 30th, 1919, was presented and the same was referred to the City Auditor.

N. W. Larson was granted a sewer permit for Lot 4, Block 108, First Addition, to connect with the 12th street sewer, and Martin Anderson for a sewer residence on Lot 9 of Block 1, Erickson's First Addition, to connect with the 3rd street East sewer. Both of said permits being subject to the \$50 tapping fee.

Requisition for supplies from the Water and Light Department were presented and the Clerk was instructed to order same.

On motion the Council adjourned.

E. C. WELLIN, Mayor.

Attest: Hans Gunderson, City Clerk.

(Kerkhoven Banner.)

Mrs. A. Swanson died at home of her daughter, Mrs. Helen Johnson, in this village yesterday morning. The funeral will be held at Murdock Sunday.

Elmer Peterson was injured by a fall last Thursday. He was working on a barn at the Mrs. L. O. Kamebstad home in the country, when the scaffold on which he was standing broke and he was injured. Altho his injuries are not serious they are quite painful and he is unable to do any work.

Harlow, the 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, was seriously injured on Thursday of last week as the result of a fall at the new First National Bank building. While at play with other boys he fell striking his side on edge of a piece of machinery. He sustained internal injury and has since been confined to his bed a very sick man. There being no improvement in his condition, he was taken to Minneapolis yesterday morning, where operation will be performed by a specialist to be consulted deems it wise to do so.

On Thursday of last week, a covered wagon reached here from western North Dakota containing a family of five, a mother, wife and four children. They decided to remain here for a few days because of the weather, which they had been trying to farm and it was necessary for our people to render assistance, which was cheerfully done by the mother and babe and the next oldest child were taken to home of L. Nyquist, where they are being cared for by Dr. Walter Dowdell and Mrs. Nyquist. One of the little tots is being cared for at the A. Dowdell home and another at the E. L. Johnson home. The oldest child, boy of about five years, and the father drove on to their destination, Minneapolis, where they will remain for a few days and then other little ones will remain here until able to make the trip on train.

The man's name is F. Farnum and he has relatives in Minneapolis. It is probable he will stay until he can secure employment. Among other things done for the family, a car was called for and a purse of money for them, upward of \$30 having already been secured.

Geo. Estione has had charge of getting this fund together and among the desires to contribute to same can send or hand their donations to him.

Had Narrow Escape.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Johns and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fellers and daughter, and Pete Olson, of Hawick, were in a bad auto accident at 10th Street and Broadway. In trying to make the crossing near the round house in that city the passenger Chandler, driven by Mr. Olson was struck by a switch engine. The track cannot be seen for any distance at this point as the round house is in the way. When the car had nearly reached the crossing they listened for a train but heard nothing. Just before reaching the track they saw the engine and endeavored to stop. Mr. Olson was thrown from the car and the car failed to stop until the front wheels were on the track. The engine hit the car about midship and carried it until it bumped into a switch, where the car was ditched.

Mr. Johns sustained two broken ribs. Mrs. Johns is somewhat injured, but the girl received an injury to her shoulder. The car was badly wrecked.—Paynesville Press.

Beville Boy Loses Limb.

An unfortunate and disturbing accident happened last week to the son of Bertrum Brooks, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brooks of Beville last week when the little fellow slipped over the rail road track where the cars were unloading beets and in some manner got his right leg on the track in such a way that when a train was passing it was crushed from the knee down. The doctors amputated the limb above the knee.—Clara City Herald.

Kalevik-Berlin.

Miss Hannah Kalevik, resident near Grove City and Atwater, and Herman William Berlin of Pennock, were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Rast performed the ceremony. The bride was attended by Miss Hulda S. Groom by the bride's groom, and the groom by the bride's father, Mr. T. Kalevik.—Litchfield Review.

Your Red Cross button proves your Americanism.

Purchased Paynesville Press.

A. L. Bragg has purchased the Paynesville Press at Paynesville from John Bertelson who has been editor of that paper for the past four or five years. Mr. Bragg has taken charge. He has been employed as linotype operator at the Paynesville Press since early last Spring. He was formerly owner of the Chokio Review.

The greatest double play ever made.

—From Home Folks to Red Cross to Yanks.

HOW TO GET RID OF YOUR COLD

The quick way is to use Dr. King's New Discovery

DON'T put off until tonight what you can do today. Step into any drug store and buy a bottle of Dr. King's New Life Pills and take it at once. By the time you reach home you'll be on the way to recovery.

This standard family friend has been breaking colds, coughs, grippe attacks, and croup for more than fifty years.

Now there is a new and improved formula which is appreciated. Children and grown-ups alike can use it—there is no disagreeable after-effect. Your druggist has it. 50c. and \$1.20 bottles.

Bowels Begging for Help

(Told! liver pleading for assistance!) How careless to neglect these things when Dr. King's New Life Pills so promptly, mildly, yet effectively come to their relief!

Leaving the system uncleaned, clogged bowels unmoved, results in health-destructive after-effects. Let stimulants and laxatives be avoided. Dr. King's New Life Pills bring you the assurance of regular, normal bowels and liver functioning. Keep feeling fit, doing the work of a man, and enjoying life's pleasures in it. All druggists who sell pills in it. All druggists.

Willmar Still in Championship.

The Willmar boys whipped Hancock last Saturday and this means that they are still in for the State Championship. This means the state win for the boys and the next few games decide whether they get a chance at the State Championship. They have to play Montevideo and Little Falls in order to get the championship of the district. The game with Litchfield Wednesday has a bearing on the championship too. If the boys are beat, it means that they lose out in the race. Further returns will be found in another account.

—Don't be A. W. O. L. at the Red Cross Roll Call.

THE LABOR PARTIES

By Walter Thomas Mills, M. A., Author of Democracy or Despotism.

Note: This is one of a series of seven historical articles on the Labor parties. The series covers "The Labor Party in America," "The Methods of Organization," "Campaign Methods," "Selection of Candidates," "Carrying on the Government," "Party Achievements," "What in Office," and "What of the Future for Labor Parties." The illustrations will be taken from many places where organizations of labor have entered the field of politics.

THE OCCASION FOR THEIR EXISTENCE

There are two general methods of warfare by which the cause of labor has advanced. One is through a resort to a refusal to work and by this method compel the employers of labor to grant concessions to those who toil. The other is to appeal to the ballot box and to use the strength of the citizenship of the workers to advance their interests through improved legislation and through the administration of public affairs in the interest of those who toil. Neither of these methods have been developed to the fullness of their possibilities. Neither one involves the exclusion of the other. It ought always to be one and the other—not one or the other.

A Certain But Limited Victory

All workers would be organized and they would be persuaded to act in union, then, simply by folding their arms, any concessions which it would be possible for the employer to make they would be obliged to make without any great delay. However, even in such a case, any such use of this power takes it for granted that the workers are to remain the servants of others, and that all progress is to be limited to the improvements in the conditions of service and hence, in the nature of the case, can not include the abolition of all conditions of service which are not of their own making.

The Only Alternative

If the workers are ever to become their own employers, this condition of independence can not be secured by the workers simply by folding their arms, which they are employed by others. It must involve productive undertakings of their own and their organizations must necessarily be under co-operative organizations composed of a part of the people, or under public enterprises organized, supported and controlled by all of the people.

The Order of Advance

Effective efforts for the improvement of labor everywhere begin with combinations to improve conditions by taking advantage of the right to refuse to work, except under satisfactory conditions.

It would seem that this is the right and fundamental that it could hardly be disputed. Whenever a business man, a wage-worker, or the one else is asked to deliver goods or to perform a service, under a contract which is not acceptable, it would seem that the right to withhold the goods or to deny the service could not be questioned.

Labor parties have never appeared except when this most fundamental civil and economic right has been denied. In every instance the first demands of labor have been for improved conditions of employment. Resort to political action has always been made to protect this right of labor to refuse to accept the terms of a contract.

It has been only after labor has been defeated in some great strike, or in a series of strikes, that political action has been seriously undertaken. Once undertaken, however, the purpose of labor has everywhere rapidly advanced for the use of the public power to defend the rights of workmen while on strike, to the demand that the public be made an employer of labor, through the public ownership and democratic management of the great instruments of social service.

That means that the workers in the great monopolized industries may become their own employers.

This is the record.

It was a series of strikes, culminating in the great strike of 1890, all of which were lost by labor through the mismanagement of the public power by the employers, which created the Labor parties of Australia and of New Zealand.

More than 20 years later it was the great strike of 1910, which led to the re-establishment of the great public power, the ranks of labor in both those countries.

Labor in the misuse of the public power to the disadvantage of the workers of the great monopolized industries, made the new and more perfect forms of industrial representation which now prevail in those countries.

It was a series of defeated strikes which first secured labor representation through the Liberal party in Great Britain.

It was another series of defeated strikes in which the labor organization was first secured through the Labor party in Great Britain from subordinate position in the Liberal party organization.

It was a series of defeated strikes which has forced the British Labor party into a position entirely independent of the Liberal party, and has finally made the Labor party of Great Britain the most constructive and the most powerful of the great monopolized industries, through the public ownership of the great monopolies, the chief employer and the model employer of the workers in these industries are to become their own employers.

It was a series of defeated strikes which made possible the organization and the victories of somewhat uncertain value of the trade unions of Milwaukee, through the Social Democratic organization, the mastery of that city.

It was a series of undertakings, which were brought to disaster through the misuse of the political machinery of the state of North Dakota, which led to the creation of the Nonpartisan league and forced the farmers of that state, as the first labor party in America, to go to the ballot box with an industrial organization created exclusively for political purposes and with a program of demands of particular advantage to their own industry. That was carrying the demands of an industry to the government, and the Nonpartisan league, but as an expression of the determination of the workers in a great industry to defend themselves for industrial purposes all the powers of the state government.

When all industries combine for a new purpose the labor party will become invincible and industrial democracy a reality.

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The Gopher State Spreader

The machine you have been waiting for. YOURS IS READY

MANUFACTURED BY
Minnesota Implement Company
WILLMAR, MINN.

Irving, Nov. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Raud has moved to the L. Volen farm where they will stay until Spring.

John L. Nelson is working for Edward Sunde for a few days.

K. T. Thorson hauled a load of hogs to New London last Monday. When they were willing to help in day light saving when that is necessary.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Monson became the lucky owners of the prize dinner set given away at the Hawick store.

Iva Pederson hired the ill luck of injuring an eye very badly last week. He was taken to the Paynesville hospital where he is getting along nicely after the painful injury to his eye.

Conrad Thorson's busy holiday week for the school in Dist. 97.

On Oct. 26th everybody seemed happy in getting back to the old time when the sun is highest at noon, still in winter, and the day light saving when that is necessary.

Ingva Seeland went to Paynesville last week, Monday, to consult the doctor for some ailment in her nose.

Linas Martinson purchased the house of Christiana Nelson at the auction at M. Christenson on Oct. 25th.

It is sad to learn about the injury to Mr. and Mrs. John and Mrs. Fellner and to the damage done to the Pete Olson automobile while at Morton, but it could have been worse. It seems that an automobile driver can never be too careful.

The many friends of Mrs. C. A. Susag, nee Sophie Christenson, who lives at Minneapolis was pleasantly showered at Gust Swanson's at St. Paul Oct. 26th and at Minneapolis Oct. 25th at the home of Mrs. H. A. Urseth. She received many useful articles.

Melvin Hagason left for Minneapolis where he will attend automobile school.

Mrs. Martin Christenson left last Saturday for an extended visit with friends and relatives at St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Adria Hagason returned last Friday from a few days' visit at Minneapolis.

Mads Arithson has sold his farm to Mr. Hoyde of Irving township.

The Pederson corn shredding machine started up again last Saturday after over a week's stand still on account of the rain and snow.

Angel Nelson called at the home of Anton Bye last Saturday and on Monday he left for Plaza, N. Dak., for a short visit with his sister and from there he leaves for Scooby, Montana where he has a homestead.

Hannah Pederson assisted Lottie Christenson with the house work during corn shredding.

Eda Johnson made a trip to Roscoe on Sunday evening of last week.

Angel Nelson has been assisting at the Geo. Nelson home.

Mrs. Halger Thompson underwent a serious operation at the Fairview hospital at Minneapolis on Tuesday last week. Her two sons and daughter Nora accompanied her to the hospital.

Emma Christenson is working for Holger Thompson while Mrs. Thompson is at the hospital.

Mads Arithson will quit farming and intends to move with his family to Willmar to reside. He will have a stenographer work while her mother is at the hospital.

We are sorry to hear Mr. Bartelson has sold his paper, The Paynesville Press. We wish him success in the future and we also wish the new editor, Mr. Bragg of Morris good luck.

Sophie Hanson and Stella Sund who are employed as saleswomen at Paynesville spent last Sunday at respective homes.

Gospel services were held at the Zion church last Sunday at 7:30 p.m. by Rev. A. M. Lund of Spicer.

Edna Olson is attending a business college at Duluth. She is making her home with the Rev. I. A. Johnson family there.

Mrs. E. Norbstad, Mr. and Mrs. Christianson and family were entertained for dinner at the home of Geo. V. Nelson last Sunday evening.

—The Red Cross is the contagion of brotherhood and mercy. It's a fine thing to catch.

WOMAN'S CASE AMAZES WILLMAR

A business man's wife could not sew or read without sharp pains in her eyes. For years her eyes were red and weak. Finally she tried simple witchhazel, camphor, hydrazine, etc., as mixed in Lavoptik eye wash. The result produced by a single bottle amazed everyone. We guarantee a small bottle of Lavoptik will cure any eye, weak, strained or inflamed. CASE weak, strained or inflamed. Aluminum eye cup FREE. Carlson Bros., Druggists.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

E. W. Stenson, Secretary.
Willmar, Minn.

I hereby make application for membership in Austin Post of the AMERICAN LEGION, at Willmar, Minnesota. Enclosed find \$1.00 to pay dues to Nov. 11th, 1920.

Signed _____
Address _____

Cash Paid for Junk

HIDES, FURS and POULTRY WANTED

People of Willmar and vicinity always wait for housecleaning time for their junk. I will call for it. I drive the country people to bring in all their junk. I also buy hides, fur and poultry at any time. I have another buyer.

J. J. RIVKIN
608 Litchfield Ave. W.
Phone 494 Willmar, Minn.

PERSONAL MENTION IN LOCAL EXCHANGES

(Raymond News.)

Mrs. W. Koeler left Wednesday for a visit with relatives and friends at Chicago.

Wm. Lemke returned from St. Cloud Monday where he had transacted business.

Mrs. August Holtz and daughter visited friends at the county seat Saturday.

Manager House spent over Sunday at Minneapolis, returning on Monday.

H. R. Luittens boarded the train for St. Paul Wednesday for a few days visit with friends.

Mrs. Moses Chevallier and children came over from Willmar Saturday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Gabbert.

Albert Kamstra left Wednesday for Pease, Minn., to look after his farm interests near that town.

Mrs. J. F. Gavin left for Owatonna Tuesday where she was called by the death of a sister.

Miss Ida Ypma left Tuesday for Worthington to visit at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Ypma.

Mrs. Wm. Van Buren, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Pottings of Willmar returned from a business trip to Minneapolis.

Miss Tillie Portz boarded the train for Willmar Wednesday to consult hospital physicians. Miss Portz recently passed a successful operation and is on the way of full recovery.

Fred Martens who has been stationed with the American Forces in China has been honorably discharged and returned to his home last week on Wednesday.

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