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OIL AGENT TELLS OF MISDEEDS

(Scripps News Association)
Chicago May 10—E. M. Wilholt of Topeka, Kansas, former Standard Oil agent, in hearing before the interstate commerce commission today, testified that the company had ordered him to pay for information concerning competitors, and that the Standard had maintained an espionage system throughout the country. He stated further that "Water White," "Perfection" and the "Headlight," are three grades of oil that he sold from the same tank. "I knew I cheated. They instructed me that the Standard Oil company values a man only by the dirty work he does. Self respect compelled to quit."

Other evidence showed that they were satisfied if they could get 85% of the trade. In most cases the "wise cut" would chill competition. It was alleged during the examination that the railroads delayed independent shipments, and made long hauls in aiding the Standard company to destroy competition.

JEROME AFTER MUTUAL'S PRESIDENT

(Scripps News Association)
New York, May 10—District Attorney Jerome today subpoenaed President Peabody of the Mutual Life Insurance company to appear before a special grand jury. It is understood that Peabody will be willing to answer all questions.

DROWNED BODY UNRECOVERED

(Scripps News Association)
Santa Cruz, May 10—The body of L. E. Chapman who drowned in the San Lorenzo river yesterday, is unrecovered. Parties are searching the river but have found nothing. Everything indicates that he lost his life attempting to assist Miss McKay.

MINERS AT PEACE AGAIN

(Scripps News Association)
Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 10—Seventy per cent of the miners responded when the mines resumed operations today. No discrimination is made and all the old employees are being rehired.

DARING ROBBERIES IN 'FRISCO

(Scripps News Association)
San Francisco, May 10—Last night the police frustrated a daring attempt to rob the safe of Chung Con, curio dealers, which contained valuable diamonds, worth over ten thousand dollars. Gus Junlan and Wm. Washerlock, two desperate safe crackers were captured, loaded into a wagon and hauled to the station, where they will be held awaiting trial.

GERMANY'S STRIKE EFFECT MANY

Berlin May 10—Three hundred thousand men will be affected by the strike of metal industries in Germany.

MANY RUSSIAN PEASANTS ATTEND OPENING OF DOUMA

Peasant Deputies are Undisturbed by Gorgeous Display Made by the Bureaucrats at Opening of Douma—Czar's Stirring Address Fails to Elicit Applause.

(Scripps News Association)
St. Petersburg May 9—Russia's new national assembly, the Douma, was formerly opened in the winter palace today. The Emperor greeted the deputies, proclaimed the Douma in session and read his address. Following the reading the deputies repaired to the Taurida palace and were greeted with cheers by the populace. This is the first time in fifteen months that the Czar has been in the capital.

The Te Deum was sung in all the churches at eleven and twelve today. Thirty members of the Douma Bureau arrived in the winter palace, and the nobility and deputies are gathered in the Nicholas' rooms. The peasant deputies are unawed by the splendor of the palace rooms.

The Czar, Czarina and Empress Dowager were followed to the court by army and church officials, and when they

entered the hall the audience were there waiting the royal party. The ceremony began after chanting the Te Deum, and then came the royal processions. Couriers carried the diamond studded scepter to the Czar seated in the center of his ivory throne. The scene rivalled anything ever seen in the city. During the impressive and gorgeous ceremonies the peasants were undisturbed by the display and while the bureaucrats applauded the Czar's address, they sat undemonstrative. The Emperor appeared to be in good health, but showed signs of ageing since last seen here. In his address he dealt with generalities, which kept the deputies in a silent attitude. The peasant deputies went to luncheon at seven and then proceeded to the Tsuda palace.

During the opening session, Muromszoff a peasant was elected chairman. Immediately upon taking the chair he declared an adjournment.

TICKETS PUNCHED FOR A MEAL

(Scripps News Association)
San Francisco May 10—The financial situation is growing brighter each day. Twenty-one million dollars in cash held by the bankers before the fire, have been augmented by additional large payments, and the daily deposits exceed the withdrawals. Five million dollars are lying idle in the mint for which no immediate use has been discovered. The fact that paper money in the California bank is intact, leads the authorities to believe that all banks are safe, and in good condition. When the banks open in June, the city may have more money than ever in its history. The announcement that assessor Hodg's will reduce the assessments in the burned districts to a nominal amount, based on revised values of the land, is received with much favor. This year's roll will probably show a decrease of \$200,000,000. With the completion of five cooking plants, the section from which warm meals were served for fifteen cents, will be greatly increased. The meal ticket system has been inaugurated, the "Repeaters" will be eliminated and workmen encouraged to buy their own meals. Twenty-six new dispensaries have been located by the board of health, at which many refugees are being treated. All refugees in the Presidio are being vaccinated and inoculations will be extended if the health conditions warrant it. In some cases the vaccinations are being performed at the point of bayonets.

JOINT CANDIDATE ELECTED

Kansas City, Mo., May 8—W. W. Rose, who was ousted from the office of Mayor of Kansas City, Kan., by the Kansas Supreme Court for not enforcing the prohibitory law, was re-elected Mayor today at a special election by a large majority. His opponent declared that, if elected, he would close the 180 joints in the city. Rose was fought by the Civic League and besides had to overcome a large normal Republican majority. Of the 4300 votes cast by the women, more than 2000 went to Rose.

HOP CONTRACT

The first hop contracts of the year in Oregon were placed on record in Linn county May 7, when Suey Gee, a Chinese hop grower of Brownsville, bargained to sell 7000 pounds of his 1905 crops to Benjamin Schwars & Sons of New York, for 9 cents a pound, and a similar amount of his 1906 crop at the same price.

THOUSANDS OF REFUGEES FED DAILY

(Scripps News Association)
San Francisco May 10—After a careful census of the refugees fed by the relief committee the number is reported to be 225,915. The rations consist mainly of meat, vegetables and bread. Next week the distributions will be made every other day. Employers are urged to pay laborers a part of their wages each day, that they may be enabled to buy food instead of accepting charity. In case money is unobtainable the employers are instructed to issue notes that can be exchanged for cash later. The Brotherhood of painters have erected a temporary four-roomed cottage for its members.

JAPAN DONATES LARGE SUM

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, May 10—Secretary Taft, as president of the American Red Cross, accepted \$50,000 from the people in Japan for the San Francisco sufferers.

CZAR RETURNS IN SAFETY

(Scripps News Association)
St. Petersburg May 10—The Czar arrived here from Peterhof at twelve thirty and went to the palace in a cutter while the Czarine chose another route in a carriage.

FUNERAL TODAY

The funeral of late John Eckley was held this afternoon at two thirty o'clock at the Methodist church. Rev. F. B. Meredith, pastor officiating. The interment took place at the Masonic Cemetery.

ALL STORES CLOSE

All stores in the city will be closed tomorrow afternoon from 1 o'clock to 3:30 o'clock. This is done in respect to the late Dr. L. D. Reavis who's funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from the Christian Church at two o'clock.

SHOT WHILE RESISTING

Fred Mekahaus, a trusty, escaped from the Montana penitentiary. He resisted arrest and was shot and killed at Missoula by guard George Nishaw.

FUNERAL TOMORROW

The funeral of the late Dr. L. D. Reavis will be held here tomorrow afternoon at the Central Church of Christ, the Rev. O. H. King officiating. The interment will take place at the Masonic cemetery.

SENATE ADOPTS ANOTHER AMENDMENT

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, May 10—The Senate this afternoon adopted an amendment to the rate bill which prohibits common carriers to be interstate carriers, unless they consent to the demand of the commission requiring a publication of all rates and charges made by them.

LADOUX'S TRIAL POSTPONED

(Scripps News Association)
Stockton, Cal. May 10—The trial of Mrs. Emma Ladoux, alleged murderess in the A. L. McVicar trunk murder, was postponed today from May 22 to June 5. Many witnesses have disappeared during the San Francisco fire.

BAD CHECKS PASSED IN PENDLETON

Two forged checks, one for \$50 and one for \$35, both bearing the name of R. H. Wilcox the implement and hardware merchant of this city were received by Mr. Wilcox yesterday. The \$50 check was cashed in La Grande and was endorsed by F. S. Ivanhoe, a La Grande lawyer, while the other was cashed at Grand Junction and was endorsed by C. J. Blackburn.

It is not known exactly who forged the checks, but suspicion points to a man who was hanging around the implement store about a month ago. He appeared at the store one morning asking for work. On being told that there was no work for him, he asked permission to stay around the store until some farmer came in looking for a man. His actions aroused the suspicions of Mr. Wilcox, who told his bookkeeper, Mr. Spencer, to keep an eye on the stranger and keep the safe locked. In spite of all precautions, however, he disappeared one day, taking with him, a bunch of keys and a small amount of cash from the safe.—Pendleton Tribune.

GRAIN MARKETS

(Scripps News Association)
Chicago May 10—Wheat opened at 82 closed at 82; corn opened at 47 1/2 closed at 47 1/2; oats opened at 32 1/2 closed at 32 1/2.

Hicks says we will all be wanting it to stop raining between now and the end of the month, let it corn, we can stand quite a soaking.

GRAVE ROBBERS ARRESTED

(Observer Special)
Yakima, May 10—Warrants have been issued at North Yakima for the arrest of Louis T. Head, William Metzger and L. H. Alger, charging them with desecrating a grave in the Indian cemetery on the reservation.

Saluskin, a Yakima Indian made the charge. He alleged that the defendants went to the Indian cemetery and dug up the body of his son Tommy. After disinterring the body the skull was taken and carried off, Saluskin says he followed the men. When he caught up with them he demanded the head of his son, but they refused to give it to him and threatened to take his life. He says they offered to bribe him by giving him money and whiskey, but he refused and they finally gave him the head. Saluskin then went to the city and had the warrant sworn out.

An attempt was made by prominent citizens to make peace with the Indian, but Saluskin was obdurate. The men evaded the sheriff, but they have been notified to appear at the hearing. Head is the city editor of the Herald. Alger is a clerk in a store and Metzger has been there but a short time.

The object of robbing the grave is said to be a desire to get a skull for scientific purposes. There have been scores of Indians in the city demanding that the authorities take steps to prosecute the men.

BLOODED HORSES JOINS CHASE

(Scripps News Association)
Vancouver May 10—A unique chase is on in the Kamloops district chasing the Pacific train robbers. Many blooded animals are used in the hunt and others are joining the race. There are a multitude of trails offering chances for escape but enough tracks have been found to run down the robbers. However, it is not thought they will be taken alive.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY BARGAINS

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in semi fitting backs. Box front well lined and neatly tailored.

Friday Only—\$3.95

\$1.25 MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS

in Madras, Percalé, and many fancy shirtings.

Friday Only—85 cts.

\$1.25 STIFF FRONT SHIRTS

Friday Only—69 cts.

SATURDAY'S SPECIALS

\$1.50 LADIES' WAISTS HALF PRICE

Made from dainty lawns with lace and embroidery inserting in all styles and prices.

Saturday Only Half Price

\$8.50 TO \$10.00 MEN'S SUMMER SUITS \$6.75

Made in Cheviots, Cassimers, and novelty suitings, in light and dark colors.

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NEW LADIES' DUCK HATS

Just received by express in the newest and most popular shapes, a good assortment **\$1.50**

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will be quite the thing this season and no wardrobe will be complete this summer without a pair of white shoes. Best styles in Blucher out with large eyelets **\$2.00**

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Our new, spring writing papers are beautiful. We have them by the box, by the pound and quire and also in tablet form with envelopes to match. These papers are the best for the money that can be produced. No matter what price you pay the papers will be strictly in style. Quality only makes the difference in price, here. Box papers from 10c to 60c.

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