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PROBING ALLEGED ILLEGAL COMBINE

ROOSEVELT ORDERS CAREFUL EXAMINATION OF SIX FIRMS.

Six Big Firms of New York Have Consolidated and Formed an Illegal Trust and Combine, Is the Charge of Which Federal Grand Jury is Working—Roosevelt Will Push the Prosecution—Said Delay Order to Protect Party.

New York, Sept. 19.—Six leading figures in the electrical world will be indicted for forming and maintaining an unlawful trust if investigations by the present federal grand jury mean anything. President Roosevelt ordered the inquiry. It is reported the jury has sufficient evidence to warrant the indictments, and it is also reported the delay was ordered so the action of the jury will not hurt the republican party now.

The management of the General Electric company and other big electrical firms are subjected to close examination. It is alleged six big firms have completed a monopoly of all business in this section; the allied interests having extended to all branches of the electrical business. It is charged the combine has a working agreement regarding prices and the control of several small competitors sufficiently to put them out of business. The matter was called to the attention of President Roosevelt by Attorney General Bonaparte, who ordered the federal investigation.

THE BIG STICK.

The Boss' Coming Home Has an Effect on White House Employees.

Washington, Sept. 19.—"The boss is coming back—get busy!" This is the word that has been passed about among the employees of the White House, and as a result the cleaners and dusters and gardeners and men of all work have been laboring overtime during the last week. The executive mansion has now assumed a spick and span appearance and will be ready for its occupants when the president and his family arrive from Oyster Bay three days hence.

AGED MAN DEFIES POSSE SEVERAL HOURS

WISCONSIN MAN OP

SIXTY RUNS AMUCK.

Pioneer of Wisconsin Holds Posse at Bay All Night, After Shooting Two Women and Wounding the Sheriff.

Waukesha, Wis., Sept. 19.—After holding a posse at bay all night and making a desperate fight, George Smith, aged 60, was captured at dawn today. He is charged with shooting Mrs. Julius Grabow and daughter Olga, last night, after seriously wounding the sheriff, Dwinell. The mother is dying.

Smith is accused of going to the Grabow house and attacking the mother and daughter, aged 14. He shot the woman in the head. When Dwinell came Smith shot him and escaped.

Baseball Scores.

Los Angeles, 4; Oakland, 0.
Portland, 5; San Francisco, 1.

FISH SQUABBLE TO HIGHER COURT

WASHINGTON WINS ONE ROUND IN LEGAL FIGHT.

Judge Bean Allows Writ of Error in Oregon-Nelson Case—Means the Fight Over the Prohibitory Fish Laws Will Be Carried to Higher Court—Interstate Fight Has Attracted Much Notice in the West.

Salem, Sept. 19.—Chief Justice Bean today allowed a writ of error in the case of Oregon vs. Chris Nielson, involving the police jurisdiction over the waters of the Columbia, so it can be carried into the United States supreme court.

Nielson was arrested by Oregon authorities on the Washington side, found guilty and fined for violation of the Oregon prohibitory fishing laws. The question is whether Oregon can assert its police power on the Washington side.

An effort will be made to compel the United States supreme court to give interpretation to "concurrent jurisdiction" contained in the Oregon constitution, under which Oregon officials claimed the right to make the arrests on the Washington side. It is thought such an interpretation will settle the dispute between the two states.

Bandon business men have signed an agreement to close at 7 p. m. except Saturdays, and to keep closed on Sunday, under a penalty of \$25 for each violation.

ROAD AIDED BY ELECTRICITY.

St. Paul Road Utilized "Juice" in Mountain Traffic.

Tacoma, Sept. 19.—A special dispatch from Milwaukee, where the directorate of the St. Paul road is meeting today, says orders may be issued for the electrification of the Pacific coast extension of the road through the Blitter Root mountains in Idaho.

Engineers have prepared estimates for using electricity on the mountain grades. It is reported the project is feasible. The new line will pass through several hundred feet of tunnels.

WILD GOLD RUSH IN BURNS MINING DISTRICT

SAMPLES ASSAYED SHOW

ORE VALUED AT \$4500.

Great Excitement Prevails in Burns District Over Extremely Rich Find in Mountains—Must Stage Ore 150 Miles.

Burns, Ore., Sept. 19.—Intense excitement prevails here as the result of a rich strike made by O. J. Darst, a prospector in Gold gulch. He discovered a ledge assaying from \$4000 to \$4500 per ton. It contains gold and silver, and is located 150 miles from a railroad. It is planned to stage the rock to Austin or Vale, where it will be shipped to the smelters at Boise or Salt Lake City.

REWARD FOR INDIAN FIGHTERS.

Washington and Oregon Indian War Veterans Want Back Pay.

Portland, Sept. 19.—Oregon and Washington Indian war veterans will use their influence again this winter in an effort to secure the passage of a bill in the Washington legislature allowing the survivors of early frontier battle \$2 per day for past services. At present the remaining handful of men who risked their lives 50 years ago, to advance civilization, are receiving \$8 per month in federal pension.

WRIGHT TO LEAVE FRANCE.

Wilbur Wright, Aviator, Will Resume Brother's Place.

Washington, Sept. 19.—The possibility of abandonment of experiments in France, and the return of Wilbur Wright to take up the tests at Fort Meyer was announced today. Orville Wright, who was injured when his companion, Lieutenant Selfridge was killed Thursday in the collapse of his aeroplane, will not be able to make a flight inside of five months.

Good Prices for Wheat.

Tacoma, Sept. 19.—Although this year's production of wheat in Washington although less than last year, the price is much better. The farmers will receive about \$23,000,000. This year's crop will amount to 29,700,000 bushels, with an average price of 77 cents, while last year the price was 65 cents.

Relief for Nevada Independents.

Reno, Nev., Sept. 19.—It is not thought today the Independence party will be able to participate in the November election in Nevada through the failure to comply with all requirements regarding the attending of 1 per cent of voters to their wishes to have that party place names on the ticket.

Dance and Races Tonight.

The skating rink races which commence tonight at 8 o'clock in the Coliseum rink are the talk of the skating fraternity. Some fast exhibitions are slated and the manager promises something worth while. Dancing starts at 9 o'clock.

Sold Back of Portland has completed a fine summer home in Seaside.

HEARST HAS LIED SAY OHIO RECORDS

SAME CLASSIFICATION IS EXTENDED TO TAFT.

Ohio Congressional Records Show That Foraker Was Not an Employee of the Standard While in National Congress—Hearst Erred in Charge—Bryan Repudiates Taft's Statement With Message From Manila Political Leader.

Cincinnati, Sept. 19.—Records in the Ohio supreme court do not show a single instance where United States Senator Joseph B. Foraker appeared as counsel for the Standard Oil company. The last time of record it shows when he appeared before the Ohio legislative committee and secured a 50-year franchise for the Cincinnati Traction company, which occurred in 1896. The records controvert Foraker's statement he was employed by Archbold of the Standard Oil company, in connection with them before the Ohio legislature and not for national legislation.

Foraker said: "When I first read of Hearst's letter from Archbold referring to the certificate of deposit for \$50,000 enclosed in a letter, I did not recall that I had received such a letter until after I looked over my file of letters in my home at Washington. A newspaper friend of mine held an option for the purchase of the Ohio State Journal for \$125,000, and appealed to me for help. Among others I asked the Standard Oil company to help me out. Later they agreed to loan me \$55,000 secured by stock in the newspaper. Somebody

tripped out of the proposed company and then I asked the Standard for an increase of the loan to \$50,000. They did so. Finally others purchased the property and I returned the money to the Standard people. I am not employed in the matter and never received a cent of profit in the whole affair. I repeat the only employment I ever had at the hands of the Standard was as advisory counsel. I did nothing in the course of my work that related to anything pending in

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MURDERER TO HANG.

Killed His Wife, Daughter and His Brother—Refused to Escape.

Kingston, Mo., Sept. 19.—Convicted of the murder of his wife, his small daughter and his brother, Albert Filley is in jail here awaiting execution by hanging next week. Filley recently had a chance to escape, when three other prisoners made a successful dash for liberty, but refused to leave the jail.

ANNA HELD A MOTHER.

Startling Information Gleaned That She Has Child, Aged 13.

New York, Sept. 19.—There is no little surprise among followers of the theater today when it was announced that Anna Held, the actress, is the mother of a girl, aged 13. No mention of it has ever been made before. Florence Ziegfeld, Jr., the actress' husband, manager of her company, and the wife, have always kept the existence of the child a secret. The girl was brought over from Paris several weeks ago, and kept by a French maid during the mother's absence.

BAD TRAIN WRECK ON CHESAPEAKE ROUTE

OIL EXPLOSION TAKES FOUR SAN PEDRO LIVES.

Details of a Wreck That Injured Scores at Newport News Are Not Obtainable—Oil Tank Explodes at San Pedro.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 19.—Scores of passengers were injured and it is thought some are dead in a wreck on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad, near Newport News today. Details are lacking. A wrecking train with surgeons and nurses have gone to the scene.

Oil Explosion Kills Four.

San Pedro, Cal., Sept. 19.—Four men were seriously injured today in the explosion of an oil tank on the steamer San Gabriel, which was loading lumber at the wharf of the Jerhoff-Cuzner Lumber company, near here today.

Sisters Squander Money.

San Jose, Sept. 19.—Alleging his two sisters were extravagant in handling the million-dollar estate of Henry Lux, the cattle king, who died six years ago, Charles Lux, a son, has filed suit demanding an account. B. E. Kell, the guardian of Charles, says in the bill that the latter's family has lived in penury since the death of the millionaire, and that he was unable to provide for the education of his two daughters.

Telegraph at Wallowa Town.

Wallowa, Sept. 19.—(Special.)—The telegraph wires now reach this city, and for the first time in history, Wallowa town is in telegraphic communication with the outside world, though to be exact, no commercial business has been done over the wires.

Trap Enormous Sturgeons.

Tacoma, Sept. 19.—One of the largest sturgeons ever brought here is on exhibition today. It is seven feet long and weighs 163 pounds. It was caught in a salmon trap.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

Three Days of Bargain Prices

From all Departments in the Dry Goods Section

THE FAIR STORE--The Store that Undersells the Rest

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| 15c Mitt end of Daisy cloth, sale price, a yard 9c | Hooks and eyes 1c a Card | 25c Sample Hankerchiefs, sale price, each 13c | \$1.75 to \$2.00 Black Sateen Skirts, sale price 1.19 |
| \$1.75 to \$2.00 Ladies' Dress and every day Shoes, a pair \$1.39 | \$1.25 to \$1.50 Children's Shoes, sale price, per pair 89c | 30c Children's fleeced Underwear, sale price, a garment 21c | \$1.00 Baby Sweaters 69c These Sweaters we have in white and colors, wool and mercerized finish. |
| \$2.25 Bed Comforts, sale price each \$1.79 This Comfort is full double bed size and filled with American Beauty Cotton. | \$1.25 Large Large Cotton Batting, sale price, each 89c This cotton measures 72x84. One is sufficient for a comfort. | \$1.00 Bed Sheets, sale price 85c This sheet is of A-1 Peppercorn quality, and seamless, size 81x96. | Shirt Waist, sale price \$1.38 This line we have in all sizes, both white and colors. |

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