

## NEW TRUST IS FOUND BY AGENTS

SECRET INVESTIGATION CARRIED ON BY GOVERNMENT WILL END IN WIDESPREAD PROSECUTION OF PRINCIPALS.

## CARS USED AS THROTTLES

Coal Combine Involving Such Railroads as the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio, Found to Be Connected with Biggest Trust Ever Uncovered—Billion Dollars Is Extent of the Organization.

Washington, March 28.—As the result of a long inspection by the department of justice, which declared it the biggest trust in the world, announcement is made today that criminal prosecution of a half dozen of the most powerful financiers in the United States will be begun soon by the federal government. Agents are reported to have found evidence showing a billion-dollar combine exists, fathered by the Pennsylvania railroad and organized to control the output of interstate coal throughout the country.

The government it is said, will show that this gigantic combination for years secretly used its power to extort enormous profits of the coal trade monopoly.

### Hold Cars as Levers.

It is alleged they throttled all competition by withholding cars from concerns not in the trust, while the enormous coal lands-holdings were purchased and small railroads subsidized.

Officials assert the Pennsylvania, Baltimore & Ohio, and Norfolk & Western are the most prominent in the trust, and government officials admitted this afternoon that agents are trying to connect big Wall street financiers with evidence secured against the billion dollar trust.

### SEARCHING FOR DERELICT.

Pacific Fleet Turned Loose to Find the Missing Target Vessel.

San Diego, March 28.—Practically every vessel of the Pacific naval fleet here, except cruisers, today were ordered out to hunt for a derelict target vessel lost by the collier Glacier Friday while weathering a storm between San Francisco and San Diego.

### Will Test Treating Law.

Tacoma, March 28.—That the constitutionality of the anti-treating ordinance will be put to a test in the courts is today admitted by three saloon men who were arrested for violation of the law which was recently passed.

## MORRIS MUST BE IMPRISONED

SUPREME COURT HOLDS HE IS GUILTY AS CHARGED.

Portland Banker Must Go to Prison for Five Years.

Salem, March 28.—Banker Cooper Morris, guilty of the embezzlement of \$75,000 in connection with the failure of the Oregon Trust & Savings bank, Portland, must serve a five years' sentence in the penitentiary.

The supreme court today affirmed the case on appeal from the circuit court.



HELEN MILLER GOULD, PATRIOT AND PHILANTHROPIST.

Recently Miss Gould narrowly escaped injury when a disgruntled tramp threw a brick through a window of home after he had been refused money from the wealthy lady. Another instance bringing Miss Gould into the limelight occurred a few days ago when she forced her brother to remain at the head of the Missouri Pacific.

## WEED HERE FOR PEACE NEWS NEW HIS LECTURE TO DE LABARRA

MORE BEAUTIFUL LA GRANDE MOVEMENT TO PROCEED

Landscape Artist Praises Work Done on Riverside Park.

Howard Everts Weed, nationally known as a landscape artist and lecturer on city beautification topics, arrived in La Grande this morning and was shown various sections of the valley from an automobile. He lectures at the L. D. S. tabernacle, tonight under auspices of the Neighborhood club.

Though Mr. Weed saw Riverside park at its most unsightly period of the year, he gained a conception of the enormous amount of work done there and complimented the ladies who were instrumental in the park's realization, on the artistic schemes to be worked out. It is regretted that he might not be here at a time when the park was nearer completion than it is now, but the work already done gained his hearty approval.

Mr. Weed spent a busy day here. During the morning he was whisked about the valley that he might enjoy the natural scenery and the elegant weather, to boot, and this afternoon appeared before the high school assembly where he gave a very instructive address to the students.

The admission to the tabernacle tonight will be very nominal, 15 and 25 cents, and this opportunity to hear an important subject by a credited authority of national repute, should not be overlooked.

### Lawmakers Adjourned.

Sacramento, March 28.—After one of the longest and one of the most progressive sessions of the California legislature, it adjourned early this morning.

FATHER OF REBEL LEADER SAYS PEACE IN TWO WEEKS.

Rebel Captain in Interior Shot by His Captors After Battle.

San Antonio, March 28.—Gustave Madero arrived today and immediately conferred with his brothers, Alfonso and Julio, and other Mexicans identified with the revolt. It is regarded as significant that Ambassador de La Barra arrives here tomorrow. Many see peace negotiations as a near development.

Francisco Madero, father of the rebel leader, predicted peace in Mexico within 30 days and maybe sooner. He said the Mexican government had agreed to the negotiations.

Red Cross Helps Refugees. San Diego, March 28.—Red Cross donations amounting to \$2,000 have arrived here for refugees from Tecuarte. Many rebels are deserting the revolution and creeping back to the United States.

### Federal Captain Shot.

El Paso, March 28.—News of a battle between fed rals and rebels at Azu R. Frera, in Coahuila, reached here today. Rebels are entrenched and drove back the fed rals in several hours' fighting and captured Captain Duran, who was wounded. He was shot to death, and the body was later found by friends.

### De La Barra Ignorant.

St. Louis, Mo., March 28.—Ambassador De La Barra of Mexico today declared he knew nothing of the reported peace negotiations with General Madero.

### Diaz' Resignation Scouted.

El Paso, March 28.—Reports that Diaz had resigned, emanating from

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## SHEEHAN PULLED FROM FAMOUS DEADLOCK

TAMMANY FORCES GIVEN STINGING REBUKE IN DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS YESTERDAY.

## INSURGENTS NAME THREE

Big Rush for Places by Various Candidates Follows Withdrawal of Sheehan Tammany Man from Deadlock in New York Senate—Probable That Selection of Agreeable Man Will Be Made Tonight.

### Depew Releases Pledges.

New York, March 28.—Chauncey Depew who was a candidate for re-election to the United States senate and over whose successor the deadlock occurred, today narrowed the race by telegraphically releasing all republicans who were pledged to vote for him. Radical evolutions have been worked out in the past two 24 hours.

### Albany, March 28.—Following last night's democratic caucus when Sheehan, Tammany's candidate in the week after week deadlock which has existed in the New York legislature, has been eliminated from the race—scoring a vicious defeat of the Tammany forces—a half score of candidates are today jockeying for positions in the race.

The caucus reconvenes tonight when the candidate will probably be chosen. The legislative insurgents today notified the regulars that they must support Herman Ridder, Isador Straus or Martin Glynn.

In the event of a refusal, the insurgents will ask the republicans to combine with them and elect one of the three.

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### FIND DROWNED BODIES.

Believed Other Bodies Will Be Found on the Water.

Victoria, March 28.—With the recovery of the body of John Henderson by the tug Lorne, it is believed other bodies will soon be found as Henderson's was supported by a preserver and indicated other aboard the Schel were warned before she sank. The wreckage was towed in. Passengers who departed at Williams Head said there were about 25 aboard when the vessel sank.

### Retail Hardware Dealers.

Little Rock, Ark., March 28.—The annual convention of the National Retail Hardware Dealers' association opened in this city today with an attendance of several hundred prominent representatives of the trade from all parts of the country. The sessions will last several days, during which a wide range of questions of importance to the retail trade will be considered.

### Seeks Senator Martin's Seat.

Richmond, Va., March 28.—William A. Jones, representative in congress from the First Virginia district, will formally open his campaign for the senatorial nomination against Senator Thomas S. Martin tomorrow. He will make his first speech in Norfolk, where there is said to be strong sentiment favoring his candidacy.

### One of the Navy's Workers.

Captain R. F. Nicholson, Chief of Navigation Bureau.



Present navy maneuvers are proving a splendid school for naval officers and one of the men next to the secretary of the navy and who is classified as authority on naval affairs is Captain Nicholson.

## MAYORALTY RACE BADLY MIXED

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE HAS REPUBLICAN SUPPORTERS.

Same Thing Is True With Merriam—Both Men Dodge Corporations.

Chicago, March 28.—(Special)—The mayoralty contest has split both republicans and democrats of Chicago into curious factions, headquarters being opened by the "Merriam democrats" and the "Harrison republicans" although Merriam is the republican and Harrison the democratic candidate.

The enthusiasm at the quarter of the Harrison republican club required artificial stimulants and the "Merriam democrats" looked uneasy as though in regions new and strange. The campaign has been a series of attempts to brand one candidate or the other with undesirable support. The most illuminating fact was the way Roger Sullivan's backing, in view of the fact that the ordinance fixing the legal rate for gas has expired, is sidestepped. The danger to a candidate being caught with corporation support on his person made a novel predicament when Carter Harrison's campaign manager publicly stated that Sullivan, gas magnate, has thrown his influence to Charles E. Merriam. Immediately Sullivan categorically denied the statements and the Merriam faction made prompt and successful efforts to "clear" their candidate of Sullivan affiliation. But the result was that the Sullivan denial was openly doubted, and the Harrison assertion given added credence because of the denial from Sullivan, such is the implicit trust felt in campaign statements from "corporation men."

### King's Daughters and Sons.

Fort Wayne, Ind., March 28.—Many delegates from all over Indiana are here for the annual state convention of the King's Daughters and Sons. The gathering will hold its sessions at the Wayne street M. E. church, beginning tonight and continuing three days.

### Intent to Defraud Alleged.

Concord, N. H., March 28.—The cases of the United States against the Oxford Gold Mining company and the Portland Fertilizer company were called for trial in the federal court here today. The companies are charged with using the United States mails with intent to defraud.

## UNIONS ANGERED AGAINST LAX OFFICIALS

DESTITUTE GIRLS BURIED FROM UNION HEADQUARTERS THIS MORNING.

## SYMPATHIZERS TAG COFFINS

Monster Mass Meetings to Be Held as Soon as All the Victims of Saturday Fire are Buried—Will Pass Resolutions Against Lax Building Inspection Laws—Many Buried This Afternoon.

New York, March 28.—Thirty-five victims of Saturday's holocaust were buried today and the balance will be interred Thursday and Friday. Big processions of labor unions fell in behind the procession of coffins and every possible manner is adopted to display the disapproval of the unions of the lax building inspection methods.

The unidentified dead will be buried Thursday and Friday. Immediately after their funeral services, a mass meeting attended by representatives of all labor unions of New York will be held to give a public demonstration against such fire trap conditions as were disclosed by the Saturday fire. The unions will pass resolutions demanding that the factories and buildings be inspected by competent men.

At noon today there were only 28 unidentified.

The bodies of five girls, whose relatives were destitute, were buried today from union headquarters. All streets through which the bodies passed were crowded.

### WEALTHY BROKER ARRESTED

Charged With Operating Million Dollar Game.

Pittsburg, March 28.—Charles Sheldon, a broker, was arrested here today on a charge of obtaining over a million dollars through a blind pool operated in Montreal. Sheldon fears violence if he is returned to Canada, and he is being guarded to prevent suicide.

### PORTLAND SUSPECT INNOCENT

Arrest at Salem Yesterday Prove False Suspicion.

Portland, March 28.—Brown arrested at Salem, suspected of the murder of Barbara Holtzman, was released from jail today. He is innocent.

## JAIL BIRD GETS SENTENCED

FIVE YEARS SENTENCE FIXED ON BROWN, CHECK ARTIST.

Sensational Career Ends Up With a Sentence by Judge Knowles Today

Pleading guilty after a checkered career which has lasted over several years, it is said, and known to have been irregular for over a year at least, Brown, the jail breaker and check artist, is now headed for Salem with a five year sentence to serve in the penitentiary.

Brown is the man who forged a check on C. S. Dunn about a year ago and was captured in Butte, Montana, soon afterwards, brought back to La Grande and placed in the county jail. He broke away from the jail in a sensational delivery last June and was recaptured again at Butte recently. He reached La Grande only a few days ago.

Today when arraigned, he pleaded guilty to the charge and was immediately sentenced to five years by Circuit Judge Knowles.