

TALKING OF BOODLE

Oil Refinery Bill Causes Sensation in Kansas.

INVESTIGATION IS ORDERED

War on Standard Oil Has Climax in Charge That Oil Men Are Using Money in Legislature—Committee Will Seek Facts.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 10.—The House today adopted a resolution empowering Speaker Stubbs to appoint a committee of five to investigate charges of alleged boodling, and the Speaker immediately named a committee and instructed it to go to the bottom of the rumors and report its findings tonight.

Following the adoption of the resolution, Speaker Stubbs said: "I should like to see this committee go to the bottom of things, and if any member has been guilty of misdeeds, I would like to see him expelled from the House and his name blotted for the benefit of the state."

One of the members of the committee suggested that the committee be not limited in its investigation, and suggested that railroad attorneys be brought in and compelled to exhibit their passbooks and stubs.

"I do not care," said Speaker Stubbs, "the bridge is off, and you are to go into anything you want to. If there is a bar here we want to know where it is."

Previous to the appointment of the investigating committee the supporters of the measure, which provides for the election in the state of a refinery, were a victory for their bill, when they secured its reference to the committee of the whole. The measure already had passed the Senate, and the vote today referring it to this committee indicates, it is believed, that it has enough supporters to insure its passage by the House.

Speaker Stubbs sought to have referred to the judicial committee, from where, his friends assert, it would never have come to light again in this session.

Before action was finally taken, there was a sensational discussion. One member had the clerk read the newspaper story asserting that certain oil interests were using money to influence the passage of the refinery bill, and saying that "some statements are under suspicion."

"This is a reflection on every gentleman in this House, and it is done to force you to rush this measure through. The plan is damnable, as is the legislation proposed, and the member who would be influenced thereby is a coward and a poltroon."

Speaker Stubbs, who took the floor to move that the bill be referred to the judicial committee, said that the bill brought up a constitutional question, and he was in favor of going down until lawyers could give an opinion on it. Mr. Stubbs took occasion to denounce the Standard Oil Company as "the most damnable, British-owned corporation in this country."

The committee of investigation held a meeting this evening, but failed to find anything upon which to base proceedings against any of the members. The committee adjourned to meet next week.

ATTACK INJURES ITS CREDIT

Poor Old Standard Says It Can't Borrow for Kansas Operations.

LIMA, O., Feb. 10.—General Manager J. J. O'Day, of the Standard Oil Company's interests in Ohio, Indiana and Kansas, confirms the report that all work for the Standard has been ordered stopped in the Kansas field. He explained that Standard Oil of Indiana had sent the heads of all the departments, in which he says: "W. J. Young, president of the Prairie Oil & Gas Company, has telegraphed me this morning on account of a situation in regard to our business in Kansas, our credit is being injured and we are unable to secure loans which it is necessary for our company to get in order to carry out the work we have contemplated in taking care of the oil produced, by building tanks and pipe lines, and we will have to stop all of the work. Please give instructions accordingly, and stop all work in the field that can be stopped without liability on contracts, and have it done immediately."

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Assets Jan. 1, 1935, \$73,096,178.81 Premium receipts in 1934 12,989,922.77 Interest and dividends 10,931,556.76 Total receipts in 1934 24,911,462.34 Payments to policyholders 19,071,793.25 Legal Reserve on Policies 64,845,752.16 Special Reserve in addition to Reserve above 2,294,786.60 Life Insurance issued, revived and paid for in 1934 28,858,907.60 Life Insurance in force Jan. 1, 1935 237,204,739.00 Accidents and Sickness Claims Paid (force, Jan. 1, 1935) 217,236,144.08

Guarantee Fund in excess of Requirements 6,555,640.65 Assets of Legal Reserve 8,860,428.65 Paid Policyholders Since Organization \$145,918,246.86

Great Gains in Business During 1934

Increase in Assets \$ 5,628,216.16 Increase in Guarantee Fund over Requirement 1,135,068.90 Increase in Total Income 1,372,682.20 Increase in Life Insurance Issued and Paid for 2,225,105.00 Increase in Life Insurance in Force 14,601,882.00 Increase in Accident Insurance in Force 8,618,926.66

MCCARGAR & BATES

GENERAL AGENTS, PORTLAND, OR. Henry Ness, of Cincinnati, O., as a man who, under the name of Henry F. Hartmann, was married there July 29, 1927.

This is a new case. Mrs. Hartmann never having appeared before in the list of wives.

Hoch was taken to the Bureau of Identification to be photographed and measured as a confessed criminal.

Two photographs of Hoch sent to Germany by the police officials have been returned with the information that they are pictures of Jacob Schmidt, who formerly lived at Bingen, Germany.

MCUE CONFESSES HIS GUILT

Ex-Mayor Goes to Gallows Exonerating Others From Complicity. CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va., Feb. 10.—J. Samuel McCue, former Mayor of this city, was hanged in the County Jail here today for the murder of his wife on Sunday, September 4, 1934. McCue was pronounced dead eight minutes after the trap had been sprung.

Immediately after the execution, McCue's three spiritual advisers gave out the following signed statement: "J. Samuel McCue stated this morning that he had confessed to the murder of his wife and that he did not wish to leave this world with suspicion resting on any human being other than himself; that he alone was responsible for the death of his wife and that he would pray beyond his control, and that he recognized his sentence as just."

McCue listened calmly to the death warrant, and when Sergeant Rogers asked: "Do you think that if I gave you my arm you would be able to walk to the scaffold?" he replied calmly: "I can walk without your aid."

On the way he stumbled once or twice and the officers proffered assistance. It was not needed, however. "There was no weakness," McCue had merely slipped on a frog skin.

Watched by a silent crowd of perhaps 50 persons, McCue mounted the scaffold. Not a muscle of his face moved. Rogers and two guards followed the scaffold to the gallows. The prisoner was placed over the trap, his arms were pinioned and his ankles strapped. The black gown was folded around him and the noose was fastened. All this while McCue stood without moving. He did not utter a word. The guard took hold of the rope just as he was to be released. Rogers, who had been standing beside McCue, turned his back and lifted his hand. The trap fell, McCue's neck was broken.

WILD CAT INSURANCE SCHEME

One of the Swindlers Confesses It Was Complete Fraud.

CHICAGO, Feb. 10.—Blue sky and hot air was the way Walter M. Cowell today described the "securities" of alleged "wildcat" insurance schemes which he and Wallace A. Lowell, his former partner, were charged with exploiting. Cowell has turned state's evidence. In testifying today, Cowell, who also is under indictment, told of worthless stocks and securities and a deluge of financial statements published in circulars for the purpose of deceiving prospective customers, and to induce them to invest their money in the alleged insurance conducted by Lowell and Cowell. These "securities" were offered to evidence.

The financial statement showed real estate and other property totaling in value \$335,250. The witness said that each item was a fraud, backed up by securities which were absolutely worthless.

MAY INDICT MRS. CHADWICK

Cleveland Grand Jury Has Confession of Dead Banker.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 10.—The United States grand jury, it is reported today, heard additional evidence relative to the charges against Mrs. C. L. Chadwick and her partner, charged with exploiting the Bank of Oberlin. It is stated that United States Marshal Frank M. Chandler gave the jury a copy of the confession of the late Frank Chadwick, secured after Mrs. Chadwick's arrest.

Among the other witnesses were Charles Stark, National Bank Examiner, who has the Oberlin Bank in charge; Robert Lyons, receiver for the failed bank, and several directors of the same concern.

It is understood the case before the grand jury has been reopened with a view to returning an indictment against Mrs. Chadwick.

PARDON FOR GREAT SWINDLER

"Get-Rich-Quick" Miller is Turned Loose on the Public.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 10.—Governor Higgins today commuted the sentence of William F. Miller, of Brooklyn, convicted of grand larceny in connection with the "500 per cent" Franklin Syndicate. He will be released on Monday.

Miller was sentenced April 29, 1930, to serve ten years. The commutation was granted on recommendation of District Attorney Jerome.

At the time of his trial it was alleged that Miller had secured more than \$1,000,000 from credulous persons throughout the country.

To Extradite Banker Appleyard.

BOSTON, Feb. 10.—Detective Sergeant Holmes, of Buffalo, called at police headquarters today with extradition papers for the removal to New York state of Arthur E. Appleyard, indicted by the grand jury at Buffalo in connection with the failure of the German Bank of that city. Mr. Appleyard was arrested later, was arraigned at once, and the case continued until February 17. Ball was fixed at \$15,000, which Appleyard furnished.

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After a discussion lasting almost two days, the delegates to the National Tailors' convention voted unanimously to leave the question of amalgamation with the United Garment Workers of America in the hands of a committee of three, with power to negotiate an alliance and submit it to a referendum vote. The sentiment among the delegates favors an alliance of the two organizations.

Mail Contract to Tahiti.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Postmaster General Wynne has decided to invite bids for carrying the mails from San Francisco to the island of Tahiti, and the contract to be entered into will provide that the steamers used for the service must conform in construction to plans approved by the Navy Department, so that they may be taken by the United States as cruisers in case of war. The service is now performed at an annual compensation of

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Lipman, Wolfe & Co. Women's Neckwear: All That Is New

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35c Cashmere Socks 23c. Absolutely seamless, soft and warm, right for just now; many men wear this weight throughout the year. Choice of black, clerical gray and natural gray; our regular 35c quality on sale today at 23c.

New Windsor Ties by the Thousand: 25c. Couldn't get them fast enough last season to supply the demand. We're prepared to meet any demand that may arise this season—quantity or style. Your taste as to pattern and color can certainly be gratified, for we have about every pretty pattern brought out this season—On sale in the Men's Store.

Handkerchief Sale. Clearance of Handkerchiefs that show signs of handling, at half price. 25c Plain and Embroidered Hdks., at 13c. 35c Plain and Embroidered Hdks., at 18c. 65c to 85c Plain and Embroidered Hdks., at 35c.

Clearance Warm Petticoats and Gowns. 35c—Reduced from 45c, women's white outing flannel Skirts, with plain hemmed ruffle. 79c—Reduced from \$1.00, white outing flannel Skirts, with lace trimmed ruffle. 89c—Reduced from \$1.25, women's Marseilles Skirts, scallop edge.

Stationery Sale. Broken lines and add lots of fine Stationery have been gathered in two groups—each marked at about one-half of the former regular prices. AT 25c—Reduced from 50c, two-toned linen, style Moderne Louis XV, Mexican hand-made, Highland Linen, Toile de Brabant; 35c to 60c values at 25c. AT 40c—Reduced from 75c, Cross-Stitch Letters, Indian, Crane's Open End, Papier Batiste, Hemstitched Letters, Deckle Edges; 60c to 75c values at 40c.

Underwear Clearance. 19c—Child's Vests and Pants in white and gray, Jersey ribbed, fleeced; 35c, 50c values on sale at 19c. 25c—Women's cotton ribbed Pants, in cream color only, ankle length; regular 50c and 63c values on sale at 25c. 49c—Women's white and natural gray wool Vests and ankle-length Tights; \$1.00 values on sale at 49c.

Infants' Wear Clearance. Woolen Dresses at Half Price. Made of colored cashmere, plain and braid trimmed, various pretty styles, sizes 2, 3 and 4; all at Half Price. White Dresses, Pique Coats Much Less. Broken lines of children's white dresses, plain and trimmed, white pique jackets, 6 months to 3 years; all at greatly reduced prices. Cream-Colored Silk Bonnets at Half. Entire stock of infants' and children's Silk Bonnets and Caps on sale at exactly Half Price.

Lipman, Wolfe & Co. 30 years, not nearly sufficient funds having yet been received from China to pay the approved claims of the missionaries and other private claimants.

Boxer Indemnity Not All Paid. WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—A rumor has been current for some time past that the president had in contemplation a recommendation to Congress looking to the return to China of the undischarged balance of the Boxer indemnity award. Investigation disclosed the fact that indemnity money is being paid in semi-annual installments to cover a period of

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