

FATE OF STANDARD OILS IN BALANCE

Entire Bench Will Sit When Dissolution of Trust Is Being Argued.

7,000,000 WORDS IN RECORD

Mass of Evidence Would Fill Encyclopedia—Even Digest Too Long to Be Perused—Case One of Greatest Ever Tried.

ST. LOUIS, April 4.—Tomorrow the full bench of four judges, comprising the United States Circuit Court of this district, will hear arguments in the Government case seeking the dissolution of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

ACTION OF GREAT IMPORTANCE

Suit to Dissolve Standard Oil Will Go to Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The hearing in the case of the United States against the Standard Oil Company, of New Jersey, which will be heard before the United States Circuit Court in St. Louis tomorrow, is one of the most important and far-reaching civil actions that has ever come up for trial in this country.

BODMAN CHURCH TRUSTEE

Centenary Methodists Show Confidence in Man Under Indictment.

That the recent indictment of George F. Bodman, city street inspector, is not taken seriously by the congregation of Centenary Methodist Church is apparent from the fact that at the quarterly conference of Centenary Methodist Church Saturday night he was unanimously elected trustee.

OLD PROSPECTOR IS DEAD

Joseph H. Russell, Once Rich, Dies in Poverty.

HELENA, Mont., April 4.—Joseph H. Russell, who came to Montana as a prospector in 1867, died in this city today.

Russell invested a portion of his wealth in the erection of a mansion here. Becoming involved in litigation, he was obliged to sacrifice this property and at last reduced to poverty, was compelled to resume prospecting to support himself and family.

FIGHT OPENS THIS WEEK

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apparently causing the other heirs no anxiety. Garret McEnerney, who represented Mrs. Baldwin, the widow, in the settlement she executed with Mrs. Anita Claughy and Mrs. Clara Stocker, Baldwin's two daughters who were made the residuary legatees in his will, said in discussing the settlement that he knew of no reason why the will should not be admitted to probate this week.

Selby Renews Threat.

David Selby, when seen last night in Oakland, said: "I have nothing further to add to the statement I made last night. Mrs. Selby is sick and cannot be seen. As I said last night, if a satisfactory compromise is not made with the rest of the Baldwin heirs, we will commence suit to break the will."

win heirs might make some slight concessions to the Selbys. On account of the uncertain value of the estate, it is not thought that the other heirs would be willing to give Mrs. Selby any large share of the property.

How Selbys Will Proceed.

It is generally understood among lawyers that if Mrs. David Selby makes a contest of Lucky Baldwin's will she will proceed under a section of the code that makes certain writings by a father constitute a legal recognition of a child.

Baldwin Had Will Habit.

Another difficulty that Mrs. Selby may encounter, should she contest her father's will, is the fact that Baldwin had the "will habit" strongly developed. He made several wills during his life and preserved them with great care.



John D. Archbold, Active Head of Standard Oil Company, Whose Case Comes Up at St. Louis Today.

VISIT IS OFF TILL FALL

SUMMER TOO HOT TO SEE IRRIGATION PROJECTS.

Congressional Committee Will Make Investigation of Western Projects.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 4.—The Senate Irrigation committee will make a tour of inspection of Government irrigation projects in the early Fall, and not in July and August as originally planned.

It is the purpose of the committee to start in North Dakota, go thence into Montana and Idaho, and on through Washington, to the Seattle Exposition.

After visiting the projects in Northern and Eastern Oregon they will go to Minnesota and the Boise-Payette project in Southern Idaho, thence into Utah, Wyoming and Colorado, and westerly to California.

For several years past there has been complaint of one sort and another with regard to the manner in which the reclamation law was being enforced.

There have also been charges that the reclamation fund has not at all times been wisely expended. The committee is to make its trip of inspection to ascertain first hand whether or not the

charges, or any of them, are well founded, and to ascertain in what respects it may be advisable to amend the terms of the reclamation act.

If new legislation is found to be advisable, it will be proposed by members of this committee at the regular session next winter.

Presbyterians to Build Parsonage.

ALBANY, Or., April 4.—(Special.)—The United Presbyterian Church, one of Albany's largest churches, will build a big parsonage the coming summer on a lot just west of the church.

The building committee has been named to have charge of the work: L. E. Blain, Mrs. E. E. Young, E. F. Sox, C. H. Stewart and Mrs. L. E. Hamilton.

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fresh and pretty, first became known around Chicago.

The boxing game was open and Dr. Message, her employer, was the local head of the fighting syndicate.

Anna McDermott met hundreds of sporting men—the high rollers of New York, Boston, San Francisco and many another city. The pretty face and trim figure of Dr. Message's office girl

proved a potent attraction and the doctor's suite in State street was crowded to the doors.

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Artistic Easter Calendars with Penrhyn Stanlaws Drawings Free in Our Stationery Dept.

Francis Hope Gale EXPERT CORSETIERE is at Our Store for Two Weeks Demonstrating the SUPERIOR QUALITIES of the ROYAL WORCESTER CORSETS

Portland Agents for Ladies Home Journal Patterns Olds, Wortman & King Portland Agents for the Famous Libbey Cut Glass

The Great Pre-Easter Sale Continues All Week

Model Hats 1/4 Less

We're sure that Portland women will be delighted when they read that they may come and select any of the very finest hats that have been shown them this season and pay one-fourth less than the price they sell for regularly.



Silk Dresses at \$11.98

These very clever gowns are made of messaline, taffeta, pongee or rajah silk, decorated with braids, buttons, pleats, etc. Some are made Princess style, others in the regular shirt waist effect so popular now.

New and Smart Shoes

WOMEN'S OXFORDS—New models in a wide choice of styles and leathers, patent, gum-metal, glazed calf and brown kid, also tan Russia calf.

Easter Neckw'r 25c

Elastic Belting at 35c

Women's Neckwear in Ascot stock collars, plain white or embroidered designs; very neat ones and much in demand, especially for the pre-Easter sale, at 25c.

Women's Persian and Elastic Belting, 1 1/2 or 1 3/4 inches wide, regular values up to 75c yard, 35c sale price, the yard.

Hair Bow Taffeta Ribbons, in plain colors, finished with cord edge, vals. to 40c... 22c

Suitcases \$5.35

Men's genuine cowhide Suitcases, 24-inch size, with brass locks and bolts, linen lined, heavy straps, steel frame; regularly sold at \$7.50 each; pre-Easter sale, \$5.35.

Men's Underwear

Medium-weight Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers for Spring and Summer wear; a good shade of blue; splendidly finished; all sizes; an extra fine 75c value at 49c.

Easter Novelties

The largest assortment ever shown in Portland is to be had in our small wares aisle. Chickens, ducks, rabbits and mechanical novelties of every sort. Fine for parties, favors, etc., priced for the pre-Easter Sale at 5c to \$5.00.

Hand Bags \$2.29

Women's leather Handbags, in alligator, seal, morocco, walrus; strap or round handles; fitted with coin purse to match; colors, black, brown, green, tan; \$3.50 value to \$4.00 values, \$2.29.

Beauty Pins 49c

Solid gold Beauty Pins, plain or ornamental designs; medium size, Roman finish; values to \$1.00 the set at 49c.

White Dresses, regularly worth \$12.50; special \$9.48

White Dresses, regularly worth \$8.50; special \$6.78

Child Dresses \$6.78

Dainty, charming little Dresses of white lawn for misses and children, made in the latest styles and trimmed with lace, insertions and embroidery; ages, 6 to 16 years.

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Easter Gloves at \$1.98

A rare chance to save on a needed Easter accessory. Women's 16-button Kid Gloves, in black, brown, olive, oxblood or wistaria. You will need these for wear with the short sleeves that fashion says will be in vogue again for warm weather.

Regular \$4 values for \$1.98

Women's Hose 29c Pair

Mercedized Lisle Hose in fast black or plain tan, worth to 50c the pair, at 29c.

BEAUTY HER CURSE

Willie Whitla's Kidnap Once Devout Girl.

TOOK TO PRIMROSE PATH

Family in Chicago Now Cast Her Out, Declaring She Left Home of Her Own Will and Is Entitled to No Aid.

CHICAGO, April 4.—(Special.)—The transformation of a little girl, who eight years ago attended St. Vincent's Parochial School in short dresses and pig-tails, into an ogress accused of the Whitla kidnaping is a mystery that school and social companions of Anna McDermott, now known as Mrs. Boyle, cannot fathom.

William McDermott, her father, has been a city fireman for 30 years. Her brother William, an employee of the Illinois Trust Bank, has left here for Pittsburgh to see her.

"Mrs. Boyle" is 23 years old. The final break with her family came three years ago when she refused to give up company to which the family objected. She left home. The only word received from her since then was a telephone message from the Auditorium a few months ago announcing that she "had married a millionaire."

The McDermotts lived for years in a house which they still own at No. 162 Seminary avenue, and here all the neighbors recall Anna as a playful child, a devout attendant at the church services and a favorite with her schoolmates, and full of life and sunshine.

After having been graduated from public schools, she was sent to a convent at Madison, Wis. She refused to return to the convent after one term and found employment as the secretary of Dr. John G. Message, a prizefight promoter. It was four years ago that Anna McDermott known to friends as "Nannie,"

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Swell English pumps at Rosenthal's.

AUCTION AUCTION

Jewelry Auction

Forced to vacate May 1 and have no other store at present to move to. Rather than store my stock, I have decided to close out at public auction, commencing Wednesday at 2:30 and 7:30, and will continue every day until sold. This is a grand opportunity to buy high-grade goods at your own prices. Stock consists of diamonds, watches, solid gold and filled jewelry, etc. Remember that my usual guaranty, which has prevailed during my 15 years in the jewelry business in this city goes with every article sold at this sale.

Notice to the Ladies: Each lady attending the opening sale will be presented with a nice souvenir.

ABENDROTH, JEWELER

Store closed until Wednesday, 2:30. Fixtures for sale. 326 WASHINGTON ST., BET. 6TH AND 7TH