STANDARD SCORED FOR HIDING PAST

Oil Counsel Would Conceal National Scandal, Wickersham Says.

LAWYER GROWS SARCASTIC Istration.

Corporation Attorney Declares New Doctrine Is Attempt to Require Each Individual to Compete With Himself.

WASHINGTON, March 16 .- Final argument of the famous suit to dissolve the Standard Oll Company of New Jersey as a conspiracy and as a monopoly in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law was made today, and the Supreme Court took the matter under consideration.

The third day in the contest of coun-sel before the court was a memorable one, not only because of the arguments, but because of the interest manifested in the proceedings on the part of the

Rules of the court prohibiting specta-tors standing in its presence were swept eside and members of Congress stood around the walls of the room. Not in years have so many persons been packed into the little chamber.

It fell to Attorney-General Wickersham on the side of the Government and to John G. Johnson, for the defense, to make the closing remarks. In addition, D. T. Watson, another Standard Oil coun-sel, addressed the court earlier in the

Past of Standard Cited.

Mr. Wickersham taunted his opponents for "desiring to cast the vell of oblivio over the past" He spoke of that past as containing a National scandal which the courts and the Legislatures were called upon to put down. He emphasized the position that the re-organization of 1899 gave the Standard Oil a more solidi fied organization than it possessed before, an organization that prevented the sub-sidiary companies from becoming com-

In closing, Mr. Wickersham urged the court not to be influenced by the cry that this proceeding was a blow directed at "because such a cry had beer sade often before and proved ground-

The closing address by Mr. Johnson was partly a reply to Mr. Wickersham. Although the wolf may not have come at first, he told the court, when it did come

it was too late to cry.

He paid his compliments to Frank B.
Kellogg, author of the petition of the
Government, on which the decree of dissolution before the court was based.

Like Witches' Cauldron.

Mr. Johnson told the court it reminded him of the contents of the witches' caul-dron in Macbeth, as it appeared to have been made up of a collection from the scrapbooks of disappointed oil producers and "magazinists—female or otherwise." The best part about it, he told the court, was that it ended with a prayer.

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nated as "the new doctrine of potential competition" as an attempt to require each individual to compete with him-

Turning to another phase of the con troversy, he asked: "How on earth could we monopolize the manufacture of refined oil, when we control only 11 per cent of the crude oil output?

But they complain with our enorm amount of wealth we drive our competi-tors out of business," he exclaimed. "Are you going to conduct business on the racetrack principle and put a handleap on the man who possesses wealth? Are Fou going to taboo wealth?"

With a sarcastic smile on his face, as he walked back and forth before the bench, he expressed his surprise that such iniquities as had been complained of existed in this counter. of existed in this country.

No Limit on Wealth.

"We do have pipe lines," he shouted.
"We do have engines and beliers, but is
that any reason why our competitors
should get heat and steam from us?
There is no Federal law requiring that,
thank God, as yet. I am speaking of the
present. Your honors may be called upon
not in my lifetime—to pass upon a law
that says how much a man shall own.
But that question is not before you."

Mr. Johnson next turned to the subject of unfair competition. ject of unfair competitio

"Is there a kind of soft competition, a Pickwickian competition, a kind of kid-glove variety!" he asked, "where they just compete so nicely that it won't hurt? General Sherman used a word in describing what war is; I won't use the word in your honors' presence, but that is what

competition is. Yet they complain be-cause we undersold someone."

There are plenty of laws that could reach unfair competition, if it be illegal, he said. The law that permits a \$23,000,000 fine to be laid, he contended, was not "a. Pickwicklan law."

In closing, he pleaded with the court not to strike down a legitimate business, or deprive the men he represented of their organization.

their organization.

"The remedy the Government asks it to apply," said he, "is not unlike the surgical operation of amputating the foot to remove a thorn from the toe."

Mr. Watson, in his speech, which preceded that of the Attorney-General, sought to show that the only act of alleged conspiracy before the Supreme Court was the combining of corporations in 1859. He pointed out that this was the only act that the Circuit Court of Missouri had decreed against. In reply to a question by Justice McKenna, Mr. Watson admitted that the Missouri court based its action on the Supreme Court order in the Northern Securities care.

Justice Harlan in reply to Mr. Watson's

Justice Harlan in reply to Mr. Watson's contention, intimated that in his opinion the court should go into the entire record

"It will take you six months then to read these 20,000 pages," suggested Mr.

TAFT WILLING TO AMEND (Continued From First Page.)

he was quite unable to understand why Mr. Aldrich had made the statement. Mr. Aldrich had made the statement. In this connection the President's name was brought into the discussion.

Mr. Cummins still was discussing the possibility of all*sed anti-trust repeal and referring to some of the provisions when Mr. Aldrich said that "auch was the purpose of the President and the Attorney-General."

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behind the President or anyone else. I have opposed the President when it took a good deal of courage to do so. If the bill does not carry out the purpose of 'is authors, let's make it do it. The measure has been recommended by the President and by at least one ex-President, and it was approved by the platform of my party, and I presume also the party of the Senator from

He refterated his independence, as a Senator, of any outside interference, and asserted that although it was the habit of the executive officials to pre-pare many measures for the action of Congress, he hoped that no Senator would be prejudiced simply by execu-tive suggestion.

Mr. Bailey suggested that the real purpose of Mr. Aldrich in coming into the discussion today had been to call attention to the fact that Mr. Cummins was not in harmony with the Admin-

President's Course Defended.

"I did not make any such effort," declared Mr. Aldrich, and the Iowan assented that his attitude was perfectly

Mr. Root called attention to the provision of the Constitution requiring the President to suggest legislation, and he regarded the President's action on the pending bill as within his province.
Mr. Cummins resumed and read from
President Taft's speech of acceptance
and from his speech at Des Moines the and from his speech at Des Monies his statement that the Interstate Com-merce laws should be so amended as to permit railroads to make traffla-agreements, if approved by the Inter-state Commerce Commission. In one of these speeches the President said of these speeches the President said that in this way the application of the Sherman Anti-trust law to such traffic agreements would be abolished.

"The Senator from Rhode Island," commented Mr. Cummins, "to escape the odium which attaches to reporting a bill for such a purpose, denies that it is intended that the bill should relieve

railroad corporations from the applica-tion of the anti-trust law."

Mr. Cummins will continue his speech

CROWDED BRIDGE FALLS

HORSE SCRAMBLES UP BANK AND INTO RESIDENCE.

Fifty School Children Are Unable to Return Home Until River Crossing Is Repaired.

STANSFIELD, Or., March 16 .- (Special.) Overcrowded with cattle and horses, two sections of the county bridge across the Umatilla River at Stansfield gave way this afternoon, precipitating the way this afternoon, precipitating the stock into the stream. The river at this place has a fall of 23 feet to the mile and the current, swollen with the melting snow in the mountains, is extremely

One of the horses, after a desperate struggle for life among the whirling ed-dies of the stream, reached the cast bank dies of the stream, reached the cast bank of the river, on which the town of Stansfield is located, and dashed directly into the open door of James Drew's residence, where he was lassed by Glen McCullough and returned to his owner.

Many Stansfield people gathered on the remaining portions of the bridge to watch the thrilling struggle in the turbulent waters beneath.

waters beneath.

This is the only wagon bridge across the Umatilia for a distance of 20 miles above the Columbia. All traffic is sus-pended and 50 school children are unable to reach their homes until temporary re-pairs are made.

Colonel Hofer Addresses Booster Meeting at Klamath Falls.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 16 .-KLAMATH FALLS, Or., March 16.— on a warrant charging first degree mur-(Special.)—Colonel Hofer, a Salem editor der. and candidate for Governor, was the princinal speaker at a booster meeting cipal speaker at a boosier meeting held here tonight. W. P. Strandborg, a Port-land newspaper man, was also one of the speakers. The meeting was arranged for the purpose of affording Colonel Hofer an opportunity to meet the people of Klamath

The Portland and Salem party num bered a dozen persons who are very en-thusiastic about the resources of this At the conclusion of the public eting the visitors were entertained at a banquet.

LET ISLANDS GO. REQUEST

Senator Crane Presents Petition Signed by Prominent Citizens.

WASHINGTON, March 16 .- A petition praying for the independence of the Philippine Islands was presented to the Senate today by Senator Crane, of Mas-

sachusetts.
It is signed by about 100 prominent citizens of the United States, headed by Alton B. Parker, of New York. The sig-natures include 20 prominent educators, among them David Starr Jordan, president of Stanford University.

The petition was referred to the committee on the Philippines, where it will sleep peacefully with a large number of others filed with the same object in view, but signed by less conspicuous personages.

GRAND OLD MAN HONORED

500 Men Will Meet at Banquet to George H. Williams.

of honor at a banquet to be given this evening by the Multnoman County Bar Association at the Commercial Club. The banquet will be in recognition of Mr. Williams' 87th birthday, and it is expected that at least 500 of the more prominent lawyers of the state will be

As this may be the last function of its kind that Mr. Williams will be able to enjoy, it is planned to make it one of unusual interest.

PEARY'S BOTTLE FOUND

Thrown Overboard Off Labrador It Floats to Irish Coast.

LONDON, March 16.—A bottle which was thrown overboard from Commander Peary's Arctic ship Roosevelt off Greenland on September 2, 1909, was picked up off Kinsale, Ireland, today.

A letter inclosed in the bottle and addressed to E. Millan, of Frankforton-the-Main, says the bottle was set adrift with the object of ascertaining the rate of the current on the Labrador coast. dor coast.

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"It is not my habit," he said, "to hide."

Please Don't Forget It.

There is one thing you should remember above everything else: that Bark Tonic cures rheumatism, where everything else falls. It drives all impurities out of the system, and is great for constipation. 75c per bottle, at the J. A. Clemenson Drug Company, corner Front and Morrison streets, Portland, Or. This is the drugstore that carries all the uptodate remedies. The old-time remedies we sell as cheaply as any department atore does.

ALASKAN ROW IS ON

Hoggatt and Wickersham Quarrel in Meeting.

LETTER OPENS OLD SORE

Committee on Territories Hears Wordy Fight Between ex-Governor and Delegate-Epistle Edited for Records.

WASHINGTON, March 16 .- Such appelexchanged between ex-Governor Hoggatt, of Alaska, and Delegate Wickersham of that territory at today's session of the House committee on territories. Chairman Hamilton averted what might have been a more serious incident. The committee was considering the Wickersham bill to provide a new form of government for Alaska.

Letter Arouses Trouble.

Hoggatt read a letter received from Wickersham while the latter was on the wiczersnam white the inter was on the bench and the former was Governor. Hoggatt said the words "in confidence," placed on the letter by Wickersham, did not apply after Wickersham left his judi-cial office, and, the witness added, Wick-ersham had pretended the letter would but a different light on things than the put a different light on things than the facts, in Hoggatt's opinion warranted. The letter commended Hoggatt for opposing a change in the territorial form of government and criticised prominent men referring to one as "a dirty old Democrat," and "worthless white trash."

The committee thought the letter too vituperative to put in the record and appointed a committee to edit out certain pointed a committee to edit out certain references to Alaska's prominent citizens.

Misrepresentation Is Charged. Hoggatt accused Wickersham of facing squarely about on the proposed change of government and of trying to misrep-

resent him. George K. McCloud, representing a mining company on Saward peninsula, testified in opposition to any change. He said the population was dwindling. Wickersham, by cross - examination sought to show that McCloud knew very little about actual conditions in the ter-

SOLDIER KILLED BY WIFE

Woman Worked; He Spent Her Money and Beat Her, She Says.

SALT LAKE CITY, March 16.—A little kitchen at the rear of Captain Willis Cline's quarters at Fort Douglas was the scene of a sensational tragedy today when Paul P. Shaunty, 28 years old, and a private in the hospital corps, was shot a private in the hospital corps, was shot to death by Laura Vandiver, a cook in the employ of an officer at the fort.

Miss Vandiver, or Mrs. Shaunty, told the Marshal that she was Shaunty's wife end that her husband had been spending her money in riotous living. Last night, she asserted, he had beaten her cruelly. They quarreled in Captain Cline's kitchen today and, as he was leaving, she shot

SALEM EDITOR IS SPEAKER Shaunty was born at Springfield, Ky. He was stationed at Fort Riley, Kan. for three years after his enlistment in

A deputy was summoned from the United States Marshal's office and at Captain Cline's home found the woman ready to accompany him. She was arrested

BODY AND ROWBOAT FOUND

Two Discoveries at Nehalem Indicate River Victim Is Millhand.

NEHALEM, Or., March 16 .- (Special.)-Discovery of an upturned rowboat bere and the badly decomposed body of a man at the mouth of the Nehalem River leads the authorities to believe that the river victim is A. Scaquist, an employe of the Wheeler Lumber Company. The rowboat wheeler himser company. The rowboat has been identified as the craft in which Seaquist left the mill in the last storm here when the river was exceedingly rough. Seaquest has not been seen since. E. L. Rector, of the Wheeler Company, found the body last Sunday and as it was the an advanced share of decomposition. in an advanced stage of decomposition, evidently being in the water a month or more, the Coroner buried it near the beach. Subsequent discovery of Seaquist's boat lends to the belief that the body is that of the millhand.

HOG VAT CRAFT CAPSIZES

Rancher Struggles Long in Palouse

SPOKANE, March 16.—After struggling for seven hours in the swift waters of the Palouse River, near Elberton, Wash., Hugo Heise, a rancher, was rescued by a searching party last Heise, was

Helse was attempting to cross the river, using a hog vat for a boat, when it capsized, throwing him into the water. He caught hold of a quan-George H. Williams, Oregon's dis-tinguished statesman, will be the guest of honor at a banquet to be given this

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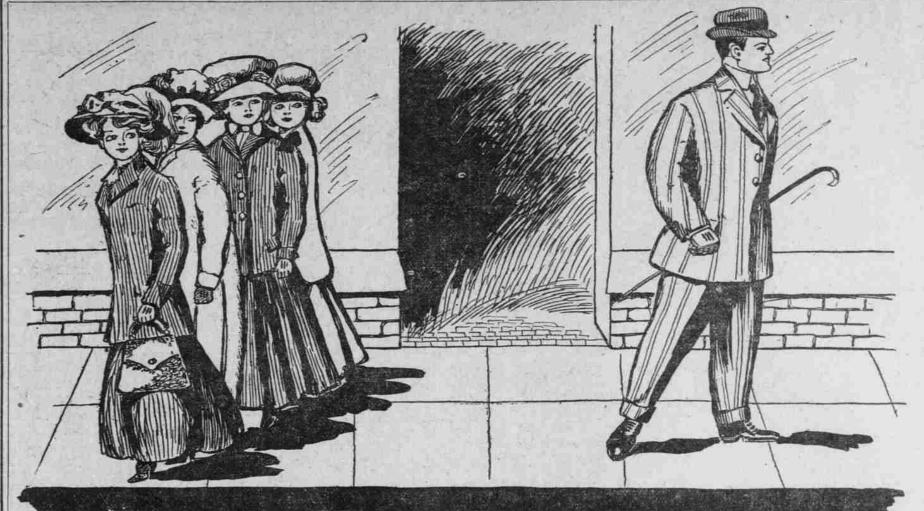
Fined \$10,000 for Ten Admitted Acts of Rebating.

LOUISVILLE, March 18.—In the Fed- pleasant and refreshing syrup eral Court today, the Louisville & of the figs of California is unit-10 counts in eight indictments, charg-ing rebating, and Judge Evans im-posed a fine of \$1000 for each count, a total of \$10,000. The eight indictments contained 47 counts, but it was admitted that conviction on many of the counts was im- when its gentle cleansing is de-

RELEASED; IS RE-ARRESTED Man Who Escapes Sentence for Hold-Up, Faces New Charge.

SALEM, Or., March 16.—(Special.)—
A. B. Smith was released from the County Jail this afternoon and was immediately re-arrested by United States Marshal Reed.
Smith has been taken to Portland, where he has already been indicted by the Federal grand jury for improper use of the malls. It is alleged that Smith sent threatening letters to A. Bush, a banker, of Salem.

Head of Dead Canal Company Dies. PARIS, March 18.—Maurico Hutin, ex-president of the New Panama Canal Company, died today.



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GRAFT, GAMBLER'S TALE

HELENA ADMINISTRATION DE-MANDED FEES, HE SAYS.

Mayor's Libel Case Against Editor Brings Out Sensational Testimony-Police Involved.

HELENA, Mont., March 16 .- (Spectal.)—Rather sensational evidence was adduced at today's trial of J. H. Raftery, who is charged with criminal libel for the publication of certain articles said to reflect on the integrity of the administration of Mayor Edwards, of Helena, who appears as the com-

plaining witness. Peter Kelly, a gambler, testified that he had agreed to pay \$1100 a quarter for the privilege of conducting a gam-bling-house in Helena, but that the go-between wanted \$500 more and he did not open. Kelly said that it was a well-known fact among gamblers that a fee was exacted by the administra-tion for the conduct of such establish-

ments.

Another witness testified that his place had been raided because of a re-port that Kelly was connected with it. It was testified by another witness that he had the Mayor's consent to open a cigar store with a poker-room attach-

ment.

Members of the police force told of

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ery package of the genuine.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Joseph McKee, on Kauffmann avenue, last night, he was discovered by the owner. McKee heard a noise and, in-vestigating, found a man crouched under the manger. The intruder made dash for the door and escaped.

LAND CONTRACT CLOSED

Range Completed at Albany. ALBANY, Or., March 16.—(Special.)— In a deal completed here today the Coast Land & Livestock Company, of Albany, sold the Iowa Pacific Coast Land Com-

pany 31,000 acres of wild land in the Coast Range for \$80,000. The contract for this land was made three years ago. The land is part of the old Yaquina Bay wagon road grant, in Benton and Lincoln counties. Muc of it has been sold in small tracts unde

bond for deed. The stockholders in the Coast Land & Livestock Company are J. K. Weather-ford, W. H. Davis, W. H. Hogan and John A. Shaw, of Albany, and the heirs of the late Edwin Stone, former manager of the Corvailis & Eastern Railroad. The buyers are Eastern men, who are repre

ICE PLANT IS PROMISED

Newport Citizens Slow to Take Lights, Official Declares.

Members of the police force told of collecting fines from women of ill repute and their "secretaries."

Much interest attaches to the trial, which threatens to go into various details not generally expected at the time the suit against the editor was filed.

Owner Routs Horsethief.

VANCOUVER, Wash, March 15.—(Special.)—Because a would-be horsethief made too much noise in the barn when he was attempting to steal the team of ne was attempting to steal the team of necessary to run long wires to supply a

few customers. The City Council has co-operated with the company.

A. J. M'CABE IS INJURED

Railroad Contractor Hurt by Falling Tree Near Seaside.

Deal for 31,000 Acres in Coast SEASIDE, Or., March 16 .- (Special)-His SEASIDE, Or., March 16.—(Special)—His shoulders and back injured by a falling tree, so that every movement was agonizing. A. J. McCabe, of the railroad contracting firm of McCabe Bros., reached Seaside late last night from Nehalem, after riding all day.

Mr. McCabe left Seaside at daybreak

over 12 miles of rough trail to Nehalem After transacting his business, he tried to ride back to Seaside. While on the way he injured himself so badly that it was not until last night that he was able to reach Seaside again. Although unable to walk without considerable pain, physicians believe Mr. McCabe is not

Tax Receipts Are \$180,000.

njured seriously.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 16 .-(Special.)—Nearly \$180,000 in taxes for the current year, which will amount to \$398,000, have been paid to the County Sunday, hiring a rig to take him to Hug last day allowed by law for the 3 per Point. Thence he had to force his way, cent rebate.



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