

CRACKER INDUSTRY IN GREAT MERGER

Coalition Means Monopoly of Business—Two Trusts Closely Allied.

MANY PLANTS WILL CLOSE

Combine Will Have Capitalization of \$30,000,000—New Wilmington Concern Will Control Biscuit Business of Country.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 2.—(Special.)—With the incorporation of the Federal Biscuit Company at Wilmington, Del., today, there comes into existence a \$30,000,000 merger of from 75 to 100 of the largest bakeries hitherto independent of the National Biscuit Company, the cracker "trust."

The coalition means the monopolizing of the cracker industry of the whole country, for the new company is on the friendliest terms with the National Biscuit Company. The probability is strong that, were it not for the Sherman anti-trust act, the two would be openly one.

The company has issued \$15,000,000 in 7 per cent preferred stock, and \$15,000,000 in common stock. Only \$2,000,000 of the preferred and \$1,000,000 of common will be offered on the market at the present time.

Those in the State of California are as follows: Standard Biscuit Company, American Biscuit Company, Eagle Biscuit Company, Ellipse Biscuit Company, Mutual Biscuit Company, all of San Francisco; Bishop & Co., of Los Angeles, and Sacramento Biscuit Company, Sacramento.

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MINISTER PRAISES BOXING So Long as the Art Flourishes Boys Will Not Be Effeminate.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—(Special.)—At the annual commencement at Felsted School, Essex, this week, the Rev. F. Stephenson, the headmaster, said a good deal of attention had been given recently to what was called the growing effeminacy among schoolboys.

away guys," declared John Hylander, a special police officer, last night, when he ventured in a saloon conducted by Henry Thiel at Knott and Bothwick streets, and compelled the saloonist at the point of a revolver to discontinue reading aloud the newspaper accounts of Crippen's capture.

HERMIT DEAD IN WOODS RECLUSE MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED AND ROBBED.

Decomposed Body Gives No Explanation of Death—Empty Money Bag Is Found Near Hut.

With the discovery yesterday afternoon of the decomposed body of Warren Joy, an aged hermit, within a few yards of his cabin in the woods near Thirty-ninth and Holgate streets, the authorities are confronted with a baffling mystery.

CANOE IS CUT IN TWO BOYS STEAL CRAFT AND NARROWLY ESCAPE DEATH.

William Seeborg Jumps Into River and Saves Youngsters He Had Run Down.

Another river tragedy was narrowly averted when the gasoline launch "Farrago" cut in two and hurled John King and Clarence Green, two ten-year-old lads into the river just north of the center span of the Madison street bridge shortly after dusk last night.

SENSATION IS PROMISED Scandal May Come in Trial of Duo Accused by Surgeon's Widow.

PLANK HITTING AT POINDEXTER URGED

Recommendation of Western Washington Man for Senate Is Plan.

REPUBLICANS WILL MEET

Advance Guard Already at Tacoma for Convention—Lumbermen Bitter Against Spokane Candidate.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 2.—(Special.)—A resolution recommending to the voters the reelection of a Western Washington man for United States Senator will be squarely presented to the platform committee of the Republican state convention when it meets to frame the party principles in this city, Wednesday.

Blow Aimed at Poindexter. Aside from this resolution, the supporters of the other Senatorial candidates are proposing the adoption by the convention of a plank similar to one found in the platforms adopted by several county conventions in the state, including Adams, Clark, Okanogan, Wabiklum and Yakima.

Democrats Hold Banquet. While the delegates were arriving by train and boat this evening, 115 prominent Democrats of Washington were holding a "get together" banquet in the Masonic temple and condemning the record of the Republican National convention in Seattle.

NEW AVIATOR BOOSTFUL SAYS NOTHING SHORT OF HURRICANE CAN STOP HIM.

TOWNSPEOPLE MARVEL AT SIGHTS IN Sky Before They Hear About Grant's Early Flights.

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an anti-Pinchotism, tariff-for-revenue-only platform. Langhorne's announcement brought out criticisms of Judge McCredie as a "Portland Representative."

KAISER MORE FRIENDLY PLAYS LONG GAME FOR FRANCO-GERMAN FRIENDSHIP.

Inner Meaning of Negotiations With Foreign Minister Pichon Watched With Interest.

PARIS, Aug. 2.—(Special.)—Though some German papers have thrown cold water on the suggested friendly understanding between France and Germany, Frenchmen look on the new British monarch as almost a stranger and entirely too reserved to compare with his very human father.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 2.—"I believe the Democrats have a good chance for a majority in the House in the next session of Congress," said W. J. Bryan in an interview here tonight, en route to Eureka, Kan., to fill a Chautauque date.

GIRL IS CAUSE OF ARREST John Decker Is Accused of Administering Chloroform.

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WOMAN FALLS FROM CAR. While attempting to alight from a moving Woodlawn streetcar, near Union avenue and Albert street, Mrs. Anna Hartman, of 411 Mildred avenue, fell and

Healthful Leavening Bubbles Crescent Egg-Phosphate Baking Powder is simply healthful leavening bubbles—rich in eggs and the vital phosphates. It is what all Baking Powder should be PURE.

EXCURSION TICKETS On Sale Now for AUGUST 3 TO POINTS IN THE MIDDLE WEST AND IN THE EAST FUTURE EXCURSION DATES Sept. 8, to All Eastern Points. Sept. 22 to Denver, Colo. Low Fares the time limits, stopovers, etc., and particularly of the side trip through Yellowstone Park

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