OIL TRUST BLOW MISSES OREGON

Portland Financiers Declare Standard Decision Has Little Effect.

STOCK REPORTS BULLISH

Supreme Court's Pronouncement Had Been Anticipated and Business World Prepared, Say Bankers.

Prosperity in Portland and throughout the Northwest will continue in spite of the recent opinion of the Supreme Court declaring the Standard Oil Company an illegal corporation, is the assertion of Portland bankers.

This city and state are not closely enough allied with Standard Oil interests to be affected seriously by any court decisions or legislation adverse to it, according to financial men here.

Furthermore, they declare, even should Portland's position be such as to depend in any degree upon the Rockefeller interests, the court decision would not do harm, as it had been anticipated by the commercial world and its results discounted.

The bullish tone of the New York stock market yesterday indicated that the speculative and investing world did not feel hurt by the court's pronouncement. Stocks, they say, will have a tendency to rise further, indicating that the market has a firm conviction that the earnings will increase.

"For three months business throughout the East has been stagnant, in expectation of the court's decision," said M. L. Holbrook, vice-president of the Merchants' National Bank, who returned from an Eastern trip only a few days ago. "When I was in New York I came in contact with many financial men, and they all expected that the Standard Oil Company would lose its suit. They already had arranged their affairs so that they would not be affected when the announcement of the decision came.

Everything Pre-arranged.

"Even Standard Oil officials, I was given to understand, had quietly outlined a plan by which they could arrange their affairs to conform with the orders of the court. They were reported to have worked out every step of their dissolution so that their business could be carried on without disturbance to the financial world.

"I don't think anyone will suffer from it, and we here in Portland have the least reason of all to be concerned."

John A. Keating, vice-president and manager of the Lumbermen's National Bank, said that the importance of the decision to the business world had been overrated.

"While the Standard Oil Company is one of the leading institutions of the country," he said, "we are dependent upon so many other more vital things that there is no reason why the decision should affect us. It will mean, necessarily, a change in the manner of operating that concern, but the business world has long anticipated what the result would be and will not permit itself to suffer in consequence.

"Here in the Northwest we will not be disturbed in the least. Our business, primarily, is that of raising staples. The condition of the wheat crop is of far more importance. It is more vital to us to secure better prices for our lumber than it is to know that the Standard Oil Company has lost its struggle for existence in its present form. These industries—grain, lumber, wool, fish, livestock and fruit—are what should concern us. Our welfare depends upon them.

Money Will Be Loosened.

"The Standard Oil case has been one of the causes for alarm before the people for many months, and now that it is disposed of business will improve. There is plenty of money in the banks and I look for an increased demand, now that the decision has been announced."

Emery Olmstead, vice-president and manager of the Portland Trust Company, also voiced the opinion that the court's finding could have no local effect.

"There will be no great change in the business world," he said. "The 1911 crops will have more to do with turning the tide of prosperity than the status of the Standard Oil Company."

"The decision was anticipated so long," declared W. H. Fear, president of the Merchants' Savings & Trust Company. "That not even the stock market was affected. This was demonstrated by the reports from New York this morning. Trading was bullish and many sales were reported. The Northwest cannot be damaged even if stocks decline, as there is little local trading.

"I don't think the decision is of as much consequence, anyway, as the prevailing opinion seems to give it. The Standard Oil Company has valuable securities and assets which can be realized upon, but the court's order will not require a liquidation. The business will go on—in a different manner, of course—but the commercial world will not suffer."

ASPHALT PAVING WANTED

Fulton Park Improvement Club to Discuss Improvement.

Members of the Fulton Park Improvement Club Tuesday night indorsed the auditorium amendment. The club also planned to hold a mass meeting in Weber's Hall next Monday night to give all those interested in the large asphalt improvement a chance to present their views.

This improvement means the laying of about six miles of asphalt pavement, with curbs and sidewalk, and includes Macadam street, the main thoroughfare in that district.

The majority of the property-owners want the improvement and have been working hard for it, but a few are opposing it.

COUNTY IS FREE TO ACT

Circuit Court Decides Is Has Nothing to Say About Courthouse.

Mandamus proceedings intended to force the County Court to let the contract for the west wing of the new Courthouse to the Thompson-Starrett Company were decided in favor of the County Court yesterday by Circuit Judge Kavanaugh.

It was held by Judge Kavanaugh that the Circuit Court could not question the discretion of the County Court in the transaction of public business. In other words, Judge Kavanaugh decided that if the Circuit Court should attempt to dictate to the County Court in matters in which it alone is given discretion, public interests would suffer as a result.

The case against the County Court was instituted by C. M. Rynerson, acting on behalf of the labor unions of the city, who insisted that the letting of the contract to the Thompson-Starrett Company would be for the interest of the labor unions.

When the county advertised for bids for the west wing of the new Courthouse, it was understood that the city should use part of the lower floor for a city jail. Just before the bids were opened, it was found that the county's business was growing so rapidly that the city would have to remove its jail in about five years.

Under these conditions it was deemed by the city authorities best not to install the City Jail in the Courthouse, and the architect employed by the county insisted that it would be necessary for the county to have new plans for the Courthouse prepared and new bids solicited to conform with them.

Acting upon the advice of the architects, the County Court rejected all the bids submitted, of which the bid of the Thompson-Starrett Company was the lowest.

During the suit the county authorities contended that they were ready to conform to the law as laid down by the Circuit Court, in case it was found that they should let the contract to the Thompson-Starrett Company. County Commissioner Lightner said after the case was decided yesterday by Judge Kavanaugh that the county had not been injured any by the suit, as the revised specifications for the new building had not been completed. As soon as the specifications are completed the county will again call for bids for the west wing of the Courthouse.

AUTO DRIVER INDICTED

COMPANIONS HELD ALSO FOR WRONGING GIRLS.

Four Charges Made Against M. Weiser and Two Against Man Who Sold Liquor to Party.

Four indictments were returned by the grand jury yesterday against M. Weiser, an automobile driver, for aiding in the delinquency of minors. Three other men were also indicted on the same charge in relation to the same girls. The defendants were arrested by Sheriff Stevens in a raid on the Empress Hotel early last month.

The grand jury reported as court was about to close, returning 11 true bills and one not a true bill. The jury reported to Presiding Judge Gantenbein that it had more work to do.

The men indicted with Weiser are Gust Konchis, Spiro Marautas and Lewis Xentrars. There was one indictment against each.

Through the efforts of Sheriff Stevens, the girls are being cared for and one has secured employment. There are three all less than 17 years old.

William Smith was indicted on two counts for selling liquor to two of the girls. They were taken, the girls testified, to Smith's place by Weiser and were treated to intoxicating liquors.

An indictment was returned against J. W. Witherall for uttering a forged check for $75 on C. G. Kinsey, April 15.

Millard Price, under arrest in San Francisco, was indicted for the larceny by embezzlement of $216 from his employer H. T. Green, of the Portland Poultry Company, May 6.

Not a true bill was returned in the case of Edward Laurison, who was originally charged with an assault with a dangerous weapon.

ODDFELLOWS SHOW GAIN IN MEMBERS

Reports Show Present Enrollment in Oregon of 17,774, and 14,478 Rebekahs.

VISITORS HAVE BANQUET

Woodlawn Lodge Degree Team Wins Staples Silver Cup in Competition With Orient--Home Inspected by Members.

Oddfellows and Rebekahs to the number of several hundred yesterday afternoon visited the Oddfellows' Home, East Thirty-second and Holgate streets, finding everything, they reported, in first-class condition. The sessions of the grand lodge of Oregon of Oddfellows and the Rebekah Assembly suspended while the visit was being made, resuming later to hear the reports of committees and to continue routine business.

Mrs. Ora Cosper, of Dallas, Elected Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly for Fifteenth Consecutive Time.

More than 450 delegates were present yesterday morning when the sessions of the grand lodge opened with the conferring of the grand lodge degree on 271 representatives and past grands. Reports of officers showed a total Oddfellow membership in the state of 17,774 and a Rebekah membership of 14,478. This was a gain of 1215 Oddfellows and 1094 Rebekahs for 1910. The value of the Oddfellow property and other assets was stated at $1,410,899.94 and the Rebekah assets were given as $34,931.66.

The principal business of the grand lodge this morning will be the election of officers. The Rebekahs will install the officers elected yesterday as follows:

President, Miss Belle Belcher, Lafayette; vice-president, Mrs. Mae Greer, Hillsboro; warden, Mrs. Charlotte Woodman, Portland; secretary, Mrs. Ora Cosper, Dallas, who was selected for the 15th consecutive time; treasurer, Miss Eda Jacobs, Portland; trustee Oddfellows' Home, Mrs. Elizabeth Howell, Oregon City; assembly trustees, Mrs. Anna Templeton, Forest Grove; Mrs. Ella Burt, Portland, and Mrs. Eloise Roadruck, Portland.

The Rebekahs will devote today to concluding routine business.

An enjoyable feature of the Oddfellow and Rebekah visit to Portland came last night, when a banquet was tendered to the visiting delegates at the Woodmen of the World Hall, East Sixth and East Alder streets. W. P. Lewis presided. The address of welcome was delivered by H. S. Westbrook, who enunciated in brief form the principles of the order.

"Love is the central link in the chain of Oddfellowship. It is the only despot against whose tyranny no people have ever rebelled," said Mr. Westbrook. "It weaves our hearts and homes into one warp and woof of hope and happiness. Every tender word we speak, every kindly act we do, every smile we give, every blessing we bestow, is a golden thread of sunshine woven into somebody's life. But let the loom of love lapse into silence or let it fade into frowns, let its golden threads cease to fly and that moment happiness will die upon the lips of mirth and peace will perish among the roses at the door.

Army Strives for Peace.

"You are members of the greatest and grandest army of peace known to ancient or modern times. In less than a century you have builded a fraternal order which is today a world power and have indelibly stamped the mark of your progress and worth upon the face of time. You are demonstrating that 'Peace hath her victories no less renowned than war,' and that the practice of friendship, love and truth is the best safeguard against the ills of life."

"Voices of Spring" and "Kentucky Babe," were titles of songs by a mixed quartet consisting of Miss Irene Flynn, Miss Rosa Friedle, Scott Kent and S. A. McCartney. The Piedmont Chorus Club, under the direction of Robert Boise Carson, also sang a selection. Miss Flynn, Mr. McCartney and Miss Friedle sang solos. John Smith gave a bagpipe selection and danced the Highland Fling. Addresses were delivered by Addie M. Grout, past president of the Rebekah assembly, and Grand Master Ryan. Both dealt with the objects and benefits of the Independent Order of Oddfellows and its sister organization. Miss Della Bradley made quite a hit with recitations.

Woodlawn Lodge Wins Cup.

The degree team of Orient Lodge, No. 17, lost the Staples silver cup to the degree team of Woodlawn Lodge, No. 171, at the contest held in the Masonic Temple, West Park and Yamhill streets, Monday night. The work of both teams was unusually good and the judges had some difficulty in arriving at a decision.

A canton drill was given by the Portland members of that degree at the Woodmen of the World Hall following the adjournment of the business session. This drill was to have been competitive, but no other teams appeared. A. H. Lulkhart won the first prize of $20 for the best individual work, E. Linquist the second prize of $15, H. Bigney the third prize of $10 and H. Beblanck the fourth prize of $5.

The visitors to the Oddfellows' Home yesterday found 49 inmates in the institution. The home is supported by yearly contributions from the Oddfellow and Rebekah lodges.

ARMY CHANGE PLAN TO CUT EXPENSES

Western Division, After July 1, Will Include Columbia and California.

ORDER WORRIES OFFICERS

Vancouver Barracks May Be Place for Assembling All Troops in Department of Columbia With Exception Coast Artillery.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., May 17.—(Special.)—Officers of the Department of the Columbia and the many clerks employed at the headquarters in this post are much interested in the order from Washington, D. C., which will remove some of them to San Francisco.

It is a well-known fact that there is a tendency on the part of the Administration of the Army to concentrate the troops of each department into one post, or into several, as they can in this way be maintained at less expense.

While nothing definite has been announced about this plan, it has been talked that Vancouver Barracks would be the place for the assembling of all the troops in the Department of the Columbia, with the exception of the Coast Artillery Corps, which could not be removed, of course.

Tractage Is Large.

The artillery and infantry could be brought here and the inland posts abandoned. There are 640 acres of land in this post and only about half of it is in actual use. The remainder is not cleared, but in case the Government decided to have the troops here, this could be cleared, and there would be ample room here to accommodate thousands of soldiers, including the artillery and cavalry.

There is an excellent range within one day's hike, 16 miles from this post, and transportation facilities are ideal, both water and rail being available. The post is on the Columbia River and the North Bank road passes through the reservation. Cars are side-tracked into the post, when troops are sent here or are ordered away and being within easy reach of Portland, supplies could be bought economically, and with despatch.

In speaking of the proposed change, today, Colonel Samuel W. Dunning, Adjutant-General of the Department of the Columbia, said:

Two Departments Discontinued.

"In the readjustment in the United States, the present Department of the Colorado and the Department of Dakota will be discontinued, each being merged with others. The eastern division will include the Departments of the East and of the Gulf, the headquarters of the former being at Fort Totten, New York, and of the latter at Atlanta, Ga. The Central Division will comprise the Department of the Lakes, with headquarters at Chicago; the Department of Missouri, with headquarters at Omaha and the Department of Texas, with headquarters at San Antonio.

"The Western Division will consist of the Department of the Columbia, with headquarters at Vancouver Barracks, this post, and the Department of California with headquarters at San Francisco."

Colonel Wood has estimated that this change in Army administration will effect an annual saving of at least from $200,000 to $300,000.

Plans for the new freezing plant at the port of Pa Plata, which is to be erected in accordance with a concession by the Argentine Congress to an American concern, have been prepared, and work on the building will soon begin.

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GIFTED YOUNG MUSICIAN TO GIVE PIANO RECITAL

Appearance of 16-Year-Old Girl Under Auspices of Monday Musical Club in Recital Promises to Be Treat.

MISS NADA JOHNSON.

MISS NADA JOHNSON, a gifted 16-year-old pianiste, who will give a recital tomorrow night at Westminster Presbyterian Church, corner East Tenth and Weidler streets, arrived yesterday from Seattle with her parents. The Monday Musical Club, under whose auspices the recital is given, is sending out invitations, but all interested in music are invited to attend. There will be no charge for admission, and the club promises a treat for the audience. Miss Johnson will be assisted by Tom Dobson, tenor. Following is the programme:

Piano solo—Sonata, op. 27, No. 1...Beethoven
Miss Nada Johnson.
Recitation and tenor solo—"The Happy Prince" ..... Wilde
(Incidental music by Liza Lehmann)
Tom Dobson.
Piano solo—
(a) Etude de Legato.....Moszkowski
(b) Andante from "Lucia" (for left hand alone).....Leschetizki
(c) Rondo Capriccioso.....Mendelssohn
Miss Nada Johnson.
Tenor solo—
(a) "Dissonance"..... Rachmaninoff
(b) "Melisande in the Wood".....Goetz
(c) "I Dreamt My Love Was Singing"..... Lehmann
Tom Dobson.
Piano solo—
(a) Marcha Funebre.....Chopin
(b) Etude G flat.....Chopin
(c) Polonaise, op. 53, A flat.....Chopin
Miss Nada Johnson.

Miss Johnson will also play two numbers this afternoon at the Patton Home tea, at the residence of Mrs. H. L. Chapin, 628 Wasco street.

S.S.S. CURES OLD SORES

The news value of any advertisement depends entirely on its truthfulness and common sense. Based upon these two facts we hope to make this short talk of special interest to all persons who are afflicted with an old sore or chronic ulcer. If in presenting the merits of S.S.S. as a cure for these troubles, our line of reasoning appeals to you, it will be an easy matter to prove the truthfulness of our statements by sending you a free book containing many testimonials from persons in every part of the country who have been cured of an old sore or chronic ulcer by the use of S. S. S.

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