

NEW STEEL MERGER TO BE SCRUTINIZED

Attorney-General Says Attempts to Combine Competitors Will Be Watched.

THIRD COMBINE RUMORED

Bethlehem - Pennsylvania Merger, Which May Be Even Larger Than Midvale, Is Said Now to Have Ambitious Plans.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—Attorney-General Gregory issued a formal statement today saying that any attempt to bring about a combination of independent steel companies "would be subjected to the closest scrutiny by the Department of Justice." The statement follows:

"Asked whether the Department of Justice would take any action with respect to the definite and circumstantial reports of a proposed combination of independent steel companies, the Attorney-General said: "It cannot be questioned that if it was lawful to unite through the United States Steel Corporation one-half of the competitive capacity in the steel trade, the other half would also have the right to combine. Of course what could be done in the steel trade could be done in every other branch of trade, thus virtually putting an end to competition."

Law Not Yet Established.
"The decision of the Circuit Judges of the Third Circuit in the steel case is not yet the established law. It is because of just such consequences that the Government is appealing from that decision. Besides, in the Harvester case, a court of equal rank took a different view of the law."

"The question is now pending before the Supreme Court. In the meantime, attempts to combine able and efficient competitors affecting trade over a wide area will be subjected to the closest scrutiny by the Department of Justice."

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—The announcement in Washington by Attorney-General Gregory that the Department of Justice would closely scrutinize any attempt to organize a combination of independent steel companies, attracted the greatest interest here today, inasmuch as the statement follows closely on the announcement of the organization of the Midvale Steel & Ordnance Company, a \$100,000,000 corporation, which has brought together four concerns.

Another Combination Pending.
At the same time negotiations are pending for a combination between the Bethlehem Steel Corporation and the Pennsylvania Steel Company, which may become the nucleus for another combination equal to, and possibly larger, than the Midvale merger, and insistent rumors are in circulation that both these combinations have still more ambitious plans.

Neither of them, it was pointed out today, either alone or together, would approximate the size of the United States Steel Corporation, unless several other large steel companies which have not been mentioned as possible components were to be included, such as the Republic Iron & Steel Company and the Jones & Laughlin Company.

Companies Not Competitors.
None of the companies now in the Midvale combination is a competing company, according to William E. Corey, organizer of the company. He, however, expressed the opinion that any combination between his company and the Bethlehem-Pennsylvania interests would probably not be legal, as they would bring together competing concerns. Charles M. Schwab, head of the Bethlehem Steel, was out of town today, and no authentic information could be obtained as to the progress of the negotiations for acquiring the Pennsylvania. Rumors were current that the Crucible Steel Company and an American steamship company, to be used for carrying ores from the Bethlehem properties in Chile, were to be part of this combination.

2 OF 643 REELS HELD UP

Motion Picture Censor Board Makes Report for September.

Out of 642 reels of motion pictures viewed by the Motion Picture Censorship Board and official viewers during September, only two were condemned, according to the monthly report submitted to the Board yesterday. Eliminations were ordered in 31 reels, after which they were approved.

After much discussion the Board decided yesterday to have the chairman, Mrs. A. C. Newell, accept an invitation from the Civic League to appear before that body to discuss censorship a week from Saturday.

A motion was adopted at the meeting, authorizing the appointment of a committee to try to arrange to do away with the viewing of pictures by Board members or official viewers on Sundays. At present, it is said, viewers often pass nearly the whole day at the film exchange which, it is said, can be eliminated by revising the plan of handling and distributing the films.

CLAM DIGGERS ARE WANTED

Applications Made for 12 Washington Men to Fill Jobs.

Twelve jobs digging razor clams await the first 12 residents of Washington who report to Thomas Nelson at Ocean Park and the Municipal Free Employment Bureau in Portland. Mr. Nelson wants five men and another man has applied to the Portland employment bureau for seven others. They must be residents of Washington.

The work will be that of digging clams at \$1 for 10 gallons. Mr. Nelson in a letter written to City Commissioner Baker says a man who works hard can make \$7 to \$8 a day at the work. The season will be open until next June.

SALEM STABBING IS FATAL

Ralph Yoho Victim of Accident in Boys' Friendly Scuffle.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 7.—(Special.)—In a street scuffle tonight over possession of a box of cookies, Ralph Yoho, 14 years old, son of Mrs. L. Yoho, this city, was stabbed in the breast with his own pocket knife. He died at 11 o'clock.

Charles Hing, Roy Anderson, Osborne Mapletorp and Sam Plummer, Yoho's playmates at the time of the accident, told the police that in a friendly scuffle Yoho fell violently against one of them and the open knife

The Inspired Idiot

"Yes," said the idiot, "I see they are going to have Dress-Up Week, and that will give the high-priced clothiers a chance to spend another bunch of coin for advertising, and, of course, charge the expense to you—the joke is on you—but you don't know it; when you see the point of the satire you will think it real funny—funny as a crutch."

"The high-salaried advertising men and window dressers are even now fixing up to show you the most wonderful models and styles of men's clothes that you ever beheld for the moderate (?) price of \$25."

"They will tell you that the models they show came direct from the fashion centers of New York, Chicago, Vancouver and Marshfield, but what they won't tell you is this—We are compelled to charge you \$25 for these beautiful suits, raincoats and overcoats, because we will have to reduce these later on to \$18.75 at our big (?) clearance (?) sale—so you see, to protect ourselves, we are forced to mark them early in the season at the moderate price of 25 bucks."

The Wonder Clothes Stores Co. run no sales—demand no fancy prices—always sell \$25 suits, raincoats and overcoats at

Fifteen Dollars
Five thousand garments to select from—the largest stock at this price in the Northwest.

Wonder Clothes Stores Co.
138-140-142 Third Street.
Corner of Alder.
Our \$10 Clothes Need No Advertising.

In his hand was forced into his breast, Arthur Yoho, a brother of the injured lad, was drowned two months ago in Mill Creek.

W. C. T. U. SESSION ENDS

WITHTYCOMBE EXPRESSES SYMPATHY WITH PURPOSE.

Aid of People in Enforcing Prohibition Is Asked—Attorney-General Promises Support.

NEWBERG, Or., Oct. 7.—(Special.)—The W. C. T. U. convention closed its session here tonight. The principal address was made by Governor Withycombe. He said that he is in full sympathy with the purpose of the W. C. T. U. He also said that the people of Oregon face a hard fight in the enforcement of the state prohibition law soon to go into effect, and asked that the people back the Governor and not put too much of the work upon his shoulders.

The Governor paid a high tribute to the Oregon pioneers, and made a most favorable comparison of present and early conditions in the Willamette Valley. In a letter which was read at this session, Attorney-General Brown informed the gathering that full power of the office of the Attorney-General of Oregon would be used in enforcing the prohibition law. Mr. Brown was on the program for an address, but sent the letter, explaining that he had been called to Southern Oregon unexpectedly and was unable to attend. Daniel G. Poling, of Boston, gave an address on "Mothers of Men."

The Governor was the guest of honor at a dinner given by business men of the community at the Imperial Hotel here, at 6 o'clock. The W. C. T. U. convention received an invitation from Albany to meet at that place next year, but the matter of acceptance was left to the executive committee. The convention adjourned, singing "God, Be With You, Till We Meet Again."

"Trusty" Not Recaptured.

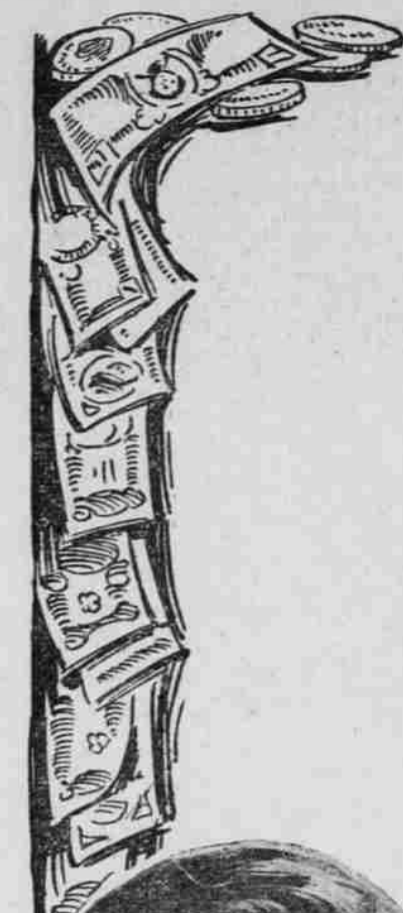
William Owen, the "trusty" who escaped from the County Jail Wednesday night by means of a blanket which he lowered himself to the floor below, had not been recaptured late yesterday, although the Sheriff's office learned from a friend to whom he telephoned that he is still in the city. Owen, it developed yesterday, came close to losing his life in making his getaway. Jail attendants who found the blanket which he used as a rope say that it was easily loosened and that Owen probably would have been dashed to death had his weight been on it a second or two longer.

NEW MEMBER APPOINTED ON CENSORSHIP BOARD.



F. T. Richards, assistant manager of the Troy Laundry, was yesterday appointed by Mayor Baker as a member of the Municipal Board of Motion Picture Censors to take the place of Mrs. Sol Hart, who has resigned. Mrs. Hart has had to give up the work on account of lack of time. Mr. Richards has been interested in the censorship work for some time and consented yesterday to serve on the board. He will take up his duties at once.

Well! here's WALLINGFORD and his cronies



The great J. Rufus, knighted and honored and feted and made wealthy by a veritable high court of his followers, the great J. Rufus is coming Sunday to you.

In new attitudes, in new costumes, in new schemes to tempt the coin from the "easy mark" and the good thing, in order to aid the weaker vessels.

In other words, J. Rufus Wallingford, financier, capitalist, merchant, manufacturer, all-round maker of millions, Wallingford is to appear in motion pictures and stories—the series being



THE NEW ADVENTURES OF J. RUFUS WALLINGFORD

by GEORGE RANDOLPH CHESTER, Creator of "Wallingford" and CHARLES W. GODDARD, Dramatic Author of "The Exploits of Elaine"

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Dramatic Author
"Exploits of Elaine"

No motion picture you have ever seen on the screen is as fitted for the job of entertaining you. Wallingford's schemes are thrilling. Blackie is screamingly funny.



Lolita Robertson "Violet"

Max Figman "Blackie"

Geo. Randolph Chester

Leopold Wharton Director

Burr McIntosh "Wallingford"

JOB MIXUP PUZZLES

Mr. Lister to Confer on Yakima Commission Action.

LAW PROVIDES NO METHOD

Recall of Entire Board Not Anticipated by Drafters of Act—Appointment of 2 to Choose Third Member Considered Best.

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The marvellous growth of Internal Bathing since the advent of "J. B. L. Cascade" is accounted for not only by the enthusiastic praise of its users to others, but also by physicians insisting more and more that the over intestine must be kept free from waste to insure perfect health and efficiency.

Mrs. J. Walker, M. L. D., Olean, N. Y., writes: "I must tell you of a case of Constipation lasting for twenty years, that was cured by your Cascade treatment."

"The physician in charge said the patient had a tumor lying between the stomach and intestines. The patient being 62 years old, he claimed no help could be given except the knife; but finding the intestines in a very bad state, I advised the 'J. B. L. Cascade' which resulted in a complete recovery. When I took the case she was taking a laxative three times a day, and had been for three weeks; couldn't get along without it—now she never takes any laxative."

He will visit North Yakima, in response to a request today from the recall committee.

Attorney-General W. V. Tanner has ruled that there is no provision whatever in the Washington law for the filling of these vacancies. Whatever method is adopted must be extra legal. The proposal being considered most strongly is for Governor Lister to appoint two Commissioners, these to choose the third.

Other methods discussed are for the Superior Court to appoint a receiver for the county, provision for a special election, or to have the recalled Commissioners appoint their own successors before election returns are canvassed. This last proposal is scouted by proponents of the recall, who carried the election, 6 to 1.

Under the Washington recall law, no opponent runs against an official to be recalled. The County Commissioners fill a county vacancy, as if caused by death, and the Governor fills a state vacancy, but the drafters of this law did not anticipate the possibility of the recall of an entire Board of Commissioners, although the same action was attempted in King County.

MISS MEETING WILL BE HELD

Old Commissioners to Act Until Official Removal Proclamation.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Oct. 7.—(Special.)—Governor Lister will meet citizens of the county, with reference to appointments to vacancies occasioned by recall of the three County Commissioners yesterday, at a mass meeting open to all citizens at the County Courthouse at 3 o'clock Monday.

The old Commissioners will continue to act until the official proclamation of the result of the election. They will pass on the annual tax levy tomorrow but have eliminated practically all estimates for new roads, holding their recall is a declaration against the road-building policy for which they have stood.

MILL NEAR STEVENSON BURNS.

STEVENSON, Wash., Oct. 7.—(Special.)—Aalvik Bros.' sawmill, two and

one-half miles north of here, burned to the ground at 10 o'clock today, together with 24,000 feet of lumber. The fire started from burning slabs. A high wind prevented control of the blaze. The loss is about \$8000, with little insurance.

AURORA to Hold Corn Show.

AURORA, Or., Oct. 7.—(Special.)—

County Agriculturist Chapin has made all arrangements to hold a corn show here November 22, 23 and 24. The business men of the city are offering substantial prizes for the best displays. It is proposed to take the best exhibits to the corn show at Salem in December. In connection with the corn show a three-day farmers' meeting, school or institute will be held also.

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