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MUCK RAKER FINDS GRAFT EXISTS HERE

Steffens Says Heney Did Good Work in Oregon But Holds Society to Blame

Corruption Everywhere, Says Editor Who Found Old, Old Story of Dishonesty—Public Only Hope of Curing Ills That Afflict Our Government.

(Special News by Special Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, April 13.—Lincoln Steffens, the graft investigator, is again in the city, after having been away for six weeks in Oregon, where he went to look into the state of corruption. He came to San Francisco in February to turn the light of publicity upon the venal administration, its political bosses and the bribe-giving officials of the public service corporations. But finding that Heney had a long way to travel to the end of his labor, Steffens thought himself to keep busy until the local situation had cleared somewhat to permit of an unobscured view of our civic scene. Accordingly, he went to Oregon, expecting to spend two or three weeks in his investigations. Instead he remained six weeks and still did not get to the bottom.

"It is the old, old story," he said; "the story of graft. It is a beaten trail to me now, I no longer care toward what city I direct my investigations. It is all the same. Corruption is everywhere. The public thinks it is new, because the names are set in new locations and the names of the persons are new. But it is not new.

"I do not consider persons. I do not care that an individual is corrupt. I am interested in the circumstances that can make graft possible in the condition of society that gives this opportunity for the prostitution of public office to private gain. The public is responsible.

M'CREIDIE'S DEAL IN STOCKS

Clerk Charges Him With Selling Securities and Using the Money Obtained for His Own Purposes

Residents at the Carlton, a fashionable boarding house at the corner of Alder and Thirteenth streets, are aghast at the arrest of Sam McCreddie, a dapper young man who with his wife has been living with considerable appearance of wealth and style at the Carlton for some weeks.

FEAR EVELYN IS ON VERGE OF COLLAPSE

Real Reason Prisoner Is Anxious to Secure Bail Is On Account of His Frail Wife

Heroine of Murder Trial Ill With Consumption and a Mere Physical Wreck—Thaw Tells Delmas to Get Him Out on Bail or He Will Lose His Job.

(Publishers' Press by Special Leased Wire.)
New York, April 13.—The real reason for Harry K. Thaw's desire to be admitted to bail immediately pending his retrial for the killing of Stanford White, aside from his natural craving for freedom, it developed tonight, is that he fears his wife may utterly collapse unless he can get her away from New York at once.

Evelyn is a wreck. One of the men who has been her constant attendant ever since Thaw's arrest confessed today that the greatest worry of the whole Thaw family is Evelyn's health. "Since last July," said the attendant, "Mrs. Thaw has wasted away 50 per cent. She is only a shadow of herself. If she should catch cold and it settled on her lungs, in her present physical condition, it would mean almost certain death to her."

Thaw's anxiety to get out of prison was demonstrated today in a session he had in the Tombs with Delmas, the lawyer who practically conducted the defense. Thaw, it is said, practically put it up to Delmas to get him out on bail if he wished to remain in the case. Thaw openly charged that the Californian, so the story leaked out of the Tombs, had thrown away his chances with the jury by his plea of justification.

ALL JOIN IN BEAUTY QUEST

Contest. Becomes International in Scope. Twenty-Four Newspapers Seeking the Most Beautiful Woman

The Journal's great beauty quest is now fairly under way. Next week a double page with portraits of 25 beautiful Oregon women will be published. Every mail brings pictures from all sections of the state, but there are many beautiful women whose photos have not yet reached The Journal office. All readers are requested to send in the photographs of every beautiful woman they know.

IS THIS YOUR IDEAL OF BEAUTY?



Ida De Marion, One of the Winners of the Chicago Tribune Beauty Contest.—Copyright by Chicago Tribune.

ACTOR IS BOUND TO VOTE

Gleason of Baker Company, Turned Down Because Only Father Naturalized, Begins Mandamus Proceedings Against County Clerk.

"Billy" Gleason, whom everybody knows as a leading character actor of the Baker stock company, wants to cast his vote in the approaching Portland election. Indeed, "Billy" is so anxious to vote that he is willing to spend a good-sized slice of his weekly salary to get there.

STRIKING SHIPBUILDERS WILL RETURN TO WORK

(Publishers' Press by Special Leased Wire.)
Lorain, O., April 13.—Hundreds of shipbuilders employed by the American Shipbuilding company will return to work Monday morning, it was stated upon good authority tonight. The men struck because President Wallace would not grant them an audience when they desired to request a shorter work day.

OIL TRUST GUILTY: FINE OF \$29,240,000

Rockefeller's Concern Convicted in Federal Court at Chicago by Jury After Two Hours of Deliberation of Rebating—Trust Accepted Concessions and Reductions From Railroads

(Publishers' Press by Special Leased Wire)
Chicago, April 13.—The Standard Oil company was found guilty at 10 o'clock tonight of rebating, by a jury in Federal Judge Landis' court. The jury declared the trust was not guilty on 441 counts of the indictment, but that it was liable on 1,462 counts. The maximum fine is \$20,000 on each count and the minimum \$1,000. Therefore the maximum gross fines may aggregate \$29,240,000.

INCUBATOR USED AS HOME FOR A 2-POUND INFANT

Little One is No Longer Than a Foot Rule and Just Able to Make Noise When It Cries— Hands and Feet of Baby Are No Larger Than Marbles.

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.)
Elma, Wash., April 13.—There was born to the wife of Milton Surgeon Thursday a child that weighed at birth but two pounds. So light and frail was the tiny piece of humanity that Dr. Blair of Elma, the attending physician, in the absence of better facilities ordered a chicken incubator immediately provided for the newborn babe, and that the child be placed in it at once and the temperature kept at blood heat. With careful watching and attention the child has continued to live. It is kept wrapped in the finest and softest cotton batting.

LUMBERMEN TO FOLLOW ADVICE OF COMMISSION

Washington Timbermen Will Eliminate All Questions Before Board Except That of Opening Portland Gateway— Full Hearing Impossible Now.

(Special Dispatch to the Journal.)
Seattle, April 13.—The interstate commerce commission are seeking to eliminate all questions in the big suit brought by the Washington lumbermen save the question of the opening of the Portland gateway, and will undoubtedly be allowed to fix the scope of the railroad inquiry. The lumbermen, insistent at the outset upon making a fight against the railroad, are in a mood to accept the interstate commerce commission's views.

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RUNAWAY HUSBAND LEAVES CELL TO WED WOMAN WHO LOVES HIM DESPITE ALL

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The jury retired to consider the evidence at 6:12 p. m. and devoted two hours of the time intervening between the retirement from court and the return to render a verdict to eating a course dinner. The minds of the jurors were made up. They had been listening to the evidence for six weeks and evidently arrived at a conclusion before the final arguments. Judge Landis returned from dinner attired in a full dress suit. He opened court, sent for the jury and received the verdict.

Immediately upon reading the verdict the attorneys for the oil company moved for a new trial, and next week was set as the time for hearing arguments on the motion. Before this motion is disposed of the question of whether the defendant can be fined on more than one count must be determined. Whether the court has any discretion to ignore the jury's findings and fine on but one count is a disputed question.

Maximum Fine Just.
The defense does not believe that the court will inflict such an unprecedented and enormous sum. In the United States District Attorney Sims declares the full penalty in each case will not be disproportionate. He says that if a common criminal is sentenced to prison for a year for the theft of an article worth a few dollars, then the imposition of \$29,240,000 in fines against a corporation worth \$200,000,000, a large portion of which wealth was amassed by collecting rebates, will be reasonable and according to the practice of the courts in cases of petty criminals.

The high-priced lawyers for the oil company were crestfallen over their defeat. They express a determination to carry the case to the supreme court rather than permit their clients to pay the great fine. If a single fine of a few thousand dollars is imposed they will pay it, but if the fine exceeds \$100,000 they will make a desperate fight before advising payment.

The Standard Oil company of Indiana was indicted by the federal grand jury of the northern district of Illinois for accepting rebates, in storage charges, reductions in rates and receiving other advantages of railroad discrimination which were equivalent to concessions in rates. The indictment contained 1,964 counts. The amounts alleged to have been given the company aggregated \$275,000 within 15 months.

Competitor Discriminated Against.
The shipments were from Whiting, Indiana, to East St. Louis, Illinois, and from Chappell, Illinois, to St. Louis. The investigation of the grand jury (Continued on Page Two.)