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## RECEIVERS TO SMASH TRUSTS

### EFFECTIVE METHOD CHOSEN FOR BUSTING CRIMINAL COMBINES

#### Courts to Be Asked to Issue Injunctions Followed By the Appointment of Receivers—Attorney-General Bonaparte and Assistant Purdy Decide Upon a Startling Policy to End Monopoly

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, July 9.—Department of justice officials have decided upon a new and startling policy toward the corporations violating the anti-trust act and it is expected it will be given a trial in a very short time.

The issue of injunctions, followed by the appointment of receivers, is briefly the step the courts will be asked to take in dealing with the big combinations that have ignored the Sherman anti-trust law so far and have felt easy in the belief that fines would be all the punishment they might expect.

The policy was decided upon by Attorney-General Bonaparte and Milton D. Purdy, trust expert, after careful and mature deliberation, and there is every promise that it will shake the trusts as nothing before has done. If the views of the attorney-general and his chief lieutenants are realized, the smashing of trusts is a certainty in the future and there will be more alarm among the combinations than they have ever felt before.

It is the belief of the two lawyers that the injunction and receiver plan will do more to break up the trusts than anything that could be tried or any new law that could be put upon the books. In successful actions against the trusts up to this time little has been accomplished. The payment of fines has had no practical effect and the trusts have simply assessed these losses against the public and gone on doing business as in the past, throttling competition and fixing prices to suit themselves.

The proposition opens up a vast field and will undoubtedly be fought on the part of the trusts with a fierceness heretofore unknown. This plan probably will be pursued in the tobacco and powder trusts.

### PUBLIC MUST PAY FREIGHT

#### Cordwood and Coal Hard to Secure and Consumers Are at Mercy of Mine Owners and Railroads—Labor Conditions and High-Priced Timber Eat Up Profits.

Cordwood and coal are hard to get and must be paid for. Coal dealers say they cannot help it, that the fault is with the mine owners and the railroads. Wood dealers contend that the situation is beyond their direction and that they are the creatures of circumstance caused by labor conditions, high price of timber, more sawmills and no cars. Nobody seems to be able to better matters and consequently the consumer must pay the freight.

Every woodyard in town is for sale, according to the men who deal in wood, and increasing cost of production is putting a crimp in the profits until the cordwood stacks and ricks begin to look like the outlines of the poorhouse to those who have sunk their money in such investments.

**Cordwood West Hoarding.** The olden time when cordwood was being for \$2.75 and \$3 a cord has passed forever, according to the prominent dealers of the city, and they tell the reason why. It used to be a few years ago that men would work 10 and 12 hours a day for \$1 and \$1.50. At that time a dealer could have one team haul 10 and as high as 16 cords of wood during the hours of one working day. Teams could be hired for \$3 a day and could be purchased for \$150. Hay cost \$9 a ton and other feed was cheap in proportion.

Cars too were plenty and Sunday trains were run where 15 cars or more could be put on a siding or along the main line and loaded by big crews of men by the wood dealers. Every little town up and down the line sold wood

as its chief shipping product and was glad to get it to the market.

Rent for storage grounds was cheap and it was possible to lease a block for not more than \$30 a month for either a short or a long time. Present conditions are different, the wood dealers say. Cordwood sells today for \$5.50 to \$6.50 a cord delivered in four-foot lengths. The average price is \$6. Even at this price the dealers say they are making no more money than under the old times, and some say not so much.

It is argued that men now get \$2.50 and \$3 a day and that they will not work more than eight hours a day and consequently haul a cord of about six cords a day. Teams that last year could be hired in the woods for \$5 a day are now earning \$5 and more hauling lumber.

Horses cannot be bought for much less than \$500 a span. Hay is now worth \$25 a ton and other feed has gone up in proportion. Wagons and all kinds of gear are higher and to cap the climax no cars can be had except at long intervals.

Railroad companies will load west-bound empties with wood if the wood is on the spot, but even the empties are hard to get. Rent for grounds has gone up and general conditions are making the life of the cordwood man one of worry and tribulation.

**Valuable as Gold Mines.** The dealers also say that timbers are all locked upon their holdings at gold mines and will not sell for less than the trees would be worth for lumber, which is private affairs and was granted until tomorrow morning.

Gesner has a fine of \$1,000 to pay in addition to serving his jail sentence.

### DR. VAN GESNER WILL COMMENCE SERVING SENTENCE TOMORROW

Dr. Alonzo Van Gesner will appear at the county jail tomorrow morning and commence serving his sentence of five months for subornation of perjury, of which he was found guilty with Congressman Williamson and Marion R. Biggs, in the United States circuit court in 1906.

United States Attorney William C. Bristol filed the mandate handed down by the United States circuit court of appeals and asked for commitment papers for Gesner and Biggs. Gesner asked for time, however, in which to arrange his private affairs and was granted until tomorrow morning.

### ATTEMPT MADE TO DYNAMITE BLIND BOSS



Blind Boss John Condon, who controls gambling in Chicago. He says: "Somewhere between a cigar and a million dollars any man can be bought." By this standard he has measured men and forced his way, uneducated and sightless, through hordes of envious politicians and gamblers to the throne of the "under world." His house in Chicago was blown up last night by an unknown enemy, but the "boss" escaped injury.

### GENERAL GREELY CRUISER NEARLY IS IN COMMAND STRIKES BIG RAFT

#### Successor to General Jocelyn Assumes Charge of Department of Columbia. Warship Milwaukee Narrowly Escapes Destruction From Tow of Tug.

(Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, July 9.—The cruiser Milwaukee, racing from this port to protect American interests in the expected hullabaloo in Central America, escaped destruction off Point Arguello on the night of June 29 by a margin so narrow that Captain Mike Downey of the tug Dauntless, who was there and saw it, still shudders when he talks about it.

The big tugboat, which has just returned from the south, was towing from Astoria to San Diego a great log raft. It contained 6,000 logs and had a displacement of about 30,000 tons, being 150 feet in length, and had a draft of 24 feet.

The raft was attached to the Dauntless by a line nearly as long as the raft itself. It was shortly after midnight, and the blackest, dirtiest night, Captain Downey says, that he ever saw at sea or on shore. A nasty sea was running and a dense fog blanketed the waters. The lights had blown out on the raft and the Dauntless was hoisted to while a boat's crew from the tug made a perilous trip to relight them.

Suddenly a great white shape loomed up, heading straight for the tug. It was the Milwaukee. Not until it was within 200 feet of the tug did the cruiser's lookout sight the towboat's lights. Out in the night rang his cry of warning. Sharp orders were passed and the cruiser swerved just in time to avoid running down the tug. So close did the warship pass that those

General Greely succeeds General Stephen P. Jocelyn, who was recently retired because of the age limit.

### SWEET PEA EXHIBIT AT CITY HALL

#### School Children of Multnomah County Will Tomorrow Contest for Prizes With Beautiful Flowers of Their Own Raising.

#### For Weeks the Little Horticulturists Have Been Carefully Tending Vines and the Showing Will Be Well Worth Going to See.

Flowers are nature's jewels, with whose wealth she decks her summer beauty.—Croly.

On the third floor of the city hall tomorrow will be held the second annual flower exhibit of the Multnomah county school children, the hours being between 1 and 9 o'clock p. m. Every school in the county will have a collection of sweet peas on exhibition and the committee in charge believes that it is a surprise to those who see the ensemble.

School children are urged to have their sweet pea bouquets at the county superintendent's office in the city hall before 1 o'clock, as the awards will be made by the judges at that time. It was announced this morning that no competitor shall receive more than one prize, in order that a greater number of prizes might be awarded.

**Three County Cash Prizes.** There are three county cash prizes, the first being for \$4, the second for \$3 and the third for \$2. There are also three cash prizes for each of the six divisions. The first prize is worth \$2, the second \$1 and the third 50 cents, or a year's subscription to School and Home. The flowers are to be arranged in bouquets and care should be exercised in this respect.

For weeks the children have been carefully nurturing the tender vines and have succeeded in growing some splendid varieties of sweet peas. The corridors on the third floor of the city hall will be decorated for the occasion, and the public is extended a cordial invitation to attend. There will be no charge for admission.

**Arrangement of Divisions.** Following is the arrangement of the different divisions: Division 1, known as the West Side

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### AGENTS LEARN THAT MIKADO IS PLOTTING TO STRIKE AMERICA

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, D. C., July 9.—A new and startling explanation for the sending of the Atlantic fleet to the Pacific ocean, is that American secret agents in Japan have sent sensational information to the government that Japan is active in certain directions. The mikado is said to be planning a coup in spite of all assurances to the contrary.

### GERONIMO TRIES TO ESCAPE TO OLD HAUNTS



### REFUSE TO HEAR OPERATORS' PLEA OLD WARRIOR IS EASILY CAPTURED

#### Western Union Will Not Give an Inch in Effort to Settle Strike. Apache Chieftain Hears of Fighting in Native Land and Seeks to Return.

(Journal Special Service.) Oakland, Cal., July 9.—Hopes of a speedy settlement of the telegraphers' strike were abandoned this morning when the assistant general superintendent refused to receive a committee of strikers informing them through the chief operator that the company had no intention of receding from its attitude and recognizing the strikers other than its ex-employees and of hearing individually any grievances they may have. The committee refused to entertain the proposition. The conference lasted little more than five minutes. President Small of the telegraphers hastened to strike headquarters and it is believed that within a short time he will issue orders for a strike in another large city.

President Small says the orders to call out the operators at Chicago may be issued today. He declares the strike will now be fought to the bitter end. President Small of the telegraphers issued the following statement: "The coming of Labor Commissioner

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(Journal Special Service.) Lawton, Okla., July 9.—Geronimo, the old Apache warrior, while attending a celebration Saturday at Cacha, as a guest of the Comanche chief, Quanah Parker, made an attempt to escape across the Texas Panhandle into Mexico. A detail of soldiers from Fort Sill rounded him up and brought him back. He had been missing over night, but was overtaken several miles out and made no resistance.

He said he had heard of recent trouble with the Apaches near El Paso and wanted to help his people fight. He also said his domestic affairs were irksome and his eighth wife had left him. He has been drinking heavily and recently stole out and remained away all night. When the invitation came for him to attend the celebration near the mountain home of Chief Parker, Geronimo was highly pleased, several hundred Indians participated in a sham battle and stage coach robbery and the old man became highly enthusiastic. During the excitement he slipped quietly away and was not missed for several hours.

### CHAUTAQUA ASSEMBLY MEETS UNDER OAK TREES

#### Fourteenth Annual Session Opened at Gladstone Park This Morning Under Favorable Auspices and With a Good Attendance.

The fourteenth annual session of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua association was opened this morning at Gladstone park with the weather conditions perfect, and a good attendance for the opening day. Under the great mossy oaks and sheltering fir many are camped, enjoying the cool grounds and more are coming. Here is rest, physical culture, Professor A. M. Grille, 9 to 10 a. m.—English literature. Dr. B. J. Hoadley, 9 to 10 a. m.—Elocution. Professor W. Eugene Knox, 10 to 11 a. m.—United States History. Hon. Willis C. Hawley, M. C., 10 to 11 a. m.—Domestic science. Miss Lillian Tingis, 10

to 11 a. m.—Bible study, Rev. James Hoffman Ratten; 11 to 12 a. m.—"Chautauqua Forum," Mrs. Eva Emory Dye, 12 to 1 p. m.—W. C. U.—Round table, Mrs. Lucia Faxon Addison; 3 to 11 a. m.—Music classes, Dr. R. A. Heritage.

**Dr. Krebs Today's Lectures.** The lecturer for today is Dr. Stanley L. Krebs of Evanston, Illinois, who is on the program for a lecture this afternoon at 2 o'clock, and again this evening at 8 p. m. His afternoon subject is "Wonders of the World Within." This evening he speaks on "Mysteries of Mediums and Mind Readers Exposed."

Dr. Krebs attracted much attention when he spoke before the Chautauqua in 1904, and his unusual subjects, together with his magnetic presence and eloquence, make him one of the most remarkable platform speakers before the public. At the close of his lectures people flock around him to ask him questions for he brings the unseen near. He is a member of the National Society for Psychological Research and his experiments and studies make the soul life seem very real and personal. Professor W. Eugene Knox of Tennessee, who has charge of the classes in

elocution, gave a reading this afternoon. Many noted men have been engaged for this year's program, among whom are these: Henry A. Buchtel, D. D., LL. D., governor of Colorado, will lecture July 11 and 12. His subjects are "Theodore Roosevelt" and "Pleasantness of American Life." United States Senator Elmer J. Burkett will speak July 16 on "The New Woman and the Young Man," and July 17 on "The American Flag." Dr. John Roush Stratton of Chicago lectures July 11, 12 and 14. His topics are "The Destiny of the Lost Rib" and "The Will-o'-the-Wisp" or "Short Cuts." Hon. Frank S. Regan of Illinois, a clever cartoonist and platform speaker, will deliver two illustrated lectures, July 13 and 14. Dr. Frank Smith of the Warren Avenue Congregational church, Chicago, lectures Tuesday, July 16, on "The Sign of Our Times." Rev. James Hoffman Ratten will deliver three addresses, July 15, 16 and 17.

Forum is a Feature. The forum under the management of Mrs. James Dye, will be a popular feature. Daily parlaments will be held. (Continued on Page Two.)