

STANDARD TAKES COLORADO FUEL

John D. Rockefeller Jr. Elected Director and Corporation Now Controls.

New York, Oct. 18.—With the election of John D. Rockefeller Jr. as a director of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company in place of E. H. Harriman, the Standard Oil company now fully dominates the policy of the company. Mr. Rockefeller's election gives the Standard Oil five directors.

Coincidental with the announcement of Mr. Rockefeller's election as a director of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company, comes the statement by those close in touch with the United States Steel corporation, that the latter company will soon announce the taking over of the Bethlehem Steel company.

WILL ASK FOR ANOTHER HEARING

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or less well known to the people of the state generally, as it was the first prosecution instituted against a banker under the new banking code enacted at the legislative session of 1907.

Following the failure of the Title Guarantee & Trust company and examination was made into the books of the institution, and it was found that State Treasurer George A. Steel had deposited a large amount from the educational fund of the state with the Title Guarantee & Trust company. Accordingly the grand jury took the matter under advisement and returned an indictment against J. Thorburn Ross, president of the institution, George J. Hill, T. T. Burkhardt and John E. Atchison, directors.

The indictment was brought under section 1897 of the code and is to the effect that the defendants were officers and directors of the Title Guarantee & Trust company and that they had on deposit when the bank failed \$288,426.87 of state money, which money was demanded of the bank by the state treasurer and was not paid. It was charged in the indictment that the directors and officers of the bank had therefore converted the money to their own use.

Change of Venue Allowed.
When the case came to trial in Multnomah county, the defendants moved for a change of venue because of an alleged influence upon the people of the community, charged to the publicity of the story of the failure of the bank. This change of venue was allowed and the trial was heard before Judge Burnett of Salem.

Ross was given a separate trial, while the indictment was dismissed as against George J. Hill. The charges are still pending against T. T. Burkhardt and John E. Atchison.

The trial of the case was long and exhaustive, its most noticeable feature being the reluctance of State Treasurer George A. Steel to give any testimony which could be of use to the state in its prosecution.

State Fund on Deposit.
It appeared at the trial that State Treasurer Steel had deposited the entire educational fund of the state with the Title Guarantee & Trust company. It was shown by the books of the institution that the cash on hand in the bank had been less than the state deposit for a long time before the failure of the bank. Because of this showing, Ross was convicted on the charge brought against him in the indictment, and following his sentence made appeal to the supreme court for a new trial. The case was prosecuted at Salem by the then district attorney, John Manning, who was assisted both in the preparation of the indictment and the trial of the case by Judge Martin L. Pipes. In deciding the decision of the supreme court this morning, Mr. Manning said: "That the conviction of J. Thorburn Ross has been affirmed by the supreme court means that a new law has been made to protect depositors against collusion of a corrupt state treasurer and bank officials. Such a decision is eminently gratifying to me."

ATHENS HAS CAUGHT THE BOOSTING FEVER

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

Athens, Oct. 18.—An enormous mass meeting was held on the Champ de Mars, created by the corporations, leagues and societies of Athens and the Pireus. The meeting was supported by practically the whole population, including the clergy. All shops were shut, trains and other public services were suspended, and bells were rung. The object of the meeting was to protest against the systems of administration hitherto obtained, which, it is claimed, have resulted in the disorganization of the country, and to give practical proof of the awakening of the national conscience and of the unanimous intention of the country to enter resolutely upon the path of progress and reorganization by reforms in all branches of the administration.

The resolution put to the meeting by its organizers expressed the wishes of the nation, and declared its loyalty to the king and constitution. At the same time, the government and the king were invited to take the initiative in this new development by introducing the necessary reforms.

The resolution was carried by the 70,000 persons present with acclamation, and cheers were then given for the king.

ROYAL VISITORS TO HONOR BRUSSELS

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

Brussels, Oct. 18.—If certain statements published in the Belgian Press are to be believed, it is likely that Brussels will be honored next year with visits from illustrious rulers. In connection with the great exhibition which is to be held there in the Belgian capital, it is believed that the emperor has already signified to King Leopold his willingness to visit Brussels, and this visit would entail that of the emperor's wife, as it would be impolite if the French, as close neighbors of the Belgians, were to display indifference on such an occasion. There is a further rumor that King Leopold will invite Queen Wilhelmina and Prince Henry. The Dutch and the Flemish have in recent times arrived at a cordial understanding on several important questions, and the visit of the Dutch queen would set a seal on this friendship, and altogether efface the painful remembrance of the separation of the two countries in 1830.

DESERTS STAGE FOR THE SALVATION ARMY

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

Berlin, Oct. 18.—The announcement that Mme. Hedwig Wangel, one of Berlin's foremost actresses, had abandoned the stage to enter the Salvation Army caused quite a sensation. Mme. Wangel was visiting Frankfurt-on-Main when chance led her to a religious meeting conducted by the Salvation Army. She returned to Berlin, formed her husband of her irrevocable decision, left her luxurious apartment in the most fashionable quarter of the city and went down to live among the poor in the east end.

The Deutsches theatre was left in a difficult predicament by her desertion, having no one for the moment to play the leading roles hitherto apportioned to her.

JOY WAGON UNLIKED AT MONTE CARLO

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

Paris, Oct. 18.—A striking story comes from Monte Carlo, where an indignant person down there who potted a chauffeur, an ordinary one this time, with a shot gun, for what seemed no reason at all. The other occupants of the motor car only escaped the same thing by driving away at full speed. When the person was arrested a few days later, however, he said that he had a very good reason for his strange proceedings. A few days before, he said, his son narrowly escaped death because of the terrific speed at which a motor car had passed him while on a bicycle, and the day before he himself only saved his life by taking a prodigious jump in the nick of time. So, having had enough of it, took his gun next day, and waited for the first motor to come along and opened fire, just to set even. The jury acquitted him.

TAX COLLECTOR MET WITH DEADLY WEAPON

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

Lisbon, Oct. 18.—During the past two years the harvest in this country has been very poor, and much distress prevails in the district of the Tagus, where the people being unable to pay their taxes. Recently several tax collectors endeavored to enforce the law, and conflicts resulted, which the whole town was in a state of revolt, and two companies of the civil guards were called out. The inhabitants, armed with revolvers and fowling pieces, met their soldiers, and a pitched battle was fought. The guards after pouring several deadly volleys into the civilians, forced them to fly and take refuge in their houses. Three of the townsmen were killed, and 17 were wounded, while seven of the soldiers were wounded.

MUNICIPAL BAKERY NOT A GREAT SUCCESS

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

Budapest, Oct. 18.—This city recently started a municipal bakery, the purpose being to supply bread to the poor at cost price. The bakers, however, strongly objected to this competition, and have shown much restraint toward those responsible for it. The town councillor who planned the scheme has received a letter offering him a bribe, so that he may fly wherever he likes on the one condition that he shall never come back. The plan does not appear to have succeeded even in its own task. It has been found hard to keep the cheaper bread to the poor, and the sorts of people have bought it even, it is said, bakers themselves, who thus stock their shops at a low price, and selling by the measure an unwieldy profit. Still public opinion is not by any means made up against the municipal bakery. It is thought that further study and trial, and baking on a larger scale—so that no poor person need go to the unofficial shops at all, and ensure the poor having food to eat. The problem is acute in Budapest, for bread has been very dear here.

BLOWS HIS HEAD OFF WITH DYNAMITE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Tomonah, Nev., Oct. 18.—M. G. Gilson, an employee of the Tomonah United Water company, committed suicide yesterday in a horrible manner. He placed a stick of dynamite in his mouth and set it off. His head and shoulders were blown from his body, fragments of them being picked up several hundred feet away. Gilson's head was literally blown to bits.

The Standard's By-Product.
From the Philadelphia Inquirer.
The Standard Oil company has decided not to make petroleum better, but because of public pressure, but cause there is more money in making it sell at a lower price.

ESCAPES DEATH IN RIVER OF BURNING OIL

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

Vienna, Oct. 18.—Herr von Noel, the prefect of the Terebay district of Galicia, has had a very narrow escape from death in a river of blazing oil. The eastern reservoirs containing 8000 tons of oil were set on fire by a thunder storm, and as there was a fire in the neighborhood the prefect went to inspect the fire. While he was approaching it, the oil suddenly boiled over and rushed in a fiery torrent down the road along which he was walking.

"I turned to fly and ran as hard as I could," he stated, "but not as fast as the stream of fire which was following me. It was almost at my heels and still gaining on me when I fortunately came upon a peasant's cart by the side of the road."

GRANDDAUGHTER OF MILLIONAIRE STARVING

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.)

Geneva, Oct. 18.—A lady who claims to be the granddaughter of the late Sir Moses Montefiore, the Jewish millionaire, is starving.

ing me. It was almost at my heels and still gaining on me when I fortunately came upon a peasant's cart by the side of the road."

"I leaped into this and whipped up the horses, which speed saved me."

The prefect alarmed the village when he reached it, and the inhabitants managed to reach a place of safety before the stream of burning oil destroyed their homes.

Also philanthropist, and friend of Queen Victoria, is at present staying here. She is a Miss de Hottel, nee Elai-Montefiore, and was obliged to leave Barcelona, she says, during the recent riots in order to save the lives of herself and children. As she abandoned everything in her hurried flight and as her funds have run out the family is very penniless. They are lodging in one room belonging to a poor Italian couple waiting for news from Barcelona.

Miss de Hottel has written to her relations and friends, both in England and in Spain, but two months have passed without a reply.

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Here's an Announcement

Issued by Our San Francisco Establishment Last Week, Which Puts Certain Facts So Tersely and States Our Position So Plainly That We Believe Every Reader of The Journal Will Find It of Interest to Read It Carefully

Conservatively speaking, 100,000 people from the interior of the state will visit San Francisco next week. Probably every visitor will, in some measure, combine business with pleasure. There are some interesting business facts that we want every one of these 100,000 visitors to learn during their sojourn here.

We want every one to know that there is a new method of piano merchandising in San Francisco, and that the new way is so far an improvement on the old system that it cannot help but surprise every person interested in music.

To begin with, it's worth while to know that the biggest piano store in San Francisco is that of Eilers Piano House, in the fine new seven-story Eilers Music building, at 975 Market street, situated between Hale's and the Emporium.

The floor space that is here devoted to the sale of pianos is easily twice larger than that employed by any other Pacific coast establishment.

In the Eilers Music building, extending from Market to Stevenson streets, more fine pianos, pipe organs, etc., are displayed than can be found in any other store in the city.

The pianos sold by Eilers Piano House embrace more well-known lines twice over than are controlled by any other concern in San Francisco. The oldest established, the most renowned and the most worthy makes of pianos manufactured in America are sold by the Eilers establishment.

And now as to methods. The old-time methods of piano-selling, which unfortunately continue in most houses today, make the price of each piano too high.

Piano values are not fixed as is a coin by the government's stamp, but by the arbitrary prices dealers put upon them.

The average dealer's aim is to invest as little money as is necessary to secure results; therefore the buyer of each piano has to pay him the largest obtainable profit. Cumbersome and expensive methods are still almost universally employed and make a still higher retail price necessary.

Eilers Piano House realized that a complete reversal of things was needed. Eilers Piano House knew that when the price of a good piano is brought down to where each home can afford to buy it, thereby the volume of piano business is immeasurably increased. By increasing the volume of business and eliminating wasteful methods, we have popularized the piano and secured exactly the results desired. A piano is now no longer considered a luxury; it is a necessary part of each household.

While ours is the largest store in San Francisco, no effort has been made to build a luxurious palace nor to maintain an expensive establishment which would simply tend to increase price.

While others pay enormous rents, we collect rents.

Buying for a chain of forty stores, and supplying many smaller dealers throughout the coast, it stands to reason that we are able to purchase from the various manufacturers at more advantageous prices than other dealers can secure.

Shipping these pianos in enormous quantities by most up-to-date methods, we save tremendously in transportation cost.

We now deliver to the coast almost three pianos for what dealers shipping in less than carloads pay to bring out one piano.

Only this year, through our efforts, a further reduction of the Pacific coast piano freight rate equivalent to 10 per cent has been made possible.

A San Francisco piano dealer recently remarked to the head of our house: "I don't see how you sell those expensive makes of pianos at the low prices you do and make a profit." The answer was sim-

ple. The expense of running a modern steamship is tremendous, yet the fare for each passenger is very reasonable indeed, made possible by the large number of passengers carried.

It is this principle of a large volume applied to the piano trade that enables the sale of each instrument at a small profit. Thus the resultant low prices for thoroughly high-grade instruments have made it possible for us to build up a business that sells today one half of all the pianos sold upon the Pacific coast. This principle has built one of the most profitable piano businesses in America, and it has made possible the saving of a handsome sum of each buyer of Eilers Piano House.

And now the proof: We control the agency of over forty makes of highest-grade American pianos, from especially constructed grands and uprights in rare art designs to the lowest-priced instruments that are dependable.

Nearly every one of these makes of pianos was formerly handled by other and old-method dealers.

When we commenced business in San Francisco we held the agency for only four different makes.

The others have been assigned to us from time to time.

In every instance where the representation of a particular make of piano has been secured by us, we have been in position to immediately reduce the retail price from 20 per cent to 45 per cent below what Californians had been compelled to pay regularly for the identical pianos theretofore.

And this is not merely newspaper assertion. The absolute proof is readily shown in any of our stores.

During the past six years in the California field the greatest and foremost of America's Piano manufacturers, including the greatest and oldest-established of all, the Chickering of Boston, have asked us to become their sole representatives. Dozens of manufacturers of splendid standing in the trade have made overtures to us from time to time to sell their makes of pianos and other instruments.

We have had practically our pick of the most desirable makes.

Isn't that the proof that our methods do result in the largest volume of trade?

If we cannot show you and furnish you more—and a great deal more—in intrinsic piano value for the investment which you intend to make than is offered or obtainable in any store in California, we have no right for commercial existence. We want to meet as many of the 100,000 people who are going to San Francisco next week as is possible.

We want to interest you in the best pianos, in the best player pianos, in the best pipe organs, in the best self-playing electric pianos.

We want to tell you more about our methods. We want to add your name to the long list of our supporters and good friends, and if you are now ready to purchase, whether it be an \$18 reed organ or an \$1800 Welte electric artist reproducing piano, or a \$1500 Chickering art grand, or a \$15,000 Kimball tubular pneumatic pipe organ, we will solemnly promise to furnish more of value for the money than is obtainable elsewhere.

If you purchase the usual upright piano now of us, we are sure that we are in position to more than save you the cost of your trip to San Francisco, and we can assure you of a greater saving if your purchase is of one of our higher-priced makes of instruments.

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