

JUDGE HOOK POINTS OUT THE LAW

Standard Oil Must Now Fight for Its Life—Enjoined From Continuing Control Over Subsidiary Companies.

The Standard Oil company was organized in 1870. In 1872 it began purchasing other refineries. Alleged by government first rebates paid in 1872. In 1879 a secret trust agreement was made according to the government. In 1882 the Standard Oil trust was formed, the stock of the company being turned over to the trustees to manage the business. The trustees managed about 40 companies. In 1892 the trust was dissolved by order of the supreme court of Ohio. At the time it is alleged to have held 113 companies. Government alleges the trust secretly continued until 1899. In 1899 Standard Oil company of New Jersey reorganized as a holding company. Dissolution suit filed November 18, 1906, in St. Louis. Franklin Ferris appointed special examiner to take testimony June 15, 1907. Finished hearings February, 1909. Case argued before eight judges of the United States circuit court of appeals, 1909. Decision rendered in favor of the government November 20, 1909, all judges concurring.

(Data From Press Release.) St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 20.—The Standard Oil company of New Jersey, branded as a combination in restraint of trade, shorn of its power over its subsidiary companies by an order of the United States circuit court, must fight for its life.

This is the opinion of the lawyers tonight who have studied the sweeping decision rendered today, which practically dissolves the trust.

The most important victory the government has won in any trust prosecution is the opinion of Attorney General Wickersham and lesser legal lights agreed with him that the decision upholding the Sherman anti-trust law and declaring that the methods of the company violated the law in spirit and letter, will have far reaching effect in trust prosecutions.

Prosecution Spectacular. There is only one appeal from the decision of the court, that is to the supreme court of the United States. This appeal, it was announced today, would be taken. The fight there will end one of the most spectacular legal prosecutions ever undertaken.

There was nothing spectacular, however, about the final chapter of the suit. None of the army of lawyers engaged in the battle were on hand, and only one judge, Elmer B. Adams of St. Louis, was present in court when the final decree was entered. Adams announced the decision and handed to the clerk the opinion of the court and its decree in the matter, and the reading of the papers was only a matter of routine.

Briefly the decision of the court sustained the government in nearly every point. The transactions by which the Standard Oil gained control of the subsidiaries were held illegal and called a conspiracy in restraint of trade. The Standard Oil enjoined from continuing its control over the subsidiary companies named and the subsidiaries are prohibited from paying dividends to the Standard; from allowing the Standard to continue its control over them, holding their stock or allowing it to control their affairs.

The Standard, the subsidiaries, and the men named as principals in the conspiracy are enjoined from continuing the combination or in any way forming a new combination with the same object in view.

The Standard, the individual defendants and the subsidiary companies are forbidden to continue in interstate commerce until the combination is broken up and the costs of the prosecution are assessed against them.

Four Judges Unanimous. The decree making this order was signed by the four judges, Elmer B.

INSTITUTE WILL BRING RESULTS

Week Will See Completion of Subscription for City Practical. Promoter, Miss Anna Louise Strong, Outlines Work for Future.

"Was the civic institute a success? Yes, I think it was, yet its results must be principally realized in the future," said Miss Anna Louise Strong yesterday before her departure for the Seattle home. "It," she added, "has made or provided for making Portland a better city; if we have stimulated civic and municipal pride, or if by constructive criticism we have opened the eyes of the people to the realities of local conditions, we shall be satisfied."

The "Know Your City" movement will probably be followed up in a general way by local organizations until next year, when another civic institute will be held.

It should like to recommend that each organization undertake the particular line of work," said Miss Strong. "For instance the formulation of a building plan for Portland will be carried out by the newly organized civic league. The need of more playgrounds will be referred to the park and school boards, also to the mothers' and women's clubs. Obtaining emergency and isolation hospitals should be taken up by the Visiting Nurses' association, and such medical bodies as may have influence. Supervision of private hospitals where nervous diseases are treated should be taken up by the state conference of charities and corrections.

"The Consumers' league can follow up admirably its work of keeping house-keepers better informed as to the condition of the markets where their food is bought. Keeping such information posted will also do good."

"I believe every organization and every citizen should help officers and official agencies to work toward a clean milk supply."

"The libraries and schools are doing splendid work, but the Central Labor council should look into the matter of closing fruit canneries where summer work is given children less than 14 years old."

"In caring for the poor the Associated Charities can be greatly aided and the Prisoners' Aid can carry on the developing of a probation system. The latter should plan for the municipal lodging house, for better supervision of the licensed employment agencies, and it is to be hoped that these will give way to free employment bureaus. Since the Mothers' Congress has commenced supervision of the moving picture shows that part of the work can probably best be referred to them; still it seems that the ventilation of these picture shows should be brought to the attention of the building inspector."

"The State Conference of Charities and Corrections should be asked to look into the matter of having some place of detention provided for insane persons other than the county jail. The sight of insane persons in the jail was one of our most impressive experiences during the institute."

"The matter of bill boards and theatre curtains should be referred to the newly organized civic league and to the Women's club, the latter because of the special interest taken by its members in matters pertaining to the beautification of the city."

"The organizations to which these matters have been referred are in very few cases qualified to do, or desirous of doing all the work. The aid of interested individuals and organizations is strongly suggested, but it is equally suggested that cooperation should be attempted with the organizations in whose province the matter would seem especially to belong, and that individuals and other organizations go ahead with the work separately only in case such cooperation proves unsatisfactory or impossible."

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ROBERTSON OUT ON \$2000 BOND

To Insure Appearance for Trial on Manslaughter Charge.

Jack Robertson, who was acquitted yesterday on the charge of stealing W. M. Ladd's automobile, was released from the county jail on bond yesterday afternoon on the manslaughter charge still pending against him. He furnished a surety bond for \$2000, which was approved by Judge Brnaugh. This is to insure his appearance for trial on the indictment charging him with responsibility for the death of Mrs. Dollie Ferrera when the automobile he was driving turned turtle near the gravel pit turn on the Gresham road.

Robertson was acquitted by the jury in seven minutes yesterday morning after hearing the final argument for the state by Deputy District Attorney Vreeland, John H. Stevenson and George J. Perkins having previously presented their pleas for the defendant. Members of the jury declared that the case of the state seemed to them a farce, as they could not see that the prosecution presented any evidence on which a verdict of guilty could be founded.

Adams, Walter H. Sanborn, Willis Van De Venter and William C. Hook. In the opinion, therefore, four judges are unanimous, but Judge Hook wrote a concurring opinion making even stronger than the others, the opinion in regard to the points decided. The wisdom of a law lies in its spirit as well as in its letter," wrote Judge Hook, "and unless they go together in its construction and in its application, justice goes astray."

The decision, as a precedent, will undoubtedly go into the history of the government in its prosecutions of similar combinations. It is confidently believed that the supreme court will sustain the circuit court's decision, and in that case the course of the government will be made much smoother in a number of other important prosecutions, which are now awaiting final settlement.

Other Important Cases. Among these there is the sugar case now pending in the circuit court for the southern district of New York; that against the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific in Utah; the Naval Stores company case now pending in the court of appeals in Georgia, which the government won in the next lower court; the tobacco trust and the St. Louis terminal cases, both now pending before the supreme court, and the number of prosecutions against coal companies.

Bowers Is Pleased. Solicitor General Bowers was particularly elated over the success of the suit. "It is gratifying," he said, "that the decision was unanimous. The labor of the suit was very great, the testimony filling 21 large printed volumes. It was necessary to go into the history of the growth of the Standard Oil company and its connections and its arrangements for 40 years or more. The case has great importance through the fact that the Standard Oil company case and the tobacco case are the first in the history of a large kind upon combinations of industrial corporations formed and maintained by stock proprietorship and stock agreements."

The case of the Northern Securities company involved a combination of companies through ownership of the stock of the Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Burlington railroads by the Northern Securities company as a holding corporation. "But the companies then combining were common carriers, and consequently public service corporations, and that feature might be considered to have had some important influence on the case. The Standard Oil and tobacco cases on the other hand, present combinations of industrial companies through stock control."

CAREFUL DOCTOR Prescribed Change of Food Instead of Drugs. It takes considerable courage for a doctor to deliberately prescribe only food for a despairing patient, instead of resorting to the usual list of medicines. There are some truly scientific physicians among the present generation who recognize and treat conditions as they are and should be treated regardless of the value to their pockets. Here's an instance: "Four years ago I was taken with severe gastritis and nothing would stay on my stomach, so that I was on the verge of starvation. "I heard of a doctor who had a summer cottage near me—a specialist from N. Y., and as a last hope, sent for him. "After he examined me carefully he advised me to try a small quantity of Grape-Nuts at first, then as my stomach became stronger to eat more. "I kept at it and gradually got so I could eat and digest three teaspoonsful. Then I began to eat to my face, memory became clear, when before everything seemed a blank. My limbs got stronger and I could walk. So, steadily recovered. "Now after a year on Grape-Nuts I weigh 125 lbs. My people were surprised at the way I grew fatter and strong on this food." Read the little book "The Road to Wellville," 10 pgs. "There's a Reason." Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.



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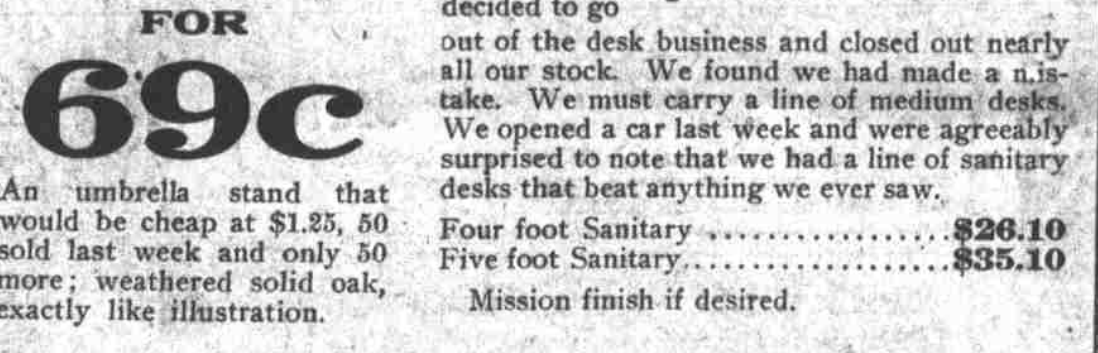


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LOOKS AND SPEAKS LIKE WILLIAM J. BRYAN

While Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, pastor of the White Temple, is addressing the Young Men's Christian Association in Spokane today, Dr. J. W. Kramer, pastor of the First Baptist church of Spokane, will speak to a men's meeting in the local Y. M. C. A. building, Sixth and Taylor streets. The meeting will begin at 9 o'clock and will be open to all men. While Dr. Kramer has not announced his subject, it is expected the address will be one of the most interesting of the winter series at the Y. M. C. A.

Both as an orator and in his personal appearance, Dr. Kramer is said to bear a strong resemblance to William Jennings Bryan. He has been in Spokane only a short time, going there from the east. He has already won a place as one of the foremost clergymen of the western Washington city.

Resides Dr. Kramer's address at the meeting today, the Y. M. C. A. orchestra will play the following three selections: March, "Branford"; Song, "Swedish Wedding March"; and "Swedish Wedding March, Soderman." This will probably be the final meeting in the gymnasium, as the new auditorium will be ready for use next Sunday.

RAILROADS SHOW ON POSTAL CARDS

Showing that the postcard "fad" has visited even the railroads, packages of pictorial postal cards advertising the Great Northern's crack "Oriental Limited" have been received at the local passenger office of the road. Illustrations on all the cards are of interior scenes in the coaches on the express.

One card shows the telephone system now in use on the flyer, showing how it is possible to use either long distance or local phones without leaving the train while stopping at terminals. Another shows the vacuum cleaner installed in each observation coach, and another the serving of afternoon tea. Still another card pictures one of the Illinois porters distributing hourly telegraph bulletins of current events. Another is of the rear observation platform.

AUTO DRIVER HITS CAR ON EAST SIDE

While trying to run around a street car yesterday afternoon on East Morrison street, A. S. Imhoff, 185 East Eleventh street, got his automobile badly damaged. He and two women in the machine had a narrow escape from injury.

Imhoff was going east on Morrison, and when near Grand avenue, pulled to the left to pass a car. The machine struck an O. W. F. transfer car which was in motion. The auto and street car were both going at a rapid rate. The machine was wrecked and the driver dumped to one side. The women in the rear seat were thrown out, but not injured. Imhoff was arrested for exceeding the speed limit.

Conductor A. E. Wells and Motorman John Lipe tried to stop the street car, but were too close to the automobile.

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