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TELEPHONE COMPANY'S HOT OZONE OBJECTS TO GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

POOR LITTLE COMPANY IS IN NEED OF PROTECTION INCOME OVER HALF PROFIT

Insists That Government Control Should Stop at Regulation and Government Should Not Own and Operate in Opposition—Income of Bell System Last Year \$165,000,000, Dividends \$25,000,000—Income of American T. & T. Co. \$31,933,000, Dividends \$2,076,000.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
New York, March 23.—That state control and regulation of public utilities has effectively killed all sentiment for municipal ownership in the United States is the burden of the annual report of the directors of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, made public here today.

STANDARD OIL MAKES A DENIAL

SAYS IT DOES NOT ANTICIPATE THE COURTS WILL ATTEMPT TO DO ANYTHING WITH IT, AND IT WILL NOT REORGANIZE.

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
New York, March 23.—Resorting to the public press, the Standard Oil company this afternoon broke all its traditions of secrecy when it inserted a paid advertisement in New York papers denying that it anticipated an unfavorable decision by the United States supreme court, and had already perfected reorganization plans. The advertisement says: "The persistent reiteration by various publications that the Standard Oil company has prepared to reorganize renders it necessary to state officially and emphatically that there is absolutely no truth in such reports. No such plans have been made, and no such preparations have been undertaken. All statements to the contrary are untrue and misleading."

LEFT SUM TO TAKE CARE OF OLD HORSES

A Hungarian nobleman who died recently left a bequest whereby a sum was provided, the income of which was to be used to furnish a comfortable home for 12 horses belonging to his estate, which have outlived their usefulness. As these horses die others are to be selected to fill the vacancy, hence the bequest is in the nature of an endless chain. Homer Davenport makes this bequest the subject of a cartoon showing a number of old horses at rest or lazily cropping herbage and flowers, that is instinct with his well-known love of horses. The act of the Hungarian and the cartoonist alike, is suggestive of the personal tie that grows up through the association between a good man and a tractable, affectionate horse.

what the management and operation should be beyond requirements for the greatest possible economy and efficiency." The report continues: "If there is to be state control and regulation of public utility corporations, there should also be state protection to a corporation which is striving to serve the whole community. Parts of such a corporation's service must necessarily be unprofitable, and it should be protected from aggressive competition covering only that part of its interests which are profitable. "Government control should protect the investor as well as the public. Through a wise and judicious state control all the advantages and none of the disadvantages of state ownership may be secured and state ownership will be doomed." The directors' report recites the fact that opposition companies are being merged with the Bell wherever it could be legally done with the public acquiescence. It declares that the public is tired of dual telephone exchanges, adding that as fast as confidence in protection against the real or imaginary evils of monopoly increases, opposition to the mergers will decrease. As to the financial condition of the company, the report declares that in 1910 the gross revenues of the Bell system were \$165,000,000, which paid dividends of \$25,000,000. The net revenue of the American Telephone and Telegraph company for last year is given as \$31,933,000, which yielded dividends of \$2,076,000.

GOVERNOR TO PARDON CONVICTS

WILL CUT DOWN THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS BY PARDONING THEM — TO KEEP PENITENTIARY EXPENSES WITHIN THE APPROPRIATION.

A special dispatch to the Oregonian furnished exclusively to that paper by Governor West and appearing in it this morning says: "In carrying out the policy announced by the state board that no deficiencies will be allowed at the state institutions, Governor West will inaugurate one of the most drastic moves ever attempted in the state in connection with the state penitentiary, and will prevent deficiencies at that institution by a liberal use of the pardoning power. At present the prison is filled to overflowing, there being 475 inmates. During the last two or three months there has been an unprecedented increase which has filled every available space. Every Tier Filled. In his report Superintendent James showed an average of 412, the greatest in the history of the state up to that time. Under the present conditions, which have arisen since the legislative session, there are 475, creating the necessity of stowing away prisoners in the fourth tier, high above the windows, which collects all of the foul air arising from the tiers underneath. In this fourth tier are a few extra cells that have never before been used. Funds Not Ample. "Superintendent James recommended to the legislature that 48 new cells be installed and that a maintenance appropriation of \$151,000 be given the prison, this being on a basis of 450 prisoners. The legislature reduced this figure arbitrarily to \$142,000, and as a result the conditions are such that the appropriation will not be sufficient to cover the needs of the prison. "With these facts confronting him, Governor West declares that he intends to make good his declaration that there will be no deficiencies. Pardons May Be Remedy. "He sees only one method for remedying the conditions—that is to keep the number of prisoners down to a basis where the \$142,000 will provide plenty of food, plenty of clothing and plenty of sustenance for inmates at the penitentiary. There is a single way in which this can be accomplished, and that is by frequent and wholesale pardons, when this is considered a necessity by the executive, and this plan will be followed.

REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE OFFICE

Declaring that he is of the opinion that the act under which Governor West appointed the Port of Portland Commission is unconstitutional, and that he, together with the old members of the commission, have taken steps to contest it, Wm. D. Wheelwright has advised Governor West that, while he appreciated the honor conferred upon him by being appointed, that he would be unable to accept it. Under the old law the commission was a self-perpetuating affair—the old members electing their successors. At the last session of the legislature an act was passed legislating it out of office, and giving the governor power to appoint its successors. Governor West appointed fifteen men recommended by the Chamber of Commerce and three recommended by a committee of 50, and one of them was Wheelwright.

PORTLAND MURDERER COLLAPSES IN COURT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Portland, Ore., March 23.—His nerve practically gone, William Hassing, a contractor, who is on trial for killing his wife on the street last November, collapsed in the circuit court today and was carried to his cell shrieking for his little son Jans. A physician was sent for as it was feared the man was losing his mind. Hassing shot his wife to death and then shot himself, because the woman had left his home on account of alleged cruelties.

FOUR AMERICANS SHOT

San Antonio, Tex., March 23.—Reports reached here today that four Americans, who were captured by Mexican federal soldiers in the recent fighting in Chihuahua, have been tried by drum-head court-martial and ordered shot. One of them is said to be J. Hamilton Digno, a witty, a miner and cattle man of Chihuahua. The identity of the others has not been disclosed. Fred Dignowitty a cousin of one of the men alleged to be in peril, brought the report of their danger here today. There has been no confirmation from any other source as yet, but the report is generally accepted here as correct.

ROOSEVELT TO TALK AND ALSO TO EAT

San Francisco, March 23.—The thirtieth annual convention of the state Y. M. C. A. opened here this afternoon. A banquet will be held tonight. Colonel Roosevelt will address one session of the convention.

MANIAC KEPT IN A CAGE FOR THIRTY YEARS

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Chicago, Ill., March 23.—Six husky deputies yesterday snared George Odetta, a raving maniac through the bars of a steel cage in the garret of his mother's home near Waukegan, today, preparatory to placing him in the Elgin insane asylum. The man had been kept in the cage for nearly 30 years and his commitment to the asylum follows the death of his mother, 92, who had remained by his side since she was 62, seldom leaving the garret where she prepared his food and attempted to lighten the burden of his miserable life. The United States and Russia together own about half the horses in the world.

KILLED BY CHINA NOODLES

Vancouver, Wash., March 23.—Edwin and Henry Goodwin, 9 and 12 years, respectively, died today at the Ferry rooming house as a result, it is alleged, of ptomaine poisoning, caused by eating Chinese noodles. Mrs. Goodwin, a widow, says she went into the restaurant last night and carried the boys' supper home to them. It consisted of noodles and cream cake. Coroner Knapp probably will hold an inquest late today.

ANOTHER MURDER IN PORTLAND

Owen Ogden, a Shipping Clerk, Shot and Killed His Wife in the Turn Halle Cafe at 4 O'clock Yesterday Afternoon AND THEN SHOT HIMSELF

Mrs. Ogden Had Secured a Divorce From Him Only Last Week on the Grounds of Cruelty—He Was Arrested About Three Weeks Ago for Beating His Wife—They Were Married in Hoquiam, Washington, in 1907, and Leave a Daughter 2 Years Old. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Portland, Ore., March 23.—Angered because his wife had secured a divorce from him only a week ago, Owen Ogden, a shipping clerk, shot and instantly killed her and then committed suicide, late yesterday afternoon. The divorced husband fired four bullets into the woman's breast and then, crossing the street, he sent a bullet crashing through his temple. The shooting occurred at the Turn Halle Cafe. Accompanied by three lady friends, Mrs. Ogden entered the grill room and ordered a luncheon. Ogden entered a moment later and walked toward his former wife. She saw him coming and, apparently anticipating his intentions, she arose and grappled with him. He held her off and pressed a revolver to her breast. He fired three shots before she broke and ran. As she fell to the floor he fired a fourth shot at her prostrate body. He then made a rush for the sidewalk, crossed the street, fired a shot into his temple, and fell face down on the sidewalk. Patrolman Evans, first patrolman to arrive on the scene, was the same officer who arrested Ogden three weeks ago for beating his wife. Mrs. Ogden had secured a divorce from her husband last Friday on the grounds of cruelty. The couple were married in Hoquiam, Wash., March 27, 1907, and had a daughter, two years old, who at present is with Ogden's father at Hoquiam.

VOYAGE OF SLOOP WAS A LONG ONE

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Honolulu, March 23.—After one of the longest cruises on record for a vessel of her tonnage—less than 1,000—the British sloop of war Algerine sailed from here today for San Diego, California, whence she will return to Drake's Bay and Esquimalt, B. C., after an absence since last October. With about 100 men on board, the Algerine sailed from Esquimalt and proceeded to Acapulco, Callao and Valparaiso. Thence she steamed 2,000 miles westward, to Easter Island and then went through the South Seas via Tahiti, Henderson Island and a hundred other out of the way stations, to the Fanning Islands, whence she sailed for this port. Throughout the whole of the Algerine's long voyage the weather has been pleasant and the health of her crew of British tars has been uniformly good.

THE STATE TO BUILD MORE ROADS

With the view of bringing about a system of macadamized roads connecting all of the state institutions and each one of them with the city Governor West has called upon the executive board of the Salem Board of Trade and the county court to meet him this evening at the governor's office and confer in relation to the subject. That there is need for the inauguration of such a movement is evidenced by the state of the roads between the institutions, and between them and the city. The plan is to employ convict labor in the building of the roads, and it is pointed out that it can be easily done as the work will be near the state prison and can be under the supervision of officials of the institution.

TELEPHONE COMPANY WILL TEST EIGHT-HOUR LAW

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Sacramento, Cal., March 23.—It is reported today that a test of the new eight-hour law will be made by a telephone system in the state, employing thousands of girls. It is said that the girls have been told they can have a two-weeks' vacation during the year on full pay and be prepared to work all the over-time required. A Mysterious Shooting. [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
San Francisco, March 23.—Police today tried to solve the mystery surrounding the shooting of Roland Patterson, a furniture dealer, of Petaluma, found dying with a bullet wound in the head in Jefferson Square Park. Although he declared he did not know how he was wounded, Patterson is positive that he did not shoot himself. CARRIED 11 PASSENGERS ON HIS AIRSHIP [UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Paris, March 23.—With 11 passengers aboard, Lieutenant Breguet broke all records here today by flying three miles in his biplane. He flew across the aerodrome in four minutes. The total weight of the aeroplane's passengers was 1500 pounds.

EX-PRESIDENT TALKS AT BERKELEY EXPLAINS WHY WE ARE IGNORANT

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PREMIER STOLYPIN HANGS ON TO HIS JOB

St. Petersburg, March 23.—That Premier Stolypin has withdrawn his recent resignation is declared in today's issue of the Bourse Gazette. The report became current following a long audience M. Stolypin had today with the czar at Tsarskoe-Selo palace.

DAVID H. MOFFATT

Denver, Colo., March 23.—David H. Moffatt, the railroad builder was privately buried here this afternoon in a vault at Fairmount cemetery. Thousands viewed his body this morning as it lay in state in the capitol and during the funeral this afternoon all street cars, power houses, mills and factories in Denver were still for five minutes as a mark of respect to his memory. All the banks are closed and trains on the Moffat railroad and on the Denver & Rio Grande ceased operations during the obsequies.

MADE SWIFT FLIGHT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Havana, March 23.—Eclipsing the time recently made here by Aviator McCurdy, Rene Barrier today flew from Camp Columbia to Moro Castle, in competition for the Aero club's \$3000 prize. Barrier did the 13 miles in 15 minutes and 21 seconds, a full minute and a half faster than the time made by McCurdy.

HUMANE SOCIETY GETS FINES

By the terms of an ordinance which was passed by a unanimous vote, all fines collected in the municipal court in cases where cruelty to animals is charged will be paid to the Oregon Humane Society for the prosecution of its work.

IT IS PARDONABLE IN US BUT THERE IS NO EXCUSE FOR THIRD GENERATION

The Colonel Tells the Big Crowd That "Other Nations Care Not What We Say of Ourselves—Only What We Do"—He Then Speaking With Much Wisdom Said "The Most Difficult Thing is to Get People to Accept What You Say as You Say It"—He Also Told About Killing and Stuffing an Elephant.

ROOSEVELT

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
Oakland, Calif., March 23.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt arrived here at 8:15 today from Los Angeles. He was met at the depot by President Wheeler of the state university. On his arrival at the Berkeley campus, Roosevelt was escorted to various points of interest about the university grounds. He was shown the new granite buildings in course of construction and expressed his admiration for the great progress shown by California's seat of higher learning. At 10 o'clock the student body and the faculty formed in line for the procession to the amphitheater. The men students fell in by classes in front of the North and South Halls and the women at Hearst Hall. Ex-President Roosevelt and President Wheeler and the faculty members donned their caps and gowns and gathered in front of the library. Roosevelt wore the brilliant hood of a doctor of laws. Fifteen minutes later the procession started, the students in the lead. The undergraduates were dressed in white and carried light colored parasols. The seniors wore black caps and gowns. Reaching the gate, the column divided and Roosevelt and the professors passed in between. President Wheeler first took the platform and delivered the opening address. He spoke of the founding of the university and the debt it owed to the loyalty and patriotism of its supporters. President Wheeler introduced Roosevelt. An outburst of applause greeted him. The rosters to a man arose to their feet and rent the air with cheer after cheer. Oaki wows and college yells followed close on shouts of welcome, and it was many minutes before the colonel could make himself heard. Colonel Roosevelt began his character day address at the University of California with the statement that he hoped by next year to have his name included in the list of subscribers to

WIRE DOWN IS LATEST WAR NEWS

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
San Diego, Cal., March 23.—Telegraphic communication between Alamo, Lower California, and Ensenada has been cut off. The wire was cut in several places, preventing all possibility of making quick repairs, and Ensenada is excited over the probability of a rebel attack. Generals Leyva and Berthold have abandoned the idea of entering Ensenada, by way of Alamo. Quiet prevails at Tecate today, and a total cessation of hostilities is expected there.

OUT BOSSSED THE JUDGE

Cincinnati, O., March 23.—Judge Gorman's hands were tied today in the contempt case against "Boss" George B. Cox when Judges Smith and Swing, both Republicans, restrained Gorman from proceeding with Cox's trial. Judge Jones, a Democrat, voted that Gorman be allowed to proceed.

THE COTTON CONSPIRATORS MUST ANSWER

[UNITED PRESS LEASED WIRE.]
New York, March 23.—United States Judge Noyes this afternoon overruled demurrers interposed by attorneys for James A. Patten, Eugene Seales, Frank Hayne, William Brown and Robert Thompson, who have been indicted for conspiracy to monopolize interstate trade by conducting the cotton pool last summer. A motion to quash the indictments was denied.

FAMINE FUND GROWS SLOWLY

Portland, Ore., March 23.—According to Ben Selling, who has charge of contributions for Chinese famine sufferers, today the second relief fund totals \$3,000. The prospects for completing a fund of \$5000 in a few days is bright. The first fund of \$5,000 was cabled to China last week.