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REPLY OF STANDARD OIL

To President's Message and Mr. Garfield's Report.

San Francisco Relief List—Anthracite Strike Averted—100 Killed in Pennsylvania Collision—Premier Witte Forced Out—New Battleship Ran Aground—Olympic Prizes.

The Standard Oil company's reply to the president's message to congress and to Mr. Garfield's report is a flat denial of all charges.

They say they welcomed inquiry as to the company's methods of business and that Commissioner Garfield and his experts were given free access to all books. They also claim competition has not been stifled, as there are now at least 125 competitive refineries in the United States.

The concluding paragraph of their statement says: "The Standard Oil company has been investigated over and over again at the instigation of its rivals, and it always welcomes such investigation when conducted in good faith and fairly. We are engaged in a large and honorable business. We are conducting it honorably, and we sincerely believe in conformity to law."

Standard Oil and Railroads.

The interstate commerce commission will begin on May 10 one of the most thorough inquiries that has ever been instituted into the relations between the railroads and the Standard Oil company. Special counsel have been engaged and hundreds of subpoenas issued.

Relief List Weeded Out.

Curtailment of the relief list at San Francisco, together with the decision of the police to arrest as vagrants all able men without visible means of support who refuse to work, added to the number of men engaged in cleaning away debris from the recent earthquake and fire.

There is not yet an adequate flow of water for use in case of fire. Cooking is still carried on in the streets. All of the banks resumed business last week in temporary quarters and reported that at each place the deposits exceeded the withdrawals.

City Engineer Woodward submitted a comprehensive plan for the rebuilding of the city. It includes the broadening and extension of many streets, the purpose being to insure better protection against the spread of fire.

The action of certain retailers in advancing the price of commodities beyond reason was considered by the general committee. Some firms are now asking for lime \$2.50 a barrel which they sold before the fire for 70 cents.

Mayor Schmitz directed every member of the committee to report these persons. As to owners of buildings and lands who are asking impossible rentals he said he proposed to request the assessor to assess these people for taxation on the valuation they now placed on their property.

Earthquake Due to Mountain Change.

Geologists who have been searching since the earthquake of April 16 to find the cause of the seismic disturbance reported that they have found in Sierra Morena mountains, a few miles south of San Francisco, what appears to be indisputable evidence of their theory that the earthquake was due to a change in the mountains. At the summit of the Sierra Morena mountains, near Stanford university, is an immense crevice in the earth the appearance of which indicates that the range split at the top, the side nearer the ocean falling toward the sea.

Revised List of Earthquake Dead.

Coroner Walsh after revising his list of victims of fire and earthquake of three weeks ago in San Francisco informed Major General Greeley that the total number of cases handled by his office was 319, of which 134 were identified. This report shows 39 fewer fatalities than given by a previous count.

Anthracite Strike Averted.

A strike of the anthracite mine workers has been averted. There seems to be every assurance that the sub-scale committee of the organization, which went to New York for a conference with the operators, were assured that there will be no discrimination shown in case the men are ordered back to work and that the term the agreement is to last will be readily agreed upon.

It is felt that the readjustment of working conditions can be made at each colliery in a very short time, providing the men use a little patience and also providing that the foremen make an extra effort to restore peace and harmony.

A feeling of deep thankfulness that the threatened anthracite strike has been averted prevails throughout the region. Mine workers generally now declare that they were decidedly opposed to a strike because they did not think it was justified by the conditions and they are loud in their praise of President Mitchell for averting it when it seemed so imminent.

Engineer Blamed for Collision.

The official report of the collision on Friday night near Altoona, Pa., between the eastbound Chicago mail train and the westbound Chicago and St. Louis express on the Peterburg cut-off of the Pennsylvania railroad, which caused the death of 10 persons and the injury of many others, lays the blame on Engineer J. T. Dougherty, who was hauling the westbound train.

THREE YEAR AGREEMENT

Anthracite Miners to Return to Work on Scale of 1903.

Mr. Mitchell Argued For a Two-Year Agreement but Operators' First Proposition Was Finally Accepted. All Men to Be Re-Employed Except Those Guilty of Violence.

New Grand Lodge Officers.

With the installation of the newly elected officers on Thursday the 125th annual communication of the grand lodge F and A. M., state of New York, was concluded. The new officers are: Grand master, Townsend Scudder, Glenhead; deputy grand master, S. Nelson Sawyer, Palmyra; grand senior warden, Charles Smith, Oneonta; grand junior warden, Thomas Penney, Buffalo; grand secretary, E. M. L. Ehlers, New York city; grand treasurer, Frederick P. Morris, Flushing. These trustees of the Masonic hall and asylum fund were elected: William Sherer, Brooklyn, one year; James Ten Eyck, Albany, two years, and John Stewart, New York, and William A. Sutherland, Rochester, three years.

Recommends Doherty's Removal.

Justice Sutherland recommends the removal from office of Police Commissioner Doherty of Buffalo on the ground that he was morally remiss in his care of the police pension fund. Justice Sutherland also recommends, however, that the criminal charges should be dropped. The justice was appointed referee by the appellate division in the action brought against Doherty by Mayor J. N. Adam of Buffalo. The referee takes the ground that the police commissioner was not guilty of criminal misappropriation of funds but violated his moral obligation of trusteeship.

Premier Witte Forced Out.

The official announcement that Premier Witte's resignation has been accepted, coupled with the statement that former Minister of the Interior Goremykin would succeed him, has been made at St. Petersburg, M. Goremykin's elevation to the premier's office created amazement. He is not only regarded as a reactionary but the general opinion is that he is not equal to the task of facing the coming crisis.

Roosevelt on the Map.

The town of Cartaret, N. J., will hereafter be known as Roosevelt, in accordance with a law passed by the legislature. A special election was held there and when the ballots were counted it was found that 366 voters were in favor of the new name, while only one vote was recorded in favor of the old. When Governor Stokes signs the returns the town will assume its new name. The town is inhabited principally by employes of the various steel mills, copper and smelting works located there.

Father Sherman's Trip Abandoned.

Rev. Father T. Sherman abandoned his trip over the historic fields which his father, General W. T. Sherman, traversed 40 years ago, and with the escorting party returned to Fort Oglethorpe. Father Sherman expressed regret that his mission should have been misunderstood. He declared at first that he would continue the trip alone but finally decided to return with the military escort which had extended him the courtesy of the trip.

Senate Votes on Rate Bill This Week.

Practically all the members of the United States senate agree in predicting that the present week will see the end of the discussion on the railroad rate bill. The fact that the compromise amendment on judicial review is accepted by the conservative senatorial leaders and by the president on the other hand renders it practically certain that the amendment will receive most if not all of the votes of the Republican senators.

Olympic Prizes Distributed.

At the distribution of prizes to the successful competitors in the Olympic games at Athens, Sherring, the Canadian who won the Marathon road race, received a beautiful statue of Minerva. The Americans had all their own way and won by far the greatest number of prizes. Their score was 75, whereas the English scored 39, the Swedes and Greeks tying for third place with 28.

Ecclesiastical Court to Reassemble.

The ecclesiastical court which tried Dr. A. S. Crapsey of Rochester, N. Y., for heresy will reassemble in executive session at Batavia May 9, to examine the evidence and decide on a verdict. The following day the court will transmit their findings to Bishop Walker upon whom rests the responsibility of deciding what punishment if any shall be meted out.

Battleship Rhode Island Released.

The new battleship Rhode Island was floated at a late hour Sunday night after having been aground on the York Spit bar since Saturday morning. It was due to the efforts of four powerful naval tugs, the Uncas, Wahnetta, Hercules and Mohawk.

Lightning Struck the Barn of Martin Schroder near Stormsville, N. Y., and George Gerlach, a stepson of Schroder, was killed and the barn and its contents were burned.

FEELING OF THANKFULNESS.

Many Mine Workers Say They Always Opposed a Strike.

Wilkes-Barre, May 7.—A feeling of deep thankfulness that the threatened anthracite strike has been averted prevails throughout the region. Mine workers generally now declare that they were decidedly opposed to a strike because they did not think it was justified by the conditions and they are loud in their praise of President Mitchell for averting it when it seemed so imminent.

They say that Mitchell will gain greater strength with the union and with the public than if he had ordered a strike and after a bitter struggle of eight or 10 months the union had managed to win an increase in wages.

Operators say that Mitchell stood for peace because he realized that a strike would result in the defeat of the union, and that defeat meant the death of the organization in this region and the loss of all his power here.

They also say that with the strikes in the soft coal region it would have been utterly impossible for the union to sustain a strike here for any length of time and that an anthracite strike threatened the sweeping defeat of the union throughout the entire country. They anticipate that the membership of the union will now decrease rapidly and that the men will not build it up again until the summer and fall of 1908.

DELMONT BANK WAS WRECKED.

Missing President Is Sought to Tell Who Was Responsible.

Pittsburg, May 7.—The affairs of the Delmont National bank at Delmont, which failed last week, are in very bad shape. A partial examination of the books reveals the fact that the bank has been looted and wrecked and arrests and sensational disclosures are expected.

It is said that Joseph R. McQuaide, the missing president of the bank, is not wanted for having wrecked the institution, but that if he is found he will be asked to explain who did the looting, as it is believed that he knows. A complete examination of the books will be made within a week and submitted to Washington.

There is no intimation as to the identity of the guilty parties, but McQuaide's friends declare that he is not guilty. They admit that they do not know his present whereabouts, which is causing them a great deal of concern. His son declared that none of the members of the family has the slightest idea where he is. It is believed that he is hiding, trying to cover up the crookedness of other persons. A permanent receiver for the bank will be named within a few days.

POOL SHOOT AT BURGLAR.

Aged Farmer, Recently Tortured, Prepared For Second Visitation.

Connellsville, Pa., May 7.—William Pool, the aged farmer residing near Pennsville, who was tortured and robbed three weeks ago, was again awakened Friday night by the noise of footsteps and the glare of a dark lantern. This time Mr. Pool was prepared, and as soon as the robber in his room had his back turned Pool fired with a .38-caliber revolver. The shots went wild, but the burglar beat a hasty retreat, with three more bullets whizzing past his head.

At a habeas corpus hearing before Justice Reppert on behalf of Edward and George Greenwalt, two of the three men charged with torturing and robbing Mr. and Mrs. Pool three weeks ago, Allen Brown, the third prisoner, turned state's evidence and acknowledged that he and the two Greenwalts were the persons who committed the deed. The bail for the Greenwalts was fixed at \$700 each. They have so far failed to secure it.

Improved Roads Popular.

Harrisburg, May 7.—The state highway department has received so many applications from most of the counties for improved roads that it will be impossible to build all the roads applied for in the next two or three years. The total number of applications for road construction represent 1,500 miles. Of this, the highway commissioner expects to build 200 miles this year, in addition to the 200 miles already constructed or now in course of construction.

Red Cloud Takes Wedding Suite.

Cleveland, May 7.—The wedding suite at the Hollenden has been engaged for Red Cloud, the Indian brave, who will arrive May 15. Red Cloud is 57 years old, but was married a few days ago. A telegram was received from him Thursday saying he had taken a new squaw and requesting that the bridal suite be reserved for him. He was a widower only a few months. Red Cloud has money and he wants to spend it.

Newspaper Man Dead.

Pittsburg, May 7.—James Mills, for more than 30 years an editorial writer on the Pittsburg Post and prominently identified with the press of this city for half a century, died at Washington, Pa., Saturday of paralysis of the brain.

Memorial Hall or Monument.

Kittanning, Pa., May 7.—The Grand Army posts of Armstrong county have united in a movement to have the county build a memorial hall or erect a monument to commemorate the deeds of Union soldiers in the Civil war.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Summary of the Week's News of the World.

Dream of the News Cuffed From Long Dispatches and Put in Proper Shape For the Hurried Reader Who Is Too Busy to Read the Longer Reports and Desires to Keep Posted.

The Marathon race at Athens was won yesterday by William Sherring, of Hamilton, Ont.

Following congressional probing, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad has sold its control of the Consolidated Coal Company for \$5,000,000.

Owing to a surplus in the revenues of Great Britain, the export duty on coal is removed and the import tax on tobacco and tea is materially reduced.

Strike that will paralyze lake commerce is begun when the union pilots, firemen, water tenders and oilers go out in response to orders. The struggle, which promises to be bitter, is over the question of recognition.

Thursday.

It has been shown that through carelessness 82 men have been killed by blasting in Manhattan since July 1, 1905.

The resignation of Count Witte as premier has been accepted. He will be succeeded by M. Goremykin, former minister of the interior.

Great Britain has chartered a steamship to convey troops to Egypt in view of Turkey's claim to the Sinai peninsula.

A document purporting to have been issued by the revolutionary workmen's tribunal claims that Father Gapon was executed as a spy, after having admitted his guilt.

Otto Kelsey of Geneseo, hitherto comptroller of the state of New York, was appointed by Governor Higgins as superintendent of insurance in place of Francis Hendricks of Syracuse, whose term has expired.

Friday.

The 125th session of the New York legislature adjourned without day yesterday afternoon, in the 18th week of the session.

Order has been completely restored in Paris, three-fourths of the strikers have returned to work and the public is calm.

Mrs. Laura H. Allen of Celeron, convicted of arson, was sentenced in county court at Mayville to nine years and 10 months at Auburn.

James W. Wadsworth, H. K. Knapp and James Sanford were named by Governor Higgins as the new state racing commission, the last named being the only one reappointed.

The third day of the longshoremen's strike on the great lakes finds both sides playing a waiting game with lake commerce practically suspended. But few boats are moving anywhere on the great lakes.

Saturday.

A bomb exploded accidentally in the forest of Vincennes while two Russians were carrying it, killing one instantly and maiming the other.

The British ambassador at Constantinople, Sir Nicholas R. O'Connor, presented a note to Turkey demanding the prompt withdrawal of the Turkish troops from Egyptian territory.

The legislature closed with an attack on Governor Higgins in the assembly, the defeat of the local option bill and the passage of the bill to save Hook mountain from quarrymen.

President Roosevelt has transmitted to congress the report of Commissioner Garfield of the bureau of corporations of his investigation of freight rates and transportation in oil industry.

Monday.

New gold fields of the Hudson bay region will surpass the Yukon and Cobalt, prospectors declare.

Related advices from cities in the interior of California tell of more serious damage done by the earthquake.

The Traders' Fire Insurance company of Chicago was placed in the hands of a receiver following the San Francisco disaster.

Gifts worth more than \$5,000,000 were presented to Mrs. Nannie Langhorne Shaw on her marriage to Waldorf Astor in London by her father-in-law.

Union miners in convention at Scranton, Pa., vote against a strike in the anthracite coal fields, deciding to accept the scale of 1903 if all the men now idle are given their places.

Tuesday.

Speaker Cannon, on his 70th birthday, says he has been too busy to notice the flight of time.

Cost of suspension of the anthracite miners of Pennsylvania is estimated at \$8,120,000. Scale committee may yet clash with operators.

According to a dispatch from Paris the strength of the respective parties in the French chamber will be only slightly changed by the elections.

President Roosevelt telegraphs the Pennsylvania state senate that progress on the rate bill is satisfactory and that in agreeing to certain amendments in the senate he is not retreating.

James W. Lee of Pittsburg, one of the leading independent oil men of the country, is encouraged by the president's message to believe that the day of a square deal in the oil industry is at hand.

CAN MAN FORGE HIS OWN NAME?

Pittsburg Courts May Decide Dispute Between Prominent Men.

Pittsburg, May 8.—The local courts may be compelled to decide whether or not a man can forge his own name? The dispute grew out of a pool game at the Duquesne club between Bryan Robertson, a well-known iron broker, and Kennedy Ewing, who is wealthy, for \$1,000 a side. Ewing lost and wrote a check for the amount, payable at the Second National bank.

Robertson deposited the check and the next day was told that it was a forgery. Robertson declared that he had seen Ewing sign it. The cashier, however, produced his book of signatures and proved that the name on the check was not Ewing's legal signature. Ewing is alleged to have treated the matter as a joke, and Robertson consulted with John McCleave, an attorney, who now has the case in his hands. Both Robertson and Ewing refuse to discuss the case.

Public Bug-Killing Day.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 8.—State Economic Zoologist Surface has issued an invitation to the park commissioners or other authorities in charge of the parks of all the cities in Pennsylvania to attend a public demonstration of bug-killing in Capitol park next Tuesday. The exhibition will consist of spraying for the elm tree leaf beetle, caterpillars and "other chewing insects," which, according to Zoologist Surface, "are increasing so alarmingly on the trees and shrubbery in parks and elsewhere" as to render heroic measures necessary.

High License Costly to City.

Cartersville, Ill., May 8.—The city of Cartersville is without funds on account of the action of the city council recently in increasing the saloon license from \$500 to \$1,000. None of the saloons have applied for a license at the higher rate, and after today all will be closed. The city will make a special tax levy to meet current expenses.

MARKET REPORT.

New York Provision Market.

WHEAT—No. 2 red, 93c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 90c. CORN—No. 2 corn, 56 1/2 c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 57 1/2 c. OATS—Mixed oats, 25 to 32 lbs., 37 1/2 @ 38c; clipped white, 38 to 40 lbs., 39 @ 41c. PORK—Mess, \$17.25 @ 17.75; family, per bbl., \$18.50. HAY—Shipping, 60 @ 65c; good to choice, 90 @ 95c. BUTTER—Creamery, extra, 20 @ 20 1/2 c; common to extra, 13 @ 20c; western factory, common to firsts, 11 @ 15c. CHEESE—State, full cream, small choice, old, 14 1/2 c. EGGS—State and Pennsylvania, 19 1/2 c. POTATOES—State and western, per bbl., \$2.00 @ 2.25.

Buffalo Provision Market.

WHEAT—No. 1 northern, carload, in store, 88c; No. 2 red, 93c. CORN—No. 2 corn, 54 1/2 c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 55c. OATS—No. 2 white, 36 1/2 c f. o. b. afloat; No. 3 white, 36c. FLOUR—Fancy blended patent, per bbl., \$4.75 @ 5.50; winter family, patent, \$2.90 @ 4.65. BUTTER—Creamery western, extra, tubs, 22c; state and Pennsylvania creamery, 22c; dairy, choice to fancy, 20c. CHEESE—Fancy full cream, 10 1/2 @ 11c; good to choice, 9 1/2 @ 10c. EGGS—Selected white, 17 1/2 c. POTATOES—Western, fancy, per bu., 75c; home grown, per bu., 80c.

East Buffalo Live Stock Market.

CATTLE—Choice export steers, \$5.60 @ 5.85; good to choice butcher steers, \$4.50 @ 5.25; medium half-fat steers, \$4.00 @ 4.25; fair to good heifers, \$4.25 @ 4.50; good to choice heifers, \$4.75 @ 5.00; good butcher bulls, \$3.75 @ 4.15; choice to prime veals, \$6.00 @ 6.25; fair to good, \$5.50 @ 5.75. SHEEP AND LAMBS—Choice wool lambs, \$7.60 @ 7.75; handy wethers, \$6.00 @ 6.50; mixed sheep, \$5.25 @ 5.50. HOGS—Best Yorkers, \$6.60 @ 6.65; medium and heavy hogs, \$6.60 @ 6.65; pigs, light, \$6.65.

Buffalo Hay Market.

Choice timothy on track, \$15.50; No. 1, \$14.75; No. 2, \$12.00 @ 13.00; No. 1 rye straw, \$7.50.

Utica Dairy Market.

Utica, May 7.—Sales on the Utica dairy market today were: Large white, 2 lots of 120 boxes at 9c; large colored, 7 lots of 466 boxes at 9c; small white, 2 lots of 250 boxes at 9c; small colored, 20 lots of 1,838 boxes at 9c. BUTTER—Creamery, 18 packages sold at 20c; 20 packages at 20 1/2 c and 20 crates of prints at 21c.

Little Falls Cheese Market.

Utica, May 7.—Sales of cheese on the Little Falls dairy market today were: Large colored, 2 lots of 199 boxes at 9 1/2 c; small colored, 5 lots of 209 boxes at 9 1/2 c; small colored, 8 lots of 477 boxes at 9c