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OLD TRUST HEADS INDICTED

Former Officials of Kansas City Company Named in Bills.

MISUSE OF MAIL IS CHARGED

Savings of Nearly Three Thousand Persons, Mostly of Limited Means, Involved in Firm Concern's Failure.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 10.—Ten men formerly connected with the defunct American Union Trust company of this city were indicted by the federal grand jury today on a charge of using the mails to defraud. The savings of nearly 3,000 persons, mostly of limited means, were involved in the failure of the trust company two years ago, shortly after it had absorbed the All Night and Day bank of Kansas City.

Those named in the indictments are: H. W. Richardson, Vancouver, B. C., formerly president of the trust company; John W. Tompkins, judge of the probate court of Wadsworth county, Missouri; W. L. Moyer, Chicago; J. Bainbridge Jones, Hornell, N. Y.; Thomas L. Watkins, Los Angeles, Cal.; A. R. Fuller, Seattle, Wash.; George L. Day, Ernest D. Martin, Thomas A. Roberts and John W. Beery of Kansas City.

Two indictments were returned against each of the ten, one charging use of the mails to defraud and the other the "making of fraudulent and false representations through the mails with fraudulent intent."

Witnesses before the grand jury testified the trust company was wrecked through the action of certain officers using worthless securities for large loans. The American Union Trust company began business in January, 1911. In July of the same year it absorbed the All Night and Day bank with its deposits of \$200,000. On December 30, 1911, the trust company was closed by order of John E. Swanger, state bank commissioner. It was announced that its deposits were a little more than \$200,000, its capital stock \$125,000, its assets \$236,000 and its bills payable, \$105,000.

The deposits for the most part were made up of the savings of small-salaried workers. Their losses later were made good by the stockholders of the bank, but investors in the concern, it is charged, lost about \$100,000.

The All Night and Day bank had been founded about two years before its absorption by the trust company and was the first institution of its kind in Missouri.

H. W. Richardson is now out on bond on a state charge of fraud in connection with the failure of the All Night and Day bank. Thomas L. Watkins formerly was a financier of this city.

CROWDS AT THE CITY NATIONAL BANK ARE GONE AT THE CLOSE

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to give their unconditional assent to all the bank's rules and regulations, upon signing the same, which every customer does upon opening an account.

Omaha's Credit Good.
"Omaha is too important and prosperous a city for the City National's little flurry to be allowed to become serious," said a well-known banker Wednesday noon. "Our clearing house and our business men will not let anything serious happen to disturb Omaha's present reputation for growth and prosperity."

"Our corn record was recently ahead of Chicago's and our banking and business record certainly will not be allowed to drop. It will not be necessary, I am sure, but should it by any chance become necessary, banking and banking houses will get behind the City National and see it through the present flurry satisfactorily."

Kinkaid Introduces Water Users' Bills

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—Important changes in the irrigation laws are proposed in two bills introduced by Representative Kinkaid today.

One measure provides, "after final proof has been made on any farm unit and accepted by the land office, it may be sold to anyone eligible to hold land under the reclamation act; also, that the irrigable area of the units held by such purchaser must not exceed 160 acres of irrigated land."

The second bill provides that where irrigation projects are selected by the reclamation service hereafter, "lands now receiving water shall be exempt from all payments for a period of two years after public notice of the project is given, and all lands hereafter to be irrigated shall have four years' exemption from payment after receiving water, thereafter, for five years, the payment in total shall be \$1.50 per acre per year; thereafter, for ten years, \$2 per acre per year; thereafter, \$3 per acre per year until total payment is made. Said payments to include construction, operation and maintenance and all betterment charges."

Copies of the bills were furnished by the North Platte Valley Water Users' association, and represent their wishes in amendments desired. All members from irrigation states received copies of the bills and are urged to support them.

Notes from Beatrice and Gage County

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 10.—(Special.)—The Gage County Farmers' Institute opened at the court house Tuesday for two days with a large attendance. President Dalbey presided over the meeting. Hon. Peter Jansen and Aaron Claassen spoke on sheep raising, and Dr. E. E. Conford, the government inspector who was sent here to assist in eradicating the hog cholera, spoke of the methods to be employed by him in fighting the disease. Prof. I. W. Chase of the engineering department of the state farm, spoke on the subject of "The Use of Concrete on the Farm."

Word was received here Tuesday that friends of Superintendent E. J. Brodwell of this city, that at Lincoln and other points in the state were pushing his candidacy for president of the Kearney normal as successor to Dr. A. O. Thomas, who was recently deposed.

Louis Fink, a farmer living near Wyndwood, was fined \$50 and costs Tuesday by Judge Ellis, for threatening the life of Mrs. Fred Harms, a tenant on one of his farms, with a shotgun. The case was appealed to the district court.

The annual show of the Beatrice Poultry association opened Tuesday. There are about 300 birds on exhibition, and the show promises to be one of the best ever held in the city.

John Herold, a farmer living near Lewiston, who instituted a open contest last summer among the boys of Gage, Pawnee and Johnson counties, offering prizes and cash amounting to \$200, Tuesday announced the winners. The sweepstakes prize goes to Clyde Day of Holmesville, who raised fifty bushels of corn to the acre, and second prize to Willie Myers of Gage county, who raised forty-three bushels to the acre. There were ten other successful contestants.

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CASSELL, Germany, Dec. 10.—FRANZ Bachmann, a blacksmith, who still works at his forge in the locomotive works here, has been chosen to fill the leading bass role in "The Magic Flute," to be given at the Court opera house on December 16.

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DRYS INVADE THE CAPITOL

Anti-Liquor Forces Hold Mass Meeting on Approaches.

SHEPARD AND HOBSON LEAD

Senator and Representative Receive Petitions for National Prohibition, Which They Later Present to Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Under the dome of the capitol 2,000 men and women representing the Anti-Saloon league of America and the Women's Christian Temperance union assembled today for a demonstration against the liquor traffic.

The men and women marched in separate lines from downtown sections of the city to the east front of the capitol. Each bore petitions demanding national prohibition by constitutional amendment. On the steps of the capitol the petitions were read by Representative Richmond P. Hobson of Alabama, author of such a proposed amendment and by Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas.

The legislators also received from a special committee of the anti-liquor forces a copy of another resolution to forever prohibit the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors, except for sacramental and medicinal purposes.

The Anti-Saloon league forces were led by Brigadier General A. S. Daggett, Mrs. Lillian M. N. Higgins of Maine, president general of the Women's Christian Temperance union, marshalled the women, who waived banners as they paraded down Pennsylvania avenue. Following the presentation of petitions, which were filed in the senate and house, speeches were made. On the speakers' program were Ernest H. Cherrington of Westville, O., former governor; M. R. Patterson of Tennessee; Mrs. Ella A. Boole of Brooklyn, president of the New York State Women's Christian Temperance union; and Mrs. Mary Harris Armour of Georgia.

Crowd Throng Approaches.
The scene at the front of the capitol and on the esplanade between Main street and the congressional library was a great one as hosts of prohibitionists arrived. Before the procession reached its destination it had been swelled by hundreds from the streets and when the ceremonies began, observers estimated more than 4,000 persons were packed on the capitol approaches and the broad driveways.

Leaders climbed the huge stone statues which stand at the east entrance and led the outdoor audience in singing America. Onward Christian Soldiers and other hymns in a mighty chorus.

Representative Hobson and Senator Sheppard were cheered as they climbed to the top of the huge stone stairway casement above the heads of the throng where they received the resolution for a national prohibition constitutional amendment which later was introduced in both houses. President Baker of the Anti-Saloon league, submitted the resolutions and Senator Sheppard replied on behalf of himself and Mr. Hobson.

Senator Sheppard's Address.
"There is no higher duty than we can conceive," said the senator, "than to introduce in both houses of congress this resolution calling for nation-wide prohibitions by constitutional amendment. We are against the liquor traffic because it is the worst enemy of our civilization; because we want a drunkenness republic and an untainted flag."

Speaking for the Anti-Saloon league forces Mr. Cherrington declared the army of men and members of the Woman's Christian Temperance union were "stockholders in the great institution of American society," pleading for nation-wide prohibition by constitutional amendment as "the only hope for speedy solution of the growing liquor problem in our great country of population."

"When more than 47,000,000 of our population," he continued, "live in territories from where saloons are banished by the sovereign will of the people and when a very large percentage of the population in the remaining license territory of the nation is earnestly and actively favorable to prohibition legislation it is certainly not presumptuous to assume that the time has come when this question should be considered of national political importance."

"Civilization and humanity," showed former Governor Patterson of Tennessee, "now demand a new amendment to the constitution, one that will wipe this evil business from the land."

While the prohibition forces were thundering at the doors of the capitol for banishment of rum from the channels of commerce, a group of lawyers in the supreme court were vehemently contending over the ownership of 200 barrels of whiskey.

Bankers of several distilling states were said to be much interested in the outcome of the case.

Fortune is Chasing an Iowa Laborer

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 10.—Less than a week after V. Jessup, a tunnel laborer, had left Eugene for an unannounced destination, his uncle, J. Q. Wickham, of Ames, Ia., arrived here last night with information that Jessup had become heir to a large fortune left by his grandfather, H. C. Wickham of Zeigler, Ia., who died a year ago. The young man left Beardley, Minn., seven years ago. An exhaustive hunt has been conducted for young Jessup for the past year and this is the nearest his relatives have come to overtaking him in his wanderings.

Hahn's Associate Picked Up in Saskatchewan

MASON CITY, Ia., Dec. 10.—A telegram was received late this afternoon from Morris, Saskatchewan, Canada, to the effect that mounted police had picked up Miller, the man who is wanted here in connection with defrauding the Peoples State bank. About three weeks ago, according to the story, Miller and another man by the name of Hahn, who were boarding at a Russian boarding house here, succeeded in getting another man's bank book. Their deposits are handled largely by numbers and, according to the opinion of the Pinkerton men at work on the case, these men secured \$60 in cash by depositing the stolen book. They slipped up, but Miller had flown. It was thought for a time that he was located in New York, but if he was he had left before the Pinkerton men could get him. Morris, Saskatchewan, is located near Moosejaw and officers will depart at once to bring Miller here.

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