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Nine of Subsidiaries Show Net Returns Ranging From 223 to 436 Per Cent—Also Gain Control of Competing Firms.

By FLOYD MACGRIFF, International Staff Correspondent.

New York, Aug. 28.—While the United States has been heading toward an oil and gasoline shortage...

Autumn figures obtained by the International News Service show that 30 branches of the parent Standard Oil company, "dissolved" in 1912, have amassed profits of \$868,145,500 during the past eight years.

The above figures also omit both the preferred stock and the dividends thereon of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, amounting to \$136,690,000, half of which was only issued 11 months ago.

Earn 150 Per Cent.

The data show that 17 of these 30 Standard Oil "subsidiaries" have earned profits amounting to more than 150 per cent of their capitalization since the parent company of New Jersey was "dissolved."

Moreover, nine of these companies earned profits amounting to from 223 per cent to 436 per cent since 1912 and 12 of them have cut "melons" running from 20 to 300 per cent of their capitalization. This does not include huge stock allotments in 1912 and 1913, following the reorganization of the "oil trust" branches, such as the 2,900 per cent "melon" of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, the 900 per cent dividend of the Continental Oil company, the 500 per cent "melon" of the Vacuum Oil company, or the 400 per cent "divide-up" of the Standard Oil Company of New York.

Unusual Profits. The smallest "eight-years" total profits earned by any one of the 30 "branches" was 67 1/2 per cent—not quite 9 per cent yearly—taken in by the Crescent Pipe Line company, which merely operates a trunk pipeline in Pennsylvania.

The Ohio Oil company has piled up the highest profit percentage during the past eight years, amounting to 560 per cent. Capitalization is \$15,000,000, and an attempted melon cutting of 300 per cent in 1917 was frustrated by the state of Ohio.

Among other companies listed by New York brokers as "Standard Oil stocks" which have made unusual profits since 1912 are Chesborough Manufacturing company of Perth Amboy, N. J., makers of petroleum products for medicinal and toilet purposes, has accumulated 236 per cent profits, besides distributing another 200 per cent in stock in 1916.

Eureka Pipe Line company, operating 4,261 miles of pipe lines, mainly in West Virginia, has accumulated 23 per cent profits.

195 Per Cent. Indiana Pipe Line company, earned 180 per cent profits, while the National Transit company, operating pipe lines in Pennsylvania, collected 124 per cent profits besides cutting a 50 per cent melon in 1916. The New York Transit (pipe) company earned 211 per cent profit.

The Prairie Oil and Gas company, operating in Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, earned 139 per cent profits besides another 150 per cent distributed as stock in 1915.

The Solar Refining company of Lima, O., paid out 195 per cent cash profits in eight years beside cutting a 300 per cent stock melon in 1915.

The Southern Pipe Line company of Pennsylvania has shown 217 per cent profits in eight years, while the South Penn Oil company, besides distributing 60 per cent stock dividend in 1917, paid out 184 per cent in cash dividends.

The Standard Oil Company of Indiana has earned 184 per cent since 1912, the Standard Oil Company of Kansas, 176 per cent; the Standard Oil Company of Nebraska, 180 per cent; and the Standard Oil Company of New York, 87 per cent. But all of these companies cut big melons a year or two after the parent company was "dissolved."

Other Big Profits. The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey has paid out 210 per cent on its common stock in eight years, besides handing out a 100 per cent...

Rain Fails to Dampen Ardor of Republicans Who Open Campaign in Pawnee City

Mrs. Margaret Hill McCarter of Kansas Urges Women to Vote Republican Ticket at G. O. P. Picnic—Congressman Reavis Explains League—Urges Omahans to Return Jefferis to Congress—Governor McKelvie Leaves for Marion.

By EDWARD BLACK.

Pawnee City, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Benediction of republicanism and rain was bestowed on Pawnee county today when an outdoor, county-wide, republican picnic and rally were scheduled for the fair grounds, but had to be postponed on account of wet grounds. Threatening morning clouds brought a copious shower at noon, necessitating a change of plans.

Many arrived in automobiles from the 432 square miles of the county and the attendants made the best of the situation by joining in a formal program held in the Pawnee opera house. The spirit of the occasion was not lost and it was evident that the campaign has been opened in Pawnee county and that the republicans have made the start.

Members of the local branch of the league of women voters observed a noonday celebration in honor of a fully enfranchised nation, while church bells, whistles and auto horns joined in the din.

J. C. Dort, republican county chairman, presided at the indoor meeting, introducing Mrs. R. B. Condon, who in turn presented Mrs. Margaret Hill McCarter of Kansas. Chairman Dort announced that the picnic will be held at a later date and that Gov. Henry Allen of Kansas will speak. Mrs. McCarter arrived on a noon train and departed immediately after her address for Chicago.

Praises Governor McKelvie. The Kansas woman told the voters of this county that the need of a return of confidence in the government. She quoted figures to sustain her statement that the recent democratic orgy of extravagance has been unparalleled in the history of the country.

"I know Governor McKelvie," she said, "and I know that he is a staunch supporter of the things for which women stand and I also know that the women of this state will support him."

Mrs. McCarter stated that the lady person, who does not care who votes nor who is elected, should be classified as an unpartisan citizen. She (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.)

CONDITION OF MAYOR OF CORK SAID SERIOUS

Terence MacSwiney, On Hunger Strike Following Imprisonment, Spent Restless Night, Says Report.

London, Aug. 28.—The condition of Terence MacSwiney, lord mayor of Cork, this morning was reported to be worse at the Brixton jail, where he is on hunger strike. Mayor MacSwiney spent a very restless night.

Belfast, Aug. 28.—Fierce rioting occurred this afternoon in Cullinstree road, lying between the falls and Grosvenor road districts of West Belfast. The police barracks in Cullinstree road were wrecked and the military fired on the crowd. Many gunshot victims were admitted to the adjacent Royal Victoria hospital.

Strikers Go Back. New York, Aug. 28.—Hostilities were resumed today by the five pro-Irish women pickets who yesterday started a demonstration that resulted in a walkout of more than 2,000 longshoremen employed on British ocean liners as a protest against Great Britain's Irish policy.

The women returned to the piers with a large cohort of longshoremen supporters intent on crippling all British ships arriving in port. Plans also were laid to tie one foot to spread the protest strike to other Atlantic ports and to extend it, if possible, to ship crews as well as longshoremen.

Union Regrets Action. About half the longshoremen who walked out yesterday returned to work this morning. It was announced at the offices of the International Longshoremen's association.

Joseph Ryan, vice president of the International Longshoremen's association, declared today he thought it would be necessary to call a meeting of the union and "reason out matters with the men," whose walkout, he said, he regretted because it occurred "at a time when a new wage scale and demands are being formulated by the union for submission next month to the steamship operators."

The New Constitution

(The new constitution today its explanation of the various amendments to the state constitution, proposed by the state constitutional convention and submitted to the voters at the special election to be held September 21. This election is in many respects the most important held in Nebraska in a generation. An intelligent ballot can be cast only after a clear understanding of the various proposals submitted. There are 41 proposals and each is submitted in separate form.)

PROPOSITION NO. 11. Amendment to Section 17 of Article III. Prohibits the sale of salt springs, coal, oil, minerals or other natural resources on state land, but permits the leasing of such land for development of such natural resources.

PROPOSITION NO. 12. Permits legislature to district the state into senatorial and representative districts and authorizes division of counties. This would permit the division of Douglas county into five senatorial and 12 representative districts, each of which would elect a senator or representative instead of electing at large by the entire county.

G. O. P. FUND ISSUE, SAYS ROOSEVELT

Democratic Candidate for Vice Presidency Denounces Republican Managers in Address at Auditorium.

ALL OTHER QUESTIONS PUT INTO BACKGROUND

Suggest Harding Should Discharge Chairman Hays, Treasurer Upham and Others Concerned in Alleged Scandal.

Following the lead of Governor Cox, Franklin D. Roosevelt, democratic candidate for the vice presidency, took up the question of campaign expenditures in his address at the Auditorium in Omaha last night.

The league of nations and the other issues were pushed into the background while Mr. Roosevelt denounced the republican managers.

"It can never be too soon to make of this sort of thing one of the principal issues to be passed on by the verdict of the voters of the nation," he declared. "Governor Cox has rendered a national service in dragging this foul thing into the light. I feel very certain that America will not be cynical about it. Very few people will say 'Oh, well, this is just the usual campaign stuff.'"

Offers Suggestion. Although Mr. Roosevelt has just returned east from a tour of the west coast, he assumed that the statements on the Harding campaign fund were unquestionable. He suggested that Mr. Harding "discharge at once Mr. Will Hays, his national chairman; Mr. Upham, his treasurer, and all others connected with raising this unholy fund."

The Roosevelt party arrived on a special car at 6 o'clock and went to the Athletic club, where Mayor Smith was host at a dinner. From there Mr. Roosevelt went to the Auditorium.

Speaks at North Platte. North Platte, Neb., Aug. 28.—Franklin D. Roosevelt, democratic vice presidential nominee, carried his party's national campaign into Nebraska today with a short address here in which he charged that Senator Harding, the republican candidate for president, had not shown himself to be a constructive leader.

Governor Cox, on the other hand, Mr. Roosevelt said, had demonstrated his progressiveness. He declared that the democratic nominee "in eight years put Ohio on the map as a progressive state."

Mr. Roosevelt spoke from the rear of his train. He asserted that the democrats were conducting their speaking campaign as an offset of the front porch campaign and that so far on the trip "we have failed to find a single democrat who will vote for Senator Harding."

The members of the "same old gang" of republicans turned out to be the republican party before," he said, "are back in control."

"The other party wants to go back to old conditions," he said. "Our eyes are turned forward. We've got a number of things to do in this country, and we don't want to turn back. We have got to take definite steps to end war, and that feeling was still running high today when the father was given a preliminary hearing on a charge of feloniously and maliciously assaulting the baby, with intent to do great bodily harm." He pleaded not guilty, but was held to the district court and bonds fixed at \$1,000.

The angry mutterings of the large crowd that attended the hearing, and open threats to give Stephens a horse-whipping caused the sheriff to take his prisoner to Plattsmouth for safe-keeping. Heavily armed guards accompanied the sheriff in his automobile with the prisoner.

Following an examination of the child's body by the county physician, County Attorney George Henke issued a statement saying that the baby plainly showed the marks of brutal treatment, and its little body was badly bruised.

Troops Fire on Belfast Rioters; One Dead, Six Hurt

Belfast, Aug. 28.—The military fired on rioters again tonight, killing at least one and wounding six, one seriously. The troops fired in an effort to protect the police station attacked by a mob. Disturbances were reported in several sections. When the soldiers reached the police station in an armored car, they were met with stones. The police and military dispersed the mob. Many individual attacks were reported. The rioter killed tonight was John Lynch, 16.

Soap Costs \$1 Per Pound In South Side Police Court

Soap costs \$1 a pound in South Side police court. So Jacob Chilacha, 3116 R street, found out yesterday. Jacob was arrested by Special Officer Peter Jolly of Cudaby & Co. for the theft of five pounds of soap. He admitted the theft and was fined \$5.

The Passing Show of 1920



CHARGE FATHER CRUELLY BEAT HIS SMALL BABY

Sheriff 'Rescues Nebraska City Man From Mob of Neighbors Threatening Violence.

Nebraska City, Neb., Aug. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Julius Stephens was rescued by Sheriff E. H. Fisher from a large crowd of angry neighbors bent on lynching him in front of his home here. It was charged by neighbors that he had unmercifully beaten his 8-month-old daughter.

The crowd was highly incensed at the alleged brutality the wee baby was forced to undergo, and demanded that the father be punished at their hands. It was with difficulty the sheriff of Ope county and heavily armed deputies sworn in for the occasion made their way through the mob to the house, where Stephens had barricaded himself.

Booze in Mince Pie Is Given Dry Officer's O. K. Washington, Aug. 30.—"Mince pie parties" are likely to grow in style and popularity under a ruling of the prohibition enforcement commissioner that mince meat may be seasoned with "intoxicating liquor."

This is expected to ally somewhat the fears of prohibition entertained by many New England congressmen when the subject was before congress. The ruling of the commissioner does not restrict the percentage of alcohol to be used, but simply requires the manufacturer of mince meat to obey the orders of the commissioner from time to time.

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BURGLARS LOOT HOME OF MAN ON VACATION TRIP

William C. Lyle Finds \$600 in Jewelry and Clothing Missing on Return Home

William C. Lyle, 5201 Underwood avenue, returned home from a month's vacation Friday night and found his house had been completely ransacked and more than \$600 worth of clothes and jewelry stolen.

The burglars gained entrance to the house by breaking a cellar window. Every dresser and box was upset and searched. The thieves evidently were searching for liquor, police say, but according to Mr. Lyle there never was any liquor in his house.

Clothes, rugs and papers were scattered in every room. Rugs were partly rolled up in search for hidden jewelry, police say. Among the articles stolen were three guns, three watches, bracelets and women's and men's clothing.

Police believe that a truck or large touring car was used to cart the loot away.

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Gasoline Consumption Far Above Production

Washington, Aug. 28.—Although production of gasoline for the first six months this year was 13 per cent greater than for the same period of 1919, the increase in consumption was 32 per cent, it was reported by the bureau of mines. Gasoline stocks at the end of June were 89,841,000 gallons, or 15 per cent less than the amount on hand on June 30, 1919.

Gas and fuel oils showed an increase in both production and stocks compared with the first half of 1919.

Last Soldiers of Colonel Cantau Are Discharged

Mexicali, Lower California, Aug. 28.—The last forces of Col. Estaban Cantau, former governor of Lower California, were paid off and discharged today. Work of discharging the Cantu forces began yesterday.

MAINTAINS LEAGUE HAS COLLAPSED

G. O. P. Nominee, in Explaining Position, Declares That Covenant Is "Definite and Irredeemable Failure."

CITES CASE OF POLAND TO PROVE STATEMENT

Proposes Plan to Construct World Association Along Lines Mapped Out by The Hague Tribunal.

By The Associated Press.

Marion, O., Aug. 28.—Pronouncing the existing league of nations a definite and irredeemable failure, Senator Harding today proposed a new effort to construct a world association on the frame work of The Hague tribunal clothed with such attributes of the league covenant as may be found safe and practicable.

The senator, who was elected president to make an immediate effort, with the advice of the ablest men of both political parties, to form such an association either by putting "teeth" into The Hague court or by revising the covenant to protect national aspirations.

"The democracy nominee," he said, "has flatly said he is 'in favor of going in' on the basis announced by the president. I am not. That is the whole difference between us, but it is a most vital, one because it involves the disparity between the world court of justice supplemented by a world association for conference on the one hand, and the council of the league on the other."

"The one is a judicial tribunal to be governed by fixed and definite principles of law administered without passion or prejudice. The other is an association of diplomats and politicians whose determinations are sure to be influenced by considerations of expediency and national selfishness."

The league, the candidate asserted, had broken down at its first test in Poland and now had "passed beyond the possibility of restoration." He quoted from British statements to support his statement that a revision of the covenant will be welcomed abroad.

Passage of a peace resolution, he continued, would make an actual and effective peace without negotiation of a separate treaty with Germany.

Touching on Mexico, the republican nominee proclaimed "a plain note to every government on the face of the earth," that the United States would submit to no wrong to its citizens in person or property.

He also replied to charges of undue senate influence, by asserting that as president he would be quite as vigilant as he had as a senator to prevent trespass on that branch of the government in which he served.

Text of Speech. The text of the speech follows in part: "Let us suppose the senate had ratified the peace treaty containing the league covenant as submitted to it by the president in July of last year. Before this day we would have been called upon to fulfill the obligations which he had assumed under Article 10 of the league covenant to preserve the territorial integrity of Poland as against 'external aggression.'"

"The council of the league of nations would have reasoned, and reasoned correctly, that the United States could furnish the munitions and, if necessary, the men to withstand the hordes advancing from Russia far more easily than could the exhausted nations of Europe. What would of necessity have to result? Nothing necessarily, we are rightly informed, since only the congress can declare war, and the congress might reject the appeal of the executive. But would the congress do that? Could the congress do that without staining indelibly the honor of the nation?"

U. S. Would Never Welch. "The people would never permit the repudiation of a debt of honor. No congress would ever dare make this nation appear as a wretch, as it would appear and would be in such an event before the eyes of the world."

"So many things have been done by the present expiring administration that no power on earth could induce me to do, that I cannot even attempt to recount them. I may be marked casually, however, that if I should be, as I fully expect to be, elected president of this just and honorable republic I will not empower an assistant secretary of the (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

The Weather

Forecast. Sunday: Fair, cooler. Hourly Temperatures.

8 a. m.	65	2 p. m.	60
9 a. m.	65	3 p. m.	58
10 a. m.	66	4 p. m.	57
11 a. m.	67	5 p. m.	56
12 m.	68	6 p. m.	55
1 p. m.	69	7 p. m.	54
2 p. m.	70	8 p. m.	53
3 p. m.	71	9 p. m.	52
4 p. m.	72	10 p. m.	51
5 p. m.	73	11 p. m.	50
6 p. m.	74	12 m.	49