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STEEL COMPANY IS NOT A TRUST

**Supreme Court Holds That
United States Steel Cor-
poration is Not a Trust**

ARE SENT TO PRISON

**Court Sentences Former
Pro-Germans to Federal
Prison—Liquor Fight**

(United Press Service)
Washington, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The United States steel corporation, the world's most gigantic industrial concern, is not a trust within the meaning of the Sherman law, the supreme court held today.

The court also held that the corporation need not dissolve.

The decision was a defeat for the government which brought suit several years ago in which many of the biggest figures in financial and industrial life were named.

New Jersey court dismissed the government's suit and supreme court today affirmed this action. The vote of the court was 4 to 3.

The government in bringing suit declared the steel trust enjoyed a monopoly of many forms of the steel industry principally in steel tubes and pipes and heavy structural steel in which many other big companies do not compete. Charges of crushing competitors and price fixing played a part in the effort of the United States to dissolve not only the company but its individual subsidiaries.

The case was filed in October, 1911 alleging a combination in restraint of interstate commerce in iron and steel an attempt to monopolize the same.

Washington, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The supreme court today sent to prison for violation of the espionage act three members of the staff of the former Philadelphia Tagelblatt and Soringblatt. Two members of their staff were freed.

The government indicted the German newspaper publishers on nine counts.

Washington, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Twenty-one prohibition states represented by Charles Hughes, today announced to the supreme court their intention of fighting the effort of Rhode Island to have the eighteenth amendment of the Volstead enforcement law declared invalid.

Hughes asked permission of the court to file a brief for the dry states which backs the contention of the federal government that the Rhode Island suit should be dismissed. Rhode Island, it is understood will oppose the action on the ground that it must be filed by the attorney general's office of the several states and not by Hughes.

The states represented are Delaware, North Carolina, Kentucky, Louisiana, Indiana, Alabama, Maine, Arkansas, Michigan, Florida, Oregon, Kansas, West Virginia, Nevada, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, Utah and Arizona.

WANT MURDERERS PUNISHED

(United Press Service)
Washington, D. C., Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The state department today was preparing to call upon the Mexican government for action against the murderers of Alexander J. Frazer, an American citizen. The killing of Frazer and the wounding of his brother, Jack Frazer, said to be a Canadian citizen, during a raid Friday night, by two Mexican bandits at Arivaca, near the border in Arizona, was reported to the department by the American consul at Nogales, Mexico. Jack Frazer was wounded in the head and taken to the hospital at Nogales, the department's advice said.

COMMISSIONERS IN SESSION

The county commissioners were in session today, the day being devoted largely to the checking up and allowing of bills. They will be in session for the next two days.

CHICAGO MARKET CLOSE

(United Press Service)
Chicago, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Corn: Mar. \$1.44; May \$1.36; July, \$1.31; Sept. \$1.28; Oats: May, 80c; July, 73c.

FAMOUS SINGER IS SICK

(United Press Service)
New York, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Mme. Luisa Tetrazzini, operatic and concert star, was to arrive here today to undergo medical treatment for the illness which caused her to cancel her concert tour at Erie, Pa., yesterday. The star's manager has cancelled all engagements for the next few weeks. Mme. Tetrazzini, has been under the care of physicians for several days.

WAS BORN HERE

Charles Wayne Sorg, Famous Actor, Born in This City, Died in

BOSTON YESTERDAY

His Family Lives in Fort Wayne—Mother, Mrs. Robert Sorg, Survives

Many Decatur people will remember Charles Wayne Sorg, famous actor, whose death occurred in Boston Sunday afternoon. Mr. Sorg was born in this city fifty-six years ago and up to his death had gained a national reputation as an actor. The Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette says: "Robert A. Liggett, 1307 Wells street, Saturday night received a telegram informing him of the death of his stepson, Charles Wayne Sorg, which occurred Saturday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock in Boston. Deceased was an actor and at the time of his death was appearing in 'The Royal Vagabond,' with a George M. Cohan company in a Boston theatre. Death resulted suddenly from an attack of heart failure.

"Charles Sorg was fifty-six years of age, having been born at Decatur, Indiana. He commenced his theatrical career when he was seventeen years of age, and has appeared as a star with some of the most prominent actors and actresses. He early adopted 'Charles Wayne' as his stage name, and was known throughout the theatrical profession under this name. "The Boston engagement of 'The Vagabond' company was to extend seven weeks. Previous to his engagement with this company he had been starring in 'Maytime,' and before this he had been in vaudeville several years.

"A number of years ago the deceased appeared at Robison Park, his last appearance in Fort Wayne being seven years ago when with his wife, Anna Caldwell Wayne, he was seen at the Temple theatre in 'To Boston on Business,' and in other comic operas.

"Charles Wayne Sorg had been an actor for thirty-eight years. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Robert A. Liggett, one brother, John Sorg, his step-father, Robert A. Liggett, and one half-brother, Roy Liggett, all of this city.

"The remains will be brought to Fort Wayne for burial and are expected to arrive Tuesday or Wednesday, after which time the funeral arrangements will be announced."

JOHN D'S GIFTS

(United Press Service)
New York, N. Y., Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Appropriations aggregating \$3,457,350 were made during the past year to universities, colleges and other educational institutions by the general education board, founded by John D. Rockefeller. The annual report has just been made public.

PETITIONS FOR HOOVER

(United Press Service)
New York, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Republicans in the 17th congressional district were circulating petitions today to place Herbert Hoover's name on the party ballot in the April presidential primaries. This was Hoover's home district when he lived in New York City.

MUCH MONEY FOR TOYS

(United Press Service)
New York, N. Y., Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—More than \$60,000,000 will be spent by the American public for toys in 1920, according to the prediction of Homer Stephens, president of the American Toy Exhibitors in commenting upon the recent birth and rapid growth of the new industry in this country.

A FREE SHOW

Shanahan - Conroy Company to Give Free Show and Luncheon at the

CRYSTAL THEATER

Monday, March 8th—For the Farmers—Pictures are to be Shown

The Shanahan-Conroy Auto company of this city, agents for the Fordson tractor, will send out five hundred invitations tomorrow to the farmers of the community inviting them to attend a free moving picture show and a luncheon to be given by them on Monday, March 8th, at the Crystal theater, beginning at ten o'clock and continuing until five in the evening.

The illustrated lantern slides will show the compositions of soils, how to establish and maintain and increase their productive capacity, proper preparation of the seed bed, seed selection, planting and underlying principles and a big motion picture film entitled "How to keep the boy on the farm," will also be shown.

Talks will also be given by a number of men on the various kinds of Power Farming and every farmer is urged to attend. Everything is free including the lunch.

PASSENGERS LAND SAFELY

(United Press Service)
Halifax, N. S., Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Sixty-four passengers of the Leyland liner Bohemian, which went ashore off Sambro point at 3:30 this morning, were taken off by the steamer Robling and were being brought to this port. The Bohemian was said to be in no danger and was expected to be released at high tide.

AT THE POOR FARM

Thomas Sopa, Native of Roumania, Died at County Infirmary Sunday

THERE FOUR DAYS

Death Due to Pneumonia—Body Sent to Indiana University Today

Thomas Sopa, aged thirty-three years, a native of Roumania, and coming to this country twelve or fifteen years ago, died at the county infirmary at 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning, death being due to pneumonia.

Traveling overland from Lima, O. to Huntington last Wednesday, Mr. Sopa passed through Kirkland town ship and W. H. Dettinger, trustee, saw him. Mr. Dettinger saw at once that the traveler was seriously sick and at once made arrangements to have him entered at the county farm. Pneumonia developed more than likely from exposure, and his condition was so serious that the medical attention given was of no avail. Upon coming to this county the deceased stated at the infirmary that he was engaged as a railroad laborer.

It was also learned that he had no relatives in this country, a brother who came to this country with him, returning some time ago, and the body, after being held for the required twenty-four hours for a claimant, was sent to the Indiana university this afternoon.

MR. WILDING WAS HERE

Mr. Herbert Wilding, of the General Electric company, publicity chairman for dedication day services, was in the city today and spent several hours at this office and with Henry Thomas, chairman of the local entertainment committee. He is making great plans for the dedication of the General Electric plant in this city, which will be held April 17th.

WITH RENEWED SPEED

Grand Rapids, Mich., Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The speculation started the Newberry election fraud case Monday by laying another basis for more expert testimony in an effort to prove its contention that the elements of conspiracy are woven into every act of the main Newberry campaign managers. Renewed speed was thrown into the proceeding with the expectation that the government will close by Wednesday.

RECEIVED TICKETS

Coach Groves of the local high school today received sixty season tickets for the district tournament to be held in the city of Bluffton Friday and Saturday, March 5 and 6. The tickets are on sale for the fans from this city for those who wish to attend the tournament, only sixty being allotted here. The season tickets enable the spectator to see every game, and it has been announced that no single game tickets will be sold unless the season tickets are disposed of. Any one desiring of attending the tournament are requested to see Mr. Groves for the tickets.

DIED IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Linus Beard, Daughter of Mrs. S. E. Har-ruff, of This City

DIED SUNDAY EVENING

At Butterworth Hospital, Battle Creek, Mich.—Due to Goitre

County Surveyor Orval Harruff of this city and brother, Russ Harruff, of Fort Wayne, who left Saturday afternoon for Battle Creek, Mich., to visit their sister, Mrs. Linus Beard, a patient at the Butterworth hospital, arrived there just a few hours before her death. Mrs. Beard had been suffering from goitre for sometime and Saturday word was received here by relatives that her condition was serious, her two brothers leaving for Battle Creek in response to the message. She died at 6:16 last evening.

Mrs. Beard was a daughter of Mrs. S. E. Harruff of this city, her maiden name being Bessie Harruff, and was well and favorably known in this city, and her many friends will regret to learn of her death. Besides the two brothers, a sister, Miss Della Harruff, and her mother survive. No word had been received this afternoon when and where the funeral would be held.

INDUSTRIAL MEETING TONIGHT

A meeting of the Industrial association will be held this evening at the library at 7:30. Matters of importance will be taken care of and every member is urged to attend. A report of the finance committee will be made. C. N. CHRISTEN, Vice President.

A PATIENT THERE

Miss Gertrude Moses, One of Patients at Mudlavia Springs Hotel

THAT BURNED SUNDAY

Wires Relatives That She Escaped Without Injury—A Big Loss

Miss Gertrude Moses, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Moses, of this city, was a guest at the Mudlavia Springs Hotel at Kramer, Indiana, which was burned to the ground early Sunday morning. Miss Moses wired to her relatives this morning that she escaped from the hotel without injury but did not state if she was coming home. She has been a patient at the sanitarium for sometime, taking treatment for rheumatism. A news dispatch has the following to say of the fire:

"The Mudlavia Springs hotel and sanitarium, one of the most popular health resorts in the United States, was completely destroyed by fire of unknown origin, early today. The loss is estimated at \$25,000, while the loss sustained by the guests in clothing and other valuables is estimated at \$50,000. Miss Anna Reinhardt, of Pesotum, Champaign county, Ill., jumped from a third story window and sustained a fracture of the left ankle, and was injured about the back. All other guests, including many rheumatic invalids escaped. Among the heavy losers were Mrs. Joseph W. Keenan, of Detroit, who lost \$20,000 in jewels and clothing. Mrs. H. L. Kramer who resided at the hotel sustained an individual loss of \$25,000 in jewelry. The property was owned by H. L. Kramer, of Chicago, and his sons, Robert B. of Chicago, and William C. who acted as manager of the establishment. The main part of the structure was frame. Mudlavia was established thirty years ago."

THE FAIR OFFICERS

Northern Indiana Fair Association Elected Officers Last Saturday

DATES ARE CHANGED

W. P. Schrock Elected President—Farmers Attend the Meeting

At the meeting of the directors of the Northern Indiana Fair association held Saturday afternoon at the secretary's office, officers were elected resulting in the following:

Wm. P. Schrock—President
Mathias Kirsch—Vice-president
Fred Reppert—Secy-Treasurer
John Brunton—Ass't. Secretary
John T. Stinson—General manager.

It was also decided at the meeting that the dates for holding the fair be changed from the week of August 15th to August 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th, the following week being the week of the Celina fair.

Great preparations are being made for the Northern Indiana fair and the management assures the people of this community one of the biggest and best shows in the state.

A number of farmers attended the meeting Saturday and volunteered their help in making the week a big one.

A BIG EARNING

(United Press Service)
New York, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The net earnings of the American Telephone & Telegraph company for 1919 were \$69,000,000 according to the annual report made public today.

Dividends amounted to \$35,000,000 and interest charges \$15,000,000. Of the balance \$4,000,000 was added to the surplus.

GET YOUR PLATES

Policeman Reynolds will Arrest Auto Drivers Who Run Cars Without

1920 LICENSE NUMBERS

After March 15th—Says Receipt of Having Applied will "Not Go."

We feel that there's going to be a mad rush for auto license numbers within the next two weeks.

This morning, Policeman Joel Reynolds, stated he was going to follow the instructions of the motor vehicle law and that he would arrest every driver of an automobile who drove a car after March 15th without a 1920 license number.

Policeman Reynolds also stated that the mere fact that an automobile owner had made an application and had a receipt to show that he did apply for license numbers, was not sufficient to avoid arrest as the law read that after January 1st of each year every automobile must have a new number on it. Heretofore receipts showing that application for numbers had been made were taken in good faith and no arrests made, but Mr. Reynolds said they would not answer their purpose after March 15 as he thought every person had sufficient time to get them by now.

MEET IN PARIS

(United Press Service)
Paris, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The executive council of the league of nations have been summoned to meet in Paris March 12 to organize the commission for investigation of conditions in Russia as commended by the council of premiers.

FACING A CRISIS

(United Press Service)
Boston, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—return of railroads to private concerns today, found New England facing the worst transportation crisis in its history, according to railroad officials. In view of the situation the New Haven railroad, under private control, ordered an immediate curtailment of fifty-one passenger trains. This action was taken, it was stated, in order that the locomotives might be used in transporting coal and freight which was piled up at terminals.

TURKS ARE BUSY

(United Press Service)
Washington, D. C., Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—About 10,000 Armenians have been massacred by Turkish nationalist forces in Cilicia, since fighting began between French and Turkish troops, according to advices at the state department today. The latest massacre reported to the department told of atrocities against the Armenians at Marash including the murder of eighty-five Armenian girls who were under the protection of the American mission there.

IN PRIVATE HANDS

Railroads in Country are Now Operating Under Private Ownership

RUNNING SMOOTHLY

Transfer was Made Without a Hitch—Waiting for Wage Settlement

Miami, Fla., Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The American Federation of Labor will take no further action on the railroad bill which was signed by President Wilson on Saturday, Samuel Gompers, president, stated here today.

Washington, D. C., Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—The nations railroads were under private control again today, after more than two years of government operation. By the terms of the railroad bill, signed by the president late Saturday, the railroads were restored to their owners last midnight. Railroad administration officials in all parts of the United States at that hour formally turned over to local executives the management of the rail systems.

Director General Walker D. Hines remained at his desk here today, ready to handle hundreds of compensation claims made by various small roads, claims for damages and other grievances incurred during government control. This will keep him busy until May 1. But the complicated machinery of the United States railroad administration had practically been scrapped and only a comparatively few clerks were needed today to carry on the work of closing the books.

Executives of the railroad unions who fought vainly against the Iselin-Cummings bill, first at the capitol and later at the white house, remained in Washington today, their wage demands still unsatisfied. They were to meet today to decide what to do next. The president in a letter to them, issued just after he signed the bill, pointed out that it makes provision for settlement of wage demands through the setting up of a joint tribunal of employers and employees and a labor court. The president urged the railroad executives to prepare to submit the entire wage controversy to such a tribunal.

The president assured the executives he would make every effort to hasten organization of the joint tribunal and the labor court which will have power to review the findings of the joint tribunal.

Wage increases will take months to negotiate under the labor provisions of the bill, the union executives declared.

INDIANAPOLIS MARKET

(United Press Service)
Indianapolis, Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—Hog receipts, 5,500; market 15 higher; best heavies, \$15.50@15.55; medium mixed, \$15.50@15.75; common choice, \$15.50@16; bulk sales, \$15.50@16; cattle receipts 1400, steady; steers \$10@13; cows and heifers, \$5@11.50; sheep receipts, 300; market steady; tops, \$9@9.50.

UNITED CHARITIES FUND

(United Press Service)
The United Charities fund was increased seventeen dollars today, three more contributions received, they being Christ Bokrecht, \$2.00; John Schug, \$1.00, and Delta Theta Tau sorority, \$10.00. If you wish to donate, send your contribution to Cal E. Peterson, the treasurer.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Fair tonight and Tuesday, slightly warmer Tuesday.

DATES FOR FAIR ARE CHANGED

Northern Indiana Fair will be Held August the 10, 11, 12 and 13th

MEETING WAS HELD

Mr. Stinson was Here and Met Farmers—To Give a Clean Fair

The Northern Indiana fair will be held in this city on August 10, 11, 12 and 13, inclusive, the dates having been changed at a meeting of the directors and officers of the fair association on Saturday afternoon at the secretary's office above the Gass & Son store, in order that the big event would not conflict or run in competition to the Celina, Ohio, fair which will be held the following week, the date first set for holding the Northern Indiana fair.

Quite a number of farmers, stockmen and interested citizens throughout the county attended the meeting Saturday and an excellent co-operative spirit was shown. Mr. Stinson of Sikeston, Mo., the general manager, was present and met every man there, asking them to give their support toward the fair and assured them that the Northern Indiana fair would be the biggest and best in the state. He told of a number of the notable attractions that the management has already secured for the week, including the entering of "Parlier," the \$47,000 Belgian stallion, and other stock entries and the securing of the Indianapolis Newsboys' band for the entire week and many other novel features.

One of Mr. Stinson's main and strong statements was that the Northern Indiana fair was going to be a clean moral show from start to finish and that the management would not tolerate any gambling or immoral shows of any kind. Mr. Stinson also stated in support of the above expression that the Northern Indiana fair was a fair for the farmers and good people of the community and not for the fakir. He was given the hearty commendation of those present, who assured him that the people who would attend the greatest fair in the state would appreciate the attitude taken by the management.

Plan on attending the big fair. Don't forget the dates, August 10, 11, 12 and 13.

NEARLY TEN THOUSAND ATTEND SHORT COURSE

One of the best short course seasons in the history of agriculture extension work in Indiana has just closed. Sixteen courses of two and one-half or three and one-half days with a total attendance of 9,953, or an average of 624 persons, were held. Fifteen members of the Purdue university extension staff participated in the various lines of work which were arranged to suit the requests of local communities.

Courses were held at Berne, Hyrum, Odon, Lowell, Valparaiso, Albion, Scottsburg, Cedarville, Young America, Urbana, Amboy, Bourbon, Letts, New Haven, Winchester and Auburn. The work at each course consisted mainly of demonstrations, boys, beef and dairy cattle, corn, poultry, feeds, fertilizers, etc., being used for illustrative purposes. For the women at each course, demonstrations were given on such subjects as home furnishings, home nursing, renovation of clothing, children's foods and clothing. At all courses, stereopticon lectures were given on popular subjects. Most of the demonstration material was obtained in the localities where the courses were given.

HAVE YOU EVER TRIED THEM?

(United Press Service)
New York, N. Y., Mar. 1.—(Special to Daily Democrat)—All you ancient ones, who yearn for youth and fear an operation, take heart. You can eat monkey glands and get the same results. One year ago, I was all in. I was a has been and my race was run," said Robert George Laws, who claims to be a retired London broker, on his arrival here from England. "My doctor told me to take monkey glands in capsule form. I did. Look at me now." Laws circled the deck of the big liner several times at a brisk run and came back with his chest hardly moving. He then picked up two heavy suit cases and walked down the gang plank. "Put it into, 72 years old," he said, as a final shot.