

## U.S. WILL SUE TO BREAK PINE ORGANIZATION

Anti-Trust Action to Be Based on Price-Fixing Charge.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—A civil anti-trust action for dissolution of the Southern Pine Association will be filed in a Missouri Federal Court within a few days, Franklin K. Kuebeker, special assistant to Attorney General Palmer, said here.

The association has been charged with violation of the anti-trust laws in several reports made to Congress by the Federal trade commission. The association, which is the largest of lumber manufacturers in the United States, maintained a system of communication among its members through which it conducted means to fix prices, the commission charged.

Breaking up of this practice should bring lower prices for lumber and go far toward relieving the housing shortage, it was said.

"Attorney General Palmer must pass on the evidence and the petition to be filed in court," said Judge Kuebeker.

The evidence on which the suit will be based was collected in a special investigation made by the Department of Justice.

"Dissolution of the association will be asked and also a permanent injunction to prevent its members from continuing the practices complained of."

## STATE SCHOOL CONTROL BILL MOVES AHEAD

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Representative Abrams with currying favor with "certain individuals" in, asked that the bill be defeated.

The majority of the House Committee on Education, A, which considered the bill favoring indefinite postponement, was adopted by *aviva voce* vote.

Almost an hour's time was consumed in discussion of the Barker bill, which provides for centralization of control of the three educational institutions of the State. The Committee on Education reported a divided report, the majority, Representative Knapp, Wilfils of Steuben, Gill, Phillips and Lear—favoring indefinite postponement and the minority favoring passage.

Representative Barker, Boone County, who introduced the measure, declared the bill should pass, although he had the opinion that the sentiment may be against it.

"I am in favor with the situation," he said, "of pooling the interests of the schools when an appropriation is asked and there is a lobby consisting of representatives of all the schools endeavoring to obtain the appropriation. If this pooling of interests is good in one instance, why not in another?"

"The result would be greater efficiency and better economy. The organization which the schools now have in trying to obtain their appropriation is one that can hardly be broken down," he said.

The bill was opposed by Representative Paul Haworth, Marion County. He declared that too many men unfamiliar with the needs of educational institutions have been placed on boards of trustees. He stated, however, that the present boards are efficient and added that he could see no reason why the new plan should be adopted.

He objected to the salary of \$1,000 that would be members of the proposed board, stating that the salary might as well be abolished. The plan has been tried in Michigan and other States, he said, and has been found unsatisfactory.

The vote on substitution of the minority report for that of the majority was adopted, 46 to 31. The bill now goes to the **SECOND BILL DIES BY OVERSIGHT.**

Unknown to most of the members of the House, the wills bill, providing for repeal of the primary election law, was killed by a report of the Committee on Elections. The bill was reported out for indefinite postponement and in the rush to complete committee reports the House accepted the committee's recommendations.

The bill, while it was never officially received by the administration forces, was one of a series of moves made by Republican leaders to kill the primary law. Representative Willis declared he introduced the bill on his own initiative but it was generally regarded as dead since it had no teeth of strength.

The Senate had voted a **Boardary** anti-primary bill and for that reason the House was selected as the next place of attack. After the administration forces were out-maneuvered by the pro-primary men in other circles it came to be generally accepted that the move against the state was dead.

As was expected, a divided report was returned by the Committee on Judiciary A on the bill which would abolish the departments of banking and insurance. The signers of the minority report, which favored passage, were Representatives Omer U. Newman, Marion County, and R. Barker, Posey County, co-authors.

It was stated by Representative Claude Smith, one of the authors of the measure, that the departments were costly and inefficient.

"I say now, as I said when the department was created, that it is merely something to create more salaries for political phe-hunters," said Smith.

The department was defended by Representatives Mann and Freeman, who declared the department has resulted in a saving to the people through regulation of the banking and insurance.

Representative Chester A. Davis, Jay County, declared the bill should not pass because the public did not desire it. He said that at a public hearing not one person spoke in defense of the bill and that the few persons who attended were all in favor of retention of the department.

Representative Russell N. Bedgood, Tippecanoe County, one of the co-authors of the bill, declared that the departments should be separated and the insurance department returned to the auditor of State.

The majority report was overwhelmingly adopted, thereby indefinitely postponing the bill.

## Plaint of Singers Stirs Cops' Sympathy

"Nobody knows how dry I am; nobody seems to give a thought to the song that reached the ears of Major Officers Drinker and Bernauer as they entered Edna Phillips' residence, 220 North Liberty street. Edna was not at home, for she is serving a ten-day vacation after being convicted of conducting an illegal house."

The singing continued until the police interrupted with the remark, "we care how dry you are."

The police charge that six men who were singing were under the influence of hair tonic. They arrested John Kelleher, a tenor, and John Murphy, a bass, while Edna was away, and James Butherford, John Gillin, James Willis, all of the Crair Hotel, and Cliff Jekal, 1110 Delos street, and Roy Thompson, 335 East New York street.

**HUNDREDS SEE \$3,000 HOLD-UP.** MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 21.—An unknown bandit, shortly before noon today, held up and robbed Ernest Tapp, 21, of the Federal Reserve Bank, and escaped with Tapp's grip containing \$3,000. Hundreds of persons witnessed the hold-up.

## LEAVE ALL GLAD RAGS ASIDE, YE WOMEN WHO SERVE ON JURY

"Mother, may I be a juror today?" "Oh, yes, my darling daughter, Wear a sensible dress, I pray. And act as the way you oughter."

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Justice has always been pictured as a blindfolded goddess, but they may need blinders for the judges and attorney to keep their minds on the law. It is women who are the jury box in short skirts, open-work hoseley and dashy hats. It has already been suggested that robes be provided for the women jurors, but milady rebels at such a somber covering.

Lady Alexander, generally acclaimed the best dressed English society woman, approves of only the plainest garb for woman in the jury box.

"For women who must choose their dress from limited wardrobes," Lady Alexander, "I would suggest the plainest and darkest dress and skirt possible, and the smallest hat, which it is likely to attract undue attention to the jury box."

"I should hate to have a robe served out to me," she said. "Why, you don't know what infectious ailment you might catch. Let women dress sensibly, and if their hats or the feathers in their hats are in the way, let them take them off the same as they do in the theater."

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## RUNNING COST OF COUNTY UP \$37,185 IN 1920

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county offices for expenses and salaries during 1920 out of the county fund:

of the principal offices in 1919 and 1920:
Center ..... \$19,151.98
Clerk ..... \$4,635.45
County auditor ..... 3,611.48
County recorder ..... 3,616.82
County sheriff ..... 4,376.51
County surveyor ..... 2,882.23
County treasurer ..... 2,000.00
County agricultural agent ..... 5,693.05
County coroner ..... 1,754.15
County with commissioners' court ..... 2,219.50
County board of trustees ..... 3,140.94
County board of review ..... 2,882.23
County auditor, Township ..... 1,069.00
Assessor Perry Township ..... 1,496.00
Assessor Pike Township ..... 664.00
Assessor Wayne Township ..... 5,101.23
Assessor Warren Township ..... 2,469.00
Assessor Lawrence Township ..... 1,222.00
Assessor Marion Township ..... 573.00

In 1920 poor relief was given as follows:

Center ..... \$9,657.42
Perry, 325.45
Lawrence, 1,499.56
Pike, 800.00
Wayne, 3,670.45
Recorder ..... 35,993.67
Auditor ..... 2,470
Sheriff ..... 8,535

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According to Fesler's report the following miscellaneous disbursements were made in 1920:

Donations for charitable organizations ..... \$1,150.00
Insanity Inquests, clothing ..... 6,625.48
Electoral registration ..... 2,504.47
Electoral primary ..... 27,524.31
Electoral, general, organization ..... 37,663.75
State benevolent institutions ..... 43,935.57
Burial of ex-soldiers and wives ..... 38,018.16
Advertising ..... 26,644.00
Books ..... 2,000.00
Roads and highways ..... 101.66
Board of State Charities ..... 8,09
Farmers Institute and horticultural ..... 200.00
Justice of the peace mileage ..... 100.00
Deficit school fund interest ..... 4.30
Bridge repairs ..... 5,155.91
Telephones (all county institutions) ..... 12,121.19
Payment of expenses ..... 630.00
Board of education ..... 2,043.73
County nurse, salary and expenses ..... 2,941.90
Board of managers ..... 2,964.00
Street improvements ..... 2,751.08
Police prevention ..... 23,285.21
Track elevation ..... 3,338.47
Change of venue ..... 11,584.90
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