

IS STANDARD OIL TO GO TO LONDON?

Will Recent Decision Cause
Trust to Take Headquarters
from the U. S.?

(Special Cable from the International News Service.)
London, June 3.—Is the Standard Oil company going to transfer its headquarters to London as a result of the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States? You hear this question discussed in city offices and on the London Stock Exchange every day, and many prominent financiers are convinced that before the six months grace granted the Rockefeller octopus has expired we shall see it firmly established here. In the magnificent building at Queen Anne's Gate which is far more imposing than most English government buildings in that neighborhood, a feverish bustle and activity seems to prophesy of great events to come. The big building is lit night and day, enormous quantities of office furniture have arrived, not only of the ordinary kind, but costly carpets, sumptuous hangings and richly carved desks, tables and chairs of the kind which you only find in the private offices of American magnates. A small army of electricians, many of them Americans, are busily wiring the building, but a silent lot they are and reporters have vainly been trying to find out from them what they are doing inside the carefully guarded structure. No sentries are pacing the sidewalk before the immense granite pile, and the heavy bronze and oak doors are wide open inviting you to enter, but if you try, you feel your progress impeded by invisible bars, polite attendants readily take your card and disappear with it into the inner sanctum, only to reappear with an expression of the sincerest regret in their honest faces to tell you that owing to special circumstances it is not possible for the head of the department to see you today.

You may try it again but the unfortunate special circumstances are evidently chronic and no matter how persistent you are, you will finally come to the conclusion that Standard Oil in London has no more use for publicity than Standard Oil in America.

That the headquarters of the company will be transferred to this city, as it has many and as important interests in this hemisphere as in America. In the country of its birth, besides, it will have to be very careful in its movements, years may pass before it will dare extend its field, but with its headquarters in London, with its master plotters enthroned here, it may send its tentacles eastward in Asia and Egypt, because the people of the old world are less practiced in fighting against trusts and their laws less carefully framed.

Nobody will bid Rockefeller's concern welcome in Europe. Its reputation has reached even the remotest corners of the Czar's empire, and everyone knows that its coming will mean a fight the like of which we have never seen here, with victory for pious John D.'s oily concern by no means certain, for old world governments are somehow less pliable than Uncle Sam and an ukase of the Czar or an edict by some other monarch comes more quickly than a United States supreme court's decision and is even more difficult to evade.

Acton, a West end suburb, will be a place to stay away from on Coronation night for it is proposed on that night to make it a suburb of song. London at present is dominated by hundreds of coronation committees each one more determined to show its loyalty than the other, and if all the various schemes are carried out Dante's Inferno would be a heavenly pleasure resort compared to London during coronation week. The plan suggested by the Acton committee is a peculiarly vicious one, and I am thinking my lucky star that I do not have to spend the evening within its sphere of influence. At 10:15 in the evening the National anthem is to be sung in every house of the borough. Imagine the effect! Even Richard Strauss would not be able to devise a similar cacophony.

In the faint hope that the plan might be a canard invented by some penny line reporter I interviewed Mr. Crane, chairman of the Acton coronation committee, but found him in dread earnest and genuinely delighted with his own ingenuity, which he evidently hopes will be rewarded by a knighthood or at least a higher order.

"You know in these days almost every house can boast a piano or some musical instrument," said Mr. Crane, "and it should be a simple matter to arrange a united singing of the na-

tional anthem in every house in the parish. Our idea is to let the band strike up "God Save the King" at 10:15 p. m., and to get the church bells to chime the same tune at the same time. Then everybody, whether outdoors or in the houses, can add their voices to the strains."

Heaven preserve the citizens of Acton.
The Duke of Marlborough is entertaining a large Whitsuntide party at lenheim palace and King Manuel is one of the many distinguished guests. The great point of interest is a great semi military ball to be attended by all the officers of the Bucks and Berkshire Yeomanry on Monday. It is a very long time since an entertainment of this kind has taken place at Blenheim and although the Duchess is being sincerely missed the event is welcomed by society as a sign that the magnificent palace is not to be permanently deserted.

Auroras of King Manuel—the young monarch, who seems to have become reconciled to his fate very quickly, intends to go in for racing over here as soon as possible. He is negotiating for a place to at which his horses can be trained under his own eye, and at present it seems likely that he will rent the big house and grounds at Hanworth park, which belonged to old Mr. Lafone, late member of the house of commons, who died last month. There is good galloping ground here and room for immense stables, while the house and gardens are charming. The places lies west of Twickenham, and there is historic precedent for royal occupancy, as Queen Elizabeth had stables here and hunted in the park with some regularity in the early years of her reign.

An exceedingly interesting exhibition of Stuart and Cromwell relics was opened in Cambridge Guildhall the other day.

Many interesting memorials of Cromwell included in the exhibition have been obtained in the district, the Protector having received his education at the university, and afterwards represented the borough in Parliament. The portraits include the famous picture by Cooper showing Cromwell in later years, worn by his strenuous life. Other relics include the Protector's gloves, sword and spectacles. The Stuart exhibits are in great number and cover the history of the ill-fated family from the time of Mary Queen of Scots to the tragic ending of Charles of Scotland. The Saffron Walden museum has lent the glove reputed to have been received from the Queen on the morning of her execution by Marmaduke Barrell, Master of the Household at Fotheringhay, but most fascinating to visitors is a faded pale blue silk vest, with discolorations said to be stains of blood, which was worn by King Charles on the scaffold; and the iron mask of his executioner.

OVERCOME BY PAINT FUMES IN WATER TANK

West Liberty, Ia., June 3.—Sherman Pond, Clarence Smith, and John Lincoln, painters, were overcome by paint fumes while painting the interior of the high pressure water tank building here.

They were rescued by three men who were lowered through an eighteen inch hole in the top of the 120 foot tank. Pond and Lincoln regained consciousness soon after reaching the top of the tank.

As the men were lowering Lincoln from the roof the strap about his chest parted. Harry John, clinging to a ladder half way up the sheer wall, caught him after he had fallen about a dozen feet.

BUMPER PEAR CROP IS IN WASHINGTON

North Yakima, Wash., June 3.—Never before probably did fruit trees promise to bear such loads as they do this year. To illustrate the heavy growths of young fruit on typical trees, exhibits have been made here this week from all parts of the fruit section.

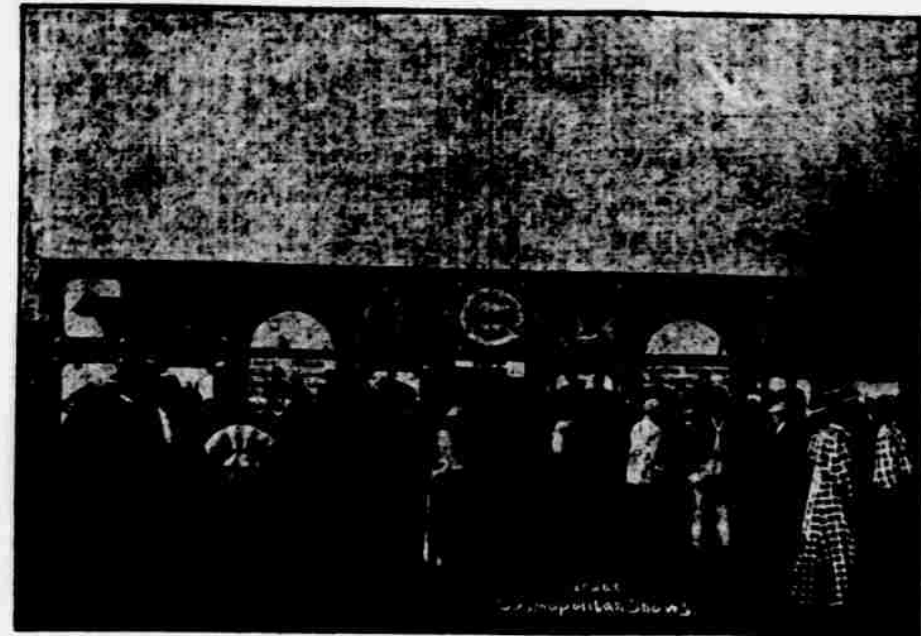
A fourteen inch limb bears 125 pears, while on twelve inches of apple boughs, thirty-eight apples are clinging. The marvels are two fifteen inch cherry limbs, which are bearing 302 young Royal Anne cherries.

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As a second feature comes Billy Chase, the tip top topical songster who could well be featured on any bill. Billy comes to us with a lot of new songs and jokes that are entirely original and sure to make us laugh.

The Bartelmes, the antipodean duo introduce some very clever foot juggling, foremost among which is the shipwreck finish with effects. This is something never seen before as it is also grotesque dancing.

Thompson & Carter are singing and dancing their way through this world and are meeting with phenomenal success along that line.

The Murrayscope with a high class comedy film conclude the bill which is sure to please.

THINKS IT BRAVE TO KILL ONESELF

(National News Association)
New York, June 2.—"It's a good thing to kill yourself when you are no longer useful in this world. But it takes a brave man to end his own life."

This was the statement of Edward Mariatt, a wealthy retired publisher of Brooklyn several weeks ago.

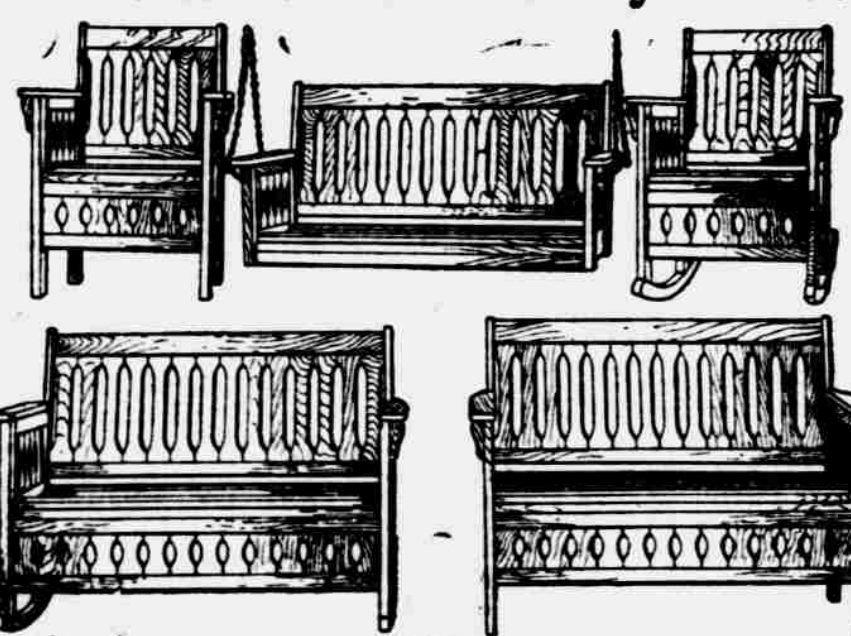
Today Mariatt was found dead, a suicide by gas. He had been ill for about two years.

Its Size.

Little Fred was telling his father about a peculiar stone he had found while at play in the back yard.

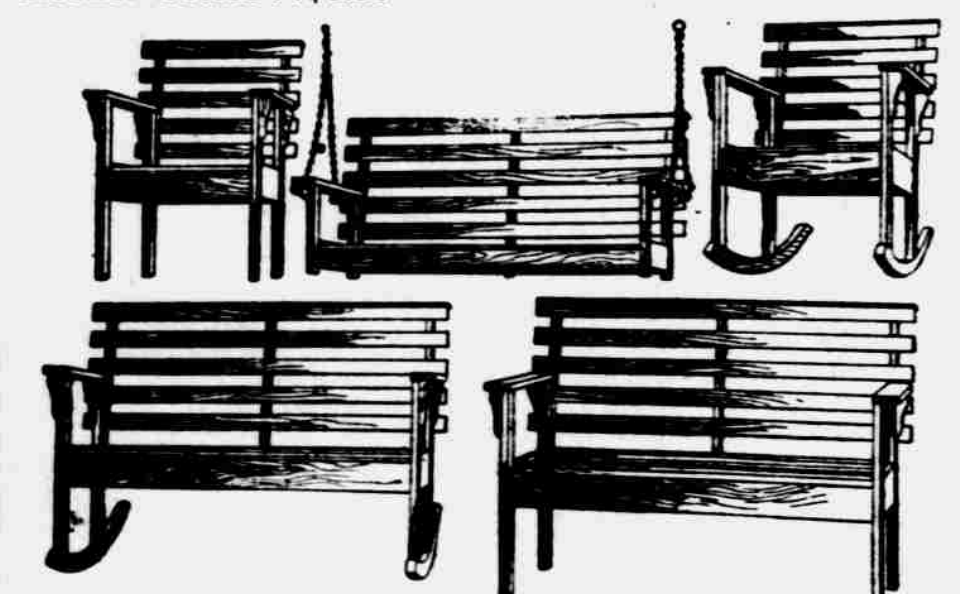
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TEDDY AND BILLY TO MEET TUESDAY

Conference to Be Held at
Baltimore to Discuss the
Next Campaign.

(National News Association)

Washington, June 3.—From the day Colonel Roosevelt started up the river Nile on his return to the United States from his invasion of Africa, the questions which have been agitating the political public are:

What does Roosevelt think of Taft's stand in the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy—the controversy which resulted in the official beheading of Colonel Roosevelt's friend, Gifford Pinchot?

What does Roosevelt think of the "heir to his policies" after two years of an administration by the heir, President Taft?

These questions will be answered by President Taft and Theodore Roosevelt next Tuesday, when they meet for a conference in Baltimore. This is the first public meeting of the two men since Taft's inauguration.

Will Aid Taft's Renomination.

There is good authority for saying Roosevelt will work for the renomination of President Taft.

George von L. Meyer, secretary of the navy in President Taft's cabinet and Postmaster General in President Roosevelt's cabinet, was a guest of Colonel Roosevelt at Oyster Bay last Wednesday. Secretary Meyer arranged the details for the meeting on Tuesday.

When President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt meet on Tuesday the whole plan for the convention, which will be held about a year hence, will be laid before the Colonel. The latter's plans for campaigning will be asked.

Hitchcock Still in Saddle.
Postmaster General Hitchcock probably will attend the conference. Notwithstanding Mr. Hitchcock's declaration that he desired to quit the administration that he is still in the saddle and that he will remain there for some time to come.

The visit of former Forester Gifford Pinchot to Colonel Roosevelt last week and his later visit to Secretary of War Stimson had much to do with

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bringing about the meeting of next week. Secretary Stimson, too, has been an aid in this direction.
Secretary of the Interior Fisher also has done much to bring the friends of the president and the Pinchot people together.

Will Discuss Reciprocity.
Another proposition which the two leaders will discuss will be the attitude of certain Republican senators toward reciprocity and through reciprocity toward the president.

President Taft will inform the Colonel how these certain senators have been working—using reciprocity as a hammer—to chastise President Taft because of the latter's leanings toward the so-called Roosevelt policies. These senators resented the appointments of Secretary Fisher and Secretary Stimson on the ground that they showed conclusively that President Taft was leaning to a large degree toward his predecessor and what the latter represents.

The Japanese population of Seoul has increased by 8,000 within a year. There are now 48,000 Japanese among the Koreans.

SARAH BERNHARDT RIDES IN ENGINE

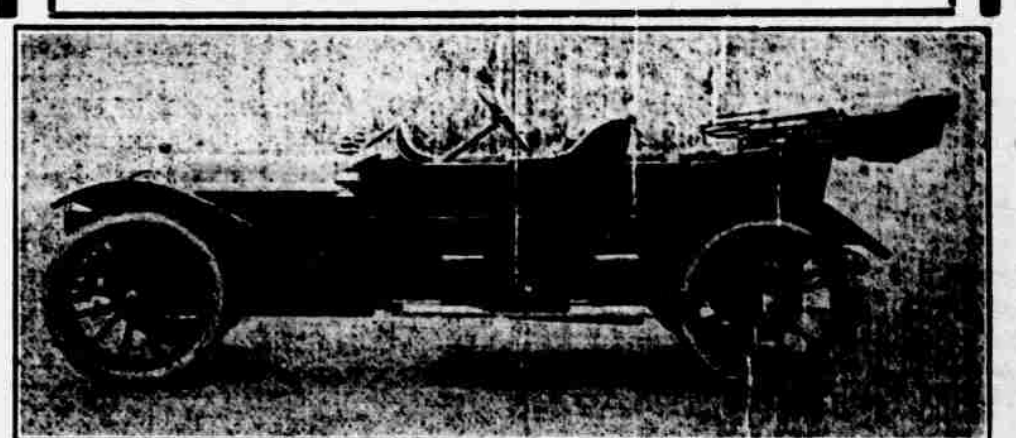
(National News Association)
Chicago, June 3.—Disdainful of grime and cinders and the terrific speed, Mme. Sarah Bernhardt clung to the fireman's seat in the cab of the special train which took her to Chicago to Milwaukee.

At times the engineer in response to a nod from the "Divine Sarah" put on more speed and the great actress was whisked through Southern Wisconsin at the rate of seventy miles an hour.

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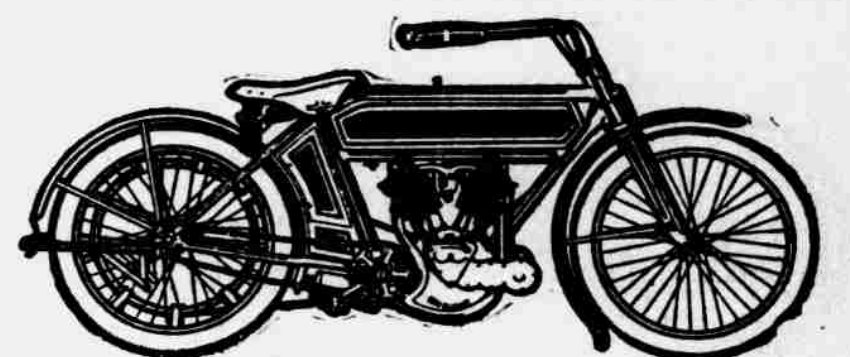
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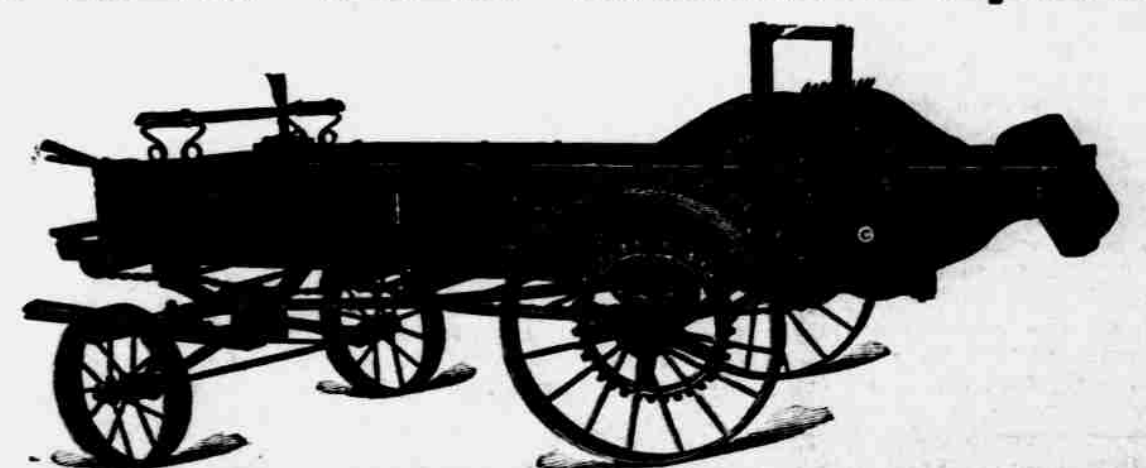
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