

OIL KING HARD HIT IN MEXICO



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Standard Oil Having Fight of Its Life Today in Southern Republic—Big Native Refining Company Conducts Spectacular Campaign Against Oil Trust.

Special to The Standard. City of Mexico, Dec. 26.—The most spectacular oil war in the history of the world is going on in Mexico today. It began several months ago. The Standard Oil Co. through its subsidiary concern, the Waters-Pierce Oil Co., is lined up on one side, while on the other is the Compania de Petroleo el Agulla de Mexico, which translated into English is the Mexican Eagle Petroleum Co. The Eagle is the national emblem of Mexico, and this new company is playing the eagle for all it is worth. The emblem of the Waters-Pierce Oil Co. is the rooster. It is a fight between the eagle and the rooster.

Both concerns have adopted remarkable methods for attracting the attention of the common people of the country to their oils. The Mexican Eagle Petroleum Co. has a capital stock of \$25,000,000. It has for its president, Guillermo Landay Escandón, governor of the federal district in which this city is situated. Its stockholders are made up of a noted coterie of multimillionaires, all of whom are Mexicans, with the exception of Sir Westman Pearson of London, England.

The company is appealing to the people for their patronage on the ground that it is a Mexican concern. It has been the aggressor ever since the warfare started. It made the first cut in prices of refined oils and has gone a few notches below every price fixed by its competitor. It has established retail agencies in every city and town of any size in Mexico.

It recognizes the fact that the 11,000,000 natives of the lower class are the ones who use the bulk of the refined oils in this country. Many of these people cannot read, and in order to reach them the Mexican Eagle Petroleum Co. has a small army of smooth-tongued orators who deliver addresses upon the street corners on the merits of the company's products.

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SCOTT CASE RICH vs. POOR IS ENGLAND'S BATTLE

Toronto Professor Declares Treatment of Canadian Students in Germany but an Incident to Well Defined Policy.

(New York Herald.) Toronto, Ont., Dec. 22.—That the recent fine, imprisonment and expulsion from Saxony, of Mr. George Stewart Scott, a Canadian student in the Freiberg School of Mines, is the culmination rather than the beginning of discrimination by the German authorities against English speaking students was learned here today.



Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and his wife and baby—He's the Welshman who drew up the budget that made England a seething pot of politics.

By Chas. P. Stewart. Special to The Standard. London, Dec. 26.—Do you notice in Canada that the few are gaining control, more and more, of your natural resources? Do you think it's fair or fine? And do you wonder how far the captain of industry is going to carry it—where it will all end?

Come on over to England and see how excited everybody is over the very same thing in the British Isles. Over here the monopolizing of natural resources has reached the limit and now they're holding an election so that they can legislate away some of the evils which the English people allowed the few to blanket them with.

It started ever so long ago in Britain. About 900 years since a small group of noblemen took possession on by sword, spear and battleaxe. Their descendants or the latter day captains of industry who handed over millions for ancestral estates, still hang on to a large part of the land—their now by sacred property right. In fact, 350 men today own nearly one-seventh of the land and natural resources of the kingdom.

Mr. W. L. Symons, of Symons & Rae, architects, No. 15 Toronto street, who has been a friend of Mr. Scott's for many years, is the only person to be found in Toronto who has received the Herald's letter to a Herald reporter, Mr. Symons said: "In a letter to me written soon after the case of the Scotts, the affair which seems to have been outrageous. He got into a fight with a peasant who was picking fruit on the highway. It was a case of one of the other them being whipped and Stewart, feeling that he was acting in self-defence, resolved that he would not be the one. He said little about the result further than that he gave the peasant a good thrashing."

"When he returned to the city the gendarmes were waiting for him at the gate and took him to prison. According to his story he was kept on bread and water for twelve days. He was then given a trial, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to pay a fine of 400 marks, 200 of which was remitted. I believe, on the ground that his imprisonment had been rather too severe a punishment. Stewart admitted frankly that he was guilty, but claimed that he acted in self-defence.

"He wrote me that he had been imprisoned on bread and water being an unduly severe sentence. I do not recall the date of the letter, but it was just after his release. He did not refer to the case of the Scotts, but ordered to leave Saxony. I gained my information in that respect from the papers. Nor did Mr. Scott refer in his letter to the attitude of the Consul, but I understand it is the persons in the university at Freiberg communicated with the Foreign Office at London and were referred to the British Consul, who said he could do nothing.

SNOW WAS NEW YORK'S CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Three inches of the Beautiful Fell in New York on Saturday—100,000 Provided With Free Dinners.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 25.—Christmas brought to New York a snow-storm, cheering all who delight in a wintry holiday, softening the rumble of what little city traffic was abroad in the streets and especially gladdening the heart of the small boy with the hollow sled. The snowfall, which was the only one of the season with the exception of a light fall on Thanksgiving eve, began shortly before noon today and continued into the night, covering the streets nearly three inches deep.

The general feature of the holiday was the free dinners provided for more than 100,000 of the city's poor. The Salvation Army alone fed over 25,000 hungry mouths at the Grand Central Palace and provided, besides a Christmas tree laden with presents for upward of 3,000 children. The volunteers of America and other charitable organizations dispensed quite as bountiful a supply of food and cheer.

On the East Side the same great crowds who attended the funeral yesterday of "Little Tim" Sullivan, the Tammany alderman, crowded the Sullivan headquarters on the Bowery today to find that "Little Tim's" annual Christmas dinner had been provided for by his big cousin, State Senator Timothy D. Sullivan, better known as "Big Tim."

Seven thousand East Siders ate their fill, and departed with a free pipe and tobacco and a ticket for a new pair of shoes. It had been "Little Tim's" last request that this Christmas charity be kept up by the Sullivan family.

There were many visitors in the city to offset the tens of thousands who journeyed to old homes in the country for the holiday. Among the guests of the city's guests were 10,000 sailors from the Atlantic battleship fleet which is anchored in the Hudson close to Riverside Drive. The government provided the men with bouffant dinners.

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ELECTION SONGS IN EXCITED ENGLAND

Special to The Standard. London, Dec. 26.—A big feature of the election in England is the campaign songs sung by workmen to well known tunes. Whenever there is a general meeting, the supporters of the land tax denounce the neighborhood with their roars of melody. Here are some of the most popular songs:

Tune of "Marching Through Georgia." Sound a blast of freedom, boys, and send it far and wide! March along to victory, for God is on our side, While the roars of nature thunders o'er the rising tide, God made the land for the people!

POET WATSON IS DEFENDED BY WIFE

New York, Dec. 25.—A cable message from Havana has been received here from Maureen Watson, the bride of William Watson, the poet, in which she denies that her husband is insane and calls in question the motives of Robinson Watson, whose statement to that effect was given in explanation of his brother's attack on the Asquiths. Mrs. Watson says: "Mr. Robinson Watson's message to the World is a wicked attempt to ruin my husband. Mr. William Watson's reputation in America accords well with his conduct for years past."

"I don't know Mr. Scott, but I observed by the records that he was graduated from this school with honors in 1905, and I know that Dr. T. L. Walker, head of the department of mineralogy, expected him to take a position on the staff of that department."

COOK'S PHOTOGRAPH GOES FOR TWO CENTS

Explorer's Autographed Portrait Placed Under Hammer at Minneapolis and Sold at Price of Postage Stamp.

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