

LANDIS CALLS STATEMENT BY AGENT FALSE

Denies Having O. K'd the Methods of Mail Order Stock Jobbers.

Judge Kenesaw M. Landis was mentioned yesterday by persons who said they were representatives of Curtis, Miller & Co., one of eight stock selling mail order houses in Chicago under investigation by postoffice inspectors...

Landis calls it "Absolute Lie." He said, too, that a reporter for the Tribune came to the office of the company Monday and said that stories of an investigation by postoffice inspectors were mistakes and not to pay any attention to them.

Evidence Pours In. Documents and other evidence showing the methods used by the company to dispose of its "securities" poured in on Post Office Inspector A. B. Germer yesterday from every state in the Midwest.

This evidence, with affidavits secured from several witnesses, will be placed before an assistant of District Attorney Clyne by Mr. Germer at 10 o'clock today. One of the documents is a statement of the company's financial condition on the first day of 1917, and showing its assets to be \$59,477.67, its liabilities to amount to \$359,301.11, and the net deficit for the previous year to be \$299,823.65.

Has \$52,000 Deficit. The statement shows that the company had a gross profit of \$89,000 last year, but that its operating expenses were \$141,000, or a deficit on this score of \$52,000.

Details of the stock selling plan will be given to the assistant district attorney. The preferred stock has a par value of \$10 a share, but has sold on installment at \$12.50 a share. The Class A common stock has a par value of \$5 and sold at \$7.50 a share until two weeks ago, when the selling price was raised to \$10 a share.

Get \$3.50 Commissions. Sales agents have received commissions of \$3.00 for selling the preferred

STEW A Little Bit Off the Neck Is Suggested to Cut Cost of Living.

MOST people don't realize the delicious possibilities of neck steaks, according to Mrs. Jean Prescott Adams, who spoke at a meeting of the Woman's Association of Commerce last night in the Monastnock building.

The women passed a resolution urging the president to appoint one or more women to the proposed food commission. Women were urged to take the positions of men made vacant by the call to arms, and to insist upon equal pay, Miss Florence King presided.

and common stock. When transfers of preferred for common stock were made, additional commissions were paid. Although the common stock is the personal property of Herman Mueller and Herbert Apfelbaum, president and secretary, respectively, of the company, the expense of realizing money on this stock has always been paid from the funds of the company, and is one of the principal leaks in the treasury.

Prospective purchasers of Class A common stock have been told, according to evidence in the possession of Mr. Germer, that dividends of not less than 52 per cent would be paid on this stock in future, and that it was bought on these representations.

Vouch for Agents. Letters sent through the mails have lately vouched for every representation made by sales agents of the company to dispose of the company's paper. Profit-sharing certificates have been sold widows, scrubwomen, street sweepers and small salaried clerks on the claim that they would pay dividends of 4 to 12 per cent in the future in addition to permitting the holders to buy merchandise at greatly reduced prices.

A list of 3,500 stockholders will be given to the assistant district attorney by Mr. Germer. Many of these people live in Kansas and southern states.

CORDON CLUB SETS THE MUSES ON THEIR HEADS

"First Annual Field Day" Proves Undoing of Culture.

BY MARGERY CURREY. In the elder days, we're taught, Painters worked with pious care; Now we must avoid all thought—Vera libre art is everywhere. Marvelous, swirling, kaleidoscopic, screaming, and indescribable was the production given last evening at the Cordon by the members of that club which includes on its roster the names of many of the feminine wits and talented ones of the city.

True High Art. Introduced by the lines quoted above, the loan collection of masterpieces was presented in tableaux vivants, showing "The Lady of the Mustard Pot," described in the catalogue as a bit of decorative emotionalism, represented by Mrs. Jessie Arms Botke; the enchanting Mlle. Pogany, called "Egg-o'-My-Heart," a sculptured bust impersonated by Miss Elizabeth Chesbrough; "The Nymph Descending the Staircase," described as "geometric dynamism" and assisted by Virginia Chester and Charlotte Lyman, and other works of art.

"Gods of the Market." The second part of the program was a travesty called "The Gods of the Market," by Lord Inesney, composed and arranged by Eunice Tietjens and Nathalie S. Kennedy. The gods were the modernist poets, fresh, green young "vers libertines," with green pajamas, green of visage and green as katydid in their shrill proclamation of themselves.

Sympathy Orchestra. The Cordon "Sympathy" orchestra, which gave the last part of the program, seemed to include every known instrument but the cash register and a soda fountain.

PARKING LAW Judge Kearns Explains Its Terms in Speeders' Court.

THE new parking ordinance has been misinterpreted by many automobile owners. To correct a misunderstanding which has led to many arrests, Judge Hugh J. Kearns of the Speeders' court gave out this statement from the bench yesterday.

COUNCIL BOARD BACKFIRES ON NEW AUTO LAWS

After a few minutes of "kidding" a majority of the council committee on judiciary yesterday recommended weakening three important ordinances. The ordinances are those prohibiting parking on downtown street car lines streets during rush hours, requiring automobiles to stop before entering, on a boulevard, and prohibiting dazzling headlights.

Ald. John G. Horne spoke in favor of his amendments, which would reduce to \$1 in each instance the minimum fine of \$5 for violation of the ordinances. Some of the committee members told him that a \$5 fine was not big enough, but when Ald. Ross A. Woodhull moved that the minimum fine provision be stricken out the motion was passed viva voce.

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Should She Obey? NO MEN ADMITTED

Should She Obey? \$500 CASH For Best 25-Word Letters on "WHAT IS THE CAUSE OF DIVORCE?"

SAFEGUARD LIFE, PROTECT LABQR, PLEA BY WILSON

Setting Aside of Laws by State Is Deplorable, President Says.

Washington, D. C., May 15.—A delegation of labor leaders here for conferences with the British labor envoys were told by President Wilson at the White House today that he considered that "nothing would be more deplorable" than any movement in the present crisis to set aside temporarily the laws which safeguard standards of labor.

All Must Make Sacrifices. "I do not doubt," the president said, "that any body of men representing labor will be willing to make any sacrifice that is necessary to carry this contest to a successful issue, and in this confidence I feel that it would be inexcusable if we deprived men and women of such a spirit of any of the existing safeguards of the law."

Confer with British Leaders. After the visit to the White House they went into conferences with the British labor leaders at the American federation headquarters, discussing in detail wartime experiences and advised regarding the best means of preventing labor troubles and safeguarding labor interests in this country until the war is over.

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