

BUSINESS MUST KNOW ITS RIGHTS

Nagel Pleads for Positive Legislation.

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Burden of Reconstruction Is Now Wrongly Placed.

FEDERAL PLAN ESSENTIAL

Present Situation Embarrassing to New Ventures—Repeal of Sherman Act Unwise—Supplement Is Suggested.

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The one gratifying feature of the discussion about the condition of commerce undoubtedly is that it promises some definite result. There has been an abundance of general comment and criticism, but now representatives of commerce seem to appreciate that there is a distinct lack which must be supplied by some constructive measure. The wonder is that the demand has been so long deferred. Our institutions are peculiarly calculated to bring about the condition with which we are now confronted.

We have made much of the check system in our constitution, but we have been unmindful of the fact that those checks apply almost solely to political power. Commercial development has been permitted to proceed practically without Federal control, and really the only provision in the constitution for the effective exercise of such control is to be found in the authority of Congress to regulate interstate commerce.

Commerce in Wrong Attitude.

The anti-trust law was the first check provided against the abuses which had inevitably resulted from such a system. Unfortunately commerce in good faith, assumed that the law was invalid, or if valid would not be enforced, and in this attitude commerce was unhappily encouraged by counselors, who failed to recognize that the development of our industries had assumed a proportion which gave them a quasi-public character.

Postponement of compliance necessarily invited more aggressive measures. The wiser course would have been to bow to the law, and to suggest corresponding measures to relieve from unnecessary hardships. When those who are most familiar with the practical difficulties refuse or fail to suggest a proper relief, they may always depend that some remedy will be supplied by others who are necessarily less familiar with the conditions and the difficulties.

Something Lacking in System.

Now that the anti-trust law has been construed and that the determination to enforce that law has been made clear, every one must appreciate that something is lacking in the system. Of course, we hear from those who are more strenuous than ever in their demand for the repeal or amendment of the law, just because it has been interpreted and is to be enforced. In my opinion, these critics are unmindful of the condition with which we have to deal.

It would be unwise to repeal the law, and it would in any event be impossible. To my mind, the better course

GOLDEN RULE IS DAMAGE SUIT FOE

TRACTION COMPANY HEAD SAYS FAIRNESS IS BEST.

President Josselyn Tells Coast Claim Agents He Finds Settlement Policy Beats Litigation.

Application of the golden rule, "do unto others as you would have them do unto you," is the bane of lawsuits, declared B. S. Josselyn, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, yesterday in addressing the executive committee of the Pacific Coast Claim Agents' Association.

"It has been my theory," said Mr. Josselyn, "that personal damage claims against the railways can only be handled by an absolute regard for the responsibilities involved. If you settle every case on the theory of the golden rule, to do to others as you would have them do to you, you will create in the public mind an impression of fairness and justice; you will procure a settlement more often and less lawsuits. If a transportation company is responsible for the injury, then, I say, a full and complete settlement should be made."

"I want you men to take this fact under your hats and think it over. It has been the policy of the company I represent to deal fairly with the public in all personal injury cases, and it has never endeavored to shirk the responsibilities resulting from a careless act of an employee."

The delegates were in session all day, and in the evening were entertained at dinner at the Hazelwood. They will be taken today in a special car to Estacada.

The object of the meeting is to prepare a programme for the annual convention at Los Angeles next May. Those in attendance at the meeting were: T. G. Newman, of the Whatcom County Railway & Light Company, Bellingham, Wash.; George Caragon, of the Seattle Railway Company, Seattle, Wash.; G. N. Smith, of the O.-W. R. & N. Co., Portland; A. M. Lee, of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, Seattle; T. G. Aston, of the Washington Water Power Railway Company, Spokane; E. M. Grover, of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, Tacoma, Wash.; E. H. O'Neil, of the Tacoma Railway & Power Company, Tacoma; H. K. Reif, of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway, Portland; and B. F. Boynton, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, Portland.

MRS. HEN'S EARNINGS BIG

From \$3 to \$4 a Year Net Is Possible, Says Lecturer.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Nov. 18.—(Special).—Hens will net the poultry-raiser from \$3 to \$4 a year, if properly cared for, according to Lillian Blanchard, who has charge of the poultry department of the Washington State College at Pullman, and who spoke on "Successful Poultry Management" at this morning's session of the farmers' institute at the Commercial Club rooms.

Miss Blanchard told of the growth of the poultry industry in the United States, who failed to recognize that the development of our industries had assumed a proportion which gave them a quasi-public character.

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BUSINESS FUTURE BRIGHT FOR CITY

Financial Leaders Are Unit in Optimism.

ELECTION "DEPRESSION" GONE

Stability of Building Activity Marks Portland's Strength.

CROP RETURNS BIG FACTOR

Production of Territory Tapped by Railroads Gives Impetus to Investment of More Capital.

Optimistic is the view taken of existing business and financial conditions throughout the country by Portland men who are in touch with the financial and industrial situation nationally. Satisfaction is not only expressed with prevailing conditions, but the same authority very generally declares the outlook for 1912 is even more encouraging.

Local financiers admit that anti-trust legislation and tinkering with the tariff this year had a deterrent effect on the business activities of the country for a time. The harmful effects of that agitation, it is agreed, have been abated and business is gradually resuming a normal state.

Financial Rein Tightened.

Demoralized conditions have been materially revived through the action of the financial interests of the country about one year ago in the adoption of a policy not to advance money indiscriminately for speculative purposes.

The result has been that capital was advanced only for the legitimate needs of the business of the country. This has had the effect of bringing the people to their senses and has placed the business of the country on a decidedly more substantial basis.

Constructive legislation by the next Congress for the settlement of the corporation problem and further legislation creating a sound monetary system that will respond to the demands of business, are recognized as desirable if relief is to be assured.

There is a difference of opinion locally as to the effect on business conditions of an approaching Presidential election will have next year. There is a growing conviction, however, that the National campaign will not interpose a serious check on the business activities of the country in 1912.

Election "Calamity" Scouted.

Already the bugaboo of "Presidential year," which regularly every four years in the past has caused more or less business depression, has been very generally discounted throughout the East. Despite this political unrest and economic disturbances at home and abroad, bankers agree that the country has every reason for congratulation that general business conditions have been so generally maintained, evidencing as it does the stability of underlying conditions.

What is regarded as an especially encouraging indication of satisfactory conditions in the East is the demand from that section of the country for Oregon products, particularly the food products of this state, for delivery next year. This demand is not only heavier than in years but the buyers have ready money with which to cover all orders. Completion of the Panama Canal in 1912 is expected to have a

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REIGN OF TERROR THREATENS CHINA

Nation on Verge of Anarchy.

LAWLESSNESS IS UNCHECKED

Robber Bands Organize and Loot Throughout Empire.

BOTH SIDES POWERLESS

Decisive Battle of Revolution Impending at Nanking—No Doubt That Uncle Sam Will Send Troops to Scene of War.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Affairs in China apparently have reached such a point that neither the rebels nor the imperialists are able to check acts of lawlessness. Advances to the State Department today report that brigandage is on the increase in various parts of the empire. Business is reported in a critical condition and finances in very bad shape.

Rear-Admiral Murdock, commander of the American naval forces in China, reports that Nanking is cut off from communication with the outside world by railroad and telegraph and that the natives are leaving in disorder. All the missionaries except three are reported to have left Nanking for Wu-Hu. There are no disorders in Che Foo, but many robberies have been committed in the vicinity.

Battle Impends at Nanking.

Later advices from Nanking, where the decisive battle of the revolution is thought to be impending, are to the effect that all is in readiness on both sides. The naval officers report that it will be extremely difficult to protect foreign property inside the walls, because it is so widely scattered. The revolutionary forces are still concentrating.

They now hold all the territory in the vicinity of Nanking. The principal advance of the revolutionaries on Nanking is from the direction of Chin Kiang. The advance guard is made up of trained troops who are well equipped.

The imperialist forces which were captured by the revolutionaries, or surrendered voluntarily after the fighting at Hankow, are reported to be lying at Chin Kiang.

Stability of Cabinet Doubted.

The American collector Ahrens has arrived at Shanghai, with supplies for the American warships in the Yangtze River.

Minister Calhoun has grave doubts as to the stability of the new Cabinet formed by Yuan Shi Kai. The arrival of Yuan Shi Kai in Peking has done much to steady the situation, but the government is in need of financial help.

Just who is to press the button which will start the American Chinese expedition from Manila could not be determined today. The War Department officials said the troops could be dispatched at a moment's notice and at the State Department it is pointed out that some arrangements must be made for a commissariat; that the troops could not land in China without provision for food and shelter. There would seem to be no doubt in any quarter that the expedition will be sent.

Territory Not Sought.

Officials were extremely desirous that there should be no possible mistake.

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WOMAN CANDIDATE SAYS SHE'S ANTI

SPOKANE MISS IS FOE OF COMPULSORY VACCINE.

97 Club Members Nominate Helen Cramer for School Board—She Announces Platform.

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 18.—(Special).—Miss Cramer's platform is: "I am opposed to compulsory vaccination in schools, compulsory medical inspection in schools and religious education in schools. I am in favor of quarantine, sanitation and hygiene; a policy of construction and reconstruction—not destruction."

Miss Helen Cramer, a Christian Science practitioner, was selected at a conference of 97 clubwomen Friday as a candidate for the Board of Education. Miss Cramer announced today that she would accept the nomination and would make the race on a platform which calls for "construction and reconstruction, but not destruction," and detailed several innovations which she would favor if elected to place on the Board.

"When I see a 14-year-old girl stripped to her waist in a school by a physician, I must say that I do not favor compulsory medical inspection," she declared. "Neither do I believe in compulsory vaccination for smallpox, any more than I would for diphtheria, typhoid or any other disease. I do believe in all possible means of sanitation, hygiene, food purification and ventilation. I approve of the quarantine law."

"I am opposed to compulsory medical inspection by allopathic physicians. Why are allopaths only appointed for this work? Only because the majority of the members of the Board are in sympathy with allopathic methods of treatment."

NAT MUST PAY \$65,000

Goodwin Will Have to Sell Part of Estate to Raise Coin for ex-Wife.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 18.—(Special).—Mayor Dudley, of Santa Monica, Nat C. Goodwin's trustee, today received a copy of the agreement made between the marrying comedian and Edna Goodrich by which the latter is to receive \$65,000 clear, in consideration of all her claims on the Goodwin estate.

Goodwin is to pay all expenses, including Edna's \$2300 New York hotel bill at the Ansonia, on account of which an effort was recently made to attach the Goodwin property in Santa Monica.

Miss Goodrich must have the \$65,000 cash in hand by December 15, or the agreement is nullified and Dudley admits that he will have to sell a part of the estate here to raise the money or mortgage the Lafayette apartment-house in San Francisco or the valuable citrus grove in Orange County, both of which are included in the trust marriage agreement. The case here is to be dismissed within a week.

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OUND LOAF IS PROPOSED

Ordinance Regulating Weight of Bread to Be Introduced.

A loaf of bread in Portland will have to weigh at least a pound, if the City Council adopts an ordinance which has been drafted by Councilman Burgard and which will be introduced tomorrow. Investigation has shown that the size of a loaf of bread in Portland now may vary from 10 to 14 ounces. It is said no bakery is turning out a 16-ounce loaf.

The proposed ordinance will require the full pound exclusive of any wrapper. It will be permissible for a bakery to turn out smaller loaves than the legal loaf by wrapping the bread and stamping it with the exact number of ounces and the name of the manufacturer.

That the bakeries will oppose the proposed ordinance is considered certain.

OREGON HUMBLER BY WASHINGTON

Lemon-Yellow Dragged in 29-3 Defeat.

FIERCE ATTACKS WILT LINE

Stalwart "W" Wearers Cross Goal Line Almost at Will.

NORTHERNERS WIN TITLE

8000 Behold Coach Doble's Men Outclass Oregon in Championship Struggle—Coyle Almost Sure to Be All-Star Quarter.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Oregon University two or three royal trouncings within the last few seasons, but yesterday on Multnomah Field, before 8000 wildly excited fans, the largest crowd that ever attended a game of football in the Northwest, the purple and gold made a smear of the fair Eugene clutch that will go down in history as the most unreserved pummeling of the age. Incidentally, Washington wins the Northwest championship for the fourth consecutive campaign.

The score was 29 to 3, and while the husky Northwesterners blended kick with two of the touchdowns, the figures just about tell the candid truth of an open-salut case. Oregon's team was outclassed in strength, strategy, knowledge of the new game and execution.

Coach Warner's lads hung on with the tenacity of a fighting bulldog, but the puzzling shifts evolved by Lawyer-Coach Doble, the scintillating smartness, and the snap and vigor of the assault, swept the lemon-yellow defense aside like so much deadwood.

Oregon's Line Torn Apart.

It was the visitors' game from the sound of the whistle. Within eight minutes of play Washington scored its first touchdown after marching the oval nearly 80 yards down the gridiron with an amazing versatility of attack.

Muckelstone, who punched his way into many a paragraph, alone with the duster of the 824-karat Cullinane spark throughout this and all subsequent periods. His was the honor of the first touchdown after a four-yard plunge.

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Washington, too, was a stone wall on defense, and only on two occasions did Oregon have a chance to score, both by placekicks. Captain Main sent his second kick squarely over the crossbar from the 25-yard line just before the end of the first half.

Coyle Outkicks Latourette.

Oregon was also sadly outkicked. Quarterback Latourette, the sensational Oregon field general, who was battling for All-Conference honors with Captain Coyle yesterday afternoon, labored under the handicap of a strained tendon. But his toe-work was miserable.

On one or two occasions the pigskin did not go more than 10 yards, Washington's first touchdown, in fact, being largely abetted by a stultified offering that traveled only 18 yards when Latourette kicked from his own seven-yard chalk mark.

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CARTOONIST REYNOLDS SEES CURRENT EVENTS IN A HUMOROUS LIGHT.

