

PLAIN QUESTION IS PUT TO COLONEL

Would You Regulate, or Dissolve, Harvester Trust? Is Gardner's Challenge.

ADDRESS CAUSES STIR

"We Have Fooled Too Long," Says Speaker, "With Gentee Dissolution"—Competition Would Not Reduce Prices.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—Representative Gardner, of Massachusetts, Republican, in the course of a speech last night on the House steel trust investigating committee's report, challenged Colonel Roosevelt to make plain his attitude on the trust problem.

Mr. Gardner caused a stir by the advanced grounds he took on the trust question, advancing the opinion that eventually a Federal commission with powers to regulate prices might have to be named.

Mr. Gardner asserted that under his confession of faith Colonel Roosevelt had been opposed to the dissolution of trusts, but that the Progressive party platform was capable of interpretation in favor of dissolution or in favor of regulation of big corporations.

Plain Question Put to T. R. "To settle the question," said Mr. Gardner, "I ask Colonel Roosevelt the following plain question: Do you believe in a national Harvester Company has such a predominance in its particular industry as to be indistinguishable from a monopoly. Do you recommend its dissolution or do you recommend its regulation?"

"If we wish to dissolve the trusts, the time has come to say so," said Mr. Gardner, "if we wish to regulate the trusts, the time has come to be definite about it. Don't misunderstand me as adversely criticizing the bills presented by the Democratic majority of the committee. In my opinion substantially all the practices at which those bills are aimed are unfair and ought to be suppressed. But if every one of the majority's bills were to be enacted into law, we should be no nearer the settlement of the trust question.

STUBBS CLAIMS VICTORY

Governor Says He Is Nominated in Senatorial Race Over Curtis.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 10.—Returns received late today from over the state indicate that Governor Stubbs has been re-elected nearly 100 of the 114 legislative districts. The Governor issued a statement tonight in which he declares he has easily won the Republican senatorial nomination from Senator Curtis.

Judge Thompson issued a statement in which he claims a Democratic nomination for Senator, Farrelly.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 10.—Attorney-General Major has a lead of 285 over W. E. Cowherd in the primary race for the Democratic nomination for Governor, according to figures available tonight. Official returns have been received from 108 of the 114 counties in the state.

GIRL, DEMENTED, WEDDED

Vancouver Man Gives Consent to Marriage of Daughter, Aged 16.

cover Barracks, this week, with the written consent of the father. The girl was examined by Dr. J. M. P. Chalmers and Dr. W. E. Cass, May 8, and found to be suffering with dementia. She often threatened self-destruction. The cause of the trouble, the doctors say, was spinal meningitis. Not long ago she had improved, and was permitted to return home, but she was not discharged as cured. Wednesday, accompanied by Conklin and her father, the girl appeared at the County Auditor's office and the license was issued when Mr. Adams took oath that the girl was not an insane person, and there was no legal impediment to the marriage.

HOTEL IS REORGANIZED

MANAGEMENT AND POLICY OF THE BOWERS CHANGES.

Hughes Rowley Takes Charge of Hostelry, Succeeding Williams. Hoyt Still President.

After several meetings of the stockholders and directors of the Bowers Hotel Company, one was held Friday that resulted in the reorganization of the business on a substantial basis, with a change in management and change of policy in operating the hotel.

YANKEES HUNT RAIDERS

FORCE TO TRY TO TRAP MEN WHO LOOTED RANCH. Soldiers Are Patrolling Border and Incursions into United States Will Be Checked.

SIERRA BLANCA, Tex., Aug. 10.—Forty Americans, mounted on fast horses and armed with rifles, were here at dusk yesterday. They went in pursuit of 200 Mexican rebels, some of whom crossed the international line southwest of here yesterday and raided the Otto Smith ranch on the American side, stealing several horses.

A special train brought Sheriff Edwards and 20 deputies and Texas soldiers from El Paso, and this posse was increased here by cowboys from surrounding ranches. Departing shortly after the Sheriff's train, a company of the Twenty-second Infantry from Fort Bliss, the United States soldiers embarked at Fort Hancock, 40 miles north here, and camped last night near the border.

The Sheriff's posse will move along the border to the west. An attempt will be made to catch the rebels who are reported to have moved west along the border. A troop of the Third Cavalry from Fort Bliss is marching along the border to the east, to trap if the rebels again enter Texas.

KELLER SEIZES FUGITIVE

Robber Suspect Is Caught After Chase and Struggle.

Following an attack early today on Thomas Blake, aged 55, by two men, who knocked him down and robbed him of \$25, Tony Matson, aged 24, one of the suspected assailants, was chased by A. N. McCarthy from Third and Everett streets, the scene of the hold-up, to Fifth and Davis streets, within a block of the police station, who had graphed with the fugitive, attracted officers from the police station, who rushed to the scene. Matson endeavored to flee from his pursuer, Captain Keller, of the second night relief, arrived in time to seize Matson, who had in one hand a .38-caliber revolver to hide the money in his pocket before Keller seized him, but was prevented by the officer. He was lodged in jail. Blake's second assailant escaped.

BOLT'S DAMAGE \$30,000

Winston, Mont., Postoffice Is Destroyed by Lightning.

HELENA, Mont., Aug. 10.—Reports from Winston, a small mining town 20 miles from this city, are to the effect that lightning completely demolished the building occupied by the postoffice and principal store of that place late yesterday.

LOWELL FOR TAFT AND BELLS SING

Pendleton Man Holds Roosevelt's Candidacy Is Serious Menace to Country.

AID PLEDGED TO NOMINEE

Lowell to Accompany Selling on Stumping Tour of State Next October and Make Speeches Urging His Election.

PENDLETON, Or., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—Judge Stephens, in either Roosevelt or Taft. Lowell today dictated the following special open letter to the Oregonian:

The leaders of the several armies in the approaching Presidential battle have now been selected, and it is met that the electorate of the country find alignment, and that each proclaim the banner of his choice. Each captain of hosts will quote, and will have a right to quote, the Scripture, "He that is not with me is against me, and he that gathereth not with me scattereth."

Believing thoroughly in the basic principles of Republicanism, the choice with me is against me, and he that gathereth not with me scattereth."

Lowell Progressive and Insurgent. I am a progressive, an insurgent; in many things a radical. I "insured" in Oregon before the insurgent became popular, and thereby secured a most delightful and varied assortment of machine-political enemies. I believe in and have long and ardently advocated the initiative, the referendum, the recall, direct primaries, the corrupt practices act, woman suffrage and substantially all the progressive reforms of the progressive movement.

Friendly as I am to the accepted principles of progressivism I would regard the Progressive party as a vastly greater menace to the institutions of the land than possible retardation of the progress of the nation. I am unalterably opposed to the third term idea. The Republic is only 136 years old. In swaddling clothes, as the lives of nations are measured, the government is yet an experiment. If we are to continue a government of the people, the unwritten law limiting the Executive to two terms must be altered.

New Party "Pocket Possession" T. R. With Roosevelt's candidate, the new party is a mere pocket possession of a few selfish men. If successful at the polls in November, the same sycophants and exploiters who have induced him to accept the nomination would easily be able to imbue him with a similar notion again—and a reign of Diazism would be ushered in.

Trusts Back Roosevelt. Behind Roosevelt now are the mighty forces of the Steel Trust and the Harvester Trust. When President he permitted the former to avoid the law of the country, which would not be prevented, then the party of Mr. Debs is right in its demands that the Government take over the business which would be under, what could be expected when the interests of the people and these powerful backers conflict.

I am not willing to take the chances, indeed it is more than probable that before campaign progresses far the Standard Oil, Sugar and Tobacco magnates will be ill with their Steel and Harvester friends in the immaculate garb of princes of the Progressive party.

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