

THE LIFE OF TRADE

Business Morality of Country So Much Improved in Five Years That Fresh Restriction Would Only Cripple Trade, Says Schurman.

Combination, not competition, is today the life of trade. The business morality of the United States has so much improved during the past few years that the restriction put upon business and the interference with business freedom which have characterized the recent past are no longer necessary. The Sherman anti-trust law in its present form had not needed today, and should be amended.

Such is the gist of an address made this afternoon by President Jacob G. Schurman of Cornell university at the Commercial club.

President Schurman, who is as well known as a politician as he is as a broad thinker as he is as a president of one of the greatest educational institutions of the country, addressed the club in the afternoon and after a luncheon tendered him at the Commercial club, consented to address the business men of the city in the library of the club.

A large crowd was present to hear him. Mr. Schurman spoke briefly, his address being a review of the business world as it is today, but it was pithy and he said more in that length of time than the average public speaker in an hour.

He said that the country to carry on business as the politicians would have it, in the main business, is a failure. The business world is let alone by politicians and legislators.

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Student Body Hands Out Sizzling Roast to Physician Who Says Oregon College Graduates Have No Standing as Physicians.

Portland, Or., Dec. 25.—To the Editor of The Journal.—The various articles which have appeared in the city papers concerning the medical department of the University of Oregon have caused the students in the institution who feel deeply concerned to express their views. We wish it clearly understood that Dr. Joseph has no connection with this article, that he has not read the contents. We have the highest respect for him as a true gentleman and an able instructor and no responsibility attaches to him for anything which appears herein.

Without going into details of the details of the honorarium and stations of each, it needs only to be said that John Hopkins, Harvard, McGill, Oregon and other institutions have representatives among the members of the staff. Further than this there are several members of the profession in Portland who are ready and willing to accept a position upon the lecture platform of this college. It costs these men little to give up their own energy to fulfill their duties. True, they win the esteem of the graduates of the college and the honor of a doctor in need of assistance in his difficult case, but more natural than that he will turn his back on a man who is not a member of the profession, as evidenced by the speech of the subject which are matters of record, and criticizing the local medical college as deficient in its instruction.

Dr. A. C. Pantan who is the party responsible for the beginning of the series of articles published in the Journal, has placed himself in a peculiar position before the public. At one moment he poses as a martyr to the cause of the profession, and at the next moment, the next moment shows his real attitude, that of an individual prostituting his name to the cause of a personal jealousy and enmity toward those against whom he holds a twenty year old grudge.

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Secures 10,000 Acres in Montana—Solves the Fuel Problem.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Dec. 25.—The Great Northern railroad system has secured 5000 acres of land in Montana and obtained options on an equal amount of land following the discovery of rich beds of coal by its engineers recently. The discovery and purchase will effect a saving of \$1,200,000 annually in the operation of the road, according to President Ewing.

The coal fields are in Yellowstone county, north of Billings. At first it was believed the beds were worthless, but the railroad's geologists have tested the ground and found it to be one of the best Illinois coal fields in the west. The vein is six feet thick and will produce 3000 B. T. U. per acre. The acreage acquired will permit the company to maintain its system from the Missouri river to the Pacific coast for at least 50 years.

Divorce Record for Multnomah in 20 Years, 2772—Figures for Other Counties of the Northwest.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 25.—The census of divorce statistics issued today show that by counties throughout the United States. The report in part shows the following increases: Multnomah county, total in 20 years, 2772; number in 1906, 268; in 1907, 913; Clackamas county, total for 20 years, 151; number in 1906, 144; in 1907, 187.

Washington—King county, total for 20 years, 5099; in 1906, 708; in 1907, 244. Pierce county, total for 20 years, 202; in 1906, 256; in 1907, 265. Spokane county, in 20 years, 2104; 1906, 256; 1907, 6.

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Andrew Draffin Says That He Was Drugged and Robbed in Kingston.

Mary J. Walker, proprietor of the Kingston rooming house, Third and Taylor streets, was arrested at noon today on a charge of larceny. At the same time the district attorney's larceny was served upon Florence Thompson, who lives in the Kingston. Both arrests are the result of the evidence of Andrew Draffin, formerly a petty officer on the British ship Leyland Brown, who told the district attorney he was robbed of \$170 in the Kingston Thursday night.

More arrests are expected to follow. Draffin says he was told by an elevator operator of the Hotel Veritas that the Kingston was a good place to go if one were in quest of amusement. He paid the elevator operator \$10 and got a key to the rooming house. The Kingston woman, who was in the rooming house, was in company with the Thompson woman, who was in the rooming house, and they talk what they know of Draffin's visit to the rooming house. The Kingston for years has borne a reputation for being a place where the district attorney's larceny was in operation just around the corner on Taylor street. This year was put out of business by the police.

Deputy District Attorney Hennessy is investigating a rumor that elevator boys and others had sold guests to the Kingston. Authorities have been led to believe that chloral was administered to Draffin in a glass of beer. The money was taken from him, according to his story, had \$300 when he left the ship, but spent freely in seeing the city. He was paid \$100 when he went to the Kingston, however.

Just how and where Mrs. Walker obtained the elevator operator's case which is being investigated. Mrs. Walker is out on \$750 bail.

Believe Finch Framed

Joe Hutchinson, deputy city auditor, is an inventor. Through his ingenuity he has developed the only card index system of the kind to be found in the United States. In use in the auditor's office. Mr. Hutchinson was put in charge of the liquor licenses last year and told the city council that the city could keep an accurate check on transfers. Before Mr. Hutchinson undertook the job there was no method of checking the transfers and whether or not a saloon was authorized by law without subjecting the office force to the necessity of checking cleaving directors of licenses, transfers and powers of attorney.

A man might start a saloon and claim that he was operating under transfer from the original holder of a license. In order to ascertain the truth, it was necessary to search the records and look at each separate paper. Even then after days of work the document might not be found.

By the new system inaugurated under Mr. Hutchinson's supervision every transfer is automatically checked. The power of attorney or other paper relating to this is similarly numbered and placed in a separate file. The clerk can run without a license the owner is required to show his transfer or other paper and the clerk checks the number on his paper and immediately turns to the file bearing the same number. In a few minutes he can find out all the facts in the case and determine whether the complaint is based on reasonable grounds. Especially convenient was the Hutchinson system when evidence is desired for a court trial. If certain papers are wanted the clerk can get them from the auditor's office without any delay.

Nor did he remember talking to District Attorney Cameron at the police station. He did remember calling for the sheriff to take him to the Hotel Veritas, and he supposed he realized that a crime had been committed.

Deplore Dirty Work

Much more can be said upon the subject, but we deplore such a condition as has been brought about by the dirty work of the longshoremen and the state board of medical examiners setting forth the conditions, the laws and regulations of the board, etc. Dr. Pantan's name as president of the board is very conspicuous in this circular by its inclusion in the list of signatures of the members of the board. Evidently his attention is directed to the other side of the board's purposes are not so entirely philanthropic as he would have the general public believe.

We have the statement of a member of the present senior class who will back his statement that Dr. Pantan, who is a member of the board, is a student in the graduating class of last year said "that man who is on the board of medical examiners and his supposed efforts toward elevating the standards of the profession are not trying to lower those standards, but we feel that we have been deceived and that the attempt has been made to use us as a big stick with which to beat the heads of higher education. We are not a little bit concerned as to the state of the mind of the man who has posed before the public as the champion of higher education. We are not a little bit concerned as to the state of the mind of the man who has posed before the public as the champion of higher education.

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WARDEN GREEN NOT PUT UNDER ARREST

Deputy Game Warden J. L. Green has taken umbrage at the report printed in the Journal that he was arrested by order of Justice Olson. Mr. Green contends that he was never arrested in his life and feels hurt that the report is circulated to that effect. He says it was his colleague H. N. Shears who put under arrest the justice of court, but Shears says he was only under arrest for about 10 minutes.

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(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 26.—The first through train of the Northern Pacific arrived in Vancouver at 9:05 o'clock this morning and after a three minute stop, continued on to the Kalama line and Puget Sound cities. The new station of the Hill lines was opened for business with the arrival of this train.

The train arriving this morning consisted of nine coaches and is the regular train of the new year. This afternoon at 2:35 the first North Coast Limited will arrive and the St. Paul and Minneapolis through train will pass through Vancouver at midnight.

E. M. Rowley, a prominent Vancouver business man, is expected to be on the train to Kelso to pay a visit to his father, Rev. H. Rowley of that place.

Christmas Social at White Temple The Christmas exercises of the First Baptist church Sunday school were held last night at the White Temple and were most interesting. The exercises were opened by the pastor, after which was rendered a review of the month of the new year. The exercises were opened by the pastor, after which was rendered a review of the month of the new year.

Another Stinging Query This was vigorously objected to and the objection was sustained. Spencer again returned to the assault with another stinging inquiry relating to the remarkable variance between Lord's and the medical department's report on the case and Finch's story on the stand.

RED THEATERS LIFE OF DEPORTATION

San Francisco, Dec. 25.—Judge Charles F. Conlan today received an anonymous letter threatening the life of himself and his family if Alexander Horr, an agent of Emma Goldman, the anarchist queen, is deported. The investigation of Horr is pending before Judge Conlan, who has ordered him held until immigration commissioners here could advise of a Washington arrangement. Upon the letter was a crudely drawn skull and crossbones. The warning read: "If you value your life and families don't try to get your leader, Alexander Horr, deported. We are not here to kill but to protect the workingman. Don't ever you dare consent to this. We don't want a repetition of the conviction of Gompers, so come, act on good advice."

The remainder of the letter was illegible, with the exception of the concluding words, which were, "if not an enemy."

Horr was arrested last Thursday while making an anarchistic speech on "Fillmore street" and repeatedly refused to acknowledge that he was the representative of Emma Goldman and refused to answer the question of immigration officers in the Hotel Veritas. Judge Conlan put over the hearing for 11 days in order to give the immigration men here an opportunity to make a report on the letter.

The letter to the judge has been placed in the hands of secret service agents.

DULL CHRISTMAS FOR DALLAS

Fewer marriage licenses were taken out on the day before; Christmas this year than for several seasons past, according to Deputy County Clerk Weidie. Usually the clerks are kept busy all that day issuing licenses to people who desire to enter into life partnership on Christmas day, but as this Christmas came on Friday it is thought that many were disinclined to take a lucky day.

At an rate only 14 licenses were issued late Thursday. For a long time during the afternoon it looked as if only thirteen couples were going to swear to love, honor and obey, on Christmas, and the clerks began to prophesy as to the outcome of 13 marriages on Friday out just before the office closed somebody happened in and invested in the fourteenth.

Los Angeles, Dec. 25.—Discovering that the time lock on the vault of the First National bank at Monterey was out of order on the night of December 24, when the institution was robbed of \$29,700, detectives believe they are not out of the woods yet.

A spring reversed in the time lock of the vault left only the combination lock holding the door. This proved to be the only key to the vault. The men who were able to enter the vault without the aid of explosives. Officers of the local bank admitted today that the time lock on the vault had not been working well for some time and that on December 19 they had noticed the trouble. The combination of the vault had not been successful. The robbers who looted the bank were professional crackmen and the detectives have no doubt the money stolen was all in gold and currency, the burglars leaving \$1600 in silver which they evidently believed was too heavy to carry away.

Discrepancy Explained From the Louisville Courier-Journal. Four sheep were nearly frightened to death by a pig in New York. The only explanation that can be advanced is that, being a lady elephant, the animal labored under the misapprehension that the pig was an extra-large mouse.