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Electric Sparks

With eggs selling at 75 cents a dozen and the price of ham up to 35 cents a pound, it is still possible to sustain life on oatmeal and chuck steak if you can afford it.

The President prepared his message to Congress, which has been sent to the printers, almost entirely in shorthand. Have we ever had a shorthand writing President before?

Cheer Up! The bullion value of the cents in your pockets must have increased considerably with copper up to 35 cents a pound.

Gold to the amount of \$1,000,000 more was withdrawn from the New York Sub-Treasury for shipment to Argentina. Argentina, apparently, is building up some trade in the United States.

Congressman-Elect Eleakley of Pennsylvania journeyed to Washington by airplane, but Congresslady-Elect Rankin of Montana won't need an airplane to attract attention.

Recent declarations prove that a labor leader is not always expected to possess what is known as the judicial mind.

By being re-elected president, Mr. Wilson will get free Thanksgiving turkeys for four years. To him that hath, shall be given!

The effort to smash a corner in eggs suggests the old feat of taking a quart measure and trying to smash an egg in a corner.

"Secretary Lansing denies crisis in German submarine warfare"—Washington dispatch. We thought this paper shortage has been greatly exaggerated.

Congress can pass an eight hour law but Judge Hook is from Missouri.

That the punitive expedition is outstaying Mexico's hospitality is due entirely to the force of circumstances.

However, something has been accomplished when even only two out of three Mexicans agree to a plan.

It was a pleasant reversal of conditions to hear that a Norwegian torpedo had fired on a German steamer.

The Villa bandits, while on their way to attack some town, never seem to find it necessary to pass through the camp of the American exposition.

A man's head he seems a lot worse

when he had no fun acquiring it.

The next we expect to hear from Greece is that the allies have sent King Constantine's crown to the junk yard.

Did a political candidate's personal vanity ever survive the sight of his own portrait on a campaign banner?

There may be nothing in the peace talk being heard, but it is a pleasing subject all the same.

Ponies and Horses.

I have been asked a great many times if ponies are really more intelligent than full sized horses. They certainly appear to be. But the intelligence of any horse will develop under petting and human companionship, and there is no doubt that other horses, if given the same privileges that ponies enjoy and if their size admitted of their being handled and managed in the same way, would prove equally intelligent.—Outing.

Insects That Use Rubber.

When Para trees are tapped after the gum has run into receptacles and stiffened a species of large black ant is accustomed to cut out pieces of the rubber and carry them away. Bees also find uses for india rubber, and some species in South America actually cut the bark of trees that produce resinous substances in order to cause a flow of the sap. The gum is employed by the bees as a ready made wax for their nests.

Barbers' Poles.

Anciently barbers were surgeons, especially in cases of bleeding. To assist this operation the patient used to grasp a staff or pole, which was always kept near the barber-surgeon. To this staff was tied a tape, which was used in bandaging the patient's arm. When not in use the pole was hung outside as a sign of the work performed inside. Later a stick painted to represent the pole was left in the doorway. At first surgeons' poles were painted with red and white stripes, with a brass knob or basin at the end, while mere barbers were required to have them white and blue. This statute was still in force in England in 1297. The last barber-surgeon died in London in 1821.

A Tree That Grows Dishes.

There is a tree in the West Indies that the natives say "grows fishes." It looks like an apple tree. They call it the calabash. It bears very queer leaves and large, white blossoms that grow right from the trunk and larger branches. After the flower comes the fruit, just as our apples or peaches do. But this fruit is in the shape of a gourd, only stronger and very much larger, sometimes a foot in diameter. The shell is so hard that all sorts of big and little dishes and drinking cups can be carved out of it. Even pots and kettles are made and used over the fire, but of course they cannot last as long as our metal ones.—London Telegraph.

NEW POLICY NEEDED IN GOVERNMENT RAILWAY CONTROL

Helpfulness and Encouragement
Urged by Alfred P. Thom.

CREDIT MUST BE IMPROVED

Increase of Transportation Facilities
Necessary to Secure Relief From
High Cost of Living May Thus Be
Provided For by the Railroads.

Washington, Nov. 28.—A new policy of government railroad regulation, based on constructive principles of helpfulness and encouragement instead of upon principles of repression and punishment, was urged by Alfred P. Thom, counsel for the Railway Employees' Advisory Committee, the first witness on behalf of the railroads before the Newlands Joint Committee on Interstate Commerce, which has instituted a general inquiry into the problem of railroad regulation.

"It is proposed by the joint resolution of Congress," said Mr. Thom, "to go into a comprehensive study of the whole subject of transportation, to make a new assessment, after 25 years of experiment, of its history, its present conditions and its future needs. The railroads never the less that regulation is a permanent and continuing part of government in America and that the first duty of the carrier is to the public. That duty is to afford reasonable facilities on reasonable terms and at reasonable rates, and this duty is done before any private interests can be considered."

Certainty, Safety and Sufficiency.
Mr. Thom contended that the real interest of the public is in being assured of certainty, safety and sufficiency of transportation facilities, rather than in rates. The first consideration of the public is to obtain transportation facilities. What the cost is is really a second consideration, he said.

Mr. Thom proposed an increase of transportation facilities as a method of securing relief from the high cost of living. "There have been less than 1,000 miles of new railroad constructed in the United States during the last year," he said, "less than in any year since 1898, except the period of the Civil War, and yet the cost of living is daily advancing owing to a shortage of supplies which might be remedied by securing access to new areas of production."

Credit Must Be Improved.
"This leads to the consideration as to whether railroad credit is as good as the public interest requires. It is impossible for railroads to earn enough to supply the necessary new facilities from current revenue. They must be provided from credit. Investors cannot be coerced, but must be attracted."

Among the conditions affecting railroad credit which deter investors he mentioned the following:

"First, Railroad revenues are not controlled by investors, but are fixed and limited by governmental authority and not by one but by several governmental authorities, which do not recognize responsibility for assured results. Investors are uncoordinated."

"Second, railroads cannot control and the economic cannot and does not limit the expense account."

"Third, The present system of regulation is based on a policy of regulation, and carries this and not on a policy of helpfulness and encouragement."

"Fourth, The uncoordinated activities of the railroads have already exceeded the financial rule of safety and involve a drainage of funds amount of obligations bearing fixed charges."

"Fifth, The investor must accept a subordinate obligation or security with no assurance of a surplus of earnings to support it."

"Sixth, Other competitive lines of investment present superior attractions."

"Seventh, The railroad business is largely controlled by political instead of business considerations."

Look Forward, Not Back.
"We may debate about what has caused the present conditions," said Mr. Thom, "but we cannot debate about what the people need. The President has taken the view that we must look forward in this matter and make a fresh assessment of circumstances in order to deal helpfully and intelligently with the problem. Abuses are no more prevalent in the railroad business today than in any other business business conducted. The great question now is whether the existing system of regulation gives the public a reasonable assurance of sufficient present and future railroad facilities."

"Those who oppose any change must make their appeal on the ground that the present system secures the public of the continued supplies of transportation facilities. If they do not, an argument based on the desirability of

the present dual system of regulation will be accepted by public judgment. The question of 'states' rights' is not involved. If the regulation of transportation facilities privately owned should fall government ownership must follow, and then all power of the states over the railroads would disappear."

"Let us debate this question, then, not upon any mere theory of jealousy as to the distribution of governmental power, but upon the large issue of what the public interest requires in respect of the assurance of adequate transportation service."

When the Barber Was a Wit.

In original literature the barber is a great figure, and Arabian tales are full of him. In Italy and Spain he was often the brightest man in town, and his shop was headquarters for wit and intrigue. Jeanne became famous as a poet in southern France and recited his verses with razor, scissors, brush and combed gesture as he dressed the hair of fine ladies and gentlemen in his shop. He had a great run, made money, achieved fame, and Samuel Smiles made a book about him.

Not Perfect.

A horse dealer was showing a horse to a prospective buyer. After running him back and forward for a few minutes he stopped and said to the buyer: "What do you think of his coat? Isn't he a dandy?"

The buyer, noticing that the horse had the leaves, replied, "Yes, I like this coat all right, but I don't like his pants."—London Tit-Bits.

Let Your Light Shine.

As the sun does not wait for prayers and incantations to be prevailed on to rise, but immediately shines forth and is received with universal gladness, so neither do you wait for applause and shouts and praises in order to rise up and do good, but be a voluntary benefactor and you also will be beloved like the beneficent sun.—Epictetus.

Green beef hides are worth
10¢ per pound at the Sanitary
Market.

Do you know that a free dress pattern is included with the club of four magazines that we are giving in combination with the Santiam News for only 25 cents extra. Send your order by mail or call at this office.

Danger Signal.

If the fire bell should ring would you run and stop it or go and help to put out the fire? It is much the same way with a cough. A cough is a danger signal as much as a fire bell. You should no more try to suppress it than to stop a fire bell when it is ringing, but should cure the disease that causes the coughing. This can nearly always be done by taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Many have used it with the most beneficial results. It is especially valuable for the persistent cough that so often follows a bad cold or an attack of the grip. Mrs. Thomas Beeching, Andrews, Ind., writes: "During the winter my husband takes cold easily and coughs and coughs. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine for breaking up these attacks and you cannot get him to take any other." Obtainable everywhere.

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