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Is the Trust Era Ended?

This is a question which cannot be definitely answered and yet conditions at present appear to justify the opinion that the era of the formation of great industrial combinations, commonly designated as trusts, has passed and that we are not likely to witness a renewal of this process for a very long time, perhaps not within a generation.

Remark upon the stock situation of the New York Evening Post says that the most obvious conclusion to be drawn from it is that the "syndicate plan," as conceived in the theories of 1901, has broken down completely. This is notably illustrated in the extraordinary decline of British consols, due to the fact that the \$500,000,000 new consols issued in the past three years were for the most part placed with banking syndicates.

Agricultural Census Value.

The importance and value of a census of agriculture such as is contemplated by house bill 14643 may be seen from the following facts:

The live stock of the nation has a value of not less than \$4,500,000,000. The animals killed on the farm each year and those sold for slaughter, together with the horses, mules and asses sold for use away from the farm, have a value of over \$2,000,000,000.

Hence the need of taking a census of agriculture sufficiently often to give the Department of Agriculture a reliable basis on which to make its estimates. Evidence of this necessity is shown by comparing the estimates of the Department of Agriculture for 1899 with the returns for the same year secured by the census enumeration.

The cost of a census of agriculture consists chiefly in the money paid the enumerators. This will not be far from 20 cents a farm for much or little information, or an aggregate expense of \$1,200,000. The cost of tabulating by counties the facts relating to domestic animals would be approximately \$200,000, and for the leading crops as much more.

Over 3000 tons of freight consigned to Dawson lay at White Horse on Thursday last, according to advices received by the White Pass Railroad officials here. The news came south on the steamship Amur. Over 2850 tons consisted of general merchandise shipped north by Vancouver and Seattle merchants and about 200 tons of other freight, consisting mainly of feed for horses belonged to the White Pass itself.

Editorial Notes.

Some people have an idea, should the people bond the city for \$50,000, that it would put a lot of money in circulation in Tillamook City. Let us disabuse their mind of such a thing, for it would do no such a thing.

One would think by reading the newspapers that it cannot be long before war breaks out either in Europe or Asia, but should that occur there is not the least probability that the United States will be drawn into it.

The gambling question in Portland is a big problem for Mayor Williams to solve. The system of collecting "blood money" from the favored few who want to monopolize it and closing down on others who want to run games is not meeting with satisfaction.

Over \$21,000,000 in value of agricultural implements were exported in the fiscal year ending with June, as compared with \$4,500,000 in 1893. The rapid strides this country has made in the production of such implements ought to prove farming in all the leading nations. There is still ample room to increase the exports, the only drawback being lack of transportation facilities to some parts of the world.

Whether or not the effort fails by the way side to put on a steamer between Tillamook and Portland, the idea is a good one and would be a good thing for this city. There is nothing in common between Astoria and Tillamook, and for passengers and freight to be dumped off at the city on mud flats and on such is only a question of time before this will be changed, not that there is cause for complaint at the service between this city and Astoria.

Should the supreme court sustain the decision of the judges in the circuit court of Multnomah county that the initiative and referendum law is unconstitutional, there is not much doubt but what the law giving Tillamook City power to bond the city for \$50,000 will be unconstitutional also, for the bill contains the initiative and referendum clauses. When the law makers and law breakers get through butchering the populist idea of direct legislation then we shall know where we are at.

Promoters want to build railroads and steamships with the other fellow's money so as to give Tillamook better connections with Portland. And it is the same thing with some of those who want to bond the city and put in a \$50,000 water system with the other fellow's money. There is very little difference between the two. What a blessing and a surprise it would be to Tillamook people if they could run across someone who did not have so much "hat in the ring" who would provide all these conveniences without having to call upon the other fellow to put up the "dough" or bond the other fellow's property.

John W. Gates, who knows something about Wall street, himself, calls this stock exchange flurry a rich man's panic. Probably he is right. Shares of many sorts, particularly the industrials, are dropping, but government bonds are not affected, the bank clearings remain at a high figure except as the falling off in speculation diminishes them. The railroads of the country have all the work that they can handle, and more than they can handle conveniently. The panic is virtually unknown outside of the scope of the operators on Wall street. Moreover, even there the situation is somewhat better than it was a week ago.

Ten inches of rainfall in one day in New York discounts any record in Tillamook county, which is one of the wettest spots in Uncle Sam's domain. If Captain Dawson, the veteran weather prophet, could water his records like the big corporations water their stock, Tillamook would never have lost the broom for heavy rainfall. We do not envy New York holding the broom if it has not put water in its records, for ten inches in a day is a trifle more than a well-to-do Tillamooker would appreciate. We hope Captain Dawson will not feel bad because he cannot overlap ten inches in one day, but he can still defy New York to beat 150 inches in twelve months.

There are petty persons who are forever snarling about the cost of pensions. The United States is paying pensions to nearly a million citizens as an act of simple justice, not of liberality. Pensioners embrace men who responded, in their early manhood, to the government call for soldiers to save the Union. They succeeded in that large undertaking, taking all the risks of four years of war in its deadliest forms. No pension will ever requite them. Their monthly stipend will add something to their comfort in old age. Over 200,000 of the pensioners are soldiers' widows or minor children. Let those who begrudge it grow unanswerable. They are not worth answering. Pensions are an instance of decent gratitude, not of generosity. But this country is strong in generosity as well as equity.

It seems there were sad hearts in W. J. Bryan's home when his daughter was married, for the reason that the parents of the young woman thought she was making a wrong choice of a partner for life. And for the reason that Mr. Bryan is reputed to have an ideal home, with all the love and affection therein which goes to make up a united family circle, it is no wonder that, instead of the usual rejoicings on such occasion, a sense of sorrow passed over the home as the young woman stepped from it out into the world a married woman. Let us hope that the marriage will be a happy one, even though it did not have the approval of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan. The trouble with so many young women is that they are giddy and flighty and ready to marry anyone with a pair of pants and empty pockets, or start off with the false notion that they could reform a young man by marrying him. Parental advice is often pushed aside until the young woman, having gone through the mist of experience, finds, instead of happiness, that all her hopes have flown, and she rues the day she did not take her parents' advice. Every community has such cases. If young women, instead of being so giddy and flighty, ready to marry right off any pair of pants, would study well the characteristics of the young man they intend

to marry and ask the advice of their parents, there would be less sad homes and sad hearts. And it is to relate, but nevertheless it is a fact, that young women, having taken a foolish step in their hurry to get married, finding themselves without friends or home, and a cold world confronting them, lose heart and seek comfort from sisters in misfortune and shame. We will draw the curtain, for to raise a young woman and for her to become the victim of man's treachery and man's leucisness is a picture too horrible for parents to contemplate.

TIMBER MEN FEEL EASIER.

General Opinion That Hitchcock's Harsh Ruling Will Not Stand Test of Law.

Timber land claimants, who have proved up and paid for their lands, but have not received patents, are feeling much easier. The general opinion seems to be that the harsh interpretation of the word speculation will not stand. This is further strengthened by the fact that there is a decision of the United States Supreme Court bearing directly upon the point at issue. In effect, the decision states that the claimant is at liberty to sell the land at any time, and in this case it was mentioned that land was sold for which payment has not yet been made to the government.

The decision follows the evident common-sense view of the matter, that unless there is a conclusive arrangement to turn over the land for certain consideration, the right, the claimant is getting entirely within the law and within his rights.

The decision was rendered in the case of the United States vs. Montgomery and Budd, and was carried up from the state of Washington. It appears in the U. S. Supreme Court Reports, volume 144, page 154.—Ashland Tidings.

Quaint Features of Life.

In the center of a cordon of snarling lions at Hootock's, Cony Island, one afternoon while the christening of the three-weeks-old baby of Harry Tudor of West Eighth street, Cony Island, took place. The crying of the child seemed to enrage the beasts, and the trainer had to put his powers to a supreme test to control them while the strange jungle christening was going on. Captain Bonavita drove twenty-seven lions into the arena. As Mme. Morella, with the baby in her arms, entered the band played "America," and the great crowd, thrilled by the spectacle, joined in the chorus.

On the ball of the Cincinnati Traction skyscraper building's flagstaff, 275 feet above the streets, "Steeple Jack" Romer performed a thrilling feat, last Monday. The crowd almost blocked Fountain square. Ramsauer climbed the pole without any help other than a slender rope. He then stood on his head on the polished surface of the globe, big. He stood on his hands, then on one foot, then on both feet, and finally on one foot. As a final he sent a thrill of horror through the multitude which watched him by pretending to slip, recovering himself after an apparent effort.

A story is going the rounds of the Missouri press regarding a farmer who is greatly troubled with absent-mindedness. On the way home from town, so the story runs, the thought came to him that he had forgotten something. He took out his note book, went over every item, checked it off, and saw that he had made all the purchases he had intended. As he drove on he could not put aside the feeling that there was something missing. He took out his note book and checked off every item again, but still found no mistake. He did this several times, but could not dismiss the idea that he must have forgotten something.

A fireman rushing into a lodge room in Pittsburg, armed with a fire extinguisher, stopped for a time the initiation of new members. In a four-story brick structure on South Fourteenth street, known as the Birmingham Fire Insurance building, a secret society was busy with its initiation. Part of this ceremony included the lighting of red fire and the shooting of lodge men. From the streets below it looked as though the entire building was burning and a cry of fire was started. In a few seconds the street was blocked with people. Fireman Nicholas Abel rushed to the scene and, forcing his way into the lodge room, saw that nothing serious was happening. He announced this to the crowd, but they refused to disperse. Then another fireman, not heeding Abel's announcement, dashed up the stairs with a full-loaded extinguisher. He saw his mistake just as he was about to use his extinguisher on the shivering candidate. While the excitement was at its height the night patrolmen were leaving police station No. 7 to go on duty, and Inspector Kelly brought his squad to the scene. The officers scattered the crowd and the initiation proceeded.

Orders were issued from New York, whereby 15 percent of the employees in the car shops, repair shops and round-houses of the entire Vanderbilt Railway System were informed on Monday that their services are no longer needed. Fifteen hundred were thrown out of employment, with hardly a minute's notice and a saving of nearly \$3000 a day will be effected.

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