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THE INSULTED COMMISSIONERS

The county commissioners have been insulted. A few days ago a petition signed by V. G. Nye, C. W. Gardner, S. H. Hall, E. F. Smith, H. A. Marshall, Charles S. Cairns, F. Keutzbach, Jr., George P. Wilson, S. G. Palmer, J. P. Thompson, E. L. Estabrook, F. B. Lathrop, Walter L. Badger, Thomas F. Wallace, Jr., James Paige, W. L. Bigelow, T. N. Marston, F. J. Janney, H. G. Hicks, A. Euland, A. F. Gale, J. R. Kingman, L. R. Larson, J. M. Norris, A. H. Young and S. H. Chase...

MEGAARDEN'S DOWNFALL Rarely has a public official received such an exhortation as that Deputy Public Examiner Koerner administered to Sheriff Phil Megaarden of Hennepin county...

DISOBEDIENT ORDERS The collision of two trains on the Washburn road last night near Seneca produced a most horrible spectacle when the day dawned this morning. Burning cars, locomotives twisted out of shape and hissing a horrible requiem over the dead and wounded and mangled who lay in great groups along the track...

TEACHERS' CLUB AND ENTERTAINMENT COURSE The Minneapolis Teachers' Club has for four years offered to the public each season an entertainment course that has been notable for the high quality, variety and attractiveness of its numbers. This year's course has already begun, Lorado Taft, the sculptor, having opened it on Nov. 13, with a lecture entitled "A Glimpse of a Sculptor's Studio," and on Nov. 22, H. Whitney Tew gave a song recital.

INTERVENTION O'er the bloody field at Colton The fight raged to and fro; The casualties were fearful. For a man had stubbed his toe. Then the wily Uncle Samuel Took part in that fierce fray, And as the Caribbean islands He towed up north way.

AMUSEMENTS Foyer Chat A packed house greeted the performance of "Way Down East" at the Metropolitan this afternoon, and the indications are good for a complete sell out for to-night's performance. There will be but three more performances after to-night, including the matinee Saturday.

done in a businesslike way than it is in the assumed indignation of the commissioners on account of this petition. The rural carrier who has feared that the extension of the classified civil service to include him will make it necessary for him to pass an examination in Latin, geography, spelling, and other subjects...

As the democrats of Minnesota are notoriously in favor of the trusts, the attitude of the St. Paul Globe on the railway merger will be at once restored to paper to the good graces of the people it has so many times disappointed.

THANKSGIVING DAY

If we were all only parts of a mechanism moved by blind and unintelligent forces, and a personal God were eliminated entirely from the universe, humanity being a development out of a thing entirely unknown, the idea of thanksgiving and recognition of a God would be incongruous. That is what the so-called highest science of the century, recently closed, offered to humanity as the solution of the problems of life. Humanity has refused to accept theories of absolute fatalism and of blind mechanics and continues to seek after a more rational solution, and finds it in the Father God, a reality, a provider, responsive to the cries and needs of his children.

The term Thanksgiving Day implies home and good cheer and emphatically the rendering of thanks to the Almighty Father. It has become with us a national holiday. The president, in his proclamation, exhorts the people to assemble in their places of worship and return thanks to the good God who has again crowned the year with blessing. The threatened drought was averted by the timely rains, and throughout the length and breadth of the land, even in the drought belt, there is enough and to spare. The head of the nation was stricken down by the bloody hand of anarchy and the nation has been plunged in grief, but the fabled spirit which rose and slew that illustrious man was stayed from plunging the country into a scene of wholesale massacre. The one victim died vicariously. The nation was spared and warned.

How many more warnings will be necessary to keep this nation within the saving and beneficent plan of God?

This is a day, the day, for beneficence—the kind which the Persian proverb says "when it takes root, it sends forth branches beyond the sky." It is a day for the actualization of that altruism of which Omar Khayyam sang:

Know well that a hundred holy temples of Mecca have not the value of a heart: Leave there thy Kaaba with its holy stone from Paradise, and go thou rather to find a heart. The entire world shall be populated with the benefits of that action of things which save one soul from despair. A thousand chains broken by thee are less than to have chained to thee by sweetness the heart of a free man.

And we may even charge our hearts to remember the Turkish saying: "Do good and throw it into the sea; though the fishes may not know it, God will." So shall the day return benisons to our own hearts. There is light, may, privilege, first, and then the light of the true joy of the day will rejoice our eyes and make our hearts glad. We shall drink to the radiant eyes of those we love best and feel the brimming happiness of our souls, if we shall do somewhat to have the needy lie down in safety and the poorest feed on the bounty of nature.

Now that Police Lieutenant Krumwiede has defined his position, ladies who attend balls and parties will be careful to return to their homes before "after hours."

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required to work too many hours out of the twenty-four and becomes physically exhausted. He is often taxed beyond human endurance. The employing company, under such conditions, is to blame. There does not appear to have been any train dispatcher's mistake in the Washburn "accident." It was a case of negligence of orders, pure and simple. Disobedience to orders, to put it more correctly. Disobedience to orders is getting to be a rather common thing in these days, not only on railways but in every department of human activity. Disobedience seems especially harmful on a railway, because the consequences, generally tragical, are immediate and terrible. But disobedience to orders is harmful under any circumstances in the ultimate results. The citizens of every community are under orders which they are expected to obey and obey promptly, without shirking or evasion. Every individual is bound to obey the laws, local, state and national.

Disobedience is undeniably demoralizing and injurious to the individual disobeying and to the community whose well-being depends upon the obedience to the laws. Defiant disobedience works catastrophe to communities and disasters are entailed upon a community as fearful, morally speaking, as a head-on collision on a railway due to disobedience of orders.

If there was more obedience to orders in this country, beginning in the home where parental authority is so often despised and ignored in these days, there would be less lawlessness in every community. There would be fewer head-on collisions, morally speaking.

It is time for the United States to intervene in Colombia. Troops of the conflicting factions have so far forgotten the rules of South American warfare that they have taken to killing and wounding each other in battle.

GOVERNORS AND THE MERGER; TOOLE'S STRONG POSITION

If Governor Toole of Montana is as good in act as in his written opinion of the great railway merger, Governor Van Sant has at least one vigorous gubernatorial ally in his battle against the dangerous and unlawful consolidation. In his reply to Governor Van Sant's invitation to co-operate and confer regarding the course to be pursued Governor Toole does not devote space to saying nothing. He does not use words to conceal thoughts. Governor Toole does not allow himself to be diverted by a discussion of the probable good or bad results of the consolidation. He stands on the constitution and the laws of Montana, which he is sworn to uphold. They prohibit the consolidation of competing or parallel lines of railroad. Moreover, the laws of Montana are more sweeping on this subject than are those of Minnesota, and Governor Toole boldly points to them, saying:

But, aside from prohibiting the consolidation of parallel or competing lines, our statute provides that every person, corporation, stock company or association of persons in this state, who directly or indirectly combine or form what is known as a trust, or tend to create a monopoly in the manufacture, sale or transportation of any articles, is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for not exceeding five years, or by a fine not exceeding \$10,000, or both. Every corporation violating the provision of this section forfeits to the state all its property and franchises, and in the case of a foreign corporation, it is prohibited from carrying on business in the state.

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Railway presidents who know of this law may well confer as to how they can effect consolidation without violating state laws. Railway employees are loyal, but the service of the two great transcontinental railroads through Montana would soon be reduced to chaos if the Montana authorities took to arresting officials of the consolidated roads.

Governor Toole's letter contains instruction for some of Governor Van Sant's critics who have been telling him that the Northern Securities company has evaded the law successfully and that he is wasting time in quarreling with it. Says the governor of Montana:

It may be claimed by counsel representing the Northern Securities company that the scheme embodied in its organization is a successful evasion of our constitution and laws, but until the court of last resort has sanctioned such a combination and its purpose, no such contingency ought to be accepted for a moment.

That is precisely Governor Van Sant's position. Governor Geer of Oregon deals in generalities in his reply, shows that his state is railroad ridden and says that he is not sure that the consolidation is not a good thing. He does not decline to attend a conference, but says it must be on the Pacific coast. Governor White of North Dakota is somewhat stronger in his statements, but his letter is not of the ringing kind the governor of that state might be expected to write.

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ways one, and sometimes there are several sick teachers at the hospital. The privilege thus opened to the sick is of the greatest value. Only those who have been sick away from home or in such a place that the right kind of care is impossible, can appreciate what it means.

The club could not carry on this grand work if it were not for the profits of the entertainment course; its dues of \$1 a year, from its 600 odd members, barely sufficing for the expense of some of its other activities. The club holds bi-monthly meetings for the discussion of subjects of interest to teachers; it maintains a public affairs committee which acts in conjunction with a similar committee from the Commercial Club, and it cordially welcomes new teachers by means of annual receptions.

The club has been an important social factor in more ways than one. It has created an esprit de corps among the teachers and has been the means of benefiting them in a number of ways. It was at this club's request that the board of education instituted the teachers' pension fund, and the entertainment course it gives each year is a public benefactor in that it brings to the city distinguished lecturers, musicians and other celebrities who might not otherwise appear here. Moreover, admittance to these lectures is so reasonable that persons of limited means are able to attend the whole course.

The Journal takes pleasure in commending the Teachers' Club for its public and philanthropic work, for its benefits to its members and for its services in providing so excellent an entertainment course.

The Nonpareil Man

Little Side Issues. De Saules, the Turkey quarterback who has been lying in the Massachusetts General hospital, between the doctors and the police, is a man of the brain, is better, and it is thought that he will pull through all right if he does not tell him the secret.

Kansas City graded so on one individual that he hired a hypnotist to put him asleep for six days.

Yale bet 25 cents on her eleven, and now wants her damaged quarterback.

Mr. Kruger, now of Amsterdam, has made another of those unpleasant, harsh remarks, viz., that "the struggle in South Africa has just begun." When Mr. Chamberlain read it he threw his monocle.

Is the small boy afraid of the Turkey Gnat?

This is a pretty good year of year to insult the poor widow by sending around a ton of coal and a turkey.

Over-particular people complain of having to ride on the brake beams of the Comtois-Hartley cars at 5 p. m. There is a pretty good sidewalk out that way, too.

The Holland submarine boat stayed under water fifteen hours without casualty. Now let's anchor Adickes and Quay down there for a similar time and note results.

General Wood has just bought, for the United States, the San Juan battlefield, including the blockhouse, San Juan hill and the Blood Run. It is known as a trust, or tend to create a monopoly in the manufacture, sale or transportation of any articles, is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for not exceeding five years, or by a fine not exceeding \$10,000, or both.

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MINNESOTA POLITICS

Many best laid plans were made to "gang up" by Governor Van Sant's recent bound into popular favor. One of them, I am reliably informed, had to do with the ever-ready politician of the present mayor of Minneapolis. The doctor has always wanted to be governor of Minnesota. He loves the glitter of state office, and his highest ambition is to be surrounded with a be-gilded staff. Since his famous race against McGill, he has looked with longing eye on the state house. He realized that there was a strong opposition to Van Sant in many quarters, and he common to several gentlemen in various parts of the state, he hoped to be the beneficiary of this feeling. He is laying his plans to capture Hennepin county's delegation by a still better plan. The governor electrified the country by his attack on the railway consolidation. This at once put the Winona man at top of the heap. There no longer was any talk of retiring Van Sant. If the governor steers his course straight he will not encounter even a ripple.

Mayor Ames has political sense enough to realize this fact. He had been outwardly a candidate for congress for various reasons. One was his bitter hostility to Fletcher, and another was his ambition to represent Minneapolis at the nation's capital, which he has been doing as an alternative to running for governor. Knowing that all was not lovely between the Fletcher people and the state administration, he hoped by running for congress to get into the club Fletcher into supporting him for governor.

That dream is over, and for the present, at least, the mayor is a bona fide candidate for congress. Many of his henchmen refuse to believe this. Some of them, members of the police department and other dependents, are spreading the story that he intends to be a candidate for mayor again. Perhaps he will, a few months hence, when he has had time to get his followers want him to run for mayor, and they will leave no stone unturned to change his determination. If he does not run, their goose is cooked, and they know it. The doctor would like to resign them, but just now he is bent on "beating old Fletcher," as he has tastefully put it.

Senator Clapp left for Washington last evening, where he will enter upon his duties at once. He takes with him as his private secretary, Chauncey E. Richardson of Duluth, and as his chief of staff, a young man who has been city clerk, and Mayor Hild's private secretary.

N. W. PRESS AND THE GREAT MERGER

Hillsboro, N. D., Times—The public will heartily approve the purpose of Governor Van Sant of Minnesota to fight to the last ditch against the endeavor of the Northern Securities company to consolidate the control of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads in the northwest.

Langdon, N. D., Republican—Jim Hill will be a great financier and a power in the financial world, but he will not take a notion to go after him he won't be half so big as he thought he got through.

Bismarck Palladium—Governor Van Sant of Minnesota is getting a big job when he goes after the big railroad consolidation. His end will probably be like that of Attorney General Monnet of Ohio, who went after the Standard Oil combine. The combine still exists, but the attorney general has passed into history.

Vernadale Sun—Governor Van Sant has shown himself to be a fearless governor. He opposed the consolidation of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads in Minnesota, to the detriment of the people, if it takes an extra session of the legislature to help do it.

Minneapolis Independent—It seems to be apparent to most observers that the state of Minnesota does not know what kind of a fight it will have to make, if any, or whether the merger of the railroads will show fight or expose itself to legal attack in any way.

Litchfield Independent—The governor says that he will leave nothing undone that is within his power, to prevent the consummation of this scheme of consolidation. May be he is successful.

Starbuck Times—Governor Van Sant, by his prompt and energetic action in opposing the consolidation of the Great Northern and competing lines of railroads in this state during the past week, has done more to popularize and make himself solid with the masses than all he has accomplished otherwise during his present term of office to date.

Hawley Herald—The governor is on his right mettle, and we hope to see him come victorious. It is a hard battle, but his patriotism, combinations, trusts, gambling fraternities, or whatever you feel like naming them, received a frost.

Brainerd Tribune—Governor Van Sant's bold action in opposing the consolidation of the Great Northern and competing lines of railroads in this state, has electrified the entire north-west. Governor Van Sant has a big fight on his hands, but he is a good fighter, and the people are with him to the finish.

Moorehead Independent—Governor Van Sant has taken the initiative in the matter and has the support of nine-tenths of the people of Minnesota in his efforts to protect their rights. He will be supported by the legislature and the legal fight will be conducted by Attorney General Douglas.

Winkley Enterprise—Governor Van Sant has struck a gait in the railway consolidation matter which, if kept up, will land him in the gubernatorial chair for a second term. The great church, which will have the united support of the people regardless of politics.

Lakeside Press—The railroad interests of Minnesota exert an influence politically by means of the money which they have at their disposal, and their attitude of opposition to these interests, Governor Van Sant shows himself possessed of a spirit which will be commensurate with the magnitude of the task whether or not he is able to checkmate James J. Hill and his associates.

Albert Lea Tribune—Governor Van Sant has set the whole financial world to wagging by his prompt and energetic action in opposing the consolidation of the Great Northern and competing lines of railroads in this state, and he will not let himself be won over by the money which he has at his disposal, and he will be acting strictly according to the interests of the state.

Crookston Times (dem.)—The number of journals throughout the state which have written their support for Governor Van Sant in the stand which he has taken as to the new railway combine is very small, for the people of the state need not wait till Thursday to give thanks. The governor, who has taken the only position possible to a man who intends to conserve the interests of the people of the state.



... BY COLIN S. COLLINS

Copyright, 1901, by A. S. Richardson. If Bradley Evans had not been so deeply in love, he would certainly have been angry. The curtain had just fallen on the Thanksgiving matinee, and the stage hands were already clearing the stage for the feast which Manager Evans had ordered for his company. That astute gentleman had personally supervised the preparations and arranged every detail.

The stage was to be set with a dull old interior, ablaze with electricity overhead, in the flies and at the footlights, with the front of the house in darkness, to heighten the brilliancy of the improved dining room. Gorgeous chrysantheums had been ordered from New York for the centerpiece, and the menu was the very best of the leading caterer of the small New England city out of which Evans had just stepped into the leading man's dressing room for the assurance that his personal appearance was in keeping with the festive occasion before presenting himself to the young woman in whose honor the dinner was being given, Miss Ella Ransom. He had meant to be careful as to speech before her, but he had not meant to utter the evening performance and to forget the folks gathered round home firesides, he would have a little chat with her alone in her dressing room before she came on the stage. Surely this little act of thoughtfulness would pave the way. He knew in a general way that she was a New England girl and that Thanksgiving day was to such as she the all important festival. The young woman, Miss Ella Ransom, was so strong that even his own love story had to be worked up to the proper climax. But Miss Ransom with true womanly courtesy and her own good sense, had noticed when he entered the star's dressing room in response to a muffled "Come," instead of facing a handsomely gowned and smiling girl, as he had anticipated, he saw a forlorn figure curled up on the sofa. Miss Ransom still wore the frock used in the last act, and as she straightened up she made a futile effort to stifle her grief with a lace-trimmed bit of cambray. All the graceful little speeches which Evans had been coming for hours failed him at this critical moment. He forgot the flower-decorated table on the stage and the actors who by this time must be hurrying from their dressing rooms, and he stood in the doorway, he knew only that Ella was in trouble and he loved her.

"Dear girl, what has happened?" "Alas for the clearly worded proposal that was never to be spoken! The tone, the gesture and the love light in his eyes told their own tale, and Miss Ransom understood. That is why she never surrenders, and then, instead of her little heartache in his arms and incoherently pouring the cause thereof into his ear.

"It was lovely of you, perfectly dear," Evans said, "but I'm afraid I'm afraid to think of this plan for my life's happiness! But you did not know how close you were bringing me to-day to my old home. It's just ten miles from here, Upper Dalton, and I haven't seen it for five years. I want to see it."

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Daily New York Letter

The Beer Concentration Camps. Nov. 28.—Rev. Herman D. Van Brockhuysen, a Boer preacher, in addressing a meeting of sympathizers here, declared the Boers were not surprised, and they were surprised of the remainder of his talk to a description of the concentration camps. He said:

"There are thirty-four of these camps along the line of the railroad. They are surrounded by barbed wire fences, and British soldiers are on guard. The women and children sleep on the bare ground, in tents or open barracks. They are allowed one-half pound of meat, one-quarter of an ounce of coffee, two ounces of sugar and a little salt every day. They are practically living skeletons."

England and Wales the average death rate is 18 in 1,000. In these camps in South Africa the death rate was 264 in 1,000, while the death rate among the children was 433 in 1,000. Unless some remedy is effected there will be no children left."

The Institutional Church. Rev. Dr. Rainsford of St. George's church, writes to the Tribune to deny that there has been a falling off in the attendance at the services of the church, which is the most notable of the free and "institutional" churches in this city. There is a slight decline in attendance at the evening services, but an increase at the morning services.

"Institutionally," he says, "the so-called 'institutional' church is not reaching the people as the people ought to be reached, but there is no comparison whatever between the success of the free church and the success among the working classes of the poor. I do not hesitate to say that all who are in touch with the lives of the plain people in our cities will support my contention here."

These services had been held in a hall, falling away from attendance on all churches, and we will not let ourselves to win them back by ignoring this significant fact. Where we fail, he says, the blame is to be placed on the so-called 'institutional' church. That method of church life is only an effort to take the starch out of organization, and to bring men who believe in God and each other together.

Sad Fate of Agnes Galambes. "When he begged me with words of love I left my employment and went with him. I don't care now what becomes of me."

Miss Burrell's Sermons. One of the publishing houses is issuing regularly these days the sermons of Dr. Burrell, formerly of Westminster church in Minneapolis. The sermons are coming out in book form, have been, in fact for several years, and are being printed in addition to the literature of the American people. Dr. Burrell is occupying a foremost place in New York. His evening congregations in the said old Reformed church at the corner of Twenty-ninth and Fifth streets are larger than ever before—packed to the very doors with standing room only as the usual order.

Dr. Burrell changes but little. He is older than when he was in Minneapolis, but it is only shown in non-essential things. He is the same eloquent, active, powerful man, his personality, in and out of the pulpit, just as winning, his face, his eyes, his smile, his like an old friend. He is as pronounced, his like an old friend. He is as pronounced, his like an old friend. He is as pronounced, his like an old friend.

A Political Question. Indianaapolis Journal. In spite of Mr. Bryan's criticism of Governor Durbine for not surrendering to Governor Taylor, it may be doubted if he would be willing to be tried for a political offense by a jury composed of twelve republicans.