

GOVERNOR SHAW SHAVES STEPHENS

The Iowan Pays His Respects to the Purpose of St. Louis Gathering.

GOES HOME IN DISGUST

Mastery Arraignment of the Hollow Pretenses of Democratic Leaders who Pose as Trust Tamers.

After some difficulty, Governor Shaw, of Iowa, was given the floor in the St. Louis anti-trust conference and made the following address: "Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen—I regret that the call for this conference did not include all that is in the mind of him who issued it. It was evidently the purpose to make not only an anti-trust conference, but an anti-expansion and a free trade and free silver convention. I say 'evidently the purpose,' from the tone of the remarks of the chairman, submitted from manuscript, and from the manuscript speech of the governor of Missouri, of which our chairman stated he had knowledge, and which was read on August 10th. Had this been done, it is quite possible a larger attendance would have been secured; for certainly it would have then embraced subjects upon which there are greater differences of opinion than upon the question of trusts alone. "I was interested and diverted by the address from the governor of Missouri. Interested for he stated that his state had triumphantly exterminated the octopus. I was diverted, as he told of the downfall of Rome, caused from evils such as now confront us. I was made to regret that in the expansion policy of old Rome she did not acquire some territory as productive of statesmen as the Louisiana purchase; and which then might have produced a governor of sufficient foresight, a legislature of sufficient wisdom, an attorney general of sufficient foresight, and a supreme court of sufficient erudition and fairness to have successfully coped with multi-millionaires and bankers, which, it was claimed, infested the empire to the great damage of the common people. I also regretted, as I listened to the reading of a letter which he claimed to have been written by Abraham Lincoln, that this beloved statesman and patriot could not have foreseen as claimed to have been done in Missouri, and thereby had his fears allayed. "I prefer a formulated bill, such as I may safely submit to the general assembly of my state, rather than resolutions. I think I am a politician enough to draft a set of resolutions so drastic that, if heeded, all trusts and combinations would immediately take their departure from the commonwealth of which I have the honor to be chief executive; but I am not so confident that I am statesman enough to draft a bill which will compel their everlasting exit providing they are determined to stay. If the committee, when appointed, shall draft a bill which seems to me comprehensive and effective, I will very gladly recommend it; for I desire here and now to say that I have no sympathy with any combination of capital which results in monopoly. "I desire that the governor of Missouri shall serve upon this committee, for the reason that he reports the statistics of this state adequate to meet the demands of the hour; and I hope

if he shall consider it essential to this end that he incorporate the law recently approved by him, which, if I may trust the verbal testimony of citizens of his state, permitted the competing lines of street railway in this city to combine. And I desire that the governor of Tennessee may serve upon this committee, for, in private conversation, he advised me, with evident pride, I thought, that very extensive deposits of phosphate had been discovered in his state, from which great fortunes are now being made; and he reported that many of the producers of phosphates had been thereby driven from the market. I desire him to incorporate in the bill, if he shall deem it advisable, such provisions as will prohibit capitalists of Tennessee from monopolizing the phosphate business. "The bill, to meet my approval, must permit organizations of laborers for the purpose of advancing the price of labor, for we all believe in these; but it must prohibit organizations by the consumers of labor to advance the price of their products, for none of us believe therein. "It must permit the Southern planter and the Northern wheat grower to combine to limit the output of cotton and of wheat, for we all believe in such organizations so far as they can be made effective; but the bill must prohibit combinations by manufacturers of cotton goods and of flour for the purpose of limiting the output of their plants, for of us none believe therein. I say labor unions must be protected; for, to my mind, no one lives beneath our flag, regardless of party affiliations, who does not sincerely sympathize with, and who will not, in any reasonable way, encourage these organizations. And it is quite possible, as was recently stated in Chicago by one of the ablest men who met there pursuant to the call of the civic federation, that the time is not far distant when consumers of labor will insist that their employees organize. "It will be necessary, therefore, to direct the proposed bill with great accuracy; and like the Kentucky hunter, so aim it as to hit if it be a deer and miss if it be a calf. "The remedy suggested by implication in the two speeches of the forenoon session—that of the repeal of the tariff provisions and through the free coinage of silver—would, in my opinion, effectually break the back of every trust in the United States. It would accomplish this much in the same way that a fire in a wheat field temporarily destroys Canada thistles; but I have learned from observation that these pests will spring up again so soon as conditions are favorable to the growth of another crop of wheat. I had hoped that this convention would evolve some method of effectually dealing with the evil without resorting to a practice so soon upon the heels of the last. "The defeated presidential candidate of the fusion forces in 1896 recently spoke in the capital city of my state. In the course of his remarks he stated, in effect, that his remedy for existing evils, so vividly portrayed by him, was the enforcement of the laws as they now exist, which he seemed to think were sufficient. "He further stated, however, that if these were found defective, he should then ask his attorney general to make further recommendations. I doubt not most of the governors present will prefer to draft their own messages. Personally, I shall not ask my attorney general to do what the statute imposes upon me. "When I left home last evening I did not suppose this conference would resolve itself into a political convention. I believe it would be best for all concerned that national issues be formulated in national conventions called for that purpose. It has never been my purpose, owing to other engagements, to tarry longer than today. I shall therefore return this evening, but shall watch with great interest the result of your further deliberations; and if a bill shall be formulated, I shall give it most careful consideration, and if I consider it feasible, recommend its adoption in my state. "It isn't working for a living that hurts the average man, but the kind of living that he gets for his work.



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