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HOW THE FARMERS OF TEXAS LOOKED UPON A FULL CREW BILL

Why Farmers' Co-Operative Union Defeated a Full Crew Proposition in Texas Legislature.

The present series of articles is intended as a brief campaign of education on those matters affecting railroads concerning which the greatest misunderstanding exists in the public mind. As has been stated before, the railroads and the people face each other in a new relationship today. Not only do the people say what rates the railroads shall charge for service—but the hour is at hand when all new railroad securities will be subjected to federal and state surveillance before they can be offered for sale and just as the new currency system will make the recurrence of a panic like the one of 1907 impossible in the future, so questionable methods of railroad financing such as occurred under the old regime a dozen years ago will be impossible from this time forward.

While the general public perhaps does not realize it, there is no more powerful factor for clean business methods in the country today than the thousands of big business men in all lines of industrial activity who are demanding these methods not only because they are right but as a matter of protection for themselves against those who bring discredit upon the line of activity in which they are engaged.

Since the enactment of the "Full Crew Bill" which was touched upon in last week's article would compel the railroads of Missouri to ask for a half million dollars larger yearly increase in rates than they will otherwise need, a little further discussion of this proposition may not be out of place.

Action of Farmers in Texas.
In this connection, the action of the Farmers Co-Operative Union of Texas which was chiefly instrumental in defeating a "Full Crew Bill" in the 33rd Legislature of that state, should be of keen interest to the farmers of Missouri at this time. In the annual convention of the Union which met at San An-

tonio in August, 1913, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"We oppose the placing of any and all unjust burdens upon the railroads which the shipper must finally pay and we endorse the action of President Peter Radford and all other officers and members of the Texas Farmers Co-Operative Union in opposing the "Full Crew Bill" before the 33rd Legislature, said officers and members in good faith believing that the additional operating expenses of the railroads of one million dollars per year, which would have followed from the enactment of said law, would have been thereby transferred to the shoulders of the producers of the state without materially benefitting the public." Will the farmers of Missouri be less wide awake to their best interests in the forthcoming election when they vote on Proposition No. 9?

Putting Shoe on Other Foot.

Suppose a proposition were pending to increase the taxes of the farmers of Missouri or the merchants of the state more than a half million dollars per year? Would they not emphasize the injustice of it to the people? Would not every farmers organization and Commercial Club in the state denounce it? Or suppose an act was pending compelling the farmers and merchants of Missouri to hire hundreds of extra farm hands and clerks they do not need—would they not bitterly resent it? And yet this is exactly what the advocates of the "Full Crew Bill" are seeking to do to the railroads. Certainly merely because a railroad happens to be a public service corporation it has not lost all right to a square deal. Furthermore, as has been emphasized before, in this instance the welfare of the railroads is the welfare of the people—for when the burdens of the railroads become heavier than they can bear, the people must choose between paying them more money or sending them upon the rocks of confiscation and ruin.

Meeting the Issue Squarely.
But is not the purpose of this article to plead for public sym-

Circuit Court Proceedings.

Amelia Taubman, et. al., vs. Dorothy Louise Barnett, report of commissioner approved and confirmed, and Charles Lyons allowed attorney fee of \$750, and Horace Blackwell, guardian ad litem, for minor defendant allowed attorney fee of \$50.

Lafayette Telephone Company vs. Chris Temple, et. al., motion to strike out parts of amended answer.

Margaret Cox vs. Lafayette Telephone Co., leave granted for defendant to plead on or before December 1, 1914.

Lafayette Telephone Company vs. Chris Temple, et. al., plaintiff files reply to defendant's amended answer.

Lafayette Telephone Company vs. Edward S. Butt, et. al., plaintiff files reply to defendant's amended answer.

Ordered by court that T. V. Conrad, E. C. Hall and L. M. Kennard, attorneys from Kansas City, be allowed to practice in this court.

Della M. Corbin vs. James Corbin, decree of divorce, custody of the children and \$15 per month alimony granted to plaintiff.

H. H. Lichte vs. C. A. Watson & Sons, defendant files petition and affidavit, bond for attachment, and bond approved and writ of attachment ordered issued returnable to February term, 1915.

Waverly Bank, a corporation, vs. John Abdoler and Alma Abdoler, plaintiff files petition, affidavit and bond for attachment; bond for \$875 signed by plaintiff as principal and Geo. W. Hackley, E. W. Neiderjohn and J. W. Hays as securities, approved and writ of attachment ordered issued, returnable to February, 1915, term of court.

K. C. Veterinary Co. et. al., vs. W. H. Dohoman, defendant files demurrer to petition.

Nora Green vs. Western Coal & Mining Co., defendant files answer.

Grover Robinson vs. Missouri Pacific Railway Company, defendant files motion to strike out parts of plaintiff's petition, and motion overruled and defendant files demurrer and same overruled.

Lexington Flouring Mills vs. Missouri Pacific Railway Co., cause called for trial and by consent a jury waived, and submitted to court and finding and judgment for plaintiff rendered in sum of \$15.75.

Grover Robinson vs. Missouri Pacific Railway Co., defendant files affidavit and application for change of venue, and by consent same is granted to Saline.

Lexington Flouring Mills vs. Missouri Railway, defendant files motion for new trial.

Richard Gates, et. al., vs. amended answer.

Thomas Burns, Sr., vs. Beatrice Phipps, et. al., sheriff files report of sale.

J. I. Case Threshing Machine Co. vs. Norvel E. King, et al, suit in replevin, case tried by jury and a verdict found for the defendant.

Edward A. Barnard vs. Waverly Brick & Coal Co., suit for damages, case tried by jury, judgment to the plaintiff in the sum of \$1,000.00.

Prize to Morris Hackler.

The prize offered by the Stier Clothing Company to the boy under 14 years of age for the largest ear of corn, was won by Morris Hackler, with Frank Hackler second. The prize was a suit of clothes.

Lexington's Handicaps.

Lexington is damned with the rottenest railroad service of any town of her size in the United States. The Missouri Pacific railroad contributes more hindrance to the growth and prosperity of Lexington than all the other evil influences combined. The passenger trains are seldom, if ever, on time; their discomfort and menace to the public health have long been proverbial. The freight service is even worse. It now requires one whole week for the Missouri Pacific railroad to deliver Kansas City freight to Lexington.

Along side the Missouri Pacific railroad is the Wells Fargo & Co. Express. This company fixes its own limits and boundaries of delivery, and unless you live within a stones throw of the court house, you must tote your own packages.

Lexington has done well in the face of all this discouragement from two public utilities. The public has been long suffering, but some day perhaps, not far off, the public will awaken and the Mop and the W. F. & Co. E. will be required to improve their service or—

Dies Suddenly.

J. M. Swearingin, of Missouri City, dropped dead Sunday night about 7:30 o'clock while sitting beside the stove at the boarding house conducted by C. E. Bass. Mr. Swearingin was employed by Albert James in the apple business. He was about 57 years of age. The body was taken to Winkler's undertaking parlors, and later to Camden, Mo., for burial.

Miss Bell Edmonds went to Kansas City Wednesday to attend the wedding of Gilbert Edmonds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Edmonds, formerly of this city, to Miss Louise Young of Kansas City, Kansas. The wedding took place Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. F. L. Carter went to Kansas City yesterday morning for a visit.

Shelby-Cole.

Mr. Meng Shelby, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Shelby, and Miss Helen Cole, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Webb Cole, of Dover, were married Wednesday morning at 7:40 at the Christian parsonage by Rev. Carl Burkhardt. After the ceremony the young couple left in an auto for Kansas City, where they will spend a brief honeymoon.

Both the bride and groom are from old and highly respected families of Lafayette county. They are most estimable young people and enjoy to a great degree the confidence and esteem of friends and acquaintances.

The Intelligencer joins with their friends in congratulations and best wishes.

Large Crowd Hears Houston.

David F. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture in President Wilson's cabinet, who spoke in the circuit court room Tuesday night was greeted by a capacity house. Every available space was occupied by men and women who were anxious to hear Missouri's representative in the president's cabinet. Mr. Houston is not an orator in the strictest sense, but has a most convincing and pleasing delivery which makes an impression more durable than flimsy flights of oratory. His address was fully appreciated and enjoyed by all who heard him.

Nabbed An Opium Outfit.

Wednesday night Deputy Sheriff Joe Waddell, Policeman John Pollard and Constable Owen raided a shack in the jungles south of Highland avenue and arrested four negroes. The negroes were strangers in Lexington and were, as suspected by the officers, conducting an opium joint. A considerable quantity of the drug was confiscated.

Death of a Child.

Lydia Irvin, the six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orland Irvin, died Wednesday night at 10 o'clock at her home on Railroad street. The remains were taken to Columbia for burial.

How to Support Wilson.

If you are for Woodrow Wilson and his policies you should vote for Democratic candidates for the Senate and House of Representatives who will support and aid him in the execution of those policies. You cannot uphold him by voting for Republicans who will oppose him in the next Congress, as they have in the present Congress.

If you believe that President Wilson is a safe man; if you believe that he is working for the best interests of the country; if you believe that the things which he has done are based upon right principles; if you believe that he should be allowed to continue the work which he has begun, you should vote for the men who will uphold him. Republicans in the next Senate and House, for political purposes will oppose him and his policies. Democrats will sustain him.

A vote for Democratic candidates for the Senate and for Democratic members of the House is a vote for Wilson. A vote for Republican candidates is a vote against Wilson. There is no middle ground.

Vote for your own interests. Vote for Wilson men!

J. W. Warder, who for eleven years has been connected with the local Electric Light Co., has gone into business for himself and offers his services to the public in the capacity of general electrician. He will furnish all kinds of supplies, do repairing and respond promptly to trouble calls. Phone 422.

George Stakes, the fourteen months old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Stakes, died Wednesday night at 9 o'clock at his home near the Plattenburg Mines.

Mrs. Anna Higgins and daughter, Miss Adelaide, returned to their home in Higginsville yesterday after a visit here with relatives.

W. B. Warder and L. R. Condon went to Kansas City yesterday morning for a short visit.

Mrs. Otto Dierking returned Wednesday evening from a visit in Kansas City.



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