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BIG BUSINESS MUST CONTRIBUTE

(By Sen. James A. Reed)
Chicago, Sept. 12.—Further evidence tending to prove that the third-term candidate does not treat the money of Big Business with the same lofty scorn that he discusses its works, has been developed by the series of letters which the third-term party finance committee is sending broadcast to heads of the great corporations. The latter is an appeal for money and names the amount, \$500.00, which should be contributed.

The third-termer has thundered anathema maranatha against the Standard Oil, he has exhausted the vocabulary of vituperation and invective against the Steel Trust and has hurled maledictio nat the interests and yet within the past few weeks it has been charged that he received in 1904 over \$100,000.00 from the Standard Oil to help finance his campaign and \$100,000.00 from the Steel Trust, to say nothing of smaller contributions from other trusts and corporations, big and little. At present in louder and more boisterous terms than ever before he is proclaiming himself the enemy of big business and the anointed of the Lord, standing upon the field of Armageddon fighting his own battles, yet he is today financing his campaign by levying contributions from the big interests and given a direct pledge of political subservience hereafter to be rendered.

The accompanying letter was received by the head of one of the great industrial plants of the west which was not long ago charged by the United States attorney-general with being engaged in a conspiracy in restraint of trade and commerce and with having violated the criminal statutes of the United States. The letter was addressed to this gentleman's place of business and not to his home. Along with the letter was sent a circular containing excerpts from the third-term candidate's platform. The letter is as follows:

Progressive Party
Manhattan Hotel, New York.
"Dear Sir:—I ask you to be good enough to read the enclosed planks from the platform of the progressive party. We believe they offer the merchants, manufacturers and industrial leaders of the country a rational, constructive charter of business prosperity. They constitute a contract made in good faith between the progressive party and the people of the United States. Neither the democratic party nor the republican party has the courage to hold out any definite proposals on this important subject.

"We intend to put a large number of speakers on the road and use them to advocate these and other constructive features of the platform in order that the average man may be informed as to the necessity of a rational program covering the relations between capital and labor in this country and development of American business at home and abroad.

"If you believe as we do that the sincere enactment of these proposals into law will mean a higher development of our commercial prosperity and are in favor of the vigorous advocacy of the planks regardless of what party you have been affiliated with or are now inclined to support, you will help defray the expenses of such a campaign by making a personal contribution of \$500. Check should be made to my order as Treasurer and be mailed to the Progressive National Committee, Manhattan Hotel, New York City.

"These funds are carefully conserved and will be disbursed for legitimate expenses of which you approve.

"Sincerely yours,
"(Signed) E. H. HOOKER,
"National Treasurer."

Pastime Club Entertained.

The Pastime Club composed of members of the Modern Pioneers, spent a very enjoyable evening as guests of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Kennedy, construction superintendent at the asylum. About 60 of their friends, many of them from Vinita Colony No. 12, Modern Pioneers of America were invited. They arrived in automobiles, wagons and carriages bent on having a good time. The first amusement on the program was a swimming contest in the pool between the ladies and gentlemen, which was very much enjoyed. The dance was the feature attraction of the evening, in the center of a tarpaulin was stretched on the lawn. Vinita's popular orchestra un-

der the direction of Prof. Bemis was seated on the porch which was also illuminated by Japanese lanterns, the whole scene presenting a new and novel entertainment such as has never been enjoyed in Vinita before. After the evening's sports, Mrs. Kennedy served ice cream and cake. After the refreshments the colony returned to Vinita very much pleased with the evening's entertainment.

BANK CLOSED AT SAPULPA

No Details of the Financial Conditions Given Out By the Bank Inspector.

Sapulpa, Okla., Sept. 11.—Rumors that the Farmers and Merchants bank of this city was in a bad financial condition came to a head today, when the bank failed to open its doors at the time for opening. It was officially announced that the state banking board had taken charge of the bank and were examining the bank records. It was later stated that the bank would probably be open tomorrow with a state bank inspector in charge.

The bank is owned by two brothers, Bates B. and Birch C. Burnett, prominent business men of Sapulpa. No details regarding the financial condition of the bank were given out and whether the inspectors have found any shortage is only problematical. It is believed, however, that the Burnett brothers will be eliminated from banking in this city.

Silas Carpenter, Thief-Taker.

Edmonton, Alta., Sept. 10.—Silas H. Carpenter, for 17 years chief of detectives of Montreal, who will succeed A. C. Lacey, resigned, as chief of the police department of Edmonton, September 25, has an international reputation as a thief-taker. He was brought into world-wide prominence in 1903, in connection with the arrest of Gaynor and Greene, the central figures with Captain Carter in the federal building graft cases at Savannah, Ga., landing them after an exciting chase in a tug boat up the St. Lawrence river. The prisoners spent fortunes in fighting extradition, but were finally delivered to the United States authorities. Carpenter also handled numerous important cases in eastern Canada, the United States and Cuba. He is president of the Chief Constables' Association of Canada, to which office he was elected by unanimous vote at the convention in Brantford, Ont.

ADAIR ITEMS.

Mesdames J. H. Calvert, S. F. Griffith and A. E. Wester were shopping in Vinita Tuesday.

J. E. Fishback, wife and little son of Vinita visited Mr. Fishback's parents, A. M. Fishback and wife Sunday.

S. F. Griffith returned home Sunday from an extended visit at his old home in Kentucky.

Miss Amber Chandler of Muskogee, is visiting at the home of her cousin, Mrs. L. C. White.

Mrs. Mary Rogers left last Thursday to visit friends and relatives at her old home in and near Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Georgia Binninger departed Tuesday for her home in Kansas City, after a short visit with relatives near Adair.

J. E. Craig and son of Lynch, were in Adair on business Tuesday.

Rev. Cummins and wife of Seneca, Mo., visited in Adair the first of this week. He was here to fill his regular appointment.

Mrs. Jennie Haney has returned to Adair after a short visit with relatives at Spavinaw.

P. G. Brock and two daughters and one son departed Saturday for Twin Falls, Idaho, where they expect to make their future home. Mr. Brock has been in poor health for some time and goes there in hopes of gaining his former strength. We are very sorry to lose these good people but hope he will soon be well again.

Miss Metta Gambil returned Saturday from an absence of some time spent in visiting with relatives in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Rube Martin, of Locust Grove and Mrs. James Rush of Pryor were shopping in Vinita yesterday. Mr. Martin sat on the porch at Chouteau and watched what he thought to be six men rob the Chouteau Bank and Trust company. He says the shots woke nearly every one in town, but every one was afraid to do anything as all were unarmed.

HARRISON ASKS FOR AMENDMENTS

Secretary of State Would Have the Statutes Changed in Many Ways.

Oklahoma City, Sept. 11.—Some legislation affecting the state secretary's office is also to be desired, and in order that the next legislature may know what changes should be made in the laws in their relation to his department, Secretary of State Harrison has written to Governor Cruce, calling the governor's attention to a number of defects in the laws as they now stand on the statute books, and recommending a number of changes which will make the work of the office more simple and more effective.

First, Secretary of State Harrison would have a law providing that notaries public should possess certain qualifications and that the preference in granting commissions, should be given to those whose applications are approved by a county judge or county clerk.

As to corporations, they should be required to show that a certain amount of their capital stock is paid in before applying for charters. There should also be a time limit for paying in the entire capital stock. The fee law should be changed, the secretary of state believes, in such a manner as to make more definite the amount of fees that shall be paid into the state by foreign corporations. Domestic corporations should also be compelled to file notice with the secretary of state in case of dissolution.

The present initiative and referendum law is ineffective, says Secretary Harrison in his letter, and he suggests that protests against initiated bills should be brought in the supreme court where the attendance of witnesses can be compelled.

Other suggestions contained in the letter are, that the state grain commission, now composed of the attorney general, secretary of state and the state auditor, should be abolished and the duties now performed by the commission turned over to the state board of agriculture; that a penalty for violation of the banking laws be prescribed; that a law should be passed limiting the capital of trust companies in cities of between 25,000 and 50,000 population.

In estimating the budget for the next two years, Secretary Harrison distributes the funds as follows: Secretary's salary, \$2,500 per annum; assistant secretary, \$2,000; corporation clerk, \$1,500; corporation recording clerk, \$1,500; recording clerk, \$1,200; stenographer and assistant recording clerk, \$1,000; two state house custodians, \$900 each; two firemen at \$360 each.

Oklahoma Deaf Mute School.

The Oklahoma Deaf Mute School opened today at Sulphur, Okla., with A. A. Stewart as superintendent. Mr. Pete T. Hughes, of Kansas City, one of the teachers in the school, was on the west bound train that passed through here at 8:55 this morning, and began taking on scholars at Afton. He got one there, three here and about 50 between here and Sulphur.

Those who went from here were Misses Callie and Martha Lyman and Miss Bertha Williams. There are not many who know that the state furnishes free schools for the deaf mutes of this state, but such is the case and if there are any who have children who are mutes they should give them the advantage that this school offers.

Crowded Cattle Market.

There were approximately 28,000 cattle on the Kansas City market Tuesday. The large run this week has had a depressing effect upon the market and the excessive shipments are due to the drought in the southwest where the grass has played out and there is nothing left stockmen but to ship.

A Million Dollar Bank.

A party of eastern capitalists from New York, Boston and Pittsburg have just left Muskogee and state that they will put in a bank in Muskogee with several million dollars capital. They have examined the banking laws here thoroughly and have decided that this is the garden spot of the world to do a banking business. Nothing but eastern capital will be used, and they will loan money at 6 per cent interest. Such an institution in every town in Oklahoma would be a great help to the money borrower.

NINE INNINGS WITHOUT A SCORE

Muskogee, Okla., Sept. 12.—The Golden Rule team of Vinita and the Seminole Indians of Seminole battled for nine innings yesterday at Athletic park without scoring a run. Darkness ended the contest.

A total of eight hits were made throughout the whole game and none of the sluggers got farther than first on a hit except Birch of the Seminoles who knocked a two-bagger. It was a pitchers' battle from the start with Tincup of the Oklahoma State league fame on the mound for Vinita and Scott, formerly of the Salako Indian team twirling for the Seminoles. Tincup fanned thirteen men and allowed none to walk and Scott made seventeen drop the bat and let two men walk. Four hits were made off each pitcher.

The Seminoles had an opportunity to win in the ninth and lost it through a bonehead play by a runner on third. The runner was playing off before the fly was caught and was put out before he could return to the third sack. The bases were full and the failure to catch the fly would have meant at least two scores for the Seminoles. Two minor errors were made by the Golden Rule team and three by the Seminoles.

The Vinita team has been touring Arkansas and Oklahoma and has a record of but sixteen defeats in a hundred games. The other team has won twenty-eight of forty games. Both teams contend that the game yesterday was one of the hardest contested they had played this season. Most of the players have been on semi-professional teams.

The attendance yesterday afternoon was not good because of other attractions and because few persons knew of the playing ability of the contesting teams. Three more games are scheduled for the series this week and a large crowd is expected at Athletic park by the Woodmen under whose auspices the attraction is staged.

Fishermen's Luck.

It is reported that the fishing expedition that left Vinita at noon yesterday and was chaperoned by Messrs. S. W. Beaver and Geo. E. Harris, had trouble in large gobs on the journey. They broke down their auto near Okoee, and then secured a team from a farmer, and it seemed that the aggregation excited the Missouri mules to such an extent that they meandered through the woods of Mustang at a 2:40 gait, distributing the fishing party at stated intervals through the scrub oaks. Worse than that was the havoc created among the provisions and cooking utensils which were scattered over a radius of three miles. No one was seriously injured, although it is stated that Harris lost another hair from his shining dome.

The latest reports from the party are to the effect that they arrived at Grand river at 10 last night and had succeeded in capturing one specimen of hickory shad.

Vinita Sunday School Union.

At a regular meeting of the Vinita Sunday School Union held Tuesday night at the Methodist church the amended constitution and by-laws were adopted, after which the following officers were elected:

Gaylord N. Bebout, president; J. F. Murphy, vice president; Geo. E. Davis, secretary-treasurer.

Sunday schools selected members of the executive committee as follows: Presbyterian, Charles H. Collins; Methodist, Mrs. Roper; Baptist, S. E. Wallen; Christian, Gene Englehart; Congregational, Mrs. J. T. Wilson; Episcopal selection yet to be made.

The taking of the city census which was to have been started on the 11th, was deferred until weather conditions moderate.

ZINC FOUND IN OKLAHOMA.

Discovery of the Mineral Causes Rush For Land And May Develop Important Industry.

Bartlesville, Okla., Sept. 11.—The discovery of a four-foot vein of zinc near Ochelata, several miles south of Bartlesville, is causing considerable excitement, and may pave the way for the opening up of an important industry in this country. Samples of the mineral found have been analyzed by the state geologist and assayed 7½ per cent zinc and 2 per cent lead. The discovery was made on lands owned by the Jacob brothers, who have a

lease of 200 acres. Several tests have been made on the tract and the deposit found each time. In fact, the mineral comes to surface in several places and lies four feet beneath just under a hard formation known as impure soapstone.

The owners have taken steps to organize a company to develop the mine and prospectors have been endeavoring to secure mineral leases in that section since the discovery. Samples of the rock are now on display in Bartlesville and are declared by men familiar with zinc and lead mines to be fine specimens.

WOODROW WILSON THE MAGNETIC

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 9.—One of the great causes of Woodrow Wilson's success in life has been his ability to attract and retain the enthusiastic devotion of other men. There is something about the personality of the man, a mysterious something which, for want of a better word, we call personal magnetism, that binds to him and his cause every generous soul with whom he comes in contact. All his life Mr. Wilson has been a sort of storm center about whom other men have stood and contended. There may have been discussions on other matters but always there has been perfect accord among his associates in love and loyalty to him.

This quality of leadership was particularly demonstrated in the pre-convention presidential campaign. Mr. Wilson had been less than two years in public life. He was known only to a comparative few as the president of a university, and yet, as the campaign developed, leader after leader in every state in the country cast their fortunes in with him and burned their bridges behind them. Conspicuous example in point is Joseph E. Davies, secretary of the national democratic committee and manager of the western headquarters. Mr. Davies had been chairman of the Wisconsin state central committee and, in due time, succeeded to the national chairmanship. Wisconsin democracy for years had been divided and disorganized but, under the leadership of Mr. Davies, had become a strong working, fighting organization. When the Wilson candidacy was announced, Mr. Davies and his successor, Mr. Frank B. Schutz, came out openly for Wilson and, as has been said, literally burned their bridges behind them. They not only announced their preference for Governor Wilson, but plunged into the campaign and worked night and day not only in Wisconsin but in adjoining states.

COMPANY CAN'T RAISE RATES.

Corporation Commission Alone Controls Compensation for Phones.

Oklahoma City, Sept. 11.—That the Pioneer Telephone company has no authority to raise its rates in Oklahoma City without permission from the corporation commission, and that the city ordinance authorizing the automatic raise for every additional 1,000 subscribers is void, is the holding of the supreme court in an opinion handed down Wednesday by Chief Justice Turner. The opinion places the final authority in rate matters with the corporation commission.

The court holds that the city's power to grant a franchise does not involve the right to regulate rates and that the attempted regulation does not bind either party and certainly not the state, and does not prevent the corporation commission from establishing different rates.

In another franchise case from Bartlesville it is held also in an opinion by Chief Justice Turner that a municipality cannot grant a franchise to an individual to furnish it with natural gas or clothe him with the power of exercising the right of eminent domain in order to do so. The court holds that this business of a public nature has been provided for by the state and by it entrusted to domestic corporations only.

New Millinery Store.

Miss Daky, formerly of the Golden Rule has opened up a new millinery store of her own in the old Cherokee building on South Wilson. She has recently returned from a two weeks visit to the markets and has a nice line of fall the latest style hats, including some beautiful pattern hats. Miss Oaky is a good trimmer and she will no doubt enjoy a good trade.

CHOUTEAU BANK ROBBED LAST NIGHT

From Wednesday's Daily.

The Chouteau Trust and Banking company's safe was blown open this morning at 3:30 o'clock and \$600 in silver taken, by unknown robbers. The robbers tied the night operator and cut all of the telephone wires before they started to blow the safe. Four shots were fired in blowing the safe and the robbers escaped unmolested, supposedly to the Spavinaw Hills east of Grand river which is only a few miles to the east. Further details up to the time of going to press were unobtainable, but it is thought that there were between three and six men in the party and that they were all new men at the business, as they overlooked several thousand dollars in currency which was in another part of the safe. Sheriff Ridenhour was called upon to come down and assist in running the robbers down and he left in an automobile about daylight accompanied by Deputy U. S. Marshal Homer Trott, Under Sheriff B. S. Webb and City Officers Baxley and Reed.

WOULD CHANGE ELECTION LAWS

Would Require a Majority Vote to Nominate in Primary.

Oklahoma City, Sept. 9.—Crooked dealings in an election will call for a term in the penitentiary and nothing else, if a recommendation which Governor Cruce has in mind is accepted by the legislature next winter. Under the present law, the heaviest penalty is a \$25 fine. This is all that is provided for the offenses of padding the registration list or stuffing a ballot box.

Another recommendation the governor thinks of making is to require that in a primary election the successful candidate shall receive a majority of the votes cast for the office, in place of a plurality. This may be accomplished either by holding a second election or requiring the voter to express himself for first, second or third choice. With a large number of candidates in a race, the expressions could be so distributed as to prevent any candidate from getting a majority of the votes cast, but such occasions would be rare. In the recent race for congressman-at-large, on the democratic ticket the three combinations were made upon 22, 26 and 31 per cent of the total vote cast for that office.

Couldn't Find the Robbers.

Sheriff Ridenhour and posse returned last night from Chouteau after a search for the men who robbed the Chouteau Trust and Banking company. He says his dog trailed the robbers a short distance to where the robbers had buggies back of a lumber yard but could not follow them after they drove away.

Constable J. V. Hayes took a couple of shots at the robbers as they left town but the shots were not returned. Several people saw the robbers at work in the bank with a flash light, as they worked nearly an hour before they got the safe opened. Opinion differs as to which way the robbers went.

Off For the Chelsea Fair.

This is derby day at the Chelsea fair and Vinita is well represented. Following is a list of names of those that went from here: E. J. McBride, Claude Anderson and wife, A. L. Churchill, Mrs. Emma Starr, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McGaskey, John A. Edde, Polle Smartt, R. E. Hall, E. Murray, Dan Tittle and wife, M. G. Hawkins, Dr. Neer, Sam Cobb and wife, R. C. Burris, S. S. Cobb, M. O. Gabbert, wife and daughter, J. H. Davis, Edw. Whitney, John Parks, Berger, Chas. Ridgeway, Henry Clarke and Lou Bordenkircher.

Valentine Quits Indian Service.

Washington, Sept. 11.—Commissioner of Indian Affairs Valentine, today sent in his resignation to the Interior Department to become effective at the discretion of Secretary Fisher, now in Hawaii. Mr. Valentine will join the progressive party and boost Teddy. He has been in the office of Indian affairs for the past seven years.