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THAT FREIGHT RATE SEE-SAW.

J. A. D. Morrow, President of the National Coal Association now tells the world that freight rates on coal shipments must come down if the business of the nation is to be revived. This from Washington. At the same time The American Association of Railway Executives, also operating as an organized unit, makes its little bow and tells the suffering reader that freight rates must go up if the business of the country is to be saved and the cost of living materially reduced. This from New York. Between the two, what is a perplexed public to understand—what support?

The Coal Association, from its Press Bureau in the national capital tries to impress the people with arguments generously prepared without charge, its sole purpose being to attune the American mental machinery to a justification for high prices for coal, and it merrily passes the buck to the railroads, the wage question having been put in the background for the time being. The Railway Executives just as enterprising in the matter of "educational" effort would "sell" the people on the thought of higher freight rates, lower wages, and a general support of all railroad policies.

The people have been very considerate of the railroads, and certainly they have been patient with the coal companies. They have been made to dance a pretty tune, to keep warm and they have paid the piper and remained cool. It might not be amiss now, if these and other giant industries bent their highly paid mentality to establish some method of reciprocity. We never had a division of opinion such as this when the roads owned and controlled the mines, yet the situation was fundamentally the same. The price of coal always has and always must be affected by transportation cost. Frankly the people are confused. The average American is always ready to respond to an appeal for fair play and always is sensible enough to realize that industry must be fostered. Likewise he knows legitimate prosperity is not a crime. The thing that bothers him is this perpetual game of "Simon Says Thumbs Up, Simon Says Thumbs Down." The result is that he begins to "Wiggle Waggle." The people seemingly cannot get any knowledge on either the coal or the railroad situation on which to base a judgment save that they fed to them in homeopathic and purposeful doses of propaganda. If we might make a suggestion to these Generals of Industry we would like to say the time has come for plain out in the open speaking, for common and intelligent understanding. The freight rate see-saw—one up and the other down—has made the people dizzy, and the people want to see America go ahead.

HOMELY PHILOSOPHY FOR 1922.

Sometimes we like to philosophize about ourselves. Just now, for instance, we finished peering out of the window, wondering about all the good folks who all the time are so anxious we should help them; and then we started to conjure up a picture of all the folks we have tried to help in the old home town, and we had to stop—we couldn't get the picture on our mental film. So now we are at the typewriter, wondering how so many folks don't see that to help them we must be strong enough to help—wondering if they know anything about this Put and Take business. We can't take something out of the bank if we never put anything into it, can we?



Poem by Uncle John

THE NATIONAL TARGET.

If the President is silent, he's a sneak. . . If he does a lot of talkin', he's a fool. . . If he happens to be honest, he's a freak, or hasn't got the judgment of a mule! If he irritates the bosses, he's a crook. . . If he does a thing, he never gets it right. . . Whichever way he turns, he sees a spook, and dreams about the devil every night. . . If he should get to feelin' jesty proud of any noble plan that he has sprung, it brings the maledictions from the crowd, that figgers every day to get him hung. . . And, when he sends a message to the whelps that practice all the deviltry they can, the peanut press pulls off its coat an' helps to crucify that poor, tormented man! . . . I reckon that there never was a soul, that gets so little comforts out of life, when every moral polecat leaves his hole, to hurl a batch of venom at his wife. . . I'd hate to be the President-elect; I wouldn't be the President—that was . . . I'd be so hard to deal with, I expect—I'd make 'em go an' wash their dirty paws. . . I wouldn't be maltreated by the mob, that every brand of hellishness creates. . . I'd sooner tackle any other job, than President of these United States.

Your Own,

From Uncle John.

STUFF BY GILKY SWIPES

Friday—Fish & Onions for supper. Pa eat a good big supper & when he had ended it he sed he cud live on Onions alone. Ma sed if he lived on them he sure wud be Alone & I 2nd the Motion. After Supper pa went down town & they was a man cum to see him wud was rareing mad and sed if pa had of ben at home he wud Thrash him & Ma sed I'm Sorry But he issent here.

Saturday—1 of pa's lodge brother ast him to go sum place & see the 3rd with him and eat a good Supper. But pa says I cant because I am taking my Son to the Museum this Af-ternoon. The man sed How much are they going to Pay him. Pa says What you mean & the fellow sed I never noticed anything so Queer about him then they laffed & laffed.

Sunday—had a Fine dinner today and Evry buddies happy except pa wud happens to be sick. We had Roast duck and Sweet potatoes & a few Molasses & pie. I am anxious to see Jane at skool to-morrow. She called me up today but just as it was a getting interesting Disconnection set in & I never found out what she wanted. Monday—This was pa's annual

Birthday. Ant Emmy et. him a pear of Gloves & he got a shirt and neckty & sum Hound breathe on him & give him a sore throate & he had toothake & roomatism in his back. Then sum-buddy called him up & wished him many happy returns of the day & he cussed and Spilt his medicine on his neckty.

Tuesday—We met Jake Davis today & he shuk hands & told us he was a winking at the Phenix Lanudry down at the city Ma ast him did he have much trouble lerning to wash them Phenixies. Jake diddent no what to say & I gess he woodent of sed it if he did.

Wednesday—Pa has 2 cuzzens coming to give us a visit. They got a big farm down in Texas and raise Oil on it and have got bbils. of oil and money & no children only cuzzens. So I expect we will make them very welcome at are house. Even if it does cost to feed them food and etc.

Thursday—Me and Jake past Pat McGuire painting a house & he was winking so fast we ast him Why so & he sed he was hurrying so he wud get threw before the paint give out.

Yours truly,

GILKY SWIPES.



ALGERIENS AT LAW.

Civil District Court.

140,515—State of Louisiana vs. G. W. Platt, rule for license, \$900.—C. C. Friedrichs, A. J. Plough and H. G. McCall.

Succession of Eleonore Gragnon amounts to \$2,200.

Succession of Wheeler Packard amounts to \$5,000.

Accounts.

Succession of Michael J. Rooney, account shows: Assets, \$1,690.66; liabilities, \$1,690.66.

Mortgages.

Gregorio Quartana to Frank B. Twomey, \$400, five lots, Brooklyn avenue, Teche, Lamarque and Socrates.—Dreyfous.

Acceptances of Contracts.

Joseph Spatafora, owner, from John Mineo, contractor, property, Pelican avenue, Seguin, Delaronde and Bouny.—Dreyfous.

Real Estate Transfers.

Edgar L. Bernard to Clifton Chatman, lot, Pacific, Socrates, Atlantic and Lamarque streets, \$200 cash.—Charbonnet.

Geo. C. Belanger to Suburban B. & L. Association, portion, Alix, Bouny, Seguin and Eliza, \$3,800 cash.

Purchaser to Geo. C. Belanger, same property, \$3,800, terms.—Loomis.

Mutual B. & H. Association to Emile H. Cayard, lot, Olivier, Delaronde, Verret and Pelican avenue, \$2,500, terms.—Magne.

Wm. Walker Rousseaux to American Homestead Company, portion, Baronne, Eighth and Harmony, \$2,700 cash.

Purchaser to Wm. J. Guste, same property, \$2,100, terms.—Charbonnet. P. Corona, owner and builder, private market, 1800 Newton, \$50.

The Rosale Tabernacle No. 41, owner and builder, Milting Hall, Cut Off Road, Algiers, \$700.

C. Cartron, owner and builder, double cottage, Whitney, Le Boeuf, Newton and Diana streets, \$1,600.

G. Deranburg, owner and builder, box house, Pacific, Newton, Homer and Atlantic, \$1,400.

G. Deranburg, owner and builder, double box house, Slidell, Brooklyn avenue, River and Opelousas, \$850.

STRUCK BY AUTO

SEEKS DAMAGES.

Suit for \$10,998 for damages alleged to have been sustained in an auto accident February 27, 1921, has been filed by Joseph T. Hogan in Civil District Court against Mrs. Anthony La Bella. Hogan alleged he was confined to his home four months and was compelled to use crutches for two months longer as a result of the accident, which occurred at Opelousas street near Seguin street. Mrs. La Bella is charged with negligence in permitting her minor daughter Lena to run her auto, which was said to have caused the accident.

Cooking—F. Arsaga, B. Cantin, L. Bellinger, J. Gillis, A. Gillespie, M. Hebert, A. Hotard, E. Scott, W. Perron, A. Sutton and C. Sutton.

Fire Building—F. Arsaga, L. Bellinger, B. Cantin, M. Hebert, A. Hotard, M. Perron, E. Scott and A. Sutton.

Compass—L. Bellinger, J. Gillis, A. Gillespie, A. Hotard, M. Hebert, W. Perron, E. Stenger, A. Sutton and C. Sutton.

Knife and Hatchet—L. Bellinger, B. Cantin, A. Gillespie, C. Hurtin, E. Scott, A. Sutton and E. Sutton.

Thrift—L. Stenger.

JAS. H. GILLIS, Patrol Leader.

ALABAMA TO FOLLOW LEAD OF LOUISIANA

The State of Alabama contemplates the establishment of a public shooting ground along the shore of Mobile Bay, fashioned along the lines of the Louisiana grounds at Pass-a-l'Outre. Hon. John H. Wallace, Jr., Commissioner of Conservation of Alabama, was a recent visitor at the offices of the Conservation Department in New Orleans on his way to inspect the grounds at the Pass. He said the work of conservation in his State was in a satisfactory condition, there being a noticeable increase of wild life as the result of the conservation laws. The public has become awake to the importance of the work, and is beginning to take an active interest in its furtherance.

Commissioner Alexander, of Louisiana, said Mr. Wallace, was a recognized authority on the work of conservation throughout the country, and his opinions and ideas were held in high esteem by the Federal authorities and leading conservationists everywhere. He had done a splendid work for Louisiana, and under his guidance that State had become a leader of the work in the Union. Mr. Alexander had, said Mr. Wallace, by the combined knowledge of the resources of the State and of human nature, brought his work up to a remarkable state of efficiency, and the honors which had been heaped upon him by national organizations, of which he was a member by virtue of his office, was the best evidence of the esteem in which he was held throughout the United States. It was the intimate knowledge possessed by the Louisiana commissioner of the wild life of his State and its needs that had placed Louisiana in the forefront of the commonwealths of the South in the great work and abreast of any of the States of the East, where the work was well advanced before attention began to be attracted to its necessity in the South.

Mr. Wallace remained at the shooting grounds about a week and gathered all the information possible, with the object of applying his knowledge to the shooting grounds to be established in Alabama.

TROOP NO. 32, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA.

What We Overheard Johnnie Say. Say, you know I'm glad our troop's got the scoutmaster we've got. Gosh, he's a peach, he is. I told my patrol leader that's why our troop's got so much pep—you know on account of the scoutmaster. I hope I'm like he is when I'm a man. I met him on the street yesterday and he yells way across the street, "Hello, Bill," and smiles all over his face. I got kinda excited and forget to salute, but he gave me an awful snappy one just the same.

The best thing about our scoutmaster is that he isn't dead—you know what I mean—he's got lots of life. Gosh, he's always having things happen in our troop. Talk about hkes, oh boy, you'dta seen the one we went on last week. Fun—gee, I wish we had one every day.

MALCOLM SCHWARZENBACH, Scribe.

TROOP NO. 33.

On Saturday, Jan. 21, a promotion court was held just below the viaduct, and our boys showed up well, passing the following tests: Signaling—James Gillis, A. Gillespie and L. Stenger.

Tracking—F. Arsaga, L. Bellinger, B. Cantin, M. Hebert, A. Hotard, A. and C. Sutton, E. Scott, L. Stenger and C. Hurtin.

Pacing—F. Arsaga, B. Cantin, A. Hotard, R. Hurtin, A. Smith, E. Scott, A. Sutton and C. Sutton.

Letters to the Editor

In writing letters for publication under this heading, please sign your name, together with your address. Such letters intended for publication in the Herald will not be inserted when anonymously written. If you do not want your name published, sign your name with the request to publish your initials only.

NEWSPAPERS RESPONSIBLE FOR "CRIME WAVE." New Orleans, La., Jan. 27, 1922.

Dr. C. V. Kraft, Editor, The Herald.

A few days ago I read an editorial in one of the city dailies entitled "Keep off the Roof" which referred to the Katz and Besthoff and Sam Bonart safe blowing, and the many street hold ups. The whole blame for these robberies was laid on the ponies, which of course is partly responsible, although the editor of that newspaper overlooks the fact that these very same conditions exist in other cities that have no race track.

The great trouble with most of us and more particularly the newspaper editors, is, we are always ready to point our finger at the other fellows mistake, failing to take into account our own mistakes which quite often prove more costly than the other fellows.

In the "Keep Off the Roof" article the writer of that article is unable to see the mistakes made by his newspaper, when it publishes details relating to a crime committed. It is a matter of fact that many daily newspapers are guilty of graduating large classes in safe blowing by publishing the details in such cases, than all the ponies will.

I have noticed it is the policy of The Herald not to publish the class of news referred to, and for this reason alone I welcome your paper in my home.

W. C. M.

Everything comes to him who waits—even the waiter.

The price of soft coal suggests that it will be a hard winter.

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Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Total assets, Indemnity, Cash received from assessment on indemnity in New Orleans, Rent and interest on all Bonds, Losses paid in New Orleans, 1921.

Talking It Over With the Gas Man

You may have heard the expression: "There is water in the gas."

There is a percentage of moisture in gas, usually in the form of vapor. There is water in the air, so much sometimes that it falls to the ground, just as when there is too much moisture in gas, it settles to the bottom of the gas mains in the streets.

All gas pipes are laid with a slight pitch so that any water may flow to a central point. At this low point a drip pot is installed in the gas main.

The small amount of water thus collected is pumped out and a continuous flow of gas at good pressure is thereby insured—one of many details carefully worked out to provide you with the best possible service.

The percentage of water vapor in your gas is so small that it does not interfere with good combustion.

The accumulation of water in the gas service pipe can be prevented by first having the pipe properly laid. It should have the proper pitch—that is, the pipe should be inclined sufficiently to carry the water back to the drain in the street.

Low gas pressure is not always due to lack of efficiency on the part of the Gas Company. More than 70 per cent of the Complaints received are due to "local" trouble—defects somewhere in or near the homes. Ofttimes these defects are very easily overcome, if you would only give the GAS MAN a chance.

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