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LACLEDE ..... MISSOURI TO REGULATE BIG BUSINESS

Senator Bristow Introduces a Bill Providing for Industrial Commission of Seven Members.

Washington.—First and most sweeping of the series of bills prepared by the national legislative committee of the Progressive party as embodying the doctrine of its faith, is a measure introduced by Senator Bristow for regulation of big business by an industrial commission of seven members.

This commission will be empowered to deal with large corporations doing an interstate business as the Interstate Commerce Commission deals with railroad and other transportation service.

It would have authority over all persons or corporations doing an interstate business of five million dollars annually to investigate their financial condition, business operations and management and require all to bring their capital stock and indebtedness down to not more than 10 per cent more than the fair and reasonable value of property on hand.

Three years are allowed as the time in which the water shall thus be squeezed out of American industries.

ORANGE CROP INJURED BY COLD

Lowest Temperatures in 30 Years Experienced in California—Growers Used Smudges.

Los Angeles.—Thousands of men were out, pitting their ingenuity against the cold weather in an effort to save from further damage southern California's orange and lemon crop, which was valued at nearly 50 million dollars.

The loss entailed by the freeze cannot be estimated, but it was serious—so serious, growers and citrus experts say that it will have an appreciable effect upon the price of fruit.

Pomona, Cal.—When the mercury dropped to 19 just before midnight, the owners of two thousand acres of orange groves in this section gave up hope of saving their crops. They said their loss would amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

BIG POINT AGAINST SHIPPERS

Liabilities for Loss Cannot Be Fixed by State Laws, Says Supreme Court.

Washington.—Railroads and express companies won a revolutionary decision in the supreme court when it was held that contracts limiting to small sums their liability for loss of shipments were not subject to state laws, but to interstate laws.

It was further held that contracts limiting liability to a small sum, in return for a low rate, were not in violation of the Interstate Commerce Law, particularly the Carmack Amendment.

Scores upon scores of such contracts have been held void under state laws.

A Salina Store Held Up.

Salina, Kan.—At 10 o'clock at night robbers entered the Farmers' Co-operative store here and held up C. B. Garlet and Earl Giltner, young clerks, getting \$65.

Names Labor Commissioner Again.

Washington.—President Taft has re-nominated Charles P. Neill to be commissioner of labor.

Cornering Market Is Illegal.

Washington.—"Cornering the market" in commodities is illegal under the Sherman Law, according to a decision of the supreme court, which held James A. Patten and his associates for trial in the New York Federal Court for an alleged corner in cotton in 1910.

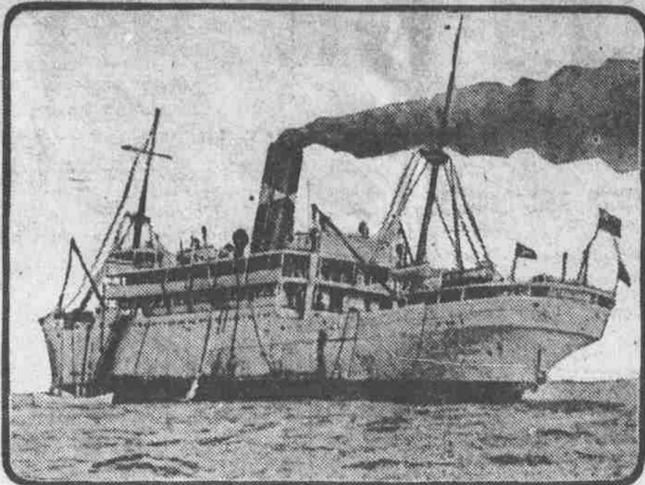
Riots in Garment Strike.

New York.—In their efforts to intercept 350 young women employed in the wholesale clothing manufacturing concern of J. L. Taylor & Co., as they were leaving work, 500 striking garment workers, the majority of them women, attacked the police on guard in front of the building.

Took Strychnine for Quinine.

Chandler, Ok.—Mrs. Henry Redman and her four-year-old grandson, Thomas Mitchell, are dead at the Redman home, five miles southeast of Sparks, through the mistake of the grandmother in taking strychnine by mistake for quinine and giving a dose to the boy.

WEST INDIAN STEAMSHIP ASHORE



The liner Turrialba, from Central America and West Indian ports, carrying 80 passengers and a crew of 70, ran on a sand bar north of Atlantic City during a heavy storm. The passengers were transferred in life boats to the United States derelict destroyer Seneca.

BACK UP ON THE GAS QUESTION

KANSAS CITIANS STIRRED UP OVER THE MATTER.

Kansas Natural Receivers to Ask That Order Be Revoked—Would Impeach Federal Judges.

Kansas City—Conway F. Holmes and George F. Sharritt, two of the receivers of the Kansas Natural Gas Company, have issued a statement to the public in which they announced their intention of asking Judge John C. Pollock of the federal court to set aside his order of December 30, permitting an increase in the price of gas.

Ignoring the announcement of the receivers that they will ask for a withdrawal of the order to increase the price of natural gas at 31 cents a thousand cubic feet, the mayor and council of Kansas City, Mo., carried through their program and demanded an investigation by Congress of the conduct of Judge John C. Pollock and Judge A. S. Van Valkenburgh of the federal district court.

Openly defying Judge John C. Pollock to send them to jail for contempt of court, the city commissioners of Kansas City, Kan., adopted a motion calling for the appointment of a committee to prefer impeachment charges against the federal judge for making the recent gas order.

GIRL OF 9 DIES AFTER ATTACK

Angry Citizens of Keifer, Okla., May Lynch the Assailant of a Child.

Tulsa, Ok.—Ella Brown, nine years old, died of injuries suffered when she was attacked and beaten into insensibility by an unidentified man near home at Keifer. Two men are under arrest at Keifer and a mob of more than one hundred men has assembled about the town jail awaiting the return of a posse searching the surrounding country for her assailant. It is feared there will be a lynching.

The child was found a quarter of a mile from her home in a dying condition.

MCCARTY WAS AN EASY WINNER

Al Palzer, the Iowa Giant, Defeated by Missourian in Eighteenth Round at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Luther McCarty of Springfield, Mo., shattered the heavy weight championship ambitions of Al Palzer, the Iowa giant, in the Vernon arena. For nearly eighteen rounds he used the huge frame of the Iowan as a punching bag.

The middle of the eighteenth round found Palzer staggering blindly about under a volley of lefts to his battered face and when Referee Charles Eytton walked between the men and hoisted the right hand of the smiling cowboy pugilist the decision was received with cheers.

Three-Year-Old Child Killed.

St. Joseph, Mo.—The three-year-old son of John W. Hodges, a farmer near Mercer, Mo., was accidentally killed while playing with a gun at the family home. The child undertook to drag a shotgun from under a bed, when it was discharged and the top of his head was torn off.

Taft Will Not Name Goethals.

Washington, D. C.—President Taft definitely told Senator Brandegee of Connecticut, chairman of the inter-oceanic canal committee, that he would not send to the Senate the nomination of Col. Gen. W. Goethals as civil governor of the Panama Canal Zone.

TAFT RECEIVES LARGE THROG

Thousands of Persons Attend the New Year's Day Reception at the White House.

Washington, D. C.—Between 7,000 and 8,000 Washingtonians, ranging from members of the most exclusive circles of the national capital's society to denizens of the by-streets, visited the White House New Year's day to shake hands probably for the last time with President Taft.

The line of callers began to form early in the morning, and the reception lasted until the middle of the afternoon. The callers passed into the White House grounds at the east gate, and into the White House through the special "executive" entrance, which is thrown open to the public only once a year. They were carefully but inconspicuously examined by a squad of secret service men who are always on guard near the president. Two more government detectives stood beside the chief executive.

Both before and after the "general" reception the president received the army and navy officers, diplomats and others who came, gorgeously attired, to pay their respects to the chief executive.

TREATY WITH RUSSIA EXPIRES

Commerce Between That Country and the United States Placed in Position of Uncertainty.

Washington, D. C.—Through the expiration of the Russian treaty of 1832, the commerce between that country and the United States, estimated at about \$50,000,000 annually, is placed in a position of uncertainty amounting to jeopardy.

No formal or informal understanding between the two governments looking toward the continuance and regulation of this international trade, has been made since the treaty abrogation by President Taft, and it is learned that the whole matter will be left for the action of the incoming Wilson administration.

FOUR CHILDREN IN ONE YEAR

Iowa Woman Presents Husband With Two Sets of Twins Within Twelve Months.

Des Moines, Iowa.—For the second time within a year twins were born to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Klemm here. Klemm, who is secretary-treasurer of a brick company, takes occasion to express his contempt for the "high cost of living" bogey.

January 23, 1912, twin girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. Klemm. This time the stork brought two 7-pound boys. Mrs. Klemm formerly was Miss Agnes Rose, employed in a clerical position on a local newspaper.

A Fall Injured George Ade.

Lafayette, Ind.—George Ade, the humorist and playwright, while walking on a slippery sidewalk, fell and was rendered unconscious. He was taken in an ambulance to the home of Judge Henry Stinton, where he had been visiting.

Coast Storm Kills Ten Men.

San Diego, Cal.—Three coasting launches were driven ashore on the lower California coast, near Point of Rocks, about 15 miles south of San Diego, and ten men probably were drowned.

Elgin, Ok., Banker Killed in Runaway.

Lawton, Ok.—A. L. McPherson of the Bank of Elgin, Elgin, Ok., was killed eight miles west of Elgin in a runaway accident. Particulars of the accident have not been obtained here.

Those Peruna Testimonials

How Are They Obtained?



S. E. HARTMAN, M. D.

For a great many years I have been gathering statistics as to the effects of Peruna when taken for catarrhal derangements. I have on hand thousands of unsolicited testimonials from people in all stations of life, who claim that after many years futile attempts to rid themselves of chronic catarrh by various forms of treatment they have found complete relief by the use of Peruna.

These testimonials have come to me unrequested, unsolicited, unrewarded in any way, directly or indirectly. They have simply been gleaned from my private correspondence with patients that have been more or less under my treatment or taking my remedies.

No remedy, official or unofficial, has a greater accredited basis for the claims we make for it than Peruna as a remedy for catarrh.

I have never been opposed at any time to the regulations offered by the Pure Food and Drugs Act. I am not now opposed to its provisions, but I am opposed to the proposed amendments to give to a partisan board of physicians the unqualified authority to decide as to all therapeutic claims which may be made for a proprietary medicine. It is manifestly unjust to

refer such questions to a body of men who are already convinced of the worthlessness of proprietary medicines. To give such a body of men the unlimited authority to decide whether our claims for Peruna are valid or not is a manifest violation of my constitutional rights.

My claims are based both on credible theoretical grounds and upon irrefutable statistics. But I am quite willing to have our claims as to the composition of Peruna properly and thoroughly investigated, and if found to be false a proper penalty should be fixed. Or if I am making any statements concerning disease, as to the nature, symptoms or danger of any disease, if I am making any such statements as to unnecessarily frighten the people by false assumptions, I am willing to submit to any unbiased tribunal or investigation.

Mrs. Alice Bogle, 803 Clinton St., Circleville, Ohio, writes: "I want to inform you what Peruna has done for me. I have been afflicted with catarrh for several years. I have tried different medicines and none seemed to do me any good until I used Peruna. I have taken six bottles and can praise it very highly for the good it has done me. I also find it of great benefit to my children."

Peruna is for sale at all drug stores.

ASK YOUR DRUGGIST FOR FREE PERUNA ALMANAC FOR 1913.

FOUND WORKS OF STEVENSON

Manuscripts and Works of Popular Writer Unearthed in Samoa and Hawaii, by an Admirer.

It is learned that a number of new and relatively important manuscripts of Robert Louis Stevenson have been discovered in Samoa and in Honolulu by an ardent admirer of the great novelist, who has been for some time in both Hawaii and Samoa seeking such writings of the famous Scotsman as might possibly be found in the possession of some of the many friends of Stevenson during his years in the Pacific.

The result of this research has been the finding of an essay, said to be highly poetical in character, written by the novelist after witnessing a volcano in action, supposedly either the famed crater of Savali or the pit of Kilauea in Hawaii; a piece of fiction dealing with South Sea life, and a number of smaller verse compositions. Still another manuscript, a blank verse relation of a well-known legend of Maui, of considerable length, but unfinished, has also come to light, and the enthusiastic admirer of Stevenson feels highly rewarded for his month of effort.

In the Night Editor's Room. "Here's a long story about that storm on the lake the other day. Want it cut down?"

"Does it begin, 'The storm beggars description?'"

"Yes."

"Well, run that, and cut out the description."

Unusual. "A candlemaker combines extremes."

"How so?"

"His business is both cereous and light."

THE BEST TEACHER. Old Experience Still Holds the Palm.

For real practical reliability and something to swear by, experience—plain old experience—is able to carry a big load yet without getting swayed.

A So. Dak. woman found some things about food from Old Experience a good, reliable teacher.

She writes: "I think I have used almost every breakfast food manufactured, but none equal Grape-Nuts in my estimation."

"I was greatly bothered with weak stomach and indigestion, with formation of gas after eating, and tried many remedies for it but did not find relief."

"Then I decided I must diet and see if I could overcome the difficulty that way. My choice of food was Grape-Nuts because the doctor told me I could not digest starchy food."

"Grape-Nuts food has been a great benefit to me for I feel like a different person since I began to eat it. It is wonderful to me how strong my nerves have become. I advise everyone to try it, for experience is the best teacher."

"If you have any stomach trouble—can't digest your food, use Grape-Nuts food for breakfast at least, and you won't be able to praise it enough when you see how different you feel." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in page "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest. Ad.

AN UNWELCOME TOPIC.



De Quiz—Paid for your Christmas presents yet?

De Whiz—Say, let's talk about something more agreeable.

JUDGE CURED, HEART TROUBLE.

I took about 6 boxes of Dodds Kidney Pills for Heart Trouble from which I had suffered for 5 years. I had dizzy spells, my eyes puffed,

my breath was short and I had chills and backache. I took the pills about a year ago and have had no return of the palpitations. Am now 63 years old, able to do lots of manual labor, am well and hearty and weigh about 200 pounds. I feel very grateful that I found Dodds Kidney Pills and you may publish this letter if you wish. I am serving my third term as Probate Judge of Gray Co., Yours truly,

PHILIP MILLER, Cimarron, Kan.

Correspond with Judge Miller about this wonderful remedy.

Dodds Kidney Pills, 50c. per box at your dealer or Dodds Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Write for Household Hints, also music of National Anthem (English and German words) and recipes for dainty dishes. All 3 sent free. Adv.

Geography of Liquor. Mayor Gaynor, discussing city government in his wonted illuminating and brilliant way, said in New York:

"We must not have one reform law for the rich and another for the poor. It is as bad for the millionaire to gamble in his club as for the laborer to gamble in a stuss joint. It is as bad to become intoxicated on champagne as on mixed ale."

"Too many reformers, so-called, think that when a man is drunk on Fifth avenue he is ill, and when a man is ill on Third avenue he is drunk."

Made a Complete Job. "Mrs. Dingleford, has your husband been cured of his cacostous scribbled yet?"

"I—I think so; the surgeons took that out when they removed his vermiform appendix."

Which? "Have you had much experience in hooking up?"

"Horses or waists?"

Appropriate. "Do you file your letters?"

"I do the rasping ones."

The surest stepping stone to matrimony is a scullion.