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# WASHINGTON LETTER

Events of Interest from the Seat of Government

BY CLYDE H. TAVENNER  
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Washington, February 26.—For a change, the same kind of justice that is meted out to poor men was meted out to the rich, when Federal Judge Hollister of Ohio recently sentenced twenty-nine officials of the Cash Register trust to sentences in jail, sustaining the view long taken by democrats that "guilt is personal" and making the first official response to the will of the people that was expressed in the election of Woodrow Wilson.

Now that sufficient time has elapsed for members of congress to consider the effect of the judgement of the Ohio court, the consensus of opinion among lawmakers at the national capitol is that the jail sentences will do more to cause millionaire trust magnates to respect the Sherman anti-trust law, than anything that has occurred since trusts and monopolies have come into existence.

It has been demonstrated that jail sentences is the only thing trust magnates have any respect for. They are willing to build up giant monopolies in the necessities of life if their only punishment, in the remote event of their prosecution and conviction is to be "dissolution," the details of which the Supreme court will allow their attorneys to attend, to the end that their stocks will double in value. Trust magnates care nothing about fines. Fines are considered simply on a business basis. The trust heads have no objection to occasionally paying a \$5,000 or \$10,000 fine, having made millions in cornered markets and in monopolies of the necessities of life.

But trust magnates are afraid of a cell, and if they can be convinced that if they violate the anti-trust law they will go to jail, like the poor go to jail when they violate a law, no one doubts but that the Sherman law would be obeyed and the problem of illegal trusts, solved.

The Sherman law provides for jail sentences for trust magnates, just as other laws provide for jail sentences for other kinds of robbery, but for twenty years and more the Federal courts have not been impressed by the fact. This is why so many persons have come to be suspicious of the courts, and to sincerely believe that the poor do not receive the same kind of justice that is meted out to the rich; it explains, too, the recent remarkable growth of socialism, and the agitation for the recall of judges.

In this connection it is important to note that although the twenty-nine cash register "heads" were found guilty and were sentenced to jail, they are not in jail, and are not likely to be for two years, or perhaps even longer. The case will be fought through the Supreme court, and as a general rule two years is consumed. It is said that the men under sentence expect to escape jail, and will pour out their millions in an effort to find some loophole of technicality by which to escape the ignominy of being branded a convict.

If the judgement of the court is

actually carried out, it is obvious that it will do more toward causing illegal trust magnates to respect the law, and at the same time more to strengthen the waning confidence of the masses in the federal courts, than anything that has happened in years.

## ALLIANCE EVOLVES NEW PROGRESSIVE POLITICS

There are various progressive games known to the people of the state, but a new definition has come to light at the state house relative to progressive politics. It refers to progressing from one state office to another—under a well-thought-out plan evolved in advance of any of the various steps taken.

A certain coterie of Box Butte politicians has thought out the plan, with the end in view of boosting an Alliance man first from state representative to congressman from the Sixth district.

The victim is Earl Mallory, university graduate, and at present representative from Box Butte county. Under the scheme Mallory is to be elevated to the state senate in 1915, sent back again for 1917 and 1919, six years hence, is to be projected as the choice of the people of the Sixth district for congress from that section.—World Herald.

## ACCEPTS IMPORTANT POSITION

Ivan Rodgers, a well known Alliance young man, who has the reputation of being a hustler, has accepted a traveling position with Allen Brothers, of Omaha. His territory will include Alliance and will be from Anselmo to Guernsey and Crawford.

## DIED

The infant baby boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Combs two weeks ago died the first of last week and was buried Wednesday morning. The funeral was held at the house at ten o'clock, Rev. J. B. Brown taking charge.

## RETURN FROM EASTERN TRIP

Rev. D. W. Montgomery returned last Saturday morning from a three weeks' eastern trip, having visited Chicago, St. Louis, Monticello Seminary at Godfrey, Ill.; Ottumwa and Williamsburg, Iowa; and Lincoln and Pawnee City, Nebr. At Chicago he spoke before a convention celebrating the twenty-fifth or silver anniversary of the Presbyterian Board of Sunday School Work. He lectured at Ottumwa and Williamsburg, lectured and preached at Monticello, and spoke before the Conservation Congress at Lincoln. He visited on his way east with his parents, at Pawnee City.

## THOROUGHBRED BULLS

C. E. Clough, a prominent Alliance man who is the owner of a big ranch near Alliance, purchased two fine fourteen and eighteen months old thoroughbred registered Hereford bulls at the Grand Island sale. He has a very fine grade of stock on his ranch and has secured a couple of beauties in these.

## DISEASE GERMS IN MILK

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SPADE ITEMS

Dr. Wilson of Rushville was called to P. T. Sondoz's sandhills residence on account of severe illness. He is at present improving, but slowly.

Peter Sandoz was out skimming the hills for more seed corn. Maybe he thinks he will raise something in 1913.

Better late than never. Fred Hunzicker is the proud possessor of another bouncing baby girl—some more dishwashers on earth.

H. S. and Mrs. Wright were Hay Springs and Rushville visitors on business, and had a nice auto ride from Hay Springs, with Chas. Orr and wife.

Fred and Harry McMillan were Hooper visitors Sunday night and Monday on business, buying horses. Something must be going to happen over on the McMillan places in the near future.

Fine weather we have had. The farmers are apt to start in to plow and raise an awful dust. That may be all they will raise in these hills.

J. A. Simmons and Mr. Hollowell of Spade were Rushville visitors on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday on business, paying what they owed the

county. If everybody was like that the county would be more prosperous.

Gus Sandoz is very busy these days riding from his place to his wife's place to do first her chores and then his.

Verner Moore is busy riding the grub line these days. Why don't he get himself a wife? Verner, send for one to Montgomery, Ward & Co.

## HAPPY HOURS.

CHARLE HART is working for Henry Sagamiller.

Geo. Elliott returned home from Broadwater Monday, where he has been doing some painting.

Carl Rapp took dinner Sunday with the Squibs family.

Clarence Morgan and Bob Westley helped Vic Covalt butcher two hogs Tuesday.

Master Don Elliott has a new burrow. He says it came to Broadwater by parcels post, and his papa brought it home Monday.

The professional card of Miss Eunice Burnett, of Mullen, teacher of vocal music, who visits Alliance on Saturday to Wednesday of each week, announces that she has her studio at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Phillips, 715 Cheyenne Avenue.

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