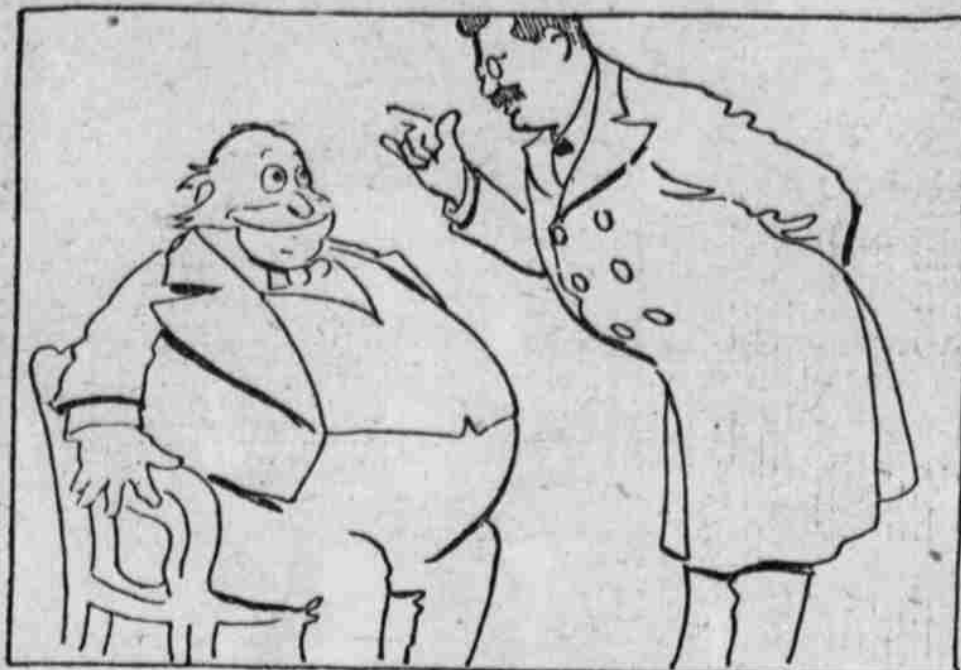
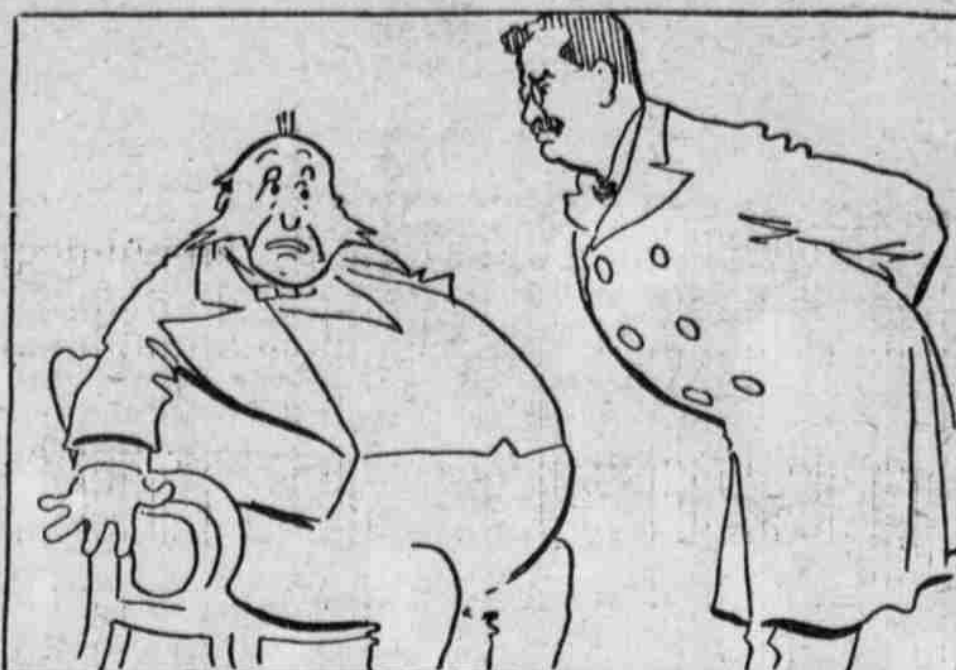


THE PRESIDENT HAS A HEART-TO-HEART TALK WITH THE VAST CORPORATION POPULARLY KNOWN AS THE TRUST.

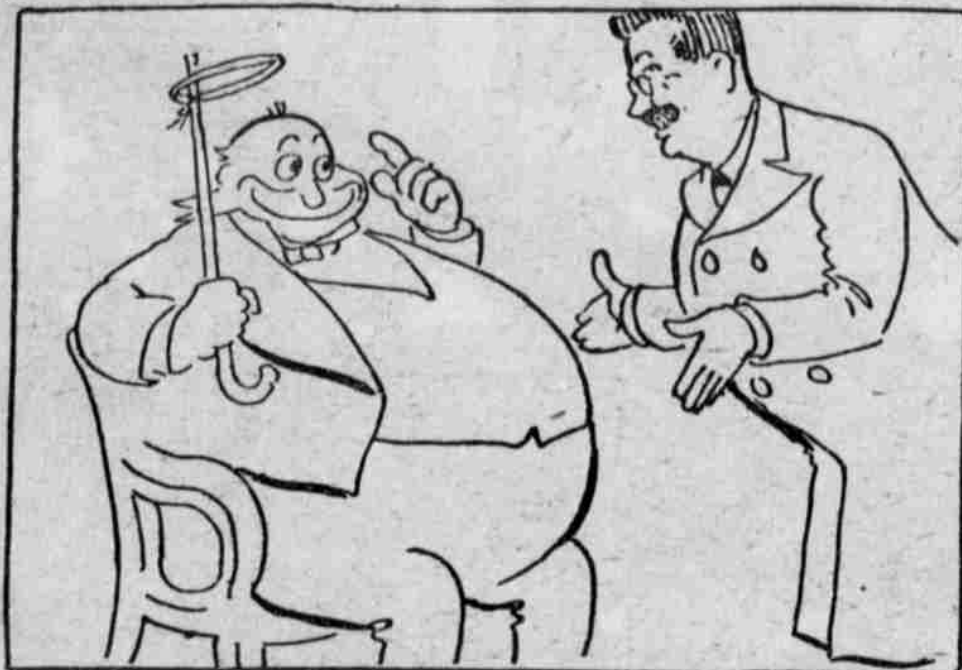
News of the Week



NO. 1—"YOUR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT MUST NOT BE CHECKED."



NO. 2—"YOU SHOULD BE MANAGED UNDER PUBLIC REGULATIONS."



NO. 3—"YOU CAN DO NO HARM IF YOU ARE HONEST."



NO. 4—"BUT I SHALL FAVOR PUBLICITY."



NO. 5—"AT THE SAME TIME I AM NOT HOSTILE TO YOU."



NO. 6—"BUT I AM GOING TO ASK AN APPROPRIATION TO ENFORCE THE ANTI-TRUST LAW."



NO. 7—"THE TARIFF MAKES MANUFACTURERS PROSPEROUS."



NO. 8—"BUT THE QUESTION OF THE REGULATION OF TRUSTS STANDS APART FROM THE QUESTION OF TARIFF REVISION."

-Courtesy of the Chicago Record Herald.

In view of the aspect of affairs in Venezuela it is evident that that country is seeking the resumption of diplomatic relations with various powers. It was recently reported that a Venezuelan general had been appointed as minister plenipotentiary to France. It will be remembered that Venezuela and France have had no diplomatic relations since 1894. The same dispatch containing this news also says: The news that Germany will send three warships to reinforce the German squadron in Venezuela waters, which already numbers three vessels, has produced a feeling of apprehension in this city and especially in official circles. The following is a quotation from the semi-official papers, which comment on the cables treating of the attitude of Great Britain and Germany toward Venezuela: "We will await confirmation of the cables before speaking more clearly, and we must suppose, with respect to the decisions of the German government, that those cables are unfounded."

On November 30 it was announced from Washington that the president has announced the names of the members of the committee of experts to canvass the business of the department of the government and determine what bureau can be transferred to the new department of commerce. The commission is composed of Judge Ryan, assistant secretary of the interior; Mr. Alles, assistant secretary of the treasury, and John Hyde, chief statistician of the department of agriculture.

Colonel Adair, chief surgeon in the Philippines, has made a report to the surgeon general of the United States army to the effect that the number of cases of sickness among the American soldiers in those islands is on the increase. Added to this is the information that the sanitary conditions in Havana are unsatisfactory again, and concern is felt as to the condition of the marines stationed on the isthmus of Panama.

A Washington dispatch of December 1 says: Rev. W. H. Milburn, the blind chaplain of the senate, who is now in California, has forwarded his resignation to Senator Frye, president pro tem. It will be placed before the senate tomorrow. His successor will be elected by the senate. Rev. Mr. Milburn, in his letter to Senator Frye, says ill health compels him to retire from the position, and he adds: "It is with deep sorrow that I have come to this decision, as it was my cherished wish that, under the favor of the senate, I should conduct its religious services during the remainder of my days."

On December 1 the secretary of the treasury presented to congress an estimate of the cost of running the government departments for the coming year. The total asked for is \$589,958,112 which is several millions of dollars less than the estimates for preceding years. These estimates are for the official year beginning June 30, 1903.

On December 1 Admiral Dewey left Washington to take direct command of the large fleet engaged in the maneuvers in the Caribbean sea. This is the first time that the admiral has been in actual service since his cruise in the Philippines.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson is reported by the Associated press as saying that it is intended to ask congress for an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to cure the cattle disease that is now so prevalent in the New England states and is hindering the exportation of cattle to other countries.