

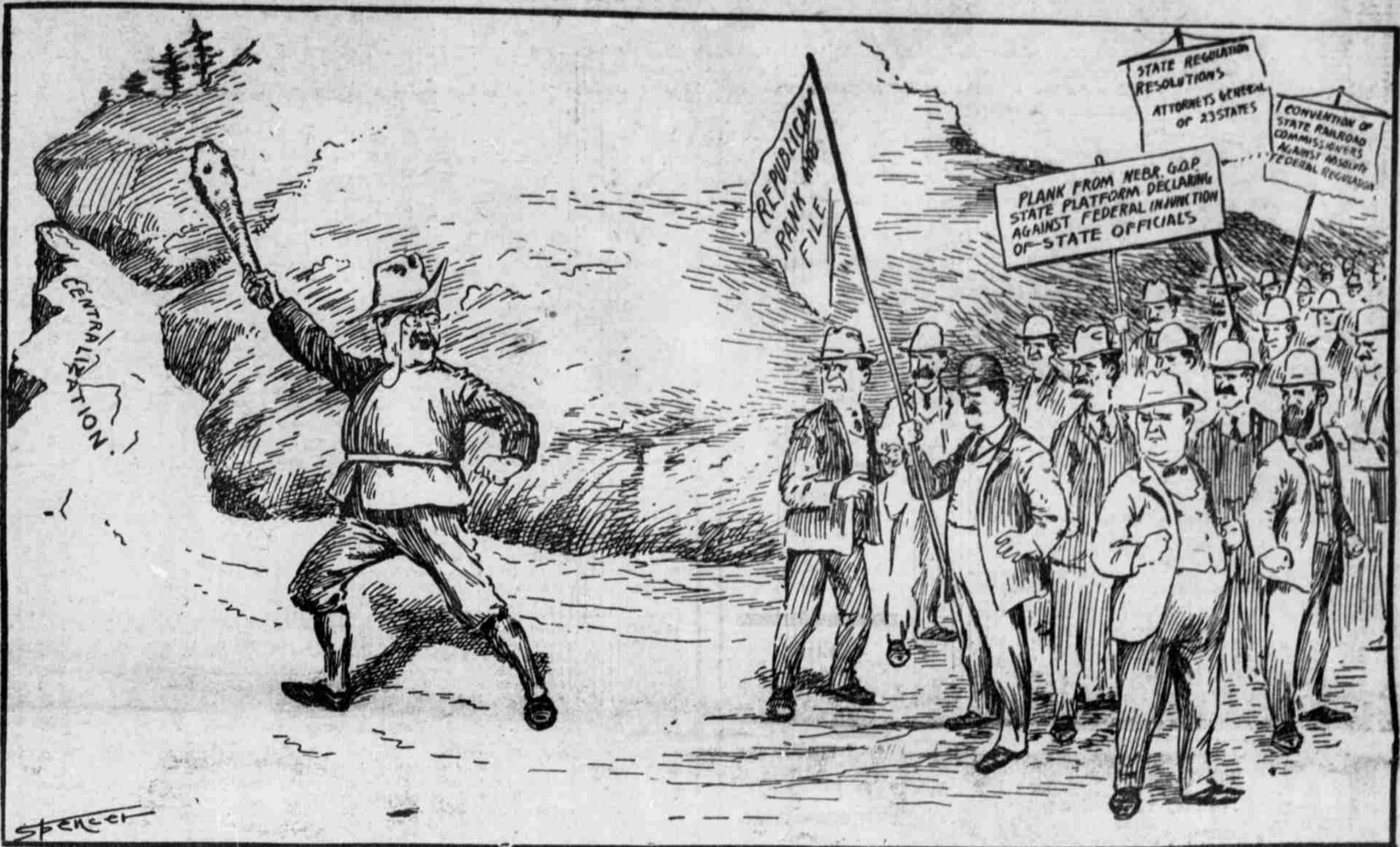
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The Chicago Record-Herald presents the following as the essential facts about the Standard Oil company's pipe line under Central Park, New York:

Cost, \$40,000.

Rental paid the city for use of ground, per year, \$159.

Rental paid by the National Transit company for use of the pipe line between 1900 and 1905, per year, about \$1,191,145.

And the people "pay the freight."

Defending the States

An important memorial was prepared by the attorneys of the various states represented at the national meeting of attorneys general held at St. Louis last week. Mr. Hadley, attorney general of Missouri, was made president of the association; Mr. Malone, attorney general of Massachusetts, vice president, and Mr. Dickson, attorney general of Colorado, secretary and treasurer. It will be noticed that all three of the officers are republicans, although Attorney General Davidson, of Texas, Attorney General Fletcher, of Mississippi, Attorney General Garber, of Alabama, and a number of other officials from democratic states took part in the meeting. The memorial prepared by these gentlemen and to be presented to congress reads as follows:

"Whereas, The efficient administration, as well as the preservation of our dual system of government requires that each sovereignty be permitted to exercise its functions as defined by the federal constitution unhampered by the other; therefore be it

"Resolved, By the convention of attorneys general of the several states here assembled, that we earnestly recommend to the favorable consideration of the president and the congress of the United States the enactment of a federal law providing that no circuit court of the United States or any judge exercising powers of such circuit courts shall have jurisdiction in any case brought to restrain any officers of a state or any administration board of a state from instituting in a state court any suit or other appropriate proceeding to enforce the laws of such state, or to enforce any order made by such administrative board, but allowing any person or corporation asserting in any such action in a state court

any right arising under the constitution or any laws of the United States to have the decision of the highest court of such state reviewed by the supreme court of the United States as now provided by law.

"We also recommend that suits in federal circuit courts by persons interested in corporations to restrain such corporations from obeying the laws of states in which they are doing business be prohibited."

The doctrine set forth in the above memorial is democratic doctrine; it is in harmony with the position which the democratic party has ever taken, namely—that the distinction between the federal government and the states shall be observed according to the spirit of the constitution. The memorial is also in harmony with the platform recently adopted by the democrats of Nebraska. The United States judges have fallen into the habit of suspending the laws of the states at the request of the railroads, and as a result the states have been handicapped in their efforts to restrain or regulate such corporations. No corporation is denied justice when it is compelled to submit its claim to the state courts and then go up by appeal from the highest state court to the supreme court of the United States. It is gratifying to know that even the republican officials of the various states are beginning to recognize the importance of the states as a regulator of corporations, and every democrat in congress has given quick and constant support to the movement inaugurated by the attorneys general.

Corporations doing business in the state ought to submit themselves to the laws of the state. The fact that one stockholder may live