

THE SHERMAN ANTI-TRUST LAW

The Sherman anti-trust law upon which the recent supreme court decision was based, was enacted in 1890 and is as follows:

COMBINATION RESTRAINING TRADE

Section 1. Every contract, combination in the form of trust or otherwise, or conspiracy, in restraint of trade or commerce among the several states, or with foreign nations, is hereby declared to be illegal. Every person who shall make any such contract or conspiracy, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction thereof shall be punished by fine not exceeding five thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by both said punishments, in the discretion of the court.

MONOPOLIZATION OF TRADE ILLEGAL

Sec. 2. Every person who shall monopolize, or attempt to monopolize or combine or conspire with any person or persons, to monopolize any part of the trade or commerce among the several states, or with foreign nations, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by fine not exceeding five thousand dollars, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by both said punishments, in the discretion of the court.

ANY VIOLATION MADE CRIMINAL

Sec. 3. Every contract, combination in form of trust or otherwise or conspiracy, in restraint of trade or commerce in any territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, or in restraint of trade or commerce between any such territory and another or between any such territory or territories and any state or states, the District of Columbia and any state or foreign nations, is hereby declared illegal. Every person who shall make any such contract or engage in any such combination or conspiracy shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by fine not exceeding \$5,000, or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or by both said punishments, in the discretion of the court.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DUTY

Sec. 4. The several circuit courts of the United States are hereby invested with jurisdiction to prevent and restrain violations of this act; and it shall be the duty of the several district attorneys of the United States in their respective districts, under the direction of the attorney general, to institute proceedings in equity to prevent and restrain such violations. Such proceedings may be by way of petition setting forth the case and praying that such violations shall be enjoined or otherwise prohibited. When the parties complained of shall have been duly notified of such petition the court shall proceed as soon as may be, to the hearing and determination of the case; and pending such petition and before final decree, the court may at any time make such temporary order or prohibition as shall be deemed just in the premises.

Sec. 5. When ever it shall appear to the court before which any proceedings under section 4 of this act may be pending, that the ends of justice require that other parties should be brought before the court, the court may cause them to be summoned whether they reside in the district in which the court is held or not, and subpoenas to that end may be served in any district by the marshal thereof.

FORFEITURE OF PROPERTY POSSIBLE

Sec. 6. Any property owned, any contract or by any combination, or pursuant to any conspiracy (and be-

ing the subject thereof) mentioned in section 1 of this act, and being in the course of transportation from one state to another, or to a foreign country, shall be forfeit and condemned by like proceedings as those provided into the United States contrary to law.

ACTION FOR TREBLE DAMAGES

Sec. 7. Any person who shall be injured in his business or property by any other person or corporation by reason of anything forbidden or declared to be unlawful by this act, may sue therefor in any circuit court of the United States in the district in which the defendant resides or is found, without respect to the amount in controversy, and shall recover threefold the damages by him sustained, and the costs of suit, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

CORPORATIONS HELD TO BE PERSONS

Sec. 8. That the word "person," or "persons," wherever used in this act shall be deemed to include corporation and association existing under or authorized by the laws of either the United States, the laws of any of the territories, the laws of any states, or the laws of any foreign country.

THE SYSTEM AND ITS OUTPUT

That the follies of the "idle rich," as portrayed by Frederick Townsend Martin in a recent series of magazine articles, were not overdrawn, is made evident by a recent cablegram from Nice to the New York American, telling of the arrival in that city of Albert L. Bostwick, son of a Standard oil millionaire.

Bostwick goes to Nice to play tennis, and a description of his retinue reads like a page from Saint-Simon's memoirs of the court of Louis, the "grand monarch." Solomon in all his glory might have put on a bigger show, but it is quite certain that none of the second-rate crowned heads of the present time can rival the Bostwick retinue.

The list of Bostwick's personnel and luggage includes one wife, two chauffeurs, five children, three banjo players, one valet, two nurses, five governesses, one physician, fourteen servants, two automobiles and seventy-five trunks.

That is the work, the output of the system. It is to continue the social and industrial conditions that make such funkeys possible that seats in the United States senate are bought for men like Lorimer—men who admit that they vote for or against such measures as may be approved or disapproved by such public servants (?) as Aldrich or Cannon or Bailey.

Such exhibitions as was presented by this American invasion at Nice are the result of special privilege. If the result is disgusting—and who will say it is not—the cause must be wrong. Yet we have seen, year after year, men otherwise well informed and intelligent going to the polls and voting for men who have been responsible for the maintenance of a system that yields such product.

How long, O Lord, will the American voter remain blind to his duty? —Oklahoma Daily Oklahoman.

THY KINGDOM COME

Father, enthroned in heaven above,
Thou only source of light and love,
Thy love reveal to all mankind,
And eyes unseal that now are blind—
Thy kingdom come.

The scattered sheep are scattered still,
In every vale, on every hill,
And night is there so dark and cold,
Bring them within thy peaceful fold—
Thy kingdom come.

—Rev. J. S. Scotland.

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in the Campaign of 1912

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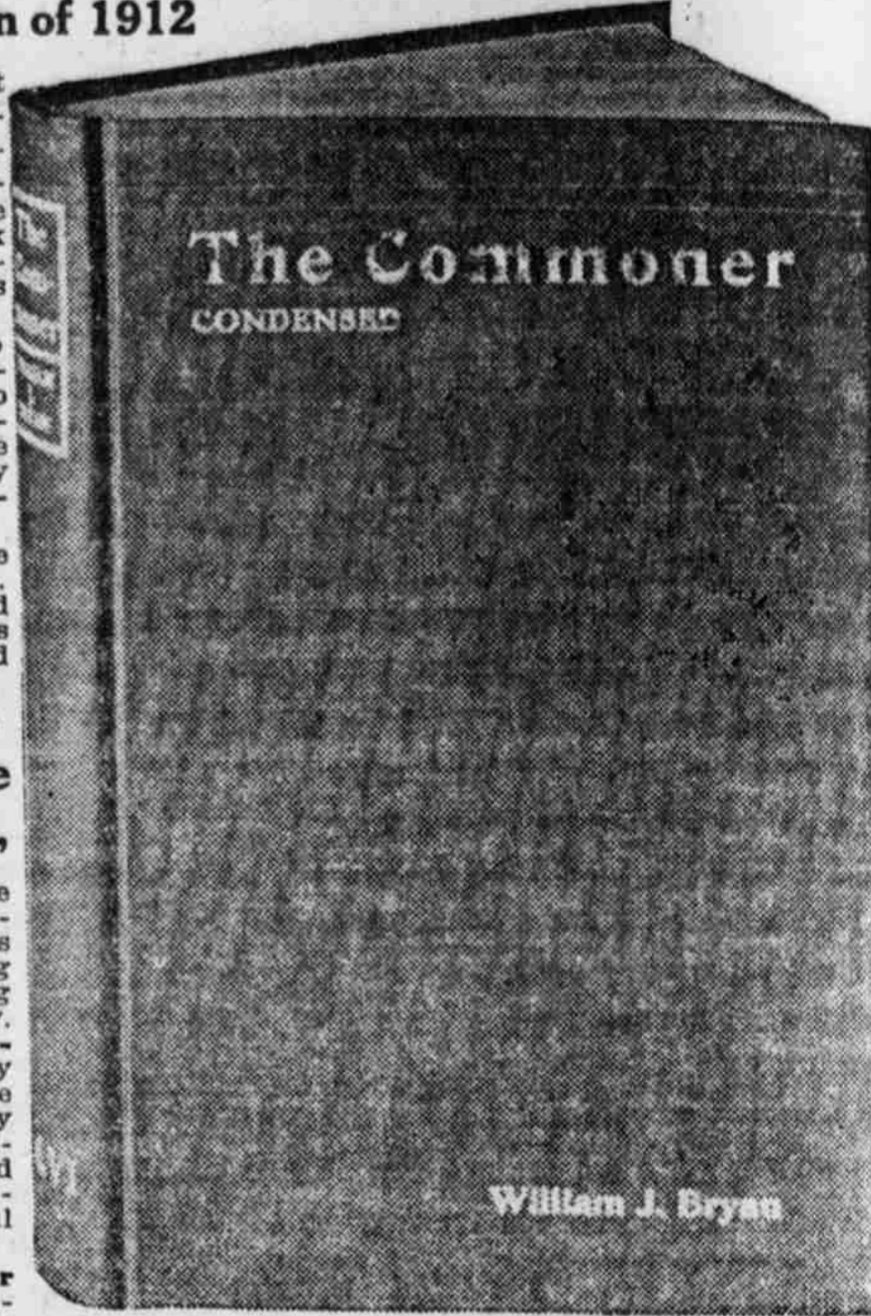
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