

Today

Slapping Means Nothing.
What About the Air?
Why Cheat the Workers?
Trotsky Will Fight.
By ARTHUR BRISBANE

Ibanez, able Spanish writer, says King Alfonso of Spain was really in the big war, although he pretended to be on the side of the allies or at least neutral. Nothing extraordinary or disgraceful about that. Alfonso is a king, the Kaiser was a king and emperor. It is natural for kings to hang together in Europe. Our money kings here hang together quite nicely. Whoever heard of one of them going over to help Emma Goldman in her fight on Mr. Frick?

Now a high spirited Spaniard, misnamed Benigna Varela, challenges Ibanez to a death duel, to restore the king's honor. Varela sends his challenge in four different languages, and says he will slap Ibanez' face, and make him fight. Suppose he does? That won't change the facts.

The New Haven railroad wants to stop bus lines in Rhode Island because they compete. That seems quite reasonable. While respectable gentlemen in

Wall street were gutting the New Haven railroad, robbing old women and children that had all their money invested in it, they squandered millions on trolley lines, etc. That was alright because the railroad did it.

But now private individuals that own their own omnibuses want to carry citizens that own their own public highways and want to be carried. The railroad says you mustn't do it; it interferes with us.

Evidently the New Haven road thinks that when it got its franchise to run a railroad and rob stockholders, it also bought all of the people, and owns them.

What about flying machines, which will soon give really cheap transportation? Will the New Haven decide that it owns the air, and ask convenient courts for injunctions to keep the people of the United States from flying in their own atmosphere? Very likely.

The bill to raise the pay of hard-working postoffice employees may be

defeated because somebody is accused of trying to get it through by bribery.

What of that? Thousands of underpaid postal employees know nothing about the bribery, and had nothing to do with it. The bribery story sounds rather fishy. The only question for congress to decide is whether or not the men that do the hard work in the post-office deserve decent pay, whether or not Uncle Sam should set a good example, paying his servants properly, or a mean, stingy, unworthy example, cheating his own employees that he may keep down the taxes of rich men.

That's the real question. Russia seems on the verge of a revolution against the revolution. That probably was bound to come in Russia, as it came in France. The conflict in the communist forces develops partly along racial lines. The Moscowite leaders are engaged in a desperate effort to destroy Trotsky, Jewish leader and head of the Russian army.

Stories of fighting in the streets

of Moscow are denied from Berlin. But Trotsky has his army back of him. He has taken good care to keep the young "red" soldiers well fed, well armed and paid. Unless he is shot or poisoned, which is the short cut to results in revolutionary action, there will come a considerable fight before Trotsky, who feels that he inherits Lenin's authority, give up the opportunity to be Russia's real ruler. Austrian business "is very

shaky." A tacit moratorium exists. Herriot, prime minister of France, seems to stop the talk about revolution there. Mussolini will have a general election in March to find out whether the people are still with him, or whether newspapers that attack him express Italian opinion. It will probably turn out that the Italians are with Mussolini. If he hadn't appeared on the horizon,

there would have been a disastrous revolution in Italy long ago. You can't help noticing these troubles and threatening troubles in Europe. Think them over before you buy European bonds. (Copyright, 1924.)

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