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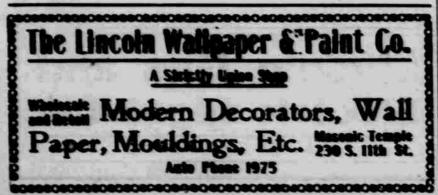


that firm is Roy O. West. Keep that were tied by his superior. The comname in mind. pany was not liable, and he was in-Another lawsuit is pending in the MADE IN LINCOLN INCOLN MONEY structed to pay Merritt \$50 and to circuit court of Cook county that has say that after a while they might give a peculiar relationship to the suit of him a job as night watchman, where Walter Merritt. It is a mandamus suit brought by the Illinois Tax Rehe could earn about \$12 per week. "But remember," said Brown, "We form Association in the name of a tax **LIBERTY FLOUR** can't make any agreement in writing payer against Roy O. West (remember about giving you a job. You will have the name), Fred W. Upham, and F. D. Meacham, constituting the board of review of Cook county, to compel them The unfortunate man had no alterto do their duty and assess the person naive but to fight the International Harvester company and to devise al property stock holdings of Cyrus H. some new way of earning a livelihood. McCormick and eleven others, who, to-He had one relative, an uncle, who al- gether, own more than ninety per cent though poor, had managed to save a of the \$129,000,000 of stock in the In-No better flour sold on the Lincoln market. ternational Harvester company few hundred dollars. From him Mer-Every sack warranted. We want the trade of The suit names the following perritt borrowed \$200 and rented a little Union men and women, and we aim to deserve it. sons as joint defendants, and sets forth store near one of Chicago's crowded public schools. He laid in a small the amount of stock at its fair cash If your grocer does not handle Liberty Flour. 'phone stock of candies and school books. His value held by each: us and we will attend to it. Ask your neighbor Fair cash little capital was not enough to pro-Owner value, 1907. vide all of the articles that the childhow she likes Liberty Flour. We rely on the Cyrus H. McCormick \$11,250,000 ren called for, and his profits from the Harold F. McCormick.... 11,250,000 recommendation of those who use it. nickels of the children, amounted to Anita McCormick Blaine. . 11,250,000 about seventy-five cents per day. Mary V. McCormick..... 11,250,000 Merritt returned to the lawyer's of Nettie McCormick 11,250,000 fice and suit was brought against the Stanley McCormick..... 7,500,000 International Harvester company for William Deering 5,625,000 **BARBER & FOSTER** \$2,000. An overworked and underpaid James Deering..... 5,625,000 employe in the office of the harvester Charles Deering 5,625,000 company-one whose duty it was to at-Richard F. Howe..... 1,875,000 tend to the routine details of damage John J. Glessner..... 1,875,000 suits up to the time of trial-neglect-W. H. Jones ed to file in court the proper papers 750.00 answering Merritt's claim for dam-ages in the time fixed by law and Mer-The tax payer sets forth in his pe-tition that these big stockholders in ritt's lawyer took a default against the There IS a Dress Shirt Made With company, and a judge entered judgthe Harvester Trust now owe to Cook county, \$4,500,000 of unpaid taxes for A few days afterwards the lawyers the years 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906 and for the company appeared in court and It sells for a Dollar and bears the Label of the UNITED 1907; that up to and including 1906 the asked to have the judgment set aside. They explained that the young net earnings of the company were over **GARMENT WORKERS OF AMERICA** \$27,000,000, after setting aside \$4,500,law clerk in the office of the company MODEL 000 for reserve, and that the earnings had forgotten about the case and that for 1906 were \$8,600,000. The com the company had a good defense. The INDIANAPOLIS UNION MADE pany has laid by for a rainy day the judge ordered the company to produce comfortable surplus of about \$9,500, its witnesses, so that Merritt's lawyer SHIRT Roy O. West is chairman of the re If the company showed that it had Insist on Getting THE MODEL publican state central committee of a good defense then the judge would and if your dealer will not get it for you, we will send shirts, cars charges prepaid, to any address in the United States or Canada for 51 of We make haundered negligee shirts with cuffs statched or deter also coat shirts. Pleated bosoms in all patterns and styles, if you Illinois. He is also chairman of the set aside the default and submit the case to a jury, where both sides might Board of Review of Cook county, for have their witnesses heard. If the which he receives a salary of \$7,000 per year, and his duty is the review company failed to show that it had a good defense the judge would or- the assessments of all real and person-THE MODEL Royal Blue Shirts der the judgment to stand, and Mer- al property. are indigo dyed, fast colors and so warranted. At some hour in the day Mr. West ritt could then collect the \$2,000 puts aside his personality as a lawyer On the day set for the inquiry into for the International Harvester Com-MODEL SHIRT CO., INDIANAPOLIS PRO the facts, an important witness, a for- pany and takes up his personality of New York Office 350 employe of the state with the duty of mer employe of the company was not determining how much taxes the International Harvester company should Putting a Witness Out of Reach. pay. At exactly four o'clock in the Merritt's lawyer had secured a afternoon, let us say, Mr. West lays rritten statement from the witness down the papers in case of the Intershowing the company's negligence. If LYRIC THEATRE national Harvester Company versus called to court, the witness would have Merritt, West counsel for the plaintiff, told the judge that the man who pulled and takes up the papers in the matter the levers on the crane and cut off of determining how much taxes the In-Merritt's arm was an incompetent ternational Harvester company should man: that he was an ignorant work-**POLITE VAUDEVILLE** man, chosen from the common labor- pay. The stock of Mr. West's client, the ing gang only a short time before the International Harvester company is accident, and that the witness, who Lincola's Popular Playbouse. Prices-Balcony IBc, Lover Floer 28c was an expert crane man had notified now earning over seven per cept, and is, therefore, worth par. the superintendent of the company be-080808080909090909080808080 The Board of Review should a fore the accident that the man was in-Cyrus H. McCormick alone \$15,000, This witness was taken out of the 000 annually on his stock in the Har state by Mr. Brown the day before the vester Trust, and the other stockhold-

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d \$25 for time in keeping away from court.

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to take my word for it."

ment for \$2,000 in his favor.

might cross-examine them.

As the hearing was not an actual trial. Merritt was not allowed to testity or produce witnesses, and he found that the law does not favor defaults. The judgment was set aside, but Trust. only on conditions that were quite that the company should not remove cepted these conditions.

And Merrit felt half-glad over the decision. He might be defeated and get nothing for his arm, but his fight was now worth while. He had secured a chance of collecting \$7,500 from the public servants are paid to do? harvester company for the loss of his

asked, \$7,500.

But Merritt is far from having the tie more than the first skirmish in the Cook county. long legal battle that will almost certainly be fought. The harvester company may now appeal to the appellate court, and if Merritt wins, another appeal may be taken by the harvester rived. company, this time to the supreme court of the state.

plaintiff will learn the final result of profits, and while they fail to schedsimilar suits heretofore.

Merritt were the regularly retained Meanwhile the wheels in the factories trial attorneys for the International of the Harvester company periodically Harvester company-West, Eckhart, turn out cripples, to become charges & Taylor. The senior member of on the community .- Colliers' Weekly

During the four years from 1903 to 1906, inclusive, this representative business man of Chicago paid not one dollar of taxes on his great fortune, represented by stock in the Harvester

The small assessment made in 1907 favorable to Merritt. The judge di- for back taxes, a total of less than \$1,rected that the company pay Merritt 000,000 on the stock of all the bug \$100 at once; that he be given leave to stockholders of the company, has the for \$7,500 instead of \$2,000, and forced Cyrus H. McCormick to pay about \$500 per year for each of the the case to the Federal court. In or- four years of delinquency, or about der to escape the payment of the one-four-hundredth of his honest judgment for \$2,000 the company ac- share. His associates have dodged their taxes in the same ratio.

Why do not the proper officials of the city, county, or state collect the unpaid taxes? Why should private citizens have to do the work that their Because the officials are a part of the system-a combination between

The suit came on for trial March 16 big business and big politics in Illinand lasted until March 23. The de- los; Roy O. West, counsel for the Infendant corporation contested the case ternational Harvester company; Roy biterly and called over fifty witnesses. O. West chairman of the republican The verdict was in favor of the in- state central committee; Roy O. West, jured man for the full amount he chairman of the board of tax review for Cook county.

These two lawsuits will grind their \$7,500 in his pocket for a verdict of a way slowly through the wheels of jusjury is far from conclusive. It is lit- tice, or injustice, in the courts of

In the meantime, back of the faded curtain that divides the small living room from the candy store in the Mer ritt household another baby has ar-

While these captains of industry, stockholders of the harvester trust, After another year of waiting the are making about \$10,000,000 per year his suit. If he defeats the great cor- ule for taxes a dollar's worth of their poration in all the courts, he will get great wealth, represented in the stock his money some time in the year of the trust, the McCormick Theologi-1910 or 1911. It is assumed that the cal Seminary of the Presbyterian harvester company will contest this church, founded by Cyrus H. McCorsuit as it has consistently done with mick, ploneer in the harvester field, is turning out young ministers, who go The lawyers who appeared to defeat forth to spread the Gospel of Christ.

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