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TRADE COMPETITION AND SELF-INTEREST
(National Republican.)

However much the theorist argues that international trade is beneficial to all countries alike, the fact remains that it is now economic competition of the most severe type. The school of free traders, beginning with Adam Smith, contends that each country should confine itself to the production or manufacture of only those articles for which by climate or environment is most fitted, exchanging those products or manufactures for articles it can not produce or make. This results in international trade, it is said, in which both sides gain, peacefully and harmoniously, without competition.

Unfortunately, as if to dispute this theory, many nations have developed along parallel lines, producing and manufacturing similar products. In the process of time international trade in many instances has developed into international competition.

Great Britain manufactures many articles similar to articles manufactured in the United States. The same thing happens as between Canada and Japan and the United States. Many countries of South America and Europe grow certain articles similar to articles grown in the United States. The currents of peaceful international exchange of goods becomes whirlpools of competition, involving raw materials, wages and markets.

Internationalists who believe the United States should emerge from its "isolation," so-called, and plunge into the unchecked torrent of world free trade, forget that the old theories have been swept away and international free trade or peaceful exchange has given way to a competition severe and heartless.

It is perfectly natural, when weighed in the scales of business, for Great Britain or any other nation to do everything in its power to widen the markets for its goods and to capture these markets at all hazards. On the part of the British people, the object of the imperial preferential tariff (now in operation between Great Britain and her colonies) is to look after British interests, regardless of what happens to other countries.

The United States must realize that in Great Britain, in France, in Italy, in Japan, every move to promote the trade and commerce of those countries is promoted by business. It is neither love nor hate of America, but devotion to the material interest of their respective countries that prompts these governments to discriminate against the United States in many ways not found on the statute books.

If the United States expects to maintain itself in this international trade and commerce, it must pursue precisely the same policy, regardless of what happens to other countries. It seems to have escaped the observation of many of the theoretical internationalists that every commercial nation is endeavoring to get the best of the United States in trade. This is what Great Britain looks upon the United States as its chief competitor in the economic world. In the recent

economic conference in London the only nation mentioned repeatedly was the United States; the keynote was how to promote English commerce and welfare, regardless of the consequences to other nations.

It must be quite clear to keen and patriotic observers that the United States is to be the target of other countries, especially Great Britain. British statesmen can not be blamed for this; American statesmen should be on the defensive and protect America with equal zeal.

If the United States is to retain any considerable portion of the world's trade and commerce gained during the world war, it must protect itself adequately against foreign inroads into our home markets with competitive goods. An exchange of American manufactured goods for similar British manufactured goods is useless and unprofitable; but a fight in the markets of South America or the Far East between American goods and similar goods is intense competition; and the lowest price, with quality secondary, gets the order.

The very first step in meeting such competition is the protection of our home markets so that our capital and labor may be employed and supply the home market first. The second step is to make quality more important than price in the world's markets. This third step is to free ourselves from all shackles that prevent us from looking after the interests of the United States by retaliating against any sort of discrimination against the United States in the commerce of the world.

CONGRESSMAN SIMMONS ON THE "MELLON PLAN"

Washington D. C., Jan. 12, 1924

Tax reduction is conceded by everyone in Congress to be a paramount necessity. No one disputes its feasibility or advisability. The question now being discussed at both ends of the Capitol building is how to reduce? Secretary Mellon surprised the country by his announcement of a \$325,000,000 surplus, after, in 1922 estimating a deficit of \$650,000,000.

The fact that taxes could be reduced caused a general feeling of elation, and an instant approval of his plan. The President in his message gave the "Mellon plan" his "unqualified approval," and asked for non-partisan consideration of it. That the Mellon plan has had the backing of a well financed and well executed propaganda cannot be questioned. The financial journals of the country and the great metropolitan dailies all began simultaneously to give their support, as did also big business interests of the east. A visit to most any office in either the House or Senate office buildings, and an analysis of a days mail with its almost identical argument for the "Mellon plan" will show the result of this effort. But it has been overworked, so that even the ardent supporters of the plan are beginning to feel a resentment of the efforts of a small group of interested parties to "sell it" to the country and Congress.

To most people the Mellon plan is simple and short. As a matter of fact the "Mellon Bill" to reduce taxation, now on my desk, is a book of 344 pages and contains about 70,000 words. It was published on the 28th of December, and since that time most members have barely had time to read it, let alone digest its provisions. And yet many people, even before the bill was printed, were writing Congressmen and Senators, asking its qualified approval and passage. My belief is that the instantaneous approval of the idea was not of the "Mellon plan" but of tax reduction, without regard to a specific plan.

The hope that tax reduction could receive non-partisan consideration was dissipated by the Democratic caucus offering the Garner plan, followed by the President's disapproval of it. The Garner plan reduces the tax on small incomes more than the "Mellon plan". A third plan offered by Representatives Frear of Wisconsin, cuts the normal tax on all incomes one half and leaves the sur-tax just as it is now.

As things stand now no one expects the "Mellon plan" to be adopted, as offered. The Ways and Means Committee have already made between thirty and forty changes in it. The bill finally adopted will be a compromise measure. Fortunately, before final action is taken, the country will have an opportunity to give a "second thought" to the whole matter and a truer sounding of the sentiments of the people can be had.

In considering these plans it should be remembered that the tax reduction proposed here cannot become operative until 1925, and that it will not reduce the amount of personal and real taxes paid the County Treasurers in the state, since no part of that money goes to the support of the federal government, and Congress has no authority to change those levies.

ROBERT G. SIMMONS.

THE CLIMAX

Dramatic Masterpiece of Comedy and Music.

"The Climax"—musical, dramatic, humorous—a play that for two seasons thrilled New York, will be given in Page, at the Odd Fellows Hall, by a cast organized and coached by Edward Locke, the author. This is a very unusual opportunity for those who like the exceptionally good in drama. The date of the performance is Monday, January 28. 33-2

NOTICE
The law requires all automobiles to have two lights burning between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise. Penalty for violation of this law is a fine of not more than Fifty Dollars. Any person operating an automobile within the City of O'Neill who does not comply with this law will be arrested and fined.

SCOTT HOUGH,
Chief of police.

The Frontier, only \$2.00 per year.

MORE LOCAL MATTERS.

Joe Ziemer was taken to Omaha Friday morning where he underwent an operation for acute appendicitis, at St. Cecilia hospital. Reports from the hospital today are that he is recovering nicely.

Mrs. L. G. Gillespie, installing officer of the Rebekah lodge, for this district, accompanied by Mrs. C. E. Downey, Mrs. G. A. Miles and Mrs. Pete Herford, drove to Page Tuesday evening and installed the officers in the Rebekah lodge.

WILLIAM DALY.

William Daly died at his home in Lincoln, Nebraska, Wednesday morning at six o'clock, at the age of about eighty-four years. The remains accompanied by his wife and children arrived in O'Neill this afternoon. The funeral services will be held Saturday morning from St. Patrick's church.

L. G. GILLESPIE FILES FOR REPRESENTATIVE

L. G. Gillespie is the first man to cast his line into the political whirlpool, this year, in Holt county. Last Friday Mr. Gillespie filed on the Republican ticket for Representative of the 64th district, comprising Holt county.

The primaries will be held April 8th this year.

BASKET BAWLS.

The local American Legion met and defeated the basket ball team from Long Pine last Friday evening at the high school gym, by a score of 30 to 5. Following is the line-up, position and the number of points that each player made:

- O'Neill:
McDonald, G.
Wilging, G.
Mellor, G.
Hartman, G.
Paul Beha, C. 2.
T. Sullivan.
Joe Beha, F. 12.
Joe Bazelman, F. 14.
Long Pine:
Gibson, F.
Butler, F. 1.
Miller, F.
White, G. 2.
Mockbee, G.
Dudley, C. 2.

The High School basket ball team met the Chambers teams at the gym. last Thursday evening. The boys from Chambers won their game 6 to 8. The O'Neill girls won by a score of 24 to 25. The girls saved the reputation of the city by a very close margin.

The O'Neill high school team were at Bassett Friday evening where they were successful in winning by a score of 17 to 13. They went to Springfield and also won from the Springfield boys 8 to 6.

The O'Neill Legion will play Stuart at the gym. in O'Neill Saturday evening.

Needed the Rest Cure
By CLARA DELAFIELD
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ELLEN FARGIS sat in the large chair with hands folded in her lap. For three weeks she had sat thus, hardly moving and never speaking, ever since the accident to the kitchen stove.

She seemed to recognize the members of her family, and to be grateful for little attentions, but for the most part her mind was a complete blank. The only person who seemed momentarily to rouse her out of her lethargy was her old friend and neighbor, Helena Smith.

Would she recover? With care and complete rest, the doctor thought. Her mind had become temporarily unimpaired, owing to the shock of the accident. It was only a small gas explosion, and she had only suffered a few slight burns, but then she had been in a run-down condition, he explained.

Run down? Ellen Fargis had looked after her husband and family of four for sixteen years, and, though they were now grown up, they needed just as much looking after—more, if anything.

She had cooked for them, scrubbed for them, slaved for them from earliest dawn until the latest hour at night. Now things were going very hard in the Fargis home. In the first place, Mary had to give up her position and stay home to take care of her mother, who was as helpless as a baby. Then they had to get a cook.

Fortunately Jim Fargis was well fixed financially. It wasn't the money he begrudged; it was the thought of his wife sitting there helpless day after day, she who had been so busy from morn till night, so happy with her home to take care of.

Yes, it was a great shock to them all. They had tried all sorts of remedies. They had tried hypnotism to recall that wandering mind. But Ellen Fargis couldn't be hypnotized. They had tried counter-shocks. They had shouted in her ear that the end of the world had come, and that the pudding had boiled over, but Ellen Fargis had just sat like a stone.

Mary, who believed in later methods, had religiously repeated to her

mother every evening, "Day by day in all respects I am becoming better and better." But Ellen Fargis had continued day by day to sit just like a stone.

"Poor thing, she's worn out with taking care of all of you," said Helena Smith. "You've got a jewel of a wife, Jim, and if ever she does get well you must use her carefully."

"I will," answered Jim Fargis, almost sobbing. "Oh, Ellen, don't you know me?"

Ellen Fargis just sat like a stone. "Mother," said Mary, "day by day in all respects you are getting better and better."

Ellen Fargis smiled thoughtfully at a fly that had settled on the ceiling.

"You run out for the afternoon, Mary," said Helena Smith. "I'll sit with your mother for a while. She seems to know me. You know me, Ellen, don't you?"

Ellen Fargis just sat like a stone.

Mary, who was glad of the relaxation, went out, leaving Helena Smith in charge of her mother and the household. Mary made Ellen comfortable in her chair and put a child's picture book in her hands. Ellen seemed to like looking at the pictures. She would turn the pages listlessly for hours together. Leaving her there, Helena set about preparing the dinner. She put the vegetables on to boil, set the pie in the oven, and was just completing her work when she heard Ellen's footsteps in the hall. A moment later Ellen stood at the kitchen door.

And suddenly Ellen seemed to shake off her lethargy. Frowning, she went around the kitchen, taking down a pot here and hanging it up there. She filled up the sugar bowl, she inspected the interior of the refrigerator, she opened the oven and looked at the pie. And then, satisfied at last, she went back to her chair in the living-room, and sat there in apathy with folded hands.

Helena followed her in astonishment and stood looking at her. Suddenly she sprang to her side.

"Ellen, you—you're faking!" Ellen Fargis looked up and nodded. "They were me out among them, my dear," she said. "I always felt how heavenly it would be sitting still and doing nothing."

"Oh, Ellen!" Helena was crying. "Poor Jim! How long are you going to keep it up, Ellen?"

"Just a few days longer, Helena. I've had the time of my life, and now I'm beginning to get as hungry for my housework as a war-horse hearing the trumpet."

FRED HENRY JUNGLBLUTH.

Word was received from Norfolk Sunday, that Fred Jungbluth had passed away at the Lutheran hospital.

Fred Henry Jungbluth was born December 9, 1866, at Middleton, Wisconsin. He homesteaded at Schuyler, Nebraska, and was married to Miss Margaret Bott, March 6, 1905, at that place. One year later he moved to Chambers, Nebraska, which has been his home to the time of his death. He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife, six children, two sisters, three brothers, and an aged mother. Mr. Jungbluth's illness was of about two months duration. He was taken to the hospital at Norfolk December 5th, where it was hoped he would be restored to health, but in spite of all that medical attention could do he passed away at the age of 58 years, 1 month and 4 days. Mr. Jungbluth was a man who had been a worker from childhood, one who had lived a modest, unassuming life, of careful conservative business habits, and was a good neighbor.

He will be missed by those who will need such a one on whom to lean. The sympathy of the community goes out to the bereaved family.

Funeral services were held at the Lutheran church Tuesday, January 15, Rev. Schieff officiating. The remains laid to rest in the Chambers cemetery. ***

CHAMBERS ITEMS.

Mrs. Violet Pierce, of Amelia, is confined to her home with an attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. John Nelson, of Norfolk, is visiting her sons, Bryon and Oscar and families this week.

Mrs. Chas. Robertson left for Stuart, Monday, for a visit with Prof. and Mrs. George DeKay.

Little Gerald Walters, who was operated on at the doctor's office, Monday, is doing nicely.

Grandma Perkins, who is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Keltz, is on the sick list.

Mrs. Leirmann, of Amelia, is spending this week in Chambers with her daughter, Mrs. John Walters.

Mrs. J. H. Newhouse, who has been visiting her children the past three weeks, returned to her home in Hot Springs, South Dakota, Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Jungbluth left for Norfolk Sunday in response to a message that Mr. Jungbluth, who was in the hospital at that place, was in a critical condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Robertson entertained the Masons and their wives Thursday evening, January 10. Dainty refreshments were served and all reported a good time.

The ice harvest is still in full swing. The Methodist people are filling their ice house this week and Harry Cooper is busy with several teams. The ice is about twelve inches thick and of good quality.

TERRITORIAL PIONEERS TO MEET IN LINCOLN.

The Nebraska Territorial Pioneer's Association will hold its annual reunion Wednesday, January 23, 1924, in the parlors of the Grand Hotel, 12th and Q Streets, Lincoln, Nebraska. The session will convene at 10 o'clock and continue throughout the day with luncheon and social hour at noon.

At 2 o'clock the annual address will

HOT SPRINGS CLINIC SPECIALIZING IN MEDICINE, SURGERY, RADIUM, X-RAY EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT
Particular Attention Given To
TREATMENT OF CANCER AND TUBERCULOSIS
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Charles H. Sloan of Geneva, Nebraska, and following C. E. Bardwell of Lincoln, will read a paper on the early days of Omaha. An orchestra will render music popular in bygone days. A round table will be conducted by Moses P. O'Brien, of Omaha, and each Pioneer is invited to be ready to respond to the call for a five minute talk.

With each succeeding year the Pioneer's feel more keenly the value of preserving the records of personal and home life of the earliest days of our state for it is upon said records the future historian must depend when a comprehensive study of the state is made. Attend the meeting and contribute your experiences so that the real history of the state will be recorded. Anyone who has lived in the state thirty-five years is eligible to membership and if you cannot attend the reunion send your name to the Secretary-Treasurer for registration.

Signed,
S. E. Williamson,
Mrs. Minnie P. Knotts, Secy-Treas.
Moses P. O'Brien,
Mrs. Margaret M. Blanchard,
R. B. Windham,
Executive Committee.

Notes From The North East

Ralph Phillips was operating his wood sawing outfit in this vicinity Monday and Tuesday.

Ray Shellhart, who is employed on the Johnson ranch, was a Sunday visitor at the Wertz home.

We are informed that M. C. Coffman, is on the sick list, but hope his illness is not serious and that he will soon regain his usual health.

Mrs. Olds, wife of W. H. Olds, of Knoxville, was buried Tuesday. She was ill four days with pneumonia. A brother, sister and step-daughter, of Des Moines, Iowa, were here during her illness and burial.

Will Welch, of O'Neill, brother of James Welch, of Knoxville, drove down Tuesday from O'Neill. Will has real estate interests here and was in residence here for several years, and is well and favorably known.

George Hoodjer, of Beemer, Nebraska, visited Sunday, at the home of Henry Doscher. George owns and operated a hotel at Beemer, but recently leased the hotel for one year and will move to Parkerburg, Iowa, where he has real estate interests.

Fora Knight, of Walnut, while passing through our burg Saturday evening from O'Neill, had a little car trouble making it necessary to charter a car and return to Opportunity for repairs before driving to his home near Walnut. Fora is well known here being a resident here in 1922.

Recent correspondence from Levi J. Trullinger advises us that he is now located at Farmington, New Mexico, and has invested in property at that place. Levi will be remembered by the old settlers, residing here for several years. His father filed on land in the early '80's, and served one term on the county board under township organization. He resided in Willowdale township.

Thirty-six years ago from last Saturday, the 12th of January, will be remembered by the old settlers of Holt county—the blizzard of the 12 of January, 1883, the most destructive to life and property of any blizzard that ever swept the plains of Nebraska. The unusual high wind generating electricity was a sensational element of the "big blizzard". Flashes of light could be noticed at the windows. Only those that were in that storm can describe what it is to be in a Nebraska blizzard and we "old boys" will not forget the experience.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Blanche Myer enrolled in the Seventh grade this week.

Thelma Carter is absent because of illness.

Semester examinations will be held Thursday and Friday. Students having an average of 90 per cent or not less than 90 per cent in department will be excused from the final examinations. A list of students who were exempted from the final examination will be published in next week's school notes.

Eighth Grade.
The eighth grade is taking their semester examinations this week. In the history test Frank Maben, Harlow Schwisow and Franklin Gaughenbaugh led the class each earning a grade of 99 per cent. Russell Bowen also earned 99 per cent.

The second highest grade was 97 per cent earned by Melvin Bay, Ruth Scott and Jess Kellogg. Bernard Hull received the third highest grade which was 96 per cent.

In spelling Erma Dimmitt received 100 per cent; Marjorie Carter, John Dunpert and Ruth Scott 99 per cent and Frank Maben, Alta Strube and Melvin Bay 97 per cent.

In grammar Erma Dimmitt received 99 per cent, Amelia Saunto, Ruth Scott and Jess Kellogg and Harlow

Schwisow 98 per cent and Marjorie Carter 96 per cent.

Third Grade.
Gulie Meyer is a new pupil in the third grade.

Luella Crandall and Ella Wilkinson are absent on account of sickness.

Fifth and Sixth B Grades.
The Fifth and Sixth B grade have been taking the Courts Practice Tests in arithmetic. Some have been doing very well, getting four perfect lessons out of five trials. The tests require them to do around seventy problems in five minutes. Edgerton Haskin and Dorothy Youngkin have high scores so far.

The Fifth grade have been making their own outline of Europe, country by country, to help them review for semester exams.

Second Grade.
The Second grade were sorry to lose Dale Farmer, who moved to Osmond. Max Hough has recovered from the whooping cough and is again able to be at school.

Fourth Grade.
Marjorie Gillespie was absent two and a half days this week because of sickness. Marjorie regretted very much that she was forced to be absent as her attendance record so far this year had been perfect.

Edrey Colfax has gone to Norfolk where she plans to attend school the remainder of the year.

Elizabeth Henry was back at school Monday after an absence of five weeks. Her absence was due to whooping cough.

The Fourth grade pupils have been learning some new games this week. Some of them are "Circle Dodge-Ball" and "The Lame Wolf." Several lively games of basket ball were also played between the different Fourth-grade teams.

(Continued from last week)

The girls of the Foods class are studying completed they will have learned about puff batters; drop batters; and stiff doughs. The dishes prepared during this study will include: cakes, pies, biscuits, cookies and bread. This will complete the course. The girls have not had as complete a course as we would like to give; but eighteen weeks is not long enough time with only eighty minutes four days a week to learn all one should know about preparing, serving and dietetic value of foods.

Those who will complete the work are: Edna Simonson, Lillian Simonson, Mildred Tomlinson, Lenore Clera, Florence Clevisch, Ruby Haney, Elfreda Grebeck, Ardis Downey, Alice Meyer, Irene Peter, Dolly Springer, Beha Abdouch, Mary Knapp, Ethel Anderson, Marguerite Hough, and Frances Davidson.

First Grade
An all high school play, "Daddy Long-legs" is being prepared and will be given sometime next month.

Watch for the date.
The First grade has two new pupils Henerietta Aboud and Robert Emerick. The Beginners class has three new pupils Alexandra Aboud, Leonard Bergstrom and Donald Emerick.

The First grade having a total of nineteen and the Beginners class twenty-seven.

Second Grade
Mildred Emerick is a new student in the second grade.

Max Hough is absent from school on account of sickness.

Third Grade
Divian Pitchford is a new pupil in the third grade.

Jack Haney, Cleata Walton and Hazel Schwisow are in school again after being absent on account of sickness.

Names of pupils neither absent nor tardy during the month of December: Marguerite Dempsey, Catherine Hagensick, Eva Dale Hudson, Thomas Liddy, Chester Maben, Frank Ratcliff, Bennett Sanders, Bernice Scofield, Orville Winchell, Rebecca Haskins, and Ella Wilkinson.

Fourth Grade
School opened Monday with a fair attendance. All the pupils were back at work after a two weeks vacation.

Martha Shaheen, of Winner, South Dakota, has been visiting the Fourth grade room this week.

Edrey and Audrey Colfax and Alare Schelowsky have been absent this week owing to the condition of the roads.

Many of the flowers belonging to this grade were frozen during the extremely cold weather last week.

Elizabeth Henry has been absent this week.

Eighth Grade
The Eighth grade are drilling on promissory notes.

The class is devoting this week's history period to civics; today's lesson being on the county officers.

The class is taking composition in lieu of agriculture which they completed before the holidays.

John Mitchell and Norman LaPage entered the eighth grade Monday.

Royal Theatre

"HOME OF GOOD PICTURES"

FRIDAY

Thomas Meigan in
"BACK HOME AND BROKE"
2-Reel Comedy

SATURDAY
Catherine McDonald in
"REFUGEE"
2-Reel Comedy

SUNDAY & MONDAY

Elinor Glyn's
"SIX DAYS"

(Just finished two weeks run in Omaha.) It looks easy but you've got to know how! Take a lesson in the art of making love from Elinor Glyn's "Six Days." This famous writer knows more about it than any living person. Here's a picture you'll want to see over and over again.

—with—
Corrine Griffith and Frank Mayo.
Comedy—News Reel.
Special Music.

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY

Rudolph Valentino and Lila Lee in
"BLOOD AND SAND"

So daring all men idolized him; so handsome all women loved him.
Comedy and Fables

THURSDAY & FRIDAY

Colleen Moore in
"BROKEN CHAINS"

Thrill! Fight! Pursuit! Danger! Love! See this corking action picture.

2-Reel Comedy
—Watch For—
"Kick In." "Brass." "Trifling With Honor." "Enemies Of Women." "When Knighthood Was In Flower."