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fecting interstate trade be made of fenses to be enjoined and punished.

Such legislation to be directed allke against those who give and those who receive illegal advantages, and to cover discrimination in prices as against competitors in particular localities resorted to for the purpose of destroying competition.

In order to reach producers guilty of these offenses who are, as producers, merely beyond national control, a penalty should be imposed upon the interstate and foreign transportation of goods produced by them, and federal courts should be given power to restrain such transportation at the government's suit.

Such legislation is necessary because the existing interstate commerce law does not give an effective remedy on this class of cases against either shipper or carrier.

The casus omissus:

The interstate commerce act should now be supplied by imposing a penalty upon carrier and beneficiary alike and by giving to the courts the right to restrain all such infractions of the law.

The prohibition against carriers should be limited to those subject to the act to regulate commerce. Only carriers operating a line of railroad or a rail and water line as one line arc required to publish their rates and adhere to them. It is impracticable to control lines operating wholly by water. Rates of water transportation are necessarily open to the freest competition, are invariably low by the comparison, and thus naturally furnish the standard of reasonableness without express regulation.

It should be made unlawful to transport traffic by carriers subject to the interstate commerce act at less rate than the published rate, and all who participate in violating the law should to punished. The provision should also be made to reach corporations and combinations which produce wholly within a state, but whose products enter interstate commerce. This provision should relate, first, to concerns which fatten on rebates; second, to concerns which sell commodities below the general price in particular localities, or in any one particular locality seek to destroy competition.

There should be a comprehensive

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Mr. Knox on Trusts.

The following abstract of the attorney general's recommendation regarding trusts and combinations was made public at length today and was given out at the White house tonight. It represents the general attitude of the administration on this subject and was authorized by the president.

Preliminary.

The people do not desire the bus'ress of the country to be interfered with beyond the regulation necessary to control combinations where they act improperly and to correct any tendency toward monopoly. In this country, where money is cheap and abundant and within the reach of keen and capable men, a monopoly will be impossible if competition is kept in the last two years at least equals

Small enterprises have certain advantages over large combinations and will live and thrive if assured of an open and fair field. Rebates and discriminatory rates constitute one of the chief restrictions on competition They unjustly swell the earnings of favored. concerns and support a vast volume of capital stock which represents nothing but unfair advantage over rivals, and contribute largely to the upbiulding of monopoly.

The situation respecting transportation discriminations and the entry of independent capital into new indus tries has lately been improved. It is now known that the amount of capital embarked in independent enterprises

the capital of the great combinations formed within the previous twelve years. With assurance against predatory competition, this improvement will continue. Individual industrial experience with the certainty of secure employment of capital may be trusted to compete effectively with such selfish combinations as are not formed for sound economic reasons, but merely in order to capitalize the country's prosperity for the benefit of their promoters. The existence of most of these combinations has not increased the productive capacity of the country; they have merely acquired the ownership of pre-existing industries.

Recommendations for immediate legislation:

That all discriminatory practices af-

plan to enable the government to get all the facts bearing upon the organi. zation and practices of concerns cngaged in interstate commerce, not with a view to hampering any legitimate business of such combinations, but in order to be in a position to take action if necessary.

To this end a commission or a special bureau in the proposed department of commerce should be created. whose duty it should be to investigate the corporations of concerns engaged in interstate or foreign commerce, to gather information and data enabling it to make recommendations for additional legislation to report to the president. This would be a first step in securing proper publicity. This commission should have authority to inquire into the management of any concern doing an interstate business whenever it becomes necessary or dosirable; it should have the authority to call for reports for some time to compel testimony from any witnesses by the production of bocks, papers, etc.

These recommendations are based on the central thought that the first step should be taken by a law aimed at what are certainly known to be unreasonable practices directly restrictive of freedom of commerce, and by a law securing some governmental supervision as outlined above. A special act should be passed at once to speed the final decision of cases pending or to be raised under the present anti-trust law, providing for the hearing of such cases by a full bench of circuit judges and a direct appeal from the circuit courts to the supreme court of the United States.