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He also read a letter from Frank J. Campbell, former railroad commissioner of Iowa, saying that a complete monopoly of rates and prices for grain exists in that state, crowding out the independent shipper.

An investigation in Minnesota, said Mr. LaFollette, showed that 1,500 elevators in that state were in one comtake an average of six cents less per take an average o fsix cents less per bushel for grain that the market price, entailing an annual loss of \$4,500,000.

A letter was read from C. W. Lindell, at Geddes, S. Dak., showing how the St. Paul road doscriminated in permitting elevators to be erected on its line. No permits are granted excepting to members of the elevator trust. He said Nebraska is divided into districts, and all the business is given to the trust.

Mr. LaFollette said a close relationship exists between the officials of the terminal elevators in Chicago and the trunk line officials. He read a list of the officers of the railroads running into Chicago and of the big elevators, proving them in nearly all instances to be identical. He said the same conditions exist in the western and middle-west states.

Senator Foraker said there is no doubt the evils depicted exist and should be corrected. He favored the resolution. He declared the Elkins anti-rebate law, if enforced, would

completely cover the case presented. Senator Nelson said there were good grounds for the proposed inves-

### THE RATE BILL PASSED

Senator Tillman Refused to Sign Conference Report and Make

Final Statement

Washington-The rate bill passed the senate and became a law to-day. Senator Tillman refused to sign the Conference report. He insists that Standard Oil influence was felt in the conference and blames Roosevelt for not using the big stick at the right time on conference committee.

Senator Tillman called up the conference report on the railroad rate legislation and began his attack upon the pipe line amendment as being in the interest of the Standard Oil company.

'About the time the Allison amendments were incubating," he said, "there was a great furore about the Garfield report on the Standard Oil company and we were told that the exposures of its crimes would help the vote on the rate bill and under the cover of this dust the president retired from his advanced position on the railroad legislation and accepted the Allison provision. There the big stick and the pitchfork, which had been in alliance, found themselves separated and the pitchfork, while doing duty on the firing line, looked around only to see the tail of its associate hustling to the rear-sliding towards the Allison base, to use a base ball phrase. The big stick was rushing in on all fours to get between Father Allison's legs."

He hed no fault to find, he added, except that he considered the president had been inconsistent in not coming to the assistance of the senate conferees. He considered it a little remarkable that just when he might do something to thwart the policy of this giant monopoly he is as mum as a mouse, except that there is now another hurrah about what the president is going to do to the Standard

Oil in the way of suits."

He added that notwithstanding the prosecution has been decided upon we are carefully told in advance that the high officials, such as Rockefeller, Rogers and Archbold, are not to be molested.

He then commented upon the employment of District Attorney Morrison of Illinois as special council in this case, saying that he had demonstrated 'how not to do it" in the Waters case. "If," he added, "they wanted an expert an expert in that line he is as good as can be found.

had been informed that Hon. Frank Monett "the most competent of all attorneys, is to lose his job." He the pole this summer. added: "So it goes, the dear people are bamboozled every day, but the hurrah goes on. The president assures us that the crimes of the Standard Oil company are to be punished, but when it comes to a real fight and when there is an opportunity to do so he sits dumb and allows the house conferees to compel the senate conferees to yield to the demands of the Standard Oil company."

Senators Cullum and Hopkins defended Mr. Morrison as a painstaking and diligent attorney and Senator Foraker asked for the source of the South Carolina senator's information concerning the probable retirement of Mr. Monett. This, Mr. Tillman said he is not at liberty to give. Senator elimination of the provision of the pass amendment permitting the free transportation of farm laborers. Senators Dolliver and Tillman agreed in assuring him that they could be carried as at present as "harvest excursionists," to which the North Dakota senator replied that if that was true the bill is not worth the paper it is written on.

SUMMARY OF FOREIGN NEWS ..

Walter Wellman cables from Trom-

Mrs. Mittle Huffaker.



### HAD GIVEN UP ALL HOPE. CONFINED TO HER BED WITH DYSPEPSIA.

"I Owe My Life to Pe-ru-na," Says Mrs. Huffaker.

Mrs. Mittie Huffaker, R. R. No. 8, Columbia, Tenn., writes:

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"I cheerfully recommend it to all sufferers."

In the same connection he said that day with members of the polar expedition for Spitzbergen, and that he expects to make his airship flight for

Emperor Nicholas finds the selection of a new premier a difficult task and the constitutional democrats in the douma reject the compromise plan.

Sir Wilfrid Lawson, M. P., and leader of the English prohibitionists. dies in London at the age of 77 years.

Retirement of the Goremykin ministry in Russia is decided upon by the

Republican form of government proves costly in France, the expenditure of \$802,000,000 by the government, largely for the system of social justice and the army, leaving deficit.

English society oins inj a mad scramble during the London season, which is made a dizzy whirl by

Women workers for the cause of female suffrage carry on a campaign of violence in London.

Historic trophies of the days of the American revolution, including souvenirs of Washington and Lafayette, are to be sold at auction in London.

London is swamped with a record-breaking throng of tourists from America, several Chicagoans being among recent arrivals there.

Sarah Bernhardt, her pocket full of soe, Norway, that he will sail Wednes- dollars, speaks enthusiastically of