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Valentine needs a good coal dealer who will have coal to sell when people want to buy. As it now is and has been for many years, the consumer must cater to the dealer's convenience and temperament.

Do You Approve of Business Enterprise?

Perhaps there are times when you feel that some of the business men of the city are not progressive enough. Ingrained in your nature is an admiration for the "hustler," for the person who does things—who improves whatever he touches.

You admire the merchant who, in brief space, takes a moribund store and makes it glow with life—a credit to the city. You are sure that, if we had more such men, the city would benefit amazingly.

A careful observer once noted the coincidence that most large cities were located on the banks of rivers. It is equally certain that most large stores "happen" to be enterprising advertisers.

In fact, aggressive advertising is the one infallible test of enterprise in a merchant. It stamps him progressive—alive—wise. All other "signs of life" about a store are misleading if a store is not aggressively advertised. The merchant knows

This editorial is to urge all those people who believe in progressive, in enterprise, to be consistent—to patronize the progressive and enterprising stores. The safe test is the store's advertising. You can buy advertised things and know that you are helping to make enterprise worth while—and know, too, that you are saving money for yourself. You can buy of the non-advertising merchant if you want to encourage and reward non-progressiveness in business, as well as to run the risk of securing for yourself a very doubtful bargain. Progressive people should patronize progressive merchants.

NATION NUMBERS 101,100,000

United States, Within Own Borders, Has 91,972,265 Inhabitants.

Washington, Dec. 12.—In the United States and all its possessions, the stars and stripes protect 101,100,000 souls. This is the official estimate of the United States bureau of the census, announced in connection with the population statistics for the country, as enumerated in their thirteenth decennial census. It includes the Philippines, Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, Alaska and the Panama canal zone.

Within its borders on the North American continent, exclusive of Alaska, the United States has a population of 91,972,266 inhabitants. In the last ten years the states of the union had an increase of population of 15,577,891, which amounts to 21 per cent over the 1900 figures.

WAGE ULTIMATUM DELIVERED

Big Majority of Engineers Favor Strike if Demands Are Not Granted.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' ultimatum of higher wages or a strike was delivered to the Railroad Managers' association by President Warren S. Stone of the brotherhood. He advised the employers that the recent vote had been 97.5 per cent in favor of a strike if the demands were not granted. President Stone of the engineers announced that action would be taken today.

PUBLICITY SPOILED PLANS

Land Barons Were Getting Ready for Pleasant Stay in Jail.

Hastings, Neb., Dec. 12.—That some reason existed for the outcry against the special privileges granted the convicted land barons who are confined in the Adams county jail is becoming more and more apparent. The report of the investigation made by the federal court authorities last week has been given to the public, with the assurance that the prisoners are subject to the ordinary jail rules and discipline. It is now known, however, that Messrs. Comstock, Jamison and Triplett were getting ready for a pleasant stay while serving their jail term, cells having been specially prepared and new furniture and fittings ordered to accommodate the "guests," but newspaper publicity put an end to the proposed luxury.

Calling attention to the above patent article going the rounds of the press, the general impression in newspaper circles of the east seems to be that Richards, Comstock, Jamison and Triplett, who have been sentenced to serve six months in jail and pay \$1,000 fine each, are criminals and the general inclination seems to be to jump onto them, roast them, score them, berate them as undesirable citizens.

What have they done? Of what great crime are they guilty? Have they killed, wounded, injured, insulted or snubbed anybody?

No. Have they supplanted cattle upon the western prairies in place of coyotes? Horses in place of wolves?

Have they assisted in keeping down the great prairie fires that used to devastate the country? Assisted the poor settlers who hadn't the means to live, with employment and a market? Made it possible for the homesteaders without means to get a start?

Yes! This was their crime, for which they are criticised as "land barons," cattle kings, who have been convicted of land frauds, and must serve time for their crime.

They grazed their cattle on public lands not yet homesteaded; made use of the grass that prairie fires and only coyotes had claimed, a wire fence enclosing some of this land for pasture to prevent stock from straying.

This was their "gigantic land fraud."

The persecution of the above men seems to us to have been a dummy affair to obscure the coal land frauds and divert attention from other great frauds.

THE MARKETS

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Statements that the outlook for winter wheat in the southwest had become the worst in twenty years formed a sustaining influence today for prices here. Texas received some rain, but dry weather and no snow covering were reported in Kansas and Oklahoma. Compared with last night, the market closed 1/4 @ 1/2c higher to a shade lower. In corn, there was a net decline of 1/4 @ 1/2c, oats finished unchanged to 1/4 @ 1/2c up and provisions at an advance of 2 1/2 @ 5c to 12 1/2c. Closing prices:

Wheat—Dec., 91 1/4c; May, 95 1/4 @ 95 5/8c; July, 93c.
Corn—Dec., 45c; May, 47c.
Oats—Dec., 31 1/2 @ 31 3/4c; May, 34 @ 34 1/4c; July, 33 1/2c.
Pork—Jan., \$18.85; May, \$17.87 1/2 @ 17.90.
Lard—Jan., \$10.15; May, \$9.92 1/2.
Ribs—Jan., \$9.87 1/2; May, \$9.55.
Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, 94 @ 96c; No. 2 corn, 48 1/2 @ 49c; No. 2 oats, 31 @ 32c.

Chicago Live Stock.
Chicago, Dec. 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 14,000; 25c lower; beefs, \$4.30 @ 7.10; western steers, \$2.90 @ 5.90; stockers and feeders, \$3.25 @ 5.50; cows and heifers, \$2.25 @ 5.90; calves, \$7.00 @ 9.00. Hogs—Receipts, 28,000; 20c lower; light, \$7.40 @ 7.75; mixed, \$7.40 @ 7.80; heavy, \$7.40 @ 7.75; rough, \$7.40 @ 7.55; pigs, \$6.80 @ 7.65; bulk, \$7.60 @ 7.75. Sheep—Receipts, 30,000; 10 @ 15c lower; natives, \$3.40 @ 4.25; westerns, \$2.50 @ 4.30; yearlings, \$4.40 @ 5.75; lambs, \$4.25 @ 6.50.

South Omaha Live Stock.
South Omaha, Dec. 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,200; 10c lower; beef steers, \$4.25 @ 5.85; cows and heifers, \$3.10 @ 4.65; stockers and feeders, \$3.75 @ 5.10; calves, \$3.75 @ 8.00. Hogs—Receipts, 9,400; 20c lower; heavy, \$7.20 @ 7.40; light, \$7.40 @ 7.55; bulk, \$7.25 @ 7.45. Sheep—Receipts, 6,200; steady; good lambs sold up to \$6.25; ewes brought \$3.65 for the best; wethers, \$3.25 @ 4.25.

WHITE CONFIRMED

President Sends Name of Louisiana Judge to Senate.

CHIEF JUSTICE OF HIGH COURT

Willis Van Devanter of Wyoming and Joseph Rucker Lamar of Georgia Are Nominated for Associate Justices—New Court of Commerce.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The nomination of Justice White for chief justice of the United States supreme court has been confirmed by the senate.

President Taft sent to the senate these nominations:

To be chief justice of the United States supreme court, Associate Justice Edward Douglass White of Louisiana.

To be associate justices, United States supreme court: Judge Willis Van Devanter of Wyoming and Judge Joseph Rucker Lamar of Georgia.

To be judges of the new court of commerce: Martin A. Knapp, now chairman of the interstate commerce



JUSTICE EDWARD D. WHITE.

commission, for a term of five years; Robert W. Archibald, new United States district judge for the middle district of Pennsylvania, term of four years; William H. Hunt, now a judge of the court of customs appeals, formerly United States district judge of the District of Montana, term of three years; John Emmett Carland of South Dakota, to be judge of the new court of commerce for a term of two years. This is a change from the original state, Arthur C. Denison, United States district judge for the western district of Michigan, having first been selected for this place. Julian W. Mack, now judge in the appellate circuit court of the First Illinois district, term of one year.

To be members of the interstate commerce commission: B. P. Meyer of Wisconsin and C. C. McChord of Kentucky. The appointments to the interstate commerce commission are made to fill the vacancies caused by the elevation of Mr. Knapp to the commerce court and the forthcoming retirement of former Senator Francis M. Cockrell of Missouri. The commission will elect its new chairman. The members of the commission who remain are Messrs. Clark, Harlan, Clements, Lane and Prouty.

LIGHT ON QUADRUPLE MURDER

John Feagle, Who Lived Near Bernhard Farm, Under Arrest.

Kansas City, Dec. 13.—A bloody pair of overalls and shirt were found by Chief of Police Zimmer in the home of John Feagle, under arrest in connection with the murder on the Bernhard farm, in Johnson county, Kansas. The bloody garments were concealed in a closet on the second floor of Feagle's house.

Mrs. Feagle could not explain the presence of the bloody clothes in her home. She said she did not know to whom they belonged, and she was unable to state what kind of clothing her husband wore last Wednesday.

It developed that Feagle had quarreled with the Bernhards about the boundary line between their farms and that this difference was more serious than a quarrel he admitted having with them about hunting.

The officers declare that Feagle is a little deaf, which discredits his statement that he heard cries of distress at the Bernhard home Wednesday night when he was at his home a half mile away.

Feagle is a hunter and trapper, whose home is a half mile west of the Bernhard farm, where Mrs. Emily Bernhard, George Bernhard, her son; T. H. Morgan and James Graves were murdered. He told conflicting stories regarding his relations with the Bernhard family.

County Fair Managers.

Lincoln, Dec. 10.—Representatives of the Nebraska Association of County Fair managers met with members of the board of managers of the State Fair association and made arrangements for the annual meeting, which will be held in Lincoln, Jan. 17. It was decided to have papers on such subjects as "Our County Fair," "The Circuit," "The Stock Show," "Concessions" and "Publicity."

NEBRASKA NEWS

Regents Vote Down Motion to Transfer Buildings to Farm.

WOULD AMEND SACKETT LAW.

Governor Shallenberger May Suggest Changes That Would Expedite Ouster Proceedings—Attorney General Mullen Returns From Washington.

Lincoln, Dec. 14.—The regents of the university met and transacted the usual routine business. The question of gradual removal of college buildings to the state farm was again voted on and stood four to two in favor of maintaining the present location. This question was voted on before and stood three to three for removal.

The board adopted the biennial report to the governor, which report was based on the assumption that the present campus would be retained. It went on record as favoring as soon as possible a change in the plan of operating the medical college so that a four-year course could be taken at Omaha and two in Lincoln, instead of the present reversed plan.

Governor Would Amend Law.

"I am thinking strongly," said Governor Shallenberger, "of incorporating into my message to the legislature a suggestion for an amendment to the Sackett law. As it now stands my experience is that it is practically impossible to get good results from actions under it. For instance, last July I caused ouster proceedings to be started against Chief Donahue of Omaha. With the slow methods of our court procedure it will be impossible to get any results from that suit until long after I am out of office. I am thinking of recommending in my message that the Sackett law be amended so that a governor, after a public hearing, on any charges preferred against an official of the state for dereliction of duty, might oust him without any process of court, the individual affected having the right to appeal against the governor's action, but to do so from the outside. This is a lot of power to give a governor, but in my opinion it is the only way to make the Sackett law effective."

Attorney General Has Returned.

Attorney General Mullen returned from Washington, whither he has been in company with I. L. Auer and C. O. Whedon arguing in behalf of the state bank guaranty case, which the state appealed from the findings of unconstitutionality of the federal circuit court. Mr. Mullen says that while he would not presume to predict what the court will do, he feels very hopeful of a reversal of the lower court's decision in the matter. The court listened to the argument with much attention and frequently asked questions. Each of the Nebraska attorneys were given twenty minutes, while the attorney for the banks consumed an hour and three-quarters in behalf of the Kansas banks and the Nebraska banks.

Decide on Monument.

Attorney General Mullen came to the rescue of Secretary of State Junkin and State Treasurer Brian and voted with them that it was all right for their names to be carved on the stone slab placed in a corner of the new building at the Hastings asylum. He agreed with Mr. Cowles that it was not a desirable practice, for often the names carved in this enduring manner turned out to be names to be ashamed of afterwards. But now that it was done, even though his name was not to be emblazoned in granite, he was willing to vote to pay the final estimate of the contract price of \$38,000. Two motions were passed by the board during the controversy over inscriptions, the one that the name of Land Commissioner Cowles should be removed at his request, which he made as emphatically as possible; the second, that the building should be accepted just as it stands. Which of these motions takes precedence was not decided on. The names, however, will remain, unless the land commissioner carries out his threat and refuses to sign the voucher without a lawsuit.

FLEGE ASKS FOR NEW TRIAL

Court Will Hear Argument on the Motion Next Thursday.

Ponca, Neb., Dec. 13.—William Flege has asked for a new trial and the court has appointed Thursday for the argument. Flege had his liberty all through the trial until the verdict was rendered by the jury. He is now in jail, though his brothers, Fred and Henry, tried to get him out on bail.

Clarence Guilty of Manslaughter.

Plattsmouth, Dec. 13.—The jury in the case of John Clarence, charged with killing John Thacker, brought in a verdict of manslaughter after being out nearly a day. This was the second trial of the case.

The quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger from pneumonia and other serious diseases. Mr. B. W. L. Hall, of Waverly, Va., says: "I firmly believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to be absolutely the best preparation on the market for colds. I have recommended it to my friends and they all agree with me. For sale by Chapman, the druggist."

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