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The Only Logical Conclusion.

One of the unbiased reviews of the railroad strike drama and its culmination in the enactment of the new eight-hour wage basis law includes this pertinent observation:

Before leaving Washington President Garrison expressed the belief that the action of congress in legislating the eight-hour day in this instance points logically to federal regulation of all railroads to the ultimate end of government ownership.

The taking over by the president and congress, in conjunction with the Interstate Commerce commission and the special investigating commission yet to be appointed, of the whole question of hours and wages of employes of railroads subject to the interstate commerce law (barring the few specific exceptions) completely estops the democrats from attempting to make further issue out of the exclusive federal regulation plank in the republican platform.

As a consequence of recent court decisions in rate cases and of this new wage legislation, federal regulation is already in effect in the matters of most importance, and the states' rights idea of independent conflicting control by forty-eight different law-making and administering bodies has heard its death knell sounded.

President Garretson is eminently correct in his conclusion that there is no logical stopping point short of "federal regulation of all railroads," even though his "ultimate end of government ownership" be disputable or, at best, remote. No one, let it be noted, thought of appealing to the different state railway commissions to bring about an adjustment of the recent wage trouble.

Rebound of the British Blacklist. Eleventh hour enactment of retaliatory laws by congress, aimed at the Entente Allies, means the entrance of the United States into the war—not as an active combatant, but passively to secure for American commerce protection our diplomacy has been unable to achieve.

Japan Straining Peace Again. The demands made by Japan upon China put peace in the Far East again in a precarious position. In substance, the memorandum amounts to insistence on the suzerainty of Japan over China and submission will be a measurable surrender of the national character of the Flowery Kingdom.

The rank sectionalism of the new federal revenue law will be flagrantly disclosed when it becomes operative. The favored democratic southern states will pay a mighty small end of the bill.

The submarine Deutschland scored a triumph under the sea. Should the giant Zeppelins succeed in the proposed flight to the United States, who will dare say that Germany cannot come out on top?

Carranza troops are reported closing in on Villa, insuring an increased percentage in Pancho's death score. While Chihuahua's rumor factory works efficiently, military chiefs assume needless risks.

Autoists manage to put over a burst of speed on Omaha's speedways and keep it dark, but attempts to outpace the speed of the police flyer will not be tolerated for a minute. Take the cops' dust or get off the road.

Mason and Dixon's line draws no distinction in the brutality of mobs. North and south are alike when frenzy supplants reason. Ohio and Georgia differ little in methods, but the gross outlawry of the deeds impose on governments the duty of relentless pursuit and punishment of the guilty.

The first day's public school enrollment in Omaha shows an increase of 646, as compared to the corresponding figures of the previous year, or an increase of almost 3 per cent. On that ratio the requirements of the schools for additional room and other facilities should be about 3 per cent, and the increase of the budget should also have some relation to the increased enrollment.

Shafts Aimed at Omaha

Hastings Tribune: An Omaha man is praying for a divorce because his better half refused to get breakfast for him. Gee, but he must have a terrible disposition.

Loup City Times: In Omaha they are enacting an ordinance against automobile speeders making it a jail sentence. This is going to hurt and it looks like it was strong medicine.

Friend Sentinel: Several society girls of Omaha are working every day. This is much better than the girl who imagines that she doesn't have to work. The girl who knows how to work will make the better wife and mother and she will enjoy better health than the average "night racer."

Blair Pilot: Here's a bit of real humor from the short editorial paragraph column of The Omaha Bee: "Much ado is being made because a millionaire soft drink manufacturer has been nominated mayor of Atlanta. Oh, paw, that's nothing! We have had a famous soft drink consumer as mayor of Omaha for a dozen years."

Ord Quiz: Finding that imposing fines on the violators of the auto speed law has little effect in remedying the reckless-driving evil, the Omaha authorities are now proposing to try jail sentences on offenders. Violators of the speed law are a menace to the safety of the public and no more entitled to leniency than the violators of any other law. See it to 'em.

Blair Enterprise: The Omaha Grain exchange has adopted a rule shutting out the little fellows, those with small capital, from dealing in futures by exacting margins on deals in futures so great that the small fry can't meet them. The big fish of the elevator combines were not willing to match their judgment against that of the little fellows who studied conditions upon which to base their judgment.

TODAY

Thought Nugget for the Day. The gentle mind by gentle deeds is known; For a man by nothing is so well bewrayed As by his manners. —Herbert Spencer.

One Year Ago Today in the War. Emperor Nicholas took the field with his troops. Berlin announced loss of German submarine U-27. Russian victory near Tarnopol in Galicia, on the Sereth. Bombs from French air squadron started fires in Freiburg, Baden. Seventeen persons killed and many injured in raid by three Zeppelins on English east coast.

This Day in Omaha Thirty Years Ago. Editor C. E. Forbes of the St. Paul (Neb.) Free Press, and also postmaster in that thriving town by the grace of "Grover" is in the city the guest of his brother, Colonel A. H. Forbes.

A. Q. Scamman, the advance agent of the celebrated "Two Johns" Comedy company, is in the city the guest of H. D. Pike, an old school friend.

John Moynihan is in the city again greeting his many friends here. He has just returned from a successful trip with the Bernard Madison Square Theater company.

Nathan Franko, the celebrated violinist, has arrived in the city with his wife, formerly Miss Edith Edwards.

Miss Fannie Pabst, who has been visiting Miss Della Hall, 2427 Seward, has left for her home in Des Moines.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schroeder from Berlin, Neb., are visiting C. Specht of this city.

G. S. Strong, for a number of years connected with Bradstreet's agency at Syracuse, N. Y., has been appointed assistant superintendent of the Omaha office. W. O. Taylor, the manager, has long needed such an assistant and Mr. Strong is well qualified to fill the place.

This Day in History. 1619—John Lambert, next to Oliver Cromwell in the war against the Stuarts, born in Yorkshire. Died in Guernsey in 1694.

1756—Indian village at Kittanning, forty-five miles north of Pittsburgh, surprised and destroyed by Colonel John Armstrong with 300 Pennsylvanians.

1807—City of Copenhagen and the Danish fleet surrendered to the British.

1825—General Lafayette was given a great farewell reception in Washington.

1841—A Protestant bishopric was established in Jerusalem by treaty with Turkey.

1856—Coronation of Czar Alexander II of Russia.

1863—The confederates evacuated Fort Wagner, S. C.

1880—First employers' liability bill passed by British Parliament.

1881—Most Rev. John Martin Henni, first archbishop of Milwaukee, died. Born in Switzerland, June 13, 1805.

1886—Prince Alexander abdicated the throne of Bulgaria.

1891—Secretary of the Navy Tracy ordered the warship Pensacola to proceed at once to Honolulu to protect American interests.

1892—John Greenleaf Whittier, the poet, died at Hampton Falls, N. H. Born at Haverhill, Mass., December 17, 1807.

1910—A decision in the Newfoundland fisheries case at The Hague was handed down by the international court of arbitration.

The Day We Celebrate. Robert F. Bacon, department manager for McCord-Brady, was born September 7, 1855, at Sandy Hill, N. Y. He began with McCord-Brady company as salesman in 1885 and has been for the last nine years in his present position.

Joseph B. West, cigar manufacturer and pioneer of Omaha, is 79 years old today. He started the firm of West & Frischer here in 1867 and stayed with the business twenty-eight years, being now retired.

Mario G. Menocal, president of Cuba, born in the Province of Matanzas, Cuba, fifty years ago today.

Pietro Mascagni, the composer of "Cavalleria Rusticana," born at Leghorn, Italy, fifty-three years ago today.

Sir Edgar Speyer, who sought to resign his privy councillorship because of English hostility to persons of German birth, born at Frankfurt-on-Main, fifty-four years ago today.

Norman Hackett, well known actor of the American stage, born at Amherstburg, Ont., forty-two years ago today.

George R. Witte, former pitcher of the New York Giants, now manager of Albany, New York State league base ball team, born at Hamilton, N. Y., thirty-four years ago today.

Earl Moseley, pitcher of the Cincinnati National league base ball team, born at Middlebury, O., twenty-nine years ago today.

The Bee's Letter Box

Sound Suggestions for Safety. Omaha, Sept. 6.—To the Editor of The Bee: Over a year ago the Nebraska Safety League urged the city commissioners to establish safety zones on the downtown streets of Omaha, and at Twenty-fourth and Farnam. A few days ago the Omaha Auto club suggested that these zones be designated by a line on the pavement. We all know that careless autoists have little regard for the lines which are already on downtown streets. Numbers of them cross over before they are given the signal. What Omaha needs and should have is an iron railing or chain to encircle the safety zone, or, better still, an elevated board platform, such as Winthrop and several other cities have, where passengers may stand or alight from a car without their lives being endangered. These platforms are safe and practical and may be made plain or ornamental, as the city prefers.

Another suggestion from the Nebraska Safety League is that signals be installed at each street intersection downtown. These should have the words "Go" and "Stop," and would be manipulated by the traffic officer. When the signal says "Go" all traffic moves in that direction, and when "Stop" is signaled, pedestrians and vehicles alike stop and wait for the word "Go."

The writer has visited many large cities, including Detroit, during the last year and has made a study of the safety precautions. They are living under a profit system and our laws were intentionally so enacted to give some the privilege of robbing others if an opportunity presents itself. In the same article he pointed out the need of revolution, an anarchist or a socialist. In this I beg leave to differ with him. To raise the price of the necessities of life without just cause is oppressive and unjust. It is a step toward such measures reveals a spirit of dissatisfaction and whenever a spirit of dissatisfaction becomes general it leads to revolution, therefore he has revealed a weak and wretched spirit.

How about not being an anarchist? He speaks of being in favor of having men hung that persist in practices that are oppressive. Evidently because they are men and would like to have them removed from society, and thereby make society better. The theory of anarchy is to kill all the bad people so that only the good will remain, therefore he has shown a stupid attitude.

Now, how about not being a socialist? "Thou shalt not oppress the poor and humble of my people." When he presents the practice of oppression which is wrong in itself, a socialist, a socialist spirit shows itself. Socialists advocate co-operative and collective ownership, which would eliminate the profit system, and consequently eliminate the practice of oppression. I feel inclined to believe if anyone were to say that Mr. Agnew was not a Christian he would feel offended, yet he says himself he is not a socialist. Why, then, does his authority does he make the distinction?

There is no more difference between socialism and Christianity than there is between two American silver dollars. There may be a distinction—one may be a little more worn or bear a different date than another, but both will perform the same service. But because a little 24 like myself makes this assertion does not prove anything conclusively, because I am not considered authority. Therefore I shall quote from the Encyclopedia Britannica, which is acknowledged as standard authority of the world, being based on the opinion of the greatest professors of theology, philosophy, political economy and ethics. I quote from ninth edition, Volume 12: "The ethics of socialism are closely akin to the ethics of christianity, if not identical, to say that socialism and Christianity are ethically the same unmistakable."

Just because a man may vote the socialist ticket does not make him a socialist, any more than it makes a man a Christian because he goes to church. "It is not he that says 'Lord, Lord' that shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he that does the will of the Father," and "By their deeds shall ye know them." In my opinion when we come before that Judge from whose decision there is no appeal the verdict will be rendered according to what we practiced and not according to what we professed.

H. SCHUMANN. EDITORIAL SIFTINGS. Pittsburgh Dispatch: In his latest exploit Admiral Mayo didn't demand any salute to the flag, but waded right in and smashed the war game enemy.

Boston Transcript: The report that Mr. Hughes cuts his own hair is promptly denounced as a canard. Doubtless it originated from the fact that he trimmed Secretary Redfield's whiskers.

New York World: A magistrate has decided that an express company using the American flag as a trademark does not violate the law which it deems to prevent the misuse of the emblem of the United States. The decision should help correct a tendency among professional patriots to overdo the defense of the flag. If it needs any protection, it is from defenders who lack common sense.

Springfield Republican: Senator Tillman denounced southern cotton mill owners for opposing the child labor bill, but he voted against it, on the ground that it is unconstitutional. He is shocked "to see men in South Carolina who are willing to swell their dividends at the expense of little children," but is apparently equally shocked at the "servility of present-day vote-seekers to organized labor." The famous pitcher-fakes shakes rather uncertainly.

GRINS AND GROANS.

Clergyman—You ought to get work, my friend. Satan finds employment for idle hands. Hobo—Yer not suggestin' dat I go ter the devil, are yer?—Boston Transcript.

Gibbs—Bilson expressed a good deal of sympathy for poor Blank. Did you try 'im for a contribution? Dibbs—No, I know Bilson; he's like the letter "p"—first in pity and last in help.—Pearson's Weekly.

"That man is the most remarkable golfer I know of." "An expert?" "I don't know. He can play the game day after day without talking about it the entire evening."—Washington Star.

DEAR MR. KASIBBLE, HOW CAN I BREAK MY HUSBAND FROM PATRONIZING CHINESE RESTAURANTS? A WIFE SEND HIM WITH HIS SHIRT TO A CHINESE LAUNDRY, STEAL THE TICKET AND THEN IN A FEW DAYS SEND HIM TO GET THE LAUNDRY.

"That was a great speech you made," said the enthusiastic friend. "Do you think it will help me?" asked Senator Sorghum. "Unquestionably. It may not have much influence in public affairs, but it ought to get you an engagement with any lecture bureau."—Brooklyn Citizen.

"Didn't you tell me that Je-ne-us is a very pushing sort of fellow?" "Yes." "Well, you ought to see him with the laws mower when his wife isn't looking on."—Baltimore American.

"Shall we tell papa?" "Huh?" "That you are his son-in-law elect?" "Don't you suppose the old man knows?"

Essence of Socialism. St. Mary, Neb., Sept. 6.—To the Editor of The Bee: I note in a recent issue of The Bee a Mr. Agnew refers to instances where the prices of the necessities of life were advanced in price, and unjustly so, and infers he would be in favor of putting such dealers behind prison bars or hanging them. I cannot conceive why he should be in favor of punishing anyone who has not violated any law. We are living under a profit system and our laws were intentionally so enacted to give some the privilege of robbing others if an opportunity presents itself.

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Electric locomotives are in use in Switzerland, in which powerful electric magnets are used instead of couplings in drawing cars.

Following adoption of prohibition in western Canada, it is proposed to set the distilleries at work making commercial alcohol to be used as fuel instead of gasoline.

A French scientist successfully combated locusts in Argentina by inoculating a number of the insects with a parasitic disease and liberating them to infect others of their kind.

For the first time in the history of Great Lakes navigation, iron ore is being loaded at the Ashland Wis. docks into the steamer Closs by the aid of giant magnets, thus doing away wholly with the use of longshoremen's labor.

Poison Lake, so-called, lying near Douglas, Ariz., has been found impregnated with poisons more dangerous than arsenic, and a company has been formed to extract that medicine from its waters. There are but few wild animals in the neighborhood.