

COMPETITION SUPPRESSED

Startling Official Statement of Railroad Monopoly.

The report of the special attorneys to the Interstate Commerce Commission recommends that the Attorney General of the United States take action to annul the contract between the Union Pacific and Rock Island railroad for the control of the Chicago and Alton railroad, which was virtually wrecked by the Harriman syndicate.

The most startling announcement in this report is that railroad competition has been suppressed in an area equal to one third of the United States and that the profits of the great railroad of the Far West are being used to buy stocks and control systems in the East, instead of building more roads for the development of the West. Yet after this exposure of the deals of Harriman and other railroad magnates they are indignant that the legislatures of the states included in the "area equal to one third of the United States" should legislate to compel railroad corporations to charge reasonable rates instead of extracting vast sums from the public to buy the stock of Eastern railroads. The fact that the Attorney General of the United States needs protection to protect the public interests shows that the chief reliance of the plundered people must be through their own direct representatives in their state legislatures, rather than the procrastinating action of Federal officials.

Those good Democratic doctrines of State Rights and Home Rules are much more effective than all the boasted strenuousness of the present Administration. To guard these state rights from the encroachment of federal power by preserving all reserved rights not granted by the constitution to the national government, is the only way for the people to secure redress of wrongs and preserve their liberty.

Not a railroad is charging lower rates by reason of the legislation of Congress or prosecution of the Roosevelt Administration, but the legislatures of many states. Talk of even the strenuous type is cheap, but it takes drastic laws to control railroad corporations.

BILL ARP TELLS VALUE OF NEWSPAPER.

A Bit of Good Advice Worth Reading is Handed Out by The Well Known Humorist.

I never took a paper that didn't pay me more than I paid for it. One time an old friend of mine started a paper way down south and sent a copy to me and I subscribed just to encourage and after a while it published an order to sell a lot at public auction. So I inquired about the lot and told a friend to run it up to \$50. He bid off the lot at \$38 and sold it in less than a month for \$100, so I made \$62 clear, by taking that paper. My father told me that when he was a young man he saw a notice in a paper that a school teacher was wanted away off in a distant county, and he went and got the situation. A little girl was sent to him, and after awhile she grew up sweet and beautiful and he married her. Now if he had not taken that paper what do you suppose would have become of me? I would have been some other fellow, or maybe I would not have been at all. Do you take a paper? If not you'd better hustle and get one at once.

BRAVE BOYS.

Capt. Linberry Urges the Veterans to Attend Richmond Reunion.

Mr. Epton—Will you allow me space in your paper to express my thanks to my comrades for the honor conferred on me in my absence in the organization of the old Veterans in our county.

I certainly appreciate any favor conferred by my comrades notwithstanding I feel very unworthy of such honor. I am glad the Veterans are taking an interest in the organization and am especially glad to see so many of my old comrades enlisted. God Bless them all. They are worthy to lead and I hope they will all join. I am glad to know that nearly all of our comrades are enlisted. I mean if they were honorably discharged. Some of our names lists, there will be no doubt in this time, but if there should I will guarantee that I will stand so long and go so far in the charge as any of them.

It is true we were not in the service as long as some but we could not control our ship. We went as soon as we could but we could count battles with my, considering the time we were in war. I was sitting in a boat not long ago and two men near me were discussing the war. I heard them say something about the Junior Process which attracted my attention. One of them said he fought side by side with the 7th Reg. (which was ours) in two fights. The other "winked the boys fight?" "Fights?" remarked the other. "Why, I believe they would have charged H-4 if Mr. Clark had had them so."

I hope all will go to the Reunion at Richmond that one. This is a busy season but let go a few days. It may be our last opportunity.

W. S. Linberry.

The Cortelyou boom for President will have a good chance to be aired at the dinner to be given him in New York by the Postmasters of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

Progress of The Good Roads Movement

In North Carolina there is no news more encouraging or more striking than that which relates to the growth of sentiment in favor of good roads. The readiness with which the roadbuilding ideas received by our farmers is indicated elsewhere on this issue. But the phase of the movement constantly noticeable these days is the readiness to discuss and vote on bills for the purpose. In various counties good roads associations have been organized. Recently the Moore County Commissioners ordered an election on the question of issuing \$20,000 of bonds for improving the public highways. In Wilson county a few days ago Wilson township voted the way alone and voted almost unanimously to issue \$100,000 of bonds for improving the township roads. This striking example is almost certain to be followed soon by the contiguous townships. A similar case is found in the bond issue first voted by H. H. H. township in Orange County—the example of Lord Car walls in building one good road these proving contagious after one hundred and thirty years. In Richmond County last week three townships—St. Paul's, Black Jack and Mineral Springs—voted bonds for road construction, making in all five good roads townships in this county, leaving only two to follow suit before the entire county is included.

The increase in business and population in every part of the State is increasing the travel on the public roads, and increased travel calls for better roads. The highway which answered for the thinly settled country of 100 years ago cannot stand up under the traffic of today. The people are reorganizing this and also the other fact that the best way and quickest way to get good roads is to go down into their pockets and build them.—Progressive Farmer.

Used Phone to Avert Wreck.

A Telephone line to a farmer's house near Cary N. C., averted a wreck on the Southern Friday afternoon. The operator at Cary received orders to let the eastbound passenger through, and before the train came got another order to hold it for the westbound. He gave the wrong order and two passengers were rushing at each other on a single track. The operator discovered his error and called up a farmer down the road, asking him to flag the train, which he did in the nick of time.

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The Administration's Contempt for Southern Republicans

Washington Dispatch to Raleigh News and Observer.

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When Secretary Taft told the North Carolina Republicans at Greensboro that Southern Republicans did not have an idea beyond a Federal job and that the party could be better off if all the offices were held by Democrats, he spoke for Mr. Roosevelt. The fact was published at the time that Mr. Taft expressed the views of Mr. Roosevelt as well as himself. The President's attitude toward Southern Republicans is justification of the statement.

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