

OPPRESSED BY TRUSTS

PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW INDEPENDENT FROM CONSPIRATORS

The Organization of An Anti-Trust League Suggested With Strong Men at Its Head, That They May Know The Truth.

In Bryan's Commoner of June the 15th, appears the following article from Mr. C. C. Daniels, of Wilson, N. C.

The people of the United States are oppressed by the trusts. The men who furnish the raw material out of which trust goods are made are held up by the trusts and made to deliver the product of their toil at such figures as the trust beneficiaries fix.

The consumer who is forced to use the goods sold by trusts is required to pay whatever sum these manipulators of commerce charge.

These are the conditions. Is there any remedy? Is there no relief?

An appeal to the people does not appear to bring with such a response as to meet relief. Of course, the people have the power to end these practices of the men who control the great trusts that are fattening on the sufferings of the people, but they have not realized the real conditions and wrong that these pirates have done and are doing on the sea of commerce.

An appeal to the people to be effective must have in it an element of selfishness—the people must see that it pays to listen to those who cry out against the monopolist—and then their better natures can be aroused.

THEY FEAR ONLY IMPRISONMENT AND LOSS OF MONEY

The men who control the great trusts that have by the throat the commerce of the nation, do not care for denunciation or the contempt of the people—they live beyond the common herd—surrounded by the arsenal of display and the cringing adulation of the "sycophants" and "bootlicks." They care only for two things; imprisonment and loss of money.

THE TRUSTS IN THE SADDLE

Under a national administration that they bought and paid for, they need not fear imprisonment.

With a congress presided over by Sherman and Cannon, they need lose no sleep for fear of loss of money through governmental intervention.

The trusts are in the saddle. The independent manufacturer and business man are (so far as national legislation or the work of the inferior federal courts are concerned) lambs in the midst of wolves.

Is there no escape for honest industry and independent business?

Is this great country to be the helpless victim of the less than one hundred men who, by combination, prey on business and destroy legitimate industry?

For at least four years to come we can expect nothing from the national government—except that all the power of the administration will be used to more firmly fasten monopoly on a people who have placed in power the trusts that put up the money with which to purchase the election.

INDUSTRIAL BUSINESS PARALYZED

This being so, what can we do to free ourselves?

Can not independent business men, honest producers, manufacturers and consumers, by acting in concert, do something to break the strangle grip that monopoly has on the throat of independent business?

Manufacturers of goods that compete with the product of the trusts are afraid to increase their business because they live in constant fear of being crushed by the trusts.

Men who have money to invest are afraid to embark in the manufacture of any article that the trusts

control.

Business men are intimidated, so that they are afraid to handle articles that compete with trust made goods.

If the people who are opposed to the domination of the trusts, will give the preference to goods manufactured by independent manufacturers, the independent factories will multiply with astonishing rapidity in the United States.

HOW WILL THE PEOPLE GET THE TRUTH.

But the question arises, how are the people to know which are independent made goods and which are trust made goods? The trusts do not hesitate to buy up independent factories and run them under the name of independents, and thereby fool the people. This is a popular method of these monopolists to deceive those people who are opposed to the monopolizing of the business of the nation in the hands of a few.

LET INDEPENDENT BUSINESS MEN ORGANIZE.

Let an anti-trust league be organized for the purpose of informing people along this line, so that there will be no mistake made as to products of the different manufacturers. I would suggest that a central board of directors be elected of men whose names would carry conviction to the people of the United States. Let the anti-trust league be organized and a board of directors composed of such men as Folk, of Missouri, LaFollette, of Wisconsin, Aycooke, of North Carolina, Smith, of Georgia, Tillman, of South Carolina, Cummins of Iowa, and others of similar character and to these men submit the question of whether or not any manufacturer who desires to become a member of the league is in anyway connected with a trust. This board of directors could hear the evidence and after a thorough examination, certify to such as the evidence showed were in no wise connected with a trust. A list of these independent manufacturers could then be published to the world, and people who believe that monopolies are prejudicial to the best interests of the nation, would have the information upon which they could rely in making their purchases.

WE MUST SECURE AN OPEN DOOR IN COMMERCE.

If the people were put in possession of this information—and they could rely upon its genuineness and integrity—it is my opinion that there are enough people in the United States who do not "bow the knee to Bael" to make the monopolists feel their power, and that many independent factories would be established and than many that are now struggling for existence would prosper.

If a market can be opened and maintained for the sale of goods manufactured by independent manufacturers, the old days of competition will return, and the oppressive measures of the trusts will cease to destroy. This end can not be attained by one manufacturer. There must be concert of action to secure and maintain an "open door" in the commercial world. The independent powers must form a defensive and offensive alliance for the protection of honest business and the driving from the sea of commerce the pirates that infest the coast of honest effort. The national government has been appealed to in vain. As at present controlled, it is in league with the pirates, and furnishes protection for its ships in their efforts to destroy the independent manufacturer. The state governments are unable to do much because of the protection that the federal government throws around these outlaws in the form of "inter-state commerce." The business man who desires to do something besides become a "hireling" for a trust, the father who hopes for his boy to become something besides an employee for the "fellows of the baser sort" who have gathered into their grip

the reins of commerce, must get together for the protection of the business of the present day and the manhood of the future. They must arouse the people to the necessity of patronizing independent manufacturers in preference to the trusts, whenever it can be done.

C. C. DANIELS.

Louisburg 12 Springhope 4

Our second victory even greater than the first. The score of twelve to four in our favor tells the tale.

Wonder what our boys looked like to Spring Hope here on the home diamond last Friday? The "Leader" in its last issue says the Louisburg team must be composed of New York Nationals, together with selected "Stars" of several other named Leagues, and no doubt when the news reached Spring Hope last Friday that the little spheroid twirled by the mighty Griffin had been swatted by our effective handlers of the stick till even gravity seemed to have lost its pull upon it, and the very air itself refused to offer further resistance to its onward course; well surely they will think we must have taken in more territory this time. However, we await the return of the jubilant report this week with the same humor and good will that Prince Henry awaited the report of Sir John Fallstaff when he had lugged in "fighting Hotspur," the victim of the Prince himself, seeking reward for his valiant (?) services.

It is not our custom to diverge from the report of the game as it is played (see former issue of the TIMES) whether our boys "lick" or get "licked," but in this instance we feel that such a compliment as was paid our team by the "Leader" last week, whether consciously or unconsciously should not be passed by without due acknowledgment, for we feel pardonably proud of a team whose imposing attitude and excellent skill upon the diamond is such as to impress the spectators and lookers on and even the reporter that they look like New York Nationals instead of amateurs.

Spring Hope has a very good team composed of clever fellows, and would almost be a match for our second nine, and it is reported that the Captain of the second nine is going to make an effort to arrange a series of games with them. We predict that a large crowd will turn out to see this game because it is always more interesting when both teams are more evenly matched. The game last Friday was too one-sided, as many were heard to say on the streets after the game, but all who went out enjoyed it.

Meaning, Not in all Cases.

The action of Governor Kitchin in having a man who had been released from the penitentiary on a conditional pardon and who violated the conditions of the pardon, arrested and re-imprisoned, has caused a good deal of comment. Or perhaps it would be more nearly accurate to say that the comment has been on the system rather than on the Governor's action. The Charlotte Observer thinks the plan "does not seem to work."—Raleigh Evening Times.

Newspapers Proved Best.

A unique experiment was recently made by a New York theatre to determine what is the most efficient advertising. The manager sent out 15,000 circulars, as many more post cards and employed a heavy contingent of sandwich men.

When the time for responses came he had every person in the theatre answer the question, "What kind of advertising brought you here?"

This was put to each individual who came in for a whole week. When the answers were tabulated it was found that 75 per cent had answered the newspaper notices.

THE MOVING PEOPLE.

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

Those Who Have Visited Louisburg the Past Week—Those Who Have Gone Elsewhere for Business or Pleasure.

Elliott Egerton, of Wilson, visited his people here the past week.

C. F. Richardson went to Henderson on business the past week.

Mrs. W. M. Person went to Wake Forest this week to visit relatives.

Miss Ava Aycooke returned home from Pulaski, Tenn., one day this week.

Miss Sallie Martin, of Hickory, is visiting at the home of Mr. F. N. Egerton.

Attorney-General T. W. Bickett and wife are spending some time at Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. White returned home Wednesday from their extended bridal tour.

Wilson Harris, of Durham, visited friends and relatives in and near town this week.

Dr. R. F. Yarborough attended the Scoggin-Williams marriage at Warrenton this week.

Miss Pearl Timberlake, who spent some time with her sister at Winston-Salem, has returned home.

Miss Kate High and Messrs. Clayton High and H. C. Bowden paid Raleigh a visit Monday.

Prof. Wingate Underhill, wife and little son are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Egerton.

Mr. G. R. Scoggin and family, attended the Scoggin-Williams marriage at Warrenton this week.

Tom Capell and little Emory Green, of Richmond, Va., visited at Mr. A. M. Hall's the past week.

Mr. C. B. Cheatham left last week for Buffalo Springs, Va., where he will spend some time for his health.

Mr. J. H. Witt, Superintendent of the 1st division of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. J. F. Brower, of Winston-Salem, after visiting her people near town for some time, returned home Tuesday.

Mr. William Bailey, the popular President of the Farmers & Merchants Bank, has returned from a trip to Baltimore.

Mrs. Geo. W. Ford and Master George Ford, and Mrs. F. H. Allen and children, are at Ocean View, guests at the Virginia Bay.

Mrs. Lizzie Carlyle, who visited friends and relatives in town a few days the past week, has returned to her home in Savannah, Ga.

F. B. McKinne went to Raleigh Tuesday to accompany his son, David, home. David was accompanied home by little Malcolm Wood, of Norfolk, who will spend some time with him.

Misses Gillie Pool and Patsy Robertson, Messrs. B. S. Robertson and J. A. Trolinger, of Haw River, accompanied Miss Glennie Aycooke, who has been teaching at that place, home on Saturday last in an automobile. The party returned home Monday.

Miss Sledge Entertains.

On the evening of June 26th at the home of her parents, near Mapleville, Miss Irene Sledge delightfully entertained a number of friends in honor of her guests, Misses Urtie and Dora Crawley, of Littleton and her brother, Mr. Walter E. Sledge, of the U. S. Navy. Although the weather was very unfavorable quite a number were present. The excellent music so sweetly rendered by Misses Annie Perry and Nellie Sledge added much to the evening's entertainment and was fully enjoyed by all.

The spacious dining room was a

scene of beauty and brilliancy, being tastefully decorated in white and green.

Into which, after amusements of various kinds had been indulged in the party was ushered in couples to partake of delicious refreshments.

Until 11:30 o'clock the merry party enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent, after which showers of congratulations were cast upon Miss Sledge for the excellent manner in which she had so successfully entertained her many friends. The occasion was truly one where each and every participant acknowledged their indebtedness to Miss Sledge for the time they had enjoyed.

Those present were Misses Urtie and Dora Crawley, of Littleton, Lillian Jones, Nellie Sledge, Lula Bet Hedgepeth, Annie Stone, Annie Perry, Rilla Fuller, Alice M. Hicks, Irene Sledge, Messrs. W. D. Harrington, of Mars Hill, J. E. Wilder, Ferrel Parrish, Walter E. Sledge, Robert F. May, H. R. Parrish, Eugene Fulgham, Norman Neal, Festus Fuller, Henry R. Parrish.

Pretty Home Marriage.

A very pretty home marriage was solemnized at the home of the bride's father, Mr. D. T. Hollingsworth, near Centerville on Tuesday, June 15th. The contracting parties being Rev. G. W. May, pastor of the Baptist church at Castalia, and Miss Lizzie Hollingsworth, Reva G. M. Duke and George Coppedge performing the ceremony in a very impressive way. The wedding marches were very prettily rendered by Master Durward Dickie, while little Ruby Bartholomew and Alma Hollingsworth acted as flower girls.

The attendants were as follows: Miss Mary Hollingsworth with Rufus May, Miss Bonnie Wheeler with Emmett Bartholomew, Miss Carrie May with W. J. Lancaster, Miss Mabel Sturdivant with Zolie Wheeler, Miss Alma Williams with George Leonard, Miss Annie Stallings with Norman Smith.

The bride was the charming and accomplished daughter of Mr. D. T. Hollingsworth.

The bridal party were profusely showered with rice and many congratulations at Castalia, while driving to Nashville where the bride and groom took the noon train for Baltimore, Washington and other northern points.

We extend hearty congratulations to the contracting parties for a long and happy life.

The Baby Show.

The baby show given by the Young People's Home Mission Society was a decided success, and everyone present expressed themselves as having a delightful afternoon. Quite a large number of babies were present, and while the vote showed all the babies were pretty, the prizes went to Masters Robert Beck and John Williamson as being the prettiest, they having tied in the number of votes cast. Quite an interesting feature was the arrival of the "small baby" brought in arms and carried around in a wheelbarrow who on close examination proved none other than our baseball man, Mr. Osmond Yarboro, arrayed as a little girl with ribbons, lace, etc. We hope these young ladies will soon give us another such treat.

Miss Macon Entertains.

The charming daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Macon gave a delightful entertainment Friday evening at their hospitable home on Main Street.

That two so popular young ladies as Miss Margery and Miss Mary Bell, under the leadership of Mrs. Macon, who gave the entertainment makes it unnecessary to add another word. But I will say—I am sure those present would be pleased, and voice with me, any word of appreciation for the good time, that I

should add.

Among the visiting young ladies were Miss Mattie Bailey of Raleigh, Miss Martha Everett of Lenoirburg, Miss Sallie Martin of Hickory, Miss Bettie Stallings. We hope that each of these may choose to take a permanent place on Louisburg's social list. Among the non-resident young men were Mr. Pendergrass of New York and Mr. Davis of Raleigh.

That it rained the earlier part of the evening didn't matter in the least as it only kept closer together beauty and chivalry.

Dainty refreshments were served and there were music and games. The town clock surprised every one by its persistency in shortening the standard time of 60 minutes to the hour and the guests had to leave too soon. They wish their hostesses an abundance of all the good things in the world. X

STATE DENTAL ASSOCIATION.

Dr. Arthur Hines Fleming of Louisburg, Unanimously Elected Secretary.

Drs. A. H. Fleming and C. H. Banks have returned from the State Dental Association which met in Asheville. They report a pleasant and profitable trip. We note from the Asheville Gazette News that the first paper read, and a very able and interesting one, was by Dr. A. H. Fleming, of Louisburg on "Unlearned Men in a Learned Profession." The paper dealt with the condition that was and still is prevalent of allowing men to enter the practice of dentistry without a sufficient education as a background to enable them to practice their profession with intelligence. He advocated a four years course for dentists before they were allowed to stand for license. He said there were too many dental colleges, and they were accepting anyone who had the price of admission, no matter what his educational attainments may be. "Gray's Anatomy books to many of the students like a Chinese song book," declared the speaker he also attacked dental colleges on their lack of training the students in the ethics of the profession. He said that the low standard, and the short schooling which was required before they were given a diploma was filling the profession with men who were not qualified to practice the important profession of dentistry. The paper was discussed by a number of dentists many of whom agreed with Dr. Fleming in the points brought out in his paper.

In the election of officers of the Association, Dr. Fleming was unanimously elected Secretary. This was an unexpected, but none the less a deserved honor to the Doctor.

The Association adjourned on Friday last to meet at Wraghtsville next year.

New Industries For North Carolina.

The following new industries have been established in North Carolina during the week ending June 28:

Gastonia—\$300,000, roofing company.

Warrenton—\$200,000, cotton mill.

Winston-Salem—\$1,000,000, concrete structure company.

Autander—\$1,000,000, cotton gin company.

Morrisville—\$500,000, cotton gin company.

Independence—\$500,000, cotton gin company.

Asheville—\$1,000,000, cotton gin company.

Charlotte—\$1,000,000, cotton gin company.

It is not impossible gentlemen if you will only get together and stay together.