

# TO RESIST EFFORTS AT COERCION IN COURT

CHICAGO, Oct. 16.—It is a well-known fact that at the last meeting of the Democratic National Committee a special fund of \$5,000 was appropriated and set apart for the express purpose of punishing any person or corporation which endeavors to coerce employees to vote for Mr. Taft. Special counsel will be retained and vigorous prosecution will follow.

Judge Wade said today: "We will not settle the question during this campaign whether under the law an employer may clip his employees into voting as he directs. Threats of reduction in wages or promotion to higher wages as inducement to vote for Taft is a bribe and is illegal."

"We are not afraid of the effect of such tactics in this election, because the American laboring man cannot be bribed or scared into submission to the will of his master in a matter so sacred as the ballot, but I think it is the duty of this committee to protect the American workmen from such methods. The employer has no legal right to insult his employees by such notices as the following:

### Notices Are Posted.

"The reduction of ten per cent. in wages last winter was to have been restored when business conditions would warrant it. While we are busy at present, we feel that our contribution will depend upon the result of the presidential election and that if Mr. Taft is elected a general, unprincipled group in all lines of business will result. On November 23rd, we will, therefore, restore the old rates to all employees whose wages were reduced ten per cent. last winter, provided Mr. Taft is elected president."

(Signed) S. S. EVELAND, President.

"This is attempted bribery and punishable as such. We are surprised that such offenses will be few. Most employees of labor have some honor, and some respect for the constitution and the law."

"We will give all our efforts to every effort to coerce labor. The people of the country want to know what kind of men are managing the manufacturing and railway companies who pay per per under the patronage of hell per upon the patronage of Democrats and Republicans alike. It may be that Democrats will continue their business relations with people who strive to bribe or coerce employees to vote against Mr. Bryan, and then again they may not. I like the kind of tone of the following letter sent out by a prominent traveling man in Iowa:

### Traveling Man's Letter.

"Dear Sir: As the traveling salesman of —, my house does considerable shipping in Iowa. Your freight agent has been anxious to receive these shipments. Our house wishes to ship its products over the shortest line and the best rates obtainable. I understand from your employees that you are attempting to coerce them to vote for Judge Taft, but you are willing to accept shipments from those who are supporting Mr. Bryan."

"If this is the policy of your road to coerce your employees, it is well that the public may know it, that they can give their business to that road which permits its employees to vote as their judgment dictates."

Sincerely yours

"I do not give the names because the writer received immediate assurance that no such effort would be made, and in politics we should be careful not to do injustice to anyone. But we will see that we get the name of every guilty employer, and will see that he gets full publicity both before election and after election."

"The slip in the pay envelope a few days before election advising how to vote won't go this year as it did in 1896."

Documents have come into the possession of the Democratic National Committee which prove beyond a doubt that Charles Nagel, who is in charge of the Chicago headquarters of

the Republican National Committee in the absence of Chairman Hitchcock, is an attorney at law for the Standard Oil Company. In addition to having charge of the Western headquarters and being second in command when Mr. Hitchcock is in Chicago, Mr. Nagel is the Missouri member of the Republican National Committee. When Mr. Hitchcock was in Chicago recently he made it plain that Secretary Hayward, inventor of the "yard index system," had been depressed and that Mr. Nagel would represent the chairman in his absence from Chicago. Mr. Nagel is also scheduled to accompany Mr. Taft on his trip through Missouri.

Several years ago, through the political influence of Elihu Allen Hitchcock, then Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Nagel was appointed a special attorney for certain Indian land cases involving oil and other natural resources, and draws a big fee from the government for his services. He was thus in a position to look after and protect the interests of his client, the Standard Oil Company.

In the famous case which Attorney General Hadley of Missouri brought against the Standard Oil Company to break up the monopoly in Missouri, Nagel appeared for this gang of all fronts.

During the course of his argument, as reported by an official stenographer, Mr. Nagel poked fun at Attorney General Hadley, and spoke of "flashlight pictures" and trying the case in the newspapers. He added, "since I have read the record what I now see has been forcibly impressed upon my mind, and that is, in the main we have been trying two cases in one. We have been trying a case before the public and we have been trying a case in court."

Continuing he said: "I don't agree with the attorney general in the statement that the existence of a fixed price is the end of competition, not for a moment."

William Ellis Corey, the president of the Steel Trust, is the newest representative of monopoly row to publicly advocate the election of Judge Taft.

Mr. Corey is best known to the world as the man who divorced his wife to marry an actress, Maybelle Gilman. He came to Chicago this week with the latest Mrs. Corey, traveling in three special cars, aboard which is an orchestra composed of 12 musicians. It was while traveling in this luxurious manner that the head of the Steel Trust gave out the interview urging the election of the Republican presidential candidate. Mr. Corey stopped the music aboard the palatial train long enough to say to newspaper men:

"Judge Taft is all right. He is a man of great ability and I believe will make an ideal president. I think he will be elected."

"Why Taft Went West, or, Is Golf a Lovelike Game," might afford an appropriate title for a chapter on Mr. Taft's recent campaign trip. It now develops that one of the chief reasons why Mr. Taft took to the rear platform was to tell the farmers of the Northwest all about golf, and to show them that he is not a dude. Mr. Taft emphasized this fact in his speech at Fargo, S. D. By inference, at least, it was apparent that Mr. Taft wanted to inform his hearers that if by any chance he should be elected president there would be no more tennis cabinets, such as President Roosevelt maintains, but that he would proceed to organize a golf cabinet and play the game on the White House lot. He might invite the other distinguished golfer, John D. Rockefeller, to play with him, but John D. is not so popular with the farmers and laboring men

## AUCTION SALE

The household and kitchen furniture of the splendid Piedmont Boarding House, at 437 1-2 Liberty street, will be sold at auction on Friday, October 20th, at 10 a. m. on the premises. For further information see J. N. Davis or C. R. Cull, proprietors of Piedmont Boarding House.

as he is with the Republican party, on Mr. Taft did not mention him.

Instead of telling the people what he thought about the guarantee of bank deposits, sufficiency of campaign funds, the popular election of senators, physical valuation of railroads, injunction and the other subjects in which they are interested Mr. Taft discussed golf.

Here is a record of what he said on the subject, as transcribed from the stenographer's notes:

### Talks on Golf.

"I want to make a little personal explanation. I got an intimation that I ought to go out to North Dakota and convince the people that I am not an aristocrat and above the people. They said that I had been playing golf this summer, that that is an Eastern game and it indicated that I was out of sympathy with the plain people. Well, now, I want to state my case in order to satisfy public opinion on that game of golf. In Scotland golf is the game of the poor, and in this country where you can get a place to play it, it is the game of the people that are not active enough to play baseball and tennis—that have too much weight to carry around. And when a man weighs 295 pounds you have got to give him some opportunity to make his legs and muscles move, and golf affords that opportunity. It may be that it is a game of rich men, but I beg to assure you that I am personally advised of the fact that a very poor man can play it. But somehow or other my friends were certain that if I could only come out here and show you the kind of a man I am in appearance that you would get over the impression that there is anything about me that resembles a dude. So I am here and I am very glad to be here."

### Taft on Tariff.

After setting himself right on the all important golf question Mr. Taft proceeded to explain why it was that two "gentlemen" as he characterized them, who had violated the anti-trust law, had not been put in jail when they had confessed their guilt. He then argued that it would be better to have trusts than to have the statutes filled with laws which would result in red tape and impose "burdens on corporations."

In the same speech Mr. Taft paid Mr. Bryan the compliment of admitting that to "take the tariff off and put on the free list ever trust-made article in this country. . . . would certainly end the trust that was depending on the tariff."

Mr. Taft, perhaps unwittingly, however, admitted also that the Dingley tariff is not responsible for the prosperity of the farmers, for he said, "I don't maintain that the Dingley tariff bill alone accounts for the great prosperity that we have enjoyed in the last eleven years. Certainly so far as the farmers are concerned the Lord has had a good deal to do with it in the matter of good crops."

This is the first instance on record where the Republican party ever consented to divide honors with the Almighty.

## Four Marriages In Middle Fork Township

Four marriages were celebrated in Middle Fork township in the past two weeks that have not been published heretofore. Nearly all of the contracting parties reside in or near Walkertown.

### Day-Whicker.

Mr. Charles Day, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Day, of Walkertown, and Miss Alice Whicker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whicker, of Walkertown, were happily married last Sunday by Mr. L. M. Disher at his home in Middle Fork township.

### Walker-Dillon.

The marriage of Miss Laura Dillon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dillon, of Walkertown, R. F. D. No. 1 and Mr. Winfield Waller, son of Mrs. Martha Walker, of Rural Hall, was celebrated last Sunday at the residence of Mr. L. M. Disher, in Middle Fork township, Mr. Disher officiating.

### Jones-Grubbs.

Miss Sullie Grubbs, daughter of Mrs. Nannie Grubbs, of Walkertown, and Mr. James Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Jones, of Walkertown, were quietly married last Sunday a week ago by Mr. L. M. Disher, in Middle Fork township. Only a few intimate friends and relatives were present to witness the ceremony.

### Hester-Morris.

A quiet marriage was celebrated last Sunday a week ago at the home of Mr. L. M. Disher, in Middle Fork township, when Miss Katie Morris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Morris, of Walkertown, plighted her troth to Mr. Jas. E. Hester, son of Mrs. Mary Hester, of Walkertown. Mr. L. M. Disher officiated. The wedding was a quiet affair and witnessed only by a few friends and relatives.

### Sale of Livery Business.

By virtue of authority conferred upon the undersigned, in a certain deed executed on the 23rd day of May, 1907, by Allie C. Blum and Casper R. Biting, trading as Blum and Biting, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash, on the premises, on Liberty street, Winston, N. C., on Thursday, November 6, 1908, at 12 o'clock, noon, the following property, to-wit:

10 head of horses; 7 single buggies; 2 surreys; 1 hack; 1 wagon; 7 sets of double harness; 12 sets of single harness; a lot of saddles, bridles, collars, and all other things used and owned by the late firm of Blum and Biting.

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This property will be sold, each article separately, and then will be sold as a whole, and the undersigned reserves the right at such sale to take such bid as will be most advantageous to the estate.


This the 13th day of October, A. D. 1908.

CHAS. E. SHELTON, Assignee of Blum & Biting.

Notice is hereby given that the polling place for Second Ward, Winston, has been changed from former polling place to Room on first floor of Masonic Temple. Registration books will be opened by the same place.

W. T. WILSON, Chairman.

G. H. HAUSER, Sec.



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