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TRUSTEE'S SALE

OF VALUABLE

Business Properties, Houses and 30 Building Lots and Unimproved Lands in and near the Town of HAMPSTEAD,

CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll County, in No. 4544 Equity wherein George H. Murray et al are plaintiffs and William A. Murray et al are defendants, the undersigned Trustee, will offer at Public Sale upon the premises, in Hampstead, on

SATURDAY, THE 15th OF OCTOBER, A. D. 1910,

at 10 o'clock, A. M., all the Real Estate of which Charles M. Murray died seized and possessed, situate in and near the town of Hampstead, Carroll County, Maryland.

First All that Tract of Land marked Lot No. 3 on the Plat and Survey called "Murray's Division," located on the Baltimore & Harrisburg Railroad and Western Maryland Avenue, improved by a large

Frame Warehouse, Elevator,

FREIGHT SHEDS AND STATION, equipped with all modern MACHINERY and appliances necessary for the business of Warehouse, Elevator and Station, all in first class condition. This is a rare opportunity for any person desiring a splendid business stand in a rich and fertile community and along the Railroad.

Second. All that Tract of Land known as Lot No. 22 on said Plat adjoining and paralleling the said Baltimore & Harrisburg Railroad improved by an up to-date equipped

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with water in the building, all in elegant condition. This property also offers a chance to all desiring a paying business.

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and other outbuildings, with well of water at the door. It is beautifully located, convenient to Churches and Schools and is a desirable small residence.

Fourth. All that Tract of Land, containing

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more or less, located along the said B. & H. Railroad, which is unimproved and most desirable for building and grazing purposes.

Fifth. All those

THIRTY BUILDING LOTS,

located West of the Baltimore and Harrisburg Railroad, adjoining the said town of Hampstead, most desirably located and nicely suited and adapted for building sites.

Sixth. All that Tract or Parcel of Land, containing ONE AND SEVENEIGHTH ACRES, more or less, located on the Manchester road about ¼ of a mile from the pike, adjoining the lands of Chas. Stewart, the Tannery Property now owned by Charles E. Trump and others, and is unimproved and is the same land which the said Charles M. Murray obtained from Edwin Bange, trustee, by deed dated May 1st, 1895, and recorded among the Land Records of Carroll County, in Liber B. F. C. No. 81, fo lo 281 etc.

The above described "First,""Second,""Third," "Fourth" and "Fifth," Tracts or Parcels of Land, contain in the aggregate 30 Acres of Land, more or less, and have been divided into Building Lots and Business Properties in proper, suitable and desirable sizes and the same has been surveyed and platted by a competent surveyor showing the dimensions of Lots, Streets, Avenues and Alleys dividing the same, which Plat and Survey known as "Murray's Division" to Hampstead may be seen by calling upon the undersigned, Trustee, at any time, and will be exhibted on the day of sale and the several tracts sold from said plat.

TERMS OF SALE. One third cash upon the day of sale or upon the ratification thereof by the Court, the balance in two equal payments the one in one year and the other in two years from the day of sale, the credit payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser, with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale; or all cash at the option of the purchaser.

CHARLES W. MURRAY, Trustee.

E. O. WEANT, Solicitor. sep 16 4t

Assignee of Mortgagees' Sale OF Valuable Real Estate AND PERSONAL PROPERTY,

In Manchester District, Carroll County, Maryland.

By virtue of the power and authority contained in the mortgage from George Zimmerman and wife, to John Zentgraf, dated on the 12th day of May A. D. 1885, and recorded among the Real Estate Mortgage Records of Carroll county, in Liber G. A. M. No. 22 Folio 287, &c., and duly assigned to J. Ezra Stem, which said assignments are recorded at the foot of said mortgage, &c., and also by virtue of the power and authority contained in the mortgage from Jacob Redding and Mary Redding his wife, to Union Bridge Banking and Trust Company, a body corporate of the State of Maryland, bearing date on the 28th day of April, A. D. 1906, and recorded among the Real Estate Mortgage Records of Carroll county, in Liber D. P. S. No. 52, Folio 40, &c., and duly assigned to J. Ezra Stem, the undersigned will offer at Public Sale on the premises, situate on the new public road leading from Snydersburg to the Manchester road, being 1 mile north of Snydersburg, on

WEDNESDAY, October 12th,

A. D. 1910, at 12 o'clock, M., all that parcel of land, containing

69 ACRES OF LAND,

more or less, improved by a Frame Weatherboarded House, Barn, and all other usual outbuildings. A small stream of water passes through the farm and the property is known as the George Zimmerman property, adjoins the lands of Jeremiah Stansbury and John Yingling, and is now in the possession of Jacob Redding.

Also immediately after the sale of the above Real Estate, the following Personal Property, will be sold, viz:

One sorrel horse named "Dock," about 8 years old, 1 bay horse named "Charley," about 10 years old, 1 red cow named "Cherry, 1 red cow named "Sinda," 1 light heifer named "Miller," 1 two horse Wagon, 1 Bickford & Hoffman Drill, 1 Springtooth Harrow, 1 Furrow Plow, 1 Falling Top Buggy, 1 one horse Spring Wagon with top, 1 Champion Mower, 1 Champion Reaper, 1 Spangler Corn Planter, 1 Double Shovel Plow, 1 set lead harness, complete with collar, bridle and hames, 1 set of breechband harness, complete with collar, bridle and hames.

All the above personal property is now in the possession of Jacob Redding, and upon the Real Estate above described.

For further information call upon the undersigned at Westminster, Md.

This property is well worth the attention of purchasers.

Terms of Sale of Real Estate.—One-third cash on day of sale or upon ratification thereof by the court, the balance in two equal payments of 6 and 12 months from day of sale, deferred payments to be secured by the purchaser's or purchasers' notes with approved security, bearing interest from day of sale, or all cash, if desired by the purchaser. A deposit of $250.00 will be required from purchaser on day of sale.

Terms of Sale of Personal Property.—All sums of $10, or under, cash on day of sale, balance in 6 months from day of sale, secured by the notes of the purchasers, with approved security, bearing interest. No property to be removed until settled for.

J. EZRA STEM,
Assignee of Mortgagees.
Geo. L. Stocksdale, Solicitor.
Elias N. Davis, Auct.
sep 16 4t

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Notice of the Time and Place of Registration and Revision Thereof in Carroll County, Maryland.

Notice is hereby given by the Board of Supervisors of Election of Carroll County, pursuant to and in accordance with the directions contained in Section 14 of Article 33 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, that the Board of Registry for the several election districts and precincts of Carroll County, Maryland, will sit for the purpose of registering qualified voters and erasing the names of those disqualified between the hours of

8 o'clock, A. M. and 7 o'clock, P. M., on TUESDAY, October 4th, and on TUESDAY October 11th, 1910,

and for the purpose of revision only (on which day no name can be registered) on

TUESDAY, October 18th, 1910,

at the following places in the several precincts and districts, to-wit:

District No. 1, First Precinct—In Firemen's Building, on Baltimore street, in Taneytown.

District No. 1, Second Precinct—In Eckenrode's Shop, on Church street, in Taneytown.

District No. 2, First Precinct—At Johnson Hollenberry's Store room, in Uniontown.

District No. 2, Second Precinct—In the residence of Thomas Eckard, in Tyrone.

District No. 3—At the Mystic Chain Hall, in Silver Run.

District No. 4, First Precinct—At the Old Hotel Property, in Sandyville, owned by Lewis W. Caple.

District No. 4, Second Precinct—In the residence of Lewis Barber, in Bird Hill.

District No. 5—In the building of Selby & Frizzell, in Eldersburg.

District No. 6, First Precinct—At the Firemen's Building, in Manchester.

District No 6, Second Precinct—In the vacant room adjoining the residence of Miss Sarah C. Trump, in Manchester.

District No. 7, First Precinct—In James Boylan's Barbershop, on Court street, in Westminster.

District No. 7, Second Precinct—In the room occupied by Lawrence E. Bauer, adjoining Smith & Reifsnider, Westminster.

District No. 7, Third Precinct—In the building formerly used by Robert Frizzell as a Hotel, opposite Albaugh Building, on Main street, in Westminster.

District No. 7, Fourth Precinct—At the Lumber, Coal & Supply Co's Building, corner Green and Liberty streets.

District No. 8—At the Firemen's Building, in Hampstead.

District No. 9—At the residence of Mrs. Malinda Smith, in Taylorsville.

District No. 10—At the Hotel of Mrs. Lynn, in Middleburg.

District No. 11—At J. Edward West's Shop, in New Windsor.

District No. 12—At the Firemen's Building, in Union Bridge.

District No. 13—Mt. Airy Lumber and Grain Company Mt. Airy.

District No. 14—In the residence of John Conaway, in Berret.

JOHN M. ROBERTS, Pres.;
HENRY S. MUSSELMAN,
WILLIAM WOOD,
Board of Supervisors of Election for Carroll County.
Test:—Sam'l. J. Stone, Clerk.
sept 23 5t

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Trustee's Sale OF A DESIRABLE RESIDENCE IN WESTMINSTER, MD., AND A **Valuable Wood Lot** NEAR WESTMINSTER, MD.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll County, in No. 4554 Equity, wherein Edward O. Weant is plaintiff and Thomas J. Coonan, administrator etc. et al are defendants, the undersigned Trustee, will offer at Public Sale upon the premises, in Westminster, Md., on

SATURDAY, October 22nd,

A. D. 1910, at 1 o'clock, P. M., all the Real Estate of which David N. Henning died seized and possessed, situate in and near Westminster, Md., as follows:

1st. All that Tract or Parcel of Land and premises, situate at 150 East Main Street, in the City of Westminster, Md., improved by a large Two-story Frame Dwelling House, with Office annexed and Stable upon the premises, all in good condition. This property fronts 49 feet on East Main Street and has a depth of 198 feet to an alley, and is located in the most desirable part of the City. The House is divided into 10 rooms and a bath and is the beautiful residence of the late David N. Henning and was occuped by him at the time of his death. This desirable home adjoins the property occupied by Dr. E. M. Sullivan and the Methodist Protestant Parsonage.

2nd. All that Tract or Parcel of Valuable Woodland, containing

10 ACRES AND 16 SQUARE PERCHES,

with a valuable Sand Bank thereon, situate on the road leading from Westminster to New Windsor about 1 mile from the former place, adjoining the lands of John Keehner, now occupied by William Brothers, formerly owned by Wm. A. Cunningham.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third of the purchase money shall be paid on the day of sale or upon the ratification thereof by the Court and the residue in two equal payments, the one in one year and the other in two years from the day of sale, the credit payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser with approved security with interest or all cash at the option of the purchaser.

THOMAS J. COONAN, Trustee.
F. A. Crawford, auct.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors of David N. Henning, late of Carroll County, Md., deceased, to file their claims properly authenticated with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Carroll County on or before the 22nd day of January 1911.

THOMAS J. COONAN, Trustee.
sept 30 4t

Trustee's Sale of a VALUABLE SMALL FARM

In Woolery's District, Carroll County, Maryland.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll county passed in Cause No. 4559 Equity, wherein Zilo Shaffer is plaintiff and Obediah Buckingham and others are defendants, the undersigned trustee appointed therein, will offer at public sale on the premises on

Saturday, October 22, 1910

at 1 o'clock P. M., all those parcels or lot of land containing 21 acres of land, more or less, situate in Woolery's District, Carroll county, Maryland, near the Nicodemus Road, about one mile north of the village of Mechanicsville or Gamber, and about one mile from Bird Hill and being the late residence of David B. Hoff and adjoining the lands of Aaron Green, George Knox and Charles H. Barnes.

The property is improved by a log dwelling of six rooms, bank barn and the usual outbuildings. A good spring of water at the house, and also abundant running water in the meadow and fields. There is also a fine apple orchard on the place.

Terms of Sale as prescribed by the decree are: One-third of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale or upon the ratification thereof by the Court; the residue to be paid in two equal payments of one and two years from day of sale, with interest thereon from said day of sale and to be secured by the notes of the purchaser or purchasers with security approved by the trustee; or all cash at the option of the purchaser.

OBEDIAH BUCKINGHAN,
Trustee.
Bond & Parke, Solicitors.
Elias N. Davis, Auctioneer.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said David B. Hoff to file their claims with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Carroll county, with vouchers thereof, within two months from the day of sale, to-wit, from the 22nd day of October, 1910.

OBEDIAH BUCKINGHAM,
Trustee.
sept 30 4t

LIST OF ELECTION OFFICERS Appointed by the Board of Supervisors of Elections of Carroll County, in the Place of those Heretofore Appointed Who Have Since Been Excused, or found Disqualified.

By virtue of Sec. 11 of Article 33 of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland, as amended by Chapter 464 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its January session, 1900, notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Election of Carroll county has appointed the following named persons as Judges and Clerks of Elections, for the several election districts of Carroll county, in place of the parties heretofore appointed who have since been found disqualified or excused. Those under the heading "Democrats," being intended to represent the Democratic party, and those under the heading "Republicans," being intended to represent the Republican party.

REPUBLICANS

Harry F. Baer, Republican, Registrar in Precinct No. 1 District No. 7, instead of J. Webster Ebaugh, resigned.

JNO. M. ROBERTS, Pres.,
HENRY S. MUSSELMAN,
WILLIAM WOOD.
Board of Supervisors of Election for Carroll county, Md.
Test:—Sam'l. J. Stone, Clerk.
sep 30 3t

Application for Liquor License.

The following person has applied for a License to sell spirituous and fermented Liquors in Carroll County, State of Maryland, under the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland passed at January Session 1908.

Oscar Baumgardner, in two-story frame building, owned by applicant and Katie Baumgardner, his wife, as tenants by entirety, on west side of Ridge road 1 mile north of Mt. Airy, Carroll county, Maryland.

And unless cause to the contrary be shown in writing on or before the 15th day of October, A. D. 1910, the application for said License will be granted, provided the said applicant complys with the requirements of the Acts of Assembly of Maryland, 1908, requisite thereto.

OSCAR D. GILBERT,
Clerk of the Circuit Court for Carroll County. sept 30 3t

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TAFT TELLS OF HIS PARTY'S ACHIEVEMENTS

Address at Banquet of National League of Republican Clubs

RECORD OF THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION

New York, October 1.—President Taft delivered what will probably be his only public address of the present campaign at the banquet of the National Republican League at the Hotel Astor tonight.

The President's speech was marked by an unusual conciliatory tone toward the insurgent wing of the party. He gave "all factions of the party" due credit for their share in helping to put through Congress the legislative program, which the President took occasion to outline in some detail. The record of the past 18 months he declared was an earnest desire of the party to fulfill its platform promises and obligations, and he promised that if the Republican majority in Congress should be continued at the coming elections the work thus far left undone would be carried through to completion.

Upon the whole Republican party the President bestowed the title of "Progressive." Then he undertook to define just what is meant by "progressive."

"A party of true progress is not a party of radicalism," he declared amid cheers.

"It is not a party of ultra-conservatism," he added, and again was cheered.

A Progressive Republican

"A progressive Republican," the President went on, "is one who recognizes existing and concrete evils and who is in favor of practical and definite steps to eradicate them."

Twice President Taft mentioned Colonel Roosevelt by name in connection with the campaign against corporate abuses, and a third time by inference, when he referred to the New York situation. The cause of Republicanism in this state, he said, has been heartened by a brave declaration of principle and by the nomination of a candidate for governor of the highest character and ability. At the same time, Mr. Taft did not take an altogether sanguine view of the benefits that are to accrue from direct primary experiments, but he hoped that the idea could be turned to a useful and permanent betterment of politics.

"But however effective these suggested changes may prove at first," he added, "I venture to say that no great permanent good can come from them, unless they are accompanied by a change in the individual voter, and his awakening to the necessity for constant watchfulness and effort on his part to prevent the old evils from appearing in a new guise."

President Taft anounced that he had directed the tariff commission to make no report of the work it has accomplished up to this time until after the election. He took this step, he declared, in order to lift the commission out of politics entirely. He referred to his suggested future revision of the tariff schedule by schedule, and declared that the Payne tariff law is coming generally to be recognized as a most creditable bill.

Plans for Future

The President declared for a sweeping extension of the civil service, taking a stand in favor of putting all postmasters, collectors of customs and internal revenues, surveyors of customs and appraisers on the permanent rolls of the government, thus leaving but little of the [illegible] financial centers half general business and bring on financial disaster.

The President ridiculed the assertion of the Democrats that $300,000,000 would be saved in national expenditures each year if that party were placed in power. He asked for a more definite statement of where the saving was to be effected and demanded to know if it is proposed by the Democrats to cut off the pension list or to do away with the Army and the Navy.

Besides the President, Representative Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio, was one of the chief speakers of the evening. His address was mainly a defense of the Payne tariff law.

President Taft's Speech

President Taft's speech in full follows:

Gentlemen of the National League of Republican Clubs: I am here because I believe this league is a most important aid in the upbuilding and defense of Republican principles. As President I prefer to avoid partisan controversy, but there are occasions, and it seems to me the present is one, when it is not improper for me to discuss the issues soon to be considered and decided by the electorate.

In the pursuit of promises made in its last national platform, the Republican party, in the short period of 18 months, presented to the public, as accomplished facts, the following most important legislation and executive action.

The powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission were large.

The commission was empowered to suspend any proposed increase of rates until the shipper shall have a chance to be heard as to its reasonableness.

Interstate telegraph and telephone companies were brought within the regulation of the commission.

A new court of commerce was provided, in order that shippers and railways might secure prompt decisions.

Railway employes were protected by a new safety appliance law.

The employers' liability act was perfected.

An inquiry into workingmen's compensation for injuries received was instituted.

Important Legislation

An inquiry into the issuance of railway stocks and bonds was inaugurated.

A new customs court was established.

A postal savings bank system was authorized.

A corporation tax was adopted, which is an important source of revenue, and a new and effective method of assisting the government in supervising corporations.

Two battleships were added to the Navy.

A bureau of mines was established.

Seventy million acres of the public domain were legally withdrawn from entry.

Twenty million dollars in bonds were authorized to complete reclamation projects, after a board of army engineers now at work should complete its investigation of existing projects.

Enlarged appropriations were made to survey public lands.

A definite commitment was made against the "piecemeal" or "pork barrel" system of river and harbor improvement.

New Mexico and Arizona were advanced toward statehood.

A peace commission was authorized.

An investigation into business methods of conducting the government was begun.

The appropriations for the current year were cut $26,000,000 below the appropriations of the year before.

Tariff Revision

The tariff was revised without the usual disturbance of business. Because of its reduction of tariff rates, its maximum and minimum provisions, the free trade it secures for the Philippines its fine revenue-producing qualities, the Payne law is coming to be recognized as a most creditable bill.

Our platform promised to revise the tariff immediately and also to revise it to accord with the difference between the cost of production at home and abroad. These two promises proved somewhat inconsistent, in that immediate revision conforming to such a plan was impracticable, because the information needed was not at once available; but the inconsistency was met by the provision of a tariff board to report the necessary facts.

The new tariff commission, for the work of which $250,000 was appropriated, has already completed its preliminary report, and the commission is now at work in this country. I have authorized the chairman to make a public statement of the purpose and methods of the commission, but I have directed him not to make that statement until after the election, because in so far as possible I desire the tariff commission from its very inception to be kept free from the vicissitudes of partisan politics, so that it will gain the respect and the confidence of the whole country, regardless of party lines.

Democratic Danger

Finally, since the bill passed, I have recommended and nearly every Republican candidate for Congress and Republican state platforms generally have declared that hereafter when the tariff shall be revised by Republicans it shall be revised one schedule at a time, instead of by a general revision of the entire staff.

We have provided the machinery for a further revision on the protective principle when the necessary information has been secured. In my judgment, the country will hesitate before trusting a further revision of the tariff to the Democratic party on free trade or tariff for revenue principle. That party has not, within our memory, revised the tariff without creating profound business disturbance, and its revision was immediately repudiated by the country after a short but bitter experience.

I have thus summarily stated the Republican accomplishments of a short 18 months. Everything foreshadowed in our platform, however, there was not time to consider and carry out.

Still to be Done

We agreed to adopt measures for the improvement of our foreign merchant marine, which everyone will admit to be in a condition of decadence disgraceful to a country of our size and power.

We agreed to pass a law embodying the best practice in the issuing of injunctions without notice. When this is carried out, it will, I believe, do much to remove a fruitful source of political discussion, which arouses prejudice and class feeling and which is fed by misrepresentation.

We agree to provide for the making of limited traffic agreements between inter-state railways, subject to the approval of the commission.

Then there is the badly needed legislation for additional safety appliances. I refer to the bills pending in Congress for the government inspection of locomotive boilers and for the elimination by government direction of danger to employes from overhead and sideway projections.

We need enactment of laws authorizing the disposition of coal, phosphate, oil and gas lands of the government, and the water-power sites owned by the government along streams in which there is valuable water power now controlled and unappropriated, under leases or grants which shall induce investment of private capital in the development of these lands, but shall continue the government as ultimate controller of the properties, with an equitable provision for re-adjustment of terms at comparatively short periods. Indeed, the affirmative part of the whole policy of conservation awaits action, and the Republican party is pledged to give the subject the attention it deserves.

We need a new government for Alaska, with laws properly protecting the government domain in that vast empire.

We agreed to supplement and strengthen the antitrust law in so far as it might seem necessary. Existing antitrust laws have been vigorously enforced.

We are hoping for a readjustment of our relations with Canada that shall bring the two countries into a closer commercial union, beneficial to both.

Finally, we are committed to an elimination of the defects in our banking and currency system, with respect to which the Monetary Commission has accumulated much material.

Republican Achievement

No one can read the list of measures actually passed and those proposed by the national Republican party and not admit that the party is progressive in the highest degree. It is a list to be proud of. The extraordinary achievements of this Congress may fairly be said to be part of the great Republican movement. It is not the work of the Executive alone, or of Congress alone. It is not the work of one man, or of one faction. As all shared in the work so we all must share in the satisfaction of accomplishment. It is the work of Republicans. It marks the rising tide of progress that began at the end of a Democratic panic when William McKinley was our leader, and that continued throughout the two administrations of Theodore Roosevelt.

It is peculiarly a Republican distinction that our party has been able to place on the statute books far-reaching remedial legislation touching the very vitals of our social and economic structure without involving the country in financial disaster.

A party of true progress is not a party of radicalism. It is not a party of ultra-conservatism. A progressive Republican is one who recognizes existing and concrete evils and who is in favor of practical and definite steps to eradicate them.

National Evils

Now, what are the specific evils that have roused our people? I believe that they have been growing in this country for years and years, and they can be briefly stated thus:

First. The corrupt control of legislative and governmental agencies for the establishment, maintenance and enjoyment of unjust privileges by individual, or corporate wealth.

To make this control effective, there have been organized and maintained corrupt machines within both parties which break the current of communication and responsive action between the people and those who are elected to serve and represent them.

Second. Combinations of capital in industrial business, generally brought together for the ostensible and commendable purpose of reducing the costs of production and distributions, have too often had the real purpose of suppressing competition, controlling prices and maintaining monopoly.

Everyone who is frank must admit that great progress has been made in fighting these evils. Fifteen years ago the rights of the people to our natural resources were freely disregarded. The natural resources of the nation are now in the way of being conserved for the people, who are the ultimate owners of such resources and ought to remain so.

A Delicate Task

Fifteen years ago one of the commonest forms of corporate abuse was the management of our railways in the interest of favored individuals by secret rebates. That day has passed. Our new railway act goes much further and greatly increases the powers and duties of the interstate Commerce Commission. The discretion of the commissioners, not within judicial control by appeal, is now very wide, and they have in their hands for the weal or woe of general business a power that sometimes makes one tremble. The personnel of the commission becomes, therefore, as important as that of our highest courts. The responsibility of the Executive in the appointment of the commissioners is a heavy one. A trend or bias of mind on the part of a member is dangerous. The judicial quality of each should be fine.

We have said to the railways and their stockholders, "We can not trust to competition, and we cannot trust to you the fixing of proper rates." Having created a tribunal with power to settle what rates are just, it should be borne in mind that the public welfare and the whole business interest of the country may be injured quite as much by injustice to the railways as the result of an unwise clamor for low rates. It is not without significance in this connection that employes and wage-earners of railways are today associating themselves together for the purpose of using their influence to prevent injustice to their employers by oppressive legislation or oppressive regulation under the interstate Commerce Commision.

War on Boss Rule

Fifteen years ago the general control of legislatures by corporate influence and corruption was far greater than it is today. The crusade initiated by Mr. Roosevelt, and carried on during his term of office, has resulted, first in arousing the entire community to the necessity for reform, and second in inducing many corporation managers to abandon methods that were questionable, and to leave politics to other hands.

It was impossible to arouse the people to a just indignation at corrupt corporate control through machine and boss rule, without having such a movement acquire an impetus that carries it to extreme views, and the electorate is now searching for a reform procedure under which bosses cannot live, machines can never control and corruption can never exert influence. Hence, we have movements to eliminate the middleman in politics, and to give popular sentiment a more immediate effect in government than perhaps would have been thought wise by our fathers. The existence of such a popular impulse ought to rejoice every patriot with the hope that it will be turned to a useful and permanent betterment of our politics. But however effective these suggested changes may prove at first, I venture to say that no great permanent good can come from them alone unless they are accompanied by a change in the individual voter, and his awakening to the necessity for constant watchfulness and effort on his part to prevent the old evils from appearing in a new guise.

Federal Incorporation

Everyone will now admit that the Sherman Anti-trust Law, passed 20 years ago, and since subjected to a great deal of judicial construction, is effective for the purpose of breaking up combinations that result in the suppression of competition and the establishment of monopolies.

There are pending two cases in the Supreme Court which it is hoped will throw still greater light on the subject, making even clearer than they are today the lines between legitimate and illegitimate business. It has been thought that those decisions, if adverse to the corporations, would greatly disturb financial centers, would halt general business, and would bring on financial disaster. I do not share these fears.

I have proposed to Congress in this connection a federal incorporation act, which might be taken advantage of by the largest corporations. It would give and it ought to give, no immunity from the Anti-trust Law. But it would have this advantage—it would give the government the benefit of direct supervision of these powerful corporations, and it would afford to these corporations ample opportunity to do a legitimate business within the state borders.

Prospects for All

It gives me the greatest satisfaction to say that in spite of all the rumors of possible business stagnation our basic prosperity is insured for the coming year in that the great volume of the crops now being harvested in value will exceed the products of our fields at any period in the past. Our corn crop, our cotton crop and our oats crop will equal, approximately three thousand millions of dollars, and the significance of this fact in its bearing on the business of next year can hardly be overestimated.

The millionaire, the great manufacturer, and the capitalist seem to derive more benefit, measured in dollars and cents, from prosperity than do the individual workman, farmer, small merchant, clerk and professional man. But in actual human comfort and happiness, prosperity is vastly more important to the wage-earner than to the wealthy.

Hence it is a legitimate office of those charged with governmental responsibility to do what they can to prevent the spreading of fears which will drive capital to its hoarding place and prevent the investments necessary to carry on the widely expanded business of this country, from which our people derive their livelihood. Business men now view with favor rather than with alarm a strict enforcement of law.

The Classified Service

There are other directions in which governmental progress can be made. The extension of the merit system has, on the whole, greatly improved conditions in the government. For this reason I have within the last week placed 4,900 assistant postmasters and clerks, appointees of postmasters, on the classified list of the civil service. Fourth class postmasters not requiring confirmation are, many of them, already in the classified service, but postmasters of the first, second and third class, collectors of internal revenue, collectors of customs, surveyors of customs, and

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