

their wheat in the elevator until they were reasonably sure of when they were going to get a car to take it out.

Very little wheat is sold here on the street, nearly all by the carload on the track. In this way the farmer gets as much as the dealer who sells 100,000 bushels less the 1c. he pays his commission men.

We commend the above clipping from the Farm and Ranch Review, of Calgary, to the attention of our readers. No district in the West has the art of producing and caring for grain so nearly reduced to a science as the Indian Head district, and their experience as to the util-

ity of storing grain in portable granaries until such time as they can secure proper shipping facilities can well be followed by others.

It is conceded by all who have tried them that no device for storing grain is as economical of time and labor at threshing time as the portable granaries which can be drawn into the most convenient position in the field, and the grain spouted into it from the machine, without any handling whatever. The difference in price between street and track on one car of wheat would pay for the material necessary to build a bin of the dimensions indicated above.

BIG INTERESTS, BIG BUSINESS MEN AND BIG NEWSPAPERS AS THE FRIENDS OF GRAFT

The following quotations are from a letter written by Roosevelt to a friend in California, and refers to the fight to convict the San Francisco grafters:

"I want you to feel that your experience is simply the experience of all of us who are engaged in this fight. There is no form of slander and wicked falsehood which will not, as a matter of course, be employed against all men engaged in such a struggle, and this is not only on the part of men and papers representing the lowest type of demagoguery, but, I am sorry to say, also on the part of men and papers representing the interests that call themselves preeminently conservative, preeminently cultured.

"In such a struggle it is too often true that the feeling against those engaged in it becomes peculiarly bitter, not merely in the business-houses of the great financiers who directly profit by the wrongdoing, but also in the clubs, in certain newspaper offices where business interests exercise an unhealthy control and, I regret to add, in other newspaper offices which like to be considered as in a marked degree the representatives of the cultivation and high social standing of the country."

"If there can be any degree in the contemptuous abhorrence with which right-thinking citizens should regard corruption, it must be felt in its most extreme form

for the so-called 'best citizens,' the men high in business and social life, who by backing up or preventing the punishment of wealthy criminals set the seal of their approval on crime and give honor to rich felons. The most powerful ally of lawlessness and mob violence is the man, whoever he may be; politician or business man, judge or lawyer, capitalist or editor, who in any way or shape, works so as to shield wealthy and powerful wrongdoers from the consequences of their misconduct.

"Do not be discouraged; do not flinch. You are in a fight for plain decency, for the plain democracy of the plain people, who believe in honesty and in fair dealing as between man and man. Do not become disheartened. Keep up the fight."

A San Francisco journal referring to the same thing says:

"The fight against graft in San Francisco, as the President so clearly sees, is not a local struggle. It is part of the great struggle going on all over the nation—the struggle between the predatory special interests who are enslaving the nation in the name of business, on the one side, and on the other side a small and scattered group of stalwart citizens, such as Roosevelt, La Follette and Spreckles, who are endeavoring to rescue the people from the thrall of political machines which govern the country in the interest of 'business.'"

TO RAISE MONEY FOR TERMINAL ELEVATOR

Independent Shippers' Association of North Dakota Hold Meeting at Devils Lake

The Independent Grain Shippers' association of North Dakota held an important meeting at Devil's Lake, June 27. Delegates were present from the head of the lakes to set forth conditions there and particularly inform the shippers as to Wisconsin inspection, and weighing system. A committee from the North Dakota Bankers' association including Secretary Macfadden of Fargo, was appointed to organize a commission company at the head of the lakes reported the sale of a large amount of stock and assured the delegates that the establishment of a commission house and cleaning house at Superior would be a matter of only a few weeks. The state was divided into districts for the purpose of selling shares in the head of the lakes elevator and cleaning house and it is believed that the balance of the stock will soon be disposed of.

Leading members of the American Society of Equity of North Dakota were present. They have a similar plan to secure a terminal elevator. It was the prevailing opinion that there was room enough for two such elevators at Superior, but if necessary the schemes would be consolidated.

The meeting was harmonious and the delegates reported sentiment generally throughout the state favor-

able to the independent elevator plan.—American Co-Operative Journal.

Ed. Note.—The above report contains two points of special interest for farmers of Western Canada. It indicates Farmers' Associations of North Dakota are arranging for their own terminal facilities for handling grain at the lake front, and the Bankers' Associations of North Dakota are co-operating with them in planning and organizing to that end. The experience of the delegation sent by Western organizations of farmers to Ottawa last April, for legislation to improve conditions for marketing grain, was that the Bankers' Association of Canada were associated with the interests which strenuously opposed their requests. It may be probably true that some Associations of Bankers in the States are opposed to the movement on the part of the Dakota Associations to secure terminals, and there is ground to hope that, like the Bankers' association of Dakota, before many years elapse, Bankers in Canada will assume a friendly attitude towards the efforts of Western farmers to secure the best returns for the product of their toils—further, if the Western farmers are true to their opportunity they will attach the interests of one or more Banks to their car of progress, before many moons pass over their heads.