

JAMES ATLAS WAS IN EARNEST OVER ROOSEVELT OFFER

Showman Learns With Pained Surprise That the President Has Turned Down the \$300,000 Job.

CIRCUS BOSS HOWEVER STILL HAS HIS HOPES

"Money Talks, Don't It?" He Asked, When Crimp Apparently Is Put in Rough Rider Project.

By Sheldon S. Cline.
Washington, Feb. 6.—If this were Germany or most any of the world's monarchies, that man up in Bridgeport, Conn., who wants President Roosevelt to turn circus performer might go to prison for less majesty. The funny part of it is that the Bridgeport man, James Atlas by name, appears to be in deadly earnest. He offers Mr. Roosevelt \$300,000 for a thirty weeks' engagement, and is ready to put up the money the minute Mr. Roosevelt signs the contract.

This is at the rate of \$10,000 a week, or a trifle more than ten times the salary Mr. Roosevelt has received at president of the United States. "Money talks, doesn't it?" inquires Mr. Atlas in pained surprise and he is considerably amazed not to say grieved that Mr. Roosevelt did not telegraph acceptance. He admits his letter to Mr. Roosevelt remains unanswered and that the president refused to talk with him over the long-distance telephone, and he can't quite decide whether Mr. Roosevelt is merely waiting until he leaves the white house before accepting the offer or whether he is holding out for bigger money. If it is more money the president wants, the Connecticut man feels certain terms can be agreed upon.

Would be Congenial.

And it would be such a congenial occupation for the ex-president, reasons Mr. Atlas, to say nothing of what easy money it would be, both for T. R. and for the promoters. He wants to call the attraction the "Roosevelt Congress of Rough Riders," divided into three acts. The first act would be scenes from Western life and Mr. Roosevelt, dressed in cowboy style, would come whooping at the head of a band of Indians, cow-punchers, etc. There would be a buffalo hunt, in which the buffaloes would not be really killed, a stage hold-up in which Roosevelt would come to the rescue and save the fair maidens in distress, and other genuine hair-raising thrillers. It would be whoop, slap, bang from start to finish and wouldn't Roosevelt be just in his element? asks Mr. Atlas.

The scene of act two would be laid in Cuba and the climax would be the charge of the Rough Riders up San Juan Hill, Col. Roosevelt, sword in one hand, six-shooter in the other, and the reins in his teeth, leading on death and glory.

Then the Inauguration.

Act three would represent the inauguration of Theodore Roosevelt as president of the United States. Mr. Atlas has some hopes that he may prevail upon Chief Justice Fuller to administer the oath, but failing in this he would have an understudy make up to resemble the chief justice. He believes this would make a great hit as a sort of tableau finish, but has been some fearful there wouldn't be quite enough excitement in it to appeal to the president. Much against his own inclination, he would be willing to substitute a scene in the heart of the African jungle.

And the strangest part of it is that

the man who proposes this thing actually has \$300,000 in real money. A very pertinent question would be, how and where in thunder did he get it.

For Hospital Surgeons.

Your correspondent is going to indulge right here in a little "publicity" or "educational" business in the interest of a measure now pending before congress. It is a very common practice when some interest wants something at the hands of congress to employ lobbyists and a "publicity agent," the function of the latter being to beguile newspapers into printing boosts for the particular thing in which the agent's client is interested. His success depends upon his getting editors to print his stories without discovering their true import.

This particular boost, however, is not going to be served up with any sugar coating. It is an out and out advocacy of the cause of men who are trying, or whose friends are trying, to get money out of the treasury. The men are the 130 odd surgeons constituting the public health and marine hospital service. The pay of the medical officers of the army and navy, with whom the marine hospital surgeons are supposed to rank, was raised last year, but the marine hospital surgeons were overlooked. Why? Well, for one reason, they didn't have any lobbyists at the capital. Army and navy officers, civil service clerks, letter carriers and almost every other class in the public service have lobbied for more pay and because they can bring political influence to bear they have been or are in way of being uniformly successful. The Marine hospital surgeons went about their business and didn't pester congress and were overlooked. It was only by chance that the discovery of the injustice was made, and it is likely the oversight will be remedied at the present session.

Has Small Appreciation.
The public generally has very little appreciation of the service rendered by these Marine hospital surgeons. Their fighting ground is where the scourge of epidemic disease threatens. Twenty-five of them tackled the New Orleans yellow fever invasion in 1905 and stamped out the disease two months before frost, four of the 25 themselves contracting the fever. All told, seven surgeons of the staff lost their lives fighting yellow fever and all the insurance companies classify them as extra hazardous risks. They make no fuss about their work and have not tried in any way to influence congress to give them more pay. That's why this "boost" is written.

IN DYING CONDITION

Father of a Kidnapped Girl
Pleads Pitifully for Her
Return to Him.

WILL SEARCH FOR CHILD

New York, Feb. 6.—In a dying condition today at his home in Brooklyn, Ernst Loerch, the father of 18-year-old Catherine Loerch, who was kidnapped by Joseph Janier and taken to Baltimore, called pitifully for his daughter. "I must see Catherine," he cried. "I have not long to live. I must see my child before I go away."

The physician attending Loerch advised that Catherine be brought to his bedside if possible and the dying man's brother, Michael Loerch, was sent to Baltimore. He will ask the police there to let the girl see her father before he dies.

Gas motors for pumping water are gradually putting the old-fashioned Dutch windmills out of the business in Holland.

When the burglar had bound the artist and put him in a chair he searched his studio.

"I don't see anything worth taking," he said by and by, "but this suit of clothes."

"Thank goodness!" sighed the artist. "It's not paid for."—Exchange.

RAIL ROAD STORE. Emory's Mill Remnant Sale Has Taken the City by Storm.

Positively never in the history of this store have such enormous crowds of eager buyers thronged this corner as Friday and Saturday, all intent upon the same purpose, that of securing a share of the wonderful Mill Remnant Bargains now being offered. The sale that's different, a sale of bright, new, clean merchandise DIRECT FROM THE MILLS AT ACTUAL MILL COST. White Goods, Ginghams, Percals, Calico, Toweling, Dress Goods, Silks, etc., all in Mill Remnants at only a fraction of the regular selling price. Come Monday. Many new items will be placed on sale even more attractive than the opening bargains.

Monday in the Clothing Section.

Men's \$8.50 Suits for	33.98
Men's Suits, worth up to \$15.00, for	35.89
Men's Newest \$15.00 Suits for	35.89
Men's Finest \$22.00 Suits for	12.95
Men's \$8.50 Overcoats	33.95
Men's \$12.50 to \$18.00 Overcoats for	37.95
Youth's Long Pants Suits, worth up to \$10, now	1.49
Boys' Overcoats, worth up to \$4.50, now	1.95
Men's and Youths' Odd Vests, worth up to \$1.50, now	48c
Men's and Boys' Odd Vests, worth up to \$1.00, now	10c

Just received 1000 yds. of CALICO. Remnants, worth up to 7c, Monday, yd:

3c Just received 5000 yds. of fine BLEACHED MUSLIN. Remnants, worth 8 to 12 1-2c yd., Monday, yd:

4c

MONDAY'S DRY GOODS SPECIALS.

"Hope" Muslin, Emory price 73 1/4c Yd. 20x40 in. Turkish Towels, 19c each, Emory price 10c each
6c Unbleached Muslin, Emory price 3 1/4c Yd.
35c White Waisting, Emory price 19c Yd.
15c Red Seal Dress Ginghams, Emory price 8 1/4c Yd.

35c Poplin, highly mercerized, Emory price 19c Yd.
8 1/3c India Linen, Emory price 5c Yd. Table Oil Cloth, colors and white, Emory price 10c Yd.
10c India Linen, Emory price 6 1/4c Yd. 59c Cotton Blankets, Emory price 38c pair
25c Poplin, highly mercerized, Emory price 19c Yd.

12 1/4c Shirting Ginghams, Emory price 8 1/3c Yd.
25c and 39c Plaid Dress Goods, Emory price 10c Yd.
45c Table Damask, Emory price 23c Yd.
75c Table Linen, mercerized, Emory price 45c Yd.

8 1/3c Stevens' Linen Crash Toweling 6 1/4c Yd.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, worth up to 50c 10c each
Lace Curtain Samples, worth \$2.00, in full pairs 19c each
Lace Curtain Samples, worth up to \$3.00 in full pairs 29c each

MONDAY'S BASEMENT LEADERS.

15c box Jumbo Matches 7c box Santa Claus Laundry Soap, 9 bars 25c
50c White-lined Granite Coffee Pots, 2-quart sizes 29c
\$1.00 17-quart white-lined Enamelled Dish Pans 69c

\$1.00 Curtain Stretchers, no sag, at 69c set

25c Galvanized 12-quart Bucket 19c
Inverted Gas Lamps, complete, the \$1.00 kind 48c

25c Androck Bread Toaster 10c
75c Galvanized Wash Tub, big No. 2 size 50c

See the Great 1c Bargains.

REMARKABLE VALUES IN EVERY DEPARTMENT.
COME MONDAY.

THE RAIL ROAD STORE.

BEST BIGAMIST IN THE COUNTRY GOES TO PRISON

T. A. Coleman Tells of Distribution of Corn

T. A. Coleman.

From the ears, every one of which we know from the individual ear test will grow, we are now to select those for planting and if we have put away much more than we will need, we can cull out pretty severely. In any case let us select a few of our very best ears to plant in our most favored soil from which to gather our seed corn for next year's planting.

In making this selection we should be guided by the standard of excellence described by the score card of the Indiana Corn Growers' Association as it represents the careful thought of many of the best corn growers of the state. For this section of the state the ear should be ten inches long and seven and one half inches in circumference measured at one-third of the distance from the butt.

Here is an opportunity for the farmer to exercise that apparently scarce article common sense. If the soil is deficient in available plant food as evidenced by preceding crops, a smaller ear, one more in keeping with its producing power should be used until by judicious management the fertility is increased.

The ear should be cylindrical in shape, or in other words carry its size well towards the tip. It should have about twenty straight rows filled with regular, even sized, deep kernels.

These kernels should fit snugly together both at the crown and at the tip between the rows and between the kernels in the row. They should also be well dented but not too rough. Smooth kernels are usually shallow, but if they are too rough, immaturity is suggested.

The depth should be carried well to the tip to insure a large per cent. of corn to the cob and to secure greater uniformity of the kernel.

If we have enough of these well formed ears to plant the entire crop, well and good. If not, we will have

to use some of the remainder, but avoid that ear with a swelled or pinched butt, or with a tucked-in appearance near the butt, or one with a tapering tip.

In shelling corn, it is well to have a grader, but if not, you can do as well or better shelling by hand. In which case place a basket on each side of your stool, and shell on a lap board or a fine screen out of a fanning mill.

First remove all the large irregular grains from the butt and the small, wheat like grains from the tip, then shell the corn onto the lap board. Jar the edge of the board so that the corn will be scattered all over the surface. Any large or irregular grains may be seen and removed. Should the grains be deep, place the corn in the right hand basket, but should they be shallow, put them in the basket on the left. In this way we grade the corn in a more accurate way than can be done with a machine.

Before starting the planter, it should be properly adjusted to the corn. By having all the deep grained corn in one basket we can select a planter plate that will properly handle it. After we have planted all the deep corn we can put in a plate that will properly adjust the shallow corn.

To show the importance of this work on the stand of corn the Purdue experiment station conducted some tests. Where the corn was properly graded, an accurate drop was secured ninety-five times out of a hundred, but where the deep and shallow grains were mixed, the desired drop was secured only seventy times in an hundred.

Even though every kernel is full of life giving power and the soil bubbling over with available plant food, it will be of no avail unless an even distribution is secured, and this can only be done when the corn is properly graded and the planter perfectly adjusted.

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HEAVY HAULING RULED AGAINST BY COUNTY BOARD

Action Taken Yesterday by
Commissioners to Save
Roads From Being Destroyed
in This Manner.

WARNING SIGNS WILL BE POSTED ON ROADS

This Winter Many of the Highways Have Been Badly Injured by Over Laden Wagons on Usage.

Wayne county is to be posted with signs warning