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## RECORD BREAKER.

Bradstreet's Review of Business for Past Year.

**Enlargement of Output Is Shown In Every Branch—Enormous Foreign Trade—The Wages of a Great Army of Workers Are Increased.**

New York, Dec. 31.—Bradstreet's review of the business year, to be issued Saturday next, will have the following to say:

"To say that 1902 was the best year this country has ever experienced, while truthful enough in the main, does not suggest fully the enormous strides which the United States took in the year just closed. Practically every branch of ordinary trade and manufacture showed an increase above the best of previous years, and yet this immense enlargement of output was not sufficient of itself to satisfy the growing, it might even be termed insatiable, demand for all kinds of materials.

"In many cases the usual foreign outlet for our products was neglected by American producers, who confined their efforts to supplying insistent domestic demand, while in others foreign production was called upon to reinforce domestic output, with the result that new currents and channels were created in our foreign trade. Our export trade therefore, shrank, while our imports expanded to unprecedented figures.

"The railroads of the country, in their efforts to handle the business offered them, suffered as never before from congestion, and complaint of interference with production and distribution of the products of the farm, the mine, the shop and the loom was practically universal.

"Industrial unrest was naturally marked, as it always is in times either of prosperity or of depression, and serious disorganization of some of the country's basic industries resulted for a time. In many cases, however, resort to extremes was avoided or rendered unnecessary by liberal recognition by employers of changes in the standard of living, and it is safe to say that two men obtained higher wages or had their working time reduced without resort to strikes for every one who actually quit work.

"Speculation felt the checks imposed upon it by conservatism, by short crops in the preceding year and last, but not least, by high rates for money; but despite the fact that stock market operations were only about half those of 1901, bank clearings, those usually reliable guides of business, showed aggregates practically equal to the hitherto unheard of totals of 1901."

### TOTALLY DESTROYED.

Advertiser Publishing Plant at Battle Creek, Mich., Goes Up in Smoke—Loss About \$300,000.

Battle Creek, Mich., Dec. 31.—In the total destruction last night of the big building occupied by the Review and Herald Publishing Co., the Seventh Day Adventist colony is brought face to face with a second heavy loss by fire within a year, the Adventist sanitarium having been burned down only last February. Last night's loss is estimated by officials of the Review and Herald Co. at \$350,000, with insurance amounting to \$150,000.

The fire was discovered at 7:30 p. m., when only 25 of the 375 employees were at work. One of the 25 had not been accounted for at a late hour last night, but the others got out by way of fire escapes, the stairway from the book room in which they were working being already in flames when their first warning came in the form of choking clouds of smoke.

When the fire department arrived the only thing that could be done was to fight for the safety of adjoining buildings, the one in which the fire originated being evidently doomed. Almost within an hour from the first alarm, the main street wall fell in. J. H. Watson, a billing clerk, was seriously injured while saving books and valuable papers in the office.

The fire is supposed to have originated in spontaneous combustion in a pile of rags in the press room.

### A Plea for Tariff Reductions.

Boston, Dec. 31.—At a meeting in Faneuil hall yesterday called by the American Free Trade league the following resolutions were adopted: "Whereas, the tariff duties upon beef and coal, by assisting the extortions of monopoly or impeding relief from them have proved a serious hardship for our people, and whereas, such abundant evidence is easily accessible to congress that investigation need not cause delay in the removal of this hardship; Resolved, That as American citizens we ask that the tariff duties on beef and coal be now removed."

### Another Rebellion Brewing in China.

Shanghai, Dec. 31.—A military officer has arrived here from Kan Su province to procure munitions of war and supplies for the commander of the imperial forces. He reports that all the imperial troops enlisted in Kan Su, together with a majority of the Mohammedans there, are only awaiting Tung Fuh Siang's signal to march on Pekin, expel the foreigners and uphold the dowager empress.

### An Ossified Woman Dies.

Rome, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Miss Itella Ewing, one of the ossified women who for ten years have been living wonders to physicians and scientists, died Tuesday, aged 39 years. At an early age she was afflicted with inflammatory rheumatism which physicians failed to relieve. At the age of 25 she lost the use of her limbs and eminent specialists said she was gradually turning to bone. During the last ten years of her life Miss Ewing was totally blind and unable to move a muscle. A sister, Mrs. Emma Ewing, is similarly afflicted.

## DUN'S WEEKLY STATEMENT.

A Roseate Outlook for Every Industry Is Noted on All Sides.

New York, Jan. 3.—R. G. Dun's Weekly Review of Trade says:

Despite the interruption of a holiday, taking of inventories and other disturbing elements incidental to the closing of the old year, the past week has been far from dull. Consumers were not perceptibly lessening purchases, while the approach of higher freight rates accelerated shipment of goods. Transporting facilities continue utterly inadequate, the pressing need for fuel diverting rolling stock from other classes of freight. New wage scales have become effective, largely enhancing the purchasing power of the people. The new year opens with every prospect of exceptional activity in all branches of business. Railway earnings thus far available for December show a gain of 7.7 per cent. over 1901.

The question of higher freight rates complicates the situation regarding iron and steel, but new orders are constantly coming forward and the activity of plants would equal capacity were it not for the fuel shortage.

Quotations of all products in this industry are fully maintained, with a tendency toward still higher prices because of freights and fuel. The first advance is expected to occur in wire nails.

No new features have developed in the footwear situation. Textile mills are busy, with only a hand to mouth home demand for cotton goods, but export buying for China continues large. Farm products weakened as visible supplies increased and reports from the west indicate that much more grain is offered for shipment than the railroads will accept.

## PENSION SYSTEM.

President Baer Announces His Inauguration by the Reading Railway.

Philadelphia, Jan. 3.—President Baer, of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Co., issued the following statement yesterday:

"By virtue of the authority conferred upon me by the board of directors I hereby declare that the pension system of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Co. becomes operative January 1, 1903."

Pensions are divided into three classes. The first includes those who have attained the age of 70 years. They are to be retired if they have been continuously in the service for 30 years; second, all employees 65 to 69 years of age inclusive, who have been continuously 30 or more years in the service and who have become incapacitated may be retired and pensioned, and third, any faithful employe of the company, irrespective of his age or length of service, who shall have received injuries in the performance of his duty which totally incapacitates him for his regular or other vocation, or who shall, through sickness, become so incapacitated, shall be awarded such a sum as a pension for such a length of time as the president shall determine.

The monthly allowance shall be upon the following basis. For each year of service 1 per cent. of the average monthly pay for ten years next preceding retirement; provided, however, that the annual disbursements shall not exceed \$75,000. Should the aggregate pension allowance exceed this amount a new rate shall be established proportionately reducing all allowances.

## MINE CAVED IN.

A Three-Story Hotel, a Store Building, a Double House and a Barber Shop Fell Into a Pit 115 Feet Deep, at Oilphant, Pa.—No One Hurt.

Seranton, Pa., Jan. 3.—Abandoned workings of the Eddy Creek colliery of the Delaware & Hudson Co., beneath the very heart of the town of Oilphant, caved in Friday afternoon and engulfed four frame buildings covering an aggregate ground space of 6,000 square feet.

The settling was gradual and people in the affected territory escaped without being immediately endangered. A gang of men and boys who were at work in the mine beyond the fall encountered a flooded "dip," or depression in a vein in making their way out by a circuitous route and had to swim from one rise to the other. No one either above or below ground, however, sustained an injury. At 3 o'clock the settling began. At 3:30 it was no longer perceptible. In the intervening half hour, O'Brien's three-story hotel, Mrs. Ann Evans' double dwelling, Mrs. Jane Ackery's double store building and a one-story barber shop were ground to debris in the yawning pit, with the uppermost part of the mound 40 feet below the surface. O'Brien's hotel, which plunged first into the opening, has entirely disappeared. A few houses are projecting over the edge of the pit. The vein that caved in is 115 feet below the surface.

## A Terribly Fatal Brawl.

Santiago de Cuba, Jan. 3.—Seven Italian peddlers became involved in a drunken brawl here Thursday night and fought desperately with knives and revolvers. Two of the men were killed instantly, two died Friday in the hospital, the fifth was fatally and the sixth man seriously wounded. The seventh man, who did most of the killing, was not hurt. Thirty shots were fired in two minutes.

## A Surplus of Ten Millions.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The monthly statement of the government receipts and expenditures shows that for the month of December, 1902, the total receipts were \$17,151,799 and the expenditures \$6,333,744, leaving a surplus for the month of \$10,818,055.

## Fuel Oil Supply Exhausted.

New Orleans, Jan. 3.—New Orleans is now without a supply of fuel oil and all the furnaces recently converted to the use of oil burners are being changed back so that coal may be used.

## COLOR LINE DRAWN.

A Lawless Gang Compels Indianola's Postmistress to Resign Her Position—The President Takes Action.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The feature of the cabinet meeting yesterday was the decision to close permanently the postoffice at Indianola, Miss., from which the postmaster, Minnie M. Cox, colored, resigned under compulsion a few days ago, since which time the office has been closed. The bondsmen brought the matter to the attention of the authorities here. The postmaster-general investigated and became satisfied that the woman was obliged to resign under duress—in fact that her life was endangered.

The president discussed with several members of the cabinet other features of the case of Mrs. Cox, Postmaster General Payne being in the conference with the president for an hour or more. It was decided to issue a formal statement concerning the case. Secretary Cortelyou, for the president, made public the following:

"The postmaster at Indianola, Miss., is Mrs. Minnie W. Cox, a colored woman. She served three years as postmaster under President Harrison. When President McKinley came in she was again appointed, in 1897, nearly six years ago. Her character and standing in the community are endorsed by the best and most respectable people in the town.

"Among those on her bond is the present democratic state senator from the district, together with the leading banker of Indianola, and an ex-state senator from the district, also a democrat. The postmaster and her husband own from \$10,000 to \$15,000 worth of property in Sunflower county. The reports of postoffice inspectors, who have investigated the office from time to time, show that she has given the utmost satisfaction to all the patrons of the office, that she is at all times courteous, faithful, competent and honest in the discharge of her duties.

"The postmaster recently forwarded her resignation to take effect on January 1, but the report of inspectors and information received from various reputable white citizens of the town and neighborhood shows the resignation was forced by a brutal and lawless element purely upon the ground of her color and was obtained under terror of threats. The mayor of the town and the sheriff of the county both told the postoffice inspector that if she refused to resign they could not be answerable for her safety although at the same time not one word was said against her.

"The postmaster's resignation has been received, but not accepted. In view of the facts the postoffice at Indianola is closed. All mail for that place will be forwarded to Greenville. The case will be referred to the attorney general."

## TWO CREWS KILLED.

A Wild Engine Crashes Into a Flyer on the Rutland Railroad at Shelburne, N. H.

Burlington, Vt., Jan. 3.—A wild engine, running from Burlington to Rutland on the Rutland railroad crashed into the northbound flyer from New York last night at Shelburne. The crews of both engines were killed and a brakeman who was riding on the wild engine was probably fatally hurt, and nearly every one of the flyer's crew were injured more or less seriously. No passenger was seriously hurt, although many received bruises.

The dead, Dennis Mahoney, of Rutland, engineer of the flyer, and R. Cowey, of Rutland, engineer of the wild engine.

James Fitzpatrick, of Tyondonga, fireman.

D. N. Chase, of Rutland, fireman. The cause of the accident is not definitely known, but Dr. Seward Webb, president of the road, says that he believes that Engineer Cowey, who had charge of the wild engine, had figured that the flyer would be late, as it usually was, and that he could run to Shelburne for a siding before the train reached that point. The impact of the collision was terrible and only the heaviness of the flyer prevented a greater disaster.

## Coiners are Arrested.

Philadelphia, Jan. 3.—Secret Service Agent Griffin, accompanied by several operatives, yesterday raided a counterfeiters' plant at Norristown, about 16 miles from here. They captured Tony Julian, Mary, his wife; Domenico, his mother; Scatio Julian, his cousin; Caprio and Casnio Farri, all Italians. Julian resisted arrest and attempted to stab Agent Griffin, who escaped injury by felling his assailant. Julian is said to be the ring-leader. He conducted a small shoe store and, it is believed, utilized the shop as a medium for distributing spurious dollars and 25 cent pieces.

## Shot Three Marshals.

McCurtain, I. T., Jan. 3.—Three United States deputy marshals, Samuel Sorrels, of Kintail; Ralph Scargall, of McCurtain, and another whose name has not been learned, were shot by an unknown man who resisted arrest at Coal Creek yesterday. Deputy Sorrels was instantly killed and the others seriously wounded. While the deputies were attempting to arrest the man he suddenly drew two revolvers and opened fire. He then escaped.

## Another Profit Sharing Scheme.

New York, Jan. 3.—Announcement was made Friday that another industrial corporation has inaugurated a plan to share its profits with employees. The Pressed Steel Car Co. proposes to carry for each of its employees who has been six months or more in its employ, from one to 25 shares of the preferred stock, now paying 7 per cent. dividends. The men will pay 5 per cent. down and the same amount in monthly installments thereafter, the company charging 4 per cent. for moneys loaned to carry the stock.

## TO SHARE PROFITS.

Steel Trust's Proposition to Its Employees.

The Corporation Desires that the Men Who are Working for It Shall Buy Its Stock—Details of Scheme—Employees to be Divided Into Six Classes.

New York, Jan. 1.—In a double circular, one to the stockholders and the other to the officers and employes, the United States Steel Corporation announces its intention to inaugurate a system whereby the humblest workman on its rolls may, if he desires, become a permanent stockholder and share in the profits of the corporation.

The circular says that at this time there are about 55,000 stockholders, who, it is believed, would feel a greater sense of security in the corporation's earning power if they knew that officers and managers generally were willing to enter into a contract by which a part of their compensation shall be paid only after the realization of \$80,000,000 of profits. This represents interest on bonds, dividends on stock and reserve for sinking funds.

The plan inviting officers and employes to participate is divided into two parts. Part one prescribes that from the earnings of the corporation during the year 1902 there will have been set aside at least \$2,000,000 and as much more as is needed for the purchase of at least 25,000 shares of preferred stock, which will be offered as follows to employees of the corporation:

At present the corporation and subsidiary companies employ 165,000 men, whom it is proposed to divide into these six classes:

Class A will include all those who receive salaries of \$20,000 a year or over.

Class B will include all those who receive salaries of from \$10,000 to \$20,000 a year.

Class C will include all those who receive salaries of from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year.

Class D will include all those who receive salaries of from \$2,500 to \$5,000 a year.

Class E will include all those who receive salaries of from \$800 to \$2,500 a year.

Class F will include all those who receive \$500 a year or less.

The preferred stock will be offered to any employee during January at \$25.00 per share. (Its closing price yesterday was \$25.87 1/2.)

Employees can subscribe for an amount of stock not exceeding the sum represented by a certain percentage of their annual salaries as shown in this table:

Class B 8 per cent.; class C 10 per cent.; class D 12 per cent.; class E 15 per cent.; class F 20 per cent.

Whenever \$80,000,000 and less than \$90,000,000 is earned during 1903, 1 per cent. shall be set aside.

Whenever \$90,000,000 and less than \$100,000,000 is earned during 1903, 1.2 per cent. shall be set aside.

Whenever \$100,000,000 and less than \$110,000,000 is earned during 1903, 1.4 per cent. shall be set aside.

Whenever \$110,000,000 and less than \$120,000,000 is earned during 1903, 1.6 per cent. shall be set aside.

Whenever \$120,000,000 and less than \$130,000,000 is earned during 1903, 1.8 per cent. shall be set aside.

Whenever \$130,000,000 and less than \$140,000,000 is earned during 1903, 2 per cent. shall be set aside.

Whenever \$140,000,000 and less than \$150,000,000 is earned during 1903, 2 1/4 per cent. shall be set aside.

Whenever \$150,000,000 and less than \$160,000,000 is earned during 1903, 2 1/2 per cent. shall be set aside.

If \$80,000,000 is earned in the coming year \$800,000 will be set aside, one-half to be distributed in cash quarterly, the other half to be reserved until the end of the year and invested in preferred stock; the stock thus purchased to be divided, half to employees entitled thereto, the other half to remain with the treasurer of the corporation.

Twenty-five per cent. of all the money set aside in this profit sharing plan will be held for five years and will be given to such only as at the end of that period shall be in the employ of the corporation, or of one or another of its subsidiary companies, from and since January 1, 1903.

Thank Offering Is Complete.

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 1.—One of the most impressive services ever held in Springfield was that in Trinity church last night when E. M. Mills, secretary of the Twentieth Century thank offering commission, made the announcement that the Methodists of the country had raised more than \$20,000,000 in response to the movement inaugurated in Trinity church by the board of bishops four years ago.

Carnegie's Gift to New Orleans.

New Orleans, Jan. 1.—Andrew Carnegie has given New Orleans \$250,000 for a New Year's gift. The money is to be devoted to a main library building and three branches. The city is to furnish the sites and pledge \$25,000 a year for support. The condition will undoubtedly be accepted.

Thirty Railroaders Injured.

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 1.—Thirty railroad employes were injured, four perhaps fatally, in a wreck yesterday at the Fort Smith crossing in North Little Rock. The "hoodlum" train, in which the employes ride to work, approached the crossing, the engine pushing the cars. Suddenly the engineer saw a switch engine emerge from behind a building and start across the track ahead of him. He applied the brakes, but the four cars broke loose and struck the switch engine broadside. The 200 men on the cars jumped, but 70 were caught and crushed.