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A Cleveland man with five sets of twins and four odd ones in his family, believes President Roosevelt should award him a medal.

San Franciscans insist that within three years their city will be greater than ever. Under such circumstances optimism is an asset second in value to none.

Army and navy maneuvers in the United States are pronounced to be a bluff by other countries, but not by those who have felt the force of Uncle Sam's arm.

A consul writes that Colombia publishes no statistics. Colombia is wise in this respect, if it loses many opportunities like the one in which it tried to work Uncle Sam for a hugely bigger offer.

The gardens of the Palace La Granda, where Alfonso and Victoria spend their honeymoon, is celebrated for its fountains. One of them, the Banos del Diane, spouts to the height of 130 feet.

"Well, it has cost me \$3,000,000, but for three minutes I have been amused."

One of the strongest indorsements of the Osages as a law-abiding people was given by J. F. Palmer in his speech at Hominy recently, says the Osage (Okla.) Journal, when he said that out of the 2,000 on the roll there was at the present time only one member in prison, and there had been in the past period of ten years at a time when not an Osage was behind prison bars.

This latest news from the Crow reservation is discouraging. We do not like to hear that the genuine cowboy is dying out and that solemn, useful, commonplace persons from the middle west are taking up new lands, thus transforming a scene of gayety into one of plain, everyday, humdrum industry and thrift.

In September the birthday of Pike's Peak will be observed by the state of Colorado. When Lieut. Pike was captured by Spanish soldiers in February, 1807, he was relieved of several maps and manuscripts which were never recovered.

Texas Woman says that it is a mistake to suppose we would be more domestic if their wives should feed them better. She says a highly-fed man becomes so frisky that it is impossible to control him, and that the only way to hold him to a condition of humility and subjection is to serve him plain food and make him bring in the wood.

Matto Grosso, the Brazilian state where a "terrible" revolt has been reported, by way of Lisbon, has half a million square miles of territory, and less than 100,000 inhabitants. Any wild-eyed insurrection might rampage around in that wilderness without doing much damage.

A New York specialist says bridge whist is responsible for such of the nervous prostration among women. It is more responsible for the nervous disorders of the husbands of the bridge women.

No complaint is made abroad of microbes on American rifles. The British soldiers in India will hunt with no other kind.

THERE IS MORE THAN ONE WAY TO BREAK IN.



NO NEED OF HASTE

WHAT SECRETARY SHAW SAID OF TARIFF REVISION.

Matter Will Rest Until the Comfort and Happiness of the People Require a Change.

The La Crosse Leader says: "The Republicans of the west agree with Senator Shaw that the tariff should be revised by its friends. They are also in favor of getting busy."

With the report from the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor showing the commerce of the United States, both as to exports and imports, exceeding that of any previous year in the history of the country; with prosperity at flood tide; with every industry working full time or overtime and two jobs or more for every man wanting a job, the argument that any industry in this country is suffering at the hands of the Dingley tariff is pure rot.

Under the protective tariff the country has enjoyed a greater measure of prosperity than at any previous period in its history; in a word, it owes all the prosperity it ever derived from the Republican policies. If on the day of the enactment of the Dingley statute some enthusiastic friend of protection had predicted on the floor of congress or elsewhere that in less than a decade under the operation of that law the United States would become the greatest export nation in the world, and that the total volume of our imports and exports would exceed \$2,500,000,000 annually he would have been regarded as a dreamer or lunatic, and yet for the year ending the present month the total foreign commerce of this country will approximate three billions of dollars in value, beating all records. The Dingley tariff isn't anything to injure the country in the light of things visible. The country has never been so rich and prosperous as it is to-day.

We have had one experience with tariff revision. Grover Cleveland was elected on a free trade or tariff revision platform. The tariff was revised, and it brought on the most disastrous financial and industrial depression the world has ever witnessed, costing the people of the United States more than twelve billions of dollars, filling the country with want and woe, with millions idle and begging for work or bread. Has any one ever witnessed an army of industrious, honest and hungry men marching to Washington to demand work under a Republican administration? There are some people in this country who know when they have enough, and a whole lot of them don't want any more experience with Democratic tariff panics.

There is no occasion, with the business and industries of the United States at the high tide of activity and prosperity, for tariff tinkering. It would disturb existing conditions inevitably. The millions of people who are now contented and happy because they are receiving liberal wages and steady employment would not relish a return to idleness and poverty. The American people are better clothed, better housed, have more of the comforts and luxuries of life now than they ever before enjoyed. They believe in letting well enough alone.

It will be time to revise the tariff when conditions demand it and when the comfort and happiness of the people are dependent upon it. And Secretary Shaw, for his part, says the time will not come until after the next presidential election. That is all. He does not declare that it will be necessary to revise the tariff then, for he is not a prophet, and cannot know what conditions will be at that time. What Secretary Shaw does say is that when the time comes to revise the tariff all good Republicans will be found in favor of revision, and the work will be done just as faithfully and intelligently as the party discharged its obligation to the country in framing the Dingley law.—Bay City Tribune.

NOT A UNIVERSAL DEMAND

Statement That Western Republicans Are Clamoring for Tariff Reform Is Incorrect.

A few Republican and many Democratic correspondents at Washington are telling their papers that the Republican party will suffer in the west in the congressional election of 1906 on account of its attitude on the tariff and on meat inspection. They say there is a powerful sentiment in Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois and other western states in favor of a revision of the tariff and as the Republican party of the nation is opposed to tariff changes of any sort at this time they reason that the party will lose votes throughout all the region. Meat inspection, they declare, is dealing a heavy blow to the cattle and hog raisers, and as the Republican congress and the Republican administration pushed a measure for meat inspection, the Republicans are sure to be hit hard in all the western states in the contest of 1906.

These prophets are astray. The tariff revision sentiment which they imagine they see in the west is confined to a very few spots, and is not very pronounced even in those spots. Gov. Cummins, of Iowa, is a reviser, but it is not altogether certain that the Republicans of his state back him in his demand. Secretary Shaw, who probably represents a pretty large element of the Iowa Republicans, is against revision at this time. So is Senator Allison, who also stands for a good many Republicans in that state. Gov. Cummins is making a canvass on the revision issue now, and although he claims to be far ahead of Perkins, his rival, for the governorship candidacy, it is not entirely certain that he is correct. Perkins' friends are also making claims, and these do not agree with those of the governor. But even if Cummins should carry the state on that issue, it would not necessarily indicate that the west was on his side. There are a good many states in the west, and there has not been any marked demonstration in favor of tariff revision among the Republicans in any of them except in Iowa and Wisconsin. Those are important states, but they do not dictate the policy of the national Republican party. Moreover, the Republicans will carry both of them on the congressional vote this year.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

A Prediction.

The views of a practical business man and large industrial producer of Providence, as expressed in a letter to the American Economist, are worthy of attention:

"It is essential to leave the tariff absolutely alone.

"It can do no harm, and it is doing good every day.

"I stated before the ways and means committee in 1897 that we were then the largest agricultural nation. That if the Dingley tariff would remain in force for 25 years we would be the largest manufacturing and money nation in the world. In manufacturing iron and steel and some other items we are to-day.

"If the present tariff if left absolutely alone for 15 years more we will be the largest in all these departments, as I predicted."

Nine of the 25 years have passed, and the prediction has been practically verified. Under the operation of a protective tariff the United States leads the world:

In manufactures.

In agriculture.

In gross wealth and per capita wealth.

In internal and external trade.

In the production of coal, iron ore, and pig iron.

With 16 years more of uninterrupted protection, who can doubt that the United States would become the financial center, as it is now the industrial center of the world?

The idea which has taken possession of Mr. Bryan lately is one that he had not expected to pick up when he went abroad this time.

LAW UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Right to Labor and to Employ Labor Is Inherent and Cannot be Taken Away Except on Ground of Public Good.

New York.—The state law of New York restricting the labor by women and children to ten hours a day and 60 hours a week in a factory was declared on Friday by Justice Olmstead in the court of special sessions to be "an unwarranted invasion of constitutional rights." The ruling was concurred in by Justices McKean and Deuel. Judge Olmstead declared that the law was class legislation.

Justice Olmstead said, in part, in his decision: "To labor and employ labor are inherent and inalienable rights of our citizens and cannot be taken away in whole or in part unless upon the broad ground of public good, which must be apparent, and cannot be predicated upon legislative dictum.

"In the case under consideration the right of the employer and the right of the employee are equally involved. Nothing to the contrary appearing, it must be assumed that the woman was a willing worker for a willing employer and that the result was mutually satisfactory and profitable.

"The present constitution of the state of New York was adopted in 1894. All of the rights which adult women possessed at that time were confirmed by that document. One of those rights certainly was the right to contract for her labor and to work when and where she pleased. It was not until four years after that the law making power sought to place the limitation under consideration upon them.

"What was the legislative intent in doing this? The attorney general finds and urges no other reason than that the general welfare of the state demands that the progeny of women of the factories shall have mothers with healthy bodies to the end that the state may have sturdy citizens. Does the state look merely to the children of the factory women for its future good citizens? Why should the housewife, the woman who toils at home, in mercantile house, in office, or she who toils not at all be exempt from legislative interference, injunctive or mandatory, for the same reason? If this question of future citizenship is the only excuse for the assumption of police power, what becomes of the rights of the non-child-bearing woman, a considerable class?"

Attorney General Mayer says that he will appeal from the decision of the court.

ALL SECTIONS ENJOY PROSPERITY.

Report of R. G. Dun & Co. on the Condition of Business.

New York.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Commercial activity is well maintained, and early preparations are made for autumn and winter business. August opened with no adverse developments in the trade situation, while crop progress during July was most favorable. Trade reports are dependent upon agricultural results, but all sections of the nation enjoy great prosperity and there is scarcely a discordant note in any of the dispatches received.

Scarcity of labor is the only serious complaint, output of coke being curtailed, and there is delay in harvesting crops, while strikes retard the building of San Francisco; but, on the other hand, a slight modification of the 1903 scale has brought back 8,000 more bituminous coal miners and the threatened struggle at 33 paper mills has been averted, while advanced wages brought full activity in the textile industry.

Commodity prices are fairly steady, cheaper grain because of large crops being offset by strength in the leading materials of manufacture.

It is not often that managers of a leading industry are uneasy regarding the future because of too much business, yet that is becoming the situation at iron furnaces and steel mills. Failures this week in the United States are 180, against 216 last week. Failures in Canada number 16, against 15 last week.

Cloudburst Causes Great Damage.

Reading, Pa.—A terrific cloudburst struck the borough of Hamburg, this county, late Friday. A ten-foot flood swept through the main portion of the town, leaving in its wake ruin and devastation. There are washouts in the streets to the depth of ten feet. Allen J. Romig, who was working in a tinsmith shop, was drowned. The tinsmith shop was swept away. More than 50 dwellings were damaged. Many persons escaped drowning by rushing to the upper floors of their residences. The total loss will amount to more than \$50,000.

Flour Warehouse Burns.

Albany, N. Y.—Fire on Friday practically destroyed the mammoth flour house owned by Henry Russell, of this city, the eastern distributing agent for one of the largest flour mills in the United States. The building was 1,900 feet long and 35 feet wide, with a capacity of 50,000 barrels. About 35,000 barrels of flour were destroyed. Loss about \$300,000.

Two Killed in Explosion.

Scranton, Pa.—Jeremiah Wilson was killed and Charles Parrish fatally injured by an explosion in the North End Coal Co.'s colliery Friday. They had prepared a blast and lighting the fuse started to retreat to a place of safety. They ran into a blast in an adjoining chamber.

Death of Admiral Train.

Che Foo.—Rear Admiral Charles J. Train, commander-in-chief of the United States Asiatic fleet, died at 9:16 Saturday morning, of uraemia.

A BRIGHT PROSPECT.

Leaders in the Iron Trade Speak with Less Reserve Concerning 1907—Iron Age Sums Up Condition of Market.

New York.—The Iron Age says: Simultaneously with reports of a further access of strength in all the pig iron markets of the country, comes the statement of the United States Steel Corporation, showing the largest quarter's earnings in its history. Leaders in the trade now speak with less reserve concerning early 1907, after having for some time limited their predictions of good times to 1906. The volume of orders on the steel corporation's books on June 30, 6,899,589 tons, is the largest mid-year total it has been able to report.

Pig iron has been the feature of the week's market. In the east the buying movement in basic iron that was well under way a week ago carried the total purchases of the fortnight above 125,000 tons, some estimates reaching 150,000 tons. The remarkable fact about it is that consumers provided for their needs for the balance of the year with an advance between the first and the last buying of but 25 cents.

Foundry iron markets are advancing. Southern irons are 25 cents to 30 cents higher. In the Buffalo district a further advance of 50 cents was made and eastern Pennsylvania makers have marked up their figures. Finished material markets show unusual mid-summer activity, distributed all along the line. At Chicago, railroads have entered large orders for track supplies. Rail buying for the week has been light.

MINE EXPLOSION

Causes the Death of Two People in a Pennsylvania Town.

Wilkesbarre, Pa.—A terrific explosion occurred in the mine of the Warrior Run Coal Co. at Warrior Run, near here, Wednesday, and John Shumaker, a miner, was instantly killed. Through crevices formed in the surface by the explosion the gas escaped from the workings below into the houses situated over the mine and, coming into contact with a lighted lamp in the home of John Williams, caused another explosion which resulted in the death of his daughter, Margaret, aged 16 years.

The settling of the earth also affected the water mains of the village and as a consequence the home of Williams and an adjoining house were totally destroyed. The town was in total darkness, as the escaping gas made the use of lights extremely hazardous.

Becoming Grave.

Victoria, B. C.—Advice received by the Empress of Japan say the rising in Kiangai and Chekiang provinces is becoming a grave movement, and many believe the rising will assume similar proportions to the Taiping rebellion. Hsin Cheng Hsien, a large walled city, was captured by the rebels and looted. A garrison of 5,000 was left to prepare the city to withstand a siege by imperial troops. Several corps of imperial troops have been dispatched. The Roman Catholic and the Protestant churches were destroyed and although the native pastors escaped, six converts were murdered. Large bodies of disbanded soldiers are affiliated with the rebels.

Cummins Nominated.

Des Moines, Ia.—Gov. Albert B. Cummins was nominated for re-election by the republican state convention in a harmonious session that belied all prognostications of a possible split in the state party over control for the head of the state ticket. A full state ticket was nominated, most of the candidates being nominated by acclamation.

But One Higher.

Denver, Col.—The Argentine Central railroad, from Silver Plume, on the Colorado & Southern railroad, to the summit of Mount McClellan on Gray's Peak, was opened for traffic Wednesday. This road reaches a point 14,000 feet above the sea level and is the highest traction road in the world, with the exception of the Peruvian Central, in the Andes.

Registration for Lands.

Cheyenne, Wyo.—The total registration for lands in the Shoshone reservation, which closed Tuesday evening, is 10,583. The greatest registration was at Shoshoni, where were registered 4,453.

THE Windsor Hotel. Between 12th and 13th Sts., on Filbert St. Philadelphia, Pa. Three minutes WALK from the Reading Terminal. Five minutes WALK from the Penn'a R. R. Depot. European Plan \$1.00 per day upwards. American Plan \$2.00 per day. FRANK M. SCHEIBLEY, Manager.

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