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JOB PRINTING. The Job Department of the Press is complete and efficient for doing the best class of work.

Miss Lillian Tyson, proprietor and manager of the Bon Ton theater, in Philadelphia, has inaugurated the custom of giving free tickets for matinee performances to the orphans in the city institutions.

Mrs. Britania W. Kennon, great-granddaughter of Martha Washington, in Philadelphia, celebrated her ninety-second birthday a few days ago at her home, in Georgetown, D. C.

The order of Knight of Jerusalem has been bestowed by the Kaiser on Dr. George Post, an American missionary, of Beirut, who is now in Berlin.

The library of Yale university has received from Miss Maria E. Peck, of Pittsfield, Mass., four volumes once the property of Israel Dickinson, of the class of 1758.

Arthur F. Stater, recently sworn in as assistant secretary of the treasury, was born in Carlisle, England, in the early eighties.

At Christiansa, a little town in the Transvaal, about 70 miles above Kimberley, an alluvial deposit has been discovered bearing diamonds.

The official figures showing the trade between the United States and non-contiguous territories—Alaska, Hawaii, the Philippines and Porto Rico—are worth studying.

London dearly loves court gayety and display, of which the British capital had little during the latter years of the successful but rather quiet reign of the good Queen Victoria.

Queen Alexandra owns several fine chinchilla and Persian cats. Princess Alexander of Teck and Prince Maurice of Battenburg also possess valuable specimens.

The year 1906 was notable for the largest addition to the British mercantile marine in effective tonnage and in size and power ever recorded in any one year.

LIVING IS HIGHER

BECAUSE EVERYBODY LIVES BETTER THAN EVER BEFORE.

Wage Earners Eat More Meat, Wear Better Clothes and Get More Pleasure Out of Life Than They Did Twelve Years Ago.

There has been much said of late concerning the great increase in the cost of living over the increase in wages.

But those who are advocates of the protective tariff argue against any such conclusion. They contend that it is the protective tariff which has given the country the great prosperity that it now enjoys.

The whole country is now living higher than it ever has in its history. Everybody, both capitalist and laborer, is indulging in greater luxuries than ever.

Ask a man to name the particular line of necessities of life that cause the increase of living and there will be hesitation, and a vague declaration that "all of them have advanced in price."

But the rule of life is "Easy comes easy goes," and it is only with the utmost frugality of spirit and careful business management that the wage earner to-day is able to keep from allowing his good fortune to run away with him.

With the present indulgence in extra living, because of the financial ability to do so, increasing the cost of living, it is not fair to lay the blame to the policy that has created the larger income.

A Vicious Political Heresy. Some things of immediate relevancy to existing conditions in and around Boston were said by Secretary Shaw in his speech before the Springfield chamber of commerce on the 14th of February.

Free trade and protection are at constant war with each other, and will not harmonize.

It seems a pity that these words of plain common sense could not have been addressed to the members of the Massachusetts legislature before they signed that foolish petition in behalf of tariff revision, free raw materials, and reciprocity in competitive products.

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TRUTH ABOUT EXPORT PRICES.

All European Countries Sell Some Goods Cheaper Abroad.

When it is remembered that almost the sole ground of antagonism to the present tariff on the part of Republican "progressives" is the small exportation of American manufactures at less than average domestic prices, and that last year's Democratic congressional campaign had this for its principal asset, especial interest attaches to the following statements by Secretary Shaw in his recent speech before the chamber of commerce of Springfield, Mass.:

"If there be an article produced in Europe which is not regularly sold for export to America cheaper than it is sold in the country of its origin, the treasury department has not discovered it. Every country in Europe sanctions selling goods abroad cheaper than at home, and the practice prevails everywhere.

"The charge had been so frequently made that steel rails were sold abroad at \$7.80 below the American price that I took occasion to investigate the matter. I asked the president of the United States Steel corporation to let me see the records of their foreign sales covering the period of the preceding 60 days.

Republican editors should paste this in a conspicuous place at their desks when about to take their pens in hand for a fresh onslaught against the Dingley tariff because of goods sold abroad cheaper than at home.

UPSET AGAIN!



Silent on the Tariff. The silence upon the tariff question by President Roosevelt is evidence that he is not in line with the tariff revision idea.

This, of course, does not meet with the approval of one element of the Republican party in this state, but it does vindicate the great mass of Republicans in Iowa in their contention that so long as we are prosperous it is right and proper to "let well enough alone," so far as the tariff is concerned.

Know Where They Are At. Not only have the tariff rippers dropped the issue, but John Sharp Williams, the Democratic leader of the house, asks for more protection for the farmers.

No Relief. Sympathizing deeply with the sorrows of those Massachusetts manufacturers who long for free trade in crude materials while retaining protection for their finished products, John Sharp Williams, leader of the free trade minority in the house of representatives, not long ago introduced a bill abolishing the duty on bituminous coal from Canada.

Has Become a Raving Maniac. Atlantic City, N. J.—James Parker, who attempted to save the life of President McKinley by striking the arm of Czolgoz as the latter fired the fatal shot at the president, is in jail here, a raving maniac. Parker will be committed to an asylum.

THREE MEN SHOT.

FIERCE FIGHT FOLLOWS A RAID ON A GAMBLING HOUSE AT FORT WORTH, TEX.

COUNTY ATTORNEY KILLED, HIS ASSISTANT FATALLY SHOT, A GAMBLER WOUNDED.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Following an attack on an alleged gambling house Friday, County Attorney Jeff D. McLean was shot and killed and Hamil P. Scott, a member of the attacking party, was fatally wounded by William Thompson, proprietor of the resort.

County Attorney McLean, heading a party of deputies, forced an entrance to the place, arrested several men and loaded a furniture van with paraphernalia. The wagon with the confiscated furniture had just moved off when Thompson approached McLean on the sidewalk and fired a bullet into McLean's throat, breaking his neck and causing death.

Thompson ran west with Scott in pursuit. Dodging behind a billboard at Seventh and Throckmorton streets, Thompson shot Scott three times in the body. Scott fell and Thompson discarded his empty pistol for that carried by Scott and fled.

By this time a score of policemen and deputy sheriffs, followed by hundreds of excited men and boys, were in pursuit of Thompson, who found temporary refuge in a lumber shed just across the street from the Touraine hotel, the most fashionable hotel in the city.

Patrolmen Bell and Lloyd opened fire on Thompson, who returned the shots, while the crowd shouted "Lynch him." As soon as Thompson emptied his revolver the officers, whose own pistols were emptied, fell upon him with bare hands and made him a prisoner, as he was suffering from three severe wounds inflicted by the officers.

TRAIN WRECKERS AT WORK.

They Caused the Derailment of an Express on the Pennsylvania Road.

Pittsburg, Pa.—A committee representing the Pennsylvania railroad which has been investigating the cause of the derailment of the Chicago limited Friday at Stewart, Pa., near here, after taking the testimony of the train crew and the crews which passed the point of derailment previous to the accident authorized the following statement last night:

"The wreck was caused by some person or persons removing the bolts and tie plates joining two rails and turning one of them inward so as to throw the train off the track. The work was evidently that of one with a knowledge of tracks and signals, as the 'bond wire' which completes the electric signal circuit was carefully kept intact, thereby causing the signals to show 'safe' instead of 'danger' as they would have shown had this contact been broken.

The tools found near the scene of the accident were such as are used in laying track, but were not the standard tools used by the Pennsylvania Railroad Co.; nor were they the property of the company. The place selected for the derailment seems to have been chosen with a view of throwing the train off the track and at the same time guarding as far as possible against loss of life.

The engine and the five cars were derailed, but no one was hurt. Among the passengers was Mayor Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland.

TRADE REVIEW.

Business in Spring Goods Booms and Confidence in the Future Unshaken.

New York.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Business has responded to the influence of settled spring weather at most points and the proximity of Easter has increased retail sales of dry goods, millinery and footwear.

In addition to current trade there is a volume of preparation for later seasons that maintains activity at manufacturing plants, the high prices readily paid on most of this forward business testifying to the fact that confidence remains unshaken.

Riots Caused Loss of Many Lives.

Vienna.—The seriousness of the situation in northern Moldavia growing out of the agrarian disorders has not been exaggerated. Four hundred farms in Moldavia have been devastated, 8,000 fugitives have fled over the Rumanian frontier into Austria, and 10,000 Jews are homeless. The number of dead and wounded cannot be given accurately, but reports give a total of about 85 men killed and 150 wounded.

Shows Growth of New York.

New York city's first Roman Catholic church was built in 1786 at Barclay and Church streets, where St. Peter's now stands. Now there are in the city 182 Roman Catholic church edifices.

700,000 Fire Loss.

Pine Bluff, Ark.—Fire on Friday swept over the entire plant of the Bluff City Lumber Co. and destroyed several small dwellings owned by the company. The loss is \$700,000.

IT WAS SHORT.

The Conference Between President Roosevelt and Railroad President Mellen.

Washington, D. C.—The conference between President Roosevelt and Charles S. Mellen, president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, on the railroad situation took place at the White House Tuesday. It lasted not more than 35 minutes. No statement as to the particular questions discussed was made at the White House and Mr. Mellen declined to talk.

Mr. Mellen was asked whether he would again visit the White House but he replied that he did not expect to unless sent for. Almost in the same breath, however, he said that perhaps he might come after all, even if not sent for, as he is in the habit of making frequent trips to the capital.

Within three weeks President Roosevelt has had visits from half a dozen well known financiers and railroad men, with all of whom he has discussed the railroad situation.

The president says that he is learning all he can regarding the railroad situation and that he intends to continue to consult with railroad people and others. It is understood he is making inquiries on points pertaining to federal supervision and control of the railroads, an appraisement of the physical situation of such properties and on the issue of various forms of indebtedness.

When he has made up his mind and is ready to tell the public just what his attitude is on the railroad issue, he will do so in a speech or in a message to congress. Some expressions from him are expected on the railroad question during the next few months.

Murder and Incendiarism.

Sedalia, Mo.—Frank Smith, a farmer, aged 50 years, was shot and killed at his home near Lisbon early Tuesday by an unknown person who escaped. Mrs. Smith discovered the house to be in flames and awakened her husband, who was just emerging from the front door when shot. It is believed the fire was started by the assassin.

Railroaders' Wages to be Raised.

Owosso, Mich.—General Manager Lowell, of the Ann Arbor road, has completed arrangements with the employes which involve an increase in wages amounting to 10 per cent. for conductors, switchmen, brakemen, engineers and firemen.

Nine People Killed.

Torreon, Mexico.—Nine persons, eight of them children, were killed Tuesday and many others injured at Durango, Mexico, by the collapse of the roof of the public school building.

Not at That Time of Life.

A Milwaukee bachelor says that no woman has kissed him in 61 years of his life, and never will, "so help me God." If he's escaped to that late time in life, the chances are a million to one that he won't have to keep the girls away from him.—Atlanta Georgian.

Immense Sulphur-Bottom Whale.

Largest of all animals that ever lived on this planet is the great sulphur-bottom whale of the Pacific ocean. One specimen which was measured was 95 feet in length and 35 feet in girth. Its estimated weight was 294,000 pounds.

Inspiration.

If we ever write a musical comedy, which is extremely unlikely, it will be for the purpose of showing that one can be produced without putting one of the characters into a white serge suit.—Topeka Capital.

Dishonest Society Women.

One of the London weeklies states there are five or six society women in that city who never are permitted to participate in the management of charity bazaars "owing to their well-known dishonesty."

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