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EDITORIAL.

Up to this time the investigation of secretary Ballinger has proven a bitter disappointment for President Taft. The farther they investigate the greater the scandal develops, notwithstanding President Taft announced that Ballinger was alright. Is it a wonder that republicans take a chill when Taft's name is mentioned?

Publishing houses in Chicago have announced that the price of Bibles will be increased about twenty-five per cent on account of the high tariff on paper. Beef and Bibles—two greatly needed articles—the one food for the body, the other food for the soul—that's what we are facing under Cannon and Aldrichism. Physical and spiritual starvation, and the God-and-Morality party at the bottom of it all.

The fight for a government postal savings bank system has greatly divided the standpatters in congress. Many feel that an opportunity to deposit money at any postoffice will interfere with banks securing deposits, as the people will have greater confidence in the security of the government than any individual financial institution. Hence the money power, the money sharks, the standpatters, the Wall street crowd, oppose the measure, and it is a question whether the President can have such a system accepted. Both parties, in their platform, are committed to postal savings banks, but the standpatters don't care for platforms.

EVERYTHING TAXED.

It is manifest that the authorities and the people are resolved to probe to the bottom of this matter of the high cost of living. We believe the tariff is responsible for everything on the breakfast table in the way of food, except tea, coffee, and pepper, is taxed. Meats, poultry and dairy products are taxed on the average 23.15 per cent. Sugar is taxed 69 per cent, and eggs 44.53 per cent. Breadstuffs are taxed 33.49 per cent.

LAWSON ON PRICES.

Mr. Thomas W. Lawson adds his mite to the elucidation of the mystery of high prices. He says the cause does not lie in extravagance or anything of that kind, but in the robbery of the people by Wall street. As the basis of the trouble, he says: "At the present writing certain men have in their possession hundreds of millions of dollars which they have taken from other men and women by conspiracy, false representations and confidence-game swindling." As to what makes high prices, he writes:

"High prices are because a few men, through the agency of stocks, take all the surplus earnings of our prosperity. To us who know the game its as clear as the absence of shiners in a pickled pond.

Several billion dollars of new values has been added to stocks since the exit of Roosevelt and the advent of Taft—seven billion dollars.

This seven billion dollars has been made by less than one million people who in 13 years already had made over \$50,000,000,000 of the same sort of values.

This seven billion dollars means that the other \$7,000,000,000 common people must pay for their living necessities and luxuries \$480,000,000 annually more than they paid before, and that they will get nothing more for their expenditure than they formerly got, nothing more—merely their living.

"Here we have the cause of high prices in a nut shell, and it is only a question of educating the American people to this fact.

WHY LIVING IS HIGH.

It has been ascertained that the egg trust has sixty million eggs in storage—in pickle. These have been bought up and withheld from the market in order to make eggs scarce that the price might be forced up far beyond what is reasonable and the egg trust reap a harvest of millions of dollars. That much of the game has been accomplished—eggs are scarce and high in market. These pickled eggs, six months to a year old, are sold to retailers and represented as fresh, the retailer assures his customers they "were only received today." The same trust game is being played with other table food. It is simply defrauding and robbing the consumer, and the tariff being on all the consumer must buy, he becomes the victim of legalized rascality and the hoisted millionaires are the beneficiaries and roll up millions of wealth and the masses are victimized. It has also been ascertained that the meat trust—the beef barons—have in storage millions of pounds of beef, veal, lamb, and pork, and proclaim a scarcity in all. And they put up the price, and sell it for less to London dealers than the consumers in this country.

Don't forget the election next Tuesday, February 15th. —Ladies' \$3.50 comfort shoes reduced to \$2.48. At Yeagers.

THE SOLDIER'S SLANG

Army Vernacular as Odd as That of the Navy.

MANY QUEER EXPRESSIONS.

A Man Just Enlisted is Called "a Rooky," and Men Who Enlist at the Beginning of Winter and Desert in the Spring Are Called "Snowbirds."

The army has just as odd a vernacular as the navy. To the uninitiated some army expressions would convey little or no sense, as, for example, if a soldier were heard to say, "The top told me to report for kitchen police and help skin the spuds for slum for supper," the hearer would have several guesses before he would come anywhere near what this meant in the patter of the barracks.

In plain language, it means that the first sergeant (the ranking or orderly sergeant) had told him to report to the cook to assist him in peeling the potatoes to make the hash or stew for supper. Hash or stew is always "slum," and the first sergeant is "the top;" "kitchen police," a man who assists the cook in the preparation of meals and the washing of dishes, pans, etc.

A man who has just enlisted or has not yet been in the ranks long enough to be considered a full fledged soldier, having learned all his duties, is called "a rooky," and woe be unto the "rooky" who gets "fresh" before an old sergeant who has been in the ranks since before the fresh "rooky" was born! He will be told in any but genteel terms by the old timer: "Shut up and go about your work. Your name is not yet dry on your enlistment paper!" meaning that when he was sworn in and promised to serve for three years and obey the "orders of the president and the officers appointed over him" he had signed his name to this paper and the signature had not had time to get dry.

When a man says he is going to "take on" or "take to another blanket," it means that he is going to enlist. The government, in the clothing allowance for each man, provides a blanket; hence the term to "take another blanket."

The guardhouse is called "the mill." Some ill behaved soldier away back in the past (the term is a very old one) no doubt thought his term in the guardhouse ground out toward its end very slowly, so he applied this now much used name to the prison of the garrison.

When "the top" says, "Get your blanket and go to the mill," the soldier knows he is in for a tour of duty in the guardhouse, and his blanket means one or more nights, for in that much to be avoided place nothing is supplied in the way of comforts, and each occupant carries with him his blanket, or more if he has them, to make his rest more comfortable.

All meals are called "chuck," and along toward mealtime the expression, "Is it not time for chuck call to blow?" is heard very frequently.

"Snowbirds" are men who enlist in the winter about the time snow begins to fall and the real snowbird puts in its appearance and desert in the spring when the robin appears. They "take on" only to tide over the winter with its discomforts.

The oldest man in the company is "dad" and the youngest "the kid. Any deserter is called a "skipper."

Two men who share the same small tent or whose bunks are side by side in the barrack room are called "bunkies." This ancient term originated in the days of the very old army, when the bunks were "built for two" and two men slept side by side on a mattress filled with straw and one blanket apiece, much different from today, when each man has his hair mattress, pillow, sheets and blankets. A "bunkey" always has a chew or filling for a pipe for his mate, when he might tell another man that he has not enough weed to "put under your nail."

All fines received from a court are called "blind," so that a man who received ten days in the guardhouse and a fine of \$5 would tell his comrades that he "got ten days in the mill and five blind."

The commanding officer of a company or the post is always the "old man." If he is not liked other terms, not parlor talk, are used.

All field musicians are called "wind jammers" on account of their jangling of wind into the trumpet that calls the men to labor or rest.

Every man on the completion of his term of enlistment is given a discharge. At the bottom of his paper in olden times was a space in which the character borne by the man during his term of enlistment was written. If his service had been had this part of the discharge was cut off, and it was called "a hotball." In speaking of the length of time a man has to serve before he has completed his term of enlistment the term "butt" means less than a year. So to say he has a year and a little less than two years he would say "a year and a butt."

There are a number of men in the ranks who save their money and lend it to others. The rate is very high. If a man borrows \$2 he must pay \$4 at pay day. This is called "cent per cent." The term "one more shingle on the White Horse" means that the man has completed one more tour of guard duty, consisting of twenty-four hours.

Many of these terms quoted are of very old origin, so old that if you ask the oldest man in an organization when he heard it first he will probably tell you, "Oh, it was used when I took my first blanket."—Major R. W. Atkinson in New York Tribune.

Election next Tuesday.

—Men's, Ladies', and Children's all wool and cashmere hose worth 25c a pair, reduced to 15c a pair. At Yeagers.

Sale Register.

List of Leading Sales Throughout Centre County.

Owing to the large circulation of The Centre Democrat, (now over 5000 each week, which is 250 more than any other paper in Centre county) this is the best place to advertise your sale, because it reaches the most people.

Sale notices in this register cost \$1.00. All parties having bills printed at this office secure notice in this column free of charge.

We have the best facilities for printing at attractive sale bills, and our prices are always right.

FRIDAY, FEB. 11—W. T. Gross, admr of Mary Gross farm, 2 1/2 miles east of Bellefonte, 1000 lbs. of farm implements. Sale at 10 a. m. L. F. Mayes, auct.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16—West of Woodward, along Pine Creek road, L. L. Weaver will sell full line of farm implements. W. F. Smith, auct.

THURSDAY, FEB. 24—On the John Rishel farm, 1/2 mile west of Axemann, A. H. Sover will sell 2 horses, 3 pigs, harness, etc., and household goods. Sale at 1 p. m.

SATURDAY, FEB. 26—At the Court House, 10 a. m. Wm. Tressler, trustee, will sell the 97 Lee house horse, 7 yrs. old; 12 dairy cows, 7 are Holsteins, 5 are grade Guernseys; Holstein bull 16 mos. old, bred from a \$6000 bull and all right; gray horse, 13 yrs. old, wt. 1200, a good family horse, sound and all right in every respect, perfectly safe for man, woman or child to drive; black mare 6 yrs. old with colt, wt. 1400, sound and all right will work any plain or good saddle driven brown mare 8 yrs. old, work any plain; sorrel colt 3

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SATURDAY, FEB. 26—At the residence of Mrs. Angelie Tate, near Shiloh, household goods. L. F. Mayes, auct.

TUESDAY, MARCH 2—On the Whitehill farm, 1/2 mile east of Lemont, Milton Carver will sell 5 mares, 5 milch cows, 5 heifers, 5 shoats, full line of farm implements. Sale at 1 p. m. L. F. Mayes, auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3—W. T. Gross will sell live stock and implements on E. H. Andrew's farm, near Zion, L. F. Mayes, auct.

SATURDAY, MARCH 5—1/2 mile south of State College, John W. Stuart will sell: pair young grey mules rising 4 yrs. old, wt. 2400; black horse 7 yrs. old, wt. 1200; 12 dairy cows, 7 are Holsteins, 5 are grade Guernseys; Holstein bull 16 mos. old, bred from a \$6000 bull and all right; gray horse, 13 yrs. old, wt. 1200, a good family horse, sound and all right in every respect, perfectly safe for man, woman or child to drive; black mare 6 yrs. old with colt, wt. 1400, sound and all right will work any plain or good saddle driven brown mare 8 yrs. old, work any plain; sorrel colt 3

MONDAY, MARCH 7—1 mile north of Zerby, Emma E. Smith will sell farm stock and implements, on the W. H. Grove farm. H. H. Miller, auct.

TUESDAY, MARCH 8—1 mile west of Runville, Phil W. Walker will sell 2 horses, 2 cows, 2 pigs, hold goods, meat, corn, potatoes, etc. S. K. Emerick, auct, sale at 1 p. m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9th—On the Kaufman farm, 2 1/2 miles east of Bellefonte, Frank D. Lee will sell farm stock and implements. Sale at 12 o'clock. L. F. Mayes, auct.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9—4 miles west of State College on the G. E. Co-1 farm, R. R. Rossman will sell live stock and farm implements. Sale at 1 p. m. J. I. Reed, auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10—On the S. E. Walker farm, 2 miles east of Salona, D. C. Beightol will sell live stock and farming implements, A. M. Hayes, auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10—At Axemann, W. C. Martin will sell: 2 horses, 4 good cows, 2 heifers, 1 calf, lot of shoats, a full line of farm implements, wagons, plows, harrows, corn on the cob, household goods. Sale at 12 noon. Frank Mayes, auct.

FRIDAY, MARCH 11—J. H. McAulay, Adm'r. of Geo. McAulay of Hubersburg, Pa. at 10 o'clock will sell 12 horses, 2 colts, 6 cows, 5 young cattle, 3 bulks 5 bags and a full line of farm implements and household goods. A. C. McClintic, auct.

SATURDAY, MARCH 12—1/2 mile west of Runville, C. E. Schreffler will sell 2 horses, 4 milch cows, 7 head young cattle, bull, 1 brood sow, full line of farm implements. W. A. Ishler, auct.

SATURDAY, MARCH 12—At the residence of Frank H. Clemson, Buffalo Run, will sell horses, cows, sheep, hogs and farming implements. G. C. Waite, auct. Sale at 10 A.M.

MONDAY, MARCH 14—1 mile north of Pleasant Gap, George Valentine will sell 4 horses, 6 milch cows, lot of sheep, etc.

MONDAY, MARCH 14—2 1/2 miles southwest of Pine Grove Mills, on the J. W. Kepler farm, F. S. Fishburn will sell 6 head of horses, 20 head of cattle, a number of hogs, and a general line of first class farm machinery. Sale at 10 A. M. J. I. Reed, auct.

MONDAY, MARCH 14—2 miles west of Old Fort, Milton Kline will sell live stock and farm implements. Sale at 1 p. m. L. F. Mayes, auct. (Full list next week.)

TUESDAY, MARCH 15—2 miles south of State College, 2 miles west of Lemont, on the old McFarlane homestead, S. H. Lohr will sell 7 head of horses, 30 head of cattle, 25 head of hogs, 2 brood sows, balance shoats, 1 head of good young stock pigs, and a general line of first class farm machinery. Sale at 10 A. M. Frank Mayes, auct.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15—1 1/2 miles east of Beech Creek, W. F. and John Fearon will sell: 5 horses, 1 yearling colt, 6 full blooded Devon cows, 2 full blooded Berkshire shoats, house hold goods and a full line of farm implements. A. C. McClintic, auct. Sale at 10 a. m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16—Grant Houser will sell 4 horses, 10 cows, 7 head young cattle, 1 shorthorn bull, a fine line of farm implements and some household goods, at the Hat Station. Sale at 10 o'clock, a. m. Harry F. Gohsen, auct.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16—1 mile west of Runville, D. F. Poorman will sell 2 horses, 6 cows, 12 sheep, 12 pigs, and a full line of farm implements. David Wensel, auct.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16—3 1/2 miles north of Cliftondale, George Atkey will sell live stock and farm implements. A. C. McClintic, auct.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16—2 miles west of Rebersburg, O. W. Weaver will sell live stock and implements.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16—On Jacksonsville road Broadfoot farm, C. Frank Hazel, will sell farm stock and implements. L. Frank Mayes, auct.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18—Mary F. Haagen and Harry Haagen, co-receptors of William J. Haagen, late of Beech Creek, Pa., will sell farm implements, live stock and household goods, at the Haagen homestead, 2 miles east of Beech Creek, Pa. Sale to begin at 9 a. m. David Wensel, auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17—1 1/2 miles east of Mifflintown, John Swartz will sell farm stock and implements, sale at 10 a. m. David Wensel, auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17—Two miles west of Jacksonsville, along the road, Harry I. Hoy will sell 2 horses, 4 milch cows, 1 heifer, 1 bull, 3 head of young cattle, and full line of farm implements. Sale at 12 o'clock. A. C. McClintic, auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 17—1 mile east of Jacksonsville, Samuel Franston will sell stock and implements. A. C. McClintic, auct.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18—5 1/2 miles east of Bellefonte, D. H. Bartley will sell farm stock and implements. Sale at 10 a. m. A. C. McClintic, auct.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18—3 miles east of Centre Hall, G. A. and Amelia Weaver, Adm'r. of A. H. Weaver will sell farm stock and implements and household goods. Sale at 10 a. m.

MONDAY, MARCH 21—One-half mile east of Runville, J. E. Fry will sell farm stock and implements. L. Frank Mayes, auct.

TUESDAY, MARCH 22—3 miles west of Unionville, Harry Fetzer will sell 4 horses, 6 cows, 4 hogs, 12 sheep, and full line of farm implements. S. K. Emerick, auct.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23—2 miles east of Wolf's Store, W. J. Kreider, will sell 5 horses, 3 cows, 1 head young cattle, 14 shoats, farm implements, spring wagon, harness and some house hold goods. Sale at 9:30 A.M. H. H. Miller, auct.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23—1 1/2 miles west of Julian, C. M. Meyers will sell live stock and farm implements. L. Frank Mayes, auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24—1 mile east of Piersonville, Bush Hollow, James Brown will sell live stock and farm implements. Sale at 1 o'clock. S. K. Emerick, auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24—At his place of residence, one mile west of Jacksonville, J. W. Yearick will have one of the largest sales in the county, consisting of farm stock, implements and household goods. A. C. McClintic, auct.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24—On farm adjoining State College, A. H. Krumrine will sell: 10 horses, 5 milch cows, 3 shorthorn bull, 3 brood sows and full line of farm implements. Sale at 10 A. M. L. F. Mayes, auct.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25—At the residence of Mrs.

Joseph Strouse, 1 mile west of State College, at 10 A. M. L. F. Mayes, auct.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26—2 1/2 miles east of Linden Hall, G. W. Horner will have a large sale of horses, colts and choice cattle. Sale at 10 o'clock. L. Frank Mayes, auct.

PRIVATE SALE. The following Live Stock and Farming Implements: 1 Brood Mare, 7 yrs. old; 1 Hay Mare 12 yrs. old; 4 Milch Cows; 5 head of young Cattle; 1 brood sow and a full line of Implements. These goods can be seen on the premises, the Twitmever farm, east of Zion. Reasonable Terms given. Charles J. Zeigler.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29—Near Cedar Springs postoffice, on the Wallace Brown farm, B. Frank Long of Salona, Pa., will have a large sale of farm stock and implements. Sale to begin at 10 a. m. A. C. McClintic, auct.

Thurs Mar. 10: D. C. Beightol will sell on the Samuel E. Walker homestead farm, east end of Nittany valley, 2 miles east of Salona, Lamar tract, the following: LIVE STOCK—10 head of horses—pair bay horses, 6 yrs. old, wt. 2800; this team is very near by mated, sound and all right in every respect; bay mare 17 yrs. old, wt. 1200, a good family horse, sound and all right in every respect, perfectly safe for man, woman or child to drive; black mare 6 yrs. old with colt, wt. 1400, sound and all right will work any plain or good saddle driven brown mare 8 yrs. old, work any plain; sorrel colt 3

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10c bleached muslin, at white sale, 8c

12c bleached muslin, at white sale, 10c

15c cambric, at white sale, 12c

12 1/2c lawn cloth, at white sale, 10c

15c lawn cloth, at white sale, 12 1/2c

18c lawn cloth, at white sale, 15c

25c table linen per yd., at white sale, 21c

35c table linen per yd., at white sale, 30c

50c table linen, at white sale, 45c

75c table linen, at white sale, 65c

5c toweling, at white sale, 3 1/2c

7c toweling, at white sale, 5c

10c toweling, at white sale, 8c

12 1/2c toweling, at white sale, 10c

50c lace curtains, at white sale, 35c

\$1.00 lace curtains, at white sale, 75c

\$1.75 lace curtains, at white sale, 1.25

Ruffle curtains, from 25c up

10c swiss curtain goods, 45 inches wide, per yd., 6c

12c curtain goods, per yd., 9c

15c curtain goods per yd., 11c

\$1.25 napkins per doz., at white sale, 85c

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