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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
 Judge Robert Von Moschzisker,
 of Philadelphia.
AUDITOR GENERAL,
 A. E. Sisson,
 of Erie.
STATE TREASURER,
 Jeremiah A. Stober,
 of Lancaster.
JURY COMMISSIONER,
 W. H. Bullock.

Not long since, people of the New England states were having spasms over the investigation of the Brownsville, Texas, negro soldiers, by the "heartless Southern people." A colored regiment has recently been stationed at Ft. Ethan Allen, Vermont, and the Vermonters are already yelling for "Jim Crow" cars. The point of view is a trifle different, now.

According to a Chicago dispatch, Cardinal Gibbons doesn't think prohibition practicable in large cities. He is quoted as saying: "However much I am in favor of total abstinence, I feel that in the large cities such as Chicago it would prove impracticable, and if laws providing for the revocation of licenses were enforced in these cities I fear the result would be the surreptitious sale of liquor."

This is sad, if true, and we suppose it is true, or the Scranton Republican wouldn't have declared that "there have been such gross primary frauds in Lackawanna, Luzerne, Schuylkill, yes, and Philadelphia counties that the legislature next to be elected will have to take notice of them. So will election officers." The Republican however, thinks there will be fewer instances of fraud, in the future, under the present law, and the next legislature will make such amendments to the primary laws as will render fraud more difficult.

According to Dun's Review, failures in the United States for the month of July were 1,105, compared with 1,232 in July, 1908, and 777 in July, 1907. Liabilities totaled \$9,527,893, against \$14,222,126 in July, 1908, and \$12,334,710 in July, 1907. The exhibit is the best since the financial crisis of 1907 and the total liabilities of commercial failures were the smallest of any month since March, 1907.

Canadian failures for the same month were 121, with liabilities of \$985,997, against 134 last July, with \$1,218,132 liabilities.
 Mrs. Josephine Uswick, of Newport News, wanted to go to sleep, and her husband wanted to listen to the shrieks of his rattle-trap phonograph. She begged him to desist. He wouldn't. Becoming frantic, she seized a 22-calibre revolver and shot him in the right arm. He had the wound dressed and immediately started the nerve-destroying machine. This time the wife plunked a bullet into his left leg, and he then concluded that he, himself didn't care any more about that kind of music. 'Rah for the woman.

Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, is just at present in disfavor with his disciples. The United Mine Workers' Journal says: "Gompers was sent to Europe by the Federation with his expenses paid and that the result of his investigations abroad was to be given to the laboring men in this country for their betterment. The Journal and other labor papers were recently offered the weekly letters of Samuel Gompers giving the result of his investigations and his conclusions at \$1 per letter, per week, said letters having been sold by previous arrangements by Gompers to a newspaper, which in turn was to get its money from the labor press of America." Whew!

In an article on the new Flexner serum for meningitis, in McClure's Magazine, Burton J. Hendrick makes the interesting statement that Fourth of July fatalities are being reduced by the use of tetanus anti-toxin. "An anti-toxin against lockjaw," he says, "has also been evolved. As a curative this has not had the same success as the similar treatment for diphtheria. This is explained by the fact that the tetanic poison attacks the most delicate parts of the body. The diphtheria toxin has an affinity for general body cells—the liver, the kidney, and other easily recuperative forms of tissue. The tetanic poison ignores these and goes directly for the nerve cells upon which any serious lesions are almost inevitably fatal. As a preventive, however, the tetanus anti-toxin is wonderfully successful. Any one who receives a serious surface wound, especially if accompanied by dirt, should immediately receive an injection, as infection from tetanus can thus almost always be forestalled. Lockjaw as a regular accompaniment of our Fourth of July celebration is decreasing annually because of the general use of this simple prophylactic."

The scare which the authorities at White Plains had concerning a big, yellow automobile with two men, in yellow ulsters and big goggles, which appeared twice on Thaw's line of march from court to jail, was extremely ludicrous in its precautionary effect. Four heavily armed guards were added to his escort so that the yellow auto couldn't steal him. For what any one could want to steal such a worthless piece of rubbish as Thaw, is a funny conundrum.

NEARBY NEWS.
 Scranton has a missing boy, Joseph Jordon, aged 15 years.

After 51 years' continuous service as station agent of the Erie Railroad, Orange county, Nelson B. Mapes has retired to make way for a younger man.

Wilkes-Barre has another case of "mysterious disappearance." An eight-year old girl; Lladislaw Sosnosky is missing. Donald Smith, of the same city, is still missing.

Mrs. James Vandemark of Pine Bush was, with her husband, burning brush on their farm, Wednesday last, when a dynamite cartridge, which some one had hidden in the brush, exploded, and Mrs. Vandemark was badly injured by flying stones.

A new order went into effect the first of the month in the Hillside company mines prohibiting foremen from employing relatives. It has required some readjustments and in several cases has worked hardship on old time and faithful employes of the company.

Joseph E. Wadas, of 1006 South Washington avenue, Scranton, was arrested Friday charged with embezzling money belonging to Sokot Lodge, a Polish organization, which he held as treasurer. It is claimed by Walter Karenski, the president of the lodge, that \$54 was taken.

The mystery surrounding the injury of Joe Sargolis, who is hovering between life and death at the Scranton hospital, has finally been cleared up. Stanley Fromskey, twenty-two years old, of Old Forge, has admitted throwing a stone that struck Sargolis, but says that he did it in self defense.

A girl giving her name as Julia Burden, 18 years old, was taken to police station in Scranton Thursday morning by Mrs. Duggan, charged with being a lunatic. She had been sent to the State hospital from the South Side. The girl has been in this country about nine months.

Wilkes-Barre plumbers, who are receiving \$3 per day, propose a strike if they are not at once given \$3.75. Why, surely,—make it \$4! That should hold them for a week or two. When the plumbers plumb the public does not usually get plums.

Sister Mary Thackla, of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart, died Thursday morning in Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, Scranton. She was connected for some years with the parochial school, of St. Cecilia's parish, Wyoming, of which the Rev. P. F. Quinnan is pastor. Her name in the world was Boyle, and her home was in West Pittston before she entered the convent.

Parents of Donald Smith, the former Scranton boy, but whose home is now in Wilkes-Barre, are disheartened at the failure of the search to find the boy, who left home last Saturday and has not been seen or heard from since. Many clues that looked good for his recovery were run down, but the mystery of the boy's whereabouts is as puzzling as ever.

While spending a day at Fish's Eddy a clerk from Middletown, found a fine gold watch. The watch is a valuable one and is in perfect condition. A copperhead snake crossed the young man's path and he commenced throwing stones at it. As he was stooping to pick up a large stone he saw the watch in the bushes and the snake was forgotten.

Jacob Bogdan, of Dickson City, through Attorney M. M. Moskowitz, started an action against Burgess Morris Weiss, of Dickson City, Thursday morning to recover \$1,000 damages, for imprisoning Bogdan. On July 1 Bogdan was arrested on the charge of disorderly conduct and was taken before Burgess Weiss for a hearing. When a fine of \$10 and costs was placed on Bogdan, Attorney Moskowitz offered to pay provided a transcript of the proceedings was furnished at once. The Burgess refused, hence the suit.

Michael Coholone, a resident of Jermy, is at the Emergency hospital, Carbondale, unconscious with a fractured skull. He received the injuries which may result in his death at the Jermy station of the Delaware and Hudson company on Thursday night. He leaped from the train before it came to a full stop and was pitched headlong, his feet striking a rail and overturning him so that he landed on his head on another rail. It was found his skull was fractured, while several bone splinters were pressing the brain.

Mary Owens, of Wilkes-Barre, aged seventeen years, on Thursday accidentally shot and fatally wounded her mother, while she was shooting at a large rat. From the house she saw the rat emerge from a hole in the yard and seize a small chicken. Seizing her father's rifle she shot at the rat. It continued to pull the chicken along, while the girl's mother, who had been hanging clothes in the yard, fell to the ground. The bullet had struck her in the right side, penetrating the lungs. She cannot recover.

Joseph Rosaloski, a Pole residing at 1129 Acker avenue, Scranton, fell from the platform of an out-bound Duryea street car early Friday evening on South Main avenue, near Smith street, and landing on his head was severely injured.

At the Oxford mine of the People's Coal company Friday afternoon between 2 and 3 o'clock, Patrick Cannon, nineteen years old, of 420 Christ court, Scranton, employed as a driver, was instantly killed by a fall of roof.

After lying unconscious for five hours Sunday night at the State hospital, Scranton, Frank Wierbach, thirty-five years old, of 946 Taylor avenue, recovered consciousness at an early hour Monday morning, long enough to tell his attendants that a man named Bens kicked him in the stomach while the pair were engaged in a street fight in Petersburg at 8 o'clock the previous night.

Mrs. Judson Tompkins, 73 years old, was burned to death at her home one-half mile from Grahamsville, on Thursday, Aug. 5, at about 11:30 o'clock while fumigating the house to exterminate some bugs, which had made their appearance. When the neighbors reached the place, their attention being called by the smoke and flames, the house was a mass of fire and not a thing could be touched. It was entirely consumed with its contents and the body of Mrs. Tompkins.

Garrett B. Linderman, Bethlehem's former millionaire, who spent nearly a year in the Allentown jail for his failure to file an account in the estate of his nephew, Robert P. Rathbun, whose guardian he was, was released last Saturday. It was alleged that Linderman lost \$53,000 of his ward's money in bad copper speculations two years ago, and when he was faced with the charge, he admitted it. Unable to make good the shortage, he was committed to prison. However, rich relatives came to his rescue and made a satisfactory settlement. It is said that Linderman sank nearly \$2,000,000 in stock speculations.

THE TARIFF BILL A LAW.

Signed by the President and Now in Force.

President Taft affixed his signature to the tariff bill as finally passed by both houses of congress, at 5:05 o'clock on Thursday afternoon and Friday it became the law of the land.

President Taft gave out a statement embodying his views of the new tariff act, which he designates officially as the "Payne bill" in accordance with past customs of giving first recognition to the framer of the measure in the house of representatives.

The president declares that while the bill is not perfect by any means, nor "a complete compliance with promises made, strictly interpreted," it is nevertheless a sincere effort on the part of the party to make a downward revision and to comply with the promises of the platform. The statement follows:

"I have signed the Payne tariff bill because I believe it to be the result of a sincere effort on the part of the Republican party to make a downward revision, and to comply with the promises of the platform as they have been generally understood and as I interpreted them in the campaign before election.

"The bill is not a perfect tariff bill, nor a complete compliance with the promises made, strictly interpreted, but a fulfillment free from criticism, in respect to a subject matter involving many schedules and thousands of articles, could not be expected. It suffices to say that, except with regard to whiskey, liquors and wines, and in regard to silks and as to some high classes of cottons—all of which may be treated as luxuries and proper subjects of a revenue tariff—there have been very few increases in rates.

"There have been a great number of real decreases in rates and they constitute a sufficient amount to justify the statement that this bill is a substantial downward revision, and a reduction of excessive rates.

"The corporation tax is a just and equitable excise measure, which it is hoped will produce a sufficient amount to prevent a deficit and which incidentally will secure valuable statistics and information concerning the many corporations of the country, and will constitute an important step in that degree of publicity and regulation which the tendency in corporate enterprises in the last twenty years has shown to be necessary."

The tariff has been revised and the extraordinary session of congress has been brought to a close. Both houses adjourned sine die officially at 6 o'clock.

The conference report of the bill was agreed to by the senate by a vote of 47 to 31, when the vote was taken at 2 p. m., and soon afterwards the concurrent resolution making certain changes in the leather schedule was adopted by both houses.

HISTORY OF TARIFF BILL.
 March 4, 1909—President Taft called an extraordinary session of congress to revise the tariff.
 March 15—Congress convened.
 March 18—Chairman Payne, of the house ways and means committee introduced a provisional bill.

April 10—House passed bill and transmitted it to the senate.
 April 12—Senate began consideration of the measure.
 July 8—Senate passed bill with 847 amendments.
 July 9—Tariff question shifted from both houses of congress and sent to a conference committee.
 July 29—Conference reached agreement, and it was signed and reported to the house.
 July 31—House adopted conference report and passed the bill.
 August 5—Senate adopted conference report and passed bill.
 August 5—President Taft signed tariff bill.
 August 6, 1909—New tariff law becomes effective.

Turn Him Down.
 When a smooth-tongued chap calls upon you, Mr. Farmer, with a new and valuable preparation for preserving milk and cleaning bottles, heed him not. A milk dealer in this locality bought "Frezerine" with which to sterilize his output, and State Commissioner W. A. Hutchinson had him arrested for selling poisonous milk. It had been discovered that "Frezerine" contained formaldehyde enough to seriously affect the milk, and, although the farmer was, to all intents, innocent of wrong-doing, but on the other hand, extremely careful as to milk and cans, he was obliged to pay a fine of \$50.

Death of H. F. Baldwin.
 H. F. Baldwin, who was road-master of the Delaware Division, with headquarters at Port Jervis, about 10 years ago, died suddenly of apoplexy at Seattle, Washington, June 17. At the time of his death he was Chief Engineer of the Oregon and Washington railroad.

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