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REVENUE PROVES STUMBLING BLOCK

Democrats Facing Tariff Dilemma.

FREE WOOL MEANS BIG LOSS

Way to Make Up Deficiency Is Not Apparent.

LOWER DUTY IS PROBABLE

West Has Small Voice in House in Shaping Schedule K, But in Senate Dominating Factors Will Be Heard.

BY HARRY J. BROWN. OREGON NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 28.—Inability to reduce materially the cost of running the Government is proving embarrassing to the Democratic leaders in Congress in their endeavor to shape a tariff revision program in conformity with the platform pledges of their party.

Wool Situation Puzzling.

This peculiar situation is illustrated clearly by the present embarrassment of the Democratic leaders of the House with respect to the proposal to amend the wool schedule of the Payne-Aldrich law.

The probabilities are that when the Democrats of the House caucus on the wool problem next week they will favor a reduction, but not the removal of all duty on wool.

Reduction Must Suffice.

So a majority of the ways and means committee accepted the judgment of the Speaker and of Chairman Underwood, and framed a tentative bill reducing the duty on raw wool to a rate ranging from 25 to 30 per cent ad valorem.

Bryan Still Has Following.

The fact that William Jennings Bryan is clamoring for free raw wool will make it more difficult for the House leaders to swing the caucus into line than would have been the case had the great Commoner remained silent or acquiesced readily in the scheme to retain a "reasonable" tariff on raw wool.

There is one other thing, however, that deters the House leaders from giving assent to the passage of a free wool bill, and that is the absolute certainty that such a bill cannot hope to pass the present Senate.

GIFT BY TEACHER AIDS ANNUITIES

UNNAMED DONOR ADDS \$5000 TO PENSION FUND.

Active Work to Obtain 300 Necessary Names to Insure Organization to Be Begun.

With a gift of \$5000 from a former schoolteacher whose name is withheld and a guaranteed annual contribution of \$3000 from the county school fund, the Teachers' Retirement Fund Association of Multnomah County will start active work as soon as 300 teachers are signed as members by a committee which was named at the meeting Saturday.

The dues for the first ten years, according to the by-laws as now framed, will be \$1 a month of the ten school months; for the second ten years they will be \$2 a month, and for the third ten years, \$3 a month, when the teacher is retired, if he wishes it.

The annuity given at the completion of 20 years' work will be \$500, and its acceptance makes the resignation of the teacher from his position imperative.

Teachers who wish to pay back installments for the number of years that they have taught, but not belonged to the association, may do so on the set scale, with compound interest, the whole amount to be paid not exceeding \$450.

ALFALFA IS HUMAN DIET

Farmer at Spray Proposes to Can Roots for Table Use.

Alfalfa now has reached such a stage of development that it can be used for human consumption—at least the roots of it can.

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PHONOGRAPH CRIES 'FIRE'

Vancouver Folk Rush to Aid of Supposed Person in Distress.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 28.—(Special.)—Cries of "help," "Police!" "Murder," and "Fire!" and kindred calls attracted people on Washington street today to a building on Fifth street.

They found a large phonograph, with a big horn attachment, grinding out "Kill the Empire, Kelly's Safe." The horn, which was of unusual proportion, magnified the sound, and the usual din of the street softened the grating sound, usually heard on such instruments.

GARY MUST TELL SECRET OF STEEL

Corporation Chief Is Subpenaed.

COMMITTEE SUMMONS HIM

John Lambert, of Republic Company, Also to Testify.

STANLEY WELL SATISFIED

Representative Who Heads Congressional Inquiry Body Is Well Informed—Gates' Story Throws Spotlight on Hearing.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—(Special.)—Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation and the real chief of the organization, will furnish the second chapter of the Stanley committee's history of the great steel trust.

John Lambert, of the Republic Iron and Steel Company, is to be heard soon. Representative Stanley is more than pleased at the result of the first attempt of his committee to get at the facts behind this gigantic combination of capital.

Eyes Are on Hearings.

The graphic way in which the veteran financier described the movements in the big chess game that led up to the elimination of Mr. Carnegie and the pooling of interests in one holding company of \$1,799,999,000 capital has centered the eyes of everybody in Washington on the hearings.

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Carnegie Is Suspected.

"I suspected," said Mr. Stanley today, "that Carnegie was the cause of it at that particular time. I believe that he had decided to make Morgan and his crowd buy him out at his own price or else dominate the entire steel industry himself by going into the manufacture of every kind of steel products and the building of railroads."

The committee will continue its meetings here until the end of the present session of Congress. It then intends to go to New York, Pittsburgh and Chicago and take testimony. There will probably be no man of prominence in steel affairs or in any great banking institution or other line of industry that is in any way connected with steel who will not eventually be examined.

AMUSEMENT PARK IS RAZED BY FIRE

CHUTES, SAN FRANCISCO, DESTROYED; LOSS \$250,000.

Woman and Man Hurt Jumping From Second-Story Boarding-House—Firemen Fight Hard.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 28.—(4 A. M.)—Chutes Park, the largest amusement resort in the city, was destroyed by fire this morning and a number of boarding-houses and other buildings in the vicinity damaged. The loss on the park is over \$250,000.

Della Alvino, 19 years old, jumped from the second story of a frame boarding-house near the resort and was dangerously injured. William Williams, who attempted to catch Miss Alvino as she fell, had his wrist broken. Joseph Felst, a tailor, who also jumped from the second story of the boarding-house, broke his right leg.

The fire started in the rear of the Pullman billiard hall and was beyond control before an alarm could be turned in. Employees of the chutes from the top of the scenic railway fought the fire with a garden hose until they were driven from their position by heat and smoke.

Every building in the resort block has been destroyed, including 20 stores occupied by concessionaires. The owners of the resort estimate their loss at \$250,000.

The power-house across the street from the burning buildings was saved. At 2:15 the fire was under control. A cage of monkeys and a baby lion were saved by daring efforts of the employees of the park.

HITCHCOCK HAS SURPLUS

Postal Department Turns Over Million Dollars.

WASHINGTON, May 28.—For the first time in the history of the service, the deficit in the Postoffice Department has been entirely wiped out, and \$1,000,000 surplus for the current fiscal year ended June 30, is in the Treasury to the Department's credit.

Postmaster-General Hitchcock last night signed a warrant returning to the Secretary of the Treasury \$3,000,000, the last of the amount set apart from the public funds to assist in defraying the expenses of the postal service for the present year.

An accounting plan, which was adopted a year ago, insures the prompt deposit in the Treasury of postal funds not required for disbursement at post-offices, thus making available for use by the Postoffice Department several millions of dollars that, under the former practice, would be tied up in postoffices.

SON BORN TO CHURCHILLS

Stork Visits English Home Secretary at London.

LONDON, May 28.—Mrs. Winston Spencer Churchill, wife of the Home Secretary, today gave birth to a son. Mrs. Churchill formerly was Miss Clementine Hozier, daughter of the late Sir Henry Montague Hozier. She was married to Mr. Churchill in 1908.

COAL CLAIMANTS SUBPENAEED NORTH

30 Days' Grace Is Allowed Locators.

EX-GOVERNOR GILLET IS ONE

Wife of Former California Executive Must Appear.

ALL CALLED TO JUNEAU

Holders of Doughten Group Lands Are Ordered to Prove Good Faith in Filing on Them 30 Deemed 'Dummies.'

SEATTLE, Wash., May 28.—James N. Gillett, ex-Governor of California; his wife, Isabella Gillett; James McLachlan, ex-Representative of Congress, of Pasadena, Cal., and a member of the National Monetary Commission; Henry T. Oxnard, president of the American Beet Sugar Company, and all other claimants to coal lands in the Doughten group, Alaska, have been notified by the Register of the Juneau Land Office to appear before him within 30 days and show cause why their entries should not be reported to the Commissioner of the General Land Office for cancellation or rejection.

Estimates of the value of the lands range from \$25,000,000 to \$50,000,000. Charges have been filed by a special agent of the General Land Office against each of the claimants. The Government alleges:

Outside Interest Alleged.

"That the claimants did not make their respective locations and filings for their own exclusive, individual use and benefit, but that each and every one of them prior to making said locations entered into an agreement with Charles H. Doughten and Raymond Brown, whereby it was agreed that Doughten and Brown should receive a certain interest in the locations and filings and enjoy the benefits of greater number of locations and entries of coal lands than allowed by law.

"That the claimants did not locate and file upon the lands embraced in and covered by their several filings in good faith, but each of said locations was made pursuant to an unlawful agreement and understanding entered into by each and every one of the claimants with Doughten and Brown, whereby the entries were to be made in the interest of Doughten and Brown and various other persons or corporations.

Indictment Held Valid.

"That the locators of the claims did not open and improve any mine of coal, as required by law."

The promoters of the Doughten group, Harry White, of Los Angeles, ex-Mayor of Seattle; Donald A. McKenzie, of Washington, D. C.; Charles A. McKenzie, of Seattle; Raymond Brown and William E. Dunn, of Spokane, and Charles M. Doughten, of Pasco, Wash., were indicted by a Federal grand jury at Spokane last October for conspiracy to defraud the Government of possession and use of the Doughten group of lands.

They demurred to the indictment, but United States District Judge Judkin held that the indictment was valid. There are 39 claims, and land office officials say that all the original locators were dummies.

Following is a list of the original 39: Martin J. Kales, Francis A. Fisher, (Concluded on Page 2.)

MEXICAN ROBBERS SLAY AMERICANS

RANCHER MURDERED AND WIFE CARRIED OFF BY BAND.

Mining Engineer Held Up and Then Killed—Steamer Newport Brings Refugees From South.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 28.—(Special.)—The Pacific Mail steamer Newport arrived tonight from Panama and Mexican ports four days overdue and crowded with refugees from the Mexican Coast. All these refugees unite in saying that bands of freebooters who call themselves insurgents, are plundering and burning and that there is no safety for life and property in Western Mexico.

Robert J. Swartz, an American planter in Michoacan, was killed by a band of insurgents; his ranchhouse burned and his wife probably taken by marauders as she disappeared the night of her husband's murder.

James McIntyre, an American miner, was held up and robbed by a band of Mexicans near Amulidilla. After they secured about \$200 from McIntyre, the Mexicans decided to kill him and promptly filled him with lead.

Dr. George D. Rich, an American physician at Colima, received word of McIntyre's fate. Many stories of wanton outrage and burning of property were brought by these refugees, a few of whom saved any of their possessions. The steamer's passengers told of a battle at Acapulco in which 83 federal and an unknown number of rebels were killed.

MOTHER SEEKS CHILDREN

Mrs. Jack Cudaby Trails Mother-in-Law Who Has Possession.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 28.—(Special.)—Mrs. Jack Cudaby left the Hotel Alexandria today for Kansas City to begin a search there for her four children, who were suddenly taken away from Pasadena last Sunday by their grandmother, Mrs. Michael Cudaby. It was Mrs. Cudaby's intention to leave last Tuesday for the East, but her departure was delayed by the circulation of a story last Sunday that she had been asked to leave the hotel by the management.

Mrs. Cudaby made inquiries last evening at the Cudaby home in Pasadena and at the convent near Alhambra, where her children had been staying, but she could get no definite information as to their whereabouts. Telegraphic advices from Chicago last night reported that Joseph Cudaby, the son of Mrs. Michael Cudaby, declared that his mother had left Pasadena with the children and he did not know their present whereabouts.

Mrs. Cudaby will be accompanied East by Mrs. Williams, who has been her companion during her visit here.

WOMAN IN PERIL FOR CUR

Salem Resident Drags Dog From Track as Car Speeds Near.

SALEM, Or., May 28.—(Special.)—Devotion to a mongrel dog nearly cost a woman her life here today.

As an East State street car was bowling along toward the penitentiary a dog, which was accompanying a carriage, lay down on the track in front of the car. A woman in the carriage jumped out and ran in front of the car to drag the dog away.

The motorman succeeded in getting the car under control when it stopped within a few feet of the woman and the dog. The woman's name could not be learned.

MEN OF WORLD-WIDE PROMINENCE WHO ARE INVOLVED IN CONGRESSIONAL STEEL TRUST INQUIRY.



JOHN W. GATES, WHOSE TESTIMONY BEFORE HOUSE INVESTIGATORS OF STEEL TRUST REVEALED ITS HISTORY, AND GUSTAV SCHWAB, ANDREW CARNEGIE, J. P. MORGAN (ABOVE) AND E. H. GARY, STEEL MAGNATES INVOLVED WHO WILL BE SUMMONED TO TESTIFY.

PREACHER SLAYS WIFE WITH CLUB

Occult Message to Murder Obeyed.

ATTEMPT TO KILL SELF VAIN

Minister's Effort to Drown in Ditch Is Futile.

SCENE IS NEAR KITTITAS

T. H. H. Gardner, Itinerant Clergyman, Surrenders to Sheriff After Crime—Man Released Recently on Insanity Charge.

ELLENSBURG, Wash., May 28.—(Special.)—In a fit of jealousy, T. H. H. Gardner, a traveling preacher, beat his wife to death with a board early this morning and surrendered after attempting to drown himself in an irrigation ditch. The murder was committed a mile east of Kittitas.

In the County Jail this afternoon Gardner confessed the murder, saying that he feared if he did not kill his wife that she would have been influenced by his enemies to be unfaithful to him. He acknowledges that he had no reason to suspect his wife of wrongdoing, but received occult messages to that effect.

Gardner is 47 years old and his wife was 25. Gardner has been a traveling preacher for years, but for the last eight years has been affiliated with no sect, preaching a religion of his own.

The slayer was educated in the Western Maryland Theological Seminary of the Methodist Episcopal faith. After 19 years of preaching he met the woman he killed today and was united to her by common-law marriage. They were married in Virginia last year.

Death Messages Heard.

Until 1907 Gardner preached a religion of his own. Then he gave up that work and for the last four years traveled from place to place, being supported by his wife who canvassed for a cookbook. At Vancouver, B. C., in April, Gardner says he began to receive messages about his wife and planned for her death.

"I became miserable," he said, "and asked my wife about the messages I received, but she laughed at me. We made a trip to Lopez Islands, where we (Concluded on Page 4.)

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