

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

Change in Wool Schedule to be Fought by Wool Manufacturing Association

Washington.—A virtually undisturbed tariff on the variety of articles in the flax, hemp and jute schedule was indicated at the tariff revision hearing before the house ways and means committee. No action will be taken until the committee considers the schedule in executive session next month, but members have indicated that they considered most of the duties as already highly competitive.

The committee, which heard the testimony of many manufacturers and importers on the flax, hemp and jute schedule of the tariff, was not disposed to question the competitive character and luxury classification of many of the laces, embroideries and other articles in the schedule. This indicates that the committee favors retention of approximately the same rates on many items.

The schedule is one of the most profitable of the whole tariff scheme, and produced last year more than \$49,000,000 of revenue, with duties averaging above 45 per cent ad valorem. Some of these articles will be reduced to stimulate competition and bring revenue.

Wool Schedule Under Fire

The wool schedule will be under fire this week, and it is expected that the woolgrowers and wool manufacturing association will present an unbroken front in their fight against any change in the present rates.

The expectation, however, is that the democratic majority both in the committee and house in the next congress will favor the same revision as incorporated in the Underwood bill that passed the house at the last session of congress.

Knox Sends England Note on Panama

The next move in the diplomatic skirmish between Great Britain and the United States over the former nation's objection to the clause in the Panama canal bill, which exempts American shipping engaged in coastwise trade from the payment of tolls, must come from England.

Until that time, state department officials declared, they must refrain from a discussion of Secretary Knox's note to Secretary Grey to the effect that there is no basis for the British protest. It was admitted, however, that at least two or three additional notes must be exchanged before a basis for an understanding could be reached. This makes it practically certain that Woodrow Wilson will be called upon to make final disposition of the question, as it is considered impossible that the Taft administration can effect a settlement before March fourth.

Monopoly in Money Denied.

Accepting as an "argument" a long statement by Henry P. Davison, of J. P. Morgan & Co., denying the existence of a money trust and attributing the co-operation among financial interests to the "weak banking law," the house money trust investigating committee closed for the time being its financial probe. The committee will begin within a week consideration of its report, which will recommend changes in the national bank law and legal control of various financial agencies.

Mr. Davison's statement was an analytical argument based on the tables and charts presented to the committee purporting to show control of \$25,000,000,000 of resources by 180 directors.

The statement denied this conclusion and set forth specifically that the firm of Morgan & Co. "believes there is no such thing, either in form or fact, as a money trust."

National Capital Briefs.

President Taft refused to dismiss the criminal anti-trust suit against the so-called "bathub trust."

Democratic managers in the senate have agreed that no bill having any reference to the Sherman anti-trust law shall receive consideration during the remainder of this session of congress.

Democratic senators in caucus reaffirmed their determination to permit none of President Taft's nominations to be confirmed at this time, with the exception of army, navy and diplomatic appointments.

A dry inauguration will mark President-elect Wilson's induction into office if a petition presented in the senate by Senator Gallinger, on behalf of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, is acted upon favorably by congress. The petition urges closing of all saloons in the national capital on March 4.

Prediction that one of President-elect Woodrow Wilson's first requests to congress would be to repeal that part of the Panama canal law which grants free tolls to American ships engaged in coastwise trade was made by Chairman Adamson of the house interstate commerce committee, in a formal statement.

The German Consolidated societies of Oregon held their sixth annual convention in Portland Sunday. These societies are composed of 17 different organizations located in various sections of the state, with a membership of nearly 7000.

The F. P. Mining company of Oakland, Cal., holders of an electric inter-urban franchise at Medford, has closed a deal for the purchase of the F. W. Waite tract, 1 1/4 miles from Ashland. The tract consists of 2000 acres and the price paid was \$400,000.

With authority given by Attorney-General Wickersham, District Attorney McCourt at Portland dismissed

During the year 1912, according to official figures made public by the department of commerce and labor, Portland exported 6,810,206 bushels of wheat, valued at \$6,273,825, as compared with 7,703,061 bushels in 1911, representing a total valuation of \$6,570,995. These statistics show that Portland ranks fourth among the wheat exporting districts for the past year.

The secretary of state has been furnished by the national government with figures showing the exact distribution of the timbered area of the state by counties. The data are obtained by the national forest service.

Atlantic City, N. J., association, should be of considerable interest to people of this community since we have here a very active campaign in the interests of such an association:

"You can test the modern community by the degree of its interest in it's Young Men's Christian Associations—a common investment that yields a most bountiful usury to the common benefit of all mankind."

Nothing is more vital to this country than the association of men together for things that are not for private interest.

No man ever organized a Young Men's Christian Association for his own benefit.

mankind, because there is one way in which you can test the modern community, you can test it by the degree of its interest in its Young Men's Christian Association.

We ought not only to open our individual homes to young men but we ought to make a common home to which they can resort, where they can find a communion with each other that is pure from all the grosser things of life, and that common home is the Young Men's Christian Association.

There is something a little alarming about one thought that constantly runs in my mind on occasion of this sort. It is a little alarming to realize that we

friends, acquaintances, their enemies even, hold them up to a standard of rectitude which perhaps they do not hold themselves up to. That illustrates one of the purposes of the Young Men's Christian Association. It is as if we "Come here and associate with the men who believe in the kind of life that you believe in, and I will help you to maintain the standards of your life and resist the temptations of your life." That is a pretty handsome enterprise. I look upon it as a sort of means of moral sanitation, as a means of purifying men by subjecting them to the tests of association with one and another.

There has arisen in our time a new profession—the profession of secretaries of Young Men's Christian Associations, with over 3,000 men especially trained for that work. They constitute guides in whose hands these Associations may be wisely guided, and they themselves act as examples of a righteous life.

The thing that glorifies the work of an association like the Young Men's Christian Association is this. The only thing that ever made a man big is to love something bigger and better than himself. A man who loves himself is already spoiled. Just as soon as a man's purposes are centered and concentrated upon himself he becomes unserviceable even to himself, because presently he will do some selfish thing that will rob him of the trust and confidence of his fellow men. He cannot even promote his fortune in the world unless he enjoys the confidence of others. A man cannot enjoy the confidence of others unless he proves worthy of it by showing he is ready to serve others and occasionally forget himself.

That is the test of manhood, it is the test of humanity, and it is the glory and sign of Christianity that a man will lay down his life for another no matter what the consequences may be to himself either in this world or the next.

One boy—maybe many—of the 37,000 who were taught to swim last year saved a life, one who was taught first-aid rescued fellow employees in a mine. A college man who learned a way to handle foreigners through a class in English while at college, has been transforming a camp where drunkenness and immorality ruled. A gang of young rascals on a village street were captured, first by athletics, then for study are now the town's best citizens instead of in the penitentiary.

The home, community, business, church and the railroad get returns at a southwestern division point. The division superintendent declared that the railroad men there were "the drops of humanity." An Association equipment and a man with the Christian spirit and message, changed the drops to the cream. Characters were changed, health was better, business was better, bills were paid, life was cleaner and happier, for the Christian man pays his bills and his family has plenty.

An impression made in boyhood has vast expression in manhood. Here is an incident. A New York boy of wealth and family came into Association membership more than 50 years ago. He attended the meetings after the war and met there men of vision and enkindling force who made him want to be, as well as to be, all he might. His personal business and interests became secondary to this greater interest. He was one of the first members of the International Committee. He established Associations of French men in New York and Paris, and others in Rome and St. Petersburg. He personally secured and financed the first American Association foreign secretary. His gifts approach half a million and his life investment easily affects 10,000 men daily. Mr. Stokes is "cutting coupons in character."

There is an Association building in Brisbane, Australia, the finest in all Australia, which is demonstrating what an Association can be and mean to a city. It has a membership of 1,183. From it are going out influences which reach into a score of railway construction camps and every British man-of-war's crew coming into the harbor feels its friendly touch. There is an elderly couple watching this work with keenest interest. Five years ago a farmer, who had a small fortune walked into the Association's little rooms the day the building campaign was announced and asked "How much do you need for this building?" He was told "100,000," and handed the secretary his check for that amount—the savings of his lifetime—stipulating only that a small annuity should be allowed him while he and his children wife should live. He is doing intensive farming in men and boys and rejoicing at the crops.

This annual review deals very briefly in statistics. Let these suffice. The North Americans Associations number 2192 with a membership of 296,190. The current expenses were \$10,150,000. Buildings owned, 725. The property holdings are \$81,000,000, an increase of \$7,000,000 in a year. Ten years ago the total was \$28,500,000. The 252 Railroad Departments have 92,000 members, the 74 Student Departments 62,000. There were 125,000 men and boys in the Bible classes and the gross attendance at the religious services was 5,318,718. In the educational classes there were 69,000 enrolled and 300,090 in physical training. There has been an advise in all of the departments and activities. The tables of the Year Book will supply the figures.

The Association has access to the stores of the parking houses, foundries, shops and factories to boys working in mines, cotton mills, men and in messenger service; to students in college and schools, and now to 600,000 in High School; to the million railroad men; to all soldiers and sailors and to state militia training camps; to lumbermen in the forests; to the country boy; to the immigrant as he sails, lands and reaches a thousand points; to construction gangs pioneering railroads and building bridges; to colored men and to the Indians; to the great teeming cities of the far East as well as in North and South America. It has found means, methods and the message to reach them all. It can command men ready to engage in any service worth while that will help boys and men to be men—clean, Christian, conscientious and capable men. These pages will suggest how it is done, and how money can be placed in a service that will produce results both immediate and in the years to come.

We frankly state that this review is prepared with the direct purpose in mind of securing larger investment of individual effort and money in the development and conservation of young men and boys. Can investments in stocks, bonds or mines, merchandising or manufacturing promise more lasting and satisfactory returns?

Great Stock Reduction Sale

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Sale Starts Saturday, February 1st,
Closes February 8, 1913.

Suits

Lot 1

\$12.50 and \$13.50
Suits, Sale Price

\$8.50

Lot No. 2

\$16.50, \$17.50, \$18
Suits, Sale Price

\$11.75

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\$20, \$22.50, \$25
Suits, Sale Price

\$15.00

One Lot

\$30.00 and \$35.00
Suits, Sale Price

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the indictments against A. R. Downs and Ed R. Downs. These were among the indictments returned under the direction of Francis J. Heney during 1905 in the famous land fraud cases.

C. G. Hodes, a well known business man of Oregon City, who has been missing since January 19, was found a hundred yards off the public highway leading to Willamette Falls railway depot, as West Oregon City. He was lying face downward in a crevice between two large boulders on a rocky cliff, which overhangs the public highway.

and are used in figuring the apportionment of funds accruing to the various sections from the administration of the forest lands. This sum totals \$42,559.52.

THE VALUE OF A "Y"

President-Elect Wilson Speaks on
"Investments in Men"

The following, spoken by President-Elect Wilson on the occasion of the laying of the corner stone of the At-

No man ever expected, if he were a true man, even to make a spiritual profit out of it, because if you try to do good to another man for your own sake, you don't do it for him.

The only thing that can vitalize a great Association like this is for men to forget themselves and try to serve others. Good was always a good undertaking. It is one of the peculiarities of men that they have never separated but always associated in order to accomplish things.

What strengthens every community is to put its assets into one common investment to yield usury—a most beautiful usury to the common benefit of all

are more moral when associated with one another than when separated from one another. One of the great dangers of a city is that so many men come there, and knowing they are at a great distance from their homes and believing that there are no home folks near to watch them, they are too apt to adjourn their morals and have a fling; but if they would only realize, or if they only thought that the people at home were by, they would keep steady, and they would realize what home means to them. We would think they were living by a standard of morals which is other men's consciences as well as in their own, and that their

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