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CIRCULATION (SWORN) OVER 4000



San Francisco employing printers and the union are at it over the hour question.

The strawberry is going, but get out of the way for the water melon and apple sass.

If the czar was only in Kansas now, he might go into his cyclone cellar until the storm passes.

Even Yale college had a place for a million of Rockefeller's money. Taint did not affect it either.

Paul Morton does not seem to favor employing after dinner speakers for the Equitable at \$20,000 a year.

In point of fact, there is but little talk any more of reducing the tariff. It was found to be too unpopular.

Russia is certainly up against it now. The movement against the government is certainly assuming terrible proportions.

The czar no doubt will want Schwab to build him some ships whose guns cannot possibly be turned against themselves.

Henry Waterson's hasty return from Europe does not necessarily mean that the mint crop is short in Kentucky.

There is little doubt of the correctness of the statement of the San Francisco Bulletin that noise and patriotism will always go hand in hand.

When soldiers and sailors prefer death to taking an oath of allegiance to their government, the situation is serious. This is what is doing in Russia.

A lot of universities and colleges have been scoring the great capitalists lately. Evidently they have been overlooked in the recent distributions.

Hitecock and Heney will now no doubt assure Taft he was wrong in his complaint against the jury system. They insist it is all right. It all depends!

Tom Watson will have to let ice cream alone, especially if it has ptomaines in it. A populist should stick to easy things like floats and lemonade.

It is noticeable that eastern papers no longer refer to him as Mr. Barrett of Oregon. It is simply "Mr. Barrett." He has become an international character.

The newspapers are never without something to fall back on. As Loomis left for Europe, General Leonard Wood, U. S. A., appeared again on the scene at Washington.

The Astorian says, speaking of the Mitchell trial and verdict, that while it regrets Senator Mitchell's conviction, yet it is satisfied. It does not take much to satisfy the Astorian.

It is now said that the president's action in the Loomis-Bowen affair had much to do with hastening Mr. Hay's death. Mr. Hay was friendly to Mr. Bowen and believed Loomis guilty.

Tom Johnson of Cleveland has decided not to apply for the Norwegian throne, but to "sit in" the game of politics at home and run for the presidency on the Democratic automobile.

Your Hair advertisement: "Two years ago my hair was falling out badly. I purchased a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor, and soon my hair stopped coming out." Miss Minnie Hoover, Paris, Ill.

THE CONSULAR SERVICE.

In the Chamber of Commerce Bulletin, published by the Chamber of Commerce at Portland, appears a letter from James T. Du Bois of the department of state on the consular service of the United States, and his letter is worthy consideration from business men and political economists over the country.

He says that "our consular service is the best in the world," which is not true, and goes on in the next paragraph to state just exactly why it is not true. He says:

"If you ask what are its vices, I would respectfully submit that among the chief ones are 'its pernicious fees system, its inadequate and badly-adjusted salaries, its uncertain tenure of office, and, above all, the startling number of foreigners who hold positions in the American consular service.'"

In the above paragraph Mr. DuBois tells us what is the matter with our consular service and the principal trouble is set forth in the latter clause. In the writer's absence abroad he has met consuls sent out by the United States government who were unable to make themselves even passably understood in the English language, and not at all in the language of the country to which they were accredited.

A few years ago a German was sent as consul to Nicaragua, who affiliated with the German colony of that country at all times and in every way. He had no use for Americans or American ways; yet he was able to pass the civil service examination, and the result was the United States supported an extra German consul in that country.

The present consul at Colon in Panama is a foreigner, who has no knowledge at all of the United States except what he has learned from reading German and other foreign papers. Yet he has been in the consular service of the United States for many years. He can hardly speak enough English to make himself understood. There are hundreds more like him in this service and the consular service will continue to be the laughing stock of the world until this foreign element is eliminated therefrom.

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In point of fact, notwithstanding a few papers continue to declare that the president is the most popular man in the United States today, a great many of his own party and of his former supporters have not hesitated to criticize a number of his actions of the past few weeks.

His declaration in favor of the purchase of material in the open market for the Panama canal called forth a storm of protests from Republicans all over the United States, and his demand for tariff revision is still under fire, not from a few only, but from a large number of the Republican newspapers of the country. One of the points of criticism in regard to his sending abroad for the information desired regarding trade conditions is that he is sending to the wrong field for his knowledge. What better information is needed than a glance at our present prosperity will give is the question. That there is an independence from the executive authority alive in the Republican party is evident and it will continue to manifest itself. Also that there is little wrong with our foreign trade will be recognized from the following figures:

Our total foreign trade for the fiscal year 1905 (estimated according to the returns for eleven months) will be \$2,750,000,000, as against \$2,451,000,000 for 1904. The total for 1904 was the largest in the history of the country, and yet it is exceeded in 1905 by nearly \$300,000,000.

In view of these facts what is wrong with our foreign trade? In 1905, fiscal year, according to estimates based on the first eleven months, we shall export commodities valued at \$1,528,000,000, being \$41,000,000 in excess of our exports for 1901, our largest previous year for exports, and \$60,000,000 more than in 1904. Of imports in 1905 we shall receive \$1,222,000,000, as against \$991,087,000 in 1904, and \$1,025,719,237 in 1903, the latter being our largest import year.

In our exports of articles of food there is a marked falling off, but it is more than made up in the exports of manufactures. The decrease in sales of foodstuffs to foreigners for 1905 will amount to about \$50,000,000, as compared with 1904. As compared with 1901, the banner year for exports of foodstuffs, the falling off in 1905 is about \$170,000,000. This means that American wage earners are eating more and foreigners are eating less of American foodstuffs. Foreigners have been obliged to eat less because of the heavy advance in prices of farm products, but Americans have eaten more in spite of the heavy advance in prices. The American farmer has found right here at home the best market he has ever had for his products. The American manufacturer has found in 1904 the biggest foreign outlet for his goods that he has ever known, and the American wage earner has had the busiest year and the biggest pay that he has ever known.

What is wrong with our foreign trade? And why send to Europe to study this question? Those who want their low tariff theories carried out are searching all over the world for arguments in favor of this theory. Those

opposed have only to point to our present prosperous condition.

THE VERDICT.

The verdict in the case against United States Senator Mitchell will no doubt give as much satisfaction to the enemies of that gentleman as it will be disappointing to his friends. The justice or injustice of the verdict can not properly be discussed, as it is rendered by twelve men, after due deliberation. That a number of things were brought to the attention of the jury which were not pertinent to the case at issue can not be denied, yet these things must of necessity have had their bearing on the minds of the jury. That the prosecution showed personal animus, at times, will make many feel its unfairness, is also true.

The question of a right or wrong verdict will not enter into the ordinary discussion of this matter. A feeling of infinite sorrow and regret will fill all the friends of the aged senator. Many if not all of them will feel that he has been guilty of only a technical wrong, and they will continue to feel that it carried with it nothing of moral turpitude.

The feeling that on the part of Judge De Haven there was nothing but fairness is sure to be a satisfaction. His charge to the jury demonstrated a willingness on his part to give the defense and the prosecution each a fair deal.

In his charge Judge De Haven said: "It is a substantial right of the defendant to be presumed innocent until he is proved guilty. The indictment contains seven counts, each charging a violation of the federal statutes, forbidding either the direct or indirect receipt of money for services before the departments in matters in which the government is interested. He may render services to his constituents, but he shall not take compensation therefor."

"The government is not required to prove that the claims referred to in the count were fraudulent ones. If you are satisfied that Mitchell appeared and worked to expedite these claims and received money therefor, you will find the defendant guilty. The government is required to show that when the defendant received the money included in the monthly division of the firm fees from Kriba, he knew that the money was being paid for the services before the department. In other words, guilty knowledge must be shown."

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Some newspapers act on the assumption that those Republicans who have been friendly to Senator Mitchell in the past, are on trial in the United States courts at Portland. It is mildly suggested that such assumption is not apt to bring those Republicans any nearer in touch with the other wing of the party. The sooner, therefore, such rot is cut out of these papers, the sooner will there be hopes of reuniting the two wings of the Republican party. It is also clear to any one that disunited, Governor Chamberlain will continue to be the governor of Oregon. The sooner, therefore, these recriminations cease the better for all who believe in Republican principles.

This paper has refrained from commenting on the trial of Senator Mitchell since the trial began. It has not felt that it was proper to do so. After the trial is over it will not hesitate if it sees aught on which to descant to state its opinions or to draw its conclusions. Those papers which have slung their little slurs at that old man, on trial for his reputation, his freedom and at his age his very life, may sometime regret these evidences of smallness of character and lack of Christian spirit. When ever one's enemy is before the bar, let him that is without sin cast the first stone at him.

The Democrats in the Ohio convention approved heartily of the course of the president and Secretary Taft and the canal commission on the matter of purchase of the canal materials, and stated that as the president was in favor of three Democratic planks, in which it indicates corporate control, regulation of transportation rates and reduction of the tariff, Democrats could properly commend him. On the latter point the Democrats do not misstate the position. It is "reduction" and not "revision" of the tariff.

The people of the Willamette valley will be glad to learn that the Southern Pacific Company will now grant stop-over privileges to all excursionists from California on their return from the fair at Portland. While they require that all round trip passengers shall go direct to Portland on their tickets they have arranged this stop-over privilege for all who want to take advantage thereof. The counties and cities of the valley should arrange some way to get this information into the hands of all tourists, and should also invite them to take advantage of this opportunity to see western Oregon.

There now seems a hope that the forthcoming peace conference between the envoys of Russia and Japan may provide a permanent peace. Japan refused to participate in the deliberations unless Russia would name envoys with ample powers, and under full instructions to sign for and bind Russia. The results promise well, and there is now a stronger hope throughout the world that the peace compact will be complete, and will last. That the meeting is to be in Washington will be pleasing to Americans.

The decision of the supreme court in the matter of the Kay law was no doubt in full accord with the law and the facts. There is only one way the state institutions can be run until the next legislature meets, without incurring a great deal of interest for the state, and that is by the calling of a special ten-day session of the last legislature. They might rectify some of the errors, and submit the normal school proposition properly to the voters.

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Georgia has a legislature on hand now, but when that body adjourns it will know where it is at. Even Tom Watson and Senator Thurman could not foist the referendum on them.

Why is it a lot of constantly defeated candidates for office are now busy yelling for a new deal, and a new "line-up"? Do they expect to get front seats in the new band wagon?

When society looks upon the divorce as a taint of disgrace there will be less occasion for pulpit utterances against the evil.--Washington Post. And there is little use of the latter until it does.

And now Tom Lawson says he lost a million dollars last year. He should have taken our advice and kept out of "change or frenzied finance literature." They could not go well together.

Mother Eddy says poverty is not a disease. Then why don't our simply thinking we are not poor cure the effects? We must have some further proof before we will believe that it is a theory and not a condition.

Miss Roosevelt decided to go to an hotel instead of going to the home of Mrs. Metcalf, wife of the secretary of commerce and labor in San Francisco. Well what of it? Why need the Associated Press devote a column to this?

Wallace declares his financial condition was not improved by accepting the position on the Panama canal. No, but his professional position certainly was. Few people knew he existed before his selection for that post.

It is now said that Wallace considered the Panama scheme impracticable. At least he preferred \$60,000 a year for working on a scheme of known practicability rather than \$25,000 for working on one of doubtful practicability.

The president requested that no committee meet him in Jersey City while en route to the National Educational Association at Ocean Grove. Most people would rather not be seen in Jersey City, and the president likely had the same feeling.

The fact that civil war or revolution is on in Russia can no longer be doubted. The crew of the Potemkin, the great Russian battleship, which mutinied recently, has now declared its action was a part of the movement against the Russian government.

The Washington Post well says that when a man declares that he is not allied with any faction, it is a cinch that he is sitting on the fence waiting for the band wagon. By the way, there are not a lot of people in Oregon waiting for something to turn up!

Those Republicans who were and are still friends of Senator Mitchell are still Republican. They must be recognized in the future as in the past, as an element of the party. Any attempt to read them out of it will be followed with disastrous results to the party.

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