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TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1913.

NOT HURTING BUSINESS

As chairman of the house ways and means committee, Mr. Underwood stated the other day that there is no disposition among the democratic tariff revisionists to "hurt business." This declaration was made when a nervous manufacturer timidly inquired what all this tariff tinkering was about. Even the resourceful Mr. Underwood, by some accounts the shrewdest democrat in congress, was not able to say. Democrats generally are rather vague in discussing just why they are committed to a tariff tinkering policy, but they insist that as long as party traditions and the Democratic platform put them down in favor of lower tariff schedules there is no way of escape. They are bound to revise downward and deeply whether there is any sound sense in such a course or not.

The explanation that the democrats do not intend to "hurt business" by their revision of the tariff is plainly apologetic. The democratic theory is that luxuries should bear the tariff burden. This theory might work out all right were it not that as a result of republican policies practically all Americans are used to luxurious indulgences. It is a difficult thing to draw the line. In certain countries of Europe meat upon the working man's table is a rare luxury. In this country meat is a common necessity on practically all tables. In certain foreign lands only the rich, or at least the well-to-do, wear leather shoes or wear gloves. Here all of us wear leather shoes and wear gloves. When we speak of luxuries in America we unconsciously think of diamonds, jewelry, champagne, velvets, automobiles and the more expensive furs. The list is really small and by no stretch of the imagination could it be made to bear with the internal taxes, the full burden of federal revenue. We are compelled by shifting conditions to readjust our ideas of what real differences there are between a "protective" and a "revenue" tariff. The constantly increasing cost of government has demanded more revenue, which is not all provided by the natural growth of business. Therefore there is a gradual merging of "revenue" tariffs with "protective" tariffs. In this maze of complexities the democrats are committed to a general reduction of practically all schedules. With the expenses of government increasing at the rate of \$50,000,000 a year and the democratic party pledged to reduce the chief source of revenue, the ways and means committee may not be intending to "hurt business," but it is going to cripple the government very seriously if it insists upon such a program, to say nothing of what it will do to manufacturing industries.

THE ORIGIN AND WORK OF THE BUREAU OF SOCIAL HYGIENE

By JOHN D. ROCKFELLER, Jr.

New York, Jan. 27.—The following statement is given out for publication by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. The bureau of social hygiene came into existence about two years ago, as a result of the work of the special grand jury appointed to investigate the white slave traffic in New York City, which served during the first half of the year 1910. One of the recommendations made by it in the presentment handed up at the termination of its labors was that a public commission be appointed to study the social evil. The foreman of that body subsequently gave careful consideration to the character of the work which might properly be done by such a commission and the limitation under which it would operate. In this connection, separate personal conferences were held with over a hundred leading men and women of the city, among whom were lawyers, physicians, business men, bank presidents, presidents of commercial organizations, clergymen, settlement workers, social workers, labor leaders and reformers. These conferences developed the feeling that a public commission would labor under a number of disadvantages, such as the fact that it would be short lived; that its work would be done publicly; that at best it could hardly do more than present recommendations. The conviction also grew that the main reason why more permanent results had not been obtained by the various organizations which had dealt with the subject of the social evil during the past ten or fifteen years was that most of them were temporary. While active, they materially improved the situation, but as their efforts were relaxed, there came the inevitable return to much the same conditions as before. The forces of evil were never greatly alarmed at the organization of investigating or reform bodies, for they know that they are generally composed of busy people, who cannot turn aside from their own affairs for any great length of time to carry on reforms, and that sooner or later their efforts will cease, and the patient demizens can then reappear and continue the traffic as formerly.

So the condition grew that in order to make a real and lasting improvement in conditions, a permanent organization should be created, the continuation of which would not be dependent upon a temporary wave of reform, nor upon the life of any man or group of men, but which would go on, generation after generation, continuously making warfare against the forces of evil. It also appeared that a private organization would have, among other advantages, a certain freedom from publicity and from political bias, which a publicly appointed commission could not so easily avoid.

As well as all the methods and experiences of other cities and countries in dealing with it. Arrangements were made, therefore, in the early part of last winter to secure the services of George J. Kneeland, who had directed the Chicago vice commission investigation. Since that time, Mr. Kneeland, with a corps of assistants, has been making a thorough and comprehensive survey of the conditions of vice in New York City. This survey has covered not only houses of prostitution, Raffles law hotels, disorderly saloons, cafes and restaurants, massage parlors and other places where vicious people congregate, but also the personal histories of some two thousand prostitutes; and a study of all the case records for one year of a great majority of the hospitals and dispensaries in New York City, with a view to ascertaining the prevalence of venereal diseases and their ratio to all other diseases. Mr. Kneeland's report is now in progress of preparation and will be published within the next two months.

At the same time, the bureau was fortunate in securing the services of Abraham Flexner, whose reports on the medical schools in this country and in Europe are so well known, to study the social evil and the various methods of dealing with it in the leading cities of Europe. Mr. Flexner spent the greater part of a year abroad, making a searching and exhaustive inquiry into the subject, and is now working on his report, which will be ready for publication this winter.

AN ENTERTAINING LECTURE ON ALASKA ESKIMO LIFE and KLONDYKE GOLD FIELDS BY Rev. Francis Barnum S. J. A Missionary in Alaska For Eight Years FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS' SCHOOL Duncan's Opera House 8 P. M. SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2nd., 1913 TICKETS FIFTY CENTS TO ANY PART OF THE HOUSE MUSIC BY LOCAL TALENT

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BOOSTERS TO FORM PERMANENT LEAGUE

VARIOUS CITIES WILL SEND DELEGATES TO SANTA FE ON FEBRUARY 12 The following letter is being sent to the commercial organizations of the state by the temporary officers of the New Mexico League of Commercial Clubs:

WANT MORE ROOMS

Grand Junction, Colo., Jan. 28.—Numerous telegrams have been sent to the Colorado delegation in congress during the last 24 hours, asking that the plans for the new Grand Junction federal building be altered so as to provide additional room for the parcel post department.

PLEAD NOT GUILTY

Albuquerque, N. M., Jan. 28.—Charged with larceny from the person Harry Carroll and James Franklin, accused of abusing Horatio de Baca, son of Lieutenant Governor E. C. de Baca, and Hector Lujan, an official of the state land office, while the quartette occupied a freight car, all burning their way to Albuquerque, on January 18, were arraigned before Justice of the Peace George R. Craig today.

ANDREW HAYMES, UMPIRE

Pueblo, Colo., Jan. 28.—Jim Flynn, the fighter-fireman, may transfer his activity from the prize ring to the ball field. He received a letter today from President O'Neill of the Western League suggesting that Flynn join the staff of umpires for the coming season. Flynn thinks the proposition a good one and may accept.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE

Chicago, Jan. 28.—Traders who characterized the grain trade as "sick" yesterday declared this morning that the patient was dead. At any rate the condition was comatose. Wheat opened lower because France was reported reselling some of her earlier purchases. May was a shade to 1/4 down at 92 1/2 to 93 1/4, but a little bidding brought the price up to 92 1/2. May closed steady 1/4 higher at 92 3/4.

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 28.—Cattle—Receipts 11,000, including 400 southern. Market steady. Native steers \$6.80@8.25; southern steers 5.75@7.30; southern cows and heifers \$3.75@6.25; native cows and heifers \$3.75@7.50; stockers and feeders \$5.75@7.50; bulls \$5.00@6.25; calves \$6.80@10.10; western steers \$6.00@8.00; western cows \$3.75@6.50.

BAPTIST CONVENTION Tuskegee, Ala., Jan. 28.—Members of the executive board of the National Baptist convention are gathering here for their annual session tomorrow, when the date and place for holding the annual convention will be selected.



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LOCAL NEWS

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R. E. Dillon, auditor for the Continental Oil company, is ill at the Plaza hotel.

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Next Monday evening in the O. R. C. hall the Fraternal Brotherhood will give a "penny dance and penny banquet" to which all members and their guests.

The mixed double tournament bowling game scheduled for Thursday evening has been postponed until Tuesday evening of next week on account of the dance which is to be given at the Elks' club on Thursday evening.

Friday evening the Buen Tiempo club is to hold one of its regular informal dances at the Fraternal Brotherhood hall, to which all members of the club and their ladies are cordially invited. The dance will commence at 9 o'clock.

The first practice of the Sunday school teams will be held this evening at the Y. M. C. A. Candidates for teams representing the Methodist Sunday school and the Presbyterian Sunday school have the use of the association gymnasium this evening.

This evening at 8 o'clock the second January meeting of B. P. O. Elks lodge No. 468 will be held at the Elks' home on Douglas avenue. All visiting Elks are cordially invited to attend this meeting. Several candidates will be initiated and other matters of importance will be brought up.

On Thursday evening at the Elks' club there will be held an informal dance to which every visiting Elks and all local Elks and their ladies are cordially invited by the entertainment committee. The dance will commence promptly at 8:30 o'clock. The music will be furnished by Mrs. Anna Simison.

Special Officer L. B. Norris early this morning ran eight hoboes out of town, sending them on their way south. The hoboes were seen by Norris loafing about the Santa Fe Railway company's freight yards south of the city, and, as they were evidently on the move and not planning to stop in Las Vegas, Officer Norris instructed them to keep moving.

The first step toward the final completion of the irrigation project upon the Las Vegas land grant was made today when Representative Lobato of San Miguel county, introduced in the legislature at Santa Fe a bill which will give the board of trustees of the town of Las Vegas, commonly known as the Las Vegas grant board, power to invest its funds in certain ways. If this bill, the details of which are not available today, is passed, the grant board will be given authority to complete the irrigation system with its own funds or will be able to invest in the stock or bonds of some company which will do the work. This will remove one of the obstacles which has delayed for so long the completion of the reservoir.

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A. T. Rogers, Sr., who has been ill at his home for some time, has fully recovered and is again at his place of business.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Smith today moved to the Plaza hotel where they plan to live permanently. Mr. Smith is the local manager for the Western Union Telegraph company.

Word was received in Las Vegas today from Meridith, N. H., of the sudden death this morning at that place of Colonel William Breden, a former federal district attorney for New Mexico. Colonel Breden came to New Mexico in the late '60s and until the early '90s was a resident of the territory, resuming part of the time in Las Vegas.

The dance which was to have been given Friday evening by the Buen Tiempo club has been postponed until Tuesday evening, February 4. The committee in charge of the dance wishes to announce that the dance will not be a "ragging" party as was first announced, the plans having been changed, it is said, owing to the adverse criticism on the part of several members of the committee.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this means of thanking all those who by words and deeds so kindly assisted to console us during the illness and burial of our beloved mother, Mrs. Mercy Newton Woods. We desire also to thank all those who presented the beautiful flowers as offerings of esteem and respect.

Very sincerely,
 W. O. WOODS,
 MRS. ELLEN DICE.

STATE INSTITUTIONS TO BE INVESTIGATED

COLORADO LEGISLATURE RECEIVES BILL AUTHORIZING THOROUGH PROBE

Denver, Jan. 28.—All institutions, public and private, where public charges are kept, will be subjected to a legislative investigation, if the resolution of Representative Francis Lee as amended in the house today is adopted by that body and approved by the senate.

The amendment provoked a lively discussion in the house, in which Representative Agnes Riddle characterized conditions in many of the state institutions as "deplorable." Representative Riddle was a member of the legislative committee of inspections that visited the state institutions last fall. She declared this committee did not have time to go into all conditions thoroughly, but at some institutions found conditions unsanitary. She cited the state reformatory at Buena Vista and the state home for dependent children. She declared the reformatory had no modern toilet and there was only one at the children's home.

Mrs. Riddle's declarations brought out expressions by legislators in favor of eliminating appropriations such as the San Francisco exposition and the immigration bureau and giving the money to these institutions. The senate today passed on third reading the short appropriation bill for the state insane asylum at Pueblo.

WILL GET HAIRCUT ON MARCH FOURTH

NANSAN SWORE IN 1906 HE WOULD DODGE BARBERS UNTIL DEMOCRATS WON.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Although the first nails in the inaugural grand stands have not yet been driven, Representative George A. Nealey of Kansas called on the inaugural committee today to reserve him one seat that must be within view of the spot where President Wilson will be sworn in March 4; must be easy to escape from immediately after that ceremony and must be easily accessible to a barber shop.

Mr. Nealey wants the seat for a constituent, E. P. Borwell of Houghton, Kansas, who in 1896 took a vow never to have his hair doctored by a barber's shears until a democrat took the oath of office as president of the United States.

CHILD SWALLOWS BADGE

Grand Junction, Colo., Jan. 27.—Ruth Sisson, aged 5, swallowed a brass souvenir badge January 21. Today an operation was performed and the badge was removed from the stomach. The child did not tell her parents that she had swallowed the trinket until last night, when she became suddenly ill.

JAIL IS BARRED TO MURPHY'S PRISONERS

CITY POLICE RELEASE MAN PUT IN THE LOCKUP BY MERCHANTS' OFFICER

Doubtless Las Vegas will become a mecca for tramps and beggars if the system put into operation by the police department last night is continued in force. Pierce J. Murphy, recently discharged from the police force by Mayor Robert J. Taupert, because, it is alleged, Murphy did not support the mayor's candidate for justice of the peace and police magistrate, yesterday evening arrested a man who was begging on the streets. He made the arrest while acting as a special officer, employed by the merchants of the city, having taken up the duties of such official a few days ago.

Murphy turned the man over to Night Officer Ward, who locked him in the city jail. Later Officer McGovern informed Murphy that he would have to remove the man from the jail, as he had been notified that Murphy had no right to incarcerate prisoners there. A short time later Officer Ward, with the prisoner in his custody, met Murphy on the street. He informed Murphy he would have to take charge of the man, as he could no longer remain in the jail. Murphy then told Ward to turn the man loose, which was done.

It is understood that the police officers have been ordered by Mayor Taupert not to allow Murphy to place any men whom he puts under arrest in the city jail. This is a discrimination against the merchants of the city, who have hired Murphy to act as a night officer for the safeguarding of their property. The Santa Fe officers are allowed to make arrests, and it is stated on good authority that they have been making more arrests and bringing more offenders to police court than have the regularly employed city policemen. Why the Santa Fe should be better treated than the merchants of the city is another one of the queer problems which have arisen under the present city administration.

Murphy said this afternoon to a representative of The Optic that when Officer McGovern last night told him to remove his prisoner from the jail he conveyed the further information that City Attorney Long had given the order that none of Murphy's prisoners should be placed in the city holdover. Murphy immediately called up Judge Long on the telephone and inquired if such was a fact. He says Judge Long declared he had given no such orders.

Mrs. Ada McEwan arrived in the city this afternoon from her home in Durango, Colo., and while here will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Southard. From Las Vegas Mrs. McEwan will go to Los Angeles, Calif., where she will be a visitor for some time.

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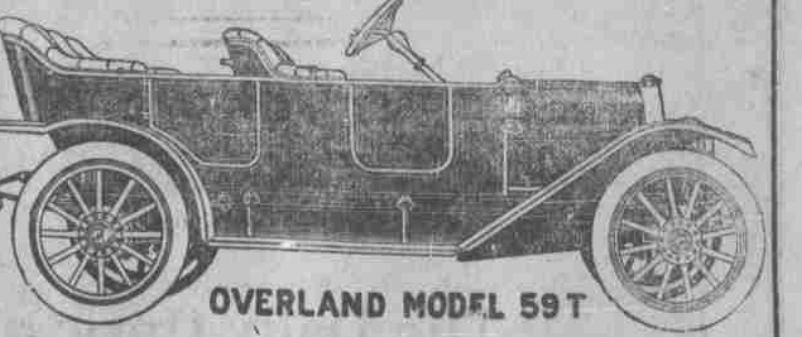
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COMMITTEE WAS NOT SUCCESSFUL

Webster City, Ia., Dec. 28.—Special: The committee named by Iowa stockholders in the Independent Harvester company of Plano, Ill., to investigate the financial condition of that concern, have returned home. Their report, however, is anything but encouraging and stockholders in Hamilton county and elsewhere over the state of whom there are hundreds are sorely disappointed.

The Iowa committee was composed of A. L. Middleton and E. M. Theblay of Eagle Grove. Their investigation was made in conjunction with committees from the Dakotas, Illinois and Minnesota. The committee reports that the answers of the company officers to pertinent questions "were dilatory, incomplete and evasive."

There were 20 representatives of the stockholders present at the investigation. On the day when these men were to meet W. C. Thompson, president of the company, this official failed to show up, though he had an agreement with the committee. The following day the committee attempted again to meet him and Mr. Thompson flatly refused to meet them.

unless Judge Gower of Kankakee, Ill., and E. M. Theblay of Eagle Grove, Ia., were removed from the committee.

After several days of further useless negotiations the committee had a conference with the harvester company's attorney. The committee reports, however, that all they were able to draw from this attorney was "beads of perspiration to his brow."

After further maneuvering, the committee finally met the president. The committee, however, found him ill humored and his replies "dilatory, incomplete and evasive." Asked to permit the Iowa stockholders to have a representative on the boards of directors, President Thompson told them they might have one "when the company has sold all its stock." Some \$8,000,000 has already been sold, \$7,700,000 of which was sold the last year.

The committee is still working along lines which it believes will ultimately bring desired results and the consolidated committees from the five states named will hold a meeting soon after the first of the year in Chicago, when some definite action will be taken.—Los Moines (Ia.) Register and Leader.—Adv.

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