

MILLARD BACK FROM EAST

Manufacturing Concerns Running to Capacity. RATES ON MONEY ARE KEPT UP

New York Going Wild Over Dress and Jewelry, and Millions Being Spent for the Frivolous Luxuries.

"What is the financial and business outlook from the viewpoint of eastern bankers and business men?" was asked of J. H. Millard, president of the Omaha National bank, who returned from the east Thursday.

"General business at this time seems to be excellent throughout the country and this is especially so in the manufacturing centers. Money is in great demand, but for legitimate purposes only, there being practically no speculation in any kind of stocks.

"Practically all manufacturing concerns are running at full capacity, and will continue to do so for the next six months, it is thought. However, I noticed much anxiety in the minds of business men whom I met, both in Boston and New York, in regard to the business outlook, such feeling being based largely upon proposed reductions in tariff duties.

"The opinions differ. In Washington when you speak to men in regard to the outlook for business and industrial undertakings, I noticed that the reply depended largely upon the environment of the man you talked with. Conservative republicans from manufacturing states, and also democrats from such states, expressed anxiety as to the future, while there are democrats equally conservative and a few progressives who claim that business conditions are going to continue good, as they are now, notwithstanding what may be done in the way of legislation.

"There is not the slightest indication of panic anywhere, notwithstanding there has been a decrease in deposits in the banks of all the cities, the money having gone out for legitimate business purposes. Money rates are still high, and will continue so for four to six weeks, 12 to 13 per cent being the rate in Boston and New York.

"My impression is that we are going to have an income tax, and it is possible that the old stamp tax may be restored, the idea being that from these sources more revenue will be raised to make up for the losses following tariff reduction.

"Blowing Their Money. A person from the rural districts visiting New York, and other metropolitan cities, and witnessing the extravagance both in the way of purchases, a display of money either in dresses, diamonds, pearls, etc., is forced to the conclusion that hard times are a myth, and that no one seems to be expecting another season of business depression. I think there has been no time during the last forty years, within which period I have made occasional visits to eastern cities, when there were such evidences of extravagant expenditure of money for things not absolutely necessary to the people as is now the case in New York.

"It came away from that city convinced that New York is the most wildly extravagant city on earth. It seems to be generally conceded that William J. Bryan will be tendered the position of secretary of state. Many seem to think that he will accept it, while others feel that it may be tendered and declined. It is recognized on all sides that our distinguished citizen, Mr. Bryan, will have to be reckoned with by the incoming democratic regime, whether he wishes to accept office or not. So far as I was able to observe our eastern friends look upon Mr. Bryan as one of the strongest men in the democratic party."

Free Garbage Hauling Over for This Year

With the garbage fund of \$55,000 exhausted the city health department today suspends the hauling and citizens will be compelled to burn their garbage or have it hauled away for the next two weeks at their own expense.

Citizens who cannot secure teams when it is necessary to have their garbage removed during the next two weeks may telephone the city health office and a team will be furnished at a nominal cost, the expense to be borne by the citizen.

Police Commissioner Ryder says no notice has been taken of the growth of the city during the last few years and the garbage removal fund has been left the same. He believes it is inadequate and will seek to have it increased next year. "We will begin hauling garbage again after the first of the year," said Health Commissioner R. W. Connell. "People seem to be under the impression that no more garbage will be hauled this winter, but as soon as our appropriation is available the work will be resumed."

Lovers Steer Clear of Jinx Combination

Whether because it was Friday the thirteenth or for some other cause lovers steered clear of the marriage license bureau. At 8 o'clock in the afternoon not a license had been issued.

Beaton & Laler Will Open on Tuesday

The new firm of Beaton & Laler will probably open for business Tuesday morning. Delay is being occasioned by the inventory, which is taking longer than was expected. New salesmen are being employed for the furniture, carpets and draperies departments, and Mr. Laler is anxious to have experienced salesmen apply for positions at once.

Man and Woman Burned to Death. GILROY, Cal., Dec. 13.—Mr. and Mrs. Luke Walsh were burned to death today when their home here was destroyed by fire. The fact that there have been six fires here in the last three weeks leads to the suspicion of incendiarism. An investigation is in progress.

EXCHANGE DEALINGS ADMITTED GAMBLING BY TWO WITNESSES

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their commissions?" asked Mr. Untermyer. Mr. Sturgis declared that dividing commissions was the "most infamous crime a member of the exchange could commit against his fellow members."

Manipulated Stocks. The witness and the lawyer discussed at length the position of the public toward manipulated stocks. Mr. Untermyer endeavoring to establish that the public was "tricked" into the market by the buying and selling. He asked Mr. Sturgis if the exchange should not put a stop to manipulation. "We don't consider it our business to stop manipulation which is legitimate," said Mr. Sturgis. Glaring manipulation, he said, might be discovered through a broker's books, but he said it would not be feasible to attempt regulation in that way.

Mr. Untermyer and Mr. Keppler engaged in a battle of wits on "stock market manipulation." The witness held that cross sales and purchases were legitimate, so long as the commissions were paid and there were no "wash" sales or "matched orders" in the transactions. Status of Curb Market. Finally the lawyer took the relations of the stock exchange with the curb market. He read from the report of the Hughes commission to show "that the stock exchange prevents the curb from getting under a roof." He brought out that when stocks listed on the curb ceased to trade in them because if it did not the curb would be barred from business with stock exchange members. He also brought out that the rate of charge on the curb was less than on the exchange.

Do you agree with the report of the Hughes commission that a substantial part of the operations of the stock exchange are gambles? "Well," said Mr. Keppler, "I would say that some transactions on the stock exchange were somewhat of a gambling nature."

Engraving Firm Ruled Out. John C. Atkinson, secretary of the Wabash railroad, said that the first issue of Wabash stock certificates was engraved by the New York Bank Note company. The secretary of the exchange notified the Wabash that the certificates would not be accepted. Since then the Wabash stock, Mr. Atkinson said, had been engraved by the American Bank Note company as the work of the New York company would not be accepted or listed on the exchange. Similar testimony as to certificates was given by David J. Bare and W. J. Alderson of the Lehigh Valley. At the conclusion of his testimony Mr. Sturgis put in the record for the first time a speech he had made before the Hughes commission which investigated the stock exchange and a copy of the replies made by the law committee of the board of governors of the exchange to questions submitted by the Hughes commission. Samuel F. Streit of the arbitration and clearing house committee of the stock exchange told the committee that the exchange maintains a securities clearing house where the transactions on the floor are cleared between brokers.

Mr. Untermyer suggested that the clearing house might insist on having brokers deliver the numbers of certificates of stock in which they traded to the clearing house and thus prevent dealings in stock which is not owned. Mr. Streit did not favor this suggestion and said he could do nothing of the effect of such a regulation on short sales.

Pools Out of Date. Harry Content, a broker, said he had never managed a pool for manipulating a line of stock. He asserted that the idea of forming a pool was an old one no longer employed. A number of big operators worked individually he said, and "they would not pool." Mr. Untermyer asked, "They find it safer to have no partners," said Mr. Content. "The pool members used to sell each other out." Mr. Content said he believed cross orders of sales and purchases of the same stock were legitimate. He did not think manipulations to raise or depress prices of stocks deceived the public.

At the afternoon session Mr. Untermyer examined George A. Field, vice president of the New York Bank Note company. He testified that the exchange had ruled the work of his company off the stock list and that the bulk of the work for exchange stocks was done by the American Bank Note company. He produced a voluminous correspondence charging the American company with monopolizing the engraving of stocks and bonds with the aid of the stock exchange. A similar charge in the report of the Hughes commission was also placed in the record. This phase of the inquiry, Mr. Untermyer said, after the hearing, was introduced at the request of Mayor Gaynor of New York and Governor Pothier of Rhode Island. Bonds engraved by the New York company for New York City and for the state of Rhode Island, Mr. Field testified, "have been refused listing on the exchange."

Masquerade on Roller Skates. The first big masquerade of the season at the Auditorium Roller Rink will take place Saturday night, and hundreds of young people who are fond of roller skating are anticipating a very enjoyable time. All the skaters admitted to the floor tomorrow night will be obliged to wear a costume of some description other than their regular apparel. Substantial prizes will be given for the handsomest costumes.—Advertisement.

Aged Woman Dies of Starvation. CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—An aged widow known as Mrs. McMillan, who died of death of starvation and exposure in a squalid hut here today. There was neither fuel nor food in the room and some of the window panes were out. Apparently the woman had been dead for some time.

WOMAN LEADING DOUBLE LIFE IS SENT TO PRISON

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 13.—(Special.)—Miss Maggie Au France, convicted of white slavery, was today taken to the federal prison at Lansing, Kan., to serve a term of one year and one day. It develops that Miss Au France, who owns a sporting house at Douglas, has been leading a double life for many years. Although never married, she has amassed a fortune and has led her aged father and mother, who are highly respected citizens of an Iowa City, to believe that she had married a wealthy Wyoming ranchman. Miss Au France visited her old home twice each year, but her parents have never suspected the life she has been leading. Miss Au France is one of the wealthiest women in the west, her fortune being estimated at from \$200,000 to \$500,000. She has engaged a manager to look after her various interests while serving out her sentence at Lansing.

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ZEISS GOES TO JAIL ON PERJURY CHARGE

(Continued from Page One.) forty-one defendants, but the court held that Morrin had attempted to show he was not in accord with the officials of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, "two, it has been shown expended thousands of dollars for the destruction of life and property."

The speech of Seidel, referred to by the government, was delivered at the Iron Workers' convention in Milwaukee on September 11, five months after McNamara's arrest, and while he was confined in jail at Los Angeles. Morrin was present as a delegate.

"Did you see Mayor Seidel introduced to the convention by Frank M. Ryan, the president, and did you approve of Seidel's speech, denouncing the courts and branding McNamara's arrest as a kidnapping?" asked District Attorney Charles W. Miller.

"I heard it, but I can't say I approved of it," answered Morrin. "You did not protest against that speech, did you?" "No."

Tom Taggart Testifies. Thomas Taggart, former chairman of the democratic national committee, was a witness for the defense this afternoon. He was questioned by Senator Kern. When the government objected to Taggart's testimony, Senator Kern said it would be shown that when an explosion occurred at French Lick, Ind., the job

was in process of being unionized and that Fred Sherman, a defendant, was negotiating with Taggart. The government contended this testimony was incompetent. Finally the witness was allowed to say the job was being unionized.

Ernest G. W. Basey, Indianapolis, a local ironworkers' business agent, was the twentieth defendant to testify. He is charged with promoting explosions in Indianapolis.

Believed McNamara Innocent. "Did you approve of the resolution offered by Vice President John T. Butler of Buffalo, and directed to President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, denouncing McNamara's arrest as a kidnapping and saying that he had been spirited to California and deprived of the liberties due an American citizen?"

"I voted for it," said Morrin. "Did you vote for the resolution expressing confidence in McNamara after he was held for the murder of twenty-one persons in Los Angeles?" "Yes, I voted for it. I thought McNamara was innocent."

P. J. Morrin testified that three weeks after the work of an "open shop" contractor at Mt. Vernon, Ill., was blown up in April, 1910, he was instructed by John J. McNamara, then secretary of the Ironworkers International union to unionize the men. He said he found a reward was offered for the dynamiter and he so wrote to McNamara.

Explaining the phrase "racial performance" Morrin said he used it in reference not to explosions, but the "men being up in the air" whether they were to get work. Eric E. McManigal confessed to causing the Mt. Vernon explosion. Previously Frank M. Ryan, president of the union, had written to McNamara "Morris can take care of Mt. Vernon," but Ryan denied it concerned dynamiting. Morrin said after McNamara's arrest he assisted in raising a defense fund. He said he arranged to have a moving picture show representing McNamara as being "kidnapped" by the authorities.

of contributory negligence, but in that event the damage should be reduced to the extent to which the jury found the brakeman's negligence contributed to the result. Justice Delaney, who presided, took this view and so charged the jury.

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