

DEMOCRATS PUT STEEL TO FRONT

Revision of Iron Schedule Given Precedence Over Steel.

TRIPLE TRUST PROBE STARTS.

Panama Canal Control and Management Will Figure in Hearing by House Committee on Commerce. Tolls to Be Arranged.

Washington, Jan. 15.—A caucus of the house Democrats on the iron and steel tariff schedule is likely before the end of this week. The ways and means committee, as soon as the already completed pension appropriation bill is passed by the house, will be ready to report the iron and steel schedule revision to the caucus for approval, particularly with a view to giving steel the right of way in the tariff proceedings in the house.

Even the chemical schedule bids fair to precede the wool tariff revision, for wool has been switched to let steel revision proceed. This is a virtual acceptance of the change of William J. Bryan who during the extra session ascribed to Democratic Leader Underwood personal motives in putting other revisions ahead of steel.

Three Trusts to Be Probed.

A threefold probe into gigantic trusts will be started by the house committees on rules today, when the first of a series of hearings, lasting several days, will cover the activities of the "money trust," "shipping combine" and the International Harvester company. The three are to be considered together with respect to the rules committee's consideration of the question of reporting resolutions looking to thorough congressional investigation of these trusts.

The financial interests of New York are largely interested in the matter. Attorney General Wickes, Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel and Samuel Untermyer of New York have been asked to appear before the committee for explanation regarding the alleged shipping combination which is alleged to control transoceanic traffic.

Most of the Democrats and several of the Republicans on the committee have expressed themselves in favor of a sweeping investigation of the financial control of American industries and commercial affairs.

In the meantime the senate committee on interstate commerce expects to wind up this week its series of hearings on trust problems, without any certainty as to the reporting of a bill on the subject.

All this week Panama canal control and management will figure in hearings by the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce, which is to report legislation at this session fixing tolls and regulations.

FOLK'S WISHES ARE DENIED

Missouri Democrats Will Hold State Convention at Joplin, Feb. 20.

St. Louis, Jan. 15.—The breach between the forces of Speaker Champ Clark and former Governor Joseph W. Folk, who are striving for the Missouri delegation at the Democratic national convention, was widened by the Democratic state committee selecting Feb. 20 as the date for holding the state convention at Joplin. The Folk adherents fought for a date in March for holding the convention.

Folk's managers, after the meeting adjourned, announced that the committee had called a "snap convention." Speaker Clark's representatives on the committee were in unison in declaring that the date for the convention was the unanimous action of the committee.

The Missouri Democratic league, which favors the former governor, contended that the voters would not have sufficient time to become acquainted with the issues if the state convention was held before March. In a statement, the league announced:

"We wish it understood that we are not responsible for bringing about this snap convention. But we are going to fight to the last ditch."

Speaker Clark's friends believe that he will obtain the Missouri endorsement and that the holding of the convention in February will enable them to go to other state conventions later in February and secure their delegations.

TWO SHOT FIRERS ENTOMBED

Flames Follow Dust Explosion in Mine Near Sedalia.

Sedalia, Mo., Jan. 15.—Fred Butcher and Donald McArthur, shot firemen, were entombed in the Bowen Coal company's coal mine at Windsor, twenty miles from Sedalia, following an explosion of mine dust. The mine caught fire and efforts to subdue the flames were unsuccessful.

Mine officials say the Bowen plant was equipped with safety devices and are at a loss to account for the accident. Thirty minutes before the explosion 350 miners finished their work and left the mine.

PASSENGER-LOADED STEAMERS ICEBOUND

Chicago, Jan. 15.—Fifty-five passengers remain icebound on two lake passenger steamers five miles out of the Chicago harbor, eighty-two hours after they ran afoul of floating ice, which made further progress impossible.

FOXHALL KEENE.

Gentleman Jockey And Polo Player Who Is Sued For Board Bill.



Photo by American Press Association.

EXPERTS DIFFER ON FIGURES

Northwestern Hearing Develops

Two Ways to Keep Books.

M'KELVIE GETS IN THE RACE.

Lancaster County Member of Legislature Decides to Make Race for Lieutenant Governor of Nebraska—Endowment for Wesleyan.

Lincoln, Jan. 13.—The state railway commission heard the testimony of George W. Hard, engineer of the Northwestern railway, who was put on by the company to controvert the figures of Mr. Hard, engineer for the state, on the cost of subsidence and adaptation of new road. Not only did the railroad engineer place the cost of items higher, but insisted that many things should be charged to that account which Mr. Hard insisted were simply matters of maintenance or operation. Among these might be mentioned changes in water courses and road which actual operation showed was necessary, but which was not foreseen by the engineer who laid out the line.

It was finally agreed that both Mr. Hard and Mr. Hurd should submit in tabular form the items entering into their estimates of cost for this purpose and what each had allowed for each item. In this way it is hoped to get a real comparison between the estimates of the two.

McKelvie Submits Filing.

S. R. McKelvie made his filing as Republican candidate for lieutenant governor. Mr. McKelvie was a member of the last legislature from Lancaster county. This is the first actual filing for this office on either ticket, though it is known there are several who intend to enter the primary contest.

Endowment for Wesleyan.

A conference of Methodist ministers and friends of Wesleyan university was held at the Young Men's Christian association rooms and it was decided to open the campaign for a \$500,000 endowment for the Methodist university. The movement will be launched formally at a banquet at the Auditorium, Jan. 23. At that time the plans will be outlined and a concerted move made in all parts of the state.

More Cases of Typhoid.

Nine additional cases of typhoid were reported to the board of health, making a total of ninety-eight since Jan. 1, all but one of which is in the so-called infected district in the northeastern portion of the city. Charles Kubler, a student at the university, died, making the second fatality. He was taken from here to his home at Milford, where he died.

FARM BRINGS RECORD PRICE

Quarter Section in York County Sells for \$147 Per Acre.

York, Neb., Jan. 13.—A quarter section of land lying just east and south of the city was sold at referee sale. The price paid was \$147 per acre. This land has never been cultivated. The owner, Samuel McCandless, came to York county in 1872 and bought the land from the Burlington Railway company, paying \$5.00 per acre for it and then returned to his native home, Ireland, where a few years ago he died. The money received from the sale (\$23,520) will be divided among the heirs.

Merrick Board Sells Old Court House.

Central City, Neb., Jan. 13.—The Merrick county board of supervisors approved the surety bond of Ellen Berger & Co., the contractors who will erect the new structure, and let the contract for the removal of the old structure to Joe A. Hays. He is to pay \$156 for the old building and move it away before the specified time, Feb. 20.

Bureau for Testing Seed Corn.

Omaha, Jan. 13.—The Omaha Grain exchange has taken up the seed corn campaign started by the Omaha Commercial club and will open a testing bureau as soon as arrangements can be completed. Any farmer in the state may then send his seed corn and get it tested.

Warmer Wave Ends Cold's Grip.

Omaha, Jan. 13.—A warmer wave started east from the Rocky mountains and the central states, which for more than a week have been seeing cold weather records broken, are basing in a comparatively genial atmosphere.

McCool Schools Are Closed.

York, Neb., Jan. 13.—Scarlet fever is prevalent at McCool to such an extent that the schools have closed for some time and all the churches and other public places of meeting.

Coal Land Holders Must Stand Trial

New York, Jan. 13.—T. Frank Wells, Wilberforce Sully, Rufus J. Ireland and George W. Daily must stand trial in Wyoming on indictments charging them with conspiracy on June 1, 1910, to defraud the government by obtaining 1,760 acres of coal land belonging to the United States. The federal circuit court of appeals so ruled, thereby reversing the order of the circuit court sustaining a writ of habeas corpus.

Red Tape and a Murderer.

This is a tale of a self confessed murderer who wished to be arrested, as related by a writer in Le Marin, Paris. Some time ago a man named Berges was stabbed to death at Algiers. Three men were arrested on suspicion, but as they proved their innocence they were released and the matter was shelved. A few days afterward a man called at the office of the local police commissary and said to that official: "My name is Marius Yvora. I killed Berges, and this is how I did it."

The commissary listened to the man's confession and said:

"You had better see my secretary."

The secretary also listened to the man's confession and after a little reflection said:

"Now, look here, my good man; this is not the way to get arrested. You must write us a letter confirming the oral statement made to us. Then we shall be able to attend to you. Now, get along."

The man left the office, and perhaps because he was not a good writer he has not been seen since in Algiers.

Wu Ting Fang's Good Cheer.

Among the most intimate of the Chinese friends of the late Sir Robert Hart was a high official, Wu Ting Fang, who prided himself on his astute manner, which made him appear much younger than he was, and boasted that he intended to live 200 years. He once explained how this feat was to be accomplished. "The first thing, naturally, is diet," said he. "The man who would cheat Time should live on nuts like the squirrels. Under no condition should he touch salt, and he should begin and end each meal with a teaspoonful of olive oil. I have hung scrolls in my bedroom." Wu Ting went on to explain, "with these sentences written upon them in English and Chinese, 'I am young, I am healthy, I am cheerful.' Immediately I enter the room my eye falls upon these precepts I say to myself, 'Why, of course I am, and therefore I am!'"—London Chronicle.

One View of the "Terrible Turk."

Speaking of the Turk, an English resident in Turkey writes: "The man I like best is the pure, uncontaminated Turk who has never seen Europe. He is wonderfully hospitable, amazingly kind, essentially a man of peace and a fervent religionist. He is a Moslem, has been reared in Moslemism and believes in his religion. He is honest and straightforward in his business dealings, and his word is his bond. I do not suggest that every Turk possesses all these qualities which I have attributed to the race, nor am I painting him in too rosy a color. I have made many voyages into the interior of Macedonia and Asia Minor; I have entered Turkish villages high up on the snow, stockaded against the bears, where the inhabitants had never seen a European before, and my trust in the kindness and hospitality of these men has never failed me."—London Graphic.

Suspended Animation.

As we descend in the scale of animal life we find that what kills the higher animals does not injure the lower. Cut a polyp in two and you have two living polyps instead of one dead polyp. Break off a lobster's claw and another will grow. You may, it has been said, freeze a fly, but you cannot freeze it to death. There are infusoria called "wheel infusoria." These rotifers have many curious qualities, among which is that of suspending animation for an indefinite period without ceasing to live. Colonies of rotifers may be desiccated and rendered apparently lifeless, and in this condition they may be kept for months and years and possibly centuries. A single drop of water will restore them to life, and the wheel bearers will instantly resume their functional activity precisely at the point where it was broken off.—Harper's.

Bank Checks in Austria.

Banks of Austria are exempt from liability for payment of checks and bills of exchange to parties who may have acquired unlawful possession of the same and forged the endorsements thereon. The banks are not compelled to identify the bearer, and instances occur of such commercial papers being stolen and cashed with forged endorsement, leaving the owner without redress. A check or bill of exchange, therefore, though payable to order and not indorsed is a dangerous form for the remittance of money. Liability for payment on a forged endorsement is incurred by a bank only when it is presumed to have knowledge of the payee's signature, as in the case of well known clients.

Never Despair.

He who despairs wants love, wants faith, for faith, hope and love are three torches which blend their light together, nor does the one shine without the other.—Metastasio.

Art and Science.

"What a beautiful picture of an angel!" said the lady who was visiting the art gallery.

"Yes," replied the aviation enthusiast, "but between you and me those wings aren't practical!"—Washington Star.

Taking His Meals Out.

"And do you take your meals out?" asks the village grocer, who is garnering information from the former resident who is home from the city for a few days.

"Not until after I have eaten them," warily responds the unwilling victim.—Judge's Library.

Better Kept Quiet.

Patient (angrily)—The size of your bill makes my blood boil. Doctor—Then that will be \$20 more for sterilizing your system.—Boston Transcript.

The Drone.

Son—What kind of a man is a drone? Father—One who stands in a revolving door and waits for some one else to push it around so he can get in, my son.—Judge.

Mean Thing.

Maybelline—See the beautiful engagement ring Jack gave me last night Estelle—Gracious! Has that just got around to you?—Toledo Blade.

Deliberate with caution, but act with decision: yield with graciousness or oppose with firmness.

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The Fighting Turk.

The Turk is a great fighting man, perhaps the best in the world that is, on land, for as a sailor he has never shone. He is a great fighter because he is physically a strong man. The Turkish peasantry, from whom the army is recruited, have to work hard for a bare living, and there is no room among them for weaklings. Therefore the Turkish soldier is capable of tremendous feats of endurance and can live on nothing or next door to it. Then he is accustomed to fighting almost from babyhood. On the frontiers and in the country districts of Turkey there is always trouble going on.

Death in battle has no terrors for him, for by his religion it assures him of paradise.—London Answers.

A Connoisseur.

A great painter was asked by his little son, "Father, what is a connoisseur?"

"Well, my son," the father answered, "did you notice that tall, white-haired gentleman at my studio tea yesterday?"

"The one with the sable lined overcoat, father?" Oh, yes, I noticed him."

"Well, my son, he is a connoisseur."

"But how do you know he's a connoisseur, father?"

"By his actions, my son."

"But, father, he acted like every one else at the tea, didn't he?"

"Certainly not, my son! Certainly not! The others drank my Russian tea, ate my foie gras sandwiches and took leave. But he—he bought a picture!"

Declined With Thanks.

The Duke of Wellington, who had a taste for anything that Napoleon had liked, applied to David, the artist, who had painted Napoleon's portrait, requesting David to execute one of his own.

"What's the trouble?"

"He doesn't show me proper deference. When I am paying a man liberally I consider it his duty to laugh at my jokes."

"And won't he?"

"I don't think he can. He's an English butler. When in a spirit of gentle and condescending badinage I said to him, 'Hawkins, can you tell me which came first, the chicken or the egg?' he said, 'Which did you order first, sir?'"—Washington Star.

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