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DISCOUNT RATE REDUCED

JUBILANT OVER RESTORATION OF NORMAL CONDITIONS.

FOURTH REDUCTION THIS YEAR

Reduction From 3 1/2 to 3 Per Cent Brings a Feeling of Relief to Financial Circles—Business Conditions Stronger Than For Months.

London, March 19.—The rate of discount has been reduced from 3 1/2 to 3 per cent. This is the fourth reduction since the first of the year, and indicates that restoration to normal conditions is at hand. A jubilant feeling is manifest throughout the country in financial circles as the result. Business conditions are stronger today than before since the beginning of the panic.

BURLINGTON CASE UP

Attorney General Thompson Deputy Rose Argue for St.

Washington, March 19.—In many respects the most important case has been argued in the supreme court of the United States since the passage of legislation affecting railways, involving the whole question of whether a state has a right to make railroad rates and to enforce them in the state courts, was presented to the supreme court in the case of the state of Nebraska against the federal district judges upon application for a mandamus transferring the suit brought by the commonwealth of Nebraska against the Burlington railroad, back to the state courts. Attorney General Thompson, who opened the argument for the state, argued that the state, by the very terms of its constitution, was sovereign and had authority to bring in its own name and in its own courts an original action to enforce its own laws. Judge McHugh, representing the federal district judges, followed the attorney general and argued that officers of a state and not the state itself were parties to the proceedings, meaning that the railway commission of Nebraska was primarily instigator of the suit; that therefore the Burlington railroad, being a nonresident corporation, the suit was removable to the federal court on the ground of diverse citizenship. Maxwell Evarts, representing the railroad company, argued much along similar lines to Judge McHugh. Assistant Attorney General W. B. Rose closed for the state. He argued that the power to regulate commerce wholly within the state was left by the constitution to the state itself.

Sheldon Will Go to Washington

Lincoln, March 19.—Governor Sheldon will start for Washington next Sunday to endeavor to obtain federal aid in quarantining counties of Nebraska against cattle diseases, instead of subjecting the entire state to government quarantine. The governor desires to carry out the recent quarantine proclamation, which recognizes clean and unclean counties, but the government regulations are in opposition to it. The state also lacks funds to enforce quarantine.

Allen to Support Bryan

Fremont, Neb., March 19.—William V. Allen, former United States senator, who was in Fremont, said that although he is a delegate to the Populist national convention he will not attend that meeting, for the reason that he could not consistently do so when he expects to support W. J. Bryan. Mr. Allen declared that Bryan and Taft will undoubtedly be the candidates and that he believed the latter would be stronger than Roosevelt.

Second French Car Takes Train

Omaha, March 19.—French car No. 2 was broken down again three miles west of Carroll, Ia., and taken back to Carroll. Its defects were found to be so serious that it was put on a freight train and billed through to the Pacific coast, its drivers deciding that was the only way in which it could get there.

Two Men Shot in Boxcar

Joplin, Mo., March 19.—John Evans of Neosho was shot and killed and George Ryan of Norwood was dangerously wounded by an unknown man, who entered a boxcar on the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad at Springfield. The intruder demanded and took the small amount of money carried by Evans and Ryan, and on a show of resistance opened fire with fatal effect. The hand escaped from the car at Peirce City.

Chicago Suburb Shaken by Explosion

Chicago, March 19.—Buena Park, a residence district in the northern part of the city, was shaken by an explosion of dynamite last evening. The explosion took place under a derrick car. Scores of windows in residences were broken and pieces of iron were hurled hundreds of feet in all directions. So far as can be learned no one was injured. The explosion is thought to have been an indirect result of labor troubles.

Prize Ring Blow Fatal at St. Joseph

St. Joseph, Mo., March 19.—Jack Allen, a local prize fighter, died from injuries received in a boxing match with Allen Fritz Gutzenberger, professionally known as "Young Rhodes." The match was before the Eagles and was witnessed by policemen and other peace officers. Allen collapsed in the fifth round and was taken out unconscious. Rhodes was arrested.

Governor Guild Criticized Ill.

Boston, March 19.—It was announced that Governor Curtis Guild, who has been ill for two weeks, is in a critical condition. His physician found the governor so seriously ill that it was decided to call two other physicians into consultation.

Bransfield Easy for Burns

Des Moines, March 19.—Farmer Burns defeated Harry Bransfield in a wrestling bout, taking the first fall in fourteen minutes and the second in twenty-five minutes. Burns had an easy time of it.

HAMBLIN WILL NOT HANG

DEATH SENTENCE COMMUTED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

MURDERER OF RACHEL ENGLE

Crime in Which Young Woman Lost Her Life Was Committed at Grand Island Last Summer—Supreme Court Suspends Sentence of Death.

Lincoln, Neb., March 19.—Special to The News: A new party has been formed in this city, which met and organized at the court house last evening. The new organization is called the "Law and Order League," and under this head will the name appear on the ballots at the spring election held on Tuesday, April 7. The meeting was called to order by Wm. Campbell, who stated its object. O. A. Williams read the resolutions, which were unanimously adopted. In short they were in favor of the rigid enforcement of the laws of the state and city ordinances. To completely abolish the saloons, pool halls and gambling dens of every sort that have been in existence during the past year in this city.

Valentine News.

Valentine, Neb., March 19.—Special to The News: District court is in session here this week with Judge Harrington on the bench. There are eight criminal and fifty-seven civil cases to be disposed of which will probably run into next week before the docket is cleared.

Valentine News.

The youngest son of Wm. Erickson, a ranchman living about twenty-five miles south of here, died last night from scarlet fever. Death came very unexpectedly as the child had only been sick a day.

Harper Resigns Bank Presidency.

Washington, March 19.—Robert N. Harper, who was recently convicted on a charge of violating the pure food and drug law, resigned as president of the American National bank of this city. President Roosevelt had urged the district attorney to secure a jail sentence upon Harper.

Rate Reduction in South Dakota.

Rapid City, S. D., March 19.—The South Dakota railroad commission has decided to order a reduction of freight rates west of the Missouri river, and is now at work on a new tariff.

Cleveland Celebrates 71st Birthday.

Lakewood, N. J., March 19.—After a quiet family celebration of his seventy-first birthday anniversary, Grover Cleveland, for eight years president of the United States, was able to say that he was in better health than for some time past. Mr. Cleveland immensely enjoyed the little affair prepared in his honor, in which those of the home circle and a few intimate friends participated.

Love Songs of the Birds.

It is a mistaken idea that a bird sings directly to and for the ear of his mate alone, wooing her with his music. Most of the finest songs are sung to other males after the stress of rivalry is past and each little lady's love is secured. If the motive of the singing were to attract the female the best songs would be heard during the first stage of love making. But birds go very slyly about their mating, and when a male bursts out in song one can be pretty sure that the demure wife is very busy over important affairs of her own. Every close observer of birds must notice that the female is often indifferent to the singing of her mate. As the love season comes on a bird naturally overflows into song—it may be to attract some female nearer, though every bird has a distinct significant love call, which carries as far as his song. The moment she appears upon the scene he has less musical ways of courting her. Should he go on singing some more strenuous suitor would surely get ahead of him. He will fight for her, feed her, coax her with low, guarding notes. But if he is singing loud and clear it is in triumph. She is won—is his—and, like all truly loving mates, gives him his freedom to go back to the springs of his being for rest and inspiration.—Virginia Garland in Out West.

A Little of Everything.

"The weather used to be in four acts—spring, summer, autumn and winter." "Well?" "But now nature seems to have gone into vaudeville."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Live Furs.

"Mamma, look!" exclaimed Mary. "Those furs are just like mine." "Why, Mary, you have no furs," replied the astonished mother. "Yes, I have," said Mary, "and they are filled with kittens."—School Education.

ANTI-SALOON AT NELIGH

PROHIBITION WAVE STRIKES THE CAPITAL OF ANTELOPE.

LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE FORMED

A Largely Attended Meeting of Citizens Wednesday Evening Placed a Full City Ticket in the Field—"No Saloon" is the Slogan.

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Ringling Speeches from such men in favor of this new party were made by J. C. Jenkins, W. L. McAllister, C. O. Trump, J. J. Melick, John M. McAllister, E. E. Beckwith and Wm. Campbell.

An entire city ticket was placed in nomination, as follows:

Mayor, Wm. Campbell. City clerk, Robert Wilson. City treasurer, T. S. Pexton. Police judge, John M. McAllister. Councilman, First ward, F. M. Housh.

Councilman, Second ward, J. W. Tegarden.

Over sixty-six voters were present at this convention. In fact, it was one of the most enthusiastic prohibition meetings held in Neligh for over fifteen years. The general sentiment of those present expressed themselves that this ticket will be elected at the spring election. Each man nominated is thorough, upright and has business tact that is undisputed. A caucus is expected from the saloon element before Saturday night.

ACCUSED OF MURDER PLOT

Woman Charges Former Lover With Causing Death of Five Persons.

Oklahoma City, Okla., March 19.—Fannie Ritchie and Harry McCuen, the woman's former lover, were arrested in Denison, Tex., after the woman had accused McCuen of being responsible for the death of five persons in this city last August. Five bodies were found in the ruins of Anne Bailey's resort, which had been burned. The Ritchie woman alleges that McCuen murdered a stranger in the Bailey resort for the purpose of robbery. Three women in the house and one man had been given "knock-out drops" in order that the murder plot might be carried out without interference. A negro porter, she alleges, set fire to the building to destroy the bloodstains left after the murder. In the fire that destroyed the building Lillian Raye, Vergie Wallace, Sadie and Walter Ward perished.

LARGEST BRIDGE IN WORLD

Cantilever Structure Now Links New York and Long Island.

New York, March 19.—The great cantilever structure over East river, known as Blackwell's Island bridge, which was constructed at a cost of nearly \$25,000,000, was traversed its entire length by pedestrians for the first time. Alderman Timothy P. Sullivan, as the personal representative of Mayor McClellan, headed a delegation across a narrow foot bridge built on top of the single steel girder which now links the New York and Long Island ends of the bridge. Midway on the foot bridge Alderman Sullivan broke a bottle of champagne over the rail, an American flag was brought out and the whistles on river craft tooted a salute. The work on the bridge was commenced in 1901. When completed the bridge will be the largest cantilever bridge in the world. It will be double decked and 8,449 feet in length.

CHEROKEE OFFICES CLOSED.

Port Dodge, Ia., March 19.—It was announced that a big shake-up on the Illinois Central is to take place in the near future. The Cherokee division offices at Cherokee are to be moved to this city and the Cherokee division consolidated with the Omaha division. Retrenchment is the rumored cause for the change. C. B. Letcher, superintendent of the Cherokee division, comes here as superintendent of all Illinois Central lines west of this city.

Arrested for \$165,000 Jewel Theft.

San Francisco, March 19.—J. E. Boeck, a New York jewelry buyer, wanted in that city for theft of pearls and diamonds valued at \$165,000, was arrested as he walked out of a McAllister street saloon. Boeck had desk room in the offices of Marcus & Pitt, on Broadway, New York, and had access to their stock of gems. He disappeared last May.

Last Tunnel Completed.

New York, March 19.—The last of the four tunnels of the Pennsylvania road under the East river was completed. The two shields, which for months have approached each other from opposite sides, touched about midway under the river and the tunnel gangs broke down the thin intervening wall of earth and shook hands.

George Griswold Haven Dead.

New York, March 19.—George Griswold Haven, president and managing director of the Metropolitan Opera and Real Estate company, banker, director in many corporations and member of one of the oldest New York families, died at his home in this city following an operation for an organic malady. He was born in 1837.

Two More Students Arrested.

Ann Arbor, Mich., March 19.—Friction between University of Michigan students and the city police has continued since Monday night's riot. Two students were arrested, charged with stealing a cuspidor from the Cook hotel. The hotel management refused to enter a complaint against the boys for larceny, but the students were brought into court nevertheless, charged with being drunk and disorderly, pleaded guilty and were each fined \$10 and \$5.20 costs.

Jumps from Window of Train.

Adrian, Mich., March 19.—John Santlacia, whose home is in Stone City, Ia., jumped through the window of a Wabash passenger coach while the train was near here. Section men found him nearly dead from his injuries. He said that he jumped from the train to escape enemies who were pursuing him.

Moore Capture French Fishermen.

Paris, March 19.—The government announced that the crew of a French fishing vessel, the Baleine, had been captured recently by Moroccan agents imprudently landing near Cape Juby. An attempt will be made to rescue the men.

CHICAGO NEWSBOYS RENEW RIOT

Make Second Attempt to Storm Street Cars to Sell Papers.

Chicago, March 19.—There was a renewal of rioting on Wabash avenue last night when newsboys made a second attempt to storm the "pay as you enter" cars of the Chicago City Railway company. The street car company had prepared for the occurrence by placing several extra employees as guards on the platforms of each car and the fighting was correspondingly more vicious than on the previous evening. The attack upon the cars came at the rush hours of the evening, but no passengers were involved, as none dared board the cars until after they had passed the street intersections where the paper vendors had massed.

The fighting began when, at a signal, several score boys attempted to board one of the new cars. The guards attempted to kick the boys who rushed on the lower step. Several boys were thrown off in this fashion, but others caught the feet of the guards and dragged them into the street. Some of the newsboys grasped heavy granite paving blocks from piles near the curbing, and with these weapons pounded the toes of the company employees.

The affray attracted crowds of spectators, who watched the successive struggles as each car reached Madison street, from the elevated railway structure. It was when the press became so thick that the progress of the cars was threatened that the police were called. The latter confined their efforts to keeping the way clear, but arrested three newsboys who were too slow in executing orders.

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TAFT AND TARIFF REVISION

IOWA REPUBLICANS SELECT DELEGATES AND ADOPT PLATFORM.

ALLISON FACTION IN CONTROL

Standpatters Dominate Des Moines Convention from Opening to Close, but Cummins Men Force Approval of Ohio Platform.

Des Moines, March 19.—The Republican state convention elected four delegates-at-large to the national convention, instructed them to vote for William H. Taft, endorsed Senator William B. Allison by a vote of 612-17-24 to 507-7-24 and approved the plank of the Ohio platform calling for a revision of the tariff at a special session of congress.

The Allison people dominated the convention from its opening to its close, and had things their own way throughout. The Cummins people, although defeated in the convention, took especial delight in having, as they declared, forced the standpatters to endorse a plank calling for a revision of the tariff and they made a point of frequently reminding the Allison people of the fact.

The delegates-at-large are: George D. Perkins of Sioux City, Lafayette Young of Des Moines, Joseph Lane of Davenport and Frank W. Simmons of Ottumwa. The alternates are: D. L. Heimshimer, W. F. Lake, E. J. C. Bealer and George H. Spahr.

Attorney General H. W. Byers was temporary chairman and C. G. Saunders permanent chairman.

The Platform.

Following is the platform in full: "Resolved, By the Republicans of the state of Iowa, in convention assembled, that the record of our party during more than fifty years of unexampled national history is the large asset of all Republicans; that we earnestly desire the continued supremacy of this great organization, and we hereby renew our expression of pride in the recent record of the party in administration and legislation. We have faith to believe that the Republican party under the guidance of the people will meet just public requirements in the future, as in the past.

"We declare unequivocally for protection as the cardinal principle of the Republican party and we affirm our unalterable purpose to maintain it. Events have confirmed the wisdom of the makers of the national platform of 1904, wherein the party pledged 'readjustment of rates of duty only when conditions so change that the public interests demand their alteration.' In accordance with this declaration of four years ago, the Republican party of Iowa endorses the declaration of the Ohio Republican platform of this year in behalf of 'revision of the tariff by a special session of the next congress, insuring the maintenance of the true principle of protection by imposing such customs duties as will equal the difference between the cost of production at home and abroad, together with a reasonable profit, to the end that without excessive duties American manufacturers, farmers, producers and wage earners may have adequate protection.'

"Resolved, That we favor the nomination of William H. Taft by the Republican national convention to assemble on the 6th of June. We have confidence in his ability, his independent manhood, his comprehension of large and vital public questions; his uncompromising integrity and his unflinching courage. We believe him to be the choice of the Republicans of this state, who have never failed to endorse the official record of President Roosevelt.

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THE CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours. Forecast for Nebraska.

Condition of the weather as recorded for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 a. m. today.

Maximum	35
Minimum	14
Average	24
Barometer	30.20

Chicago, March 19.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau gives the forecast for Nebraska as follows: Fair tonight and Friday. Warmer tonight and east portion Friday.

ORCHARD SENTENCED TO DIE

JUDGE ADVISES COMMUTATION TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT.

BELIEVES STORY OF SLAYER

Court Declares Man Who Killed Ex-Governor Stuenkel Told the Truth About His Many Crimes, but Would Spare His Life.

Caldwell, Ida., March 19.—Stating that he believed that Harry Orchard, in his testimony in the trials of William D. Haywood and George A. Pettibone for the murder of ex-Governor Frank Steunenberg, told the exact truth, Judge Fremont Wood, in the district court, recommended that the state board of pardons commute Orchard's sentence of death to imprisonment in the state penitentiary. The sentence of death was pronounced in accordance with the plea of guilty entered by Orchard last week when arraigned. Judge Wood presided at

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Miners Change Meeting Place.

Indianapolis, March 19.—The national convention of the United Mine Workers of America changed the place of its next meeting from St. Louis to Indianapolis and received a unanimous report from its scale committee, which recommended yearly settlements with the operators by districts, the minimum demand being the present wage scale in each district. Local differences are to be adjusted by the district conferences. The agreement was reached as a compromise. It is expected the report of the committee will be argued at length on the floor of the convention.

In Senate and House.

Washington, March 19.—General debate on the pension appropriation bill continued for over four hours in the house of representatives. The subjects discussed took a wide range, politics, finance, the trusts and the president's last special message, all receiving attention. The house then adjourned out of respect to the memory of the late Senator William Pinkney Whyte of Maryland. The senate was in session but ten minutes, adjourning out of respect to Mr. Whyte.

Russian Terrorist Dies in Geneva.

Geneva, March 19.—Gregory Gerschunin, the Russian terrorist, died here from consumption. He spent the last few days of his life in a hospital. Gerschunin's health had been undermined by his long terms of imprisonment, but despite his ill health he continued to work against the Russian government until he broke down completely.

Old Warship Burns to Water's Edge.

Washington, March 19.—The old warship Monongahela has been burned to the water's edge at her station in Guantanamo bay, Cuba.

LABOR MEN IN CONFERENCE

PROTEST COMMITTEE PREPARING MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS.

WANT ANTI-TRUST ACT MODIFIED

Proposed Amendments to Sherman Law With Regard to Injunctions Are Being Considered—Unions Not to Be Held as Conspirators.

Washington, March 19.—That a memorial formally protesting against the inaction of congress in the matter of legislation in the interest of organized labor and clearly setting forth its demands with respect thereto would be presented to the leaders of that body within a few days, was perhaps the most important action taken at the opening session of the labor conference here. This duty will devolve upon one of two committees appointed by President Gompers, termed the "protest committee," which was directed to frame an address to be presented to those responsible for legislation in congress. It was also decided to ask the leaders in congress to fix upon a time when a committee from the labor conference can confer with them. It is understood that the memorial will call attention to the recent injunction decisions of the supreme courts against labor organizations and asking that the Sherman anti-trust law be so amended as to afford relief.

A feature of the gathering was the presence for the first time in the history of labor gatherings of delegates representing the Farmers' National union and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, which two bodies have never affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, except in a fraternal way.

Want Ban Off Boycotts.

Details of the conference held between Seth Low of New York, president of the Civic Federation, and Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, which are slowly coming to light, indicate that labor is not yet committed to legislation about to be urged by President Roosevelt along the lines of recommendation by the Civic Federation. That there is a difference of opinion that threatens to overturn the program was learned from an authoritative source. Mr. Low is said to have returned to New York much discouraged. He had expected to be able to harmonize the points on which the labor interests, represented by Mr. Gompers, failed to conform with the program of the Civic Federation.

The officials of the American Federation of Labor are said to be withholding their support from the program because the president feels that he cannot endorse legislation which would legalize trade boycotts by the labor unions. The provision of the proposed legislation exempting labor organizations from the operations of the Sherman anti-trust law was intended to secure full indorsement by the American Federation of Labor. At the conference at the White House, which Mr. Gompers attended, it appears that organized labor was in complete accord with the program