

FIRST VOTE ON LEAD SCHEDULE

Senate Decides to Make No Change in Rate on Lead Contained in Lead Ores.

OWEN SPEAKS ON INCOME TAX

Senator Bacon Discusses Effect of Protective Tariff on Prices.

REAL REVISION IS CLAPP'S PLEA

Grant Relief or Democrats Will Change Tariff, Says Minnesotan.

FARCE TO RE-ENACT OLD RATE

He Declares Dominant Party Promised Lower Duty and Must Keep Word or Risk Defeat at Polls.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Just before adjournment today the senate voted to fix the duty on lead contained in lead ore at 15 cents per pound, which is the rate of the Dingley law and the pending bill as it was passed by the house of representatives.

Fifty-three senators, including all republicans present and Senator Hughes of Colorado, Mr. Ferry of Louisiana, voted in favor of the duty and nineteen democratic senators voted against it.

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The promise of the republican party, Mr. Clapp declared, was that the tariff should be revised downward, and he asserted that this promise had been made in response to a positive demand.

Revision Downward is Demanded. "You can't tell me," he said, "that the tariff demand did not mean that the tariff should be revised downward."

It may be in your power," he said as he faced the republican senators, "to act contrary to the wishes of the people, but so sure as you do that, two years from now this tariff will be revised not to the friends of protection, but by the enemies of protection."

When the lead schedule was again taken up for consideration Senator Stone took issue with his republican colleague, Mr. Warner, on the duties provided in the bill declaring that the rates of the house bill were sufficient to protect the people made the demand for a tariff revision downward there was no suggestion that these industries were not sufficiently protected.

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Officials Have Narrow Escape from Car Fire

Awakening to Find Special Car in Flames, They Signal Crew with Difficulty.

CHICAGO, May 7.—High officials of the Pennsylvania lines experienced a thrilling escape today from a fire which destroyed the special car on which they were traveling from Pittsburgh to Chicago.

The Pennsylvania special, to which special car No. 7966 was attached, was bowling along at a merry clip between Hanna and Davis Station, Ind., when the fire was discovered by Mr. Wood at 6 a. m.

He signaled the train to stop, shouting an alarm to Messrs. Turner and Rodd. The latter and Mrs. Wood were near the door and escaped in the extreme negligence as the train came to a stop.

The burning car was then shunted onto a siding and left to its fate. The fire is believed to have been due to crossed electric wires.

Wheat Condition is Reported Low

Average Estimated by Government is Two and a Half Per Cent Below Year Ago.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—An average condition of 82.5 per cent for winter wheat and 88.1 for rye on May 1 last, against a ten-year average on that date of 86 and 89.1, respectively, was announced in today's crop report of the Department of Agriculture.

The area of winter wheat to be harvested was about 2,478,000 acres less, or 8.1 per cent less than the area harvested in 1908, and 2,100 acres, or 7.2 per cent less than the area sown last fall.

The average condition of winter wheat a month ago was 82.3 and a year ago 89 per cent. Rye averaged 87.3 a month ago and 90.3 on May 1, 1908.

The percentage of winter wheat abandoned was 7.2.

Western Men Discuss Matters of Interest to Farmers at Guthrie Meeting.

GUTHRIE, Okl., May 7.—Yesterday having witnessed the forming of a permanent body, today's session of the Southwest Interstate Commission on Country Life was given over to further papers and speeches.

Among the speakers, all of whom are westerners, was E. B. Cowan of Austin, Tex., whose theme was "The Mission of Schools in Improving Country Life Conditions."

Good roads, irrigation and the parcels post were other subjects discussed.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR SPEAKS

Count Von Bernstorff Addresses the Deutscher Club of Milwaukee, Following Luncheon.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 7.—Count Johann Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, was the guest of honor at luncheon today at the Deutscher club, an aristocratic German organization.

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LAW AGAINST POSTAL MOVEMENT

Union Organization of Employees in French Service Said to Be Clearly Illegal.

PUBLIC SYMPATHY AGAINST IT

Government is Urged to Take Steps to Crush Rebellion.

ONLY PART OF GENERAL PLAN

Federation of Labor Intends to Organize All State Employees.

PROVISIONS OF THE STATUTE

Law of 1884 Limits the Organization of Syndicates to Professions and Trades in Competitive Industry.

PARIS, May 7.—Both public sympathy and the law seem today to be clearly against the postal, telegraph and telephone employees' association, which yesterday threw down the gauntlet to the government by transforming itself into a syndicate or union under the laws of 1884.

The law of 1884 limits the organization of syndicates to professions and trades in competitive industry, and the attorney general of the republic is expected to decide summarily that the syndicate is illegal and order its dissolution.

As soon as this is done the organizers of the movement will be subject to heavy fines and imprisonment if they persist in meeting.

The congress of railroad men, at a secret session today, decided to submit the question of a general strike to a referendum and appointed a permanent strike committee.

Dispatches from Havre, Lyons and other cities say the postal, telegraph and telephone employees' association has voted in principle for a general strike.

The Postmen's syndicate today refused to give any further communications to the press, having decided to keep their plans secret.

The attorney general began proceedings today in the tribunal of the Seine for the arrest of the postmen's syndicate.

AJACCIO, Corsica, May 7.—The railroad employees on the Corsican lines today voted to commence a general strike Sunday.

Horses Trample Man to Death

Josiah Carman, a Wealthy Farmer of Furnas County, is Victim of Vicious Animals.

BEAVER CITY, Neb., May 7.—(Special.)—The almost hideous body of Josiah Carman was found early this morning in a horse barn at his farm, three miles south of Beaver City.

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MRS. BOYLE IS IDENTIFIED

Billy Whittla Points Her Out as the Woman Who Held Him.

CALLED HER MRS. "JONESEY"

Kidnaped Lad Repeats Testimony of the Day Before in Presence of a Large Throng—Case Ready.

MEHICHER, Pa., May 7.—The state today completed its case against Mrs. James Boyle, charged with aiding and abetting the kidnaping of Willie Whittla.

The court room was packed this morning when the trial of Mrs. Boyle, as an accessory to the kidnaping of "Billy" Whittla, was resumed.

The issue raised before the adjournment of court yesterday, regarding the testimony of Miss Edith Boyle, apparently intended to connect Mrs. James Boyle with the formation of the kidnaping plot while visiting in Sharon, was quickly dispensed with today by the prosecution withdrawing the witness.

"Billy" Whittla, the kidnaped boy, was the first witness. He repeated substantially his testimony of yesterday, given in the case against James H. Boyle.

"Jonesey" told me she was another Jones. Mrs. Jones said she had eaten supper, but told me to eat. "Jonesey" told me the woman was a cousin of his."

Boyle Woman Identified. The boy witness identified Mrs. Boyle as the woman who had cared for him in Cleveland and whom he had known as Mrs. Jones.

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Big Battleship Lies at Anchor at New Orleans

Mississippi Inspected by Many Interested Visitors—No Fear of Jeff Davis Picture.

ABUSED MOTHER RESCUED

Rich Kansas City Man Finds Her in an Iowa Poorhouse.

CHEATED OF FARM AND CHILD

Repentant Sister-in-Law, on Death Bed, Clears Up Mystery of "Crazy Mag," Who Will End Days in Comfort.

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 7.—Lying at anchor in the great stream which carries the river and up the river without outward hailing the battleship Mississippi was boarded and inspected by a throng of interested visitors today.

Among those who went on the big ship were a hundred or more Louisiana editors passing through New Orleans on their way to their respective homes from the annual meeting of the Louisiana Press association.

At the several places where the Mississippi will stop on its journey up the river elaborate preparations have been made for the reception of the officers and men.

Little interest was taken among the officers of the battleship in the resolution of Congressman Hollingsworth of Ohio, questioning the placing of the picture of Jefferson Davis on the silver service to be presented to the Mississippi at Horn Lake and next month.

Sectional feeling among the officers of the navy has entirely disappeared.

J. GUERNEY CANNON, ALIAS UNCLE JOE, OBSERVES BIRTH

Speaker Seventy-Three Years Old and is Presented with Gourd Dipper by Friends.

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JUDGE DEAN HOLDS HIS SEAT

State Supreme Court Decides that Governor Sheldon Had Power to Appoint.

SHALLENBERGER'S ACT ILLEGAL

State Canvassing Board Acted Within Its Rights Last Fall.

LEGISLATIVE CANVASS NO GOOD

Joint Convention Possessed No Power to Canvass Vote.

OCCUPATION TAX ACT GOOD

Supreme Court Upholds Action of the Lincoln City Council in Levying Such a Tax on the Public Corporations.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 7.—(Special.)—The supreme court Friday afternoon filed a decision in the suit of Oldham against Dean, holding that the appointment of former Governor Sheldon to the supreme bench was legally entitled to their seats; that the appointments of Governor Shallenberger to the same positions are illegal; that the State Board of Canvassers had power to canvass the vote on the constitutional amendment increasing the number of supreme court judges from three to seven, and that the canvass attempted by the legislature was without effect because the joint convention has no power to canvass, and that the acts of the legislature relating to the canvassing of votes cast for constitutional amendments were legally adopted.

As there is no specific provision for the canvassing of the vote on amendments and no provisions for such returns to be transmitted to or lodged elsewhere than with the State Board of Canvassers, the court holds that it was the duty of this board to canvass the returns on all former Governor Sheldon's returns, and that the court also holds that the joint convention did not have before it the returns on amendments and that the law does not permit the removal of the returns of this kind from the office of the secretary of state.

The court says any one who reads will concede the truth of the statement of Representative Taylor of Lincoln when casting his vote that the canvass by the joint convention was not in accordance with the constitution.

The opinion was written by Chief Justice Reese, Judges Dean and Rose not sitting. Governor Sheldon named Jesse L. Root, J. S. Fawcett, W. B. Rose and J. R. Dean as judges. The legislature also named one of the places, but he refused to make a fight for the place and Oldham, who was willing to scrap, was named in his stead.

Boy Fears Rebuke, Hangs Himself

Sixteen-Year-Old Youth of Gowrie Commits Suicide After a Slight Runaway.

FORT DODGE, Ia., May 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Fearing his father would scold him because he had allowed the horses he was driving to run away, Elmer Soderbeck, 16 years old, son of Hector Soderbeck of Gowrie, hung himself to a rafter in the granary last night.

His father was in town when the runaway happened and the boy was afraid he would be angry when he returned. His mother was in Murdock, Minn., and the lad was alone with the younger son, Senator Gowrie, hung himself to the rafter. The dead boy had not been in good health for some time.

BURKETT TO TACKLE TARIFF

Nebraska Senator Will Plead for Free Lumber—Delegates to Scott's Bluff.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—(Special.)—Senator Burkett, just as soon as he may be able to gain the floor, has a speech which he will deliver in regard to the tariff on the lumber schedules of the pending tariff bill. Senator Burkett is one of the strong advocates of free lumber throughout rough and dressed products, but may also touch upon iron and steel schedules and lay before the senate in advocacy of a further reduction of the duty on bar iron.

Plans for the location of the new agricultural experiment station at Scott's Bluff, Neb., have been perfected so far as possible. The secretary of agriculture told Senator Burkett this morning that the men who are to meet with the parties locally interested have been selected and ordered to go to Scott's Bluff about May 15. The representatives of the Agricultural department are Dr. Chilcote, who is head of investigations relating to dry farming, and Mr. Scofield, who has charge of the agricultural work. A representative of the reclamation service has also been appointed, Mr. Means, engineer of the Truckee-Carson project. These three men are to meet with Director Burrell of Lincoln agricultural experiment station on the day selected.

DEATH RECORD

John Dwyer. NORTH PLATTE, Neb., May 7.—(Special Telegram.)—John Dwyer, a prominent merchant of this city, was found dead in his room at Wichita, Kan., last night. He was acting as temporary roadside foreman of the Missouri Pacific here. He leaves a wife and five children here. The body is on the way here. Dwyer was a member of the Knights of Columbus. Supervisor Fred Otis. BEAUFORT, Neb., May 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Supervisor Fred Otis died suddenly this afternoon at his home at Blue Springs of peritonitis. He was elected last fall to succeed R. J. Harris. He was about 45 years of age and was manager of the Wyome Concrete company. He leaves a widow and two daughters.



From the New York Herald. A LOOSE WIRE

Woman Caught by Rope on Wagon and Dragged a Ways

While crossing Farnam street on the west side of Sixteenth at 5 o'clock Friday morning, Miss Agnes Riley of the Riley Sisters, milliners at 217 South Sixteenth street, who lives at 425 Chicago street, in Dundee, was caught by one foot in a loop of rope that was dragging from a delivery wagon driven by Frank Blake of 98 North Twenty-third street. She was thrown to the ground and dragged east from the foot crossing almost to the car tracks. She escaped with only a bad scare, general shaking up and a number of minor bruises.

The wagon was going at an ordinary gait. About twenty feet of light rope, looped at the dragging end, was trailing from the rear of the vehicle, and it was into the loop that Miss Riley unconsciously stepped.

A piercing scream, audible for blocks, attracted the attention of passersby as she was jerked from her feet. A number of men caused the driver to stop his team, while others helped Miss Riley to her feet and removed the rope. She was able to walk with slight assistance to her place of business, a block away.

Have you started to make your garden? Now is the time to get things into the ground.

Under the head of "Everything for the Garden" you will find just the information you want as to where to get plants, seeds and garden tools. You will find these things advertised among the want ads.

Have you read the want ads yet today?

Airships Will Not Be Great Danger to Fleet Says Fremont

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 7.—Captain John C. Fremont of the United States battleship Mississippi, now in New Orleans harbor, is not a believer in the theory that the battleship is to be relegated by the adoption of aerial navigation. In discussing the matter he said: "Did you ever try to drop a marble from the second story of a building into a hat on the ground. Well, that is just about as easy to do as it is to drop a yiddish shell from an airship upon a battleship or a Dreadnaught. The currents of the air will cause the shell to fall in some place other than that designed, invariably. There is nothing of sufficient carrying power yet to bring about the navigation of the air by any sort of a ship which will carry a gun or instrument which would direct the fire accurately at a downward projectile."

"It would be many years before aerial navigation becomes a source of extreme danger to the navies of the world, and it will never be until there is some better propelling power than a gas engine. Instead of a force which generated one-horsepower to the pound, there must be something which will be able to generate a horsepower to an ounce of combustible gas. There must be something which will sustain weight in the air and which cannot be found and shot to pieces by guns from the earth. At present, from recent experiments, it has been shown that an aerial vessel is helpless and can be shot to pieces at an altitude of several thousand feet, more than two miles, before it can reach a position anything like directly over the object it seeks to attack."

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