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EDITORIALS

Large office reports in New York show that 11,399 vessels arrived at that port the past year, states a periodical of the day.

Mr. Bailey of Texas, thinks there are not four dishonest men in the United States Senate. We nominate Mr. Bailey for president of the Amalgamated Association of Opticians, says the Chicago Record-Herald.

A woman at Sterling, Ill., sued a man for \$5000 for a kiss, and the jury awarded her \$150. While that is a real bargain-counter reduction, we can see how she can make a fair income at that rate if she gets real busy.

There is a Kalgoreopolis in the new Greek cabinet. Probably, remarks the Chicago Tribune, he is a cousin, several syllables removed of the celebrated James J. Pappathodoros mountourgeotopoulos of Haliastri mount.

The Chicago Record-Herald says that Charles M. Schwab has moved into his new \$5,000,000 home, which is said to be the finest private mansion in the world; and remarks that he can't sleep in more than one bed or eat more than one meal at a time.

One thousand marriageable women are wanted in Big Horn County, Wyo., where there are ten bachelors to every miss. Owing to the fact that they have no department stores, no horse shows, and few matinees in Big Horn County it will probably be hard to get the girls headed in that direction, says the Chicago Record-Herald.

There are at the present time more than six hundred seed farms in the United States—farms, that is to say, continues the American Cultivator, devoted to the production of vegetable, field crop and flower seeds to be sold to farmers and gardeners. Some of these plantations are very extensive, comprising as much as one thousand acres.

The question of improving the laws and regulations relating to automobiles is attracting considerable attention in France, and a draft has been made of certain new regulations for legislative consideration, relates Harper's Weekly. In the licensing of chauffeurs it is proposed that each applicant must possess a medical certificate in order to have men of absolutely sound health in charge of motor cars. It has been found that in numerous instances in France chauffeurs have been in poor physical condition, either from overwork or various bodily infirmities, and even a case was encountered where an epileptic was in charge of an automobile. It is now proposed that hereafter a physician shall certify that each candidate for a chauffeur's license is sound both mentally and physically. With present high speed touring cars and the necessity for keeping the most careful lookout and controlling the machine absolutely, the problem becomes closely akin to the running of a locomotive and the move of the French authorities would seem to be a move in the right direction.

Eminent alienists should find much to interest them in the reports of battle, murder and sudden death which had their inception on Christmas. Leaving out of consideration the horrors of the situation in Moscow and throughout the Russian Empire, in the United States alone no fewer than thirty murders and other violent deaths were reported, states the New York World. For the most part, the deaths were from murderous assault, though suicide played some small part in the ghastly catalogue. Upon no other day in the year has there been such a record of tragedy, and the experts in neurotics have study before them which will tax the laws of known psychology for an explanation. Christmas is eminently a day of peace and good-will. Why, then, should it prove itself to be a day of grim horror? Is it because of grief over friends gone or false? Is it disappointment at the turning of the day which brings no promise of better days? Is it failure to realize the hoped-for results of strenuous endeavor? Or is it the result of too much celebration with the wine when it is red. Possibly the alienists may answer, but the fact that Christmas brought forth such tragedy is a curious commentary on the day which is supposed to be the happiest and most peaceful of the whole year.

TILLMAN WILL LEAD

In Senate Fight for Hepburn Railroad Rate Bill.

DEMOCRATS IN CONTROL

Their Votes in Committee Meeting Did the Work — Republicans Badly Spilt Over the Great Question.

A Washington special says: By taking advantage just at the right time of the opportunity presented to them Friday, the democrats of the senate interstate commerce committee not only succeeded in forcing a favorable report upon the Hepburn bill just as it came from the house, but succeeded in getting possession of the bill, which has been much touted as the administration measure.

The net result of the day's action, studied from a strategic standpoint, is that all the credit for taking this advance toward securing adequate legislation must go to the democrats. Thus, in the great fight to come over the rate question in the senate, the democrats have all the advantage of position.

The bill will be in the hands of Senator Tillman, senior democrat upon the committee, and under his leadership the democrats will see to it that nothing is permitted to stand in the way of the enactment of an adequate rate law.

After the committee had adjourned Senator Tillman held a levee in his committee room. There were present several democratic senators to congratulate him upon the practical victory secured by the party in getting control of the rate bill, and there were also present several newspaper men.

When reference was made to possible conferences between him and the president of the United States upon whom he loses no opportunity to empty the vials of his wrath, Senator Tillman said:

"Well, it is a rather unexpected and ridiculous situation, but if any one has an idea that I am going to make a farce of it, with myself as the clown, they are badly mistaken. Those who imagine I am not going to fight for an effective railroad bill are way off their base. I do not see why my selection as the member to have charge of the measure should go toward allaying the feeling throughout the country in regard to railroad matter. I am certainly not going to lend myself to any scheme of sidetracking or undermining the efforts to get corrective legislation.

"The senate should be relieved of white house dictation, and we should be at liberty to do our duty in accordance with our oaths of office, and our duty to our states and constituents under the constitution. In all seriousness, I am not going to put myself in any position or allow anything to happen to sidetrack the effort to get a good law. My frankness and reputation, I think, will preclude the possibility of suspicion that I am in this bill as a joker.

"This is a democratic proposition, and the president lent his great influence to it. I hope that he will continue to do so. The democrats in the house supported the bill manfully, and I believe the democrats in the senate will do likewise. I hope there will be enough patriots on the republican side to help pass it."

NO POISON IN STOMACH.

Tucker is Exonerated of Charge of Murdering His Wife.

Drs. Harris and Dandel, who conducted the post mortem examination at Moultrie, Ga., in the case of E. W. Tucker, have reported that they found no poison in the stomach.

PRESIDENT HIGHLY ELATED.

Greatly Pleased at Turn Taken by the Hepburn Rate Bill.

President Roosevelt is said to be in excellent spirits over the favorable report of the Hepburn railroad rate bill by the senate committee on interstate commerce.

"The president is delighted," is the way Representative Hepburn, the author of the measure puts it.

REX IN NEW ORLEANS.

Carnival King Arrives and Mardi Gras Festivities Begin.

With the formal entry of Rex, the carnival was in full blast at New Orleans, Monday. All records in the matter of attendance promised to be broken. The streets traversed by the pageant reception to the king were congested, and there was an immense multitude on the levee to witness the naval parade and the landing.

HITS RAILROADS "ON PAPER."

Land Grants to Be Taken Away When Building is Delayed.

To clear the titles of land granted to railroads, existing only on paper, Representative Lacey of Iowa has introduced a bill for forfeiture of land grants made by the government to railroads, where the same failed to build their proposed lines within five years after proposal.

SIX MINERS WHELMED.

Mangled in Mine Explosion in Alabama — Twelve Others Hurt, Some of Whom May Die.

Six men were killed and twelve so badly injured that most of them are expected to die by an explosion in Little Cahaba mine, No. 2, at Piper, Ala., at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

The dead: Peter Costello, Steve Mansell, Matt Elst, John Stone, Louis Yanko, Rich Smith (negro). The mine is owned by the Little Cahaba Coal company, of which J. R. Smith of Birmingham is president. Piper is in Bibb county, in the Blocton field, about 80 miles south of Birmingham.

The little settlement is on a spur track of the Birmingham Mineral and is difficult of access by wire communication. Among the fatally injured was William Meads, Assistant State Inspector Huffman will make an investigation.

A PARTISAN OF JUDGE LYNCH.

Former Ambassador White Approves of Summary Justice.

Dr. Andrew D. White, former ambassador to Germany and vice president of Cornell university, addressed the students there on "High Crime in the United States." He said, among other things:

"The number of homicides that are punished by lynching exceeds those punished by due process of law. When we consider that out of every forty-six homicides committed in the United States only one in forty-five is legally punished, it is no wonder that people look somewhere else for the solution.

"There is nothing more nonsensical or ridiculous than the goody-goody talk about lynching. Much may be said in favor of the quotation of the famous Englishman Goldwin Smith, 'there are some communities in the United States where lynching law is better than any other.' I have no sympathy for the criminal. My sympathy is for those who will be murdered, for their families and their children."

LAMP EXPLOSION IN JAIL.

Causes Fatal Burning of Two Men and Injury of Others.

Five men were burned, two fatally, by the explosion of a gasoline lamp in the corridor of the county jail at Lawton, Oklahoma, Tuesday.

EDUCATORS AT LOUISVILLE.

Superintendents of National Association Holding Sessions.

The annual convention of the department of superintendents of the National Educational Association began at Louisville Tuesday. This is the only section of the seventeen branches of the national association which does not meet jointly with the general body and the interest in the work was attested by a large attendance.

AMENDMENT TO RATE BILL.

Presented and Read in Senate by Mr. Clay of Georgia.

Mr. Clay in the senate, Tuesday, presented and read from the desk a proposed amendment to the rate bill which makes it unlawful for common carriers to own coal or oil lands, to deal in coal or oil, to attempt to monopolize the trade in those commodities or to control the price. A penalty of imprisonment for from one to three years is provided.

BIG COTTON BLAZE IN TEXAS.

Over Two Thousand Bales Are Destroyed—Loss \$200,000.

A fire Tuesday evening consumed the compress, 2,436 bales of cotton and the lumber yards at LaGrange, Texas. The total loss is estimated at \$200,000. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

BILL'S SECOND SON WEDS.

Prince Friedrich and Dutchess Charlotte Are Made One.

The Dutchess Sophie Charlotte, of Oldenburg, daughter of the reigning Grand Duke of Oldenburg by his first marriage with Princess Elizabeth of Prussia, and Prince Eitel Friedrich, the second son of the emperor and empress of Germany, were married at Berlin in the chapel of the palace by the court chaplain, Dr. Draydner. About 500 persons belonging to the royal families of Germany or the principal nobility, the cabinet ministers and a number of generals and admirals witnessed the ceremony.

RATE BILL BEFORE SENATE.

Ringmaster Tillman Reports Measure and It Goes on Calendar.

The Hepburn railroad rate bill was reported to the senate Monday by Senator Tillman, in accordance with the action of the senate committee on interstate commerce last Friday. It was placed upon the calendar.

SNEEZED HIMSELF TO DEATH.

Feocular Malady Ends Fatally in the Case of Young Girl.

Death came to Bessie Cole, daughter of Stephen Cole of Bloomington, Fayette county, Ohio, Tuesday after a spell of sneezing which lasted ten hours. A physician was summoned, but his efforts to check the sneezing were of no avail. The breaking of a blood vessel brought death.

THIS IN OHIO TOWN

Negroes Mobbbed and Houses Burned in Springfield.

TROOPS ARE CALLED OUT

Trouble Caused by Negroes Shooting a White Man—Eight Companies of Militia Find Difficulty in Checking the Mob.

A riot and race war which began in Springfield, Ohio, Tuesday night as a result of the shooting of M. M. Davis, a railroad man, by Ladd and Dean, colored, was continued Wednesday night, eight companies of troops called out to assist the local officials in preserving order not being able to prevent the destruction of two houses and the partial demolition of a dozen or more others at the hands of the mob.

Up to midnight Wednesday night no casualties had occurred, and the riot had consisted mainly of marching mobs, which either set fire to or looted the houses of negroes.

The "Flicker Nest," which is located in the Blocton mob and subsequent race wars two years ago, was assailed and several attempts made to fire it, but as it was guarded by militiamen, the effort failed.

Several negroes who had been chased by the whites from the negro quarter of the city, made their way to the city building, which was in charge of the soldiers. Colonel C. S. Arnold of the fourth regiment arrived Wednesday evening and assumed command of the troops, relieving Captain Horace Keifer, who had been in command.

The first place visited was the home of George Miller at York and Harrison streets. When the assault began from the rear of the home, Miller ran in his bare feet and without coat or hat and escaped from his pursuers by going to the city hall, where he found shelter with the troops. Coal oil was applied to his house, which was soon a mass of flames and was quickly destroyed.

From Miller's the mob went to the home of John Logan and Noah Ingram, a double frame on York street, and the torch was applied following the escape of the occupants a few minutes before. The house was practically destroyed. The militia gave chase to some of the rioters, and at Central avenue pursued them at the point of the bayonet. Even while this was going on, some of the members of the mob who were at a safe distance from the soldiers continued to stone the homes of negroes.

The house of John Scurry, a negro preacher, was stoned, and the family fled terror-stricken from it. The mob then set fire to it, but the prompt arrival of the militia prevented its destruction. The homes of Reuben Campbell and Charles Hillmore on Central avenue, were riddled with stones and at this point a toy, whose name is not known, was shot in the leg. The militia have devoted their attention to the control of the larger crowds, leaving the police to look after the smaller end of the riot. Promiscuous and random shooting was a feature Wednesday night, and added to the general terror. Two negro women who jumped from the second stories of their homes when assailed by the mob were seriously hurt, and were taken to the hospital.

Many negroes are fleeing from the city, going to Columbus, Dayton, Xenia and Urbana.

THOUGHT HE WAS MURDERER.

Negro Flees After Being Fugitive Thirty Years.

Louis Danahy, a negro, thought he killed another negro with a club thirty years ago and fled being a fugitive all these years. A few days ago he was arrested in Montgomery, Ala., and on trial Wednesday it was discovered that the man he hit was not killed. He was let off with a fine of \$10, after being thirty years in fear.

THE OHIO SPEEDS TO CHINA.

Great Battleship Will Be on Hand Ready for Emergencies.

The battleship Ohio, flagship of the American fleet, has sailed from Manila for Hong Kong, where she will dock and rush repairs so as to be prepared for possible emergencies.

American Consul General Rogers (telegrams from Shanghai that the 14 American missionaries who fled from Nanchang all reached Kin Kiang in safety.

The gunboats El Reno and Queros are proceeding from Nanking to the scene of the trouble.

HENDERSON ANSWERS LAST CALL

Ex-Speaker of House of Representatives Crosses Dark River.

Former Speaker David B. Henderson of the national house of representatives, died at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at Mercy hospital, Dubuque, Iowa, of paresis, which attacked him nine months ago. All of his family, except a son in California, were at the bedside. He served twenty years in congress. During the last years of his life he was speechless.

SONS OF VETS CALLED.

Will Meet With Their Confederate Sires at New Orleans.

In general orders No. 2, issued at Montgomery, Ala., by Thomas M. Owen, commander in chief of the United States of Confederate Veterans, calls the eleventh annual session of the organization for New Orleans, on days joining with the United Confederate Veterans—April 26, 27 and 28.

THE PULPIT.

A BRILLIANT SUNDAY SERMON BY BISHOP BURGESS.

Subject: Church Music.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Bishop Burgess preached Sunday morning in the Church of the Redeemer. The occasion was the dedication of the beautiful memorial organ, a gift to the church. The bishop spoke on "Church Music." The text was from Psalm 150: "Praise ye the Lord, ye shall He not hear? He that formed the ear, shall He not see?" Bishop Burgess said during his sermon:

This organ, which we dedicate today, to the glory of God, has been placed here in memory of one who was a faithful and devoted worshiper in this church, George Parker. There is a beautiful story in the gift, for church music appeals to him with an especial power. To make this part of our worship worthy of our church's traditions, to make its ritual, when ritual of some kind was necessary, seemly and historic, he was willing to sacrifice his time, his money, his strength. It has seemed to me that it would not be out of place for me to speak to you today of church music and to trace its history, so that we may be better able to estimate the value of what must always be an adjunct to the service, the hand-maid, not the mistress, of worship.

The Bible never seeks to prove the existence of God. The prophets, poets, philosophers, historians of the Old Testament and the Apostles and Evangelists of the new, everywhere assume the Being and Personality of God. They do not argue for this position. They simply claim it as their right. Only the fool, and he only under his breath, can deny the existence of God. But if any argument is blated at it, it is rather this argument from design, which is to-day, after all, the advance of modern science, considered the most cogent of them all and which is struck off at white heat as it were, in this glowing sentence of the Psalmist: "He that planted the ear, shall He not hear? He that formed the eye, shall He not see?"

The writer may not have known, perhaps, as much of human anatomy as the physiologist of the brain as Professor James, he may not have been as cognizant of the delicate structure of the eye and ear as one of our modern specialists, but the marvels and the beauty were before him, and he wrote those words. It is an argument which the fool alone can set aside, that such things do not come by chance and that in the Supreme Being something corresponding to hearing and seeing exists, that the music which delights the ear of man is known to God, and the glow of the sunset, that sweet unapproachable beauty of the world, of the stars and of the flowers have their existence primarily for God.

The horrible philosophy may call out "anthropomorphism," but for my part I do not fear that as much as the impersonality of pantheism or materialism. If it is true, as Professor Sholer says, that the naturalist has a right to conclude that the universe is under the control of power in ways like unto the mind of man then surely we have a right to believe that all our art, our music, our architecture, our paintings and sculpture are heard or seen by God and are pleasing or displeasing to Him according as they are or are not founded upon the principles of truth. Let us not argue about this. Let us assume it now as we speak of church music.

We can watch their ways with our microscope, but we dare not assert that they do not hear and see and feel in a world of the source of which we know nothing. So with the universe. We can plow the heavens with the telescope, but we know not that what we call the music of the spheres has no existence and that it is only a poet's fancy which asserts that the spheres and the stars and the planets accompany the sons of God in their praise of the Father in Heaven.

In all civilizations I believe music has always had some connection with religion. The Greeks had no doubt carried it, and they did every art they knew to the height of excellence. In Plato we find music is a constant source of illustration. In those days, as in these, they had the mere music, who prided himself on his ear and lost the poetry and the meaning of the words. "The music," one of the characters says bitterly, "put their ears in the place of their minds."

"Yes," replied Glaucon, "I like to see their neighbors' faces, some saying, 'This is a new note; I never declared that the two notes are the same.' But for Plato music had a deeper significance and in one single sentence he brings out its connection with morals. 'Simplicity in music,' he says, 'was the parent of temperance in the soul.' Truth was the parent of justice, and to-day as never before.

But to the Hebrews the art was sacred. Miriam with her timbale and her dances accompanied her song of victory. The majestic rhythm of the Psalmist were heard, the organ, with an equally majestic music. When the people were carried away into captivity their conquerors wanted to hear them sing their beautiful national air. But the young voices refused to answer. 'How can we sing the Lord's songs in a strange land?' Browning has dramatized the scene, but the people must have been naturally musical when the shepherd lad could come with his lute and drive away the worst melancholy from the heart of the troubled monarch.

I doubt not that our Lord loved the music of the Temple and that one happy moment in Holy Week was when the children of the Temple, presumably the boys who sang this daily service, cried out in homage to their prophet, Hosanna to the Son of David.

The history of early church service is obscure, but at the beginning of the seventh century Gregory the Great, the Bishop of Rome, created a new era and probably a reform in the art by introducing tones, which were the Gregorian tones of voice. I have not technical knowledge enough to assert whether this was original with him or whether he revived an older method, but certain it is that the Gregorian style, if I may so speak, has become the model of all the best and strongest ecclesiastical music, whether Roman or Anglican.

But during the Middle Ages corruption had set in of so serious a nature that we find the Scottish Puritans and the Pope of Rome alike condemning music. The Puritans abolished all musical instruments, from their churches and adapted the natural tone of voice for the services and prayers and the plainsong of psalm tones, which, however, had all the grandeur of Gregorian style. But it is not as well known that the Council of Trent entered for centuries the prevalent style of church music with extraordinary severity and was on the eve of forbidding any kind of music in the church, when it was saved from this extreme action almost by a miracle.

Now why, in such different quarters, do we find such a violent and vicious antagonism to church music? Let us first answer that question, and then see what it was that softened that antagonism. The reason why music was condemned was because it had become a traffic in the camp. During the Middle Ages the troubadours had invented many beautiful melodies, some of them soft and pathetic, some warlike and some gay. This kind of music had developed along with the sacred, and the church composers and preceptors have adopted the secular tunes and incorporated them into the masses so that the people even sang the profane words instead of those of the Latin liturgy. It is as if to-day we should have the air of "Katie Laurie" or "Way Down on the Swanee River" used as a theme for the communion office or played on the organ at the time of partaking of the Bread and Wine of the Body and Blood of our Lord. This abuse of music became a scandal in the church. Apparently choirs and organists had not learned that obedience to the clergy while on trust has now been acquired, and the only way which seemed possible to stop the profanity was to silence the voice of organ and choir alike. You may rest assured that while there is some obscenity as to the real state of affairs, yet the desecration must have been very great when Scotch Puritans and Roman preceptors united in their condemnation of the art.

What saved it, then? In the Protestant world it was Luther. His love of music was intense. He used to play on the lute, and said that the devil fled from its sound when he played. He wrote some of the stateliest and noblest of the German hymns. And if he did not compose the music as well, he certainly superintended its composition. This best of hymn music is really found in the old method of plain song which Gregory the Great advocated.

In these revelations which are going on all the time now in the social, financial and political world, we find that the standard of ethics is practically that of men who have no faith in the hearing and seeing God, or the morality for the world. Sin is not sin unless it is found out. Provided the scandal is kept out of sight it is of no consequence. Large sums will be paid to the most disreputable papers under the guise of advertising, and names out of the scurrilous sheets. Accounts are tampered with and entries changed or omitted, so that no one may learn the facts. And all is done because in the eyes of such men the only shame of the shame of the police court and the cropped hair and striped garments of the prisons. But if the rapid machinery of modern life would stop long enough for men to think, they would hear the psalmist's question ringing in their ears: "He that planted the ear, shall He not hear? He that made the eye, shall He not see?"

Morality and music are thus seen to have the same ideal. And the church which will teach the truth of Christ in this world of sin, will have her organ in abundance and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name." The church that speaks these words is speaking only unto God, and the music which must accord with such thought and language must be the best, the most beautiful which belongs unto the Lord God Almighty.

Songs in the Night.

God * * * giveth songs in the night. Any man can sing in the day. When the sun is full, man draws inspiration from it. When the sun is in abundance around him, any man can praise the God who gives a plentiful harvest, or sends home a loaded argosy.

It is easy to sing when we can read notes by daylight; but it is difficult who sings when there is no ray of light to read by—who sings from his heart. No man can make a song in the night of himself; he may attempt it, but he will find that a song in the night must be divinely inspired. * * * No, it is not in man's power to sing when all is adverse unless an altar-cord shall touch his lip. * * * Then, since our Maker gives "songs in the night," let us wait upon Him for the music.

O Thou Chief Musician, let us not remain unmoved because affliction is upon us, but tune Thou our lips to the melody of thanksgiving.—C. H. Spurgeon.

Modern Miracles.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has been experimenting for some years in an effort to produce an orange which will grow in northern climates, and has recently met with success. Tangelo is the name of the new orange. How was it produced? By plant marriage. The very tough, sour little orange of Japan was mated to the luscious Florida orange. This is only one of the many miracles wrought to-day by scientists. Surely, it is feasible to think of a miracle wrought in the spiritual realm by the union of God and man. Every day spiritual miracles are being performed, man becomes a new creature as he becomes united through faith to his Saviour.

First evangelists the young men, and then make them an evangelizing force, for if these nations are going to be evangelized it is going to be by the sons and daughters of the soil. See that this present generation does not perish from the earth without the young men knowing that Jesus Christ died and rose again, and that He is a living Christ.—John R. Mott.

ALEX LEGLER GOES TO JAIL.

Georgia Boy Held in Jersey City for Murder of His Brother.

Judge Higgins of Jersey City at a hearing decided that Polio, Child Murphy had presented a prima facie case against Alex Legler, and the young man, who is accused of the murder of his brother Carl, was committed to the county jail. Prosecutor Spear will submit the evidence to a grand jury.

PAPERS OF INCORPORATION ARE FILED WITH ALABAMA STATE SECRETARY.

Papers of incorporation of an immense marble quarry in Talladega, Ala., were filed Tuesday in the office of the secretary of state at Montgomery. The company is capitalized at \$250,000, and will mine marble at an extensive scale in Talladega. The incorporators are H. M. Atkinson, P. S. Ashworth, R. B. Chubbans and G. Stewart.

PRESIDENT INTERVENES

And Acts as Peacemaker Between Coal Miners and Operators.

President Roosevelt has intervened again as a peacemaker between the coal miners and operators, and as the result of a letter addressed by him to John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, a national convention of the United Miners will be held at Indianapolis, Ind., on the 15th of March, to try to reach an agreement with the soft coal operators in the hope of averting the threatened strike of April 1 in the bituminous fields. The president's letter and the announcement that the national convention would be called were made public Monday night by Mitchell.

The president's letter to Mr. Mitchell follows:

"White House, Washington, D. C., February 24.—Sir: I note with very great concern the failure of your late convention on the joint interstate agreement to come to a basis of settlement of the bituminous mining scale of wages. You, in this business, have enjoyed a great industrial peace for many years, thanks to the joint trade agreement that has resulted in the action of your successive conventions.

"A strike such as is threatened on April 1, is a menace to the peace and general welfare of the country. I urge you to make a further effort to avoid such a calamity.

"You and Mr. Robbins are joint chairmen of the trade agreement committee of the National Civic Federation, and it seems to me that this imposes additional duty upon you both and gives an additional reason why each of you should join in making a further effort. Very respectfully, "THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

BASEBALLISTS READY TO BAT.

Schedule of Southern League Mapped Out at New Orleans Meeting.

With a harmonious agreement on the schedule the Southern Baseball League directors quickly finished all other matters pending before them and reached a final adjournment at New Orleans Saturday. There was a long discussion in open meeting of the schedule which President Kavanaugh had drafted, but a spirit of mutual concession prevailed and all conflicts of dates were satisfactorily adjusted.

Each club is to play seventy games at home and seventy abroad. The season ends September 12. The schedule is so arranged as to give opportunity for New Orleans and Memphis to play every Sunday for which they are not scheduled at home with the single exception of May 27.

A new constitution and by-laws drafted by President Kavanaugh, was adopted. It is in conformity with the provision for class A leagues under the national agreement.

Though the permit for New Orleans had not arrived, Judge Kavanaugh made a formal presentation address and President Stern accepted in behalf of the New Orleans club.

WAYCROSS SHOPS CONTRACT.

Is Awarded to the Pennsylvania Bridge Company.

It is announced from Atlantic Coast Line headquarters that the contract for the shops to be built at Waycross, Ga., have been awarded. Waycross firm submitted bids. The contract is given to the Pennsylvania Bridge company of Beaver Falls. The work must be completed by January 1, 1907.

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