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THE OVERMAN IMMIGRATION BILL.

A New and Stronger Bill Introduced in the Senate, A \$10 Head Tax.

Senator Overman has introduced his new immigration bill, which goes somewhat further than the one barely failing of passage through the House over President Taft's veto in the Congress before. It puts a head tax of \$10 on alien immigrants, inclusive of seamen who are admitted as immigrants, the tax to be paid by the vessel of the transportation line bringing the immigrant. A fine of \$1,000 is denominated against those who in any manner prepay transportation or otherwise induce immigration of contract labor; and the bill would make it unlawful to induce or assist immigration through advertisements printed and distributed in foreign countries. The Secretary of Labor may also place United States inspectors and surgeons on vessels carrying immigrants. Commanding officers of vessels are required to file with the immigration authorities before departure for the United States accurate information on a variety of facts, and all aliens are to be listed in convenient groups. There is a section authorizing the President to call an international conference if he deems it expedient, or to send commissioners to any foreign country, for the purpose of regulating immigration by international agreement; likewise to arrange for the mental, moral and physical examination of aliens by American consuls at the port of embarkation. Anarchists, of course, continue to be barred. The Secretary of Labor is allowed to spend \$50,000 annually in the enforcement of the act, without itemizing if the interests of the Government apparently so require.

The chief practical effect of the existing legislation against contract labor, which penalizes any offer of employment, has been to keep away very many trained, efficient, responsible people who will not lightly leave home and to make our immigration consist almost altogether of the opposite kind. In this way it has also had the practical effect of discouraging immigration from Northern Europe while dumping immigration from Southern and Eastern Europe upon us wholesale. Apparently political considerations forbid any present hope of getting these prohibitions modified. But the imposition of more restrictions upon the raw, relatively undesirable mass should operate to set the balance nearer right and give us a better average of immigration through our ports. This is evidently contemplated by Senator Overman's bill, which therefore looks good.—Charlotte Observer.

Tariff Bill Bluffs Will be Called.

A warning to business interests that the government stands ready to investigate what may appear to be reprisals upon workmen following the passage of the Democratic tariff bill, was voiced in Washington Wednesday night by Secretary Redfield of the Department of Commerce, in a speech before the National Association of Employing Lithographers. Secretary Redfield read to the employers a circular they had issued predicting dire consequences for workmen and flatly told them if their predictions were carried into effect, he would promptly investigate.

For the Weak and Nervous

Tired-out, weak, nervous men and women would feel more animated, energetic, full of life and always have a good appetite, if they would take the sensible thing for health—take Electric Bitters. Nothing better for the stomach, liver or kidneys. Thousands say they owe their lives to this wonderful home remedy. Mrs. O. Rhineault, of Vestal Coder, N. Y., says: "I regard Electric Bitters as one of the greatest of gifts. I can never forget what it has done for me." Get a bottle yourself and see what a difference it will make in your health. Only 50c and \$1.00. Recommended by all druggists.

Snake 33 Feet Long With a Beaver Tail.

Upon returning to the postoffice from his regular round of Durham R. F. D. No. 2 yesterday afternoon, J. A. Barbee, carrier for this route, brought back the wonderful story of a monstrous reptile.

Mr. Barbee says that the snake was unlike anything he has ever seen or ever hopes to see both in size and other marks of identification. The rural route man says that the snake was thirty-three feet long, and as large around as a nail keg. The color he could not describe accurately, but says that it was unlike anything he has ever set his optics on in the years that are gone. The reptile had white eyebrows, possibly due to its age, and snapped a bill much after the manner of a large chicken hawk. Its tail was like a beaver's tail.

The R. F. D. carrier saw this snake and lives to tell the tale, though he admits that he made no attempt to scrape up an acquaintance with the beast or monster.

Mr. Barbee is a thoroughly sober man and bears a good reputation in these parts.—Durham Herald.

[In Saturday's Herald the size of this monster was reduced to six feet and it may have been less.]

Party Stronger By Wilson's Firmness.

Washington, May 18.—The effect of President Wilson's public declaration that there will be no compromise on free wool and free sugar in three years in the new tariff bill, has been the subject of constant discussion since the Chief Executive made his pronouncement in the presence of assembled newspaper correspondents last week. Administration leaders declared that the President's vigorous assertion has served to strengthen the party line upon the Senate and they point to the vote on the question of public hearings on the tariff bill as an indication of the solidarity of the majority. Before the President came out so strongly in the face of the tremendous lobby influence that completely surrounds the capitol, the legislative air was charged with uncertainty. On every hand was heard the report that the Finance Committee was planning to put a duty on wool or to leave sugar at the end of a three-year period with a small tariff.

Temples Reported Found in the Sphinx.

Repeated reports received in England from Egypt in regard to investigations being made by Prof. G. A. Reisner, of Harvard University, indicate that the head of the Sphinx is the ante chamber of a great series of temples. A depression in the head of the Sphinx had been observed by many travelers in the last hundred years, but no systematic attempt at excavation had been made. According to the latest reports, on the removal of the sand and blocks that had been placed across the opening, Professor Reisner found himself in a chamber 60 feet long and 14 feet wide, forming a small but complete temple. This temple, says the June Popular Mechanics Magazine, in an illustrated article, is said to be connected with a second temple at a lower level, and, through a tunnel running down the neck, with a far more spacious temple occupying the entire body of the Sphinx.

Best Medicine for Colds

When a druggist recommends a remedy for colds, throat and lung trouble, you can feel sure that he knows what he is talking about. C. Lower, Druggist, of Marion, Ohio, writes of Dr. King's New Discovery: "I know Dr. King's New Discovery is the best throat and lung medicine I sell. It cured my wife of a severe bronchial cold after all other remedies had failed." It will do the same for you if you are suffering with a cold or any bronchial, throat or lung cough. Keep a bottle on hand all the time for everyone in the family to use. It is a home doctor. Price 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed by all druggists.

JOHNSON WILL SIGN MEASURE.

Telegraphs Quite Lengthy Explanation of His Action to Bryan.

Sacramento, Cal., May 14.—Expressing his determination to sign the alien land bill recently passed by the Legislature, Gov. Hiram W. Johnson of California today telegraphed to Secretary of State Bryan a long explanation of the action taken by the Legislature. The message was in answer to the request telegraphed to the Governor by Secretary Bryan at the direction of President Wilson that the bill be vetoed.

The Governor's message follows: "Hon. William J. Bryan, Secretary of State, Washington, D. C.

"Your very courteous telegram relating to the alien land bill reached me late Sunday night. I take it from our conversations and your request made to withhold Executive action until opportunity was accorded for the presentations from the Federal Government, that your message embodied that it was your wish and the wish of the President to say to us before final action.

"In this response it is my design most respectfully to present the situation from our standpoint and the views that actuated our Legislature in passing the bill and that impel me to sanction it.

"For many years a very grave problem, little understood in the East, has confronted California; a problem the seriousness of which has been recognized by statesmen in our Nation and has been viewed with apprehension by the people of this State. When the present Constitution of California was adopted more than 80 years ago, it contained the following declaration:

"The presence of foreigners ineligible to become citizens of the United States is declared to be dangerous to the well-being of the State and the Legislature shall discourage their immigration by all means within its power."

"Of late years our problem from another angle has become acute and the agitation has been continuous in the past decade in reference to our agricultural lands, until finally affirmative action in an attempted solution became imperative. This attempted solution is found in the action of our Legislature in the passage of an alien land bill. In the phraseology of this bill, in those whom it affects, its scope and its purpose, we believe we have kept within our legal and our moral rights and that we are doing only what is demanded for the protection and preservation of our State. In this enactment we have kept ever in mind our National good faith as evidenced by existing treaties and anxiety has been to act in such fashion as would commend us to our sister States and would justify us to our fellow countrymen.

"Based, first, upon the assertion that our act is offensive and discriminatory. The protest to our measure as your telegram states, comes from the representative of Japan. The bill that is now before me provides substantially in its first section that aliens eligible to citizenship under the laws of the United States may acquire real property in the same manner as citizens of the United States and the second section provides that all aliens other than those mentioned in the first section may acquire real property in the manner of and to the extent and for the purpose prescribed by any treaty now existing between this Government and the United States and the Nation or country of which such aliens are citizens may in addition lease for a period of three years lands for agricultural purposes.

"Thus we have made existing treaties a part of our law and thus we have preserved every right that any foreign Nation by international contract has insisted upon preserving with our National Government."

Washington, May 18.—Tension

Catholic Priest Arrested for Lying and Stealing.

The Rev. E. L. Skulik, a Polish Catholic priest of Rock Island, Ill., who is alleged to have harvested thousands of dollars in that locality the last few months on fraudulent advertising schemes, has been arrested on a federal warrant charging misuse of the United States mails. He will be tried in the federal court at Peoria.

Rev. Skulik is the publisher of two magazines of asserted large circulation, one having, as he represented, 50,000, and the other 35,000. He exacted large advertising rates, but it is charged that in the several monthly issues he did not print over a total of 400 copies.

Also, it was alleged, he made it a practice of selling the choice pages in a given issue to two different concerns; for instance, that the back page of one issue was bought by an implement factory and a brewery.

Rev. Skulik had not even obtained the mailing privilege for his publication. His advertising clients were scattered over the entire country.

Secretary Daniels to be Guest of Honor.

Washington, N. C., May 18.—Hon. Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, arrived in the city this afternoon from Norfolk by special invitation as the guest of the city of Washington, North Carolina, his birth place and former home, whose citizens delight to honor him. He was met at the station by committee composed of Mayor Kugler and a number of prominent citizens in automobiles and escorted to the residence of Col. W. C. Rodman, whose guest he will be while here.

Tomorrow Mr. Daniels will be entertained by the citizens and will make an address in the morning after which a luncheon will be tendered him at the Duke's club at which will be a large number of ladies and gentlemen.

Immediately after the luncheon the Secretary and party will be given a complimentary trip down Pamlico River on the revenue cutter Pamlico returning in time for him to leave on the afternoon train for Raleigh.

over the Japanese situation continues to excite anxious attention in official and diplomatic quarters, but there were no specific developments today at the White House, the State Department or the Japanese Embassy.

Nine of the 80 days Governor Johnson has, under the California legislation to sign the alien land bill, have now elapsed and the impression is beginning to gain ground here that the Governor will avail himself of the full measure of time even though he has declared his purpose to approve the Webb bill. Secretary Bryan has not communicated with the Governor since the receipt of his telegraphic message setting out his reasons for upholding the action of the Legislature, but simply waiting for the final act of signature before making reply to the Japanese not protesting against the legislation. Whether the Japanese Embassy will continue to await the expiration of the full 80-day period of grace before making fresh representations on this subject to the State Department, depends entirely upon the judgment of the Foreign Office in Tokio, for from this point, forward, all of the proceedings in the negotiations will be "ad referendum."

Wonderful Skin Salve

Bucklen's Arnica Salve is known everywhere as the best remedy made for all diseases of the skin, and also for burns, bruises and boils. Reduces inflammation and is soothing and healing. J. T. Sosselman, publisher of News, of Cornelius, N. C., writes that one box helped his serious skin ailment after other remedies failed. Only 25c. Recommended by all druggists.

ACCIDENT AT CHINA GROVE.

China Grove Mill Operative Found Wounded and Unconscious.

China Grove, May 17.—Friday night, a few minutes before the Patterson Manufacturing Company's plant shut down, Vernon Blackwelder, aged about 17 years, was hurt in a very mysterious manner. He was found lying between two carding machines by another operator, in an unconscious condition, with several gashes and bruises about the head, and bleeding freely from the ear.

No one has any idea how the accident happened. Three belts were off the machine and another was broken near where he lay. He was carried to his home and physicians were summoned and rendered the necessary services. The young man regained consciousness about 4 o'clock Saturday evening and is doing very well at present, but has no recollection of what happened to him.

Feeding Pigs for Economical Gains.

An Alabama reader writes as follows: I have a few pigs that I want to feed during the summer, with a view to making them produce the most amount of meat by November or December. They are about three months old and are doing fairly well at present. I can get corn, corn meal or chops at about ninety cents, wheat shorts at \$1.40 per 100 pounds. Pigs have access to good Bermuda pasture, which would keep them in good growing condition alone, but I want to push them as an experiment, to see if it would pay on a larger scale.

"In your reply advise whether to feed the above wet or dry, and which of these feeds to use, and proportion of each; also amount per pig."

Answer: The price of all feeds mentioned are high. Corn at ninety cents per bushel is \$1.60 per hundred, and it, therefore, follows that wheat shorts at \$1.40 a hundred are cheaper, for they are worth fully 10 per cent more than corn, pound for pound, for feeding these young pigs. Even corn at ninety cents a bushel and tankage at \$50 a ton will not furnish nutriment as cheaply as they are furnished in shorts at \$1.40 a hundred. Also cottonseed meal will not be safe for feeding these pigs for more than three or four weeks, so we are forced to use the wheat shorts, although they are so high priced that it is doubtful if any profit can be made from their use. We would feed the shorts wet as a thick slop and since heavy feeding is not likely to be profitable we would feed once a day, but while the pigs are less than five months old feeding twice a day may pay. If the Bermuda pasture is good and is kept reasonably short so that the grass is young and tender, we would not feed these pigs over one-third the shorts they would require as a full ration without the grazing. If as stated, the Bermuda grazing alone will keep them in growing condition, which we are inclined to doubt with three months old pigs, then two pounds of shorts per day added for every 100 pounds of the pig's weight should produce considerable gain in weight.

It seems that best results will probably be obtained by feeding these pigs only enough shorts to keep them growing nicely and plant soy beans or peanuts, or sow peas in the corn and have them ready for grazing by the first or middle of August. If this is done there is a good chance for a profit on these pigs, but if the feed up to marketing is to be obtained from Bermuda pasture and wheat shorts at \$1.40 a hundred we doubt if there will be much profit.—Tait Butler, in The Progressive Farmer.

The Meaning of Flies.

Cheer up, fly season is here and the summer fight is on in earnest. The man that hasn't his screens up by this time eats at the second table to his guest, the manure pile fly. No, you may not like to look at it that way, but that is the truth just the same. If you don't like your guests, your fellowboarders, or your table companions, a mighty good thing to do is to put up screens. After the doors and windows are well screened you can easily get rid of the occasional intruder by means of sticky fly paper and fly swatters.

In the country a man's flies are of his own household. That is, each householder is largely responsible for his own crop of flies. But in cities the number of flies shows up the board of health. If a town has few flies they have a live, wide-awake board of health, but if flies are thick you can set it down that the board of health is asleep, and a town is usually just about as dead or as wide-awake as its board of health.

The whole thing narrows down, therefore, so that you can judge a town by the number of its flies.

Make a renewed effort to fortify your home against the deadly housefly. This is the season of the year when typhoid fever is becoming prevalent, and the fly, as one of its chief carriers, is correspondingly more dangerous. During the warm summer weather most flies are content to remain outdoors in garbage cans and filth deposits, but during the cooler weather they stay in your homes in increasing numbers just when they are most apt to be reeking with the germs of dangerous diseases.

The Farmer's Biggest Problem.

The biggest problem in the agricultural world is the problem of getting and maintaining rich land. It overshadows even the big problem of rural credits and of co-operative marketing, and must always do so as long as we average our pitiful one-third of a bale of cotton and 15 bushels of corn per acre. The best farmer in the world will find it difficult to make money on washed-away hillsides; while an ignorant negro can make a bale of cotton to the acre by keeping down the weeds on the deep, rich, alluvial lands of the Mississippi Delta.

What, then, is the secret of profitable crops? Rich land. Rich land, to be gotten by rotating crops, by growing cowpeas, soy beans, velvet beans, peanuts and clovers. I tell you that unless you have a cover crop of crimson clover on every foot of your last year's cotton land you are neglecting your duty to yourself, your land and your community. Crimson clover is a demonstrated success from Delaware to Texas; one acre of it is equal to ten tons of stable manure. Can we afford to be without it? Perhaps we may differ with Prof. Massey on some things, but when it comes to crimson clover he is, in the language of William Green Hill, about "the rightest man they is."—B. L. Moss, in The Progressive Farmer.

One of Their Duties.

The new duties of county attorneys are to ascertain who has a United States license to sell liquor, which would be a great aid to enforcing the liquor laws. But suppose when he asks the collector of internal revenue and he refuses, what is he to do? They have been known to do this but it may be the law has been changed. Another mighty good way would be to inspect the money order office at the postoffice and see who is ordering liquor, but the postmaster is not permitted to divulge this.—Greensboro Record.

STATESVILLE WANTS ONE.

Talks of the Rowan County Court and Its Work.

Hon. Theo. Kluttz, of Salisbury, former Congressman from this district, who was a Statesville visitor last week, was warmly greeted by his many friends here.

Mr. Kluttz is now judge of the Rowan county court. The Landmark has long advocated the establishment of recorder's court or a county court in Statesville, and in talking with Mr. Kluttz asked him about the workings of the Rowan court. Mr. Kluttz, who was recently elected judge, says the court has been in existence three years and has proved its worth. Since it was established the court has saved the county about \$2,000 annually in jail fees and has paid into the county school fund in fines \$8,000 to \$4,000 per year. The judge is paid a salary of \$100 per month by the county but the costs collected more than pay the salary. The solicitor is paid by fees and he makes as much or more than the judge, the fees being collected in costs.

The court has civil jurisdiction in cases of contract in amount up to \$500 and in cases in tort up to \$300. This, says Mr. Kluttz, has been found a great convenience to persons who want to bring civil actions for small amounts. The court has criminal jurisdiction in all cases below the grade of felony.—Statesville Landmark.

Baptist Women Raise Money For Missions.

St. Louis, Mo., May 18.—The raising of \$34,877 for the Judson mission offering was the climax of the day's proceedings of the Southern Baptist Convention. The money was raised by the Woman's Missionary Union at a mass meeting at which the only women were present. Alabama led all the States with a contribution of \$8,225.

During the services a large number of young women dressed in the costumes of all the foreign countries in which the Southern Baptists have missionaries marched into the auditorium singing Gospel songs and bearing the flags of the Nations represented.

More than 400 sermons were preached by visiting Baptists in the various churches of the city today, some of the visiting preachers speaking three times. Probably the largest audiences were gathered in the Second and Third Baptist Churches to hear Dr. E. Y. Mullens, president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., and the Rev. George W. Truett of Dallas, Texas.

OUT OF THE FIRE.

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