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SOME STATISTICS GIVEN BY OUR WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT

Points Out How Long a Mill Worker Would Have to Work to Receive the Cost of the McLean Banquet. Tariff is a Tax

Washington, Feb. 8.—When 30,000 men, women and children mill workers at Lawrence, Mass., were out of work because of a strike to prevent a cut in their \$6, \$7 and \$8 a week wages, Mrs. Evelyn Walsh McLean, mother of the baby that is held to \$100,000,000, gave a \$25,000 dinner to fifty guests at Washington, the nation's capital. The hostess at this banquet wore diamonds that actually cost more than half a million dollars. In her hair was displayed the "famous" Hope diamond which cost \$180,000, and at her throat another widely celebrated gem, "Star of the East," which was even larger than the Hope diamond. The cost per plate at the McLean dinner was \$700. One item in the expense was 4,000 yellow lilies imported from abroad at a cost of \$2 each. One of the highest paid mill workers at Lawrence would have to work 30 years to receive the cost of that banquet. The earnings of a dozen Lawrence workers for half a century would not have purchased the gems worn by Mrs. McLean. A Lawrence worker would have to labor 20 years to pay for the yellow lilies alone. The strike of the men, women and children at Lawrence, and the \$700 a plate dinner in Washington, is a striking example of conditions existing under our system of excessive protection in the year of our Lord 1912. Neither the Lawrence strike nor the \$25,000 McLean dinner are exceptions. They are but samples of many similar illustrations which could be cited if space permitted. Only recently, Wm. M. Wood, the boss of the woolen trust, whose employees are now on strike at Lawrence was arrested for knocking down and running over a pedestrian with his automobile. When arraigned in court he was asked how many automobiles he owned, and he replied he didn't know. Imagine a man so rich he doesn't know how many autos he has on hand! Fortunes which make it possible for one woman to wear a half a million dollars' worth of diamonds at

one time, and which enables a man to possess so many automobiles he cannot keep track of them, necessarily come through the power to place a price on the things which the common people must have in order to live. It is significant, in this connection, that the tariff, the cost of living, \$700 a plate dinners—everything but the workman's wages—have increased hand in hand, revealing the intimate relationship of one to the other. Profits of Beef Trust. The beef trust packers declare that during the years 1907, 1908, 1909 and 1910, their net profits from fresh meat were only one-eighth of one cent a pound. In 1907 the retail price of fresh meat was from 17.8 to 18.3 per cent higher than in 1906, while the price of cattle declined in that period from \$27.45 to \$24.63. And while dressed beef was half a cent a pound dearer in 1910 than in 1909, the price of beef was lower, declining from \$9 per 100 pounds in 1909 to \$7.55 in 1910. Any self respecting cow, says the New York World, has the right to wonder who got the extra difference between her price on the hoof and her price dressed. Tariff is a Tax. The word "tax" should be substituted for the word "tariff." The people would then understand the question better. Fewer people would then accept the protectionist theory that the way for them to increase their prosperity would be to increase the tax on everything they eat, wear or use. To use the word "tax" instead of "tariff" would be to make the protection appear ridiculous to the wage earner. Instead of saying the "tariff on wool," it would be better to say "the wool tax," or "the sugar tax" or "the implement tax," "the sewing machine tax," etc. The word tariff is a deceiver. But the people know what tax is. They know they pay it themselves. The word tariff has a certain ring to it that sounds like it was paid by some third party.



LIFE SAVERS WILL FIGHT CONSOLIDATION

Washington, Feb. 8.—Much concern exists in the life-saving service over the recent action of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, R. O. Bailey, in getting an officer of the revenue cutter service in entire charge of the New Jersey Life-Saving District and announcing that he would replace the same procedure as vacancies occur in the superintendents of the other life-saving districts of the country. The custom has been to select the superintendents of the various life-saving districts by competitive examinations among the keepers of the stations in the districts as vacancies are created by death, disability, or resignation. At the same time, an officer of the revenue cutter service has been assigned to each district as "assistant inspector." The New Jersey order consolidates the offices of superintendent and assistant inspector under one officer, to be chosen from the revenue cutter service and designated an "inspector." Appropriations for the pay of the life-saving superintendents are made in the sundry civil bill. Representative John H. Small of the First North Carolina district, has arranged with the chairman of the appropriations committee of the House for a hearing, within the next few weeks, of those opposed to Mr. Bailey's proposition. He is himself strongly opposed to any change of the sort Mr. Bailey is inclined to advocate, because he (Mr. Small) believes that it would tend to injure the life-saving service by demoralizing the personnel and lessening the effectiveness of its work.

OFFERS NICE PRIZES FOR BEST ESSAYS

State Board of Health Will Use Essays to Find Out What Average Person Knows About Different Health Subjects. Prizes are offered for the best essays on the following subjects: Oral Hygiene: First prize \$10 and one under 11 years; \$5. Hookworm: Two prizes. Best essay written by one between 16 and 21 years; \$5. Best essay written by one under 16 years; \$5. Work and Opportunities of County Health Officials: Two prizes. Best essay written by one between 16 and 21 years; \$5. Best essay written by one under 16 years; \$5. The Use of Food in the Body: Two prizes. Best essay written by any one between 16 and 21 years; \$5. Best essay written by any one under 16 years; \$5. The Accomplishments of the Junior Civic League: First prize; \$10. (Information will be given by Mrs. J. H. Kimball, Greensboro.) The prizes are offered by the State Board of Health, under Dr. W. S. Rankin, Raleigh; The Hookworm Commission, under Dr. Jno. A. Ferrell, Raleigh; The N. C. Dental Society, under Dr. J. W. Stanley, Pres. Wilmington; The Civic Department of the N. C. F. W. C., under Mrs. J. H. Kimball, Greensboro; The Household Economics Department, under Mrs. H. Oettinger, Goldsboro. Information: For information and literature write Dr. W. S. Rankin, State Board of Health, Raleigh, or Mrs. W. N. Hutt, Chairman of the Health Department N. C. Federation of Women's Clubs, Raleigh, N. C.

KNOX SAYS HE IS NOT REVOLUTIONARY PROTECTOR

Washington, D. C. Feb. 8.—American citizens who invest in revolutionary movements cannot expect to find the United States government behind them as a protector of their investments. This was contained in a note today addressed by Secretary of State Knox to the German government through Ambassador Von Bernstorff. A copy of the note was also sent to France, Great Britain, Italy, Japan and Russia. While the declaration dealt specifically with the Chinese situation, it established a principle that is regarded as a long step toward the maintenance of international peace, by shutting off in great measure the procurement of funds with which to wage war. Secretary Knox, in felicitating the powers on their adhesion to the agreement of joint action in China, intimated that much good might be derived if all the powers should adopt the chief principle laid down in this note.

COMMISSIONERS MAKE A STUDY OF FISH DISEASE

Progress During Year of 1911 As Reported by the Bureau of Fisheries. Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—[Investigation of a dangerous disease in cultivated fisheries, which extensively affects salmonidae, especially trout raised under domestication, were conducted almost continuously throughout the fiscal year 1911 by the bureau of fisheries, department of commerce and labor. In Commissioner Boyers' current annual report it is stated that a point has been reached which indicates that the source of the infection or other cause of the disease has been located, and this means the first step in the formulation of measures required for its eradication in the hatcheries. It is still too early to express a definite opinion, but if the present indications should be supported by further research, it appears probable that the work will result in a very considerable saving to the bureau by making possible a reduction in the mortality among artificially hatched salmonidae. In respect to the possible relationship of the disease to analogous affections of human beings nothing optimistic can be stated. During the year the bureau has made investigations of several fish epidemics and numerous experiments on the effects of various industrial wastes and pollutants on fish life. This subject is important from the standpoint of human industries other than the fisheries. PHILLIPS HAD SMALL ESTATE. Only About \$15,000 to the Credit of the Heir. New York, Feb. 7.—The estate of David Phillips, the novelist, who was killed a year ago by Elizabeth Johnson, an insane woman, will amount to only about \$15,000.

PHILADELPHIA MONEY IN SUIT

Women Wants Part of Legacy Left by Doctor Evans. New York, Feb. 8.—Justice Newburger began hearing testimony today in the suit of Mrs. Lillian B. Leavitt to recover \$7,500 from the estate of Thomas B. Eno, who received \$25,000 for his share of the estate of Dr. T. W. Evans, formerly of Philadelphia, the dentist, who resided the Princess Eugenie from the time of the Parisian mob following the defeat of Napoleon III, at Sedan. Eno was a distant relative of the dentist. When Doctor Evans died Eno wanted a loan and assigned \$7,500 of what he was to receive from the Evans estate, to Mrs. Leavitt, who was then the widow of Joseph B. Eschbacher, a wealthy glass manufacturer. Judge Eno says, administrator of the Eno estate, asserts that Eno got only \$2,000 for making this assignment, and that as the whole transaction was serious and void, the assignment cannot be enforced. CAMP ARE DISINFECTED AND FUMIGATED. Owing to the prevalence of smallpox in Pamlico County, in Vance county, the camp of the 10th North Carolina Infantry, at Vandenberg Barracks, Dr. Rodman, chief surgeon of the camp, is having all messes from Vandenberg and Aurora disinfected and fumigated upon their arrival in Washington. The traveling public need have no fear as the fumigation is very thorough and completely removed all danger of contagion. REV. FAYLER IN CITY. Rev. T. P. Fayler, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church in the city, is Mr. E. H. Nixon's guest, on West Second street. Mr. Fayler was en route to Bellhaven and Columbia to fill his regular appointments as presiding elder of Elizabeth City district. He was in fine health and spirits and was warmly greeted by a number of his flock. The many friends of Mrs. E. B. Smith, will learn with regret that she is still confined to her bed.

MERIT WILL NOT COUNT

RANK AND FILE OF THE LIFE-SAVING CREWS NOT TO BE CONSIDERED—CONGRESSMAN SMALL AGAINST CHANGE. Washington, Feb. 8.—The House of Representatives today voted to amend the bill for the consolidation of the life-saving service, so that rank and file of the life-saving crews would not be considered in the distribution of the new positions. Congressman John H. Small, of North Carolina, introduced the amendment, which would require that all positions be filled by competitive examination, regardless of rank or file. The amendment was passed by a vote of 252 to 148. Small's amendment would require that all positions be filled by competitive examination, regardless of rank or file. The amendment was passed by a vote of 252 to 148.

WILL REBUILD ON OLD SITE

Equitable Will Rebuild 30-Story Structure Where Old One stood. New York, Feb. 8.—The Equitable Life Assurance Society directors have decided to rebuild on the site of their burned headquarters in the financial district. A holding company will own the building, as the state laws prevent the society from erecting a large structure that it can occupy for its own purposes. Cabergrans from J. P. Morgan, controlling stockholder, were the main factor in the decision. Work on the new thirty-story structure will be started within three months. A holding company will own the building, as the state laws prevent the society from erecting a large structure that it can occupy for its own purposes.

ENTERTAINED AT CARDS

Mrs. Walter Wolfe was hostess to a delightful bridge party yesterday afternoon at her home, Mrs. Margaret Hoyt's, Market street. Tables for twelve guests were arranged. After many rounds of the interesting game was played, a delicious four-course luncheon was served. St. Valentine decorations were used and were very attractive. Those present were: Mesdames Leary, John D. Gorham, W. R. Taylor of Wilson, Misses Worthington Maryland, Elizabeth Mayo, Adeline Mayo, Elizabeth Ward, Mattie Loughinghouse, Mattie Griffin Mary Wright, Francis Lacey. Mrs. J. L. Leary won the prize, a beautiful cut glass candle stick. CHURCHES WILL ADVERTISE LIBERALLY IN NEWSPAPERS. Chicago Daily News; Josephus Chicago, Feb. 7.—Investigation of the relation between the newspaper and the church, under way by a commission of newspaper men under the direction of the men and religion national congress will result in the general use of newspaper advertising space by churches. It is announced by a member of the commission, a press agent, or rather a director of public policy, it was predicted, would be used by many congregations. Among the men on the commission are Victor F. Lawson, of the Tribune; the Chicago News and Observer, Raleigh, N. C.; Theodore W. Noyes, of the Washington Star; George B. Dealey, of the Dallas News of Dallas, Texas, and others. GROOMED IN MARRIAGE. Mr. James Altman and Miss Edith Powers were quietly married at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Washington Powers, on West Third street. Rev. Mr. Broome officiating.

MISS OLIVIA JORDAN WINNER OF FIRST GRAND PRIZE

Miss Swanner Running a Close Second. Votes are Counted by Judges and Winners Named to them.

The contest has done splendid work. The votes show and each contestant deserves the prize they have won. Following is the standing of the votes with the winners, as announced by the judges: District No. 1. Miss Olivia Jordan, 1,431,908—First Grand Prize. Miss Lillian Swanner, 1,296,025—Diamond Ring. Miss Mary Shaw, 1,018,055—Gold Watch for District No. 1. Miss Madeline Ellsworth, 525,896. District No. 2. Mrs. Marion Mayo, 801,000—Second Grand Prize. Miss Rena Rowe, 489,500—Gold Watch, District No. 2. District No. 3. Miss Lucy Wolard, 445,706—Third Grand Prize. Miss Alice Wolard, 422,100—Gold Watch, District No. 3. District No. 4. Miss Leta Cartwright, 340,275—Gold Watch, District No. 4.

COURT CALENDAR FEBRUARY TERM

The local bar met yesterday and set a calendar for February term of Court, which begins Monday the 19th. None of the cases in which Judge Bragaw has formerly appeared as counsel, were set for trial. The calendar is as follows: Monday, Feb. 19th.—James L. Mayo vs H. L. Dawson, Jephtha Brinn vs Belhaven Lumber Co., John A. Moore vs Gilbert Bonner, James B. Allen vs Challie J. Allen. Tuesday, February 20.—H. D. Stille vs W. & V. R. R. Co., M. V. Jones vs W. & V. R. R. Co., J. J. Cutler vs Gallford W. Dixon. Wednesday, February 21.—J. J. Clark vs Receivers of H. & S. Ry. Co., Eureka Lumber Co. vs John R. Harrison, R. & P. S. R. R. Co. vs H. H. Albert and others, Howard Windfield vs J. W. Jefferson. Thursday, February 22.—Geo. P. Pilley vs Jephtha Brinn, J. T. Tuten vs W. U. Tel Co. Friday, February 23.—C. E. Jefferson vs W. S. R. R. Co., S. T. Sparrow vs B. B. Tate, Tracey Morris & Co. vs A. B. Jones, W. E. Patrick vs W. A. Gratch, S. L. Crist et al., vs N. C. R. R. Co. Monday, February 26.—H. B. Stille vs S. F. Fowle & Son, H. B. Stille vs S. F. Fowle & Son, Eureka Wilkinson vs Geo. L. Swindell, Administrator, Gertrude Shavender vs Geo. L. Swindell, Administrator. Tuesday, February 27.—F. H. Waters vs N. S. R. R. Co., P. E. Hull vs N. S. R. R. Co., E. E. Green et al., vs Miller & Bullock, Mutual Machine Co. vs Foster Jarvis et al., Mutual Machine Co. vs Foster Jarvis et al. Wednesday, February 28.—A. G. Spencer vs G. A. and Pula Spencer, G. A. Neal vs J. T. Osborne et al., Short Lumber Co. vs A. M. Harris. Thursday, February 29.—Trustees Baptist church vs J. Havens et al., R. H. Paul vs W. & V. R. R. Co., Hiner Mfg. Co. vs Surry Parker, D. L. Arey Dist. Co. vs Mutual Aid Banking Co., O. L. Everett vs Goldsboro Lumber Co., Bonner & Styrone vs John A. Moore and wife. Friday, February 30.—Howard Windfield vs S. Guilford, S. Fleming vs N. S. R. R. Co., I. G. Caten vs L. M. Blakely, Bank of Belhaven vs W. D. Morrison et al., Oscar Wolf vs O. J. Berthel. Motion Document. Spencer Bros. vs A. C. L. R. R. Co., Jas. McCoy vs W. L. Wells. John Church Co. vs R. L. Dawson & Co., Sarah Sparrow vs Jordan Moore et al. Nannie E. Hill, exx. vs Joshua Nichols. Victoria McCafferty vs Otis McCafferty. Carolina Weston et al. vs Broome & Cherry. John R. Perry vs Moses Simpson and wife. Carroll Cason vs Sarah M. Cason. Mrs. E. F. Long and others vs Bowen & Duke. P. A. and J. T. Nicholson vs Eureka Lumber Co. Jno. W. Terry et al. vs Chas. W. Whitchard et al. Foster Jarvis and wife vs Octavius Bonner et al. Dinks Jarvis vs W. R. Jarvis. Franklin R. Williams vs Jno. and Asarith Toler. Lewis' Abs. vs Henry A. Brier. Isabel Bishop vs E. C. Boomer et al. Eureka Lumber Co. vs Jno. R. Harrison. E. S. Corey vs Carolina Improvement Co. In Re Will of Laura A. Simpson Western Mfg. Co. vs W. O. Windfield. Famlico Grocery Co. vs Reuben Morris and Jos. Hodges. Ida E. Thompson et al. vs Jonna Jennette et al. W. J. Jackson vs Harris Hdw. Co. and Miller. Caroline Lewis vs Harvey Moore. Crystal Ice Co. vs Hill & Johnsona Western Mfg. Co. vs H. C. Mayo & Co. Southern Ex. Co. vs Southern Investment Co. Jno. Flannagan Buggy Co. vs W. D. Morrison. J. C. Meekins Jr. vs Winake Arey Co. et al. Isabella Clark vs David H. Price. Oscar Wolf vs C. J. Barthel. E. M. B. Warren vs City of Washington. Elizabeth E. Gibbs vs Wm. M. Gibbs. Elizabeth E. Gibbs vs Wm. M. Gibbs. E. A. Brady and wife vs Geo. I. Dall. Rouses Hempstone & Co. vs Standard Lumber Co. R. G. Neal vs N. G. Wade and others. John McMurtry vs Rachel McMurtry. Denate Collins vs Florence Collins. Clark Smith Co. vs Jos. Hattina and wife. Isabelle Fields vs J. H. Jones and W. D. Grimes. Geo. O. Morton vs N. S. R. R. Co. State ex rel Fred Kelly vs B. E. Nicholson et al. Oakes Mfg. Co. vs S. W. Wilkinson & Bros. New Postmasters. Washington, D. C., Feb. 7.—North Carolina postmasters appointed today: "Gibbreath Lonsay, A. Bobbit, Gibbreath, vice C. L. Roberson, resigned. Grape Creek, William B. Johnson, vice M. O. Johnson, resigned; Lufkin, John B. Johnson, vice A. H. Davidson, removed; Wausanah, James K. Council, vice H. H. Holton, resigned. The prayer meeting in Nicholsonville last night was largely attended and the interest was very encouraging. The... of Mr. W. P. Rhea's home on the evening of Friday, Feb. 14th, at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. W. W. Norton of Richmond, Va., will preach at the Payne Memorial church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend this service.