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TARIFF BILL NOW READY TO RECEIVE ITS IMPRIMATUR

Committee on The Whole Reports to The August Senatorial Body

REPRINT OF BILL TO BE EXAMINED

Agony of Long Drawn Out Tariff Legislation Coming to a Close

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, July 6.—Completing the tariff bill in the committee of the whole, that measure was today reported to the senate so that legislation providing for customs duties is now regarded as on the home stretch. The question was brought to a close temporarily by a motion to adjourn for the day to afford senators an opportunity to look over the reprint of the bill before taking further action. The adjournment was made with the understanding that when the body reconvenes all sections of the bill that senators do not desire to reserve for further amendment shall be agricultural en bloc. The senate will then connsider the tobacco tax, the only amendment not adopted in the committee of the whole. The senate jogged along in uneventful fashion today, until Senator Smoot stated that he had an amendment recommended by the committee on finance fixing the duties on tobacco. He sent it to the desk to be read. This preliminary procedure concluded, Senator Daniel of Virginia, ranking minority member of the committee on finance disputed the statement of the senator from Utah that that provision had been recommended by the committee.

Smoot Objects.

He characterized it as another "bogus committee amendment" stating that the minority members of the committee had never seen it until it had been completed.

Mr. Daniel then offered a resolution declaring that every member of the committe appointed by the senate has the right to be notified of all meetings of the committee to which he belongs, and the right to vote upon every proposition referred to the committee by the senate.

"The five democratic members of the finance committee" he said, "feel

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GAS EXPLOSION IN MINE SENDS NINE MEN TO ETERNITY

Workers Descending in Cage, Victims of Catastrophe in Colorado.— Suffocated by Gas.

(By Associated Press.)

TRINIDAD, Col., July 6.—Nine men were killed today by an explosion of gas in the Cedar Mill Coal and Coke company at Tolleville, near here. All but one were foreigners.

The men were descending in the cage. The explosion partly wrecked the shaft and those who were not instantly killed were suffocated by gas. All of the bodies have been recovered.

The scene at the mouth of the mine defies description. Relatives of the miners crowded round, each one clamoring for news of their loved ones. As the dead bodies were brought to the surface and were recognized heart rending cries and sobs were heard. Medical aid was hastily summoned from the nearby towns and every assistance given to the wounded, but several of the men were mangled beyond recognition.

No warning of the catastrophe was given. As the cage descended the shaft a loud roar, followed by a blinding flash preceded the falling of the cage containing its human freight. When the smoke and dust had cleared away swift preparations were made to go to the aid of the victims.

The cause of the explosion has not yet been ascertained.

BRISTOL IS BUZZING OVER ITS LIQUOR FIGHT

Both "Drys" and "Wets" Claim That They Will Win in a Walk.

(By Associated Press.)

BRISTOL, Va., July 6.—On the eve of the last day, but one, before the local option election which is to decide the question of whether Bristol shall again legalize the sale of liquor both the "wets" and the "drys" are making claims of victory. The leaders in the fight for the sale of whiskey assert that they will carry the election by a majority not less than 250. While their opponents profess to be equally sure of winning, they are giving out noflg ures.

It is believed that the election will be close. That nearly a million dollars worth of whiskey, or almost as much was sold by the saloons the last year they were in operation here, was shipped into Bristol the past twelve months, largely upon orders of recognized prohibitionists, was contained in a statement issued today by the "wets".

HE SECURES DIVORCE TO VISIT JERUSALEM

Jacob Berman's Wife Would Have None of the Sea, so They Separate.

NEW YORK, July 6.—For many weeks old Jacob Berman of No. 154 Ridge street has longed to pass the remainder of his life in the Holy Land and die in Jerusalem, but his wife Rachel refused to go with him. Jacob is eighty years old and Rachel is forty-seven. She has children by a former husband and Jacob has a grown son and daughter.

One day last week Jacob again made known his longing to Rachel, but she was still obdurate. "Then why do we not get a 'ghet?'" queried Jacob. A "ghet" in Yiddish is something like a divorce in English, only it is much more simply procured.

Rachel was willing and together the two went to Isidore Scherer, an attorney at No. 264 Rivington street. The lawyer heard the case and signed the paper. Then the couple went to Rabbi R. S. Moot of No. 135 Norfolk street, and he also signed it, and the separation was complete. Then back to the lawyer the couple went and carefully divided their meagre goods. For a fee Jacob gave the lawyer a copper coin, which he said would bring him luck.

MURDERER OF ELSIE SIGEL MAY BE CAUGHT IN HIS FLIGHT TO CHINA

Police of Gotham Believe That the Chink Shipped from Philadelphia.

HAVE GOOD CLUES

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, July 6.—In the hope of capturing Leon Ling, the accused slayer of Elsie Sigel, the police have just cabled several cities on the Mediterranean coast and to points through the Suez canal and Indian Ocean to hold up the German steamship Helene Rickmers and search it for the fugitive. Information is almost conclusive, the police say, that Ling shipped from Philadelphia between June 10 and 12. The murder was committed on June 9.

Detectives found that the Helene Rickmers left Philadelphia on June 12 bound for Hosaki, Japan, and that before sailing her commander, Captain Oetting had shipped several Chinamen as part of the crew. Among these Chinamen who were engaged only a short time before sailing was one well dressed man who spoke good English and professed to be an expert cook. Leon Ling wore good clothes, spoke English fluently and was a master cook.

The Helene Rickmers was the only vessel which left Philadelphia at about that time for the Orient. The vessel was last reported at Tarifa, a seaport town of Spain, fifteen miles southwest of Gibraltar, on June 29.

KAPPA ALPHA MEETING.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 6.—The most important subject before the twenty-fifth biennial convention of the Kappa Alpha fraternity, which began here today, with Edward Chambers Smith, of Raleigh, N. C., knight commander, presiding, was an extension of the order's territory. Rowan A. Greer, of Memphis, was elected president of the convention.

THAW'S COUNSEL SCORES POINT IN EFFORT TO GET RELEASE FROM ASYLUM

Court Orders His Removal from the Custody of Mattewan's Superintendent.

WITNESSES HEARD

(By Associated Press.)

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., July 6.—Counsel for Harry K. Thaw, insane confinement at the Matteawan asylum for the criminally insane, for shooting Stanford White, today scored a partial victory in the hearing to determine his sanity held before Justice Mills, by obtaining from the court an order removing Thaw from Matteawan and placing him in the custody of Sheriff Henry Schert of White Plains, until the hearing was concluded.

Only two witnesses were examined today. The first, former Governor Stone, testified that as counsel for Thaw in bankruptcy proceedings he had had occasion to observe his client closely and that in many conversations and conferences he had had with him Thaw had shown uniform rationality and intelligence.

The other witness, Robert Good, a manufacturer of Poughkeepsie testified that he had met Thaw at the time of his incarceration in the Poughkeepsie jail and that he had had occasion to visit him on an average of twice a week.

Thaw, he declared, had shown no evidence of unsound mind.

The hearing was adjourned until Monday when both sides will submit expert testimony.

WHO WANTS A JOB?

LIMEDALE, Ind., July 7.—For 32 years, W. J. Stegg, a democrat, postmaster at Limedale, has hoped in vain that some republican would get into this town and get his job. The office did not pay much, anyhow, and on the fourth of July Stegg threw up the job.

He was appointed postmaster here by President Hayes.

A democrat will be his successor because Limedale is without a republican voter.

NAME OF IRISH LACE MAKER IS MIXED WITH THAT OF TOM TAGGART

Former National Chairman Figures in Sensational Trial at Chicago.

TOM DENIES IT

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, July 6.—The name of Tom Taggart, of French Lick Springs, Indiana, former chair of the democratic national committee was brought into the record of the Ella Gingles trial in Judge Brentanos' court here today.

The young Irish lace maker on cross-examination had told of the search of her room by Miss Agnes Barrette, her accuser, and the late Mrs. Cecilia Kenyon, looking for lace which Miss Barrette claimed Miss Gingles had stolen. This brought the story around to Miss Gingles' visit to Miss Barrette's room at the Wellington hotel on a subsequent occasion when, according to Miss Gingles, she was forcibly disrobed by Miss Barrette and Mrs. Kenyon.

"Did you fight against them?" she was asked.

"Yes, until I was worn out with crying and my exertions."

"Was any man mentioned?"

"Yes."

"It was Tom Taggart, I believe."

"Who mentioned the name?"

"Miss Barrette. She said, 'If Taggart were only here.'"

Last Friday Miss Gingles testified she had been told she could have plenty of money, good clothes and no work if she would go to French Lick Springs.

"What did you think when Miss Barrette told you the advantages of this visit?"

"I thought she meant I was to marry a man."

The court room was crowded to suffocation and it was necessary to clear the aisles when Ella Gingles resumed the witness stand in her own behalf today. It is the theory of the state that the young Irish lace maker is a victim of mythomania, firmly be-

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Oh ! Look Who's Here!

FIREMEN MAKE QUICK RUN TO CITY; EVERYTHING GOES OFF THE REEL

Sturdy Fire Fighters Take Possession of the Mountain Metropolis and Find Many Things to Their Liking—Big Card Today Consists of Exciting Contests Between Squads from Various Cities.

The North Carolina State Firemen's association put in a busy day's work yesterday in connvention, sessions being held morning, afternoon and night, important business transacted, officers elected anmd time snatched to enjoy the hospitality of the Tahkeeostee club. The convention closed last night and this morning will come the tournament, the parade in the forenoon and the exciting hose wagon races in the afternoon. Tonight and tomorrow night will be the novel entertainment at the Auditorium, open to the public for a small charge, when a fire department will be shown in actual operation in connection with moving pictures.

The convention was called to order in the Auditorium yesterday morning at 11 o'clock by President James D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, who introduced Rev. R. F. Campbell, D. D. pastor of the First Presbyterian church, to make the opening prayer. S. G. Bernard, esq., of Asheville, extended a hearty welcome from Asheville to the delegates, saying that they were the best men in North Carolina, men pledged to save the lives and property of the public and who at the sacrifice of their time and means and often at the hazard of their lives preserved the lives and homes of the people. Mr. Bernard said he wanted every one to know that the firemen were welcomed by all the people of Asheville and not least of all, the children.

President McNeill asked Mr. R. D. Douglas, of Greensboro, to make one of the responses which was done in a happy vein, Mr. Douglas saying that it was a pleasure to express the kind feelings which all the firemen held for Asheville. There was not one, he said, who since childhood had not heard of Asheville, the mountain metropolis, which had done more than any other city in extending the fame of North Carolina.

JAMES D. McNEILL,
President of N. C. Firemen's Association, who was re-elected last night.

Chief Clark, of Southern Pines, being asked to respond for the eastern part of the state said that Asheville's welcome was so warm and hearty that it needed no praise. He told the delegates that if they got any prizes here it was because the Asheville firemen helped them jestingly asking for the purpose of enlivening the situation if it was true miles the Asheville boys had covered in 20 minutes or 20 miles in 1 minute.

Chairman Kirkman of the fire committee of High Point said that there was no need to speak of the city's welcome because it was breathed in from the very air. Chief Richardson, of New Bern, briefly thanked the city for its welcome. Mayor Greer of Statesville said that the well remembered hospitality of three years ago was an assurance of Asheville's sincerity.

President McNeill after briefly thanking Mr Bernard for his expressions introduced Insurance Commissioner Jas. R. Young, who made a practical address full of valuable suggestions. He said that it was equally as important to prevent fires as to extinguish them and that the people generally should be brought to realize this. The firemen, efficient in fighting fire, can be equally valuable in seeing that fire risks and danger to life and property are reduced by proper observance of the building inspection law and that directed against fire waste. He urged an enforcement of the law regarding fire districts and strict inspection from cellar to attic. He said that it was important that it be understood that two conditions were necessary before any town could receive the relief fund provided by the annual tax of one half of one per cent of the insurance premiums but that unfortunately seven towns had failed to receive a proportion because they had not complied with these condition. One condition is that each city or town clerk shall report to the commissioner by October 31st, yearly the condition of the fire apparatus and the other is that the commissioner be satisfied that cities and towns applying are enforcing the building inspection laws satisfactorily. He referred to the high standard of Salem.

President McNeill said that the firemen had asked for the laws referred to by the insurance commissioner and should seek to uphold those laws because they were firemen's laws. The inspection served also to familiarize the fire chiefs with buildings in case of fire.

As a committee on credentials the chair named Schnibbens, of Wilmington, Christian, of Durham, Edam, of

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NEW YORK LIFTS CURSE OF LEPROSY FROM JOHN EARLY

North Carolina "Leper" Turns The Laugh on Washington Authorities

MOVES ABOUT AS A FREE CITIZEN

Early Will Soon be Exhibited Before Conference of Medical Experts

(Special to The Citizen.)

NEW YORK, July 6.—If John Early, the North Carolina pulp worker, who was alleged by the Washington authorities and a foreign European specialist to be afflicted with leprosy, has that fatal disease, Dr. Bulkley, of New York, and his corps of assistants are showing little fear of it. When Early arrived in New York Sunday he jostled against thousands of Manhattanites as he wedged his way to the Skin and Cancer hospital.

In the hospital Early moved about almost as freely as he did in the streets. He was placed in a ward with seven other men, and when things got monotonous there he went on the roof, where he came in contact with practically all the other patients. All had flocked to the roof because of curiosity to see the man, whose disease had thrown the scientists of two continents into a seemingly hopeless tangle.

In the opinion of not a few eminent experts here and abroad, Early is the victim of a form of leprosy, which is contagious as well as incurable. Of the disease, Dr. Edward Ehlers, of the Copenhagen, one of the leading dermatologists of Europe, said:

"I took cultures from the body of John Early and found that they disclosed the presence of leprosy in an incipient stage. Nevertheless it is very contagious. The patient should by all means be kept isolated."

"No Leper," Says Bulkley.

Early's coming to New York in such a free and easy way was because some of the New York scientists believe Dr. Ehlers and his school are all wrong. Indeed, Dr. Duncan L. Bulkley, of this city, made an exhaustive examination of Early, and, after declaring the patient did not have leprosy in any form, said:

"The man was suffering from dermatitis, a sort of chronic irritation of the skin. But even of this he now appears to be cured. I accordingly obtained the requisite permit from the New York city and state board of health for him to come to the Skin and Cancer hospital. There he will be under my care."

It was also stated yesterday that by the end of this week Dr. Bulkley hopes to exhibit Early before a conference of medical experts, in order to prove conclusively that the man now has no skin disease of any kind. If he does show this, the former patient of a Washington pesthouse will

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VILLAGE MARSHAL IS HELD ON GRAVE CHARGE

Is Alleged to Have Used Sham Arrest as Means to Dastardly End.

(By Associated Press.)

JESUP, Ga., July 6.—Marshal T. M. Thomas of Jesup is confined in the county jail here on a charge of criminal assault upon Mrs. Arabelle Hitchcock, who swore out the warrant for his arrest. A preliminary trial has been set for July [illegible]. It is alleged that Thomas on the pretext for their arrest took Miss [illegible] and her sister from their home late midnight and accompanied by another man, took them in a buggy to a short distance in the country and forced them to submit to indignities of a most revolting nature.

WASHINGTON, July 6.—Forecast North Carolina. Local showers Wednesday and Thursday. Light variable winds, mostly southwest.

NEWSPAPER CAR NOW IN VIRGINIA STATE

Atlanta Journal and New York Herald Auto Is Coming This Way.

WINCHESTER, Va., July 6.—The New York Herald Atlanta Journal automobile arrived here from Washington at 6:30 o'clock this evening. The pathfinder left Washington at 10 o'clock this morning and at Leesburg at 12 noon. They were met by a large crowd. Addresses were made by Mayor Garrett, Senator [illegible] and Charles P. Jones.

A special train of Lynchburg was waiting at the depot and a huge crowd was present. Hon. Swope presided. While here the party was entertained at a dinner.

A stop will be made tomorrow at the Shenandoah valley turnpike and the party expects to reach Natural Bridge by nightfall. The present tour is from Boston and Knoxville to Atlanta.

HAMMANN ACQUITTED.

BERLIN, July 6.—Privy Counsel for Dr. Hammann, director of the press bureau of the foreign office was today acquitted of charges of perjury brought against him by Prof. Schmitz, the former husband of the present Frau Hammann. It appeared from the testimony that Schmitz was responsible for a system of persecutions against Dr. Hammann and his wife.

CARNIVAL TO BE HELD FOR OLD "KING KOTTON"

Commercial Meeting at Atlanta Sounds Slogan for Annual Show.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, Ga., July 6.—A "King Kotton Karnival," to be held annually in some Southern city, changing its location each year, was the slogan sung by the commercial secretaries with zing here tonight for the first annual convention tomorrow of the Southern Commercial Secretaries association. The "Three K" exhibition is to be for the purpose of exploiting the products of cotton.

Every state in the South will be represented at the two days session of the convention. In addition to commercial secretaries, prominent business men and railroad officials have signified their intention of attending. Good roads will be studied in concrete form during a trip by automobile from Atlanta to Roswell, Ga., the ancestral home of Theodore Roosevelt.

WEAVERS WALK OUT.

MERIDIAN, Miss., July 6.—Asserting that the work rooms were not sufficiently ventilated, fifty weavers employed in the Meridian cotton mills walked out today when the management refused a request that the windows be open. The mill was immediately closed down.

BUCKET SHOP MEN IN THIS STATE AND VA. ARE INDICTED BY GRAND JURY

Julian Price of Greensboro and Others Are Up for Violation.

PRICE WON'T TALK

(By Associated Press.)

NORFOLK, Va., July 6.—Charging violation of the Virginia anti-bucket shop laws, the grand jury today returned six indictments against Price & Co., a Baltimore corporation, H. E. Boykin, of Norfolk, Julian Price, of Greensboro, N. C., and R. B. Daugherty, of Portsmouth, Va., trading as H. E. Boykin & Co., of Norfolk. The specific charges are that the defendants made marginal sales on cotton in lots of less than 100 bales.

Boykin & Co., are the local agents of Price & Co., of Baltimore.

H. E. Boykin and R. B. Daugherty were arrested this afternoon upon bench warrants and bonded in the sum of $1,000 each for their appearance before Police Justice Simmons tomorrow.

WON'T TALK.

BALTIMORE, July 6.—W. B. Price, head of the brokerage firm of Price & Co., incorporated, of Baltimore, the concern indicted at Norfolk, Va., for alleged violation of the anti-bucket shop law of that state, would not discuss the case today beyond saying that his company had no agents or representatives outside of Baltimore and that he was at a loss to understand how it could have been indicted.