

FARMERS OF SOUTH ANNUALLY ROBBED BY BAGGING TRUST

Southern Cotton Growers Pay High Privilege Tax on Jute and Ties

NEW ORLEANS COTTON EXCHANGE RESOLUTIONS

Urges That Handicap be Taken off by Removing Tariff on Both Articles

NEW ORLEANS, April 10.—That the cotton bagging and tie trust "not satisfied with robbing the American cotton planter of nearly one million dollars annually through unjust tariff placed upon bagging and ties under the Payne-Adair tariff law are planning to increase their levy on the cotton crop to \$2,500,000 annually."

President W. B. Thompson, of the cotton exchange. The resolutions addressed to each member of congress, tells of the great importance to the South if this alleged tariff steal.

Mr. Thompson's Statement.

He says in part: "The cotton crop of the South yields annually an average of about 12,000,000 bales of this total approximately five eighths of 7,500,000 bales representing an average money value of over \$500,000,000 are exported and exchanged for foreign gold. The mere statement of these facts attests the importance of the cotton producing industry, emphasizes the obligation which the country at large owes the producer of this crop and establishes his right to at least just treatment at the hands of the general law making power."

Under the present tariff law the duty on steel cotton ties amounts to .927 cents per bale or to \$224,000 on a crop of 12,000,000 bales. This tariff is prohibitive as is shown by the fact that no steel ties are imported. Therefore the government has no share in this impost which constitutes simply and solely tribute levied upon the cotton farmer for the benefit of the cotton tie trust.

Big Sum in Jute. "The duty on jute bagging imposed by the present tariff law amounts to .05 cents per bale or to \$630,000 in a crop of 12,000,000 bales. This

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EARTH CONTINUES TO GIVE UP BODIES FROM BANNER MINE

Awful Havoc Wrought in Depths of Earth Retarding Work of Rescuers

RAPID INVESTIGATION ORDERED BY GOVERNOR

Only Fifty-Four Bodies so far Found and Some Are Horribly Mutilated

BANNER, Ala., April 10.—Only 54 bodies of the 128 victims known to have perished in the Pratt Consolidated coal mine have been brought up at 9 o'clock tonight. Sixteen bodies at the bottom of the pit and will be decided to convert the fan from Change Apparatus

There was considerable delay in the rescue work this afternoon because of the change in the air supply ordered by Mine Inspector Hillhouse. He decided to convert the fan from an outlet to an intake, in other words to push the air in instead of pulling it out. This work began at 10 o'clock and required several hours and when it was finished the experts from the federal rescue car went down for an inspection so that it was late this afternoon before the workmen could resume the removal of bodies.

Nine bodies brought from Number 7 this morning were horribly mutilated. Parts of one white body were found scattered for several yards, the rails of the track were twisted and mine cars had been hurled for some distance. It is believed that the center of the explosion Saturday morning was at this point. The accident occurred from careless handling of powder, bringing it in contact with an exposed lamp. Mine officials still maintain that there were 128 men in the mine although there were rumors today that ten or fifteen of this number might not be found.

May Take Several Days

The first eight bodies were shipped away tonight and seven others are ready to be sent tomorrow morning. There is no way to tell tonight just when the mine will be cleared. There are two rather bad falls of rock and if the bodies are under these it will take several days to get them out.

Dr. Burns of the state board of convict inspectors was here again this afternoon. It is understood that Governor O'Neal has ordered an unusual rigid investigation of the disaster in order to recommend suitable legislation to the legislature which is now in session, but which will adjourn at the end of the present week.

NOTHING BUT SCARS LEFT OF THE FIGHT MADE UPON MARTIN

Senator Overman Took Leading Part in Contest Which Made Martin Leader

FEELING AGAINST OWEN OF OKLAHOMA

Democrats in Spirit of Economy Have Cut off Jobs and Have no Patronage

Citizen Bureau, Congress Hall.

By H. E. C. Bryant WASHINGTON, April 10.—All is quiet after the storm among the senate democrats. Senator Martin, although he bears the battle scars as affable as ever. He does not blame any one for the fight precipitated upon him at the last moment of the contest. He is not a man of harsh words.

"It is all over and we will have harmony," he said today. "We must present a united front to the enemy."

Senator Overman of North Carolina took a leading part in the senatorial fight. He was for Senator Bacon for leader. In fact he managed the Bacon boom, mustering more than 20 votes, but when the Georgian saw that he could bring peace by withdrawing, he did so, and Senator Martin was entered and the Bacon supporters became Martinites.

Feeling Against Owen

There is some feeling against Senator Owen of Oklahoma who has been very aggressive against the South. He is far from democratic. They say he should be the last man to try to dictate to a fellow democrat. He is pointed out as being the only democrat in the senate that voted the way the Standard Oil company wanted him to vote on oil tariffs.

Senator Stone told some one Saturday that the "progressives" would be good now. Senator Martin has the satisfaction of knowing that only two Southern senators, Smith of South Carolina and Davis of Arkansas, and neither of them rank very high voted against him. Senators Gore and Owen and Stone and Reed are not classed as Southerners.

Frank Dickey, appointed post master at Murphy, will not be confirmed if some of his fellow townsmen can help it. Serious charges are to be filed against him. It is alleged that he was convicted under indictments

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The Passing of the Coal Man.



TOM JOHNSON, THE STORMY PETREL OF OHIO POLITICS, PASSES AWAY

Twice Congressman and Four Times Mayor of Cleveland.—Once Nominee for Governor.—Advocate of Three Cent Street Car Fares and of Single Tax System.—Man of National Reputation.

CLEVELAND, O., April 10.—Tom L. Johnson, twice congressman from the 21st Ohio district, four times mayor of Cleveland, champion of three cent railway fare and advocate of single tax theories of the late Henry George died at his apartments in the White Hall at 3:45 o'clock tonight after a long illness. Death was caused by cirrhosis of the liver. He was 57 years old.

Ill Over a Year

Mr. Johnson has been ill for more than a year, but his condition was not thought serious until he suffered a relapse on Wednesday, March 15. He had been gaining strength ever since he came home after spending the summer on Nantucket. On Saturday, March 11, he left his apartments and attended a banquet of the Nisi Club, an organization of Cleveland lawyers. He remained until 2 a. m., Sunday morning and when he returned to his home complained of not feeling well.

The following Wednesday his condition was such that he was obliged to go to bed. From that day to the time of his death his condition was grave, though several times he made seemingly impossible rallies and despite the fact that he realized he did not have long to live, the former

mayor was cheerful and optimistic almost to the last. "A Stormy Petrel" — Tom L. Johnson once referred to himself in a public address as "a stormy petrel" and this metaphor aptly described him and indicated the course of his career. From the time he entered the offices of the Louisville Street Railway company as a boy of 14 until his defeat for a fifth term as mayor of Cleveland on Nov. 2, 1909, he was ever in the center of some storm, political or financial. And he often said that it was thus that he enjoyed himself best.

Had Wide Interests

He also entered into the steel manufacturing business at Pohnston, Pa., Moxham, Pa., and Lorain, Ohio. In 1901, he was elected mayor of Cleveland on a platform which promised universal three cent car fare

After a fight with the street car company, which lasted until 1908, and through four elections, in each of which he was triumphant, the Cleveland Traction company lines passed into the hands of the Municipal traction company. After six months trial of the three cent fare the people at a referendum election voted out the franchise and the municipal company passed into the hands of a receiver where it remained until February 1910. One more attempt was made by Mayor Johnson to secure the passage of the 3 cent grants but his proposals were rejected at an election held August 2, 1909. His own defeat followed three months later and on January 1, 1910, he surrendered the office to the present mayor, Mr. Ivanhoe White.

Mr. Johnson's political career was established, the result of Mr. Johnson's efforts. In 1905, while Mr. Johnson was mayor of Cleveland, he was nominated for governor by the democrats of Ohio, but was unsuccessful at the election. Crushed both in health and spirit, after his defeat by Mayor Baehr, the former mayor went abroad. He hoped to regain his health, but came home no better.

Besides his wife, Mr. Johnson is survived by one son, Lotfin, and a daughter, Mrs. Beattie Mariani.

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GEN. WILLIAMS WAS CANADIAN

EL PASO, Tex., April 10.—General Stanley Williams, who was killed near Mexical in an attack on the federal troops was a native of Winnipeg, according to T. P. Black of Toronto, who has just arrived here from Chihuahua.

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AFTER LAHM CUP

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., April 10.—H. E. Honeywell and J. W. Tolland, both of St. Louis, Mo., started at 6:35 o'clock tonight in Honeywell's balloon in an effort to win the Lahm cup and to break the world's record for long distance flights by balloons. The balloon carries an unusually small basket and a lime stove is carried for cooking purposes.

MISSOURI SOCIETY MEETS

NEW YORK, April 10.—Two hundred members of the Missouri society of New York had as their guests at their annual dinner tonight the presidents of ten other state societies and Dr. Nell MacPhatter of the Canadian club.

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PRESIDENT DISAPPROVES OF JUDICIARY RECALL IN ARIZONA CONSTITUTION

Seeking to Find Way to Have That Provision Stricken Out

SUBMIT TO VOTE

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Although President Taft might be unwilling to disapprove the constitution of Arizona on account of its provision for the recall of judges, he is seeking to find a way by which that provision may be stricken out through the action of the people of Arizona themselves. The president looks with disfavor on the proposition for the recall of judges. He has, however, consulted further with Attorney General Wickersham and other members of his cabinet and has concluded that it might be unwise for him to disapprove the Arizona constitution on account of one clause.

440,000 BOND FORFEITED

ALEXANDRIA, Va., April 10.—Because C. Jones Rixey, president of the defunct Virginia Safe Deposit and Trust corporation, failed to make his appearance in the corporation court this morning for the purpose of renewing his bond, his bond in the sum of \$40,000 was declared forfeited by the court and a rule returnable at 11 o'clock April 21 next was issued to show cause why the bond should not be forfeited.

FAVORED NATION CLAUSE IS NO RESTRICTION UPON CANADIAN RECIPROCIDTY

Commercial Treaties Now Existing Have No Restrictive Effects

COMMERCE COURT

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The customs court in a decision today held in effect that the so-called "favored nation" clause in the existing commercial treaties with England, France and Germany does not restrict the United States in effecting the proposed reciprocity agreement with Canada.

The court's decision was brought out by a comparatively unimportant contest over the rate of duty which should be imposed on whiskey imported from England and France. The point involved is the same raised in opposition to the proposed Canadian reciprocity agreement by those who claimed it was practically forbidden by the "favored nations" clause.

BIG DECISIONS NOT ANNOUNCED

WASHINGTON, April 10.—By reason of the failure of the Supreme court of the United States to announce today its decision in either the Standard Oil or the Tobacco dissolution suits another week at least must pass before the outcome of these cases will be known. Neither was any case decided today which touched in any way upon the controversy in the big corporation cases.

REPUBLIC PROCLAIMED IN A SPANISH PROVINCE IS NOT TAKEN SERIOUSLY

But at Same Time Republicans in Spain Are Said to Be Actively at Work

ATTACKED MILITARY

MADRID, April 10.—A republic which has been proclaimed at Canillas de Acetuno in the province of Malaga is not considered seriously by the government. The populace of the town rebelled against the royal authority and attacked the barracks of the civil guard. Several persons were wounded in the fight that followed. Reinforcements of troops are being hurried to the scene.

The republicans are somewhat excited over the movement in Malaga province. The easy overturn of the Portuguese monarchy appears to have inspired the republicans who during the past two weeks have been using the Ferrer debate in the chamber of deputies as a means of agitating the monarchial regime.

STATE DAIRYMAN IS APPOINTED

RALEIGH, N. C., April 10.—Commissioner of Agriculture Graham announces the appointment of W. H. Eden as state dairyman to succeed J. A. Conover, resigned to take charge of the mammoth dairy of the Naval Academy, Annapolis. Eden is an A. and M. college graduate and has been assistant to dairyman Conover two years.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS ARE FELT THROUGHOUT ITALY

Prisoners in Rome Prison Attempt to Mutiny and Rumbblings Felt in Sicily

RUMBLINGS IN SICILY

MESSINA, April 10.—About seven o'clock this evening in various districts of Sicily earth rumbblings were heard. A sudden flash of light was also observed and an electrical condition of the atmosphere. No earth shocks were recorded and it is believed that the disturbance was caused by the falling of a ball of fire.

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After One Man Was Disarmed Other Sent Bullets Through His Body

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INDICATIONS ARE FOR HEAVY VOTING IN PRIMARY TODAY

Polls Will Open at One This Afternoon and Close at Eight in Evening

CONTEST BETWEEN CANDIDATES WARM

Qualifications Required From Those Who Offer Themselves at Polls Today

Featured by widespread popular interest and with the prospect that an extraordinary vote will be cast, the democratic primary to select nominees for the city election May 2 will be held today. The polls at the six precincts will be open at one o'clock this afternoon and close at eight o'clock.

It is estimated that, not counting duplications, the names of at least 1,700 citizens appear on the registration books, and with an official weather bureau prediction of fair weather for today it will not surprise some politicians if 1,400 or 1,500 votes are cast. Certainly there is the sharpest of interest manifested by the voters, as was shown last night by the crowds on the square and at the offices of the various campaign managers. The chief contests are those between the three candidates for mayor, J. E. Rankin, J. Frazier Glenn and R. L. Fitzpatrick, and the three candidates for police judge, Judge P. C. Cooke, Julius G. Adams and W. R. Gudgeon. It was noticeable that people who discussed politics on the streets seemed impressed by the need of considering the interests of Asheville and the democratic party rather than those of the candidates.

The precinct polls will be opened at one o'clock this afternoon at the following places:

- 1—Court house.
- 2—Webb's stable, College street.
- 3—Hynes' store, Merrimon avenue.
- 4—Britt's stable, College street.
- 5—Barber's shop, Dupont street.
- 6—Slagle building, Patton avenue.

Who Can Vote?

The voter will be given an official ballot containing the names of the various candidates who are duly entered in the race, and he will scratch out the name or names of those for whom he does not wish to vote, leaving only the name of the person who is his choice. At the bottom of the ballot will be blank spaces in which he may write the names of those he selects for members of the precinct executive committee. No attention seems to have been paid to this latter matter.

Only those who registered for the democratic primary two years ago or who registered recently for the primary can vote today. Registration

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CAROLINA TURNS TABLE ON VIRGINIA AND TAKES GAME BY A CLOSE MARGIN

Defeat at Greensboro Revenged by Glorious Victory at Charlotte

FINAL SCORE 1 TO 0

CHARLOTTE, N. C., April 10.—The University of North Carolina took the second of a series of three games with the University of Virginia here this afternoon by the narrowest possible margin of 1 to 0. A base on balls to Witherton, Carolina's catcher, his steal of second, and Driver's error of a line drive by Calmes, gave the Tar Heels the single run that spelled victory.

The score was made in the third inning.

An enthusiastic crowd of 2500 fans, among whom were a large number of supporters of the Old Dominion, kept things lively with almost continuous cheering, singing and other varieties of rooting. Except that the air was a trifle chilly, the day was perfect for baseball.

Carolina's victory is mainly due to the excellent work of pitcher Lee, who held the Virginians to three hits and fanned twelve men, three of the strike outs coming in three separate innings.

Rixey also twirled a good game, a trio of safeties, one of which was of the scratchy order.

Virginia had three good chances to score, but each time the Tar Heels tightened up and the impending run was killed.

The best chance the Virginians had came in the third inning, when Rixey was thrown out at the plate. He had gone to the half way point on a hit and ran out, and on Lindy's error of Carter's grounder he attempted to come home. A beautiful throw by Pember nabbed him at home by a hair's breadth.

Both teams have won a game each and there is some talk tonight of a third and deciding game being played in Charlotte, instead of at Greensboro.