

CONFIDENCE IN TRADE Certainty of Successful Season on the Farmers

September's Remarkable Record in Iron and Steel Industry—No Anxiety Among Textile Manufacturers—Pool to Remove Cotton

New York, Sept. 29.—R. G. Dunn's weekly review of trade tomorrow will say:

Lower temperature stimulates retail trade and fall openings are largely attended, but the weather is not cold enough to menace late crops that are maturing most satisfactorily. Certainty of a successful season on the farms contributes more than any other single factor to the confidence that is felt in all sections of the country.

Manufacturing activity is fully maintained, the leading authorities having contracts assuring little idle machinery during the balance of the year, and it is probable that more business will be carried over into 1906 than at the opening of any previous year. September has made a remarkable record in iron and steel industry. At the start the output of pig iron was somewhat below the high water mark established last May, and several lines of finished steel were inactive. In favored departments, notably structural and railway supplies, business was beyond the capacity of mills. Subsequently there was improvement in the quiet lines. Sales of pig iron began to attract attention and September closed with a tonnage that will probably eclipse all monthly records. The only cloud on the horizon is the upward tendency of quotations, capacity of plants is also being enlarged in a manner that threatens over-production when excessive prices check consumption.

Quiet conditions are customary at this season in the primary markets for textile fabrics, but the lull is much less marked than usual. Mills and factories have orders on hand assuring activity for some time to come, and there is no anxiety regarding the future. In the cotton goods division deliveries cannot be made with desired promptness and buyers are in no position to dictate regarding quotations. Some revival of export demand

has diverted still more machinery from domestic business and there is increasing evidence that the home trade is desirous of doing more than merely providing for immediate requirements. Despite the large jobbing business that was secured in August a steady volume is reported for the past month. Woolen mills are busily engaged in shipping sample pieces and it is too early to look for duplicate orders.

Heavy receipts of cattle at Chicago and other western markets do not weaken the tone of hides, packers maintaining full quotations because of the light holdings by tanners.

New England manufacturers of footwear are still somewhat conservative regarding the acceptance of additional spring orders, anticipating a still further leather market. Staple markets have ruled comparatively steady.

A southern pool has undertaken to remove a million bales of cotton from the market and its operation will be watched with interest.

Commercial failures this week in the United States numbered 240, against 206 last week. Failures in Canada 21, against 34 last week.

The Obscene Post Card

Washington, Sept. 29.—The federal government has begun an earnest crusade against the obscene postcard. In an order issued today Acting Postmaster General Hitchcock directs the attention of postmasters to the following section of the postal regulations:

"All matter which is manifestly obscene, lewd or lascivious will, when deposited in a postoffice, be withdrawn from the mails and sent to the dead letter office."

The acting postmaster general announces that under this rule every postcard bearing a picture or language that is obscene, indecent or improperly suggestive should be immediately withdrawn from the mails and forwarded without delay to the first assistant postmaster general.

Ginner's Association Report

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 29.—The committee of the National Ginners' Association appointed to prepare the second cotton report of the season was compiling the figures behind closed doors today in the office of National Secretary N. T. Blackwell. It was intended that the report be kept secret until next Monday at noon, when the government issues its report, which is also taken from figures furnished by ginners over the south. Those present at today's meeting were: President, J. A. Taylor of Winneford, I. T. Secretary N. T. Blackwell of Dallas, C. M. Dollins of Greenville, Tex., Dr. D. C. Combes of Combes, Tex.

ON THE TRACK

Believed the New York Bank Swindler Will Soon Be Caught

New York, Sept. 29.—The arrest of the man behind the plot to take the securities from the National City Bank by the presentation of a forged check for the amount of the loan for which the securities had been put up as collateral is believed by the authorities who are working on the case to be imminent. They believe that they know who this man is. In fact, it was said today that it would not be a surprise if he was arrested within twenty-four hours.

The officials of the National City Bank would not be surprised if within a day or two an attempt was made to negotiate with them for the return of the securities. They would be less surprised at such a thing being attempted shortly if the name of the bank had not become known. There was a report on the stock exchange this evening that negotiations were already under way for the return of the securities. This seemed to be borne out by a mysterious trip which Harry Thornhill, one of the heads of the Pinkerton Agency, made to Jersey City this afternoon. At the National City Bank, however, Vice President Vanderrip denied positively that any trace of the missing securities had been found or that any word had come from the holders. The Pinkertons also denied any knowledge of who the guilty party is.

It was suggested today and believed by many that the man will be found to be a swindler of international reputation who attempted a similar transaction some years ago.

LEAVES OYSTER BAY TODAY

All Business Will Be Suspended Until President's Departure

Oyster Bay, Sept. 29.—President Roosevelt leaves here at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. He will get an enthusiastic send-off. Tonight the town is bedecked with flags and bunting. Most of the population will turn out to wave good-bye, and several hundred school children will wave flags. All will join in singing the hymn "God be with you till we meet again." All business in Oyster Bay will be suspended until after the president leaves.

The special train that will take the president to Long Island City will be made up of a private car, which will be occupied by the president and his family, and a combination baggage and day coach, occupied by the secret service men and the executive staff. The train will arrive at Long Island City at 11 o'clock. From there the party will be conveyed by boat to Jersey City. At Jersey City the party will be joined by Secretary and Mrs. Root.

A train consisting of four cars will convey the party over the Pennsylvania Railroad to Washington. The train will run as a second section of the regular 1:14 p. m. train. It is scheduled to arrive in Washington shortly after 6 o'clock.

LOCKED UP BY SHERIFF

Office of North Wilkesboro Journal Closed by Order of Owner

Winston-Salem, N. C., Sept. 29.—Special.—The office of the Journal, a weekly paper published at North Wilkesboro, was locked up today by the sheriff of Wilkes county. A few months ago when he accepted the secretaryship to Congressman Blackburn, John Crouch, the publisher, leased his newspaper outfit, subscription books, etc., to Frank Greer, who has since that time been issuing the paper. Crouch claims that Greer has not complied with the contract, and on this ground demanded the return of the books and ordered the office closed, which was done. It is not known yet what will be the outcome of the affair, whether the paper will be suspended temporarily or whether Crouch will get some one else to publish it or whether Greer will fight the case.

Reception of Prince Louis

Washington, Sept. 29.—By direction of the president the state and navy departments have begun the preparations of plans for the reception in this country of Prince Louis of Battenburg.

The English squadron under the command of Prince Louis will, according to present plans, arrive at Annapolis on November 1, remaining there until November 7 or 8, when it will sail for New York, arriving there November 9 and remaining in New York until November 17 when it will sail for Gibraltar.

During the time of the stay of the squadron at Annapolis—probably on November 2 or 3—the prince will go to Washington and be received by President Roosevelt.

Furnishing Room in Soldiers Home

Dunn, N. C., Sept. 29.—Special.—The Chicora Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy of this place will furnish one room in the new dormitory of the Soldiers' Home at Raleigh. The room is to be named "Chicora" in honor of the sleeping Confederate soldiers buried at Chicora cemetery. The Daughters here are making elaborate arrangements to give an entertainment on the evening of October the 31st, or Halloween for the benefit of furnishing the room in the Soldiers' Home. The chapter here is active and in a prosperous condition.

Got Off Cheap

He may well think, he has got off cheap, who, after having contracted constipation or indigestion, is still able to perfectly restore his health. Nothing will do this but Dr. King's New Life Pills. A quick, pleasant and certain cure for headache, constipation, etc. 25c at all druggists; guaranteed.

DOG EAT DOG

Benson Blind Tigers in Competition Told on One Another

Dunn, N. C., Sept. 29.—Special.—For the last few days there has been intense interest at Benson concerning the liquor situation, and certain indictments made during the last term of Johnston superior court at Smithfield last week. It seems that the blind tigers at Benson (and they are numerous there, if reports be true) became at variance on account of fierce competition, and undertook to put each other out of the business. Several warrants were issued upon voluntary oaths and information was furnished to Solicitor Jones from which several indictments and true bills resulted. This started the ball rolling, and feeling increased with great rapidity.

Those who furnished the information and made oath to the warrants were in turn indicted and warrants and indictments followed each other until quite a number of the citizens of the place, including some of high standing, have become involved.

But the most interesting part is that when the fight between the blind tigers was at its most violent state, when the Watts law and the special act for Johnston were being freely used against each other, the federal officers heard the noise and swooped down upon them and captured several of the blind tigers for retailing without federal license. The situation is somewhat strained and there is considerable excitement, but all have adopted the rule that silence is the best policy.

CAR LINE CASES

Interstate Commerce Commission Will Begin Hearing Oct. 18

Washington, Sept. 29.—Special.—The interstate commerce commission will begin in this city a series of hearings in this private car line cases October 18th, and although the committees of both houses of congress have gone into this identical discussion at considerable length, the greatest interest is manifested in the reopening of the matter next month.

It is more than probable that after the Washington series of hearings, which will probably cover a considerable period, the commission will journey to several private car line centers, several in the west and possibly one or two in the south, and continue their investigations on the spot.

Representatives Pou of the fourth district and Small of the first district spent the day here.

William Watkins Grant is appointed postmaster at Garysburg, Northampton county, and William T. Laney at Hope, Union county.

CHARLOTTE DRUGGISTS FINED

Clerks Have to Pay \$450 Each for Retailing Whiskey

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 29.—Special. In the superior court this afternoon Judge Webb sentenced R. S. Gray, Jr., and Cleveland Palmer, clerks in the Gray Drug Company's store, to pay a fine of \$250 each and the costs, amounting to \$450 each, for violation of the Watts law by retailing whiskey. They were also placed under a \$200 bond each to appear at each term of superior court, for twelve months and show that they were not guilty of any violation of the Watts law. The cases against R. S. Gray, Sr., were continued.

Owing to the prominence of the parties this trial, which has consumed four days, has been watched with great interest.

There is practically no change in the strike situation among the printers here. All the papers appeared as usual today with the aid of non-union compositors. Other operators are expected to arrive tonight.

Trinity College News

Trinity College, Durham, N. C., Sept. 29.—Special.—Rev. George Stuart, the famous southern evangelist, who is conducting a series of meetings in the Parrish warehouse, on invitation of the Y. M. C. A., spoke in their hall to the men of Trinity College yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The hall was packed and the famous preacher delivered an address that was profound in its impression. Trinity students are taking a great interest in the Stuart meetings.

Mr. G. C. Huntington, inter-state secretary of the Y. M. C. A., was on the Park Wednesday.

Mr. G. H. Smith, '04, spent two days here this week with friends. He was on his way to Union Theological Seminary, New York, where he is taking a course.

Prof. J. C. Ransmeyer, who taught German here for two years during the absence of Prof. Wannamaker, is at Leipzig, Germany. Prof. Ransmeyer holds a traveling scholarship from Harvard University.

The law class is planning to organize a moot court next week. The class is doing fine work and this is expected to add much to the interest.

The first issue of the Archive for this year will appear about October 1.

Tree Fell on Him

Statesville, N. C., Sept. 29.—Special. Mr. Sigmund Gabriel of Sherrill's Ford, Catawba county, was the victim of a falling tree Monday, and as a result he is suffering from a broken arm, a broken leg and a dislocated shoulder. Mr. Gabriel dug about a tree that stood in an open field and saw that the tree would fall on a pile of hay and while he was moving the hay a gust of wind uprooted the tree and it fell on him. He lay in the field in his broken condition for three hours before anyone came to his relief. It was thought that Mr. Gabriel was getting along very well until Wednesday night about 9 o'clock, when there was a sudden change for the worse in his condition.

Removal Sale

WE ARE FORCED TO MOVE FROM OUR PRESENT LOCATION IN JANUARY.

The Stock Will Have to Be Sold.

We Have About \$40,000 Worth of Goods to Be Sold Between Now and January 1st. This Sale Will Be the First to Reduce Stock. The following Goods are Offered

For One Week

From Monday, Sept. 25, To Saturday, Sept. 30.

- 2,500 yards 10c Percals for the week, 7½c.
- 3,000 yards 10c Canton Flannel at 7½c.
- 800 yards 20c Black Dress Goods, for week, 14c.
- 2,000 yards 12½c double fold Flannel-ette at 8½c.
- 5,000 yards 10 and 12½c Outings, both light and dark, at 8½c.
- 100 dozen 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.20 Napkins (fringed) at 40, 50 and 60c per dozen.
- 100 dozen Ladies' \$1.25 and \$1.50
- Wrappers (Mendel make) at \$1.00 and \$1.19.
- 100 dozen Ladies' 15c Black Hose, only 10c pair.
- 75 dozen Gents' 15c Black Half Hose, only 10c pair.
- 100 dozen Men's Fleece-lined Undershirts, the 50 and 75c ones, 44 and 59c.
- 500 yards cheap Prints, all dark styles, to close, 3c yard.
- 2 lots Torchon Edging and Insertion to go at 3½ and 8c.

Tremendous Sacrifice on all Men's Hats, Big Cut on Every Trunk in Stock. The Price on Boys' Clothing is Nearly CUT IN TWO

- The entire stock of Crockery at cost.
- About 150 good Umbrellas, 60c and \$1.00 values, at 46 and 69c.
- One case Ladies' 25c Vest and Pants, only 21c.
- Three bargains in Cotton Towels, the price, 4, 8 and 10c.
- The entire stock of Tinware at cost.
- Three bargains in Handkerchiefs, the price, 4, 8 and 10c.
- Big reduction in six grades of White Counterpanes.
- 1,000 yards 10c Teazed Staples for dress and waists, at 7½c.

Remember we have the Largest Stock in Raleigh. The Goods Above Offered are all New. Our Entire Fall Stock is complete

Walter Woolcott

OLSEN GOT DECISION

Schoenfeld Withdrew, Saying that Olsen Used Foul Tactics

Asheville, N. C., Sept. 29.—Special. Prof. Charles Olsen, who two weeks ago butted victory out of Professor Ono's head, was awarded the decision in the wrestling contest here tonight between himself and Professor Schoenfeld. Schoenfeld agreed to throw Olsen twice inside of one hour to win the decision, all strange holds and other dangerous methods barred.

After the men had been on the mat twenty-five minutes Olsen secured a firm hold on Schoenfeld, got Schoenfeld's head between his legs and pressed one shoulder and possibly both shoulders to the mat. Referee J. H. Wood of this city gave Olsen the fall. Immediately there was a squabble. Schoenfeld and his friends claimed that it was not a fall. Olsen stated that he would not claim a fall and awaited his opponent on the mat.

Schoenfeld appeared before the footlights and stated that he had agreed to wrestle for the sport of the thing, that Olsen fouled with finger holds and strangles and that he would not wrestle a man who fouled and used such methods. He declined to return to the mat and the decision was given to Olsen.

During the time the men were on the mat there was some beautiful work.

Cleveland May Be Selected

Washington, Sept. 29.—The suggestion has been made here that Grover Cleveland may be selected to head the American mission to the peace conference at The Hague. Other names mentioned are Gen. Horace Porter, Joseph R. Choate, President Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia University, Brigadier General William B. Crozier, U. S. A., Capt. A. M. Tapan, U. S. N., retired, and Brigadier General George B. Davis, judge advocate general, U. S. A.

Fire in Statesville

Statesville, N. C., Sept. 29.—Special. The kitchen of the St. Charles Hotel on Center street was partially destroyed by fire last night between 11 and 12 o'clock, and a considerable fight was necessary to save the main building, the sides and roof of which were charred in some places. It is difficult to approximate the loss. There was no insurance. As the building is a wooden structure and within the fire limits it cannot be repaired.

Taft Leaves Frisco

San Francisco, Sept. 29.—Secretary Taft and party left last night by a special train that included a car containing trophies in the way of curios collected by the party in the various countries they visited and the gifts presented to the secretary of war. The party will arrive in Washington over the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Monday evening.

FAVORITISM CHARGED

Members of Interstate Commission Emphatic in Denial

President Stickney of Great Western R. R. Charged that Commission Had Refused to Act in Cases of Several Roads Paying Rebates

Washington, Sept. 29.—Members of the interstate commerce commission were emphatic in their denial of the charges of President Stickney of the Great Western Railroad Company that the body had proceeded against a number of common carriers, but for some reason refused to take action in the cases of two or three others that were known to be paying rebates in violation of law. President Stickney intimated that the commission was guilty of favoritism. Chairman Knapp of the commission said concerning the charges of President Stickney:

"It is not altogether new matter. The charge, if made in proper form and addressed to this commission, will receive prompt attention and if President Stickney offers any complaints supported by evidence we will order an investigation."

In behalf of the commission Secretary Moseley made the following statement:

"I have the highest regard for Mr. Stickney, and hold him one of my best friends. But he is laboring under a mistake. I state most positively that no complaint has reached the interstate commerce commission of the payment of a rebate on the part of any railroad that has not immediately been followed up with a view of obtaining sufficient evidence to warrant either a criminal prosecution or suit for injunction. Mr. Stickney, if correctly quoted, states that these roads still continue to give rebates just as they have been doing in the past. He knows his duty as a citizen, and after this statement does he want to stand as being a party to violations of the law? Besides this he should recall his voluntary promise to the commission that any violation of law coming in his knowledge would be reported. The railroads were so anxious to see that the anti-rebate law be enforced, that some time ago a man was appointed by them to make report of violations, but after submitting his first report he was discharged. I desire to say that the commission invites the receipt of any information which would lead them to see that every person gets a square deal."

A New Proverb

He that lives upon hope will fast—

But he that lives on

Uneda Biscuit

will feast.

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- Don't forget
- Graham Crackers
- Butter Thin Biscuit
- Social Tea Biscuit
- Lemon Snaps