

WEATHER.

Fair and cooler tonight. Wednesday increasing cloudiness and warmer.

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The Star is the only afternoon paper in Washington that prints the news of the Associated Press.

CONTAINING ON PAGE 14 CLOSING NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS

ONE CENT.

LIVELY TIME AHEAD

Strenuous Debate Expected at House Democratic Caucus.

TARIFF REVISION AS ISSUE

Committee Appointments Likely Also to Cause Commotion.

MANY CONFLICTING CLAIMS

Leaders Hopeful, However, That Assignments Will Be Generally Accepted by Members.

Next Saturday night's caucus of the democrats of the House bids fair to be a lively event, if the question of tariff revision is broached. It may be that the caucus will be busy approving or criticizing committee assignments, however, that the broader questions will have to be deferred to a later meeting.

The committee on ways and means, which will present the first committee report, is expected to be ready to report on the tariff revision. The members believe that in the nature of things the caucus will feel bound to accept the work of the committee as a whole, since to dissent it would be to bring chaos.

Uncurbed Debate on Tariff.

No such pent-up Utica confines the powers of the caucus as to tariff questions, however, and there is bound to be division of opinion among the rank and file as to procedure in the direction of tariff revision. It will be a conflict, it is thought, between the elder statesmen and the newcomers.

The committee on ways and means is expected to recommend that after passing the Canadian reciprocity bill the work of the extra session be confined to the revision of one or possibly two schedules—wool and cotton, perhaps. The new men, fresh from the people and eager for a record, may insist upon going further in response to what they imagine the demand of the public for immediate relief might properly be the subject of argument before the caucus.

"Do it now" is expected to be the cry of the younger men, who will have to be reasoned with by the elder statesmen of the party, who will urge that the time is not auspicious for a general revision of the tariff, as the committee is not in possession of sufficient details upon which to base a revision of the tariff. The committee has the facts upon which to base a revision of the tariff, but it is not in possession of sufficient details upon which to base a revision of the tariff.

Attack to Be Made on Steel.

An attack upon the steel schedule is expected as one of the features of this session. The American Federation of Labor is behind this movement and is very much in earnest. The first move will be for an investigation of the steel trust, a continuation of the efforts of last session which came to naught.

Mr. Stanley of Kentucky, who is the principal in this move has been placed on the committee on rules, and feels confident that his committee will be authorized to bring out a resolution authorizing the investigation. By this means the labor men hope to bring public attention to the steel schedule and ultimately to get action on it.

BOMB EXPLODES IN DOORWAY.

Blackhanders Accused of Attempt to Destroy Saloon in Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 28.—Residents of the South Side Italian colony were thrown into excitement today when a bomb exploded in the doorway of a saloon at 2218 West Washington street. The saloonkeeper and his family, who were asleep on the second floor, were thrown from their beds, the front of the store was wrecked, a Newfound dog was killed and windows for a radius of a block were shattered.

Nato admitted to the police of the 22d street station, which is half a block from the saloon, that he has received numerous threatening letters, demanding \$1,000, signed by "The Black Hand," which he ignored.

STREET CAR LINES ABOLISHED.

Short Routes of Past Generation Abandoned in New York.

NEW YORK, March 28.—Thirty-six lines of New York street cars, most of them short routes, are to be abandoned, will pass out of a past generation, in a few days, the companies having taken steps to surrender the franchises and tear up the tracks. The companies' action will mark the passing of all but three or four of the old horse-car lines which still remain within the boundaries of the metropolis. The lines have been unprofitable for years and are now regarded as unnecessary.

Shot Dead Without Warning.

DALLAS, Tex., March 28.—J. K. Yates, a Fort Worth policeman, shot and killed Claude Stivers in the latter's office. Yates walked into the office and without uttering a word opened fire on Stivers with two automatic pistols, three bullets penetrating Stivers' back.

Mahone's Son Court Clerk.

NORFOLK, Va., March 28.—William Mahone of Petersburg, son of the late Gen. William Mahone of Confederate fame and later a rejoiner United States senator from Virginia, has been appointed deputy clerk and clerk of the United States district court at Norfolk, effective April 1.

Fought on the Merrimac.

NORFOLK, Va., March 28.—Albert C. Griswold, aged seventy-three years, who was a member of the crew of the Virginia (Merrimac) in her engagement with the Monitor in Hampton roads during the civil war, died here today following a paralytic stroke.

HEADED THE SPIRITS

Testimony of Fenton J. Hurd Read in Court.

TOLD TO ATTEND BALL

"Letter" Directed Him to Take Grandson and Young Women.

DENIAL OF ENGAGEMENT MADE

Presents of Jewels and Cash to Women Who Knew His Belief in Spiritualism.

That the fact that he was a strong believer in spirit manifestations and that he was susceptible to directions from the spirit world was admitted by Fenton J. Hurd, the octogenarian, who gave \$36,000 to Mrs. Laura R. Cramer, the State Department employe; \$12,000 to another woman, who sent him "spirit" letters; and \$10,000 to a third woman, who had become engaged, was brought out today in the reading of the voluminous testimony before Justice Gould in Equity Court No. 2.

The court permitted counsel for Dr. Lee M. Hurd, of Greenwich, Conn., grandson of Fenton J. Hurd and conservator of his estate, to join his name as a plaintiff in the suit by which it is being attempted to recover the \$36,000 given to Mrs. Cramer. The court passed until the conclusion of the hearing a decision on the question of lack of jurisdiction raised by Mrs. Cramer's attorneys, who claim the District Court has no jurisdiction of the case when it granted ancillary letters to Dr. Lee M. Hurd.

Made Many Presents.

In the testimony it is shown that Hurd made presents of jewelry and cash to other women who knew his "weakness" for spirit letters. One of the witnesses, who says she is a faded little map of spiritualism, admits that she wrote such letters, but did so to satisfy Fenton J. Hurd's whims.

One letter, which, it is claimed, the elder Hurd accepted and carried out in all its details, related to the introduction of a bill into the House of Representatives, which was directed to take his grandson, Lee M. Hurd, and two young women to the ball. The "spirit" told him to purchase a "diamond" ring for the elder Hurd, for himself and grandson and a carriage to take them to the ball.

Denies There Was Engagement.

Fenton J. Hurd, in his testimony read to Justice Gould today, denied that any betrothal existed between him and Mrs. Cramer. He declared he considered her was too old to marry, and abandoned the idea of taking another wife when he was prevented from marrying a Miss Smith.

He denied ever borrowing any money as claimed by Mrs. Cramer. Mrs. Cramer said she loaned him \$500. Of Mrs. Violet Hurd, an investment auditor at the reading of the testimony.

SHOT DEAD BY SOLDIER.

German Instructor in Turkish Army Slain on Parade Ground.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 28.—Colonel von Ehlting, one of the German instructors in the Turkish army, was shot dead on the parade ground today by an Albanian soldier. It was an act of vengeance, the officer having reprimanded the man for slackness.

WOMEN MAY NOT SPEAK.

Bishop Doane Quotes Bible in Support of Decision.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 28.—Bishop William Crowell Doane has refused to permit Mrs. Elizabeth B. Grannis, president of the National League for the Protection of Purity, to speak in All Saints' Cathedral at the convention of the Purity League, which was to have been held here today. In refusing Mrs. Grannis permission to speak, Bishop Doane quoted from the Bible, I Corinthians, 14:34: "Let your women keep silent in the churches, for it is not permitted unto them to speak."

HE CAN WED NO MORE.

Nat Goodwin Must Remain Single While Edna Goodrich Lives.

NEW YORK, March 28.—An interlocutory decree of divorce in favor of Edna Goodrich Goodwin, the actress, from her husband, Nat C. Goodwin, the comedian, was signed today by Supreme Court Justice Giegerich.

PHOEBE COUSINS OPPOSES.

Onslaught on Woman's Suffrage Bill at Springfield, Ill.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 28.—Opponents of woman's suffrage have planned a vigorous attack on the senate bill giving the ballot to women, when it comes up in the house. Miss Phoebe Cousins of Washington, D. C., former leader in woman's suffrage ranks, but now a vigorous opponent, is in Springfield armed with a speech to be directed against the present legislative bill.

ENGLAND REFUSES TO RENEW UNTIL THIS COUNTRY'S IS CONCLUDED.

COPENHAGEN, March 28.—During the debate in the Landsting today on a renewal of the Anglo-Danish arbitration treaty, Count Ahlefeldt-Laurvig, the minister of foreign affairs, stated that he had endeavored to renew the present compact upon a broader basis, but that the British government had declined the proposition, on the ground that a treaty with the United States must precede all other general arbitrage treaties which Great Britain might conclude.

FOR HIGH PRESSURE

Method of Protection Against Fire to Be Urged.

BIG SAVING OF PROPERTY

Commissioner Rudolph to Recommend Request for Appropriation.

DETAILS ALREADY PREPARED

Water Main Designed for Suburban Communities—Central Labor Union Demands More Vigilance.

Despite the fact that the estimates for the next fiscal year contained no mention of the high-pressure fire-fighting service for which the District had asked an appropriation for several years previous, the estimates to be next prepared by the Commissioner will contain a vigorous appeal for this modern fire-fighting system, if Commissioner Rudolph's recommendation be adopted by the other Commissioners. The estimates for the next year did not contain the seven-hundred-and-fifty-thousand dollar item asked for so many times previously because Commissioner Judson felt that Congress was not at all ready to appropriate that money. His arguments carried the day, but Commissioner Rudolph said today that he personally would always be in favor of a high-pressure system, as he had been a consistent backer of the proposition in the Board of Trade and Chamber of Commerce.

Suggested by Superintendent.

W. A. Macfarland, superintendent of the water department, is the man who figured out the first details of the proposed high-pressure service and as a relic of the beginning of this scheme there was in his wall a faded little map of the business section of the city, which was the area to be covered according to the original idea. The map has been gradually faded away, so that the coloring of the crayon pencil which marked out the limits of the service is practically gone.

"I figured out the service," said Mr. Macfarland today, "and at that time cost me \$17 a ton. As that was the main cost, I figured on something like \$500,000. The cost of laying of mains to the outlying section is one of the biggest jobs the District has on its hands, and it is progressing rapidly. Added to the fifty funerals of yesterday many more were held today. There remain twenty-nine bodies so badly burned that identifications seem improbable."

Burying the Dead.

While officialdom was thus struggling with the questions which are being asked as to the underlying causes of the disaster, the mournful task of burying the dead was continued. Added to the fifty funerals of yesterday many more were held today. There remain twenty-nine bodies so badly burned that identifications seem improbable.

State Commission Proposed.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 28.—A commission of nine members to inquire into the cause of the Aech building fire in New York, to investigate and fix the responsibility for the loss of life and to recommend legislation for the safety of lives in factories and large buildings in New York, was proposed today by Assemblyman Cuvillier. The measure provides an appropriation of \$15,000 for expenses.

PHYSICIANS ARE RETICENT.

No Definite Statement as to Tom Johnson's Condition.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 28.—Despite conflicting rumors concerning the condition of former Mayor Tom L. Johnson and the anxiety felt by his friends, no definite statement as to his condition today was issued from the sickroom.

THEATRICAL OFFER MADE TO CAMORRIST WITNESS

Syndicate Would Pay Abbatemaggio \$200 a Day to Exhibit Himself.

VITERBO, Italy, March 28.—The trial of the Camorristi, the adjournment of which on Friday interrupted the recital of the informer Gennaro Abbatemaggio, was continued today.

NARROW ESCAPES AT FIRE.

Sleeping Men Buried Under Shower of Bricks.

ST. CLAIR, Mich., March 28.—The J. R. Whiting & Co. building, together with a stock of dry goods and groceries, owned by George H. Little, was totally destroyed by fire early today. The loss was about \$50,000, with about \$25,000 insurance.

Plant Burned Third Time.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., March 28.—The extensive plant of the Taft Howell Company, contractors and builders, at Corn Wall Landing, was destroyed by fire early today. It is supposed the buildings were struck by lightning. This is the third time the plant has been completely destroyed by fire. The loss is about \$100,000.



NOT WILLING TO BE TAKEN IN.

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CREW MAY BE LOST

Fear Felt for Twenty-Eight Men on the Luckenbach.

OTHER MARINE DISASTERS

Schooner on Way to Norfolk Is Dismasted in Gale.

GERMAN STEAMER AGROUND

Allemania's Passengers Saved—Cargo From Overdue Vessel Washed Ashore at Brisbane.

Twenty-eight men in the crew of the steamer D. N. Luckenbach of New York, which grounded eight miles from Key West yesterday, while bound from Tampa to Baltimore, are in peril of losing their lives, and the Navy Department has been appealed to for help.

Owners of the vessel reported the steamer to be in a dangerous position Sunday, and asked the Navy Department to send the naval tug Massachusetts from Key West to assist the Luckenbach. The request was complied with.

The revenue cutter Forward is standing by the steamer, but reports that the men may be lost unless help is promptly sent. Efforts were made to reach the Savannah revenue cutter Yamacraw at sea to assist that vessel to the Luckenbach's assistance, but the revenue cutter was out of wireless communication.

Abandoned Ship Seen.

An abandoned ship riding on her beam-ends was reported today in the lane of the coast liners, about 140 miles due east off Jacksonville, Fla. Revenue cutters are searching for the derelict to destroy it.

NORFOLK, Va., March 28.—The German steamer Allemania, of the Atlas Line, which sailed from New York last Thursday for Haitien ports, is aground off Pointe Mardi Gras in a dangerous position. Her ten passengers are safe.

Fear Ship Has Gone Down.

BRISBANE, Australia, March 28.—Cargo from the overdue interstate steamer Yonaka, bound from Townsville to Mackay with sixty-eight passengers and a crew of seventy, was washed ashore today. It is feared the vessel has been lost.

The Yonaka is owned by the Adelaide Steamship Company of Adelaide. She was built at Newcastle in 1903 and registers 1,833 tons net.

MOSS POINT, Miss., March 28.—The schooner Elizabeth Dantzier, which sailed from Havana, Cuba, for this port March 7, is believed to have encountered a squall in the gulf and foundered. Two schooners, the Griffin and the Dexter, which were in the area at the time of the Dantzier's arrival here ten days ago and reported not having sighted the Dantzier.

The schooner has a steel hull and is capable of withstanding rough weather. The number of her crew is not known here.

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CHANGES WAR PLAN

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AND ARMY DIVIDED INTO CORPS.

RECOGNITION IS SOUGHT FOR BELLIGERENT RIGHTS

Mexican States Divided Into Groups, Each Group a Zone.

CHIHUAHUA IS REINFORCED

Gen. Rabago Reported to Have Reached the Threatened City With 1,10