

TARIFF TALK IN HOUSE IS NEARING END

Moore Introduces Novelty in Having Questions Read By Clerk.

HE SUPPLIES ANSWERS

Primer Form Is Followed, Re- publicans Attacking Bill as Misleading to Public.

Washington, D. C., April 25.—With only three more days left for general debate on the Underwood tariff bill in the house, the prospect today was the measure would pass the house and go to the senate during the first week in May. Representative J. Hampton Moore, for the republicans, and A. Mitchell Palmer, for the democrats, were leaders of the debate today.

Moore introduced a novelty and for the first time in the history of congress, as far as now, a speech on the tariff was delivered by reading questions from the speaker's rostrum and the delivery of replies from the floor. Moore's speech was a "tariff primer," following the lines of Plato's republican form. He sent to the desk a set of questions which the clerk propounded to him, and Moore, in his answers, ran the gamut of tariff legislation and tariff dogma.

RECALLS FIRST ACT.

"When was the first tariff act passed," asked the clerk.

"The first act passed was the tariff act," replied Moore. "It was approved by President Washington July 4, 1789, and was regarded as an American declaration of commercial independence."

"What do you mean by the Underwood bill?" queried the clerk.

"The bill introduced by Chairman Underwood, exponent in the house of the theories of President Wilson," was the reply.

DEMOCRATS ACCUSED.

And so the questions and answers ran on.

Moore charged the democrats with continually misrepresenting the tariff questions, and declared the present Payne law revised the tariff downward, and when the clerk asked why the people complained if they enjoy such wonderful progress, Moore replied: "They listened to ambitious politicians, agitators without conscience, journalistic organs with axes to grind, magazines seeking pap, essayists who found it more convenient to write fiction than work, theoretical college professors, non-producers generally and a few sincere reformers usually misinformed and frequently misled."

OLNEY DEFENDER OF CANAL RIGHTS

Washington, D. C., April 25.—The United States, as owner of the Panama canal, has the right to fix such terms as it pleases and the neutrality of the waterway applies to its users only and not to the United States.

This view was expressed today by Richard Olney, former secretary of state, whose speech was heard before a meeting of the American Society of International Law, which Olney did not attend.

"If the question is submitted to arbitration," Olney's speech continued, "it should not be submitted to the Hague, but to a special tribunal. The Hague would be partial as, admittedly, all European powers are interested in the outcome."

Pope Much Better.

Rome, April 25.—The pope was much better today. Cardinal Merry Del Val told Bishop Schrems of Toledo, Ohio, that the pope "is suffering from the consequences of an attack of grip which would have passed unnoticed if it had affected an ordinary person."

WORLD'S CHAMPS VISIT PRESIDENT

Washington, D. C., April 25.—The Boston American league baseball team, world's champions, went to the executive offices today and met President Wilson, who shook hands with each player.

"I forgive you for what you did to us yesterday," said the president with a laugh. "It went all right as long as I was there. You took advantage of my absence." The president referred to his early departure from the game to confer with Bryan. Washington was ahead when the president left.

The Weather

Forecast Till 7 p. m. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline, and Vicinity.

Fair tonight and Saturday, not much change in temperature, probably light frost tonight.

Temperature at 7 a. m. 44. Highest yesterday 69, lowest last night 43.

Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 7 miles per hour.

Precipitation none.

Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 55 at 7 a. m. 74.

Stage of water 8.5 a fall of .2 in 24 hours.

J. M. SHERIDAN, Local Forecaster.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Evening star: Saturn. Morning star: Mercury, Jupiter, Mars, Venus. Planet Saturn, moving eastward, soon to be lost in the sun's rays.

SALOON LICENSE RAISED TO \$2,250

Rockford, Ill., April 25.—What is believed to be the highest dramshop fee in Illinois resulted from action by the town of Pecatonica, the only "wet" community in Winnebago county, increasing the fee from \$1,500 to \$2,250. The town has only two saloons.

TIGER CONTRACT SIGNED BY COBB

Detroit, Mich., April 25.—Tyrus Cobb at a local hotel today said he "hoped" to come to terms with President Navin of the Detroit club before tonight. Cobb admitted he does not expect to receive \$15,000 for his services this year. He said he had simply made that proposition to Navin as a basis of negotiations. He added, however, he had reason to believe he would be offered more than the figure he claims caused him to "hold out." If he signs today and is reinstated immediately by the national commission, he will not be able to play for several days, he said, as he had played no ball since early this month.

Cobb signed a contract. The terms were not given out.

PLAN OF WILSON SATISFIES JAPAN

Tokio, April 25.—Satisfaction is generally expressed here over the decision of President Wilson to send Secretary Bryan to California to consult the legislators on proposed anti-alien land legislation. The majority of the newspapers of Japan adopt a more tranquil tone today, but the widely circulated Osaka Mainichi, independent in a warlike spirit, points to the Japanese fleet as "no toy," and says if forced to action by discriminatory legislation, it is capable of vindicating the national honor.

London, April 25.—Secretary Bryan's peace proposal, laid before the diplomatic corps at Washington yesterday, has all the simplicity characteristic of the great idea, "but whether practical, only time can show. Gravest discredit will be reflected on any European government which does not welcome the communication and give it the fullest and most sympathetic consideration."

\$1,500,000 STOCK SENT TO BAILEY

St. Louis, Mo., April 25.—The name of former Senator Bailey of Texas was brought into the proceedings of a suit of the National Bank of Commerce of St. Louis to recover \$1,500,000 worth of stock in the National Terminal Railway company here today. The statement was made that without the knowledge of the bank directors the stock was taken out of the bank and sent to Bailey.

Henry Clay Pierce testified he had become involved to the extent of nearly seven millions through misplaced confidence in the late J. C. VanBuren, former president of the bank.

LEHMANN, CONVICTED ST. LOUIS ASSEMBLYMAN, DIES

St. Louis, Mo., April 25.—Julius Lehmann, former member of the St. Louis municipal assembly, convicted of bribery while Joseph Folk was circuit attorney, died last night. He was pardoned by Governor Folk five years ago. During the famous boodle trials he testified that a \$47,000 bribery fund was distributed among 18 members of the municipal assembly at a "birthday party" at Lehmann's home.

Gainsborough Brings \$100,000.

London, April 25.—Thomas Gainsborough's painting, "The Market Cart," out of Sir Lionel Phillips' collection, sold at auction today for \$100,000, a record price for a Gainsborough.

Pioneer Illinoisian Is Dead.

Kewanee, Ill., April 25.—James A. Clark, a Henry county pioneer, and a large land owner, died yesterday at the age of 78.

30 CENTS DAY PAID GIRLS IN OUR CAPITAL

Welfare Commission at Springfield Brings Out New Facts.

WAGES PAID BY MONTH

Two Factory Employes Give Their Testimony—Shady Hotels Probed.

Springfield, Ill., April 25.—When the senate "white slave" inquiry was resumed this morning, D. W. Venable, proprietor of the Victor hotel, was recalled to the stand. Questioned regarding the circumstances under which he secured and held the hotel, which he testified last night was run in a respectable manner, he said he had offered to sell the furniture and lease for \$1,000 less than he paid for it.

D. L. Phillips, owner of a building in Jefferson street, was examined relative to his property, occupied as a saloon on the ground floor and an immoral resort on the second floor. Phillips rented the building to the Sepp Brewing company and was not familiar with the conditions existing in the flat above the saloon, although he understood it was immoral.

Mary Barnes, 16, living in Second street, testified she was working for the Coates Watch and Tool company. She was paid \$3 for the first week, then put on piece work, and was able to earn only 30 cents a day.

Sylvia Kane, 17, offered testimony similar to that of the Barnes girl. Wages, she said, were paid once a month.

SHOE CONCERN EXCORIATED.

The International Shoe company, a \$25,000,000 corporation, with a branch in Springfield, was excoriated by the inquiry. S. W. Derby, superintendent of the local factory, was on the witness stand following the testimony of the girls.

Derby, and assumed a hostile attitude toward the committee. Derby was answering questions in a low, articulate voice. "Speak up, please," requested Senator Juhl, who was doing the questioning. "Stenoographers and newspapermen cannot hear you." "I don't care anything about them," responded Derby.

"Well, we do care," declared Juhl. "This is the modern version of the public be damned," interposed Chairman O'Hara.

DERBY HAS HIS MISTAKE.

Derby said he had made a mistake. "I'm talking to you not to them," he added.

"The state of Illinois is a part of this commission," declared O'Hara.

Juhl then expressed his sentiments toward the shoe company. "I want to tell you, Derby, I, for one, wish I had the power to drive your concern from the state. You are a disgrace to the state."

"And I want to add, one of the greatest disgraces to the state," interposed O'Hara.

"We had some information regarding your concern," continued Juhl.

MUST BRING PAYROLLS.

"We learned of one poor girl that worked for you being driven to prostitution because she was paid only \$3.50 a week. We had to go into executive session because the testimony was so rotten the public could not hear it."

Derby was asked to bring his payrolls before the commission next week.

Agnes Kane, 21, formerly employed by the International Shoe company, told of Foreman Alexander of the box department seizing girls and shaking them when they displeased, and cursing the girls when they failed to turn out as much work as he desired.

HOLDS COMMISSION LAX.

Whether vice conditions have improved under the commission form of government was a subject of inquiry last night before the senatorial welfare commission.

Mayor John S. Schnepf of Springfield who has been the city's executive both under the old system and under the commission form of government, expressed his opinion before the O'Hara investigating body at a hearing which began at 8 o'clock in the evening in the banquet hall of the Leiland hotel. He declared that conditions in Springfield after two years of operation under the commission form of government are not quite as good as under the old system.

TELL OF CAMPAIGN FUND.

That others believe to the contrary was indicated when a woman keeper of a house of ill repute was placed on the witness stand and questioned regarding statements she is said to have made relative to the raising of a campaign fund to be used for the purpose of overthrowing the commission form of government at the next election.

This woman, a Miss "O. F." who has kept an evil resort in Springfield for nine years, said she must have

THE CALL OF THE SOIL



COMMERCE BODY BACKS RATE RULE

Washington, D. C., April 25.—The commerce commission's order in the Shreveport-Texas rate cases, and in many respects sustained the principles which the railroads are asking the supreme court to adopt in the 45 state rate cases awaiting decision. The supreme court entirely upheld the powers of congress and the interstate commerce commission to remove discriminations, in case a state railroad commission is enforcing intrastate rates lower than interstate rates which have been held to be reasonable. Because of the similarity of the Shreveport case to the state rate cases, Attorney General McKeen last Monday filed a brief in intervention in the state rate cases with the supreme court, as a "friend of the court." Attorneys for the state of Minnesota today filed their reply, but expressed the opinion the Shreveport decision would not affect their case because Minnesota, as distinguished from Texas, is seeking to sustain the right of the state to establish a system of interstate state rates, presumably reasonable in themselves, and having no reference to interstate commerce.

The commerce court denied the application of the Lehigh Valley railroad for an injunction to restrain the interstate commerce commission from enforcing its order reducing rates on anthracite coal from the Wyoming region in Pennsylvania to tidewater, New Jersey. Counsel for the company urged that such reduction ordered by the commission would cut the income of the road about 4 per cent on an alleged total valuation of property of \$312,000,000, which amounted to confiscation. It was maintained the company was entitled to an income of 8 per cent. The commerce court held that the case of confiscation was not made out, and in effect that a carrier has no assured right to earn any fixed percentage of profit on an investment, regardless of whether a particular rate was reasonable.

TWO MEN HANGED IN STATE MEXICO

Socorro, N. M., April 25.—Denied commutation of sentence to life imprisonment by Governor McDonald, two men, Irwin Frazer and Francisco Granada, convicted of first degree murder, were hanged at 4:52 this morning in the county jail. They were the first legal hangings since New Mexico was granted statehood.

HALF OF BELGIUM WORKERS RETURN

Brussels, April 25.—More than half the Belgian workers who took part in the strike returned to their employment today, but resumption of work is irregular in some parts of the country. Some trade unions ordered their men to begin today, others tomorrow, still others Monday, while a few were determined to remain out until May 1. A disagreeable surprise met the hands at factories in the suburbs of Brussels. When they appeared at the gates this morning to recommence work, old employees were refused admission and told they were discharged.

CHICAGO MILLIONAIRE KID CAUGHT IN NEW YORK

Chicago, April 25.—Thomas Waterman, arrested early today in New York charged with the theft of \$15,000 from the Drexel State bank here, was a clerk in that institution. Bonds valued at \$21,000 were also said to have been stolen. The local police learned Waterman was spending money lavishly along the "great white way" and was known at some cafes as the "millionaire kid."

HOSPITAL PATIENTS IN PANIC AT SEEING FLEMES

Chicago, Ill., April 25.—Three patients were carried to safety and 55 others were thrown into a panic today when a fire attacked a two-story brick addition to the Chicago Union hospital in Wellington street. The action of 20 nurses in quieting the fears of the excited patients prevented serious trouble. Nobody was injured.

New Postmasters Named

Washington, D. C., April 25.—The following new postmasters were named by President Wilson yesterday:

W. H. CHAPMAN, Clinton, Ill.
WILLIAM T'WHIG, Galesburg, Ill.
GEORGE A. GRIFFITH, Rankin, Ill.
J. F. GOOS, Sabula, Iowa.
FRED C. RICE, Roschdale, Ind.
ROBERT E. SPRINGSTEEN, Indianapolis, Ind.
SHERLOCK SWAN, Baltimore, Md.
W. H. COTTRELL (republican), Princeton, N. J.

CATHOLIC PRIEST FORBIDDEN AUTO

Berlin, April 25.—Roman Catholic clergymen are forbidden to own or ride in automobiles, according to an edict published today in the Rheinisch Prussian bishopric of Treves. The head of the diocese declares the use of automobiles is inconsistent with the humility which should adorn the clergy, and furthermore, automobilism has been a frequent cause of financial embarrassment of priests.

Treves is situated picturesquely on the Moselle river, probably the oldest town in Germany. It is a Catholic stronghold of 50,000 inhabitants.

SECRETARY REDFIELD ON POWER BOAT RULES

Washington, D. C., April 25.—Secretary of Commerce William C. Redfield, under date of April 14, sent the following letter to the editor of Power Boating, indicating his interest in power boats, and that as head of the department of commerce he would see that the "little fellows" got a square deal:

"I say that the proper principle to set in making and enforcing the regulations of the steamboat inspection service seems to me to be that while the rights and privileges and opportunities of the steamboat and steamship interests shall be candid, full, and fair consideration, yet the life of the smallest child or of the humblest seaman is of greater import than are the profits of any transportation company or of any individual.

"The same feeling applies in my mind to the motor boat world. I am myself, as you know, a motor boatman. As such it has always been possible to comply with the regulations, and I have seen many occasions of accident and injury arising from failure to comply with them. Of course, the 'little fellows,' as you call them, should get and will get a square deal, but this leaves unsettled the question what a 'square deal' is and to whom the 'square deal' should be extended. Candidly, he who, careless of rules or thoughtful of saving a few dollars, puts his own life or the lives of others at risk by going without lights or proper equipment, is himself giving no 'square deal,' either to himself or to others. If the spirit of compliance with the law prevails, there should be little difficulty with the regulations."

MISS BORDEN ELUDING ALL OF PURSUERS

Clews Regarding Where- abouts of Young Heir- ess Fail of Results.

FATHER DIRECTS QUEST

Declares Daughter Had Been in Atlantic City Hotel in Com- pany of Three Women.

New York, April 25.—The New York police department officially began today a systematic search for Romona Borden, 17-year-old daughter of Gail Borden, millionaire milk dealer. Borden himself asked the police to take up the case after he held a long conference with the detectives at midnight. Although it was reported yesterday she had returned to a New Jersey sanitarium, it now appears that neither Borden nor the family physician nor Borden's lawyers have the slightest idea where she is.

A girl answering in many ways her description sailed yesterday from New York on the liner Cincinnati. A wireless was sent to the captain of the vessel.

Borden said he believed his daughter was either in this city or nearby, and declared, if necessary, he would hunt for her all over the world.

"Someone will pay dearly for this," said the father. "I know my daughter is not back at the sanitarium and I am pretty positive she has not gone abroad."

Borden added the initials on the suitcase in the automobile that took Romona from the sanitarium revealed the identity of one of the women who aided in his daughter's flight. Inquiry at this woman's home in Brooklyn showed she went to Atlantic City Wednesday. Word from Atlantic City said a girl answering Romona's description left a hotel yesterday afternoon with three women and took a train for New York.

MUST SWEAR WARRANT.

A report was current this afternoon that Miss Romona Borden had been found by a local detective agency employed by Borden. The report was not verified. The authorities today refused to instruct local detectives to join in the search unless a search warrant was issued charging waywardness or abduction. Borden will decide later whether a warrant is to be issued.

SHAFT GIVES UP 33 MORE BODIES

Pittsburgh, Pa., April 25.—Thirty-three additional bodies were brought to the slope of the ruined Cincinnati mine this morning, making the total so far recovered 51. Ten additional names were added to the missing during the night. While no official statement of the loss of life has been given out by the company, those at the mine place the loss at 115. It may be several days before the exact extent of the loss is determined. Preparations to care for the widows and orphans are under way and for the present they are being looked after by the coal company.

Fourteen bodies were located shortly before noon. This makes the known dead 65. There are 27 more to be recovered.

SUFS PUT A BOMB ON A BANK'S STEPS

Cardiff, Wales, April 25.—"Votes for women, R. I. P." were the words painted on a bomb found this morning by a patrolman on the doorstep of Lloyds bank in this city. The fuse attached was burning when discovered and was pluckily seized and extinguished by the policeman.

EXPLOSION KILLS 2 ON NEW SHIP

Hamburg, Germany, April 25.—Two men are dead and three dying out of eight injured by an explosion of benzine last night on board the new Hamburg-American liner Imperator at Cuxhaven. The accident was caused by a workman filling his cigar lighter from a benzine tank. About 2,000 workmen were on board, completing the furnishings of the cabins, etc. In readiness for the trial trip, in which the crown prince is to take part.