

OPPOSE HIGH PRICES

Anti-Food Trust League to Hold Big Meeting Here.

PRESENT WARFARE JUSTIFIED

High Cost of Living Discussed at a Meeting of Board of Directors.

Plans were laid yesterday for a meeting in Washington this summer of representatives of the National Anti-Food Trust League...

Report of Prices. That the present warfare is justified is shown by the report on food prices issued by Bradstreet's yesterday...

Boycott Not Declared. The national body is anxious to set its right in the minds of the public regarding the part played by the league in the present boycott...

It is at present engaged in enrolling members, and until its membership runs into the hundreds of thousands it will make no crusade.

Responses are rapidly coming in from every State in the Union, and the appointment of other State directors will be made in a few days.

BOY ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Roy Chamberlin Removed to Hospital in Patrol Wagon.

Roy Chamberlin, sixteen years old, was accidentally shot in the back yesterday afternoon on a lot at Fourteenth and D streets southwest by Burton Bryon...

MOTHER OF THREE IN SCHOOL.

Struggles Against Misfortunes Victorious for Widow.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—After a three years' struggle against misfortunes which might discourage the bravest of men, Mrs. Gertrude Jacobson, a widow, and the mother of three children, will receive a reward in her quest for an education in the shape of a diploma from the Waller High School...

HEARD BY THE UNEMPLOYED.

Representative Bennet Delivers Address at Central Union Mission.

With a large audience of the city's unemployed, Representative Bennet, of New York, last night delivered an address at the Central Union Mission.

NEILL GOING TO CINCINNATI.

Cincinnati, Jan. 23.—Ward has been relieved that Commissioner of Labor Neil, government mediator under the Erdman law, will come from Washington tomorrow to investigate complaints of the telegraphers on the Big Four.

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INCREASE IN COST OF LIVING SHOWN.

The following table shows how prices of meats, milk, and groceries have increased and boosted the cost of living since 1891:

Table with columns for MEATS, MILK-CREAM, and GROCERIES, showing prices in cents per pound for years 1891, 1904, 1907, and 1910.

NEW RECORD SET IN COST OF LIVING

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The tabulation are divided into thirteen general groups, as follows:

Breadstuffs, live stock, provisions, fruits, hides and leather, textiles, metals, coal and coke, oils, naval stores, building materials, chemicals and drugs, and miscellaneous.

In other words, the man who would buy a pound each of the commodities embraced in this list would have paid \$4,217 on July 1, 1891, \$5,833 on March 1, 1907, the former high record date, and \$7,567 on January 1 of the present year.

Declines in general prices, as between the high record of 1907 and that of January 1 last, have recurred in the item of fruits, which is more or less a luxury; chemicals and drugs, building materials, and naval stores.

This week will see some interesting developments in the movement against the high cost of living. Next to the action of the Federal authorities against the beef trust, the investigation by the District of Columbia Committee of the House of Representatives promises to yield the most satisfactory results.

That committee is scheduled to begin its investigation tomorrow into the high prices prevailing in the District. While the inquiry will be confined to conditions in Washington, they will apply throughout the country.

The announcement has been made that the committee will summon experts from all parts of the country. One of the first to testify before the committee will be Secretary of Agriculture Wilson.

He seems to be the only person who has really made an investigation into the conditions, and who will be able to present hard and cold facts.

The Secretary had his men at work over the country collecting information, and he already has formed some pretty definite conclusions, which he has expressed out and on recently.

Bulletin This Week. The Secretary already is satisfied that the farmer is not getting the exorbitant profits out of the beef that he raises, and it is said that a bulletin will be issued by the Department of Agriculture this week setting forth the fact.

The bulletin, it is predicted, will show not only that the number of animals used for food has increased in the last year, but that the increase has been greater in proportion to the previous supply than the increase in population.

The Secretary of Agriculture has little doubt that the excessive profits on other farm products also are going into somebody else's pocket. In the Secretary's opinion, there is some excuse for a certain increase in the cost of living, because the farm area has not been keeping pace with the increase in the population, but this condition does not exist in the present prices.

One cause for high prices, as the Department of Agriculture views the situation, is the decline of the neighborhood farmer. Fifteen or twenty years ago farmers living near small cities used to have their family customers. The families arranged regularly with the farmers for their supply of pork, butter, eggs, fruits, vegetables, potatoes, and sometimes lambs and other meats.

Competition Too Great. The neighborhood farmer began his decline with the appearance of the refrigerator cars. The little farmers dropped out under the hard competition of the refrigerator business and the big ones took to disposing of their products only to the commission men or shippers. Thus cities that formerly supplied their demand with home-grown products now depend absolutely upon products shipped in refrigerator cars.

The service that the extravagant American demands of his butcher and his grocer is another thing that the Department of Agriculture finds figures in the cost. The American to-day wants quick delivery by his butcher; sometimes he even wants his butcher and grocer to call at his house and take his orders. All that adds to the cost in the end.

The figures that the Secretary of Agriculture has collected thus far show that on January 1, 1909, the price of beef was 22.6 per cent higher than the average level of price in the five years from 1896 to 1900, inclusive. The price that the farmer got for his beef before they were fattened was only a trifle higher than the average price he had received in the 1896-

BIGGEST YEAR FOR CATTLE.

Increase in Value Over Half a Billion During 1909.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—In connection with the high prices for beef, the Orange Judd Farmer makes the statement that 1909 was the most prosperous year ever known in the live stock industry, as shown by the annual census review of farm stock.

"The total value of all classes of live stock in the country of January 1, 1910, was \$4,850,000,000," says the periodical. "The increase during 1909 was the greatest ever recorded in twelve months, amounting to \$250,000,000."

There is an increase in the numbers of all classes of animals except beef cattle and hogs, showing an increase in average values per head at the same time. Cattle, other than milk cows, total \$7,700,000 head, worth on an average \$29.55 each. The number of sheep is increasing rapidly, and now stands 54,720,000, worth \$1.07 each. Hogs showed a marked decline in numbers, reaching only 44,965,000, but the price per head, \$3.15 is the highest on record.

"With the exception of beef cattle, every class of animals showed the highest average price ever recorded."

INDIAN BILL DECREASED.

The Measure to Be Reported To-day Abolishes Eastern Warehouses.

The Indian appropriation bill, which will be reported to the House to-day, carries an expenditure for the maintenance of the Indian Service in the fiscal year beginning July 1 next, of \$8,651,162, as compared with \$11,554,582 in the last bill.

The bill provides, among other things, that hereafter the Secretary of the Interior shall make an annual accounting with each tribe of Indians, of all money appropriated, required to be reimbursed to the United States. It abolishes the Indian warehouses at New York, Boston, Chicago, and certain other cities. A material increase is made in the appropriation for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the Indians.

RESCUED FROM BURNING ROOM.

J. N. Grace, Sixty Years Old, Narrowly Escapes Death.

J. N. Grace, sixty years old, who boards at the home of Mrs. Fannie Wilkinson, 229 G street northwest, narrowly escaped death last night about 6:20 o'clock when an overturned oil lamp in the front room of the basement started a blaze.

John Gallagher, who lives at 115 East Capitol street, was passing by when he saw smoke pouring from the front windows. He ran in the house and found the aged man asleep on a couch in the room. He carried him out on his back. Grace was quickly revived and refused to go to a hospital. The firemen extinguished the blaze after \$50 damage had been done.

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ISSUES A DEFENSE

Land Office Proves Prior Existence of Frauds.

GOVERNMENT LOST MILLIONS

Statement Gives Figures Showing That 50,000 Acres of Patented Land Has Been Recovered—Fines Increased Since Present Administration Began—Patents Not Recent.

A statement was given out at the General Land Office yesterday to show there were land frauds under the Interior Department prior to the incoming of the present departmental administration. The statement is in connection with prosecutions for trespass on public lands, illegal entry of lands, particularly coal lands, and emphasis is given to the assertion that "final adverse reports from agents have been received during the last twelve months upon cases involving more than 50,000 acres of land within the United States, and that much of this is coal land."

The statement continues: "It appears from these reports that during the last eight years coal lands within the United States have been obtained by fraud to the extent of more than 50,000 acres. These are usually the best of the coal, and are easily worth \$100,000,000. If mined on a royalty sufficiently low to enable independent operators to compete with existing coal combinations the returns to the government would reach more than \$100,000,000."

PINCHOT IN NEW ROLE TO HELP CONSERVATION

Succeeds Dr. Eliot as President of National Association and Pledges Support Formerly Devoted to Forest Service.

The election of Gifford Pinchot to succeed Dr. Charles W. Eliot as president of the National Conservation Association was announced last night.

Dr. Eliot, at whose suggestion Mr. Pinchot was elected, retains the honorary presidency. Mr. Pinchot will take active charge of the association to-day. Headquarters will be in Washington.

Two weeks ago Dr. Eliot wrote to the executive of the association expressing his opinion that Mr. Pinchot, as the recognized head of the conservation movement, should take the active leadership of the conservation association.

He also wrote Mr. Pinchot a personal letter, suggesting that he accept the presidency. At Dr. Eliot's direction, a meeting of the executive committee of the association was held and Mr. Pinchot was elected.

The National Conservation Association was formed last July, at a meeting with Dr. Eliot in Cambridge, Mass., with the purpose of helping, through a large individual membership, to put into practical effect the conservation principles declared by the conference of governors at the White House in May, 1908.

The association was formally launched last October, since which time, under Dr. Eliot's personal direction, it has obtained a membership extending over the country. It is announced that an active campaign to extend the membership into every State and Territory will be carried on.

The association has been making a study of conservation needs, and it is prepared to make recommendations as to needed measures, both nationally and in the several States.

"The pleasantest thing about my election as President of the National Conservation Association is that I follow Doctor Eliot by his own desire," said the former forester last night. "It is most fortunate that he will remain in the work as honorary president. I appreciate keenly both the honor and the chance to help the movement."

"The National Conservation Association is not in politics. It believes that conservation is a great moral issue, broader than any party or section, and more vital than any political question or measure now before us."

"The rights and the property of the American people are at stake. This association will be on the firing line in the conservation fight. Its immediate task will be to do what it can toward getting good conservation laws in Congress."

"Hereafter, I expect to devote what energy I have to the association, as I did to the Forest Service in the past. I believe the National Conservation Association offers the best way to help the cause of conservation. In behalf of the association I ask for the active help, membership, and influence of every man and woman who believes in conservation and equal opportunity. They are needed and needed at once."

about the dangerous ingredients of the tablets, and told her not to take them except at prescribed intervals.

Relatives knew that Mrs. Brown suffered for her husband, but had no suspicion she contemplated suicide.

WOMAN TAKES POISON

Siphon Saves Life of Suicide's Widow, Seeking Death.

BEGS DOCTORS TO LET HER DIE

Swallows Five Grains of Deadly Poison in Attempt to Join Her Husband in Other World, After Grieving Two Years, and Greans Bring Quick Rescue of Mrs. Tillie Brown.

Seeking union with her dead husband, Mrs. Tillie Brown, twenty-eight years old, attempted suicide yesterday afternoon in her home, 308 G street northeast.

She swallowed five tablets containing strychnine, arsenic, morphine, and aconite in sufficient quantities to have caused her death in a short time had not physicians relieved her stomach of the poison with a siphon.

When she recovered consciousness she begged to be allowed to die, that she might join her husband, who committed suicide about two years ago by jumping from a window at Sibley Hospital while delirious from typhoid fever.

Although Mrs. Brown pleaded that no effort be made to save her life, she submitted to medical treatment, obeying instructions meekly. It is believed she will recover.

Misfortune Overtakes Love.

About five years ago Mrs. Brown, who was then Miss Krall, daughter of William Krall, an employe of the Government Printing Office, fell in love with and was married to George Brown, a young man by whom she had been courted for months.

The couple were happy. They lived in apartments in D street northwest for more than two years. Misfortune did not mar their contentment until Brown grew ill with typhoid fever. The young wife took a post by his bedside and strove night and day against the ravages of the fever.

Despite her constant attention, Brown sank, and the woman was compelled to give up the fight for his life when physicians advised his removal to a hospital. The patient was taken to Sibley Hospital, where Mrs. Brown was a visitor every day. It was midsummer and the windows in Brown's room were open. He was delirious with fever, and when he saw an opportunity to elude the vigilance of the nurse he climbed from his bed and dived through the window to the ground, killing himself.

Mrs. Brown was prostrated with grief. Friends said she has never recovered. After her husband's death she went to the home of her father, in G street, where she has since resided.

For the last few weeks Mrs. Brown has suffered from neuralgia. Dr. E. J. Collins, of 823 Eleventh street northeast, attended her and prescribed the tablets with which she endeavored to end her life. The physician cautioned Mrs. Brown

best of the coal, and are easily worth \$100,000,000. If mined on a royalty sufficiently low to enable independent operators to compete with existing coal combinations the returns to the government would reach more than \$100,000,000.

Patents Not Recent.

"All of these patents are from five to eight years old. Indications are that the fiscal year ending June, 1910, will show 50,000 acres of patented land recovered, and that the cash collections will approximate or exceed the \$100,000 appropriated for the work."

"Also during the last year, reports have been received involving more than 25,000,000 in timber trespass. Suits have been filed in most of these cases, and other suits are filed as rapidly as the facts warrant."

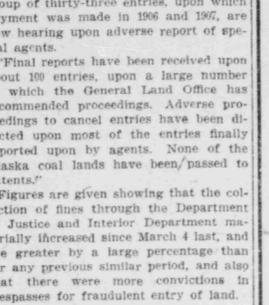
"Of the Alaska coal cases, preliminary adverse reports have been received covering about 700 entries. The Cunningham group of thirty-three entries, upon which payment was made in 1906 and 1907, are now hearing upon adverse report of special agents."

"Final reports have been received upon about 100 entries upon a large number of which the General Land Office has recommended proceedings. Adverse proceedings to cancel entries have been directed upon most of the entries finally reported upon by agents. None of the Alaska coal lands have been passed to patents."

Figures are given showing that the collection of fines through the Department of Justice and Interior Department materially increased since March 1 last, and are greater by a large percentage than for any previous similar period, and also that there were more convictions in trespasses for fraudulent entry of land.

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PASTOR TRIES TO DIE.

Arrested for Forgery, He Swallows Pins and Ground Glass.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 23.—Rev. Raymond E. Walker, former pastor of the Grantville Baptist Church, whose recent arrest on the charge of forgery caused a stir among the church people of the State, is in a critical condition as the result of a desperate attempt to take his own life.

Yesterday Mr. Walker swallowed a score of pins and a considerable quantity of ground glass.

Walker was committed to jail early in November. A few days after his incarceration he tried to kill himself by driving his head against the bars of his cell. After he had recovered he swallowed a quantity of chloride of lime.

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WALT MASON.

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CHURCH CENTURYOLD

Hundredth Anniversary Celebration in Alexandria.

RIGHT REV. GIBSON PREACHES

Three Services Are Held During Day, Parishioners from Other Episcopal Churches Attending—Vested Choir Furnishes Elaborate Musical Programme—Founded in 1810.

With elaborate and impressive ceremonies, the 100th anniversary of the founding of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, in Alexandria, was celebrated yesterday.

An able sermon was preached by Right Rev. Robert A. Gibson, of Virginia. Three services were held and all well attended, parishioners of the two other Episcopal churches being present.

A vested choir of fifty-four voices, under the direction of Prof. Sherman B. Fowler, organist, with S. Frank Field as assistant director, and Miss Katherine Mast violinist, furnished an elaborate musical programme. The soloists were Mrs. Elizabeth De Dier, soprano; Mrs. Sherman B. Fowler, alto; Edward B. Wilman, tenor; Wilmer Waller, baritone, and Richard Wirt, bass.

Rev. P. P. Phillips, rector, was the recipient of numerous congratulations. The services were held and all well attended, with the celebration of holy communion. The next services were held at 11 o'clock, and were conducted by Bishop Gibson. He was assisted at these services by Rev. Angus Crawford, dean of the Episcopal Theological Seminary; Rev. Dr. S. A. Wallis, professor at the Episcopal Theological Seminary; Rev. William J. Morton, rector of Christ Episcopal Church, Alexandria, and Rev. Edgar Carpenter, rector of Grace Episcopal Church, Alexandria.

Services were held at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when pupils of the Episcopal Sunday schools of this city attended. An address was made by Bishop Gibson. The ceremonies incident to the celebration were concluded last night. A sermon was preached by Rev. Berryman Green, D. D., of the Episcopal Theological Seminary.

The musical programme given at the morning service was as follows: Processional hymn, No. 48, "Jerusalem the Golden," Le Jeune; "Ventus" and "Gloria Patri," chant No. 25; "Te Deum, Festival," in C, Jordan; introit anthem, hymn No. 419, "God, our Help in Ages Past," Sullivan; "Kyrie," in A. Elvey; "Gloria Tibi," in G, Paxton; hymn No. 48, "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken," Haydn; offertory anthem, "Fear Not, O Israel," Spicker; offertory, "Ascension," Whitney; recessional hymn, No. 529, "Rejoice, Ye Pure Heart," Mesites.

At the night services the musical programme was as follows: Processional hymn, No. 211, "Ancient of Days," Jeffrey; "Gloria Patri," same as at morning services; "Magnificat" and "Nunc Dimittis" in D, Marks; hymn No. 42, "The Church's One Foundation," Wesley; offertory anthem, "Gloria," Mozart; offertory hymn, No. 535, "Now the Day is Over," Barnby; recessional hymn, No. 48, "Hark, Hark, My Soul," Dykes.

During the 100 years of its existence St. Paul's Church has had six rectors, including the present one. They are as follows: Rev. William Gibson, 1810-1812; Rev. William H. Wilmer, 1812-1825; Rev. William Jackson, 1825-1833; Rev. J. T. Johnson, 1834-1839; Rev. G. H. Norton, D. D., 1839-1853; Rev. P. P. Phillips, present rector, 1853-1910.

The church was founded January 23, 1810, and the present edifice was built in 1817, under the rectorship of Rev. William Holland Wilmer, in 1817, and consecrated in May, 1818. It cost \$20,000, and has a seating capacity of 1,200. About five years ago it was remodeled, and a recessional chance constructed for the accommodation of seventy-five chorists.

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