

FINANCE ARTISTS
ORDER FRAUD BAN

Customers, According to Evidence, Never Received Margins Back or Profits.

Connecticut Astrologers Gave Too Much Advice for Small Sum.

The Postmaster General has issued a fraud order against a string of high finance artists in New York city.

Dealt in Stocks on Margin.

The several firms solicited accounts for dealing in stocks, principally on margins, and would give each other a reference, which made it a lead pipe cinch that the intending customer would always receive a favorable reply to his letter of inquiry.

It is brought out in the evidence before the Postoffice Department that money once placed in the hands of any of the so-called brokers named would never find its way back into the purse of the confiding customer.

It is cited that Mrs. Ellen Taney, of Nissequoning, Pa., sent funds to some one of this particular "system" to be used in buying Missouri, Kansas & Texas stock, which went the wrong way and she lost. She repeated the experiment some two or three times with the same result.

Prof. of \$150. Finally she bought ten shares of Reading through the system at \$5. It went to \$5, when, on the advice of post-office inspectors, who had learned that she was patronizing the "system," she ordered the account closed, which netted a profit of \$150.

This transaction, of course, called for the "system" making some real money, but—not so. Not to be outdone, the "system" notified Mrs. Taney that her Reading stock had been closed out as she had directed, and the proceeds invested in American Smelters, which had taken a slump the same day and wiped out her account, besides placing her in debt to them for some few dollars.

Astrologers Given Blow. Prof. G. Ramesses, of Stratford and Bridgeport, Conn., a rather resourceful party, has also been denied the further use of the mails.

The "professor" advertised by circulars sent to individuals that by a cursory examination of the configuration of the planetary bodies he had learned certain facts concerning the life of the party addressed with which he would part for the modest price of \$1.

The department discovered that one George A. Sears was the individual responsible for this display of words, but that his knowledge of the heavenly bodies was limited, and his business carried on by the aid of printed circulars, which were sent indiscriminately to all his customers, regardless of the "configuration."

In the same boat has been pushed one Prof. Carl Dorsey, of Stratford, Conn., who the department finds to be an unscrupulous person to make unscrupulous use of the United States mails. This business has been conducted by E. W. Coffey, who varies his methods by stating that "knowing sex and chiographic" recall articles of the person addressed, "he is able to impart information of great value at a nominal price."

CAMPAIGN PUBLICITY URGED IN McCALL BILL. With the introduction in the House today of a campaign publicity bill by Representative McCall, the fight for such a law comes sharply to the front.

The bill is fathered by Henry Belmont, president of the National Publicity Bill Organization. With a solid minority behind the bill, and a number of Republicans of the McCall school giving their support, Belmont is quite cheerful about its passage.

He declares that the talk about a tariff commission and Government regulation of corporations are to his mind simply bids for campaign contributions.

"It becomes, therefore," said the New Yorker today, vitally important that such contributions in this particular Presidential election be made public by law."

DISTRICT MAKES \$767. Edwin B. Hesse, chief clerk of the police department, has submitted to the Commissioners a report of the recent sale of lost, stolen, and abandoned property. The amount realized was \$762, from which was deducted the cost of advertising, hauling, etc., being deposited with the collector of taxes \$767.68.

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CHINA'S BUSINESS CHANCES EXPLAINED BY U. S. CONSUL

Warns Young Men of This Country Not to Go to Far East in Search of Positions—Social Environment Chief Drawback.

Wilbur T. Gracey, United States consul at Tsingtau, China, has forwarded to the Department of Commerce and Labor a letter, in which he warns young men in America not to go to China to look for work. There are few opportunities in the Far East, he writes, and the only safe way to secure employment there is to get a contract with some reliable firm at a price that will insure an income as large as would be necessary to live in New York.

Mr. Gracey says: "China may be a land of opportunity to the business man with money, but any young man who is willing to work will find better opportunities every day in the large American cities. Many young men leave their homes in the United States, and as stowaways, work their passage to China, or spend their last few dollars for tickets, in the hope of stepping into good positions on their arrival in the Far East, and are surprised to find that all positions are filled.

Social Distinction. "If a young man lands from America in Shanghai unknown, it may be safely said that it is impossible for him to secure even a temporary position. After floating about the city for weeks or months he may possibly be taken on as a clerk in a store, or by the imperial customs of China on what is known as the 'outdoor staff.' These men correspond to the customs inspectors in America (they examine all the cargo coming and going), but are given a different social position from that of such a Government employe in the United States. They are not allowed to become members of the social, rowing, recreation, or other clubs, nor do they associate with the young business men of the port.

"Practically every position in the Far East is already filled, or if there is a vacancy it will be filled by some young man brought out by the firm directly from home. The lower positions in business firms, such as office boys, caretakers, etc., are all occupied by Chinese, who can be obtained at salaries that would not be sufficient to keep an American boy in clothes. They are good accountants, can be depended upon to fill clerical positions in a competent manner, and are silent assistants, aware of their position merely as a means of support. At home a young man can enter a firm as office boy, and if he has ability may rise to the position of manager or owner of the business, costing \$100,000 in investment in society from the fact that he began at the bottom.

"In China if a man begins in the 'outdoor staff' of the customs he may rise to the head of the 'outdoor staff,' but transfers are seldom or never made from the outdoor to indoor service, so that it is impossible for him to be promoted above a certain grade.

Should Have Position. "There is only one condition on which any young man should come to China, and that is when he has an assured position or a contract with a firm. It is not sufficient that a friend in the world, or a writer, that he can give him a position, or secure a position for him. It must be understood what the position really is, what would be the social standing of one occupying it—that is, whether he would be looked down upon by other men in business—and how the compensation is to be paid. Furthermore, it is of the utmost importance that the young man has sufficient physical ability to withstand the peculiar, trying climatic conditions of the Far East.

"At the present time money goes no further in China than in any other part of the world, there is cheap living in the Orient have passed, and when a man is offered a salary of \$100 a month he would find out if the \$100 is in American dollars or in the varying silver currency of China. If the salary is paid in American money he will find that, owing to the exchange, in one month \$100 gold will bring about \$100 in local China dollars, while a year later, at a different rate of exchange, it may equal \$200.

"When at the latter rate, however, its purchasing power will be little better than the \$100 of a year before, and when the \$100 gold again degenerates to \$100 local currency, as it is liable to do, the finds that the price of everything has advanced and the purchasing power of his money has dropped to its original status. In other words, he is losing \$80 a month.

Suggestive Pointers. "Exchange is the bugbear of the man of limited means in China, and when a man is told that he will receive a certain salary in China he should institute some inquiries along the following lines: "First, it should be learned if the prospective employer is a man attached to a responsible firm. This can be dis-

covered either from bankers or from any commercial agency. "Second, inquiries from any bank dealing in foreign exchange as to how much the salary offered would amount to in American gold, then subtract 15 to 20 per cent for probable loss by exchange and figure if the resulting amount would enable him to live respectably in New York. If the salary quoted is in gold dollars, transpose it into Mexican, take off the 15 or 20 per cent and remember that it would be difficult to live on a salary of less than \$300 Mexican a month, even when a house or rooms are provided, or when the physical condition is healthy with no liability to stomach or bowel troubles, and if possible consult a physician about the conditions and the diseases of China to which one is liable.

"Fourth, if the man has a good position in America, or if he is liable to have one, let him stick to it. Every boy has a better opportunity at home than he will get in a foreign country. There is more need for good men, and more need for ability inside the United States than there is for an unknown man in China.

Fight Against Drink. "Fifth, let him be sure that he is strong enough to withstand the temptation to excessive drink. There is a great tendency throughout the Far East to excesses of all kinds, and a much larger percentage of young men are killed by drink in the Orient than is generally known. This may not be a direct death, but continual drinking affects the stomach and bowels, and throws open the doors for the admission of the diseases of the East with dangerous effects. The temptations to drink overmuch in China are infinitely stronger than at home, a custom of continuous drinking being prevalent throughout the entire East.

"Finally, he should remember that he is giving up a great many of the best opportunities that are available in the Orient. There is no opportunity for education here, no teachers, no good music, no lectures, no educational institutions, no technical or other schools, no free libraries, no magazines or other good literature, except what comes from home a month later, and the social life is entirely different from anything at home. Unless a man or a boy is perfectly certain that the compensations are worth it, this he had much better stay away."

WORK ON SEWER CONTRACT DELAYED BY ENGINEERS

The Commissioners have approved the request of E. G. Gummel for an extension of time for the completion of the work of his contract for a sewer at Arkansas avenue and Delaware street. The contractor is to be given until April 10 to complete his work without penalty or cost of inspection.

Mr. Gummel says that the extension is justified by the fact that his work was delayed through the operations of the Engineer Department in roadway paving work.

I. O. O. F. TO LAY CORNERSTONE

The cornerstone of the new hall for Langdon Lodge, No. 25, I. O. O. F., to be called the Sherwood, will be laid tomorrow under the auspices of the grand lodge. The new home of the lodge will be at Twentieth street and Rhode Island avenue. Frank E. Rapp, noble grand, will officiate at the ceremony of laying the stone.

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NEW TRUST LAW DISLIKED BY HOUSE

President Has Unsatisfactory Conference With Chairman Jenkins.

That President Roosevelt is in earnest in his wish to have Congress pass the Civic Federation bill for the revision of the Sherman anti-trust law, and the solution of some of the labor and capital problems of the country, is indicated by a long conference he held with Representative Jenkins of Wisconsin, chairman of the House Committee on Judiciary.

A canvass of the House has developed indications that a good share of the Democrats don't favor the legislation. With the Democrats to a considerable extent taking this attitude, and with some Republicans opposed to the bill, indications are that the projected revolt against the Speaker's course in sending it to the Jenkins committee will come to nought.

What passed between the President and Representative Jenkins is not known. Before Mr. Jenkins went to the White House he received a call from Secretary of the Interior Garfield, who was one of the foremost among the group of advisers of the President who assisted in drafting the measure. At that conference, which covered considerable time, this measure, and it is understood some other things before the Judiciary Committee, were gone over in some detail. Mr. Jenkins' views are said not to have been very satisfactory to the secretary, anyhow, on the next succeeding business day, Mr. Jenkins was at the White House and went over the same questions with the President.

Just what passed is, of course, not known, but the impression has got about that the President and the Judiciary chairman were not able to agree very accurately as to the need or the desirability of the legislation.

LABORER KILLS SELF; BODY NOT IDENTIFIED

The body of the unidentified laborer who committed suicide yesterday by drinking ammonia is at the Morgue. It is not believed that the man lived in Washington. In his pockets was found a card bearing the name "J. B. Jenkins & Sons, carriage builders." There is no such firm in Washington.

The man was apparently under the influence of stimulants yesterday afternoon as he staggered along the river front. Attracted by his actions, several boys were watching him from a distance, when they saw him take a pill from his pocket and place it to his mouth. The next moment he fell to the ground. The Emergency Hospital ambulance was summoned, but the man died about an hour after he was carried to the institution.

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DEMOCRATS WAGING WAR: REPRESENTATIVE LLOYD SAYS VICTORY IS SURE

Representative "Jim" Lloyd of Missouri, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee, is hard at work getting ready for the coming campaign. He is one of the busiest men about the Capitol, and is getting under way the organization which he expects will make it possible for the Democrats to control the next House.

Altogether, the Democrats are probably more hopeful of climbing into the saddle and controlling the House next fall than they have been for a good while. It is true, that the Democrats have a fashion along about the budding, blossoming days in spring, of declaring their firm intent to carry the House, and present the plans and specifications for doing it, whereas the Republicans at the same time grow exceedingly gloomy and depressed and lament the lack of funds and tell of all the obstacles and drawbacks that confront them. To a considerable extent this is true of the present situation.

Sherman Doleful.

Chairman Sherman of the Republican Committee is positively doleful as he talks about the utter penury to which the Republican Committee is reduced. But his Republican colleagues think he will somehow manage to get the shrews of war and to keep the House in the Republican column, and they think that he thinks so, but they aren't sure enough to allow any chances to be taken. The result is that the Republican members of Congress are anxious to get back home and poke up the lagards and set the Congressional campaign in motion.

Whether real or assumed, however, the optimism of Chairman Lloyd amounts to enthusiasm. He believes there is a seismic disturbance due in the political world, and that it will replace the Republicans out of office and leave them with Democrats. He does not subscribe, either, to the doctrine that the House and the President meet rarely go together, though they have done so in recent years. He thinks that Bryan will be elected, but that even if he is not the House is likely to go Democratic.

Campaign Literature.

Republicans say the Democrats are getting out a lot of campaign literature, but this is not admitted in Democratic quarters. What Chairman Lloyd is now engaged in is in making plans for the work of the summer and fall. All doubtful districts are to be given attention, and the forces of Democracy are to be mobilized against all doubtful States. The plan is to put up strong tickets, composed of representative Democrats, wherever it is possible. The case of Indiana in this connection is cited. The Democrats in that State are reported to be extremely active, and they have lately nominated a State ticket headed by Tom Marshall, a highly popular man, and with other strong nominees accompanying him. Republicans admit the Democrats in Indiana have played good politics and that they have made it certain the Hoosier State will be one of the great battle grounds of the coming campaign.

WOULD ABOLISH GALLOWES.

A bill to substitute electrocution for hanging as a means of inflicting the death penalty in the District of Columbia was introduced in the House by Representative Taylor of Ohio. Taylor's finer sensibilities were shocked by a description of a recent hanging at the District Jail, and he made haste to introduce his bill.

LABOR TO PROBE NEW ASSOCIATION

John H. Brinkman, E. L. Tucker, E. G. Baehrach, Jere F. McCarthy, and C. A. Allison, were last night appointed a committee of five by the Central Labor Union at its regular meeting to investigate the National Temple of Labor Association and its books, and to render a report to the central body.

This action was taken after a heated debate, lasting two hours, in which a number of delegates bitterly opposed endorsing the National Temple of Labor Association until it was known what the association had done and was going to do. This association, after incorporating, has solicited subscriptions from labor men and men prominent in the political field, it being hoped to obtain \$1,000,000 in this way.

The association was established as a committee of the Central Labor Union, and last night its chairman asked the Central Labor Union for its endorsement of the work already done and the contemplated constitution and by-laws. This was the first report made, and immediately there was objection. One faction, led by John Brinkman, asked for an investigation. It was pointed out by Mr. Brinkman that as an incorporated body, the erstwhile committee could snap its fingers in the face of the Central Labor Union, and that body was powerless to do anything. Mr. Brinkman also declared that it would be wise for the Central Labor Union to give the matter careful consideration and find out what it was endorsing.

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