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LOTS OF NERVE.

The Cavalier Chronicle last week devotes considerable space to an editorial which is intended to convey the idea that the state administration has forced the Standard Oil Company to submit to the one cent a gallon state tax that was levied on oil companies through a special bill passed by the legislature a year ago. The article is so cunningly written that it leads one to believe that this tax came out of the funds of the oil companies.

The Pioneer Express is of the opinion that not a penny of the \$284,000 paid over from the tax fund to the state came from the company, but that it is a direct tax imposed by the Townley administration on the consumers of gasoline in North Dakota. Immediately after the law taxing oil companies one cent a gallon on oils, took effect the oil companies advanced the price of gasoline that much. It was an indirect way for the Townley administration to tax the people \$284,000. The Chronicle cannot place it in a different light. Why the Standard Oil Company refused to turn it over to the state we are at a loss to understand. The excess tax had been collected from the consumers and it did not belong to them.

Any farmer who uses 50 gallons of gasoline a day for his tractor pays fifty cents of this tax daily which he never did under the old administration. And yet the Townley bunch claim they are working in the interest of the taxpayers. Ad this amount to the extra taxes you pay on your land this year and the amount will astonish you.

And now the bosses in charge of things at Bismack are wondering how they will be able to float seventeen million dollars of state bonds to saddle on the already heavily burdened people. Ye gods, when are they going to let up. We look to see the people of the state arise in indignation at the polls next fall and force the "big five" to pack their grips and seek new states to conquer.

The Republican congress has started a drive to eliminate about 40,000 of the more than 100,000 clerks on the government payroll in Washington, 107,000 to be correct. This is 80,000 more government employees in the national capital than were on the payroll under the Republican regime, and taking the average yearly salary at \$1,200, it represents an expenditure for clerk hire, etc., of \$100,000,000 annually in excess of the record under the Republican administration, which was scored by the Democratic platform of 1912 for draining the substance of the American people by maintaining an unconscionable payroll. The Republican drive, if successful, will save the country around \$50,000,000 annually on this item. It may knock out the simplicity and economy of the Wilson era, but who cares?

DISTRICT COURT

District Court, Pembina County, N. Dak. January 1920 term. Commencing Monday, January 5th, 1920, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

List of Jurors.

Alvin Reestemayer, Cavalier.
Jake Craft, Cavalier.
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Lawrence Warner, Pembina.
E. P. Thompson, Neche.
Ira J. Porter, Crystal.
E. R. Langton, Pembina.
R. A. Thacher, Hamilton.
Jas. Bellamy, Jr. Drayton.
Ed. Scheving, Hensel.
To appear in court on January 6th, 1920, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day.

SEEK GOLD IN THE ARCTIC

Adventurers Are Now Prospecting the Coasts of Baffin Bay and Davis Strait.

One of the really pathetic stories of modern history is the mutiny of Henry Hudson's crew when he was exploring the arctic waters of North America, and his abandonment, with his son, in that vast inland sea that bears his name, a writer in the Brooklyn Eagle remarks. Many lives have been sacrificed in the quest of the North and South poles. Sir John Franklin's and the Jeannette's parties in the north and the recent Scott expedition at the south only need be mentioned.

Plans are afoot to open up the Baffin bay region to commerce. For many years small steamers have been making summer visits to Hudson bay to trade with the natives, and the Canadian government is building a railway to one of its ports. Railroad and commercial development of Alaska by American enterprise has caused prospecting of the mineral resources of the coasts of Baffin bay and Davis strait, with the result of finding, at the former place, gold in sufficient quantities to justify development, and coal of excellent quality along the latter.

The latitude is about the same as that of the Yukon region and only a few degrees north of that of Nome, which has developed into a large community. So impelling is the lure of gold that the hardships of an arctic climate will not deter adventurers from hazarding their lives against the wealth said to be buried under the eternal snow and ice of Baffin Island.

CHAUNCEY'S TURN TO LAUGH

Close-Fisted Farmer Learned Something About the Value Legal Lights Set on Services.

Chauncey M. Depew, in writing the story of his life, recalls his first law case. It was in Peekskill. The client was a farmer and he wanted an opinion on certain property rights.

Depew spent a week in looking up the points of law that had bearing on the case and when he had finished charged the modest fee of \$5.

"Too much," cried the farmer.

"But it's taken me a whole week to prepare this," protested Depew.

"Don't make no difference," declared the farmer. "I figure \$1.50 is all it's worth and that's all you're going to get."

About a week later the man came to the office again.

"Mr. Depew," he said, "I had some doubts about that opinion of yours, so I took it down to New York and showed it to Mr. —. And what do you think he charged me, just for reading that opinion of yours and putting his O. K. on it?"

"How much," demanded Depew, all excited.

"Five hundred dollars!"

CITIES MAKE RAPID GROWTH.

Interesting Statistics Concerning Chief Centers of Population in the United States.

The population of New York city on July 1, according to a survey by the newspaper feature bureau, the result of which was made public the other day, says the correspondent of the Pittsburgh Dispatch, was 6,244,616, as compared with 4,766,883 in 1910, an increase of 31 per cent. Of the total 120,138 are listed as negroes. The whites of native parentage are given as 1,206,926; of foreign parentage, 2,384,384, and of foreign birth, 2,525,292.

According to the survey the sexes are almost evenly divided. The number of males is given at 3,121,051, and the females as 3,123,565. The city has 1,878,211 males of voting age and 333,012 illiterates more than ten years old. There are 1,337,283 families.

The twenty largest cities in the country, with New York leading, are given as Chicago, with a population of 3,059,396; Philadelphia, 1,936,290; Cleveland, 936,300; Detroit, 936,300; Boston, 830,625; St. Louis, 824,485; Baltimore, 726,030; Pittsburgh, 667,881; Los Angeles, 574,558; San Francisco, 555,882; Buffalo, 516,932; Milwaukee, 504,707; Cincinnati, 472,668; New Orleans, 440,797; Washington, 430,390; Minneapolis, 421,971; Newark, 416,903; Seattle, 395,323, and Rochester, 349,083.

Make Study of Eugenics.

The eugenics record office at Cold Spring Harbor, L. I., is engaged in building up an analytical index of the inborn traits of American families, especially with a view to studying the inheritance of such traits, tracing their recombination in given pedigrees, etc. Down to the beginning of last year the office had on file 534,625 cards indexing individuals who are described in the archives of the establishment, on the basis of surname, natural trait and geographical locality. An elaborate classification of traits has been worked out.

SHOWED SPIRIT OF AMERICA

Connecticut Youth Good Example of the Men That Made Victory Over the Hun Certain.

What was the spirit, French, British, Italian, American, that made possible the day of the signing of peace? Well, as for the American spirit, a story, which Gen. Clarence Edwards told me at St. Mihiel, has the meaning as I felt it, writes Lucian Swift Kirtland in Leslie's. He was visiting the hospital. Just as he was leaving a nurse ran after him. "A Connecticut boy," she said, "has heard you are here. He has begged me to ask you to see him. He's dying, but he doesn't know it. He says he has a great favor to ask." Just then the chaplain came and had the same request. They hurried back, the chaplain leading. The boy looked up and saw the chaplain.

"My God! Chaplain," he called out, "what are you looking so darn gung about? Just 'cause you think I'm going to die and you don't know how to tell me about it? H—, what did I come over here for? Didn't I come over here to die if that had to be the chance? Haven't I had my big chance? Have I failed? What the h— are you worrying about?"

Just then he saw the general. "Oh, General," he said, "excuse me for bothering you, but I'm dying. I know it. I don't want to ask for favors, but the Connecticut band is here, and I thought I'd ask you if you'd have them come and play just once outside here. I want to hear the 'Connecticut State March' just once more."

In a minute the band was there—and it was playing the strains of the march. The lad lifted himself up, a smile of satisfaction on his face. His arm beat the time of the music. He pretended to be leading the band. At the last note he dropped back to his pillow—dead.

OLD HOUSE TO BE MUSEUM

Movement for Preservation of Structure Identified With Early Days of Southern California.

A movement is on at Riverside, Cal., for the preservation of a number of the old landmarks of the vicinity, buildings and spots intimately connected with the early-day period of southern California. The plan is being fostered by the local chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution and the Pioneer society.

The first project to be undertaken is the restoration of the old Rubidoux home, an adobe structure, which was built by Indian labor three-quarters of a century ago. The Rubidoux family was one of the most prominent of the early Spanish residents, and the home was a social center for the interior section. Many of the notable events of history of the period just previous to the forty-niners are more or less intimately connected with this old building which in recent years has been abandoned and has begun to crumble away.

After the work of restoration is completed, the building will serve as a nucleus for a pioneer museum for the housing of many relics of the early days.

Mediterranean Air Base.

A far-reaching program of aviation in the French colonial possessions in Africa has been drawn up by the commission on aerial transports at Tunis, Algeria, which recommends that a great aerial transport center be established, with Tunis as its base, in order to centralize aerial traffic over the Mediterranean sea. Inasmuch as Tunis occupies an advantageous position, at the junction of French and international colonial possessions, a regular aerial service, it is urged, between Tunis and outlying districts would benefit the French protectorate. Already a line of airplanes is in operation between Gabes, an Algerian seaport, and the frontier of Tripoli; and this, in the expectation of colonial officials, will be extended to Tunis. So the "unchanging East" is fast becoming a by-word only of times past.

Flax in the War.

With restoration of the industry on a peace-time basis cotton once again goes ahead of linen in the world's favor. The exigencies of the recent conflict raised flax to the position as leader among fabrics, a rank which it had held for centuries but lost almost simultaneously with the advent of the cotton gin.

With realization of the importance of cotton in the making of munitions, there came a speedy reversion to linen for the more commonplace usages—waistcoats, sails for ships, even "wings" for airplanes having lately consisted of linen. But flax has reached the end of its days of monopoly. King Cotton now rises to the fore in ordinary pursuits, and linen once again becomes the aristocrat in this field of supply.

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