

T. C. Platt—Pitiful Wreck Once Famous Politician.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Foreign tourists who lament the absence of ruins in this country have missed the senate. There they might see any day the crumbling remains of some celebrated statesman. Platt of New

York made a pitiful effort to his seat when he was able to attend.

Platt was the first of the great political managers in recent years to come to the senate. Quay did likewise, and, finally, Hanna made sim-

ilar use of his power. Platt was elected in January, 1881, and, with Con-

gress, resigned in May of the same year, when they had the row over federal patronage with President Gar-

field. He returned in 1887 and was reelected a few days ago. The honor came to him, however, in recognition

of past services and not because he was able to command the assembly. His power is broken and the reins are in other hands. Hanna began

Platt's downfall when he managed the nomination of McKinley in 1896, despite the opposition of the New

Yorker, Quay and other eastern leaders. Roosevelt made further inroads

when he was elected governor of the state. Platt did not want the Rough

Rider as a candidate, but the sentiment was overwhelming and he was

forced to yield. Then came Roosevelt's elevation to the presidency,

which brought into power New York republicans who had always been op-

posed to the senate. Meantime, Governor Odell, who had long been

Platt's chief lieutenant, gradually assumed control of the machine. He

used it in the interest of Platt, and the latter probably thought it still

belonged to him. A few months ago there was a clash and the old man

found that he had been "put aside." It was at the last state convention

when Platt sought to force a candidate named Sheldon on the ticket as

lieutenant governor. Odell protested. Platt insisted, and the governor de-

fied him. Platt conferred with the leaders in the convention and found

they would not support him. They had deserted his standard and gone

over to Odell. His mastery was at an end. He still is an eminent re-

publican, of considerable influence, but he was no longer boss.

Loss of political power has been attended with and may have been

caused in large measure by ill health. Frail and weak, he presents an almost

pathetic sight. In going to his seat he walks so slowly that he seems

scarcely to move. When he gets to his place he carefully edges around

in front of his chair and sinks into it. There is no bending of the knees,

but he drops as though in a state of collapse.

Platt has the reputation of being a very rich man, but his friends say

that is not the case. He is comfortably provided for, but can not be

counted a wealthy man as fortune goes in these days. He has made much

money, but has invested the bulk of it in politics. When his lieutenants

were in need he was generous with them. When campaign funds were

depleted, he supplied the money necessary for the work to be done. He

has accomplished great things in business and politics and has been a

power in the land, but the story of his achievements is at an end.

JACOB WALDECK.



SENATOR PLATT OF NEW YORK.

Work feebly totters in like an old man in a play. Vest of Missouri is almost carried to his seat by an attendant, and falls back helplessly in the cushioned chair. Hawley of Connecticut, who has been long absent, steadied himself by means of the desks and dragged his way with

lar use of his power. Platt was elected in January, 1881, and, with Congress, resigned in May of the same year, when they had the row over federal patronage with President Garfield. He returned in 1887 and was reelected a few days ago. The honor came to him, however, in recognition

RECOMMEND INCREASE IN SALOON LICENSES

The charter revision committee met in the city hall last night and with one exception voted to recommend an increase in saloon licenses from \$500 to \$1000.

Four committees attended the meeting, those of the city council, chamber of commerce, taxpayers' league and the trades council. Alderman N. S. Pratt will introduce the resolution at the next council meeting and after passing that body it will be ready to be voted upon by the people.

It was agreed that the mayor may appoint or remove the three members of the board of public works without the approval of the council, and that the council be empowered with the authority to remove a member of the board of public works without the consent of the mayor providing three-fourths of the members vote for such a removal.

It was also agreed that the salary of the superintendents of streets, water works and city engineer be fixed by the city council.

MURDERER REPRIVED

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., Feb. 13.—This was a glad day for Ora Coppenhaver, the young man from Indianapolis awaiting execution in the state penitentiary here for the murder of his wife a year ago.

The hanging was scheduled for today, but through the efforts of counsel a reprieve has been obtained from the supreme court in order that an appeal for a new trial can be heard.

Seattle.—Chinamen are being smuggled into Seattle from British Columbia, dressed as Indian squaws.

FORT WRIGHT PLANS.

The plans of the additions at Fort Wright have been completed. They provide for four new buildings. Two of them are to be additional quarters for officers and the others are for the quartermaster's storehouse and an ordnance storehouse.

The date of letting the contract will be determined by the war department at Washington.

Lewiston, Idaho.—The city council has passed a resolution favoring the bill now under consideration before the legislature granting a franchise to the Clearwater Timber company for the construction of booms, cribs and other appliances for logging and lumbering purposes in the Clearwater river.

The Spyglass property on Popular creek, Lardau district, is turning out to be an exceedingly rich silver-gold proposition. It is owned by J. Winquist and partners and is located about 11 miles from the line of Lardo railway. Assays obtained run to 3740 ounces silver and 120 gold. The vein is a strong one and has been traced for over 600 feet.

UNIONS LAUNCH A CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY

A co-operative enterprise was launched in Portland yesterday morning by the labor unions. It is known as the Mechanics' Investment company.

The incorporators are: C. Bomberger, treasurer of the carpenters' union; C. W. Ryan, secretary of the carpenters' union; E. A. Cadwell, president of the carpenters' union; H. G. Green, president of the electrical workers' union; W. H. Blaney, S. E. Correll and W. H. Mellan of the bricklayers' union. The object of the incorporation is set out as follows:

To build railroads, boats, flumes and to operate the same.

To acquire real estate, timber lands, mills and engage in the lumber business.

The unions intend to operate their own logging camps, planing mills and sawmills and establish buildings of every description.

The principal aim in view is to end labor troubles, those who are interested in the enterprise saying

that reliance can not be placed in the present industrial system. The capital stock of the company is \$25,000. This is divided into 2500 shares at the rate of \$10 each. Every workman will be permitted to buy stock, but no one will be allowed to hold more than 100 shares.

Many of the labor leaders in Spokane believe that the plan is a good one. They argue that if it were launched in this city building would be encouraged, and that a period of prosperity would be bound to follow.

The incorporation does not meet with the approval of the American Labor union. James Smith, one of the prominent members of that organization, said to a Press reporter this morning:

"I know of no true trade unionist who is in favor of labor organizations incorporating. It would be a disadvantage in the payment of benefits, as has been frequently pointed out by our official organ. While the organization would not fear legislation, incorporation would in many instances give rise to it."

IN HONOR OF JOHN MITCHELL.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—Organized labor of Chicago has made arrangements on an extensive scale for the reception at the Auditorium tonight in honor of John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America.

Besides Mr. Mitchell, the guests of honor will include Clarence Darrow and Henry D. Lloyd, attorneys for the union miners of the anthracite region before the arbitration board.

HOME FOR EMPLOYEES.

At the last regular meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen held at K. of P. hall it was reported that the referendum vote on the \$25,000 appropriation for the erection of a home for aged and disabled railway employees has been counted and that the measure has passed.

At present the home is located at Highland Park, Chicago, but it was decided to secure another location. The trainmen and conductors' organizations have appropriated \$25,000 each.

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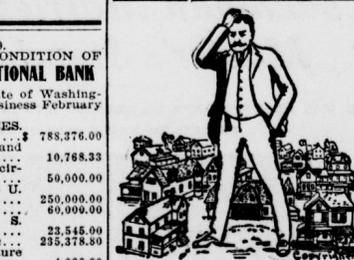
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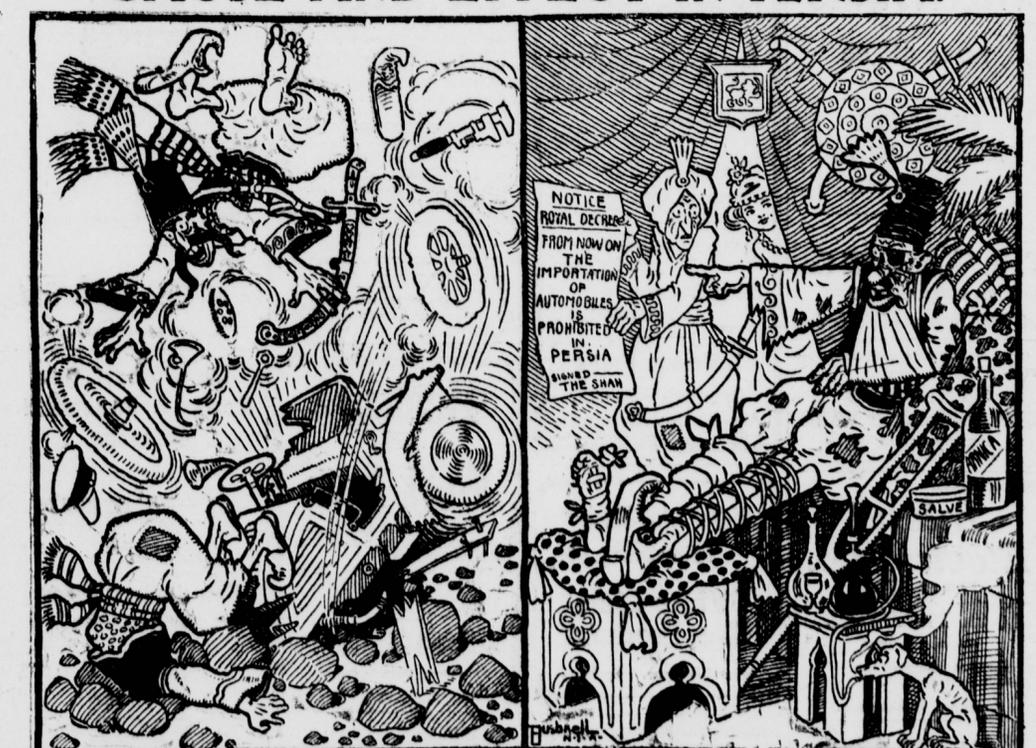
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CAUSE AND EFFECT IN PERSIA.



"A Teheran dispatch says that the importation of automobiles is prohibited by royal decree. The Shah received an auto from Paris, started to run down a hill, and when it got too quick for him admonished the chauffeur to stop. He couldn't, and his majesty was thrown out. Result: Chauffeur doing service as stable boy, auto knocked to pieces and thrown into the river, automobiling dead in Persia forever."—News Item.