

POSTSCRIPT

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HIGH COSTS HAVE REACHED CLIMAX DEALERS CLAIM

Announcement of Price Reductions From All United States. Break in Market Three Weeks Ago, Says Merchant.

CONGRESS MAY START PROBE

Hot Air Prosperity Cannot Last Longer, Says Leffingwell.

St. Louis and Oklahoma City Merchants Stand Pat.

Washington, May 18.—A resolution to investigate the relation between high prices of necessities and the concentration of wealth was introduced in the Senate today by Sen. David L. Walsh, of Massachusetts.

Banks Call Loans

Price reduction by retail dealers through the country constitute one more sign of prosperity, it is said, but air prosperity is bound to cease.

Wanamaker Started It

John Wanamaker, millionaire department store proprietor, recently initiated the price reduction movement by cutting all prices in his stores 20 per cent.

Chicago Merchants Cut

Chicago, May 18.—Clothing merchants here have cut men and women's clothing from 20 to 30 per cent, retailers said today.

St. Louis Stands Pat.

St. Louis, May 18.—The Omaha situation is purely local, it is a fight among competitors.

Are Selling More

Oklahoma City, May 18.—Cottons and woollens will be lighter this fall and no hope for early reduction is in sight.

Says Market Broke

Omaha, Neb., May 18.—Department stores "martyrdom" in cutting prices 15 and 20 per cent to aid in reducing the cost of living.

Michigan Stores Cut

Saginaw, Mich., May 18.—To aid in restoring prices to normal levels several dealers in men's furnishings have announced that for a limited time they will sell every article of goods, for from 20 to 35 per cent less than the current prices.

The Weather

FORECAST FOR KANSAS. Generally fair and slightly cooler tonight and Wednesday.

A TOUCH OF SUMMER

Today Warmest Day of Season, With Mercury at 82.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES.

7 o'clock... 73 11 o'clock... 78 8 o'clock... 63 12 o'clock... 80 9 o'clock... 69 1 o'clock... 81 10 o'clock... 73 2 o'clock... 82

"BREAK-UP HERE"

Crosby Brothers State That There Is No Price Reduction.

Admits Goods Are Too High and Fall Must Come.

The break in the merchandise market has not come, what George Brandeis, Omaha merchant, says to the contrary notwithstanding.

U. S. WORK

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MEX CHEF FLEES Carranza Hurries to Safety in the Mountains.

Pancho Villa to Get Good Job From Rebels.

ALL MEXICO NOW IN REVOLT Wilson and Cabinet Consider New Mexican Policy.

Obregon and Gonzales Are in Complete Harmony.

Washington, May 18.—Venustiano Carranza, deposed Mexican president, is fleeing northward and Francisco Villa is on his way to Mexico City unaccompanied, according to advices to the state department today.

Good Job for Villa.

Be No Quarrels.

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Spring Hill Now Has Night Watchman and Don't Care Who Finds Out About It

What's More He Knows How to Get Help When He Suspects There Is Some of Them Gosh Durned Bandits in Town.

Spring Hill, Kan., May 18.—The town of Spring Hill wants the world to know that it has a night watchman who is on the job.

RETURNS 4.2 PCT. IN STATE OF WAR

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British Troops Are Pouring Into Ireland to Quell Riots.

Unionists and Sinn Feiners Battle in Londonderry.

London, May 18.—The crisis in the northwest and south of Ireland apparently is developing rapidly today.

SOCIALIST STATE TICKET

Kansas to Have Chance to Vote for Party Candidates.

PALMER IS OVERWHELMED

Atlanta General's Forces Routed in Campaign.

SETTLEMENT NOW POSSIBLE

Both Miners and Operators in Hard Coal Fight Yield Points.

CHANCELLOR SAYS FAREWELL

Dr. Frank Strong Makes Plea to K. U. Students for More Pay for Faculty.

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STRIKE IS AVERTED Brotherhood Chiefs Are Pleased With R. R.'s Statement.

Heads Admit Their Employees Are Underpaid.

EXPECT SETTLEMENT SOON Upon Wage Agreement Depends Transport Improvement.

Plans Laid to Hurry Case for Decision June 1.

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IN SECOND HUMILIATION Pioneer Locomotive Was Hauled Thru Streets of Gotham by Motor Truck.

New York, May 18.—The DeWitt Clinton, the first steam rail locomotive to be operated in this state and second in the country, has received the second greatest humiliation of its life.

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MUST HAVE ABOR Temporary Modification of Immigration Laws Urged.

Country Facing Acute Shortage of Labor, Says Edge.

LITERACY TEST GREAT BARRIER Would Not Let Down the Bars to Every One.

New York, May 18.—Temporary modification of the immigration laws to permit an influx of desirable immigrants to meet America's labor shortage was urged here today by United States Senator Walter E. Edge of New Jersey.

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INVITATION SHOOT HERE

Eight Teams From Eastern Kansas Towns Taking Part Today.

Eight rifle teams from various eastern Kansas towns were participating in the invitation shoot of the Topeka Gun club here today.

ASK A NEW DELAWARE Rufe King Attorneys Want Trial Continued Again.

Alleged Triple Murderer Before Court at Lyndon.

Lyndon, Kan., May 18.—Attorneys for Rufe King, alleged triple murderer, today were endeavoring to get his trial continued a fourth time.

CONFESSES TOPEKA ROBBERIES.

Undersheriff Miller Gets Confession From Reformatory Prisoner.

Mystery surrounding the robbery of the Frank Strong window glass in the rear of the L. C. Rahn shoe factory, 720 Kansas avenue, was cleared today.

GOES OVER TO BOLSHEVIKI.

Black Sea Port Hauls Down Turk Flag and Raises Red Emblem.

Constantinople, May 18.—Trebzon, an important port on the Black Sea coast of Asia Minor, has been taken over by a local Bolshevik administration, according to an announcement made by the Turkish press bureau here.

SAY FAIR PRICE COMMISSIONER IS A PROFITEER

Oklahoma City, May 18.—Seven business men of this city, including a member of the state fair price commission, were arrested by federal authorities today following indictments returned against them by the federal grand jury charging that they had levered up by alleged profiteering in the sale of sugar.