

Forty-third Year.
Daily—Eighth Year.

MEDFORD, OREGON, THURSDAY, MAY 8, 1913.

NO. 40.

TARIFF BILL IS REDEMPTION OF PARTY PLEDGES

Democratic Measure Passes House This Afternoon With Scarcely a Change as It Came From Committee as Drafted by Underwood.

Minority Feebly Attempts Opposition but Is Unable to Check Progress—Twelve Democrats Boil.

(By Oscar Underwood)
As the new tariff bill passes the house today, it may be said that the democratic party has kept its pledges to the people and the promises made in the Baltimore platform. I feel confident that it will bring relief to the people in reducing the cost of living and better adjustment of business conduct under modern methods.

(By Serena E. Payne)
The truth of the indictment of the bill is that it aids foreign laborers by throwing open our markets and discriminating against American laborers forced to meet the unjust competition and enormous increases of imports from abroad. A menace to the present unparalleled prosperity of the country, under which the earnings of workmen provide more necessities than ever before, the bill seems to be a success.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The Underwood tariff bill carrying out President Wilson's campaign promises will be passed by the house late this afternoon. The minority opposition is expected to be feeble but three roll calls are expected to delay the final vote until six o'clock. Less than twelve of the two hundred and ninety democrats are expected to oppose the measure, while the republicans are expected to cast one hundred and twenty-nine votes against its passage. The fifteen progressive members are divided on the bill.

When the house met today, the completely enrolled bill was presented for final reading. This was insisted upon by Representative Mann of Illinois. As enrolled today, the bill presents no important changes in the original measure.

The minority will support Representative Payne's motion to recommend the measure with specific instructions that it be reported back so as to provide for a tariff board and increased wool and cotton rates. When the house convened, Representative Mann withdrew his demand for a full reading of the engrossed bill before it went to a vote. Representative Payne again moved for recommitment of the bill with instructions.

(Continued on page 2.)

27 AXE MURDER MYSTERIES LAID TO LIFE-TERMER

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., May 8.—Twenty-seven axe murder mysteries which have occurred in the last three years in Missouri, Colorado, Kansas, Iowa and Illinois are ascribed here today to Henry Lee Moore, a life-terminer in the Missouri penitentiary by M. W. McLaughrey, a special agent of the department of justice. Moore was sentenced for killing his mother and grandmother at Columbia, Mo., in December.

The murders laid to Moore's door include six at Colorado Springs in September, 1911; three at Monmouth, Illinois; five at Ellsworth, Kansas, in October, 1911; two at Paola, Kan.; seven at Villisca, Iowa, last June, and four more at other points.

GERMAN WAR MINISTER IN DANGER BY KRUPP SCANDAL



General von Heeringen, the war minister of the German empire, will have some difficulty in holding his place if the Krupp armament scandals are not hushed at once or explained. It is believed in many quarters that an investigation which may exhibit the kind of graft many Europeans think is confined to America will be held.

STUDENTS FROM O. A. C. SCAB ON WIRELESS JOBS

CORVALLIS, Ore., May 8.—The department of electrical engineering at the Oregon Agricultural college today wishes it understood that the students who gave up their college course to become wireless professionals and help the Marconi company through the present operators' strike did so in spite of the earnest advice of the professors against such action. It was not announced how many students had been employed by the wireless concern.

"I do not consider that it is fair to organized labor, and on this ground as well as on the ground of the personal loss to the students in sacrificing their college educational opportunities, I urged the young men not to take the step," said Professor W. A. Hillebrand.

"The Marconi company offered such glittering inducements to the boys, however, and they were so interested in the work that I could not keep them. The penalties for sailing without proper wireless facilities are so heavy, and loss from the delay of vessels is so great that the ship owners can offer very attractive terms to the boys rather than risk such losses."

WIFE WATCHED MEN STRANGLE HER HUSBAND

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 8.—Confession that she looked on while her sweetheart and another man strangled her husband was made today by the wife of Valerio Fantozzo, a gardener, whose body was found in his home. Mrs. Fantozzo said that the crime was committed while Fantozzo slept and that "he never knew what killed him."

NORTH BEND MAN ARRESTED ON WHITE SLAVERY CHARGE

MARSHFIELD, Ore., May 8.—W. L. Lashelle of North Bend, Ore., is under arrest today on a charge of white slavery. He was taken into custody at the request of United States Marshal Scott of Portland. The details of the charge are not known here, further than that Lashelle is said to be wanted in the state of Washington.

HUNGER STRIKE HALTS TRIAL OF SUFFRAGETTES

Militant Leader Collapses From Weakness in Court Room and Proceedings Are Postponed—Another Bomb Is Found.

"Y. H. B." Which Means "Young Hot Bloods" Secret Organization of Militants for Destruction.

LONDON, May 8.—The breakdown in the court room of "General" Mrs. Flora Drummond from weakness today caused a halt in the trial here of militant suffragettes charged with disturbing the peace. The proceedings were continued to May 13. All the suffragettes except Edward Clayton, the "male suffragette" were released on \$5000 bail.

None of the women have eaten any food since their arrest and the effect of the fast was noticeable when the case was called. Mrs. Drummond collapsed and Miss Kenney and Miss Kerr were so weak they could hardly stand.

Another Bomb Is Found.

A bomb was found today in front of a pawnbroker's shop at Tottenham. Suffragettes are suspected. It was estimated today that damages exceeding \$5,000,000 have been done by suffragettes since the government recalled the franchise reform bill during the last parliament.

Scores of Scotland Yard detectives today are working on the St. Paul Cathedral case. The Home Office believes that suffragettes placed the bomb in the church but the women are silent.

The bomb was timed to explode at midnight but it failed because the switch connecting the clock was thrown the wrong way. It is believed that the militants hired a manufacturer to make the bomb.

"Young Hot Bloods."

Inspector Lawrence testified that when suffragette headquarters were raided detectives found documents relating to formation and operation of the "Y. H. B." Investigation developed, he said, "Y. H. B." meant "Young Hot Bloods," a secret organization of militants for deeds of particular daring. The membership was restricted, he said, to young and single women.

During the hearing Mrs. Drummond collapsed from weakness, the result of the hunger strike she has been conducting. Miss Kenney and Miss Kerr also in a weakened condition and may be released on a "ticket of leave" plan.

STRIKE FAILS TO DARKEN FRISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 8.—Paralysis of the electrical and gas power of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company throughout Northern and Central California, will be the ultimate of the walkout of 3000 of its employees, according to declarations here today of union officials. Although officials of the corporation assert that only 834 men obeyed the strike order, the Union men say the walkout is complete.

San Francisco was not noticeably affected by the strike. Predictions that the city would be in darkness last night were not borne out.

The strikers are members of the light and power council of California. The walkout was ordered when officials of the corporation refused to accede to a demand for a wage increase of 50 cents a day. The company offered a flat increase of 25 cents but this offer was turned down.

DEMENTED MOTHER SLASHES THROATS OF TWO BABIES

PHILADELPHIA, May 8.—Slashing their throats while they were asleep, Mrs. Mary Kulasa today murdered her two little daughters, Blanche, 22 months old and Agnes 3 months old. The woman is believed to be demented.

BATHING COSTUMES WORN BY WOMEN ON THE BEACHES OF FRANCE DIFFER LITTLE FROM THOSE OF THE MEN



NEW YORK, May 8.—Photographs just arrived from France show that the bathing costumes of the women on the ocean beaches will be as daring this year as last, despite some Paris fashion authorities that skirts are to be worn this year. At Ostend and Trouville the few

early bathers have worn one-piece suits showing the figure in full outline. Men and women in these costumes sit about the beaches and even at the tables of the beachside cafes, drinking and eating as unconcerned as those in more modest costumes at American beaches.

Lately the Atlantic City chief of police said women might wear skirts ending a little above the knee. In France they need not wear a skirt at all. Coney Island has been accused of going the limit, but Coney Island would be shocked at the French fashions in bathing suits.

JOHNSON'S NEMESIS TELLS FULL STORY OF WHITE SLAVERY

CHICAGO, May 8.—Small, pretty and neatly clad, Belle Schrieber took the stand here today and told the court trying Jack Johnson for violation of the Mann anti-white slavery act the full story of her relations with the big negro prize fighter.

In an almost childish voice the girl, through the folds of a heavy veil, detailed how she met Johnson, their subsequent relations and of the trips they made from state to state. Before the Schrieber girl was called several other witnesses against the negro testified. Estelle Palmer, alias Henderson, said Belle Schrieber was an inmate of a Pittsburg resort where she was known as Jaque Allen.

Charles Sampson testified that Johnson and the Schrieber girl came to his store in October, 1910 and that the negro bought \$1196 worth of furniture the girl selected. Other witnesses described the character of the row of flats where the Schrieber girl lived in Chicago.

MORE PRESSURE ON HARRIMAN STOCKS

NEW YORK, May 8.—Pressure was again directed at the Harriman shares when the market opened today, both Union Pacific and Southern Pacific opening at substantial fractions below yesterday's close. Canadian Pacific also dropped a point. Brooklyn Rapid Transit gained a point as a result of active buying and Reading and Union Pacific gained three points.

REPUBLICANS HOLD UP DAVIES' CONFIRMATION

WASHINGTON, May 8.—Headed by Senator Burton of Ohio, republican members of the senate today are holding up the confirmation of Joseph E. Davies of Wisconsin, nominated by President Wilson to be commissioner of corporations.

CLARK'S VETO BLOCKS JAP LAWS IN ALASKA

WASHINGTON, May 8.—According to a telegram from Governor Clark of Alaska to Secretary Lane today Clark's veto has blocked attempts by the Alaska legislature to enact a law discriminating against Japanese fishermen. Clark, in his telegram, said his veto had been unanimously sustained.

PROBING CHARGES OF IMMORALITY AGAINST O'HARA

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 8.—Inquiry into charges that Lieutenant Governor Barrett O'Hara, head of the "white slave" and "starvation wages" senate investigating committee, and another member of that body have been guilty of grave offenses was begun here at noon today before the senate sitting as a committee of the whole.

The first evidence was given by M. Blair Coan, investigator for the vice commission. He declared that on the night of April 28 at a local hotel Deputy Sheriff Sullivan—who presented the charges against O'Hara—told him that if the vice probers came to Springfield and compelled Mr. Davis of the firm of Davis, Enzel & Company, liquor dealers, to testify that Sullivan had affidavits he would use to put O'Hara out of office.

O'Hara this morning refused to add anything to his statement of yesterday that any affidavits reflecting on the characters of himself or the other probers were perjured.

THORNE ELECTED VICE PRESIDENT UNION PACIFIC

NEW YORK, May 8.—At the dividend meetings of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific directors today no action was taken regarding the dissolution suit ordered by the federal government. The only action of the public import was the election as a vice president of W. V. S. Thorne, purchasing agent of the Union Pacific.

EDNA LOFTUS RETURNING TO DEAR OLD LONDON

NEW YORK, May 8.—Edna Loftus, former musical hall star, later wife of Harry Rheinstrom, son of a Cincinnati millionaire, later still a figure in the night life of San Francisco, is going home to England. Escaping deportation as an undesirable alien by a mere shave, Miss Loftus has decided that she has had enough of the west and today admitted that she will leave the country within a few days.

TWO DEAD, THIRD SHOT IN GEORGIA REVOLVER DUEL

VIENNA, Ga., May 8.—Two men are dead here today and a third probably fatally injured as the result of a revolver duel near Vienna. Oscar Blow, a farmer, killed P. P. Saugster, a neighbor. Sheriff Bennett attempted to arrest Blow, who shot the officer. The sheriff returned the fire while falling to the ground, killing Blow.

GOVERNOR SUES TELEGRAM FOR DAMAGES; LIBEL

SALEM, Ore., May 8.—Governor West, getting tired of attacks made upon him by the Evening Telegram of Portland, will bring an action for criminal libel against that paper, his attorneys being now busy preparing the papers in the case. The matters alleged to be libelous are statements made in the Telegram that the prison brickyard funds have been dissipated and that Governor West is responsible therefor.

It also charged the governor had "squandered the prison funds." In an article published March 25 the assertion was made that the "state could recover funds from Governor West through a civil action and that he was criminally responsible. Many other statements along the same line, it is alleged, were printed and published of and concerning the governor. The governor states the complaint will be filed just as soon as his attorneys have completed it.

FRISCO DETECTIVES SECURE DELAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 8.—Partial success today rewarded the efforts of eight San Francisco detectives charged with sharing in the illicit incomes of bunco men to delay action by the board of police commissioners until their cases had been disposed of in the criminal courts. The accused officers were scheduled to go to trial before the police commissioners today on charges of "un-officerlike conduct and consorting with buncomen."

Attorneys for the detectives argued that it would be unfair to the defendants for the police commission to pass on the case at this time, asserting that such action practically would be depriving their clients of constitutional rights. The attorneys based their claim on the ground that the defense would be forced to show its hand if forced to go on with its defense before the police commissioners.

MRS. MERRIAM'S BREAKDOWN DELAYS DIVORCE TRIAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 8.—Owing to a serious nervous breakdown of Mrs. Bessie Merriam, defendant in a divorce suit brought by Captain H. S. Merriam, U. S. A., now on trial here before Superior Judge Graham, further proceedings in the case were postponed today until next Tuesday. It is probable at that time Mrs. Merriam will be allowed to file a cross complaint and obtain a decree.

MOTHER SAYS SON SHOT DAD TO AVENGE HER

Mrs. Evelyn Rickert of Los Angeles Asserts on Witness Stand That Her Husband Beat Her Until Son Couldn't Stand It Any Longer.

Every Attack by Father Was Signal for Period of Oppression on Part of the Boy.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 8.—"My husband beat me until Martin couldn't stand it any longer; that's why he killed his father."

This was the testimony today of Mrs. Evelyn Rickert, whose fourteen-year-old son Martin shot and killed her husband, Daniel Rickert, in the yard of their home here two months ago.

Defends Boy Fiercely.

Mrs. Rickert went willingly to the stand when she was called by the defense. She was clad in heavy black in memory of the man their son had killed, but she rallied fiercely to the boy's defense, insisting on telling the stories of the beatings her husband inflicted upon her, regardless of the continuous objections of the prosecuting attorney.

According to the woman's story, her husband often treated her roughly, and each outbreak was the signal for a long period of depression on the part of the boy. At times, she declared, when her husband had struck her, Martin would be morose for days, and would refuse to answer questions.

Boy Sits Silent.

Several times as the woman talked she was interrupted by Prosecutor Keyes, with technical objections. On each occasion, with a glance at the boy, who sat silent in his chair, she completed her statement before an objection could be sustained.

When Mrs. Rickert concluded her testimony, she hurried from the witness stand to her boy's side. While other witnesses were testifying she smoothed his hair and whispered to him reassuringly.

Mrs. Ava Billings, former housekeeper for the Rickerts, testified regarding Rickert's treatment of his wife and the usual effect of their quarrels on the boy.

HOUSE TO ADJOURN FOR THREE WEEKS AFTER TARIFF

WASHINGTON, May 8.—After a conference with President Wilson in which Congressman Palmer took part, House Leader Oscar Underwood announced today that when the tariff bill is out of the way the house will recess for three weeks. It will resume sessions about June 3 and will immediately proceed to action on currency reform.

MOTHER JONES CALLS ON GOVERNOR HATFIELD

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 8.—"Mother" Jones, friend of the miners, who have been engaged in the Paint Creek strike, came here today and held a long conference with Governor Hatfield. "Mother" Jones was under surveillance but was not openly restrained.

"Mother" Jones has been a military prisoner since last February at Pratt for aiding the striking miners in Kadamwa county. She arrived here last night under escort of Captain R. E. Sherwood and had a brief conference with Governor Hatfield then. Today she said of this talk: "We discussed economic conditions. I don't know what we will talk of today. But it doesn't matter what they do to me, the fight will go on just the same."