

ATTACKS ON SCHEDULE K.

PROTECTIONISTS RALLY TO DEFENSE OF WOOL RATES.

Make Their Hardest Fight, Apparently in Vain, for Retention of Heavy Duties on Manufacturers.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Protectionists and tariff provisionists had a running fire in the house ways and means committee today which was continued tonight. The wool tariff was the issue and the manufacturers presented almost unbroken alignment against reduction of duty on woolen cloth and ready made clothing, though favoring reduction of the duty on raw wool.

It was the most strenuous fight made at this session of congress against the Democratic plan for revision of the duties in the coming extra session.

"Your schedule has never been cut in the memory of living men," suggested Representative Palmer of Pennsylvania to O. M. Stafford, president of a Cleveland enterprise. Mr. Stafford contended that the tariff could be reduced in the event the Democratic party choose to take the responsibility for a possible reduction of wages of the woolen mill employees. The witness testified to 8 per cent. dividends from his mill last year and Representative Harrison of New York suggested that it was rather unbecoming for him in view of the big profits of the industry to hold out a threat of wage reduction.

Through William Goldman of New York, its president, the Association of Clothiers declared that while free wool was desirable, it was too revolutionary and it endorsed the proposed Democratic rate of 20 per cent. ad valorem on raw wool.

The National Association of Manufacturers, comprising 100 of the woolen mills of the country, through its president, John P. Wood, of Philadelphia, presented a schedule of rates as a suggestive proposition, but Mr. Wood admitted that the schedule was approximately the same as the present tariff law.

The committee showed no signs in the examination of changing its tentative plan for a revised woolen schedule along the lines of the Democratic bills of the two previous sessions of this congress, which provide for 20 per cent. ad valorem on raw wool and from 25 to 50 per cent on ready-made clothing and other articles.

MISSISSIPPI RISES HIGHER.

Father of Waters Gains Two-tenths of Foot at Memphis—Crest Expected Saturday.

Memphis, Jan. 27.—The Mississippi river at Memphis rose two-tenths of a foot today to a stage of 38.9 feet at 7 o'clock tonight, a foot and one-tenth below the maximum stage predicted. The crest is expected to pass Memphis next Saturday. At Paducah the river is stationary at 47.5, four feet and five-tenths above flood stage. Greenville reported a stage of 38.5 and rising.

United States Engineer Montgomery Gardner returned today from a tour of inspection of the levee within the jurisdiction of government engineers with headquarters here. He reported the levees in excellent shape and able to withstand all the water now in sight and more.

Chronic Constipation Cured.

"Five years ago I had the worst case of chronic constipation I ever knew of and Chamberlain's Tablets cured me," writes S. F. Fish, Brooklyn, Mich. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

Nothing More of Cutting Scrape.

Up to Tuesday morning nothing more had been learned of the reported cutting scrape on the outskirts of the city Sunday. The deputy Sheriff spent part of Sunday night out at this point but could obtain no information of the occurrence, nor did Monday bring anything definite. It was learned that two negro women had engaged in a fight, but no warrants were taken out for them.

Rosa Dozier, the negro woman alleged to have cut a negro man Sunday, was arrested at Pinewood Monday upon suspicion, but after a telephone message from the Sumter police that she was not wanted here, she was released and allowed to continue her way toward Orangeburg. The man reported to be cut severely by her was named Richardson.

Best Cough Medicine for Children.

"I am very glad to say a few words in praise of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. Lida Dewey, Milwaukee, Wis. "I have used it for years both for my children and myself and it never fails to relieve and cure a cough or cold. No family with children should be without it as it gives almost immediate relief in cases of croup." Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is pleasant and safe to take, which is of great importance when a medicine must be given to young children. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

SULZER ASSAILS EXCHANGE.

CALLS FOR LEGAL REMEDY FOR FINANCIAL ABUSES.

New York Governor Says It is Plain Duty of State to Take Such Steps As Are Necessary.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 27.—State supervision and regulation of the New York stock exchange and other stock exchanges are advocated by Gov. Sulzer in a message sent by him to the legislature tonight.

The time is ripe, in the governor's opinion, for the State to end "flagrant abuses, shifty schemes and clever combinations to catch the unwary and to mislead the public.

To effect this he recommends the enactment of a group of laws, at least one of which will provide imprisonment as a penalty for its violation. These laws, the governor says, should apply to certain practices which have been shown to exist by the Puffo committee of the house of representatives and other investigators.

"The testimony of some of the governors of the exchanges," Gov. Sulzer says, "leaves no doubt in the minds of men of judgment that the exchanges have been either incapable or unwilling to devise those measures that will effectually eradicate the evils.

"It is the obvious duty of the State, it seems to me, to devise the remedies. If the State neglects to do its plain duty the federal government is not fault if the federal government acts in the premises."

Among the measures which Gov. Sulzer would have enacted into law are:

A law to distinguish clearly proper transactions of purchase and sale from those that are the result of combinations to raise or depress artificially the price of securities without regard to their true value or legitimate supply and demand.

A law to prohibit brokers from selling backward and forward among themselves blocks of a particular stock with intent to deceive or mislead outsiders.

A law to prohibit brokers from calling for their own account the stocks they have been ordered to buy for their customers at the time the customers' orders are executed.

A law clearly prohibiting insolvent brokers from continuing to buy and sell.

A law making it a criminal offense "to issue any statement or publish any advertisement as to the value of any stock or other security, or as to the financial condition of any corporation or company issuing or about to issue stock or securities where any promise or projection contained in such statement or advertisement is known to be false or to be not fairly justified by existing conditions.

Gov. Sulzer also recommends the enactment of new laws governing short sales, the hypothecation of securities, bucketshops, usury, (under which head he classes the raising of all money rates to more than 6 per cent.) the relations between exchanges and the consolidation of exchanges.

CLAREMONT NEARLY READY.

Manager Whitted Here Looking After Work on Building and Furnishings.

Manager C. F. Whitted is again in the city looking after the last of the work on the Claremont Hotel and seeing that all arrangements are being made for the opening on February first. Everything is now nearly ready for the opening, and all the work on the building has been completed except the installing of doors on the ground floor and the painting of some of the woodwork. The elevator is not yet completed, but workmen are now engaged in installing it.

All of the furnishings have been placed in the bed rooms and carpets have been laid in the corridors, and the only work remaining is the sweeping and dusting of the rooms before they are ready for their occupants. The dining room and kitchen are being put in shape, little remaining to be done here except the setting of the tables and the cooking of the food.

The cool weather and sunshine came as a pleasing visitor to the many who have been wishing for cooler weather during the past three weeks.

His Stomach Troubles Over.

Mr. Dyspeptic, would you not like to feel that your stomach troubles were over, that you could eat any kind of food you desired without injury that may seem so unlikely to you that you do not even hope for an ending of your trouble, but permit us to assure you that it is not altogether impossible. If others can be cured permanently, and thousands have been, why not you? John R. Barker, of Battle Creek, Mich., is one of them. He says, "I was troubled with heartburn, indigestion, and liver complaint until I used Chamberlain's Tablets, then my trouble was over." Sold by all dealers.—Adv.

FARMERS TO HEAR ADDRESSES

MEMBERS OF UNION WILL ATTEND CORN EXPOSITION.

Charles S. Barrett and Sir Horace Plunkett to Speak in Auditorium Thursday.

Columbia, Jan. 28.—Thursday will be Farmer's union day at the National Corn exposition and members of the union from practically every county in the State are expected to attend. The midwinter conference of the officials of the National Farmers' union will be held on that date, and addresses will be delivered by well known speakers. A letter has been sent out urging all members of the union in South Carolina to attend.

The exercises incident to Farmers' Union day will be called to order in the auditorium at the exposition grounds at 10 o'clock by E. W. Dabbs, president of the State Farmers' union. The addresses of welcome will be delivered by E. J. Watson, commissioner of agriculture, commerce and industries of South Carolina. The response to the address of welcome will be delivered by A. C. Davis of Arkansas, secretary of the National Farmers' union.

An address will be delivered by Charles S. Barrett, president of the National Farmers' union. President Barrett will be introduced by L. W. Rhodes of Tennessee, member of the national board of directors. The address by President Barrett will be delivered at 11.45 o'clock.

Sir Horace Plunkett, the great Irish agriculturist, who is considered one of the foremost men of his country, will attend a round table conference at 4 o'clock. He will be introduced to the members of the union by Clarence Poe of North Carolina.

WILL HAVE HARD WORK.

Dr. Geo. W. Dick and His Ways and Means Committee Will Be Kept Busy.

Dr. Geo. W. Dick, of Sumter, the new chairman of the committee on ways and means of the house will be one of the busiest representatives this session. It is his task to adjust the many conflicting claims on the funds in the State's treasury and decide, with his committee, to which of the many claimants they shall be awarded. The ways and means committee holds daily meetings. Its path is not strewn with roses.

BANK OF SUMTER OFFICERS.

Annual Meeting of Stockholders Held Monday—Old Board and Officers Re-elected.

The annual stockholder's meeting of the Bank of Sumter was held Monday, when the old board of directors was re-elected and routine business attended to. At a subsequent meeting of the board of directors the former officers were chosen for the year 1913. Dividends of \$16,000, or eight per cent., had been announced at the first of the year.

The officers of the bank are as follows:

- Richard I. Manning, President.
R. F. Haynsworth, Vice President.
D. D. Moise, Vice President.
Bernard Manning, Cashier.
D. M. Blanding, Assistant Cashier.
Directors: R. F. Haynsworth, D. D. Moise, J. A. Mood, C. M. Hurst, W. S. Manning, C. L. Cuttino, D. R. McCullum, Jr., Jas. Reeves, A. D. Harby, W. F. Shaw, H. P. Moses, H. J. McLaurin, Jr., E. C. Haynsworth, C. T. Mason, R. B. Belsler, B. W. Segars, S. A. Harvin, B. Walsh, J. P. Booth, R. I. Manning, R. S. Hood and E. H. Rhame.

Blues Victorious.

In a bowling match Monday night the Blues were victorious over their opponents, the Whites, by a large majority of 294 pins, one of the worst defeats which any team has suffered in the Y. M. C. A. bowling tourney. This victory for the Blues puts them only two games behind the Reds, who are leading in the contest.

Young Men Attention.

Every young man in Sumter, above sixteen years of age, is earnestly requested to meet at the Y. M. C. A. building next Sunday afternoon at six o'clock. At the meeting they will discuss something of interest, and very great importance to all.

Please remember the hour and place of meeting and be present.

The Sumter Fire laddies are very much interested just now in the preparations being made by Abbeville to entertain the State Firemen's Association and tournament this spring.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

This remedy has no superior for coughs and colds. It is pleasant to take. It contains no opium or other narcotic. It always cures. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

MANY GO TO COLUMBIA.

Nearly One Hundred Go From Game-Cock City to Visit National Corn Show.

From The Daily Item, Jan. 28. South Carolina Day is now on at the Fifth National Corn Show, the greatest agricultural fair of its kind ever held in America, and more than a hundred citizens of Sumter are now in attendance upon it at the State's capital city. This morning the Columbia train was crowded to its capacity, although there were two extra coaches attached to take care of the many persons traveling to Columbia to see the many fine exhibits at the corn show.

There were between seventy-five and one hundred who went over from Sumter, probably nearer the latter number than the former, who with the fifty or more who are already in Columbia in attendance upon the show, will make more than a hundred there South Carolina Day, the first big day of the exposition. The Sumter contingent Tuesday morning was headed by the Sumter Band, which went over for the purpose of leading the Game-Cock city citizens in the big South Carolina Day parade. The band formed at the corner of Main and Liberty streets and played a few selections before commencing on their march to the station to board their train. The band has been practicing steadily of late and is in fine condition, and will be one of the best at the show to take part in the parade today—or during the exposition for that matter.

Sumter's exhibit in the Arcade has been nicely arranged so as to show off the various products of the county, both agricultural and manufactured, and attract the attention of visitors to them.

S. C. Western Extension.

The movement has already been started to continue the South Carolina Western to Monroe and it looks as if it is a go. With the road put through to that point we will have little doubt of the extension to the southward. It would then make the South Carolina Western one of the main lines of the country, and we all want to be in on the ground floor on that enterprise. Just which line the road will use will, we suppose, depend entirely on the shortest and most practical route. Each of the towns to which the road runs has the strongest kind of a hunch that it will be on the main line, and the action of the Olanta people in having the road extended to that point looks very much as if Olanta is to be in this fight very decidedly.—Florence Times.

Tax returns are still coming in steadily, though slowly. Property owners have until February 20th to make their returns and to don't seem to be hurrying any, although this is not as long a time as they had last year, when returns were taken until the middle of March. Auditor Wilder has paid his official visit to every point in the county at which he takes returns, the last place having been visited Monday, when he spent the day at Oswego for the purpose of taking returns. The township assessors have all been provided with return blanks to give to persons in their townships who wish to make out their returns and send them in to the auditor.

Death of Mr. P. A. Parnell.

Bishopville, Jan. 27.—Mr. P. A. Parnell, a highly respected citizen of this county, died at his home near Cypress this morning after a short illness. Mr. Parnell has been in declining health for several months, but had improved somewhat.

DELEGATES READY TO QUIT

Special Commission Calls Turkey's Attention to Long and Useless Delays.

London, Jan. 27.—The special committee appointed by the Balkan plenipotentiaries drafted a note today notifying the Turkish plenipotentiaries that they propose to break off the peace negotiations. The note was not submitted to the Balkan delegates, who held no meeting today. Instead the delegates gave a luncheon in celebration of the saint day of Saba, the patron of the Orthodox church.

The note drafted is very brief. It reminds the Turks that since January 6 sittings of the peace conference have been suspended, without Turkey making any move toward their resumption, while events in Constantinople are the best proof that Turkey's answer to the demands of the allies concerning Adrianople and the Aegean islands will be negative.

On this account, unless the Turkish delegation has fresh proposals to make, the note points out, the allies see no alternative but definitely to break off peace negotiations.

The Servian ex-premier, M. Novakovic, will give a luncheon Tuesday in honor of the other delegations, after which a meeting will be held for the purpose of examining the note. Thus another day will be gained before facing the question of reopening the war.

Rehad Pasha, head of the Turkish delegation, in an interview tonight, said he deeply regretted the obstinacy of the allies which, he declared, was not only against Turkey's but against their own true interests. He added:

"This obstinacy is the more regrettable because while Bulgaria does not need Adrianople either for defensive or effective purposes, this town is indispensable to Turkey on account of historic, sentimental and religious associations. In fact Turkey would be weaker from a military point of view possessing Adrianople than without it, as the present war proves, for a whole army is now immobilized inside that fortress.

"If the allies had played a noble part by renouncing Adrianople, Turkey might have become the friend and ally of Bulgaria as Austria became the friend and ally of Germany after the war of 1866. By claiming Adrianople, if Bulgaria ever gets it, there will be an insurmountable gulf between the two races."

Harper-Glover.

Miss Maude Gertrude Harper and Mr. Edwin Lee Glover, were quietly married Sunday evening at the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. W. Harper, on Wright street.

The marriage came as a surprise to all, as only the immediate families of the contracting parties witnessed the ceremony. They will make their home in Florence, where Mr. Glover is connected with the A. C. L. railroad.

The young couple leave many friends here who wish them much success and happiness in their married life.

The Rev. J. P. Marion of the Presbyterian Church, performed the ceremony.

Peach Tree in Bloom.

A peach tree in full bloom on Camden Heights has been attracting the attention of all residents and visitors in that section. The recent warm weather has caused many of the buds to swell and a few more days of this weather would cause many more to bloom.—Camden Chronicle.

BETHUNE SENTENCED TO DEATH

Fifth Time He Has Heard Doom Pronounced—Other Cases in Chardon Court.

Manning, Jan. 28.—The jury in the case of Gibb James, Jr., charged with murder, this morning returned a verdict of not guilty.

Julius Hamilton was found guilty of obtaining goods by false pretences, and sentenced to twelve months at hard labor.

The jury in the case against Julius Cordes, indicted for assault and battery with intent to kill, went in the room on the adjournment of court today, with instructions to return a sealed verdict tomorrow morning.

Willie Bethune, convicted for the murder of G. E. Mims in 1909, was today brought back for resentence, and for the fifth time heard his death sentence pronounced. Bethune was tried in June, 1909, for murder, and convicted. An appeal was taken, but the lower court affirmed. When called for resentence he interposed the plea of insanity as a reason why he should not be resentenced. A jury was empanelled to try this issue, and the jury found that he was sane. An appeal was taken from this verdict, as he was at that term resentenced. His judgment was affirmed by the Supreme Court on appeal. Then a motion was made for a new trial on after-discovered evidence, which was refused, and again an appeal taken. This was also affirmed by the Supreme Court, and then application for a writ of error sought to the United States Supreme Court, which was refused by that tribunal. Now Willie today again appears, and on being resentenced, he makes a motion in arrest of judgment, on the grounds that he cannot now be hanged, as the law was, when the crime was committed for which he was convicted, death by hanging; that now the penalty of death by electrocution, and that as to him the new law is an ex post facto law, and that he cannot therefore, be sentenced to electrocution. The position taken is that he can be sentenced to neither death by hanging nor death by electrocution, on the grounds that death by hanging has been entirely abolished by the Act of 1912, and that he cannot be electrocuted, as that form of death has been established since his trial and conviction, and that, by the Act of 1912, all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with that Act are thereby repealed, and that as to his case, the Act of 1912 is ex post facto law, and therefore, in violation of both the State and Federal Constitutions. This motion was overruled by Judge Gary, and an appeal immediately taken to the Supreme Court. The new day of execution for the sentence was fixed for February 28, next.

The Sumter Band There.

The Sumter Band was at Columbia Tuesday to take part in the parade, attracting much favorable attention to itself, both then and when it gave a concert in front of the Imperial Hotel. There were many to say on the streets this morning that the Sumter Band was the best at the show, a fact of which Sumter ought to be especially proud.

The Sumter contingent of citizens at Columbia did not show up at the proper time to take part in the big South Carolina Day parade so the Sumter Band took its place at the head of the University of South Carolina students and led this body of lusty young men in the parade.

There were many of the Sumter people tagged with Sumter ribbons and badges and everybody knew that Sumter was there.

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