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## RAISE FOR 35,000 STEEL WORKERS

Notices Already Posted at Some of the Plants.

## BIG CORPORATION SILENT

Announcement That Wages Will Be Restored to What They Were Before Reductions Were Made Early in the Year—Affects Men in Several States. Independents Will Refuse to Make Any More Contracts at the Prices at Present Prevailing.

Pittsburg, May 18.—Announcement is made here that 35,000 employees of iron and steel companies having headquarters here and in this vicinity will receive an advance in wages averaging 10 per cent the first of June, or the first of July.

Some of the manufacturers have already posted notices of the increase and others, it is said, will do so within a few days.

The United States Steel corporation has made no announcement of an increase in wages, but it is said the Jones & Laughlin Steel company, the Republic Iron and Steel company, and other independent companies will restore the wages paid prior to the first of last April when a general cut was made.

At the general offices of the Republic Iron and Steel company notices have been posted of a revision of the wage scale on June 1. The Republic Iron and Steel company employs about 10,000 men at Chicago, Massillon, Youngstown, Birmingham, Moline, Ill., East St. Louis, Muncie, Ind., Gate City, Ala., Thomas, Ala., Sharon, and New Castle, Pa.

The Jones & Laughlin Steel company employs 10,000 men in this vicinity and their wages, it is said, will all be increased.

It is also announced that after June 1, the independents will not accept any orders for steel at the present prices.

## NOVELIST MEREDITH DEAD

Author of "Diana of the Crossways" Took Coal While Out Driving.

London, May 18.—George Meredith, the English novelist, died early this morning.

Meredith was born in Hampshire, Feb. 12, 1828. His first "poems" appeared in 1851 and was followed in rapid succession by various novels and additional poems and ballads. "Diana of the Crossways," was published in 1885.

"Lord Ormon and His Aminta" appeared in the summer of 1894, and was followed in 1895 by "The Amazing Marriage," which is supposed to introduce as hero the late Robert Louis Stevenson.

Meredith was out for his daily drive at his Boxhill retreat on Saturday in a little donkey chaise. A keen wind was blowing, and it appears to have given him a chill. He returned home in a state of collapse.

## CUBA TO HAVE LOTTERY

Secretary of Finance Expects to Cover Deficit of \$2,000,000.

Havana, May 18.—The secretary of finance, Señor Villegas, states that the forthcoming budget would reach a total of fully \$29,000,000, leaving a deficit over the regular revenues of \$2,000,000.

It is expected this would be covered by the receipts from the national lottery. Congress finally has passed the lottery bill, approving all of its articles.

## DROWNS WHILE SAVING BABY

Downpour Causes Two Streams in Nebraska to Flood the Country.

Lincoln, Neb., May 18.—A downpour of rain sent Salt Creek and Antelope Creek out of their banks. Residents living in low land sections were forced to call for assistance to take their belongings to places of safety.

Mrs. Stella Cole was drowned while trying to escape with her baby from her flooded home. A neighbor rescued the child.

## FOR BLUE SUNDAYS AT CONEY

No Shows on the Sabbath is Order of New York Mayor.

New York, May 18.—Coney Island, where Sunday frivolity exceeds the combined frivolity of the other six days of the week, is preparing to fight

Mayor McClellan's order that shows are to be open only six days in the week.

Strict orders have been issued calling for an enforcement of the excise laws.

Used Her Picture as Whisky Ad.

Washington, May 18.—Publication of a woman's picture in connection with a whisky advertisement, is good basis for suit for damages, according to the supreme court of the United States, which decided the case of Elizabeth Peck against a Chicago paper in favor of the plaintiff.

Black Hand Crime Penalties Heavier. Albany, N. Y., May 18.—Governor Hughes has signed bill increasing the penalty for extortion or blackmail from five to fifteen years. The measure is aimed at Black Hand offenses.

## HOLLINGSWORTH SILENCED

Cannon Keeps Anti Jeff Davis Remarks Out of Record.

Washington, May 18.—A ruling by Speaker Cannon prevented the reopening in the house of old wounds of the civil war. Representative Hollingsworth of Ohio sought to justify his recent resolution objecting to the placing of the portrait of Jefferson Davis on the silver service to be presented to the battleship Mississippi because of editorials hurling all sorts of epithets at him.

The speaker declared that as the editorials did not attack Hollingsworth in his representative capacity he could not continue. As the editorials were read the house was convulsed with laughter.

Although its consideration was completed, the Philippine tariff bill was not finally acted upon.

## RAZORS ARE USED IN SENATE TARIFF TALK

Discussion Brings Out Profits Made by the Dealers.

Washington, May 18.—Razors were used in an attack upon the tariff bill pending before the senate. The committee on finance increased the rates on razors from about 55 to 100 per cent ad valorem, and as soon as the senate took up the cutlery schedule amendments cutting these rates down were rejected. Senator Stone then offered amendments reducing the duties to the rates of the Dingley bill.

Senator Smoot said if the duty were 200 per cent it would not increase the price to the consumer. He exhibited a razor costing 49 cents to import and which was sold for \$3.

Senator Smoot moved over to the Democratic side of the chamber. He took a razor from his pocket and opened it. He approached Senator Stone and then whirled the razor in his hand as he explained how the name of the foreign manufacturer was obliterated from the blade.

Senator Carter suggested that the senator from Missouri was being intimidated. Smoot apologized and returned to his seat.

Will Decorate Graves of Suicides.

New York, May 18.—The graves of suicides in this city, driven to death by the hardships of the industrial depression, will be decorated Memorial Day by the New York branch of the national committee for the relief of the unemployed.

## THE MARKETS

### Cash Grain Market.

Chicago, May 17. Winter wheat by sample: No. 2 red, \$1.45@1.45; No. 3 red, \$1.35@1.45; No. 2 hard, \$1.28@1.35; No. 3 hard, \$1.24@1.28. Spring wheat by sample: No. 1 northern, \$1.28@1.30%; No. 3 spring, \$1.24@1.28. Corn by sample: No. 2, 74@74%; No. 2 white, 76@76%; No. 2 yellow, 74@75%; No. 3, 74@74%; No. 3 yellow, 74@74%; No. 4, 72@74%. Oats by sample: No. 2 white, 58@59%; No. 3 white, 57@59%; No. 4 white, 55@58%; standard, 58@59%.

### Chicago Live Stock.

Hogs—Receipts 44,000. Quotations ranged at \$7.45@7.50 for choice heavy shipping, \$7.15@7.25 light mixed, \$7.25@7.35 choice light, \$7.30@7.40 heavy packing, \$6.00@6.85 good to choice pigs.

Cattle—Receipts 22,000. Quotations ranged at \$6.75@7.30 for choice to prime steers, \$6.25@6.70 good to choice steers, \$4.50@5.75 good to choice beef cows, \$6.75@7.50 good to choice calves, \$5.30@5.65 selected feeders, \$4.40@4.75 good to choice steers.

Sheep—Receipts 14,000. Quotations ranged at \$9.00@9.40 for good to choice woolen lambs, \$8.00@8.40 good to choice shorn lambs, \$6.50@7.40 shorn yearlings, \$6.00@6.75 shorn sheep.

### East Buffalo Live Stock.

East Buffalo, N. Y., May 17. Dunning & Stevens, Live Stock Commission Merchants, East Buffalo, N. Y., quote as follows: Cattle—Receipts 115 cars; market strong. Hogs—Receipts 70 cars; market slow; heavy, \$7.65@7.70; Yorkers, \$7.40@7.60; pigs, \$7.15. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts 70 cars; market slow; best lambs, \$8.30; yearlings, \$6.75@7.00; weathers, \$6.25@6.50; ewes, \$5.50@5.75. Calves—Best, \$4.50@5.75.

### Elgin Butter Market.

Elgin, May 17. Creamery, extras, 24c; prints, 27c; extra firsts, 23c; firsts, 22c; dairies, extra, 22½c; firsts, 19½c; packing stock, 16½c.

### W. H. TAFT.

Mrs. Taft probably will be all right again in a few days.

She was unable to be present at an official dinner.

President Taft prepared the following statement in regard to Mrs. Taft's condition:

Mrs. W. H. TAFT.

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