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AMERICAN LABOR THE HIGHEST PRICED PRODUCT.

The tariff and the wage scale in this country are closely related. In fact they are interdependent. The Republican party has repeatedly said in its platform that there must be a tariff sufficient to make up the difference between wages in this country and wages abroad where the scale of living is lower. These oft repeated statements of Republicans do not make them true, but the proof that does make them true has been presented in the last bulletin of the Bureau of Labor.

The Commissioner of Labor, Carroll D. Wright, who was appointed to that position by President Cleveland, has concluded an investigation as to wages and cost of living in this country, which shows conclusively that protection has advanced wages and improved the scale of living. This investigation was not made for a political campaign. It was begun three years ago, and is a scientific and detailed study of the conditions of labor in this country and Europe since 1890.

The figures presented in this report show that wages have been higher in this country under a protective tariff than under a revenue tariff, and that the difference has been so pronounced as to furnish a convincing argument in favor of protection. In 1890 after the McKinley tariff bill became a law wages began to advance and also the number of wage earners. This increase continued until 1893 when the threat of a revenue tariff by the Democratic party then in power began to check the industrial activity. The threat was consummated in 1894 by the passage of the Wilson-Gorman tariff bill, and in that year Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, said that more than three millions of American working men were without work and wages. The depression in business continued until after the election of President McKinley and the passage of the Dingley tariff act. Then work and wages began to increase, and they have kept on increasing for seven years.

The statement that work and wages have continued to increase throughout this period has been denied but the report of Commissioner Wright shows that there has never been any check to the advance, and that in 1903 wages were higher than ever before in this country, and there were more men at work in that year than in any previous year.

As compared with 1894 the year when the Democratic revenue tariff law was passed, the increase is sufficient to convince any working man that the tariff does effect wages and work. There were 34 per cent. more men employed in 1903 than in 1894, and the wages per hour were 18 per cent. greater, making the average weekly earnings of all employees 54 per cent. greater than in the Democratic tariff year. This shows that more than half as much again was paid in wages in 1903 than in 1894, and this was due to the protection given American working men by the Dingley tariff law.

There has also been an increase in the cost of living but this increase has not been as great as the increase in the cost of labor. That has remained the highest priced product in the American market as it was intended it should be by the Republican party.

There never has been a period in the history of the country a period of an equal number of years or of all the years together which has approached the years since 1879 in the favorable balance of trade to the United States. That has occurred under the protective tariff. It could not possibly occur under Democratic tariff policies.

In order to meet the deficit incurred during the Democratic administration in Mr. Cleveland's second term it was necessary to borrow in a time of profound peace \$250,000,000 adding that amount to the permanent debt of this country. Under subsequent Republican administration there has been no deficit and no bonds have been issued to meet current expenditures.

The free trader in the United States and the advocate of a tariff for revenue only has long pointed with pride to Great Britain as illustrating the beauties of the free trade system. The leaders of the Conservative party in England are now attacking free trade and making plain that it is retarding England instead of assisting in the great contest now being waged between the nations for commercial supremacy.

SAYINGS OF POLITICIANS

Samuel M. Ralston, of Lebanon, said in Indianapolis yesterday that the Populists of Boone county would nominate a full county ticket.

Albert G. Holcomb has been nominated in the First Indiana district to oppose James M. Hemenway, chairman of the appropriations committee of the National House of Representatives.

Major G. V. Menzies of the First Indiana Congressional district was endorsed for the United States Senate by the Democratic convention of the district held at Princeton yesterday.

Democrats of the joint representative district composed of Knox, Gibson and Vanderburg counties, today nominated William J. Rogers, of Evansville, foreman of the Courier.

The Democrats of the Sixth Congressional district will not call a convention for some time yet. Mr. Mc-

Ge the Democratic chairman says all the Democrats are in line excepting those who are inclined toward the Populists and Socialists.

Hon. Elihu Root has positively declined to be a candidate for governor of New York. In a letter to Senator Platt, he said he would not accept the nomination if it were tendered to him.

The Hon. Robert M. Miller, of Franklin, has been favorably mentioned as a Republican candidate for congress in the fourth district. Notwithstanding the district carries a standing Democratic majority of 3,000 it is believed that Col. "Bob" Miller has never held political office, owing to his determination to confine himself entirely to the law, but should he permit his name to be placed before the convention it is believed he could make an interesting fight for the Hon. Lincoln Dixon. Mr. Miller says that under no circumstances is he a candidate for the nomination, but it is thought he will not refuse if nominated by acclamation.

Have you seen the speed program of the Portland fair?

POLITICAL NOTES

Gleaned From Several Newspapers of the Country.

Colonel Watterson hints as delicately as possible to Judge Parker that it is not dignified for a presidential nominee to make campaign speeches, but it is suspected that the colonel only wants to administer a sly dig under Mr. Bryan's fifth rib.—Chicago Tribune.

"Roosevelt marched up Kettle hill and then marched down again," says the Atlanta Constitution. True, but he marched down on the other side driving the enemies of his country's flag ahead of him and off of the American continent.—Connersville News.

We are sorry for the Democrats, that they have no issue this campaign, but they have no one to blame but themselves. They have been on every side of every question till there is no side left for them to take. They should all come into the Republican party then they would have something to stand for.—Lafayette Call.

The Democratic party is gradually coming to recognize the Republican party as right on all of the issues involved in the campaigns of four and eight years ago. Judge Parker has taken a personal recognition of them.—Anderson Herald.

The Republicans have never been compelled to apply to the people for a certificate of safety and sanity.—Evansville Journal-News.

Let it be remembered that the Roosevelt administration that is said by the Democracy to be intoxicated with militarism, is doing more for universal peace throughout the world than the combined nations of the old world. This is a fact beyond dispute.—Dayton Press.

There is as yet but little sign of activity in this neck of the woods among several political parties. The fall campaign promises to be short at least and whether fierce or not remains to be seen. No doubt there will be a grand rush business with public speakers for several weeks preceding the election. There does not seem to be much anxiety among the masses as to who shall be the next president, as there is nothing in the business aspect of the campaign to create alarm in business circles.—Richmond Sun-Telegram.

In 1896 and 1900, when the money question was the "paramount issue," made so by free silver declarations in the Democratic platform of those two campaigns it required moral courage on the part of a Democrat to vote against his party's nominee. Parker did not possess the moral courage to do this, as he himself admits. Now that the gold standard is "firmly and irrevocably" established he grows suddenly most courageous and would pose as an advocate of a principle which he twice voted against.—Rushville Republican.

How to Treat a Cold.

The person who is immune from colds, influenza, la grippe or chills, is to be congratulated. Sudden changes in temperature, over-heated rooms, exposure to wind and rain, are among the common causes that lead to an attack.

No cold is serious at the start, but if neglected, it is liable to develop into la grippe, rheumatism, pneumonia and other serious troubles. If taken in hand at once and treated with Phen-a-mid Tablets, it will soon disappear. In advanced stages of a cold Phen-a-mid gives quick relief, but the cure takes a little longer. When the cold is accompanied by pressure in the head, neuralgic pains or headache, Phen-a-mid is invaluable. It is a remedy that may be safely administered by any one. Phen-a-mid does not weaken the action of the heart nor upset the stomach.

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YOUNG MEN'S REPUBLICAN CLUB

MEETING FRIDAY EVENING TO ORGANIZE ONE

GREAT ENTHUSIASM

Among Younger Republicans, First Voters, Etc., and the Club Will Start Off Well.

The first meeting for the organization of a Young Men's Republican Club will be held at the Republican headquarters in the Coliseum on Friday evening, at 7:30 sharp.

It has been under consideration for a long time as to whether or not a club of the first voters, young Republicans and all others desiring to identify themselves with the Republican party would be formed in this city and county, but so strong is the sentiment of the first voters and younger men towards the Republican side, that the organization of this club was seen to be a necessity and therefore this meeting, on Friday evening of this week, was called. Besides the organization of the club all other business in relation thereto will be transacted. According to the reports transacted, a cordial invitation is extended to all and a good attendance is desired. The enthusiasm is unbounded among the younger men and the meeting promises to be a very enthusiastic one. Messrs. Converse and Gardner have the affair in charge.

NOVEL EXCURSIONS

By Ohio Interurban Lines.

The interurban roads centering at Dayton and Springfield, Ohio, are working up a great deal of extra business by means of special excursions to the several society institutions in that district. Last week the Dayton & Western Traction Company, in connection with the Dayton & Xenia Traction Company, had a personally conducted excursion to the Soldiers' Home at Xenia. The excursion was composed almost exclusively of farmers and harvesters between Kingsville and New Paris, and over 1000 people were handled. Guides conducted the excursionists to all points of interest around the home and provided other conveniences which tended to make the trip an enjoyable one. This month, in conjunction with the Dayton Springfield & Urbana Railway, the Dayton interurbans will have excursions of Masons, Odd Fellows, and Knights of Pythias from towns as far as Cincinnati and this city. The delegations will visit the home of the respective orders in Springfield.

When You Go Into a Drug Store to get a bottle of Painkiller, examine it carefully to see if it is made by Perry Davis, and don't be persuaded to take something "just as good" because it is a few cents cheaper. There is only one Painkiller "Perry Davis'". Large bottles 25 and 50c.

Wait for A. L. Park's excursion to Marion, August 26 to see Pain's Last Days of Pompeii.

C. C. & L. New Schedule Most Favorable to the Richmond People.

Under the new schedule there will be through cars to Cincinnati via C. C. & L. direct; also through car service to College Corner, Oxford and Hamilton. The running time of all trains has been greatly reduced. Cincinnati is now reached in two hours and five minutes. The north bound morning train now leaves at 7 a. m. a much more seasonable hour than heretofore.

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COLUMBIA RIVER

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There is no river on the continent which has the tonnage possibilities of an open Columbia. For more than 200 miles it furnishes the boundary line between Washington and Oregon, whose possible resources of farm, mine and forest are almost inconceivable in their immensity. Throughout hundreds of miles of its course are arid and semi-arid lands which are capable of irrigation and which under irrigation will add untold millions to the annual productive wealth of the Pacific Northwest. The export value of the canned products of the Columbia alone amounts to over \$3,000,000 annually. This comes from a great and growing salmon industry which has no parallel. This industry, unique in character, gives employment to thousands and wealth to many.

The foreign commerce of the Columbia now averages about \$12,000,000 annually. From 1899 to 1903 the imports of the river increased from \$1,503,355 to \$2,774,784, while the exports increased from \$8,996,924 to \$10,820,844. Substantially all of the imports are used in Oregon, and all of the exports, barring small quantities of tobacco and cotton, are grown in the territory tributary to the Columbia. Today Oregon's commerce, most of which goes up and down the Columbia between Portland and the ocean, is worldwide, nearly \$4,500,000 having gone to Europe during 1903, over \$3,500,000 to Asia and Oceania and over \$2,600,000 to Africa. During 1903 the exports of flour from Portland and Puget Sound to the Orient amounted to 2,650,000 barrels, and the exports of lumber to 115,000,000 feet.

The increase in the commerce of the over Columbia is shown by the following statement of the average cargo tons of the five largest vessels clearing from Portland during various periods: 1873, 1,518 tons; 1878, 2,312 tons; 1888, 5,658 tons, and 1903, 3,818 tons; 1898, 5,658 tons, and 1903, 7,310 tons. In 1853 the barkentine Jane A. Falkenberg, drawing seventeen feet of water, arrived with 530 tons of cargo, and her advent was heralded far and wide as a great event for the Columbia. In 1903 the Alcoa, the largest vessel that ever cleared from the harbor left Portland loaded with 9,276 tons burden, included in which were 85,276 barrels of flour, the largest cargo of flour by 17,000 barrels ever floated.

River improvements is now being carried on with a view to providing the Columbia with a 40-foot channel at its mouth and a 30-foot channel between Portland and the historic Astoria. The United States government is doing a great work in constructing jetties at the river's mouth and in deepening the channel by means of a sea dredge. The people of the Oregon country are thoroughly alive to the opportunity presented by the Columbia, the only river which has daringly forced its way completely through a forbidden mountain range, and they are determined that it shall do for them what the Father of Waters has done for the middle West.

The Thurst of a Lance

is scarcely more agonizing than the recurrent pains in the abdomen which follow the eating of improper food or too free indulgence in ice water. The immediate cause of cramps and colic is often the distention of the bowels by gas. Quick relief follows the use of Perry Davis' Painkiller. Careful housekeepers give it the place of honor in the family medicine chest.

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World's Fair excursion tickets to St. Louis will be sold via Pennsylvania Lines at approximately one cent per mile each Tuesday and Thursday until September 29th, valid in coaches of through trains, good returning within seven days. These are the lowest fares at which World's Fair excursion tickets to St. Louis are sold. Fifteen day tickets, sixty day tickets and season tickets sold daily at reduced fares, good in sleeping or parlor cars with required Pullman tickets. For full information, consult C. W. Elmer, ticket agent, Pennsylvania lines.

Married Tonight.

Dan Maloney will be married at the Gennett Theater tonight and the public is cordially invited to witness the coming and subsequent festivities. Maloney's wedding is said to be one of the best Irish comedies that has been presented to the theater goers of Richmond.

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