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THE LABOR DINNER.

The much discussed labor dinner of the president has come and gone. So much comment has been evoked by the function that is well to remark that it has always been the custom of the present occupant of the white house, when he wants to get at the heart of a matter, to invite the persons concerned to convene at his luncheon or dinner table. It was so in the now famous Booker Washington affair, and in many other cases which have not been called into the limelight.

While none of the matters under consideration have been formally given out to the public, it is quite certain that it bears directly on the points which were brought up in the last campaign. It is a singularly good proof of Mr. Roosevelt's sincerity in the things he had to say in the last campaign; that he was "honestly interested" in the cause of labor. The campaign is over, there is no cause for valid criticism which is certain in some parts as to its being a grand stand play. The president has done well after the harsh things which have been said on both sides to make the attempt to see what the attitude of representative labor leaders is.

True, the chief executive is not the congress, but it is certain that legislative measures which have the stamp of the president and his backing are more likely to have some action taken on them. Nor is this the least gain; Mr. Roosevelt has from the very beginning been conspicuous for his power in creating popular sentiment and public opinion and this above all other things is what the cause of organized labor must have behind it. Lacking that it must continuously despair of gaining its points. It is so obvious that this public sentiment must have a solid basis of fairness that it seems hardly necessary to mention it—but the truth is that public sentiment on the subject of labor is at present divided sharply into two camps, namely: Those who think that every thing advocated by organized labor is vicious and those who think that every thing advanced by the unions is fair and just, simply because it is advocated by certain men. Either view is entirely wrong.

Whatever was agitated at the dinner, one thing seems necessary and that is a proper code or bill of rights which shall put an end to the hazy ideas which rest entirely on much mooted legal decisions. Then there will be less friction and less misunderstanding. As Taft said in his speech of acceptance it is quite necessary that we look at the subject from the point of view of the man who thinks himself abused. It may well be that a bill of rights which will put the status of organized labor on a solid footing will put an end to the discussion which was so rampant in the recent campaign about the injunction question. If so it will clear the atmosphere tremendously.

It seems to the more or less unprejudiced observer that something should be done. But it is equally certain that whatever is done should have for its basis not the tearing down of the right to conduct business or their right to consider business as a property right for that would throw the country into a turmoil which would cripple industrial life in regard to both labor and capital. In other words any legislation should be constructive rather than destructive.

But such legislation must necessarily be of a difficult sort and its rise may have to be of a gradual nature. Nothing can be expected to happen "right off the bat." The president can recommend, but unless public opinion is very strong indeed, it is doubtful whether any thing will happen at the special session of congress. It is to be hoped that this is merely a prelude to what most people desire to see in Taft's administration.

The accomplishments of the criminal lawyers are such that the attorneys for the defense in the Lamphere case will have little trouble in making Mrs. Gunness out an angel with a lamb-like disposition.

To the casual observer it looks as if

SUGAR TRUST DENIAL

Said That There Was No Intent to Defraud Uncle Samuel.

EXPLANATION IS GIVEN.

New York, Nov. 18.—The charge of fraud in the weighing of sugar on which the United States government bases its suit to recover \$3,724,000 from the American Sugar Refining company was denied in a statement issued by that company. The allegations of the government are that it has been defrauded of duties on sugar for six years past, and it asks for \$1,500,000 in duties and the forfeiture of sugar valued at \$2,224,000 on which it charges that customs duties have not been paid.

The American Sugar Refining company in its statement declares that during that six years the company has paid nearly \$3,000,000 in customs duties and that the claim of the government is for about a half of one per cent on that amount. The company asserts that no two persons weighing the amount of sugar calling for the payment of that duty could make the weight agree within the difference claimed by the government. The charge, the company says, carries its own refutation.

WATTERSON LEAVES**\$30,000 TO WIFE**

Income to Be Used by Her Until Marriage or Death.

New York, Nov. 18.—The will of Harvey Watterson, son of Henry Watterson of Louisville, who died Nov. 11 from a fall from the nineteenth-story window of the building where the law firm of which he was a member has offices, was filed here. The income of his estate, the value of which is given as \$30,000, is to be paid to his widow until her death or remarriage. She is allowed, however, to draw upon the principal for her own use as she may desire. At her death or remarriage the principal, if any be left, is to go to Ethel Watterson Gilmour, the testator's sister, or her issue.

VICTIMS OF DOGS**TO TAKE TREATMENT**

Six More Terre Haute People Sent.

Terre Haute, Nov. 18.—Six more dog victims went to the Chicago Pasteur Institute, as did also Charles McClellan, aged 35, of Kansas, Ill., who was bitten by a cat. The rabid animal was in a field through which McClellan was passing, when it sprang at him and bit him on the leg.

The others who went to Chicago are children bitten several weeks ago. The mayor has appointed a committee of three well known citizens to disburse the money allowed by the city council to assist dog victims.

STRANGER FLIES**WRIGHT AEROPLANE**

Novice Drives Craft Without Inventor's Aid.

Lemans, Nov. 18.—For the first time on record the Wright aeroplane was Tuesday driven entirely by a stranger. M. Le Comte de Lambert, who was Mr. Wright's first pupil, took charge and made two flights, which lasted 15 and 20 minutes, respectively. The Count, though he flew with less sureness than the American aviator, completed the flights without incident, and also without intervention on the part of Mr. Wright, who rode in the seat usually reserved for passengers.

HORSE IS STOLEN.

Local Police Asked to Assist in Capturing Thief.

The local police have been informed of the theft of a horse and buggy at New Castle and asked to assist in the effort to recover the property and arrest the thief. The outfit was stolen from a hitchrack and the owner had been away from it scarcely five minutes. In the buggy when taken was a pair of new boots. The outfit belonged to Herbert Kern.

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that \$29,000,000, will stay in the coffers of the Standard until Bryan is elected or quits running. Either will be a long time to wait.

San Francisco is wondering if the Haas affair is not a cheaper way than having an earthquake to overturn things and acquire newspaper advertising.

Having disposed of Mr. Root and Mr. Roosevelt, it is time some interest is taken in finding Mr. Loeb a situation.

Hot Springs is rapidly taking on the glory which once belonged to Oyster Bay.

San Francisco is now the home of a Haas-been.

ROOSEVELT PRAISES

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No Organization Deserves Better Support.

Washington, Nov. 18.—I doubt if there is a movement among the movements that one can broadly term philanthropic in the country which better deserves the interest and support of our people than the movement for Young Women's Christian Association. Thus spoke President Roosevelt to a gathering of prominent young women of Washington, who called at the white house on the president's invitation to receive his congratulations on the splendid work being done by the Young Women's Christian Association in this city, to shake hands with Mrs. Roosevelt and him. The president reviewed the work being done by the Young Women's Christian Association in this city, expressing his gratitude to the workers and bespeaking for them the support necessary to erect an adequate building.

WILL NOT MISS**MADISON SQUARE GARDEN**

New Amusement Palace Over Railroad Tracks Planned.

New York, Nov. 18.—New Yorkers will not miss long the Madison Square Garden if a new plan to build an amusement palace in the heart of the city, which has been divulgued, is carried out.

A proposition to construct a mammoth amusement arena and show place upon one of the great squares over the New York Central railroad tracks, north of Forty-fifth street, has been laid before that company.

It has been demonstrated by practical tests that such a structure would not be affected by vibration or by the noise from the trains. Experts declare that a grand opera house, built over those tracks, would not be marred at all by the close proximity of the railroad on the surface underneath it.

The construction of high-class hotels or family apartment houses on this great superstructure above the tracks Washington, Nov. 18.—"I doubt if

BILLEK MUST**HANG FOR CRIME**

Chicago Murderer Sentenced By Judge.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 18.—Herman Billek, convicted of the murder of five members of the Vzral family, was sentenced by Judge Barnes Tuesday to hang on December 11. The fight of Billek, by his friends, for liberty, which carried the case before the United States supreme court, has attracted wide attention.

Billek, a fortune teller, whose income was derived from the ignorant and superstitious, used arsenic in causing the death of the Vzrals, all of whose lives were insured, and which money Billek is said to have planned to secure. He first was sentenced to hang on October, 1907, and since that time he has been reprieved four times.

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MASONIC CALENDAR.

Wednesday Evening, Nov. 18—Webb Lodge, No. 24, F. & A. M. stated meeting.

Thursday Evening, Nov. 19—Wayne Council, No. 10, R. & S. M. Special Assembly. Refreshments.

Saturday Evening, Nov. 21—Loyal Chapter, No. 49, O. E. S. Stated Meeting.

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