

THE LABOR PROBLEM

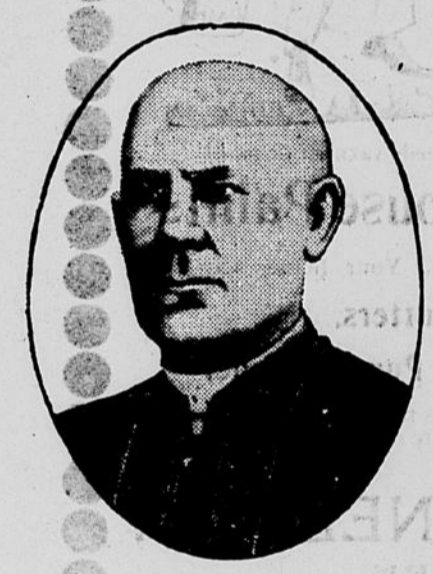
BISHOP SPALDING CONSIDERS STRIKES DEMORALIZING.

Thinks That Workingsmen Are Never the Same After Having Been in a Walkout—Man Is Injured Morally.

Washington (D. C.) Special. Members of the house committee on labor listened to a speech from Bishop Spalding, of Peoria, the other day in favor of the bill fathered by Volney W. Foster, providing for a commission to arbitrate labor difficulties.

Answering questions by Acting Chairman Vreeland, Bishop Spalding said it was not his opinion that the proposed tribunal would never be called upon to determine the question of what is a legitimate profit on the investment of capital.

"I would say," he continued, "as Sherman said of war, that the strike is hell." Men who went out on a strike, he added, went back injured morally, and not the same men.



BISHOP SPALDING. (Illinois Churchman Who Thinks That "Strikes Are Hell.")

obstacles to bettering the general conditions of the country. It was becoming more and more manifest that capital and labor were interdependent on each other, he declared.

Asked if he did not believe conditions were improving Bishop Spalding said that it did not seem so to any extent. He said the riotous conditions during the anthracite strike were not as bad as the newspapers had made them, although there was picketing and always would be violence in strikes.

"I don't believe there is in America any class of employers who deliberately do their men wrong," declared Bishop Spalding.

The bishop said he believed the American people to be a people of good will toward labor and the distressed. He considered them free from anarchistic ideas, and said the tendency to socialism was only in a minor way.

The strike, he replied, when asked if he would deny labor organizations the right to strike, was the one weapon of labor organizations, and to deny that right would be to deny the right to organize, but the great object sought, he added, is to bring about peaceful settlements without strikes.

Mr. Gompers reviewed the efforts in congress for the enactment of an eight-hour law and censured the arguments by opponents of the bill before congress. He resented the insinuation that lawlessness is a part of the purpose of organized labor.

There is a policemen's college in St. Petersburg to train applicants for the force. There is a museum combined with the school where the pupils make themselves familiar with the tools of criminals—jimmies, drills, chisels and contrivances for robbing collection-boxes.

FORM OF THE HOLY GRAIL

Parafal Vessel Used in Current Festival Plays Much Different from the Original.

New York Special. At the present time, with the "Parafal" craze still unabated, it might be of special interest to call attention to the fact that the form and shape of the cup of the grail, as seen in the Bayreuth festival plays and at the recent Metropolitan opera house performances, is entirely different from the shape of the original holy grail which is one of the highest priced treasures of the cathedral of St. Lorenzo at Genoa.



THE HOLY GRAIL. (Vessel That is Supposed to Have Contained Blood of Christ.)

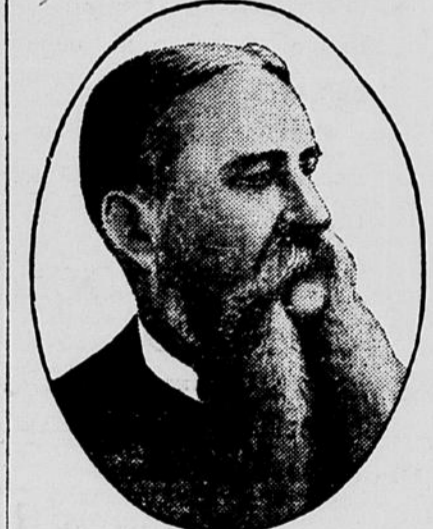
to Genoa. It remained at the St. Lorenzo cathedral until 1806, when it was taken by the French to Paris. During the transport the vessel was accidentally broken, when it was found that instead of an emerald vessel, it was only a glass of a dark green color.

The vessel cannot at all be considered a drinking cup (as it is represented by Wagner). It has rather the form of a fruit dish of 35 centimeters diameter and is ten centimeters in height.

The Genoa holy grail is being well guarded. The doors of the treasury have three locks, the keys of which are in the possession of the pastor of the church, the cardinal of Genoa and the librarian, so that if anyone wants privately to look at the treasured vessel the three persons named before have to open the doors.

ADMIRAL WALKER'S JOKE.

Washington (D. C.) Special. Rear Admiral John G. Walker devotes more time to canal matters than to fashion plates and could hardly be called spick and span in the civilian clothes he wears at his work.



ADMIRAL WALKER. (Leading Member of the New Panama Canal Commission.)

Walker in a corridor of the Corcoran building in Washington and asked perily: "Can you tell me where I will find Walker?"

The dapper young fellow followed Admiral Walker into his office. The admiral took a seat behind his desk and invited the young man to sit down. "Well, what can I do for you?" Admiral Walker asked of the young man, who began to squirm uneasily in his chair.

SOUNDS FROM STARS.

CONVEYED TO MUNDANE SENSE BY RECENT INVENTION.

New York Scientist Claims to Have Discovered an Instrument for Capturing the Music of the Spheres.

New York Special. Sweet sounds from the stars, melodies from the spheres, angel voices from unseen realms of everlasting joy or wails of lost souls in everlasting torment, crashes of worlds in the making or un-making, vibrant forces of nature audibly at work—which or what is Prof. Albert G. Albertson able to convey to the mundane sense of hearing by his latest discovery-invention?

The instrument invented by Prof. Albertson resembles in some respects a combination phonograph, telephone and telescope. "It is necessary to bear in mind," said "The Star Wizard," as he is called, "that light rays falling on a polished steel plate produce a tone. This is inaudible, however, unless the plate is connected with an electric circuit, also containing a microphone or a telephone earpiece.

"A revolving disk is in front of the cylinders, and this is so perforated that a ray of light when passing through the small holes will be thrown in different directions. Behind the revolving disk



PROF. A. G. ALBERTSON. (New York Scientist Who Has Caught Sounds from the Stars.)

there is a glass prism and a tube containing a lens, which may be directed toward any star. It is necessary to place the instrument upon some soft foundation like a sofa pillow, and cover it with a dark cloth so as to exclude all other kinds of light except that from the star.

When the instrument is played upon by the sun, the sounds are overpowering, says the inventor. "A million weird and inexplicable noises, due to reflected light from the earth and other planets, spoil the music entirely," he declares.

"It is when the instrument is directed toward Sirius or the planets revolving about the star that the weirdest effects are obtained. If the sounds speak true, despair must be the keynote of that region. Hideous noises, frightful beyond description, pour forth. Nothing earthly can be compared to these fearful sounds.

"Beautiful Arcturus gives forth the most confusing noises. When the instrument is directed toward this magnificent star of the first magnitude sounds of startling contrast are audible. Now it reminds one of an ear-deafening hurricane, then the roars of a thousand Niagaras beat upon the ear drums. After this tumult, absolute stillness will prevail for a few seconds, then something like a melodious, yet soft, and low whispering will play upon the instrument.

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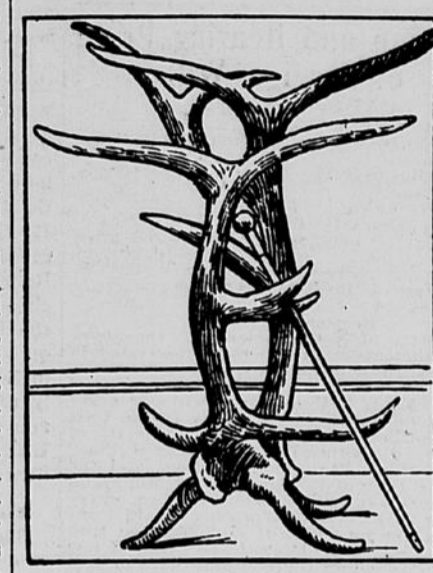
Goldfish Fifty Years Old. There are some goldfish in Washington which have belonged to the same family for the last 50 years and they seem no bigger and no less vivacious today than they did when they first came into the owner's possession.

Germans in United States. The German population of the world is about 88,000,000, and of this number 10,820,000 are in the United States.

ODD PIECES OF FURNITURE.

In Some Parts of Montana Elks' Horns Are Used for Making Household Necessities.

Helena (Mont.) Special. Near the town of Livingston, Mont., is a valley which can literally be called the "Valley of Dry Bones," for it resembles the valley described in the Bible. It is strewn with bones for miles, but, in addition, contains thousands of horns shed by elk. Years ago it formed a great natural round-up for these animals during the shedding season, and as a result the horns are to be found scattered over the ground for miles.



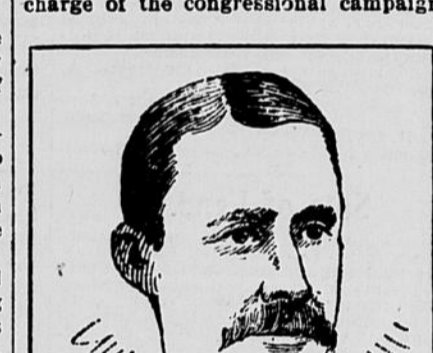
ODD USE OF ELKS' HORNS. (Hat Rack Made of Them Found in a Montana Home.)

fashioned into hundreds of designs. For instance, some of the houses are surrounded by fences made entirely of the horns, woven together to form a sort of abattis, with the prongs upward, forming the best kind of safeguard against intruders, for it is impossible to climb over the sharp points.

A half Mexican horse thief was pursued from Rugby with a warrant. The bad man met the marshal's hail with a 44 gun and his gun up first. He ordered the officer to take a walk, which was wisely done, while he made his way up into the Turtle mountains near by. The man is supposed to be a desperate character and one of the Sandy Heart band of horse thieves.

COWHERD HAS HIGH HOPES.

Missouri Congressman Believes That Democrats Will Be Successful This Year.



WILLIAM S. COWHERD. (New Chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee.)

of his party during the next six months. Mr. Cowherd is an optimist and declares that chances for democratic success were never brighter or better. He will at once begin preparations for waging a vigorous campaign in every district of the United States in which there is hope for victory.

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NORTH DAKOTA NEWS

Not Worried Over the Late Spring. E. S. Tyler, bank examiner of this state, is largely interested in farming and has seen thirty-one crops of wheat grown in North Dakota—some seeded early and some late. He feels no uneasiness concerning a wheat crop when the weather conditions are such that the wheat or any kind of grain, stands an equal show with other vegetation. In other words, if the spring is cold and backward grasses and buds make no headway, but when the right kind of weather for seeding does come, the wheat and wild vegetation grow along together, nature providing a sufficient length of season for maturity.

Indiana and Smallpox. Fifty halfbreed Indians on the Turtle Mountain reservation, who are suffering from smallpox, are under a guard in order to prevent as much as possible the spread of the disease. Dr. H. H. Healy, secretary of the state board of health, was notified yesterday that there is an epidemic of smallpox among the halfbreeds living west of St. John, on the Turtle Mountain reservation. Fifty cases are kept under guard to prevent them from spreading the disease, and the authorities of Rolette county are much exercised over the matter, claiming that it would require the expenditure of \$5,000 to stamp out the disease among the Indians.

Caught. H. F. Niles, the discharged prisoner from Bottineau county who took a bundle of saws into the Burleigh county jail for the purpose of helping several penitentiary birds awaiting trial to escape, was sentenced to sixty days in jail and \$60 fine, the fine to be served out at the rate of \$2 per day. Niles, it will be remembered, represented himself as a deputy sheriff from Bottineau county and thus obtained admission to the jail. While there he dropped a bundle of saws, believed to have been for the use of Joe King, a colored convict who had served with Niles, and was awaiting trial for an escape from the penitentiary.

A Bad Man. Marshal Erickson of Rugby, had an exciting experience with a "bad man" at Laureate, 12 miles east of Dunseith. A half Mexican horse thief was pursued from Rugby with a warrant. The bad man met the marshal's hail with a 44 gun and his gun up first. He ordered the officer to take a walk, which was wisely done, while he made his way up into the Turtle mountains near by. The man is supposed to be a desperate character and one of the Sandy Heart band of horse thieves.

Cabin Installed. Commissioner R. J. Turner, who has returned from St. Louis, says that the Roosevelt cabin has been erected in the North Dakota booth and is one of the most interesting attractions on the grounds. Representatives of newspapers, and of foreign governments have repeatedly applied for permission to photograph the cabin for the eastern press and for the purpose of sending photographs abroad. All visitors to the grounds are interested and the cabin promises to be an attractive feature of the North Dakota display.

Arrested. Mrs. Emma Thon of Sargent county, North Dakota, was arrested in St. Paul on a charge of slander, said to have been committed a year ago in the Dakota town. The sheriff from that place came to St. Paul with the warrant for the arrest, but it is not known who the person said to have been slandered is, as the warrant does not mention the name. The woman says her arrest is the result of a feud between her husband and certain resort owners near their home.

News Notes. Bottineau will be in the dark for some time, as the electric light plant went up with the flour mill. Two deserters from Ft. Lincoln were captured at Bismarck by Sheriff Welch and two from western forts were caught at Mandan.

The supreme court declines to tell what should be done with that beer which is in the custody of the sheriff of Burleigh county. Inasmuch as the stuff is said to have gone stale it doesn't seem to matter much what is done with it.

A number of ladies have been participating in the gopher hunts in McHenry and Ward counties, and some of them are said to be expert shots. Bids have been opened for the construction of the power station for the Fargo street railway, and also for the bridge across the Red.

All precincts of Kidder county gave Belden twenty-two out of thirty-two delegates over Lyons for republican legislative candidates. Some townships are planning to have the road work done by contract instead of having the residents do a day's work here and there.

During the past four years 57 national banks have been organized in North Dakota with an aggregate capital of \$1,460,000. In South Dakota only 35 have been organized in the same period with a capital of \$925,000. The Methodists of Bowwells have raised \$1,400 for a new church. A young man named Leslie, who was on his way east from Montana, fell from a train at Jamestown, and was seriously injured. His home is in Minneapolis, and he had been trying to get an engagement with a theatrical company.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

For the Week Ending April 23. Lake navigation will open at least a month later than usual. The American Baseball association opened its season on Wednesday. Vice Admiral Makaroff's widow has been granted an annual pension of \$10,000. The republican convention of the Eleventh Missouri congressional district nominated Henry S. Caulfield for congress. Congressman E. S. Minor received the unanimous nomination in the Eighth district republican congressional convention. Congressman James H. Davidson, of Oshkosh, was renominated by the republicans of the Eighth Wisconsin congressional district. Public school teachers of Pittsburg, Pa., have organized a union, which has for its purpose securing increases in salary and other benefits. Dr. William R. Brooks, director of Smith observatory and professor of astronomy at Hobart college, has discovered a new comet in Hercules. The plant of the Brian Pottery company, located about three miles east of Trenton, N. J., was almost totally destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$50,000. Congressman Joseph W. Fordney was renominated at Saginaw, Mich., by acclamation by the Eighth congressional district republican convention. The investigation of the condition of the Union trust company, of Boston, which was closed last month, shows that depositors probably will be paid in full. The Ohio house passed the senate bill for a state hospital for the treatment of tuberculosis and it will become a law as soon as it is signed by the governor. Arbor day was observed generally throughout Nebraska, especial significance being given to the occasion by the public schools and other educational institutions. The Vermont republican state convention elected four delegates to the national convention at Chicago and instructed them to vote for the nomination of President Roosevelt. John E. Pound, United States commissioner, and former supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum, died at Lockport, N. Y., aged 62 years. He was stricken with apoplexy. Frank Hayes and Richard Barcoe, miners, were instantly killed in the Orohondo mine at Lead, S. D., by the falling of a cage in which they were being lowered. The men fell 600 feet. On the ninety-fifth ballot Judge A. R. Webber, of Lorain county, was nominated for both the long and short congressional terms by the republicans of the Fourteenth Ohio district. Ralph D. Cole was nominated for congress by the Eighth Ohio republican congressional convention, on the six hundred and sixty-fourth ballot. A deadlock had existed for two days. Frank Rose, the wife murderer, was shot to death in the yard of the state penitentiary at Salt Lake City, Utah. Death was instantaneous, four bullets lodging in or very close to his heart. The Baltimore conference of the African M. E. church adopted resolutions appealing to President Roosevelt for aid in securing permission for an exhibit at the St. Louis exposition by the negroes of the country. In an uninteresting general election the democrats swept the state of Louisiana, electing their tickets headed by former Justice N. C. Blanchard for governor and practically a solid representation in both houses of the legislature. Dr. Ignatz Friedman, a prominent physician of Cleveland, O., was killed as the result of a collision between his carriage, in which he was riding, and a street car. Dr. Friedman was thrown under the car wheels and his body badly crushed. The Pennsylvania democratic state convention refused to instruct the national delegates from Pennsylvania to vote for the nomination of Judge Alton B. Parker, of New York, for president. The delegates will go to St. Louis uninstructed.

THE MARKETS.

Table with market prices for various goods like LIVE STOCK, WHEAT, CATTLE, etc. Columns include item names and prices per unit.