

COUNTRYWIDE SHOCK CAUSED BY INQUIRIES

FROM CALIFORNIA TO NEW YORK WAGE CAMPAIGN HAS TAKEN ITS ROOT

LOW WAGE SIN CAUSES

Investigators at Chicago Have Co-Operation of Scores of States—Government Action on Winsum Wage Bill to Be Immediate Consequence—Gaynor Is Angered.

Chicago, March 11.—"Millionaire employers of girls who testified before the senate committee here which is probing starvation wages, and who declare they see no connection between low wages and prostitution, either have elastic consciences or no consciences at all. That starvation wages are being coined into enormous profits has already been proven conclusively."

This is the summary given the United Press of the work of the investigation committee, by Lieutenant Governor O'Hara today.

"Deny as they may," O'Hara continued, "millionaire employers cannot convince the public they don't know that low wages are the prime factor in ruining girls. It is up to them to redeem themselves by raising the wages of all girls to the bread line they themselves fixed—\$8 per week—without state compulsion."

Elaborating on his statements O'Hara said: "These great employers whose millions come from the people regard it as governmental impertinence for the state to inquire into the abuse of their charter and rights. Some employers claim credit for liberality and philanthropy in forming benevolence associations when as a matter of fact these associations are supported out of the meagre earnings of the girls and women and these must pay their dues and buy a dollar ticket to the annual balls or suffer discharge."

New York, March 11.—Mayor Gaynor, in discussing the Illinois starvation wages investigation, declared: "The chief cause that girls are going wrong is the social and industrial conditions. If women and girls are paid a living wage few women will be on the streets. I don't say it will make all women virtuous but it will prevent them becoming immoral for pay."

"Here in New York some of those subject are paying starvation wages making the greatest noise on the subject are paying starvation wages to women and girls. One of a set of men owning the three biggest department stores, where girls are paid from \$2.50 to \$10 weekly, is swaggering around saying he is going to spend millions to stop white slavery. My opinion is that he ought to raise the wages of his help or shut up."

Los Angeles, March 11.—Providing material for immediate and further investigation of startling reports that the wages paid and conditions prevailing among working girls in Los Angeles, charges are filed with the municipal commission, appointed by the city council.

Following are some of the charges made by the commissioners:

"The eight hour law for women is being violated by garment mills. One girl in the employ of a five and ten cent store was carried out in a fainting condition daily due to poor ventilation. Many girls in the same store receive \$4 weekly and many girls employed in the laundry receive \$4 weekly. Hotels

Bandit Woman Is Object of Official Searching After 'Pal' Confesses

refuse to employ chambermaids except through employment agencies which collect ten per cent of the first month's wages."

Speedy Law Enforcement Seen. Washington, March 11.—Stirred to action by revelations uncovered in the starvation wages probe at Chicago, appeals for immediate consideration of the minimum wages law for men was poured in today to members of congress. Pleas came from nearly every state in the union with a result that it is predicted the wages problem will be considered at the regular session of congress next December.

Iowa Seeks Relief. Des Moines, Ia., March 11.—Appointment of a joint committee to investigate the causes of social evil and white slavery is urged by Governor Clark in a special message to the state legislature.

CANADIANS SEE SAVANT

DR. FRIEDMAN GREETED WITH OPEN ARMS.

Montreal Institute Physicians See the Serum Administered.

Montreal, March 11.—A hearty welcome was extended to Dr. Friedman when he arrived here to confer with Montreal physicians. Col. Burland, the chief benefactor of the Royal Tuberculosis Institute greeted Friedman at the depot and escorted him to the hotel where a score of prominent physicians awaited him.

After a brief conference Friedman went to the institute where he administered the serum to a number of patients in the presence of 50 physicians.

Shoots to Stop Crime.

Chicago, March 11.—To prevent his father, Charles Scheiber, from committing wholesale murder with a butcher knife, Peter Scheiber, nineteen, shot his parent in the Schieber home, and the later is dead today. The boy declared the father was breaking down a pantry door to attack the daughter Helma, when he seized a shot gun and fired.

Kelley Case Delayed.

Because delays developed in the Kelley vs. Kelley case in a suit for settlement heard before Judge Anderson of Baker sitting for Judge Knowles here, the final evidence has not been heard today. The court will conclude the hearing at a later date. In the meantime other cases on the docket for Judge Anderson to hear will be disposed of.

Edmonton Is Ambitious.

Edmonton, Alta., March 11.—(Special)—Two ambitious projects were outlined here today when Hon. John R. Boyle, minister of education, and Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of municipal affairs, announced the Alberta government's school and highway programs. The former said it is proposed to provide a school room and a teacher every day in the year for six consecutive years, to perfect the organization of a new school district four days in each week for six years and to assist in financing the undertakings. There were 2029 school districts in Alberta at the close of 1912, as compared with 748 districts in 1906. The good roads policy, Mr. Stewart declared, involves an expenditure of \$1,000,000 a year for five years without adding a dollar to the debt of the province.

San Francisco, March 11.—Search for a woman burglar who fled from East 28th street with more than \$50,000, was started today by the police, who have wrung from Otto Owen, alias O. C. Conn, of Chicago, the admission that the woman helped him in the robberies throughout California, which were ended Sunday when Owen was shot by the police. The prisoner says the woman was the brains of the partnership.

Whether she is the wife of a Chicago minister who Owen says started him on a career of crime, the captured burglar will not say. The police declare they can prove that armed with automatics the woman helped in the Pasadena burglary in which thousands of dollars in jewels were stolen. A part of the loot has been picked up in plunder found in Owen's room after his arrest.

WRECK CAUSE UNKNOWN.

Final Inquiry to Be Held Late Today to Determine Causes.

Not until the derailed and broken cars are pulled out of the ditch and examined with expert eye, will it be possible to determine what caused the freight wreck just west of La Grande yesterday when 11 cars went into the ditch. The board of inquiry is called for this afternoon and it is likely that when the wheels are examined the cause will be located.

Is Candidate for Receiver.

Union, Ore., March 11.—(Special)—Editor W. A. Maxwell, of Union, is a candidate for receiver of the La Grande land office, and is not a candidate for postmaster of Union as has been stated. Mr. Maxwell is lining up Democratic endorsements for the land office position and feels encouraged over the outlook.

Cleanup Days Arrive.

One of the first to get in line with cleanup work was C. N. Lewis to grade boulevards on some downtown property. The grounds of the new postoffice building are being leveled and prepared for seeding when the weather is right.

Sixty-Eight Women Drown.

London, March 11.—Sixty-eight women were drowned by the swamping of a boat on Lake Scutari, according to a Vienna dispatch to the London Express.

New Altitude Record Set.

Paris, March 11.—A new record of altitude was established when Aviator Perreyon in a monoplane ascended 19,800 feet from Buc aerodrome.

Lister Bill Approved.

Olympia, March 11.—The house has approved the senate bill which has reduced the road levy to one and one quarter mills for 1914 and one mill annually thereafter. This is the measure to which the governor agreed.

MOOSE ELECT.

P. A. Foley Is President of Moose for Ensuing Year.

Final election of officers of the Moose lodge took place last evening. P. A. Foley is dictator, F. C. Bramwell vice dictator, Claude Scranton secretary, Haghey treasurer, Morelock sergeant-at-arms, J. H. Stevens prelate, A. Harris inner guard, Mr. Charbeneau outer guard; trustees, for one year E. Rosenbaum; for two years, A. W. Nelson; for three years, F. D. Halsten; supreme lodge delegates, R. J. Green and F. C. Bramwell.



WILSON SENDS MINOR NAMES

GREAT FALLS LAND OFFICE MEN ARE NOMINATED.

Burleson Will Enforce the Newspaper Law Publicity Laws.

Washington, March 11.—President Wilson has sent the following nominations to the senate: register of the land office at Great Falls, Mont., Robert Sutherland; receiver at the same place, Thomas Corbally. These are among the first minor federal appointments that the president has made.

The announcement that Postmaster General Burleson intends to rigidly enforce the newspaper publicity law resulted today in action before the supreme court to restrain the enforcement of the law. The court will pass on its validity in view of the fact that the New York Journal and the American Newspaper Publishing association has sent attorneys to ask for injunctions. Papers in the case are now with the court.

Following a conference with President Wilson, Secretary Garrison said today he didn't believe there is any change of independence for the Philippines to be considered at the extra session of congress. He denied that he and Wilson considered any appointments, saying he considered only broadly, questions facing construction.

Senator Stone of Missouri and Lodge of Massachusetts, and Smoot of Utah called at the white house to urge reinstatement of Thaddeus and Sharretts as member of the appraisers board of New York customs house. Wilson listened attentively to their arguments and there referred them to McAdoo.

Electric Workers Enjoined.

Chicago, March 11.—Federal District Judge Carpenter today permanently enjoined the two Chicago locals of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, from molesting property of the Postal Telegraph company. The Postal printed copies of the order on placards and posted them on telegraph poles throughout the city. District Attorney Wilkerson asked for the injunction.

WOMEN JAIL FOR THROWING PAPER AT KING

SCREAMING AND SCRATCHING, THEY ARE LED TO JAIL FROM COURTROOM.

SAY NO INSULTS INTENDED

Assault on King's Carriage by Five Suffragettes Yesterday Leads to Jail Sentences Today—Will Institute Hunger Strike They Say—Jokers Preplanned Excitement.

London, March 11.—Under the technical charge of interfering with the police, five suffragettes who attempted to throw "votes for women" petitions into the king's carriage yesterday while their majesties were en route to open parliament were sentenced today. Four were given three weeks' imprisonment and the fifth who actually threw the petitions, was given four. They defended their actions by insisting they didn't mean to insult the king, but were using a constitutional right.

They have announced their intentions of instituting hunger strikes an aware led from the courtroom, screaming and scratching.

Jokers Are Busy.

Streets about suffragettes headquarters were blocked today with wagons bearing coal barrels, organs, vegetables and furniture and other combustible matter. The drivers insisted on delivering the goods at the headquarters but the suffragettes refused to receive it. It developed the anti-suffragettes had ordered the merchandise sent to headquarters as a joke.

factories on the Pacific coast, and comes highly recommended.

Cashier Back Again.

Mr. Stock was cashier of the Cove bank for several years and is well known in the valley. He has until very recently been connected with a large manufacturing concern in Portland, and resigned his position to take up this proposition.

He has moved his family to La Grande, and will make this his home, living in the Conley house.

"La Grande can and should become the manufacturing center of Eastern Oregon. All that is necessary is the concerted support of the business men, for any meritorious proposition that is offered," said a well known man, in this connection today.

PORTLAND PROPERTY BOUGHT.

J. D. McKennon Becomes Owner of Knob Hill Property.

J. D. McKennon, real estate owner and stock raiser, has just completed a \$30,000 deal whereby he becomes owner of considerable property in Portland. He is now owner by the deal, of four excellent residences in the Knob Hill district near the Good Samaritan hospital and those acquainted with Portland realty property claim it to be exceptionally good property.

Tournament Plans Mature.

The Chess and Checker club of the Y. M. C. A. will have its second meeting Wednesday night at 7:30 at the Y. M. C. A. It is expected that at this meeting definite arrangements will be made for a local tournament for the purpose of selecting a team to represent the club in a contest with the Island City club. Any man of the city who are interested in either chess or checkers are invited to be present and to affiliate themselves with the local club.