

WILL NOT ACCEPT IT AS LAW

ENGINEERS HEAD OFFICIAL REFUSES TO STAND FOR REPORTED LAW

CLAIMS SUCH STATUTE WOULD MEAN REVOLUTION

Timothy Shea serves Notice that Brotherhood Will Refuse to Observe Anti-Strike Legislation if Such is Enacted by Congress—He Declares Such Statute Would Precipitate a Revolution.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—Timothy Shea gave notice to congress Sunday night that Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, of which he is acting president, would not observe pending anti-strike legislation if enacted into law.

Such an attempt to single out railroad employees and deprive them of what he termed the economic right of workers to strike to prevent injustice, must be accepted, he said, in connection with other information which the railroad brotherhoods have as a foregone conclusion that the railroads contemplate a general reduction in wages when the government surrenders control and desires such a measure to forestall a strike.

"If these interests or the legislators believe railroad employees will unresistingly submit to any such invasion of their rights as citizens," Mr. Shea continued, "they had better expect that thought from their minds, because I believe I speak for locomotive firemen and hostlers at least when I say that any law which deprives them of the rights of American citizenship would not be observed, not because this class of American citizens are law breakers, but because such a law would be unwarranted, un-American and contrary to American institutions."

Mr. Shea said such a law was almost certain to precipitate revolution and was in fact just what extreme radicals and revolutionary agitators desire.

"This would give them logical argument for direct action," he asserted, "with the intention of displacing the liberal and more conservative leaders and thereby overthrowing the existing social, political and industrial institutions of the country."

"If an anti-strike law is enacted the responsibility for any upheaval which might follow lies with congress."

Must Have Living Wage

Railroad men are waiting the outcome of the government's campaign against high prices, said Mr. Shea, adding that if the cost of living is not reduced, then they expect sufficient advance in wages to enable them to maintain their standard of living. He declared firemen were running in debt from \$5 to \$50 a month because their wage increases have not kept pace with mounting prices.

Time and half for overtime work was declared to be necessary to give the men a real eight-hour day, which he declared they have never enjoyed despite the passage of the Adamson law. Without punitive overtime, he said, the railroads would continue to work the men as long as ever before.

Cannot Stand Hours

"Locomotive firemen cannot physically endure the hours they have been required to work," he continued, "and which they have temporarily acquiesced in because of the war emergency. They have decided that after nearly four years of patient waiting on their part, this issue cannot be longer postponed."

The way to stop strikes, Mr. Shea declared, was to give the working men their fundamental economic rights and proper machinery for adjusting current local grievances.

WARMER WEATHER PROMISED

PORTLAND, Oct. 27.—According to the weather man better weather is promised for Oregon. Rain is predicted for the northern part with warmer condition overstate winds drifting into the south.

JOHNSON LOSES HIS AMENDMENT

SENATE BY VOTE TODAY DEFEATED MEASURE THIRTY-EIGHT TO FORTY.

M'NARY OF OREGON IS COUNTED AGAINST IT

Amendment Provided for Equal Representation in the League of Nations With Great Britain and Her Dominions—Gore and Shields, Democrats, Voted With Senator Johnson.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—Senator Johnson's amendment to the peace treaty proposing in effect that the voting power of the United States in the league of nations be increased to equal that of Great Britain and her dominions, was rejected in the senate.

The vote was 38 for the amendment and 40 against. Two Democrats—Gore and Shields—voted for the amendment.

The following Republicans voted against the Johnson amendment: Colt, Edge, Hall, Kellogg, McCumber, McNary, Nelson and Sterling.

Washington, Oct. 27.—The Johnson amendment vote came unexpectedly while several of the senators who had expected to speak were absent from the senate chamber. Senator Phelan, Democrat, of California, announced that he would have voted against the amendment if he had been present, but would support reservation on the same subject. Senator Johnson later introduced another amendment, but action upon it was deferred.

House and Senate Will Cut Many Appropriations

BISHOP ROBERT TO BE IN LA GRANDE THURSDAY

Bishop Robert L. Paddock, of the Episcopal church will be in La Grande on Thursday, October 30th at which time he will hold two services at the Episcopal church, a communion service in the morning at 10 o'clock, and one in the evening at 8 o'clock.

Bishop Paddock has been attending the general triennial convention of the Episcopal church at Detroit, Michigan, and is making the stop in La Grande on his return journey. The public is invited to the services, and the vestry are especially urging all of the members of St. Peter's church to attend the meetings as they believe Bishop Paddock will have something to say of much interest concerning the convention and its work.

La Grande to See The Great Plestina Work

La Grande Students Are Active in University

News from the University of Oregon states that Albert Currey, of La Grande, has been elected to membership in the Torch and Shield, men's underclass honor society at the University. The list of 15 new members follows: Sydney Robinson, Hugh Clerrin, George Borman, Robert Morrison and William Sharkey, all of Portland; Albert Currey, of La Grande; Dudley Day, of Prescott, Arizona; Reed McKinney, of Olympia, Washington; Hobart Belknap, of Prineville; Charles Robinson, of Multnomah, Oregon; Rufus Dinwoody, of Jordan Valley; Geo. King, of Salem; Hubert Smith, of Bend; Wilbur Phillips, of McMinnville, and Rutherford Brown and Carl Liebe, both of Baker.

Kenneth Bartlett, of Estacada, and Basil Williams, of Eugene, have been added to the joint athletic council of the University as student members, replacing Dew Wilson, of Rufus, and Henry Foster, of John Day, neither of whom has returned to college for the term. The third student member of

STRIKE OF MINERS IS UNDECIDED

INDICATIONS AT HEADQUARTERS JUSTIFY BELIEF MEN WILL ARBITRATE.

ALL STRIKE PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE

President Lewis in a Statement Asserts he has no Official Knowledge of the Attitude of the President of the United States, but Declares the Threat to Work Mines Anyway Does not Disturb

(By Associated Press to The Observer.)

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 27.—While preparations for a strike of half million soft coal miners continues, it was reported at headquarters of the United Mine Workers of America that miners are ready to negotiate a new wage agreement to avert a strike.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 27.—Prefacing the announcement with a statement that he had no communication from government sources regarding the President's stand on the threatened coal strike, John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers, declared the "widely heralded intimidation that force may be resorted to in case of a miners' strike" will not serve to ally the crisis.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—After eliminating the senate provision of \$15,000,000 for army air service and reducing the appropriation for the Alaskan railroads from \$7,000,000 to \$6,000,000, the house and senate conferees agreed on the first general deficiency bill of this session today.

Captain William Hardy Is Very Ill at His Home in Portland Today

PORTLAND, Oct. 27.—Captain William Hardy, survivor of the Perry expedition, is critically ill of pneumonia.

Captain Hardy will be remembered as the sailor who was in La Grande a short time assisting in the recruiting of men for the navy.

President Wilson Vetoes The Prohibition Enforcement Bill

CLEMENCEAU MAY BE PRESIDENT OF FRANCE

Conceded that he Probably Will Be Awarded the Honor if He the Word.

Correspondence of the Associated Press. PARIS, Oct. 27.—After the voters of France have elected the 600 deputies of the new Chamber and the municipal and general councils have together elected 200 senators to succeed those whose terms have expired, the 800 deputies and 200 senators composing the parliament will meet sometime in January in the Chateau de Versailles to elect the tenth president of the Third Republic.

The joint session of the Chamber and the Senate at Versailles is called the Congress of Versailles. There are no nominations for the members of parliament who are to act as electors, the latter being unbound to vote for any candidate. Accordingly there is no presidential issue in the general election and there is no presidential campaign excepting during the few days that precede the meeting of the Congress of Versailles.

Presidential Possibilities Listed. The names of presidential possibilities mentioned thus far are, in the order of their supposed chances: Premier George Clemenceau; Senator Charles Jonnart, ex-governor of Algeria; Senator Stephen Pichon, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Senator Jules Pams, Minister of the Interior; Paul Deschanel, President of the Chamber of Deputies; Senator Alexander Ribot, Deputy Rene Viviani and Deputy Paul Painleve, all three ex-war Premiers; Antonin Dubost, President of the Senate, and Marshall Foch.

Many politicians believe that Clemenceau can have the honor by simply allowing his name to go before the congress. It is still unknown whether he wants it. There are indications that he would prefer to retire on his laurels as the "winner of the war." According to gossip in the lobbies of the Chamber he would be glad to have his administration approved by the choice of one of his associates in the cabinet and his two eventual candidates in view, Pichon and Pams.

Sen. Jonnart Popular

Senator Jonnart has a popularity of his own. His name is being mentioned with significant persistence. He is senator from the department of the Pire de Calais and he recently resigned his important post as governor of Algeria in order to devote himself to the reconstruction of the devastated area of his department which comprises areas of Arras and Lens with a considerable portion of the wrecked coal district. He was formerly head of the Suez Canal, and he accomplished in short order the detestation of King Constantine of Greece when it seemed hopeless.

There are many supporters of Marshall Foch but prospect of the "Man on Horseback" is regarded as likely to affect his chances, even if he is apured to the office, which no one as yet knows.

The President Continues to Improve and Takes Part in State Affairs

(By Associated Press to The Observer.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—President Wilson continues to improve very satisfactorily. He discussed state matters today with Dr. Grayson and Secretary Tamm.

The prohibition bill, with Attorney General Palmer's opinion, was laid before him and he gave it some study before vetoing the measure.

Germany and Austria May Be Represented at Big Labor Meeting

(By Associated Press to The Observer.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—Labor leaders of many nations, who are accredited delegates to the International labor conference which will convene here Wednesday, were here today, when the International Federation of Trade Unions opened its first conference. The delegates from Germany and Austria are expected to attend.

Today Senator Meyers, Democrat of Montana, had the senate defer action on his resolution which provides for the using of armed force to rescue Jenkins, until the story of Jenkins' release is further confirmed. Pointed out of Washington, suggested that congress must provide an appropriation to be used in rescuing Americans from time to time by the Mexicans.

LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD TO HOLD CONVENTION.

Many Prominent Men Have Been Placed on the Program for Addresses of Timely Interest.

CHICAGO, Oct. 27.—Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, Senator Irvine Lenroot of Wisconsin, Gov. Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, Mayor William Hale Thompson of Chicago and Mayor Clarence Magney of Duluth are among the laymen scheduled to speak at the convention of the Lutheran Brotherhood of America to be held here Nov. 4 to 7.

The program for Wednesday, Nov. 5, the first day of the convention proper, will be opened by Mayor Thompson with an address of welcome followed by routine business in the morning and with a series of short addresses in the afternoon on "The Lutheran Brotherhood Movement." The speakers will include V. A. Johnson, Omaha, Neb.; Philip Weltner, Atlanta, Ga.; H. C. Bitter, president of the Toledo, O. Federation of Lutheran Brotherhoods; Dr. C. M. Roan of Minneapolis, Minn.; Dr. S. S. Waltz, executive secretary of the United Lutheran Church Brotherhood; the Rev. Emil Rausch of Waverly, Ia., president of the Iowa district of the synod of Iowa; Dr. G. A. Brande, president of the Augustana synod, and Prof. Otto Mees, president of the Capital University, Columbus, O.

Banquet in Evening

At the banquet in the evening Dr. J. A. O. Stuh of Minneapolis, president of the Lutheran Brotherhood of America, will preside with Dr. W. A. Granville, president of Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, acting as toastmaster. Dr. E. H. Knubie, president of the United Lutheran church, New York City, will respond to the toast "The Lutheran Church in America in War and Peace." Mayor Magney will discuss "Mobilizing the Lutheran Men for Country and Church," and Secretary Daniels will speak on a subject not yet announced.

A series of five minute talks by synodical presidents will mark the Thursday morning meeting and "The Future Program of the Lutheran Brotherhood of America" will be taken up in the afternoon. Afternoon speakers include the Rev. C. E. Hoffsten, Chicago; the Rev. A. B. Leamer, Des Moines; the Rev. A. J. Soldan, Madison, Wis.; the Rev. A. Noorhom, Des Moines; D. E. Mack, Carhage, Ill. and A. O. Hauge, Des Moines, and S. P. Long, Chicago.

Gov. Lowden Principal Speaker. Senator Lenroot and Governor Lowden will be the principal speakers at a brotherhood mass meeting Thursday night. Greetings are to be extended from the commissioners of the French Lutheran church, introduced by Dr. Lauritz Larsen, secretary of the National Lutheran Council.

A meeting of the newly elected governing board is scheduled for Friday morning.

JENKINS FREED MONEY PAID

AMERICAN CONSUL AT PUEBLA, WHO WAS KIDNAPED, RELEASED.

Mexican Government May have Paid the Ransom in Order to Avoid Trouble Here.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—William O. Jenkins, American consular agent at Puebla, Mexico, who was kidnaped by Mexican bandits, was released after the bandits received payment of the ransom they demanded, the state department has been advised.

It is not known yet whether the Mexican government or friends of Jenkins paid the "hundred and fifty thousand dollars demanded" and received by the bandits. The money was paid in gold.

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National Capital Stirred by Act of Chief Executive Which Means a Prolonged Wet Spell.

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The president said he disapproved of enforcement of the war-time prohibition legislation.

MANY INJURED IN RACE RIOT

LONGSHOREMEN FIGHT WITH MEN WHO WOULD WORK

Police Use Clubs and Several of the Rioters are Arrested.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Scores were injured in a riot between two thousand striking Longshoremen and several hundred men on their way to work at the Bush Terminal docks in Brooklyn. Over fifty pistol shots were fired. Sticks, stones, bricks and clubs were used in the general fight which followed. The police arrested ten offenders. It is claimed.

M'CRARY OPENS WITH A BALL

HIG GARAGE A BLAZE OF GLORY TO DANCING PUBLIC

Mr. and Mrs. McCrary Entertain Friends in a Most Royal Manner.

Carrying out the announced program Friday evening the McCrary Auto Company opened its new garage on Adams avenue with a ball that proved to be one of the elite occasions of the season.

Although the weather turned very cold and the thermometer registered an unpleasant evening, the people attended the same as though it had been a beautiful May night in Dallas, Texas. No one minded the cold for they were filled with red blood and had the dance to think about, so why think of the cold.

At a proper hour Mr. McCrary seated his orchestra and turned the dancers loose to have the time of their lives. Programs were furnished by the host that contained peculiar dances, such as "All Spark Plugs Working," "The Days of the One Langer" and other automobile expressions which created a lot of fun and caused new names to be coined and added to the list of dances.

The floor of the new garage was soon smoothed down by the dancers and before the midnight hour arrived it was a very fine dance hall as well as a good garage building.

Refusing to make a speech, for he claims his merit lies in adjusting a carburetor, Charles McCrary did privately announce that the policy of the new garage would be to render service first, last and all the time. While it is primarily the home of the Haynes car, it is also the home of Charles McCrary whose friends are welcome anytime of the day or night regardless of the car they drive.

NOTICE TO LABOR.

Special Mass Meeting for All Members of Unions. All members of the Central Labor Council and affiliated unions and members of the four railroad brotherhoods, are requested to meet Wednesday at 8 o'clock p. m. at Eagles hall. Your card will admit you to this meeting and there will be matters that interest all of us up for consideration. J. C. MURPHY, President Central Labor Council.

SPAIN MAY HAVE NATION LOCKOUT

LABOR UNREST TO CAUSE CAPITAL TO QUIT WORK.

Million Persons May Be Without Employment on the Fourth of November.

(By Associated Press to The Observer.)

MADRID, Oct. 27.—Over a million persons throughout Spain will be thrown out of employment Tuesday, November fourth, in the declaration of the congress of Spanish employers at Barcelona declaring for a general lockout, in carried out. If the decision is made it will be a protest against industrial unrest that has spread over Spain, according to the statements given out.

MRS. CHARLES STOOP ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

Mrs. Charles Stoop met with a very painful accident about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon when she was reaching for an article on a shelf in a closet. In doing so, she knocked down a gun which was in the closet, and the hammer hit the floor and was discharged, the bullet entering in one side of Mrs. Stoop's instep and passing out through the back of the foot. Mrs. Stoop was doing nicely this afternoon, although the injury is very painful.

MANY EASTERN STARS JOURNEY TO BAKER

Many members of the Eastern Star, Hope chapter No. 13, journeyed to Baker on the Baker local train afternoon and will attend the meeting of the Eastern Star there this evening when the La Grande chapter will put on the degree work. A big feed and reception has been arranged by the Baker chapter for the La Grander.

Those going this afternoon were: Mrs. Lou Given, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bacon, Mrs. Frank Jackson, Mrs. Steve Gardiner, Mrs. Roy Forrester, Miss Bertha Berger, Mrs. Oscar Berger, Mrs. Bert Hollister, Mrs. W. S. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Avery Harrison, Mrs. C. T. Bacon, Mrs. W. D. McMillan, Mrs. C. W. Noyes, Mrs. A. B. Cherry, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Beaver, Mrs. Ed Ebell, Mrs. C. L. Howard, Mrs. H. F. Grove, Mrs. Harry R. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McKay, Mrs. Fred Kiddle, Robert Eakin, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Perry, Mrs. F. E. Oxner, Mrs. C. M. Humphreys, and Mrs. R. A. Badd, of Pendleton.

POLICE CHIEF GETS CHICKENS

Yes, Jim, Christensen, La Grande's chief, is a chicken fancier at right, all right. He can't deny it, neither does he, for when he sees a bird with fine feathers strut down the street his pipitons between his teeth begins to show signs of heavy pressure. He just naturally can't help it, for he has been a great chicken fancier for many years. The kind Jim likes, however, is the kind that our ancestors were favorable to. In those days before the world chicken had become deified as it is today. In the place station this afternoon was a crate containing a pair of handsome Partridge Plymouths which had been shipped from a fine breeder in Illinois to the chief.

The Loyal Sisters of the Christian church are requested to meet at the parsonage Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, to make definite plans for the Halloween social to be given Friday evening at the church.