

CITY OFFICIALS DENY WEINSTOCK REPORT

San Diego Citizens Maintain Finding of "Free Speech" Investigation Unfounded.

ACTS OF VIOLENCE CITED

Inquiry Held to Be Conducted Without Interviewing Business Men and Only Persons Present Are Said to Be Arrested Men.

SAN DIEGO, May 19.—Denial of the accuracy of the report that Mr. Weinstock, special commissioner, made to Governor Johnson regarding the so-called "free speech" campaign of the Industrial Workers of the World here today by leading city officials of San Diego in connection with a recital of the causes of the present troubles here.

Mayor Wadham said that according to the charter, it was not in his province to assume command of the police force or to ask aid of state authorities until conditions had assumed the proportions of a riot. Other officials, including H. S. Utley, District Attorney; D. F. Glidden, city prosecutor and deputy city attorney; Chief of Police W. J. G. Glidden, superintendent of police, said the citizens of San Diego felt able to control their own municipal affairs, which they said had been misrepresented by Mr. Weinstock.

They agreed on the following statement: "That Mr. Weinstock in his investigation here has no authority to administer an oath; that the only persons present at his inquiry were those who had been arrested for violation of the law or those who had aided and abetted such violations."

Business Men Not Interviewed. "That he had no authority to subpoena witnesses."

"That he did not interview any of the business men nor take the statements of the officials who had charge of prosecutions."

"That he did not examine any depositions taken before the grand jury which investigated the trouble."

"That he was informed of the threats to take the lives of the Mayor, his wife and children and that of the Chief of Police."

Among various assertions made by the city authorities were: "That the street speakers spoke in violent denunciation of the American flag, the Nation, the state and the city and the police authorities."

"That they advocated the general ownership of the means of production, and that they threatened to take all property, advised them to take what they wanted and to kill police officers who sought to prevent them."

Men Assisted Over Board. "That at the time of the first Mexican revolution the street speeches were largely given over to it and it was believed many men were assisted across the border into Mexico to fight against the Diaz government."

"That, during this period, no ordinance regulating street gatherings existed, but that the police were assisted in an attempt to preserve order under the provisions of the penal code."

The trouble, according to the officials, started February 8, when Industrial Workers of the World crossed the boundaries allotted them for street speaking and parading and began a demonstration in the business center, which was followed by a series of arrests for several days until the San Diego jails were overcrowded. About then Vincent St. John, a Chicago leader of the Workers, telegraphed to city officials that it was the intention to "subdue San Diego if it took 20,000 men and 20 years to do it."

The arrested men were tried as rapidly as possible and many were said to have been placed on probation and thereupon refused chances to go to work at \$125 a day. The officials tell of continued trouble, of assaults upon officers, threats to rescue prisoners in the jails, of missing dynamite from an outfit quarry and subsequent threats to blow up the city officials and city property and of threats made against the welfare of the city.

Attorney Charges Contempt. Fred H. Moore, attorney for many of the Workers, who was unlawfully detained Saturday by the police and then told by a committee of 15 citizens alleged to have been led by M. Pinchot, that it would be best for him to leave the city or drop the case, has asked the Superior Court to issue citations for contempt against the alleged "brigade" for the case will come up tomorrow morning.

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HOMESTEAD BILL IS MANAGED BY DELAY

Fisher and Pinchot Believed to Be Working to Compass Ultimate Defeat.

WEEKS BRING NO RESULT

Secretary, Still Contending That Titles Are Made Too Easy of Acquisition, May Urge Veto as Last Resort.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 18.—Friends of the Borah-Jones bill in the House, and used to defeat the bill after it has been agreed upon by the conference committee. For if Secretary Fisher chooses to present the bill through various members, a vast array of statements of homestead settlers, procured through special agents, opposing the Borah-Jones bill, those statements will convince a good many uninformed Eastern members that the bill is unnecessary and it will be extremely difficult to get a majority to favor it again.

Of course, if the conference committee reaches an agreement, and refuses to accept the proposed Fisher-Pinchot amendment, and the two houses of Congress adopt the conference report, Secretary Fisher will have one more card up his sleeve, and the opinion is prevalent among those who would play it—he will recommend that the President veto the bill. It was not so long ago that the President vetoed the Borah-Jones bill, after it had passed Congress, because Secretary Fisher recommended a veto, and it is likely that the President might turn an attention to the Secretary's recommendation on the three-year homestead bill if he should recommend its veto as well.

Double Obedience to Be Endured. It is therefore apparent that the Borah-Jones bill must run a double gauntlet before it can become a law. It must get out of the conference committee and past the barriers in the House that have been quietly built up by Secretary Fisher, Gifford Pinchot, and if it successfully passes that obstruction, it must get by the recommendation of veto that is almost certain to be submitted by the Secretary of the Interior.

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BABIES GIVE TO AID SICK

BALTIMORE INFANTS SUBSCRIBE TO SAVE OTHERS.

Money Will Be Used for Exhibit at Hygiene Congress to Meet at Washington in September.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Babies of Baltimore—scores of tiny tots—will make a gift of \$1500 to other babies of the world. Most of the money has been subscribed. Formal presentation of the gift will be made at the 18th International Congress of Hygiene and Demography, which will be held in Washington September 23-28.

With the money in hand it was arranged with Dr. J. W. Schereschewsky, director of the Exhibition of Health, which will be a feature of the International Congress on Hygiene and Demography, that the American Association for Study and Prevention of Infant Mortality, which has its headquarters in Baltimore, should arrange an exhibit to illustrate graphically and in an easily understood fashion the causes which lead to the annual sacrifice of thousands of baby lives in the cities and towns of the world. The various ways in which ignorance causes infant deaths will be illustrated, and the way will be shown by which these may be avoided. The exhibit will be prepared and placed in the names of the babies of Baltimore, and a tablet set forth the fact that it is the gift of the babies will be displayed. The ages of the youngsters who are making the gift range from 3 weeks to 18 years.

The kiddies represent some of the future beaux and belles of the Monumental City, the future leaders in science, politics and financial life. All of the names suggest activities of today. Two of the former Governors of Maryland, Warfield and Jackson, are represented by little grandchildren. Another of the contributors is a granddaughter of Thomas Winans, the man who built the first railway across Russia.

After the close of the Congress on Hygiene, the exhibit will be sent throughout the South as a traveling exhibit.

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ALBANY PLANS FESTIVITIES

City May Celebrate Fourth, Chautauqua Assembly, Roadbuilding

GRANTS PASS FUNDS LOW

Sale of City Hall for \$10,000 Leaves Deficit for New Building.

GRANTS PASS, Or., May 19.—(Special.)—As a result of opposing action of the Commercial Club, the Council of this city had to rescind the contract recently made for the erection of a City Hall at a cost of \$19,000 and fall within the amount of money on hand. All the funds available for the building of a City Hall amount to \$10,000. The situation was brought about by a vote of the people over a year ago at which time it was expressed by ballots to sell the old City Hall and erect a new building out of the proceeds.

The voters thought the old building would bring \$20,000 or \$25,000 and when it sold for \$10,000 it left the Council without the money necessary to build and with no authority to raise the deficit. It is not believed that a City Hall of any pretensions can be built for \$10,000, yet that is the condition the Council must meet in order to comply with the vote of the people.

Improvement League Meets Tonight. The Rose City Park Improvement League will meet tonight, instead of tomorrow night, as was previously announced by the members. T. G. Gear, president, announced the change yesterday. General business will be considered.

It has been known that gold exists in various parts of Oklahoma, but it has not been found in paying quantities. Just now, however, there is a miniature gold mine in Barva, where gold said to run 18 to the ton has been taken out, and about 40 shafts are being sunk.

What Are You Going to Do With Your Savings? If you have saved \$500 or more and wish a permanent investment, we will be glad to find you one netting 5 per cent or better.

Or if you would like to talk over some investment you are considering, no matter how small it is, our officers are always pleased to give customers the benefit of their opinion and experience.

SECURITY SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY Morrison at Fifth Street. Capital and surplus \$1,400,000

"BACK EAST" LOWFARE EXCURSIONS

Advertisement for New York Central Lines excursions. Includes routes to Buffalo, New York, Boston, Niagara Falls, Albany, Saratoga, 1000 Islands, New England Sea Coast, Chautauqua, White Mts., Bar Harbor, and Quebec. Text describes the benefits of the excursions and provides contact information for the Portland Office at 109 Third Street.

HOPE IS WITNESS

Author Admits Taking Food and Beer into Ballroom.

CATERER FEELS INJURED

Damages of One Farthing Given in Suit for Slander Against Husband of Lena Ashwell, Famous English Actress.

LONDON, May 19.—(Special.)—London is still amused over the trial of the suit of a caterer against O. Simpson, husband of Lena Ashwell, the famous English actress, for slander, in which, among other notable Anthony Hope, the British novelist, was a witness. The dispute had its origin in a masquerade ball given after the theater last December by the Three Arts Club. The caterer was G. S. Elliott, who is also Mayor of Islington.

Some of the guests, it appeared, were dissatisfied either with the brand of drinks served by the caterer or with the prices he charged, and endeavored to smuggle their own eatables and drinkables into the ballroom. This Elliott interpreted as a violation of his contract. He expected to make money by the sale of refreshments, he frankly admitted, and he did not propose that the merry-makers should supply their own. He found 25 bottles of champagne in the box occupied by Lena Ashwell and her husband. Dr. Simpson accused Elliott of stealing from the box, and the suit for slander was the result.

Anthony Hope was stopped by Elliott as he was taking a hamper into the ball, and an altercation ensued between the author and the Mayor. Mr. Hope, on the witness stand, said he took the hamper containing food and beer to the ball. Inside the hall he met Elliott, who asked him what was in the hamper. Hope answered that there were some provisions. Elliott told him they could not come in. A discussion ensued, during which Elliott remarked: "I have just done the same thing to Lena Ashwell."

In reply to further questions, Mr. Hope said Elliott's temper was not good and, in his opinion, he was not a gentleman. After Lena Ashwell had given evidence, admitting she knew Elliott, and never had been arrested, the judge awarded Elliott one farthing damages.

LYLE SHORT OF LABORERS Fruitgrowers Face Loss of Berries Unless Pickers Are Secured.

LYLE, Wash., May 19.—(Special.)—Local berry men are facing a shortage of help in the berry fields for picking the big crop this year. Numerous advertisements appear in the local paper, but few berries are in prime condition for picking, which began May 17, and it is feared that unless aid comes this week heavy losses will result.

The net number of alien immigrants into England last year was 18,530, as against 19,143 the year before.

Advertisement for Herbert Greenland Tailor. Text includes: "Our fathers were more modest in their dress than their forefathers—they lowered the trouser, but neglected to give it fit or shape. Quality of material and character of workmanship then largely determined man's standing." Includes an illustration of a man in a suit and a woman in a dress.

Advertisement for Hotel Gratton. Text includes: "WE BEG TO ANNOUNCE THE OPENING OF Hotel Gratton 'On Willamette'". "And cordially invite an inspection by the public. The Hotel is thoroughly modern and in connection there is a first-class Grill and Buffet, Private Dining-rooms and Family Liquor Store. Our service and cuisine are unexcelled and we solicit the patronage of all who desire comfort and courteous treatment. Rates very reasonable. Fine auto drive via Division St. to 52d St. from Portland to Milwaukie, 'On the Willamette.'" Joseph Mendel, Proprietor, Milwaukie, Oregon.

Advertisement for Western Union Cable. Text includes: "Across the Atlantic for \$1.50". "When You Go Abroad Western Union Cable Letters will keep you in close touch with home. Before sailing, inquire at any Western Union office for the rates from your home to foreign countries. Full Information and Rates by Telephone THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY"