

SECRETARY WILSON REPLIES TO MINERS

If Globe Union Knows Way to Settle Copper Strike It Will Be Welcomed.

CHARGES ARE RESENTED

Cabinet Member Says Department of Labor Has Been Neither Academic Nor Inactive in Its Own Efforts.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Secretary Wilson sent a telegram to E. C. Bright, president of the Globe Union, replying to a charge that the Labor Department was "inactive in the face of the present crisis in the copper country."

"The Globe Miners' Union, in a message to the Secretary, had declared that 'five months' demonstration of subservency of the government of Michigan to the copper barons should force the Federal Labor Department to some action other than academic declarations as to the state's jurisdiction in the matter of its share and culpability in the tragedy in which the strikers, their wives and children are the victims, and the outrage against President Meyer and Organizer Tanner."

"The Department of Labor has been neither inactive nor academic," says Secretary Wilson, "in dealing with the Calumet strike situation. Representatives of the department have been for months and are now actively engaged in gathering information relative to the strike and in efforts to bring about a satisfactory settlement of the difficulty."

"If the Globe Miners' Union knows of anything that this department can do that has not already been done in its efforts to gather the facts or settle the difficulty, I would be pleased to have my attention called to it."

OUTLOOK IS MORE FAVORABLE  
Densmore Telegraphs Governor He Is Making Progress.

LANSING, Mich., Jan. 1.—John B. Densmore, solicitor of the United States Department of Labor, telegraphed Governor Ferris late today from Calumet that he believed he was making progress toward a settlement of the copper country strike and that plans were under discussion that might mature favorably.

LANDLADY CAUSE OF DUEL  
Old Friends Fight With Guns, Then Make Up When One Is Shot.

BUTTE, Jan. 1.—Armed, one with a high power rifle and the other with a shot-gunner, John Liebe and Carl Marquardt, for years fast friends, fought a duel in their rooming-house today, after quarreling because Marquardt had ridden home from a New Year's celebration in a taxicab with Mrs. Wilma Lehn, their landlady, and had left Liebe behind.

IRON WORKERS ON STRIKE  
Wages and Jurisdiction Over Scattered Work in Controversy.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 1.—Structural ironworkers of this city are on strike today on the contention that their demands for an increase in wages of 5 cents an hour and jurisdiction over scattered work submitted on September 17, have not been acted on by the contractors. It was said 250 men are affected.

SQUAD OFF TO CLOSE TOWN  
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"You are going to do?" she was asked. "Close the saloons," she said.

"How are you going to do it?" "I don't think it is well to tell how you are going to do things before you do them," she said.

"How long will you be in Copperfield?" she was asked. "I'll be there between trains, perhaps a couple or three hours."

"And you expect to close the saloons in that time?" "I do for a fact," she replied. "Maybe it won't take that long."

"Where do you go from Copperfield?" she was asked. "Back to Baker," was the reply. "How long will you be there?"

"Sleighing Part of Programme."  
"It all depends upon how good the sleighing is. I expect, however, to get back to Portland Monday."

"You purpose to make only one trip to Copperfield, and expect to close the saloons in that time?" she was asked. "That's the plan," was the reply.

"Who are you going to have to help you?" "I am alone and probably will be alone during the trip excepting in Baker, where I have a number of friends."

The reporter wondered how the frail-looking young woman hoped to win a victory in a fight which heretofore has baffled the lot of the Oregon National Guard.

Personal Equipment Not Seen.  
There was nothing to indicate that she had any hatchets or bombs and there was nothing on the surface to show that she had any more ability to close saloons than any ordinary young woman.

But before the eastbound O.-W. R. N. train bearing Miss Hobbs departed the mystery had been solved. On the train, in addition to Miss Hobbs, was Superintendent Lawson, of the penitentiary, and five men who were selected by Governor West some time ago to conduct anti-saloon crusades.

It is understood that Governor West has some special agents at or near the scene already and has arranged for reinforcements if occasion arises.

Apparently Miss Hobbs' part in the expedition is one of pleasure, she having announced that she will be in Copperfield only a couple or three hours and will pass the rest of the time until Sunday night in Baker sleighing and visiting with friends.

It is surmised Miss Hobbs will appear in Copperfield and order the saloons closed. If she refuses or fails to comply to the orders it is expected she will publicly read a proclamation prepared by Governor West declaring martial law and will place the saloons in charge of Mr. Lawson and his men.

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"SPITEWORK" CHARGE IS MADE

Copperfield Business Man Says Row Is "Big Family Quarrel."

Conditions in Copperfield, Or., where Miss Fern Hobbs, private secretary to Governor West, has gone with the avowed purpose of closing the saloons are described in a letter received by a prominent Portland business man from a business man of Copperfield as being due to "spitework."

"Some one set fire to my place back of the store," says the letter, "but it was seen in time to put it out before it did any damage. We can't find out who did it. There is a reward of up to \$50 to be given to anyone that can."

"Believe me, I am not in this scrap. The trouble is all over a Greek. He was running a saloon here and moved from one place to another outside the saloon limit. There is an ordinance fixing the street on which saloons may be run. He did not ask for a transfer to move, and when the Mayor told him he could not run there he would not do as he pleased, and still kept on selling. So they arrested him and fined him \$50, but told him if he would move back to his old place he would revoke the fine. He moved back for three days, and then went back again to the new place. Then he was arrested and his saloon closed."

He then got out an injunction restraining the officials of Copperfield from interfering with him and his business. It came to trial and the town won out. He and some of his friends got up the petition to the Governor that was in the papers stating the conditions of the town. If he had been let alone to do as he wanted to do he would have had no kick coming. The whole thing is nothing but spite-work—a big family quarrel."

FLOWERS IN ORDER ASSERTED

West Says Miss Hobbs Will Close Copperfield Saloons in Hour.

SALIEM, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—"Miss Fern Hobbs, my private secretary, will arrive in Copperfield at 3:50 o'clock tomorrow, and the saloons will be closed within an hour," asserted Governor West tonight. "Miss Hobbs will have to remain in the town only one hour to accomplish the task to which she has been assigned. She will close the booze places and close them tight, too, before she leaves."

"All the talk emanating from Copperfield about flowers, the decoration of the saloons, etc., is appropriate for the occasion," continued the Governor. "Flowers usually are in order when last said rites are to be performed. I have no objection to the saloons of Copperfield being appropriately decorated for this particular occasion."

REBEL I.W.W.'S DISBAND

FREE LANCE ARMY FIND PROSPECT OF SUPPORT DIM.  
Main Body, Reduced by Desertions, Expects Food From Towns as Price of Keeping in Motion.

FRESNO, Cal., Jan. 1.—Word was received here from Delano, just across the line into Kern County, that the band of about 50 Industrial Workers of the World, insurgents from the company of the unemployed, had reached that place tonight and disbanded, discouraged with the prospects of obtaining support separate from the main body of the army. The 20 had marched during the day from Pixley to Delano, about 15 miles.

The main body of the unemployed, now reduced by desertions and the ailment of work to about 135, reached Lindsay, on the east side of Tulare County, tonight, having marched less than ten miles since leaving Farmersville at 10 o'clock this morning. Exeter had forwarded them provisions on condition that they should not stop in that town, so they marched on through to Lindsay, where they obtained supper and a promise of breakfast in the morning. Then they expect to take up the route to Porterville, a distance of 12 miles. Porterville has as yet made no preparations to care for the visitors, the city officials declaring that they have no funds on hand for the purpose, and may have to go into their own pockets to buy food.

The company will go next to Ducor and Terra Bella, where the county will buy supplies, and the Sheriff will escort the men across the county into Kern. The unemployed have now been on march since leaving Stockton, 14 days ago, traveling a total distance of 123 miles, or 17 miles a day.

BRITISH APPEAL IS ISSUED

Peace Committee Wants Government to Exhibit at San Francisco.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—The British committee for the celebration of the centenary of peace between English speaking people issued today an appeal to the British newspapers in which co-operation is requested in an effort to induce the government to reconsider its declination of the invitation of the Panama Pacific Exposition to exhibit at the fair.

The appeal admits that the peace celebrants are embarrassed by the refusal of the government to take part in the exposition, the last two weeks of which are devoted to the peace centenary celebration. The committee confessed embarrassment in the existing circumstances in requesting the United States to join in the approaching Anglo-American exhibition.

SWIMMING ON AT NEWPORT

One Woman Among Those Who Take New Year's Plunge in Surf.

NEWPORT, Or., Jan. 1.—(Special).—A dance was given New Year's eve here, and there was swimming in the surf today. Only one woman, Mrs. Gladys H. Calkins, entered the water, which registered 49 degrees.

The Misses Ada Young and Mildred Kingsley, of Portland, were the first persons to register on the visitors' book at Yaquina Head lighthouse this year.

January Clearance Continues

Today and Tomorrow Are Boys' Days

A Remarkable Offering of Boys' Suits

One lot Boys' \$5 Knicker Suits, ages 10 to 16, now \$2.50  
One lot Boys' \$6.00 and \$6.50 Knicker Suits, ages 8 to 16 years, now at \$3.95  
One lot Boys' \$7.50 and \$8.50 Knicker Suits, ages 8 to 16 years, now at \$4.95

Boys' Overcoats and Gabardines

Boys' \$5.00 O'coats and Gabardines \$ 3.50  
Boys' \$6.00 O'coats and Gabardines . . . \$ 4.85  
Boys' \$6.50 O'coats and Gabardines . . . \$ 5.35  
Boys' \$7.50 O'coats and Gabardines . . . \$ 5.95  
Boys' \$10.00 O'coats and Gabardines . . . \$ 7.85  
Boys' \$12.50 O'coats and Gabardines . . . \$ 9.85  
Boys' \$15.00 O'coats and Gabardines . . . \$11.85

Boys' \$1.50 Sweaters . . . . . 95c  
Boys' \$1.50 and \$2.00 Sweaters . . . \$1.15  
Boys' \$3.00 Sweaters . . . . . \$1.85  
Boys' 500 Stocking Caps . . . . . 25c  
Boys' 750 Stocking Caps . . . . . 50c  
Boys' 50c Bradley Mufflers . . . . . 25c  
Boys' \$1.25 Wool Underwear . . . . . 85c  
Boys' \$1.50 Hats . . . . . \$1.50  
Boys' \$2.00 Hats . . . . . \$1.98  
Boys' \$2.50 Hats . . . . . \$1.98  
Boys' \$1.00 Knee Trousers . . . . . 85c  
Boys' \$1.50 Knee Trousers . . . . . \$1.15  
Boys' \$2.00 Rubber Capes, sizes 6, 14 and 16 years only . . . . . \$1.50  
Infants' \$1.00 Sweaters . . . . . 50c

Trenchant Reductions in Every Department  
New and Stylish Apparel at Sacrifice Prices

Men's Suits and Overcoats  
Every model hand-tailored in correct style; a beautiful line of fabrics from which to select.

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Men's \$30 Suits and Overcoats \$21.50  
Men's \$35 Suits and Overcoats \$26.50  
Men's \$40 Suits and Overcoats \$31.50

Fine blacks and blues are included in these attractive reductions.

Raincoats and Gabardines  
All new models, thoroughly waterproofed.

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Young Men's Fine Suits and Overcoats  
Including the Famous L System Clothes.

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Young Men's \$30 Suits . . . . . \$21.50  
Young Men's \$35 Suits . . . . . \$26.50

—Men, Main Floor  
Young Men, Second Floor

Suitcases and Traveling Bags

\$ 5.50 Traveling Bags, Suitcases, \$ 4.95  
\$10.00 Traveling Bags, Suitcases, \$ 8.75  
\$15.00 Traveling Bags, Suitcases, \$13.85  
\$27.50 Traveling Bags, Suitcases, \$22.45  
\$35.00 Traveling Bags, Suitcases, \$29.75  
\$19.50 Traveling Bags, Suitcases, \$16.65

Men's Hats Reduced  
Men's Rainproof English Cloth Hats, formerly \$3.00, reduced to . . . . . \$1.00  
Men's \$3.00 Austrian and Tipperary Hats reduced to . . . . . \$2.00  
Men's French \$5.00 Hats now . . . . . \$3.00  
No reductions in Brewer, Dunlap or Stetson Hats.

Cluett Shirts Reduced  
Men's \$1.50 Shirts now . . . . . \$1.15  
Men's \$2.00 Shirts now . . . . . \$1.35  
Men's Underwear at Clearance Sale Reductions

House Coats, Smoking Jackets

\$ 5.00 House Cts., Smoking Jkts., \$ 3.95  
\$ 7.50 House Cts., Smoking Jkts., \$ 5.95  
\$10.00 House Cts., Smoking Jkts., \$ 7.95  
\$12.50 House Cts., Smoking Jkts., \$ 9.95  
\$25.00 House Cts., Smoking Jkts., \$19.95

Bathrobes and Dressing Gowns

\$ 3.50 Bathrobes, Dressing Gowns, \$ 2.95  
\$ 6.50 Bathrobes, Dressing Gowns, \$ 5.35  
\$ 7.50 Bathrobes, Dressing Gowns, \$ 5.95  
\$10.00 Bathrobes, Dressing Gowns, \$ 7.95  
\$15.00 Bathrobes, Dressing Gowns, \$11.95  
\$25.00 Bathrobes, Dressing Gowns, \$19.95

Ladies' Hand-Tailored Suits

at Immense Reductions  
One lot Ladies' Suits, formerly sold at \$19.50, now . . . . . \$11.85  
One lot Ladies' Suits, formerly sold at \$24.50 to \$29.50, now . . . . . \$14.85

Ladies' Suits  
Formerly sold at \$39.50 to \$42.50, now

Half Price  
All Juniors' Suits Half Price

All Ladies' Skirts, regularly \$5, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10 and \$12.50, now \$3.95, \$4.95, \$5.85, \$6.35, \$7.65, \$9.35.

Ladies' Coats Reduced  
Ladies' \$15.00 to \$18.00 Coats now . . . \$10.50  
Ladies' \$20.00 to \$25.00 Coats now . . . \$14.85  
Ladies' \$27.50 to \$35.00 Coats now . . . \$19.85

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Including the famous Mandelberg Coats.  
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Ladies' \$20.00 to \$22.50 Raincoats . . . \$14.85  
Ladies' \$25.00 to \$30.00 Raincoats . . . \$19.85

Misses' Sport Coats  
Regularly \$15.00, \$18.00 and \$22.50—now . . . . . \$11.85, \$13.85, \$16.85

All Girls' Coats  
Ages 6 to 14 years.  
Regularly \$6, \$8.50, \$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.00.

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LOOKING backward over the splendid increased patronage and good-will which has been accorded this store since the new management took it over, we express our thanks and wish to all Portland a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

You have shown your confidence in our advertising, our merchandise and methods by the quick response to every announcement. Especially in our Pre-Inventory Sale, the throngs have exceeded our greatest expectations. In appreciation, we will extend this opportunity for Friday and Saturday.

PORTLAND'S EMPORIUM  
By Z. Swett, Manager.

Reductions for 2 Days More—  
Every Suit in the Store 1/2 Price  
From \$14.75 to \$50

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All Neckwear 1/2 Price | Every Umbrella 1/3 Off

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