

FEDERAL SEIZURE OF MINES IS URGED

Labor Federation Insists on Forcible Settlement of Colorado Strike.

GOMPERS' SALARY RAISED

Measures Advocated to Prevent Immigration of Unfit From Europe After War Is Over—Literacy Test Is Indorsed.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 18.—The American Federation of Labor's annual convention today unanimously adopted a resolution calling upon the President of the United States "to insist that the Colorado federal operators immediately comply with the Federal plan of settlement of the strike in that state, and 'in the event they refuse that he take such steps as are necessary to have a receiver appointed for the mines affected and operate them in the interest of the people under Federal supervision.'"

The resolution was reported to the convention by the committee on the executive council's report and was adopted without discussion. The committee expressed sympathy for the strikers and assured them support until the strike was settled.

The convention also adopted by a vote of 150 to 33 a resolution raising the salary of the president of the Federation from \$5000 to \$7500 a year and that of the secretary from \$4000 to \$5000. President Gompers, before the matter was put to a vote, asked the delegates not to vote the increase.

With regard to the trouble within the ranks of the organized mine workers in Montana, the convention instructed the executive council of the Federation to use its efforts to bring about industrial amity and union solidarity in that state.

In connection with the approval by committee of the executive council's action in supporting the immigration bill before Congress containing the literacy test, the committee submitted the following to the convention:

"Your committee desires to call your attention to and impress upon you the almost assured certainty that the cessation of the present war in Europe will be followed by a flood of migration from those military-dominated countries as the world never witnessed in the change of a people from one home to another.

"The war itself has done away with the sophistries that were used for years to support the military establishments of the great nations of Europe and the people thereof can no longer be deceived by the fallacious arguments that have been now so thoroughly exploded. "It may be well understood that the governments of Europe will exert themselves to the utmost to the end that those who are fit and who survive the destruction of the present conflict will not be permitted to leave their native countries, but will be seduced by whatever promises are necessary to remain and aid in the restoration of those countries to their lost position in commerce and industry, at the same time offering whatever inducements or assistance they may to the migration of the unfit to the United States, Canada or any other country that may receive them in order that their native land be relieved of the burden of their support.

"Therefore, it is the duty of the workers of America to see to it that they be protected, in every possible way, to the end that they will not be forced into competition with these bits of wreckage tossed on our shores or left stranded in Europe when the wave of war recedes."

VALUATION COMES FIRST

COMMISSIONER SAYS RATE SOLUTION MUST WAIT.

Question of Government Ownership, Declares Mr. Prouty, Is One That Must Soon Be Met.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Final solution of freight rate problems, as well as the question of government ownership, must wait for completion of the physical valuation of railroads in the opinion of Charles A. Prouty, director of valuation of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Judge Prouty addressed the National Association of Railway Commissioners here today, telling the members that the treatment of railroads probably was the most important practical question before the country and declaring that the question of government ownership must soon be met.

The total cost of ascertaining the value of all carriers' properties he estimated at something over \$50,000,000, of which the railroads would spend about \$35,000,000 in preparing maps and other data.

"This valuation is national, but is to be made along state lines," said Judge Prouty. "When completed it undoubtedly will supersede all state valuations that have been made and will be the basis for the making not only of interstate, but of state, freight rates."

WEST LURES BOYS TO JAIL

New York Youths on Adventure Bent Anxious to Go Home.

CHICAGO, Nov. 18.—Three New York youths, Harold Montague, Willard Fox and Carl Espe, who started for California as freight in a converted piano box, but who were deterred here Saturday and arrested, are going home to warn New York boys against going West, they said today, after they had been discharged from custody.

"Here stand three boys who ran away from home with great ideas of the West, but who were intercepted at Chicago, where the court was good and kind, and discharged, and told us to go home," said a statement signed by the boys and given to Judge Hopkins in the boys' court.

"This has been a good lesson to us boys of New York and should we ever get back home, we will stay there." The railroad attorneys said the boys would be put to work to enable them to raise money to return East.

BENTON EXTENSION VOTED

Ordinance to Start Proceedings Passed After 25 Years.

After 25 years of waiting, residents of the district near the east approach

on the steel bridge yesterday succeeded in getting the City Council to pass an ordinance starting proceedings for the widening and extension of Benton street from the southeast line of McMillen's Addition to the intersection of Hassalo and Adams streets, an improvement which if put through will be a direct connecting link between the steel and Broadway bridges on the East Side.

The Council passed an ordinance starting proceedings but held off the making of a deposit to cover the cost until the first of the year. The improvement has both supporters and opponents and they have been apart almost as they are now for the last decade. The improvement is desired because it will form a direct connection between the approaches of the two bridges and will distribute traffic from the outer Peninsula districts, including St. Johns, when the proposed new Willamette Boulevard is constructed.

The improvement of Benton street involves the purchase of some property owned by the Anglo-Pacific Realty company. The company has asked \$15,000 and the city has fixed the valuation at \$11,000. Neither side is willing to waver from these figures. The extension, if put through, will be under what is known as "the additional method" for street extensions. It involves the settlement by a jury of the value of the property to be taken for the street. The city is required to deposit the money with the court before

PROMINENT COAST BROKERS ACCUSED

Warrants Charge J. C. Wilson and Associates With Embezzlement of \$40,000.

PORTLAND MAN ONE LOSER

Several Other Northwest Persons Declared Victims—Head of Firm Lays Bankruptcy to Stringency—Good Intent Told.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 18.—Warrants were issued here today for the arrest of J. C. Wilson and D. A. Wilbrand, mem-

FILMED DRAMATIZATION OF ST. ELMO OPENS AT HELIUM THEATER TODAY.



Augusta J. Evans' novel, "St. Elmo," is so well known throughout the United States that the mere mention of it is enough to awaken the interest of old and young, for all generations have read and enjoyed it. Now comes "St. Elmo," visualized in the form of motion pictures in a great reel photoplay, which is to be offered at the Helium Theater in this city. The run will begin today and continue throughout the week and Sunday and Monday of next week. The photoplay was produced with an all-star cast and the scenes are reproduced with the deepest sentimental regard for the esteem with which the world regards the great mystical novel.

bers of the failed broker firm of J. C. Wilson & Co., one of the best known establishments on the Pacific Coast. They are charged with the embezzlement of \$40,000. That Boalt, the attorney who caused to be issued the warrants against Wilson and Wilbrand, in Portland and Seattle are lawyers through the defection of the stock brokers. So far only two of the Northern victims have complained and neither have caused to be issued warrants. That they will do so and that they will be joined by others of Portland and Seattle is the assertion of Attorney Boalt.

H. J. Jordan is Loser.

The only names that Mr. Boalt would make public today as those of victims of Wilson were those of H. J. Jordan, of Portland, who, according to Boalt, gave the stock brokers certificates to sell and who has been unable to get the return of the certificates or the cash for them. The certificates were given months before the bankruptcy proceedings. The value of the certificates in question was not made public. Milton Phillips, of Seattle, is the other victim named by Mr. Boalt. According to the attorney Phillips is mourning the loss of securities worth \$12,000. This sum he is said to have sent Wilson in payment of stocks Wilson said he had bought at the direction of Phillips.

ARMS MAKERS ACCUSED

WAR IS THEIR BUSINESS, SAYS DAVID STARR JORDAN.

Manufacture of Guns by Governments Advocated as Means of Stopping Alleged Agitations.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Responsibility for the European war in a large measure was laid upon the makers of arms in the nations involved, by David Starr Jordan, chancellor of Leland Stanford University, in an address at a meeting of the New York Press Society.

Dr. Jordan said the United States should not think of entering the conflict, "if only for the reason that on this one great Nation of ours must fall the duty of saving all that is to be saved from the catastrophe. If we get into it, then nothing at all may be saved. Not only would I have us keep out of it, but I would have us cease loading up for war."

"First of all, as an immediate program," continued Dr. Jordan, "I would have our own land take out insurance against war by taking out of the hands of those who make money from arms the business of making arms. If we must go ahead fighting and making tools to fight, then let the government make the tools, so the private manufacturers need not employ diplomatic agents to make war sentiment to sell their goods."

"This applies to every nation—Germany, England, France, Russia. Their arms makers are the financial backers of the war party in each nation."

HAVEN OFFERED LOUVAIN

NOTRE DAME INVITES FACULTY AND SOME STUDENTS.

Indiana Institution Willing to Permit Use of Facilities and Care for Belgians Free of Cost.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Nov. 18.—The faculty of the University of Louvain, Belgium, as well as several students of that institution, are expected to take refuge at the University of Notre Dame until conditions in Belgium permit the resumption of university classes there.

President John Cavanaugh, of Notre Dame, today cabled Cardinal Mercier, the Chancellor of Louvain, extending the hospitality of the American institution and offering the facilities of Notre Dame for a continuation of its classes and research work without expense.

The cardinal has been requested to select several of the more prominent members of the student body to spend several years here in the study of language taking up their work where it was interrupted by the war. These students will be cared for without charge for board, lodging and tuition.

"Weight" Social Is Popular.

CLACKAMAS, Or., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church gave a "weight" soiree at the church Friday night. The women had to pay for refreshments one-fourth of the weight of his fair partner computed in cents. A large crowd turned out in spite of unfavorable weather, and women of ample girth were much in demand.

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A suit like \$4.95
 this for..... **4.95**
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—Arrived Tuesday right in good time for Thanksgiving special, the finest lot of boys' \$6 Norfolk suits this store ever unpacked!

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ATTITUDE OF SECRETARY WILSON DECLARED OBJECTIONABLE.

President of Founders' Association Declares Pro-Union Stand Arrogates Labor Against Labor.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—In a report presented today to the National Founders' Association in session here, William H. Barr, president, assailed what he called the partisan attitude of Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Labor.

"A regrettable feature of the labor situation," said Mr. Barr, "is the partisan attitude of Secretary Wilson, which was unmistakably announced in his initial speech before the American Federation of Labor of Seattle last November, and his pro-union sympathies since that time undeniably confirm the thoughts to which he gave utterance. We urged the Secretary to remember that he represents all classes of labor and that in supporting unionism in its efforts to secure the closed

BAKER NEARER PORTLAND

Taking Off of Local Train Gives Chance to Use Fast Mail.

BAKER, Or., Nov. 18.—(Special.)—The local train between Baker and La Grande has been ordered taken off by the O.-W. R. & N. Company tomorrow.

The result will be bringing Baker almost an hour nearer Portland. A sleeper will be attached to the fast mail, passing through Baker at 7:55 P. M., and this will reach Portland at 7 the next morning. Heretofore the sleeper has been attached at La Grande and Bakerites have taken the local train at 7 o'clock and stayed over at La Grande until the fast mail arrived.

BIG RETAIL STORE CHANGES HANDS!

The Baron-Fulop Co., Wholesale Clothiers, Buy Out the People's Store

A deal was consummated yesterday whereby the Baron-Fulop Co., one of Portland's big wholesale concerns, took over the lease and stock of the People's Store, at 104-106 Third Street.

This store was recently purchased by M. Schultz & Co., of Chicago, from the administratrix. For years the People's has been one of Portland's greatest men's stores, being established over 18 years ago.

In speaking of the transaction yesterday, Mr. Nate Fulop, Vice-President of Baron-Fulop Co., the big wholesale concern, said: "A few days ago we were served with a notice to vacate our wholesale store at 32-34 N. Fifth Street. We have tremendous overstocks on hand, caused by a somewhat stagnant wholesale market, and after deep thought and consideration we decided to sell the stocks out to the public. In looking for a suitable location, the opportunity to take over the People's Store was presented. This was the very location in our judgment for the great sale of the wholesale stocks to the people. Not only is it centrally located but the floor and selling space is ample to permit of the showing of our immense wholesale stocks. That's the story from our side and tells why the transfer of this big concern was made yesterday."

Portland people, as well as people throughout the Northwest, are requested to watch for the sale of these great stocks. A SENSATION IS PROMISED.

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