# **UNION MAN STRIKES** AT ROCKEFELLERS

Oil Man's Testimony Bitterly Arraigned and Philanthropy Is Ridiculed.

### COLORADO SCENE PAINTED

John R. Lawson, Appearing Before Federal Commission, Belittles Millionaire's Confessed Lack of Knowledge of Conditions.

(Continued From First Page.) that he never inquired into the causes of the strike, the conduct of his ex-cutives or the fate of those who lost. So little interest did he take in the affair, so faint was the impression made upon him, that he could not even an-swer your questions as to your last

Ten years passed, and in 1913 Colorado is once more pushed to the verge of bankruptcy by another strike. Many strikebreakers of 1903, reaching the limit of human endurance, followed the example of those whose places they had taken, choosing hunger and cold in tents on the mountain side and plains in preference to a continuation of unbearable conditions in the mines. By actual count, the union was sup-By actual count, the union was sup-porting 21,508 men, women and chil-dren in the various colonies in Janu-ary, 1914.

'What course did Mr. Rockefeller pursue in connection with this upheaval of employes? His duty was clear, for he is on record for the admission: 'I think it is the duty of every director to ascertain the conditions as far as he can, and if there are abuses, to right them.' Lawson said many abuses had been cited, and enumerated them.

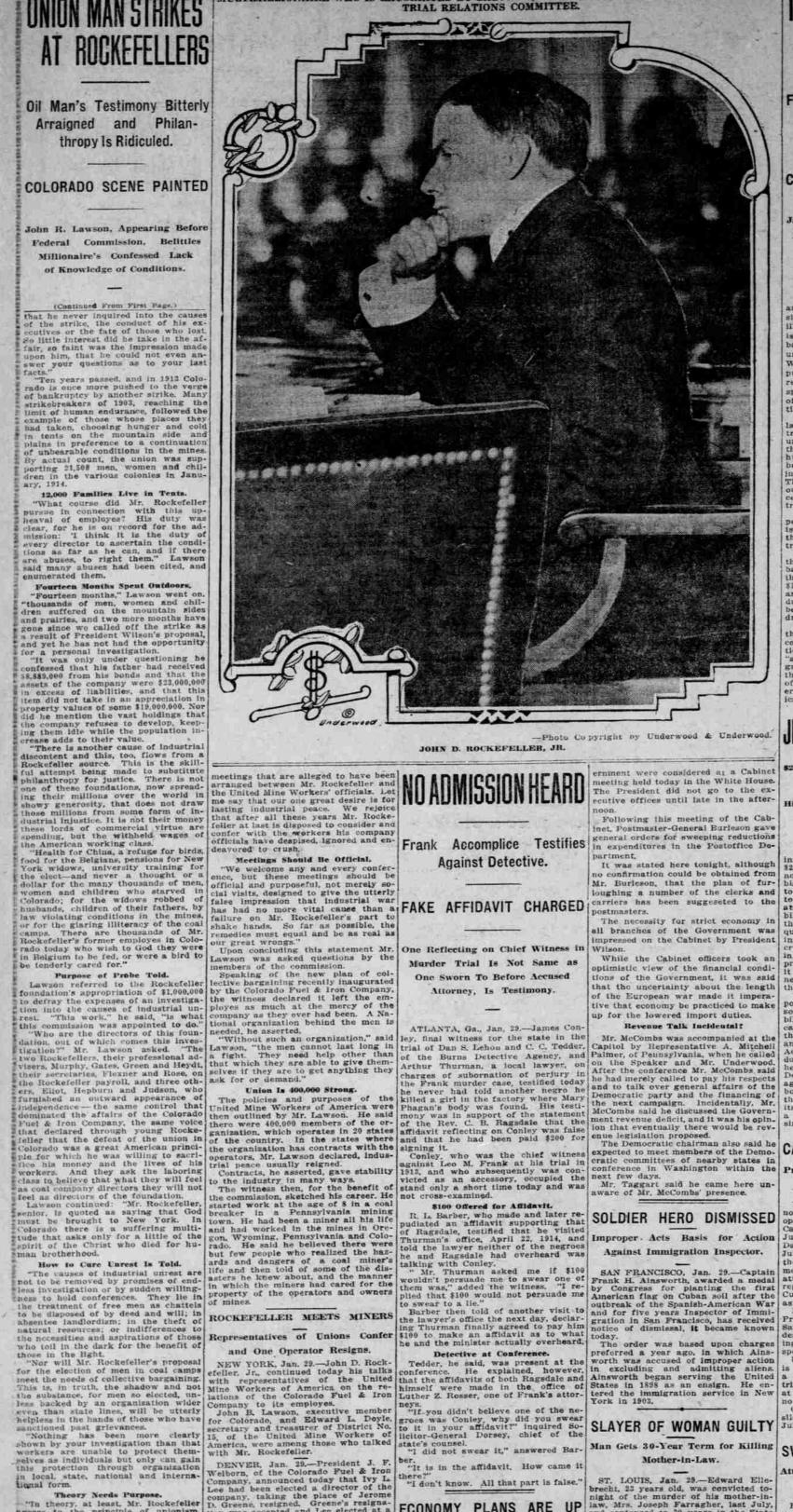
Colorado to Probe Conditions.

The United Mine Workers of America is the one organization that represents labor in this great industry. It has been in existence for 25 years. It has kept these contractual relations with employers in 19 states. It has kept these contracts involute.

With these facts in mind, I insist that Mr. Rockefeller cannot give effect to this new point of view except with the co-operation of the United Mine Workers of America. By official conference with the executives of this organization, action should be taken to guarantee the enforcement of the mining and labor laws long violated in Colorado and the establishment of the principle in practice of collective bargaintne.

Press groots give great publicity to

MULTIMILLIONAIRE WHO IS EXCORIATED BY LABOR LEADER, AS HE APPEARED BEFORE INDUS-



in local, state, national and international form.

Theory Needs Purpose.

'In theory, at least, Mr. Rockefeller agrees to the principle of unionism. All that remains is to give this theory purpose and effect, something that cannot be done by simple expressions of food will or a suddenly expressed dears for meeting.

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Welborn, of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, announced today that lay Lee had been elected a director of the company, taking the place of Jerome D. Greene, resigned. Greene's resignation was accepted and Lee elected at a meeting of the board of directors yes—tendary.

Colorado to Park

ber. "It is in the affidavit. How came it "I don't know. All that part is false."

ECONOMY PLANS ARE UP

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ST. LOUIS, Jan. 28.—Edward Elle-brecht, 23 years old, was convicted to-night of the murder of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Joseph Farragher, last July, and sentenced to 20 years in the State

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Mrs. Farragher was killed when she tried to prevent Ellebrecht from taking his 2-year-old daughter from the Farragher home. Mrs. Ella Ellebrecht, his wife from whom he was separated, and her brother, also were shot during the fight that followed.

ROME, Jan. 29.—King Victor Emmanuel received yesterday the newly appointed Swiss Minister, M. De Planta. Later the Minister denied in an interview the existence of an accord between Germany and Switzerland or with Austria. Switzerland, he said, desired only to remain neutral, but was ready to take up arms in three contingencies:

duties on raw sugar to free sugar in 1916.

Edgar H. Farrar, of New Orleans and Chicago, a prominent lawyer, said here today that if the duty was restored on sugar there would be no necessity for new tax legislation.

"Sugar carried a revenue tax since the first tariff bill was drafted. This tariff was never considered a protective duty. The Democrats will have to come to it sooner or later and they had better come now. The war tax would not have been necessary if the revenue tax on sugar had been maintained."

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TARIFF IS BLAMED FOR BUSINESS ILLS

Former Republican "Whip" in House Tells Kansans Cause of Trouble.

CITED FIGURES EVIDENCE

James E. Watson Shows How Imports Increased and Exports Decreased, and Says Prosperity Has Grown Out of War.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 28 .- The tariffand not the European war—is responsible for the business and industrial ills of the United States, and until there is a return to the greater protective basis, business conditions will continue unfavorable, according to James E. Watson, of Rushville, Ind., former Republican "whip" of the House of Rep-resentatives, who was the principal speaker tonight at the annual dinner of the Kansas Day Club, an organiza-

of the Kansas Day Club, an organization of Republicans.
"After the passage of the Underwood
law," said Mr. Watson, "the balance of
trade in our favor gradually declined
until it was seriously against us before
the outbreak of the European war. One
hundred and fifty millions of gold has
been exported. Imports largely have
increased and exports largely decroased.
The only prosperity we now have grows
out of the European war, but it is uncertain and confined to a few industries.

RECOMMENDED TO SEX-ATE COMMITTEE.

Higher Figure Is Due to Favor of Continuing Contract Basis, but Passame This Session Unlikely.

general orders for sweeping reductions in expenditures in the Postoffice Department.

It was stated here tonight, although no confirmation could be obtained from Mr. Burleson, that the plan of furloughing a number of the clerks and carriers has been suggested to the postmasters.

The necessity for strict economy in all branches of the Government was impressed on the Cabinet by President Wilson.

While the Cabinet officers took an optimistic view of the financial conditions of the Government, it was said that the uncertainty about the length of the European war made it imperative that economy be practiced to make up for the lowered import duties.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 29.—An appropriation of 32,000,000 for continuing work on the north jetty, at the mouth of the Colifination to the river and harbor bill, agreed to today by the sub-committee. The House bill carried \$1,256,000, which was all, the engineers said, that would be required to carry the work forward during the committee in lieu of placing the Columbia River project on a continuing contract basis, it having been decided to authorize no new continuing contracts except for the Ohlo River.

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ported to the commerce committee soon, but it is now conceded that the bill will not be passed this seasion, because of the fillibuster in the Sonate on the shipping bill and for the further and even more important reason that Administration leaders want to hold down appropriations on account of the heavy deficit in the Treasury. Senate Democratic leaders have practically account to posttone the river and haragreed to postpone the river and har-bor bill until the special session and then it is more than likely the bill, in its present form, will be abandoned and a lump sum appropriation be made, similar to that authorized last session.

CANAL TRIP IS POSTPONED

President to Open Waterway Formally in July.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Formal announcement of the postponement of opening ceremonies at the Panama Canal, from March until some time in July, was made today by Secretary Daniels after a Cabinet meeting. In July the Atlantic fleet will pass through the canal and all of the other sere-July the Atlantic heet will pass through the canal and all of the other cere-monies planned for President Wilson's attendance in March will be held. The report of Governor Goethals of slides in Culebra Cut was given by Mr. Daniels

Culebra Cut was given by Mr. Daniels as the reason for the postponement.

It was definitely announced that President Wilson expects to go to the San Francisco Exposition in March, despite the postponement of the opening of the canal, and will make the special trip to Panama in July.

Unless an extra session of Congress is called the President plans to make a number of speeches on his return trip East. It was said authoritatively at the White House that there were no plans for an extra session.

Officials have every expectation the slides will be removed completely by July.

SWISS WOULD GO TO WAR Attempt to Cut Off Food Would Be Cause, Says Minister.

## Chat No. 3

All pictures are good.

Some pictures are better.

If you want the better pictures, you must patronize the theaters showing them.

Censorship won't produce the best pictures. But public opinion will. The finest censorship is what you want. For you will get it.

If the public demand salacious and indecent pictures

all the censorship in the world won't prevent the public having them.

I believe, primarily, in the censorship of public opinion, for I think the general public demands photo-plays that both amuse and instruct.

That is the type you will find today, for example, at the Peoples Theater, with the wonderful Marie Doro in that notable play: "The Morals of Marcus."

Or tomorrow and all next week at the Peoples: Marguerite Clark in Harold McGrath's "The Goose Girl."

Won't you write me and let me know what YOU want?

My next chat will be in Tuesday's Oregonian. John F. Cordray

## **PALOUSE WORK FAVORED**

RECLAMATION MEN APPROVE PRO-POSED IRRIGATION PROJECT.

Immediate Acquisition of Reservoir Sites and Canal Routes Urged; Appropriation Unlikely This Session.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 29.—General W. L. Mar-shall, consulting engineer of the Reclamation Service, and L. D. O'Donnell of the Reclamation Commission, who

the sale of private lands at a low figure reclamation officials believe the Pa-louse project would prove profitable even at the estimated cost of \$112 an acre. Immediate acquisition of reser-voir sites and rights-of-way for the main canal is strongly recom-mended.

Germans' Savings Grow in 1914.

BERLIN, by wireless to Sayville, Jan. 29 .- A report on the conditions of the savings banks of the empire during 1914, issued in Berlin today, shows that the deposits in the 12 months of that year increased by \$250,000,000 over the total of the previous year.

# ITCHING, BLISTERED

The only prosperity we now have grows out of the European war, but it is uncertain and confined to a few industries.

Our Democratic friends say the European war and not the Underwood tariff is the cause of this destruction and is the fruitful mother of all our industrial woes.

"What is the all-sufficient answer to this unfounded contention? Simply the total trade balance of trade. In November, 1912, the total trade balance in our favor was \$152.00,000. In July, 1914, that balance was \$5,536,000 in favor of our industrial rivals and up to that hour nobody on this side of the water had dreamed of an European war.

Mr. Watson said the tariff had been the only thing radically changed in this country since the present Administration began. "And yet," he continued as in the decline of prices and in the wasting of property than the entire Civil War in America with all its burdens of cost."

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