

## BAKERS PLEADS FOR ECONOMIC TAX RELIEF

Present Law Economic Burden, Says Otto Kahn.

## REMEDY DECLARED EASY

Immediate Action to Bring Levy Within Bounds of Moderation Urged by Financier.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Revision of the federal income tax law to bring the levy "within the bounds of moderation," and afford relief "in the present era of economic disturbance," was urged in an address here tonight by Otto H. Kahn, New York banker.

Speaking before the council on foreign relations, Mr. Kahn declared the three chief factors in upsetting present day economies were the world's demand for American raw materials and manufactured articles, inflation and faulty taxation. The world's demand for American raw materials and manufactured articles, he said, the cure for inflation is a slow process, "but the remedy for faulty taxation can be secured at once when ever it pleases congress and the administration to seek that remedy and apply it."

"Giving an extreme instance in which a person in the highest taxable class would have to make nearly 7 per cent with a corporate security in his business to get the same return that he would receive by investing in a tax-free municipal, state or federal bond, Mr. Kahn reached these conclusions:

"No bond—foreign or domestic—can compete with the attractiveness of tax exempt bonds to those in possession of incomes of any considerable size.

"The owners of medium sized or large incomes have gone on strike as far as investing in corporate securities is concerned, thus greatly diminishing the quantity of funds available for the purchase of bonds.

"The American investment market for the time being has been largely paralyzed; the shrinkage in the value of existing corporate bonds, which is to the largest extent attributable to income tax, is a serious handicap to the normal working of the investment market and is a basic element for every kind of trade and industry, and we cannot have a return to normal conditions of trade, prices, etc., until our investment market will have come within measurable distance at least of 'normal' conditions, which is impossible as long as our present income tax remains in force."

Sir George Paish, British economist, declared that the world situation demands that America shall sell her products for securities of unquestioned value.

## League Bond Suggested.

"The security which would undoubtedly find the greatest favor in the United States and in other countries," he said, "would be a bond, free of all taxes both in the United States and in other countries, and therefore of great value for the purpose of interest payment. At what rate of interest such a bond would have to be issued, can be gained only by experience, but it is evident that the rate of interest would be very low, and every member of the league, would be the finest security that could be issued. Its issue would assure to American producers prompt payment of their accounts."

## IRATE FATHER SEEKS GIRL

IDA MABEL LAND ELOPES WITH FRANK CABLER OF HILLSDALE.

E. W. Cullison Charged With Perjury in Swearing to Bride's Residence to Get License.

Deputy Sheriff searched the city last night for 16-year-old Ida Mabel Land Cabler, who eloped with Frank Cabler of Hillsdale, was followed by a marriage ceremony performed by Circuit Judge Tazewell yesterday.

Two warrants were issued by Deputy District Attorney Pierce shortly before 5 o'clock last night, one charging the husband with subornation of perjury and the other accusing E. W. Cullison of aiding and abetting the same.

Roy Land of Hillsdale, frantic father of the girl, swore to the complaints before District Judge Hawkins. Steps to have the marriage annulled were taken as soon as the elopers are found, it is said.

In signing the marriage license book, Cullison testified on oath that he knew the bride was a resident of Multnomah county; that she was 18 years of age, and that there was no legal impediment to her marriage. Her home, Mr. Hillsdale is in Washington county and her age is 16. It is on these facts that the perjury charge is made by the father.

For procuring Cullison to swear to these statements, Cabler will face the charge of subornation of perjury.

## WITNESS IS OWN LAWYER

Lee Roy E. Keeley Examines Himself in Trial at Corvallis.

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—Lee Roy E. Keeley, a Portland

## HELP FOR MOTHER

A mother whose strength is over-weighed or who is thin, pale, over-tired or nervous, should find renewed energy in every drop of

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attorney identified, according to the Labor Press of that city, with the activities of "reds," is here this week suing Ben W. Porter of Monroe for \$10,000 damages, caused by a collision of automobiles. Keeley claims that Porter bumped into his car last August and that the resultant injuries to a \$2,000 car were \$10,000. Porter from which he was suffering to the extent of \$10,000. In proof of his claims, Keeley placed himself on the witness stand, examined himself and answered his own questions. Porter has a counter claim for damages against Keeley. He says that the car Keeley was driving bumped into his auto and that the resultant injuries thereto greatly aggravated constitutional troubles with which it was suffering before the collision. The case is drawing a large crowd of the curious, and is presided over by Judge Skipworth.

## ALL-HIT BILL TO CLOSE

ORPHEUM ENGAGEMENT ENDS WITH MATINEE TODAY.

General Comedy and Appearance of Former Portland Resident Make Performance Popular.

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## OPERATORS AGREE TO COAL TRIBUNAL

Work of Adjusting Wages and Prices Begun.

## JOHN L. LEWIS CALLED

Demands of Miners Presented to Wilson's Commission—Price Fixing Is Discussed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The coal strike settlement commission was enabled to begin its actual work of considering and adjudicating claims of bituminous miners for advanced wages and shorter working hours today by agreement of operators in the central competitive field to participate in the decision of the commission.

The commission immediately called for John L. Lewis, agent, president, and other representatives of the mine workers, to present the case for the men. Lewis and his associates set forth demands as presented before the strike last November for a 60 per cent increase in wages, a 30-hour working week and six other concessions. Straightforwardly they told the commission that they were attempting merely to obtain for the miners increases over their war-time wages to compensate them for increased cost of living, but to get them enough for permanently raised standards of living.

Operators' Case Presented. Ralph Crews, counsel for the central field committee, made the reservation that the operators could not legally participate in a coal price-fixing agreement unless it were provided that such an agreement would expire with the Lever food and fuel control act.

The operators, Crews added, considered that the commission's award "of itself" would constitute a binding and final wage agreement between miners and employers, and that the commission of the commission said that President Wilson's letter creating the commission empowered it only to make a recommendation which would be the basis upon which a new wage agreement could be made.

Mr. Crews said to accept for the operators whatever construction the commission chose to place on the words.

## Miners' Complaints Heard.

The commission later called in miners representing the coal fields outside of the central field for informal conversation.

"The miners presented a number of complaints."

In answering the commission's authorization, the operators, Mr. Crews said, understood that the commission's award should be the basis of a final contract between the miners and operators for the period of time fixed by the act.

President Robinson reminded him that President Wilson's letter creating the commission was to make an award which might be used as a "basis for a wage contract."

He asked if the operators would not make a wage contract with their acceptance accordingly and Mr. Crews finally agreed that the commission should determine that point.

Award Regarded as Basis. "The mine workers understand that the award shall be a basis of a new agreement," said John L. Lewis, acting president of the mine workers.

His answer to the question made here which can be used subsequently as a basis for a refusal by the operators to make a wage agreement, the commission's award.

President Robinson said Mr. Crews' statement that the commission's award should have power to determine what the procedure should be had cleared up this point.

## AUTO RUNS INTO LOG LOAD

FOUR MEN INJURED IN COLLISION ON LINXTON ROAD.

Driver of Truck Hauling Logs Arrested by Police, Who Say He Had No Rear Light on Trailer.

Four men were injured at 6 o'clock last night in a collision of an automobile with the rear end of a log load being hauled on a truck along the Linxtion road near the city limits. The automobile did not see the truck because of the fog, and the logs, penetrating the windshield of the car, lacerated the faces of the occupants, and inflicted other severe hurts.

The injured were: John Anderson, 57 Skidmore street, driver of the automobile, and one finger broken, back hurt; A. DeCurtis, 269 Eleventh street, bruised and cut, eyes injured, back hurt; Guy Elton, 1511 East Salmon street, and Charles Gregg, 371 North Twenty-second street, cut and bruised.

The injured were taken to the Good Samaritan hospital by the Arrow ambulance. Patrolmen Kelly and Skogland arrested four trucks, 18 years old, who were hauling the logs, on a charge of driving without a light. The police say the record is not on the truck.

The truck was hauling a tall cart, and the two vehicles carried three big logs. The logs were destined for a mill in Portland. The logs caught the cap of the automobile's radiator, tore the top, steering gear, and windshield from the car.

## MURDER THREATS DISTURB

Husband, Whose Wife Deserted Him, Tells of Bloodthirsty Talk.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 13.—(Special.)—His wife had deserted him, but would "do away with him by pouring hot lead in his ears when he was asleep," declared Charles Lee Payne in a complaint for divorce against Florence Payne filed here today. Not content with disturbing his sleep, Payne continues in his complaint, she asserted that "I will take a razor and slash your throat."

The couple was married August 2, 1912, in Portland and they have a daughter 6 years old now living with her mother at Tacoma. Payne deserted his wife August 15, 1916, telling him to keep the child, and that he does not know where she is now.

## OWN NAME IS UNKNOWN

Woman Kidnaped at Age of 3, Asks About Relatives.

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—Kidnaped here in 1858 by a woman circus performer whose name was 3 years old,

Mrs. William T. Pickard of 16 Franklin street, Tonawanda, N. Y., grew up and was married without knowing her real name. She has written Captain John Ayres, in charge of the missing persons bureau, in an attempt to learn her identity and find her relatives. He let her read the story, and perhaps you can do something for me. I am a "missing person."

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