

TRADE WITH SOVIET. AND US, LABOR PLEA

300,000 Unemployed Would
Get Work, Senate Hears.

UNION HEADS VOICE PLEA

Maryland Solon Urges Treasury
Ruling Against Mitting Red
Gold Be Repealed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Arguments for and against resumption of trade with Soviet Russia were received today by the senate foreign relations committee, which also heard charges that the state department was maintaining a blockade against that country although technically none was supposed to exist.

Speakers for organized workers in many lines appeared to support the resolution of Senator France (rep.) of Maryland, which would enable American firms to accept gold of the old imperial Russian government, which is being offered by the soviet authorities in payment for foreign goods. They said resumption of trade would go a long way toward relieving the industrial depression which has thrown more than three million persons out of employment.

Credit Collapse Is Objection.
John Spargo of New York, who has written about Russian conditions, expressed the opposite opinion. In a statement which was admitted to the record, he declared that the renewal of trade "might easily prove the means of bringing about the collapse of our entire economic system," as vast credits would have to be extended.

Declaring that Lenin and Trotsky monopolized Russian trade, Senator Brandegee (rep.) of Connecticut asked how it would be possible to work out plans for trade with Russia without dealing with them. Senator France replied that "British statesmen have worked out a plan for the possession of the whole of Russian trade" and that he believed American statesmen had equal ability.

U. S. Blockade Is Charged.
Charges that the state department maintained an actual blockade against Soviet Russia were presented by Mrs. Harry A. Stanton of Utah, and Miss Lucy Branham of the American Women's emergency committee. They declared that the department had prevented their organization from sending clothing and foodstuffs to needy Russian children and that ships loaded had been prevented from going to Russia.

Finally they said, the committee had been forced to send its supplies to the American Friends of Russia in England for transportation.

BRITISH OPPOSED TO TRADE

London Post Says Move Is to Gain
Recognition for Soviet.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—Arrangements to bring about a resumption of trade relations between Great Britain and Russia are attacked editorially by the Morning Post, which declares the decision a "treasonable transaction" and nothing but a pretext for obtaining recognition of the soviet government. The newspaper holds there is no trade with Russia that is worth consideration and expresses the opinion that the public is entitled to a very explicit statement of the government's policy toward the bolshevik regime.

Recognition of soviet Russia is branded as "immoral" by the Post, which adds:

"Neither France nor the United States believes the soviet government to be a permanent institution. The newspaper asks what Great Britain's position would be if 'loyal Russians' should come into their own again."

MORRIS REMAINS SILENT

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well as other stocks, and approximately \$25,000 in cash, represent capital funds of the old corporation.

Counsel for the receivership declared that the testimony of Ethelridge and Mrs. Morris, who were shown that Morris and Ethelridge in February, 1919, at a time when the corporation of Morris Bros. was insolvent, conspired to divert \$180,000 of capital and ostensibly create a new corporation, with Ethelridge as its president. This was patently done, he continued, by placing \$190,000 of Morris Bros. funds in the Forest Grove National bank to the credit of Stella M. Ethelridge, at the suggestion of Mr. Morris, whereupon Mrs. Ethelridge drew her check in favor of Morris for the full amount. The money so diverted, declared Attorney Peck, was that used by Morris for the purchase of the liberty bonds.

SEATTLE FEARS LYNCHING

Man Accused of Killing 3 Patrolmen Taken to Tacoma.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 26.—John Schmitt, whose trial on a charge of first degree murder in connection with the killing of three Seattle patrolmen in a battle last night, is scheduled for tomorrow, was today removed from the city jail and taken to Tacoma, Wash., for safekeeping.

Police said the move was made as a precaution against possible mob violence, but stated that there had been no demonstrations.

FORD STEADILY GAINING

Senator Newberry's Plurality Cut to Extent of 2642 Votes.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The election plurality of about 7500 of Senator Newberry of Michigan has been cut into by Henry Ford, his democratic opponent, to the extent of 2642 votes. Of the 2232 state precincts, 1341 had been recounted when the day's work of the senate privileges and elections committee was concluded tonight.

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BELLANS FOR INDIGESTION

There is evidence showing that Morris and Ethelridge entered into a conspiracy to withdraw \$180,000 of capital assets from Morris Bros. in February, 1919, he declared, and it is admitted by Morris that he did receive \$190,000 of those assets, also

that he received other stock, which he denies is of any value.

"We will engage to show that both Morris and Ethelridge knew that the corporation was insolvent at that time, and that nevertheless those assets were withdrawn. As a part of this conspiracy and fraud upon the creditors and the public they decided upon dissolving the old corporation and forming a new one—which they did. There was no interruption in the continuity of the business, no change at all save the change of corporate identity—a change in name only. The new corporation took over the old corporation body and soul, and one of the claims which the old corporation had was for \$180,000 of capital assets taken out."

"We must specifically follow these assets and find out whether they have gone into the hands of innocent holders, or whether they are still in the keeping of Fred Morris or his sister, Henrietta A. Morris."

"Upon what grounds does Fred Morris justify his possession of these bonds, then or now?" asked Referee Cannon.

Sale Money Used to Buy Bonds.
"Why, he bought the bonds," answered Attorney Malarky. "The evidence has been introduced. The trouble is that all along these gentlemen have been assuming that Morris is on trial. He took \$25,000, received in February, 1919, the sale of his interests in the firm, and with that money he bought liberty bonds through Morris Bros., amounting to \$125,000."

"There are no claims against him. The gentleman says there was a plan to sell the bonds, and the only testimony to that effect was the testimony of Ethelridge, who could not be cross-examined. Now they are fit to be white-washed him and hold him up as a martyr. We'd like to have a chance to meet some of these allegations and confrontations."

Ruling on the point at issue, Referee Cannon held with counsel for Morris, saying that unless it is proved that the witness possessed property of the bankrupt he cannot be compelled to answer questions regarding his personal assets, and is he subject to an order to produce the securities.

"The evidence shows," protested Attorney Peck, "that the \$100,000 in money of Morris Bros. was deposited in the Forest Grove bank to the credit of Stella M. Ethelridge, and that she drew her check to that amount in favor of either Fred Morris or his sister, Henrietta A. Morris. This check he deposited in the name of Henrietta A. Morris, and then drew it out, buying \$75,000 in liberty bonds and retaining \$25,000 in cash."

Equity Suit Advised.

"We're seeking in this proceeding to discover the conduct of the bankrupt and what it has done heretofore. Morris knows where he is at, he's on his feet in this matter. He knows the facts of his case, and he knows the creditors have the same right. This man Morris was chairman emeritus of the board and drew \$500 a month, and yet he says that he had nothing to do with the corporation."

Again Referee Cannon pronounced his ruling, advising counsel that any remedy the estate possesses must be tried in an equity suit, to determine the ownership of the disputed bonds. Undoubtedly, he said, it is believed that the receivership that Morris holds the securities without right, the trustee will be required to bring suit.

Referring to the brother of the witness stand, Henrietta A. Morris admitted that in 1914 she gave Fred Morris power of attorney, and that since that time her name has been used by him for business convenience in transactions involving large amounts, and of which she was in entire ignorance.

Miss Morris testified that in 1914 she turned over to Fred S. Morris the sum of \$25,000 representing funds procured by the liquidation of her mother's estate in this city and willed to her, and that in return her brother gave her his note for the amount and assurance that she would be provided with whatever income she required.

Knowledge of Check Denied.
Asked if she knew of the transaction of February, 1919, when millions of the bond boys show that all of the stock was placed in her name, Miss Morris replied that she did not recall it, though stock certificates bearing her signature were introduced. Also the witness denied any recollection of the \$100,000 check transfer, whereby Ethelridge received control of the subsequent purchase of the liberty bonds in her name.

"I know nothing about any of these transactions," she answered. "I signed my name whenever my brother asked me to, and I paid no attention to what he said about the various transactions."

The selection of a trustee will be made tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock in the city hall, at a creditors' meeting called by Referee Cannon. Another creditors' conference is scheduled for tonight at Central Library hall, called by Dr. J. D. Dugick, for the discussion of available individuals or corporations with reference to the trusteeship. Chancery proceedings, it is predicted, will not be resumed until a trustee is appointed and represented at the bankruptcy sessions.

BURLESON HAS NO HOME

Postmaster-General Must Vacate and Go House-Hunting.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Postmaster-General Burleson is even more unfortunate than the

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ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP G. C. BERGDOLL FAILS

Evader Narrowly Escapes
Capture Near Berlin.

WEDDING PARTY HALTED

Car Stopped, but Started Again Before Americans Get Slacker. Companion Is Shot.

BERLIN, Jan. 26.—An attempt was recently made at Eberbach to kidnap Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, American draft evader, and a companion named Strecher, by five men in an automobile, including two American intelligence officers and one American sergeant, according to the Eberbacher Zeitung.

Bergdoll was being driven to the railway station to meet the wedding guests when the automobile was suddenly surrounded and its occupants ordered to surrender. The party attempted to escape and one of the Americans fired the newspaper says, wounding a German friend of Bergdoll in the right hand. Police officers appeared and the five men took the two alleged intelligence officers and another of the men were arrested.

Bergdoll and Strecher have been living at Eberbach, a small town in Baden, for some months, according to a dispatch to the Tageblatt from Karlsruhe. Last Saturday morning they were invited to a local wedding. Early in the evening Bergdoll accompanied the bride couple to the railway station. Bergdoll remained behind while the bride and bridegroom proceeded to the platform.

As the party was about to leave a motorcar dashed up and five men alighted. They surrounded Bergdoll's car. The chauffeur suspected a plot and started the engine, whereupon one of the strangers stepped up to the car and with a revolver, demanded that the car be halted.

Bergdoll brushed the weapon aside, by which time his car was well under way. The car with the five men took up the pursuit. Several shots were fired at the bride party, it is alleged, and one member was wounded. Police arrested the pursuers, who had arrived from Spire Saturday for the purpose, it is said, of forcibly seizing the two Americans and transporting them to the occupied zone.

A special dispatch says that the car was in charge of two officials from the American army of occupation, who were accompanied by four German detectives. The Americans gave the names of Carl Neaf and Franz Zimmer. These two are supposed to be American detectives, hailed from Denver. The Germans in the party are said to have come from Osterstadt, in the occupied zone.

SECRETARY IS SURPRISED

Report From Berlin News to Head of War Department.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The war department was without information today regarding the alleged attempt to kidnap Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, draft evader, near Berlin.

Secretary Baker expressed surprise at reports of the incident founded on a German newspaper account. He said he did not believe any army official would join in any such enterprise. He refused to confirm the report that Bergdoll was in Germany, but did say his case had been referred to the state department. This was taken as indicating that the war department had such information.

SAVINGS THIEF REPENTS

Writer Says He Will Return Widow Her \$900 Earned in 16 Years.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—(Special.)—Mrs. Herman Roberts, a widow of 171 Boerum street, Brooklyn, who lost \$900 in a theater on the Bowery last week, received the following letter today:

"Dear Madam: I am exceedingly sorry to have taken your \$900, the savings of your life, and as there is such a thing as an honest thief, I do not want your money."

If you could name a way to return it to you without disclosing my identity—perhaps through a newspaper—I shall do so."

The letter, typewritten and unsigned, was dated January 22 and mailed in this city.

Mrs. Roberts, whose loss represents all she had saved in the last 16 years since her husband's death, believes the writer is sincere.

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REPORT PUBLICITY ASKED

COMMITTEE OF 48 WOULD
SCATTER STEEL FINDINGS.

Conclusions of Church Investigators Should Be Made Government Publication, View.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—The committee of 48 announced today that it had adopted a resolution urging that the report of the inter-church world movement on the steel strike in 1919 be made a government publication to give the widest possible publicity to the alleged anti-social practices revealed in the document.

The committee asked that the United States committee on labor and education, which is now considering such a bill, take "constructive action" on the report.

Reviewing conditions revealed in the report, the committee declared that a special investigation had shown that abolition of the 12-hour day was to the economic advantage of the owners of the industry. The three-shift day, it was stated, would directly relieve 150,000 workers now in the 12-hour shift and give work to 50,000 more who are now unemployed.

It is intended at the outset to install machinery aggregating \$25,000 in value and the employment of men from 50 to 70 men, he said. Negotiations carried on by W. H. Crawford, manager of the department of industry of the chamber of commerce, were largely responsible for bringing the firm here.

APPLE TRADE DECLINES

Shipments This Season Are Short
60,000 Boxes From 1920.

YAKIMA, Wash., Jan. 25.—(Special.)—Officers of the Yakima Fruit Growers' association were re-elected yesterday for the ensuing year. Reports of the association showed that it had shipped so far this season 260,000 boxes, or about 500 carloads of apples, compared with a total shipment of 320,000 boxes during the preceding season.

On account of market conditions this season, a large late shipment is expected and the association does not expect to close its remaining apple pools until late in the spring.

The association is considering a proposal to double its capital stock in order to handle the greatly increased shipments of fruit expected for the 1921 crop. H. P. James is president of the association.

Carl W. Holcomb Appointed.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Carl W. Holcomb, Salem, Or., sergeant company M, fifth infantry, Oregon national guard, has been designated as a cadet to West Point military academy.

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