

GOMPERS AND PLUMB PLAN HAVE BAD DAY

Election Returns Indicate
Rebellion of Labor.

CHIEFS MANDATE FAILS

Senators Who Stood by Esch-Cummins Railroad Bill Are Re-elected With Aid of Workers.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 6.—Careful examination of the election returns, now that the election returns are practically all in, discloses that it was a bad day for Samuel Gompers and the Plumb plan league.

More than 90 per cent of organized labor is shown to have refused to be delivered to Mr. Gompers' party. His political advice was absolutely ignored all along the line. In fact, many members of organized labor appeared to find the deepest satisfaction in voting against the mandate of their leader.

There has been an evident tendency for some time on the part of the members of organized labor to treat the aged president of the American Federation as a pensioner, returning him in nominal leadership in recognition of the better days when he was more inclined to lead and less inclined to dictate.

Esch's Victory of His Measure. Not a single active champion of the Esch-Cummins railroad bill, which was made the test by the party of Mr. Gompers and Glenn E. Plumb, fell by the wayside last Tuesday. True, Representative John J. Esch, chairman of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce, was defeated in the Wisconsin primaries, but that was a calamity rather than a triumph for labor. Esch opposed any drastic anti-strike legislation and was so gentle in framing the labor provisions that he was accused of straddling.

Esch opposed the Cummins anti-strike provisions which came over from the senate and also the Webster anti-strike provision. What is the result of defeating Esch? The man who defeated him cannot succeed to his important committee chairmanship and the new chairman will be Samuel Winslow, a wealthy manufacturer of Massachusetts, who is likely to be less considerate of Mr. Gompers and Mr. Plumb than was Mr. Esch.

Plumb Plan Enemies Re-elected.

In three states the Esch-Cummins law was made the chief issue in senatorial contests—Indiana, Iowa and Wisconsin. In Indiana the Plumb plan league and all of the forces that Gompers could rally went against Senator James E. Watson, who was "labeled officer" between senate and house during the long struggle over the passage of the bill. Watson has won by slightly less votes than Harding carried the Hoosier state.

In Iowa Senator Cummins was fought by the same elements because he was held responsible for the original anti-strike publication in the Esch-Cummins bill. He has more votes to spare in the little state of Iowa than Mr. Gompers appears to have controlled in all the country. In Wisconsin, Senator Robert M. La Follette, leader of the radical wing on the stump against Senator Lenroot and put an independent candidate in the field for senate because Lenroot supported the Esch-Cummins law. Lenroot won handily.

Harding Supported Measure.

Senator Harding's election in itself emphasizes the utter impotency of both Gompers and Plumb to deliver the railroad vote. The republican presidential nominee spoke for the Esch-Cummins law on the stump and when the campaign was over a very large per cent of the railroad men of the east and middle west were supporting him.

In the house were several men marked for defeat by the Gompers-Plumb forces, among them being Speaker Gillett and Representatives Ohio, Garland, of Pennsylvania; New York, of Minnesota, and McArthur, of Oregon.

All will be in their accustomed seats in the next house with commissions from their constituents backed up by votes of the states. It leaves no doubt as to how the folks back home feel about their records.

On the other hand, Representative Sims of Tennessee, who opposed the Esch-Cummins law and was the foster-father of the Plumb plan bill, was defeated in the primaries, as were several others who followed his course of surrendering to dictators who are shown by the recent election to have been repudiated by their own followers.

Government Control Repudiated.

The result of the election is viewed as meaning that the people of the United States wish to give the new railroad law a trial, having faith that in the end it will be preferable to turning these vast transportation properties over to the government to be run by politicians, as was the case between December 30, 1917, and March 1, this year.

RATES CLOSING MILLS

Lumber Shipment Stops Because of Advances, Says Consul.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—Recent increases of from 35 to 40 per cent in Canadian railway freights have practically stopped lumber shipments from British Columbia to the United States, according to a report to the department of commerce today from E. A. Wakefield, consul at Prince Rupert.

During the last 12 months the consul said British Columbia exported 20,000,000 feet of spruce and 60,000,000 shingles to the United States, while the only lumber now being shipped was contracted for before the rate advances. Spruce mills are closing down or curtailing operations, he added.

SAVE COAL, WIZARD URGES

Steinmetz Tells of Vast Economy Possible by Electrifying Lines.

The complete electrification of all railroads as a solution of the coal shortage and the freight congestion was advocated at the meeting of the Electric club in the Morrison hotel by Dr. Charles P. Steinmetz, the electrical wizard from Schenectady, N. Y. "The railroads are the greatest users of coal in the country," said Dr. Steinmetz, yearly consuming millions and millions of tons of fuel. By the electrification of railroads and the installation of electrical locomotives, a saving in fuel of 66 per cent would be made. These figures are not guess work; they are the result of statistics gathered from

former coal burning railroads which have been electrified.

And in addition to the saving in coal, we must not overlook the saving in transportation facilities. Under the present system, fuel must be hauled to many different coaling stations on the roads, so as to be available for locomotives.

"With the electrification of the roads and the construction of generating stations and power plants, coal would only have to be delivered to these plants, with the result that thousands of cars, would be released to be used in handling other commodities."

Edward Wanamaker, electrical engineer for the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad, told members of the American Railway Electrical Engineers' association, in convention at the Auditorium hotel, that electrification of the roads their only salvation.

The prices of coal and fuel oil have been constantly on the increase," he said, "and while the present rate of wages is being paid there will be no decrease in the price of transportation. Consequently the only alternative is to utilize our vast water power resources and electrify our railroads."

OPEN EXCHANGES ASKED

FARMERS SEEK ENTRANCE TO BIG GRAIN MARKETS.

Privilege of Collectively Selling Products Demanded; Action by Federal Authorities Is Urged.

CHICAGO, Nov. 6.—Request that the federal trade commission and the attorney-general or other public authority be called on to take necessary steps to open grain exchanges of the country to membership of co-operative companies, unless the exchanges act themselves, was made in a resolution adopted today at an executive session of the farmers' marketing committee. The resolution follows:

"Whereas, The principal grain exchanges of the United States bar co-operative companies that distribute their profits in proportion with the volume of business handled from participating in the buying and selling of farm products; and whereas, the same prevents producers from collectively selling their own products in the markets of the country, thereby creating a monopoly which is not in harmony with the spirit of American institutions;

"Therefore, be it resolved, That we call upon the federal trade commission, the attorney-general or other public authority to take such steps as may be necessary to open the said markets to the membership of co-operative companies unless the grain exchanges shall voluntarily do the same at once."

BRITISH FAVOR HARDING

President Wilson Never Forgiven for His "14 Points."

(Copyright by the New York World. Published by Arrangement.) LONDON, Nov. 6.—(Special cable.)—Whatever interest is taken here in the presidential election very distinctly favors the republicans. This sentiment is attributable to various considerations.

There is hostility to the democratic party because President Wilson has been forgiven for the 14 points and his efforts to have the Versailles peace conference. It is also believed that with the republican administration in power at Washington imperialistic and other deals will become more feasible, and America will count for less in world politics.

COMMERCE BODY MEETS

North Idaho Chamber Appropts Secretary Under Salary.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Nov. 6.—(Special.)—The north Idaho chamber of commerce concluded its sessions here today with adoption of a plan for permanent organization under the direction of a paid secretary. George E. Weeks of Coeur d'Alene was made secretary because of his power of manager.

Permanent headquarters will be established either at Lewiston or Coeur d'Alene.

Officers elected were: F. W. Mitchell, Nes Perce, president; G. E. Weeks, Coeur d'Alene, secretary-treasurer, and a vice-president from each county. Coeur d'Alene was selected as the place for the meeting next May.

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MAIL ORDERS GIVEN PROMPT ATTENTION

SOFT COAL PRICES DROP

OPERATORS REPORT DECLINE, WITH OUTPUT INCREASING.

National Association Says Immediate Needs Are Met and Surplus Will Be Stored for Winter.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—Soft coal prices are on the decline, a statement tonight from the National Coal association said. They have dropped 25 per cent in several fields and production is running at more than 12,000,000 tons a week, it said, adding that the "immediate soft coal wants of the nation" have been met and a surplus for storage against winter is being accumulated.

With cars available and a high production assured, "prices in the market will continue to drop," the statement predicted.

"Operators in soft coal fields," it continued, "where unusually high prices existed, have within the last 10 days been setting up fair practice committees and, working in conjunction with Attorney-General Palmer, have put under way a determined effort to eradicate abuses in the handling of coal. Coincident with this effort prices in these particular fields have already begun to fall."

The association also gave out a statement by its president, Colonel D. B. Wentz, denying that "the bituminous operators had sought to persuade Secretary Tumulty to influence coal priority orders to their advantage."

Of present plans for American marine expansion, Mr. Franklin said: "The nation has not yet digested its war-built fleet of merchant ships. Until it does and until the new merchant marine is privately owned and can stand on its own feet against the

competition of ships under other flags by operation on a sound basis, any established American steamship company must proceed with caution in ordering the construction of passenger liners."

Harding Not to Meet Oregon.

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Nov. 6.—Plans to bring about a meeting between President-elect Harding and Alvura Oregon, while the senator is in this section, have been dropped out of deference to Mr. Harding's desire for complete rest, it was announced today.

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Boys' Cotton Fleece Union Suits, suit.....\$1.50 to \$1.75

Boys' Wool-mixed Union Suits, suit.....\$2.50 to \$4.50

Women's Cotton Fleece Vests and Pants, garment.....\$1.25

Outsized, garment.....\$1.40

Women's Wool-mixed Vests and Pants, garment.....\$1.79 to \$6.00

Women's Heavy Cotton Fleece Union Suits.....\$1.98

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