

WANT FOOT LAND
FOR HOMES FOR
LABORING FOLK

Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 17.—Laboring organizations of Walla Walla will make a strong fight to secure the Fort Walla Walla lands when they are disposed of by congress, and at the meeting at the Trades Hall, Longview, of Walla Walla, which takes in labor unions with a membership of 700, resolutions asking that the land be cut up and sold to laborers in acre tracts will be passed and will then be sent to government officials for action.

That the resolutions will be unanimously passed is without doubt, for every labor union in the city has taken them up and passed them separately. The seal and signatures of the officers of every union are attached to endorsements of the resolutions, and these will be forwarded by the union men to government officials.

That the action has not been taken with a view to simply shutting out Whitman college is not the intention, as is averred by those in connection with the move; but they state that unless the land is given to laboring people there is every chance it will be given to some private corporation, which will make the people who are to be paid for the profit made by these corporations.

From a reliable source it is learned that the new movement has the good will of many congressmen, high government officials and local notables. That it will be supported by the American Federation of Labor has been assured, and organized labor the nation over will take a hand in the matter.

Just what the result of this will be is hard to tell. Whitman college has announced that it will make no further fight, but will let matters take their course. With the laboring men of the nation interested in the movement, it is possible that congress may take favorable action on the resolutions.

Whereas, It is generally believed that Fort Walla Walla, a cavalry post, situated near the southeastern limits of Walla Walla, State of Washington, and consisting of about 100 acres of more or less land is about to be ordered abandoned, having already been vacated by the troops, and

Whereas, Said tract of land, if abandoned will have to be disposed of by the United States government, its present owner, by act of congress, and

Whereas, Said land being a portion of the most fertile of the soils of the Walla Walla valley and especially adapted to intensive cultivation, will be much sought after by private financial interests for speculative purposes, and

Resolved, That this council petition the honorable congress of the United States to enact a law, the essence of which shall be an outlined, and which will make the lands aforesaid directly transferable to the ownership of industrial toilers, whether they are members of organized labor or not, and be it further

POLITICAL COLONELS
MUST STEP DOWN

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 17.—A prophecy that Governor-Elect Johnson will eliminate the numerous "political colonels" that composed the majority of the military staffs of former governors is followed by a report that Johnson is planning to ask for the submission of a plan for the establishment of a permanent working staff composed of men familiar with military life and discipline. The details of the reorganization of the governor's staff have not been made public, but it is a safe prediction that any of the changes contemplated by Johnson will result in the indorsement of the officers and men of the California National Guard, who feel that the aides of the governor should be men who really study military conditions. That the scheme will arouse the antagonism of the "barroom guards" is the belief of the bona fide graduates of the military academy, who feel that the same influences will be used to retain the decorations.

The probable procedure of Johnson, it is said, will be to revoke the commissions of some 30 gold lace colonels and provide himself with a compact staff representing the various branches of the armed forces. This would comprise a colonel of infantry, one of artillery, another of cavalry, one from the signal corps and a fifth from the naval militia.

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