

Rain tonight and Thursday; southerly winds.

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36 Labor Chiefs Held on Dynamite Bill Gompers and Aides Fully Exonerated

35 IRONWORKERS ARE NABBED IN 17 CITIES OF COUNTRY

Complicity in Countrywide Dynamiting Plots Is Charged Against Structural Union Leaders and One Other.

High Officials Exonerated. (United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 14.—Full and complete exoneration for Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and for its other officials on charges of having been concerned in the alleged country-wide dynamite plots for which a score of ironworkers' officials were arrested today, was made here today by the department of justice.

Indiana, Feb. 14.—Indicted by a federal grand jury on accusations of complicity in a countrywide dynamiting plot which culminated in the destruction of the Los Angeles Times by John J. and James B. McNamara, 35 labor leaders, 35 of them members of the International Association of Bridge & Structural Ironworkers were arrested today in 17 eastern cities.

Foremost in importance of those taken into custody by the federal officials were Frank M. Ryan, president; John Butler, vice president; Herbert S. Hockin, vice president and acting secretary, and H. W. Legleitner, a former member of the executive board of the ironworkers. In every case where the union men were arraigned they at once pleaded not guilty to charges of conspiracy illegally to transport dynamite from state to state. They were all released on bail and will be arraigned before United States Judge Anderson in the federal court here March 12.

Even in the midst of the arrests the cause of the union men scored a distinct triumph when accusations leveled at Samuel Gompers and the other officials of the American Federation of Labor were officially cleared by the government to have been baseless. Officials of the United States department of justice in Washington gave full and free exoneration to Gompers and his associates of the federation, declaring that not one scintilla of evidence had been produced to show that they had any knowledge whatever of the alleged conspiracy.

Information that the arrested ironworkers expect quick action in their cases was made by President Ryan, when he was taken into custody.

"Of course, we won't be given as much time as some others," he said. "It took the government seven years to get the beef trust into court. Watch how quickly they will railroad us."

District Attorney Miller said: "This is only about half the number of men indicted. Outsiders don't begin to understand the ramifications of this conspiracy." He declared it improbable that all the persons indicted would be arrested before tomorrow night.

President Ryan of the ironworkers and Vice Presidents Hockin and Butler have been unable to secure the bail demanded as yet, but expect to do so before night.

Women Witnesses in Dynamiting Cases



Above is Miss Nora Haley, former secretary to John J. McNamara of the Structural Iron Workers. Below is Miss Rose Rafael of San Francisco, who appeared before the Indianapolis grand jury.

ELLIS DECIDES TO ENTER RACE FOR SEAT IN CONGRESS

Pendleton Standpatter to Get Solid Support of the Taft Crowd; Will Probably Have Five Competitors.

Ex-Congressman W. R. Ellis of Pendleton, who has been in Portland for several days feeling out the political situation, has decided to make the race for the Republican nomination for congress in the Second district. While Mr. Ellis refused to admit today that he is definitely in the race, it is known that the question was settled at a conference last night at the Imperial hotel, and that the standard Taft element in the party will line up practically solidly behind the Umatilla county statesman. The entrance of Ellis into the field makes five candidates already announced in the Second district, with a strong probability that another will declare within the next few days.

The standpatters and reactionaries have been holding all sorts of conferences and consultations in this city for the past two weeks trying to fix upon someone of their faith to put up in the second district. State Senator J. N. Burgess of Pendleton, was looked upon with favor until some one suggested that he was connected with the opposition to the West Umatilla irrigation project. Other prominent eastern Oregon standpatters were taken up by the reactionaries, but at last night's conference it was agreed that Ellis had the best chance of winning over the progressive field. When seen today Ellis admitted that he is seriously considering making the race, but preferred not to make a formal announcement of his decision for a day or so.

UNCLE SAM WILL REACH OUT AFTER CROOKED DEALER

Arrest by Federal Authorities of Alleged Perpetrators of Fake Land Sales but Beginning of Campaign.

2 BOND DEALERS MAY HAVE FLED TO CANADA

Evidence Against Men Now Under Arrest Is Said to Be Conclusive.

The government net is closing down over perpetrators of fake land sales in Canada, Washington, D. C., and San Francisco today. The crusade inaugurated by United States District Attorney John McCourt to put a stop to sales of worthless lands to unwary persons has suddenly assumed international proportions.

MADERO WILL HAVE QUIET AT ANY COST, RULES AS DICTATOR

Meanwhile the United States district attorney's office has received information that W. E. DeLarm, understood to have been the chief promoter of the fake orchard land bond selling scheme, and his associate, G. C. Hodges, have fled to Canada. It was intimated this morning that the pair had taken with them large quantities of the worthless bonds, which they expected to dispose of in order to meet the expense of their flight. It was also intimated that their whereabouts is known today and that they will be brought back to Portland.

REICHSTAG COALITION PICKS RADICAL CHIEF

Berlin, Feb. 14.—Final triumph of the coalition of parties opposing the Socialists for the control of the reichstag was cemented today with the election as its president of Herr Kaempf, a radical. Kaempf is the man elected from the kaiser's own district who barely won out over the Socialist candidate there, greatly to the relief of the emperor.

WHO GETS THE VALENTINE?



ARIZONA TAKES UP HER DUTIES OF STATEHOOD TODAY

President Taft Signs Proclamation in Washington and Governor-Elect Hunt Takes Oath of Office at Phoenix.

GOLDEN RULE TO GUIDE NEW-STATE EXECUTIVE

Jeffersonian Simplicity Will Be Observed in Matters of Administration.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 14.—President Taft today signed the proclamation granting statehood to Arizona. The president used a gold pen, which he later gave to Postmaster General Hitchcock.

Chancellor Lloyd-George (above) openly and vehemently championing the cause of "votes for women," and Premier Asquith (below) set sternly against it.

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 14.—Ringing of bells, screeching of whistles and cheers of thousands of citizens today marked the closing hours of Arizona's half-century of territorial life. By 11 o'clock several thousand persons had gathered about the capitol steps to await the appearance of Governor-Elect George W. P. Hunt, although the inaugural ceremonies were not scheduled until noon.

HOME RULE MEANS AN IRISH ASSEMBLY PICKED BY PEOPLE

Proponents Contend "Union of Imperial Supremacy, Local Autonomy" Ideal Condition; Others Say Impracticable.

OIL TANK ORDINANCE PASSED BY COUNCIL OVER MAYOR'S VETO

Only Three Members, Namely, Burghard, Wallace and Monks, Voted to Sustain Mayor; Must Move the Tanks From East Water Street.

Never Quiet Without Home Rule

Sir Edward Grey, secretary of foreign affairs—Ireland will never be really reconciled.

Disagree Over Suffrage



IRELAND AT LAST NEAR END OF LONG HOME RULE FIGHT

King Opens Session of Parliament at Which Self-Government Measure for Erin Probably Will Be Passed.

OPPOSITION BY LORDS MEANS SHORT DELAY

Combination of Factions Practically Assures Popularly-Elected Assembly.

Home Rule Means an Irish Assembly Picked by People

London, Feb. 14.—King George today opened parliament with the most important session of parliament since his accession to the throne—the "Home Rule session."

Oil Tank Ordinance Passed by Council Over Mayor's Veto

Only three councilmen, Wallace, Burghard and Monks, voted to sustain Mayor; must move the tanks from East Water Street.