

SUFFRAGE STRIKE IN ALL BELGIUM IS TO BEGIN MONDAY

Thousands of Belgian Workmen Plan to Quit Work on Monday; Women and Children Leave Country.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Brussels, April 12.—All hope of a compromise between the Socialists and the government was abandoned tonight and more than 350,000 Belgian workmen are ready to strike Monday to emphasize their demand for manhood suffrage by the biggest labor movement in Europe's industrial history.

To keep from paralyzing the country all the proposed strikers will not quit on the first day, but by mid-week the Socialists predict that more than 500,000 men will have stopped work.

Troops tonight have occupied every city that the strike will affect and the wives and children of nearly all the Socialists have been sent to Germany, France and Holland, in preparation for the strike.

Movement is Unique.

The movement, which has been under way more than a year, is unique in the history of trade unionism, in that its object is political rather than industrial. It is to be a protest against the refusal of the government to afford facilities in parliament for the discussion of electoral reforms. The only position at issue is the franchise.

The trade unions, except the few last are allied with the dominant Catholic party and the Socialists are united in their determination to force a reform of the electoral laws which give certain classes two or more votes, with the result that the government remains in the control of the moneyed aristocracy.

The government is taking extraordinary measures to cope with the situation. The full quota of the civic guard has been mustered and all regular troops are mobilized.

PREFER POSTOFFICE TO FRONT ON BROADWAY

Broadway will be the street on which the main entrance of the new postoffice building will face if the almost unanimous recommendation of a committee of representative citizens of Portland is adopted by the federal postal authorities.

The committee, which was named by E. B. Piper, president of the Commercial club, visited the sites of the proposed building yesterday at noon. After viewing the situation from all angles the committee members decided to take up the matter with Postmaster Williamson and through him to transmit their recommendation to Washington.

The postmaster has expressed himself as being in favor of having the main entrance on Park street in conformity to the Bennett plan for a city beautiful. It was pointed out, however, that the block in front of the postoffice site on Park street is owned by the railroad and hence will not be a continuation of the park squares but will be used for freight purposes. For this reason a main entrance on this street would not be as suitable as one on Broadway.

Mayor Rushlight declared himself as being strongly in favor of the Broadway entrance, as did also C. A. Morden, representing the Oregonian, John F. Carroll of the Telegram, A. L. Fish and Fred B. Lockley of The Journal, T. E. Barron of the News, Ralph W. Hoyt and John Amund.

IT'S NOT ALL JOKE ABOUT THE CASTIRON STOMACH OF USEFUL BEARDED BILLY



(Special Correspondence.) Oregon City, Or., April 12.—The castiron stomach of the goat has been a puzzle to scientists throughout the ages, alleged humorists tell us. There's an old myth concerning a bearded Billy who lunched on Pat's red shirt and for after dinner delicacies, got away with a pound of eight-penny nails, un-bleached, or words to that effect. Another shaggy fellow—goat, not humorist, nibbled a stick of dynamite for his last earthly meal. Rhymesters have made "a goat" of the goat for years.

Laying aside for the moment all jesting, it may be said that the goat—of Clackamas county, at least—has a most remarkable digestion. This eating habit has not been so terribly exaggerated as one might imagine. Not that our farmers invite their pets to nibble at their red shirts, nor do they throw their dynamite about carelessly. However, it has been conclusively shown here during the past few years that goats live and thrive with the absolute minimum of attention on the part of their owners. Clackamas county goats are turned loose in the hills—that's about all anyone knows. The mild year-round climate makes such a move possible during the past few years the farmer rounds up his flock, clips and sells his wool at a handsome figure, and again turns his hands loose. What all the goats have tackled in the meantime, only the powers above can say. At all events they fatten up and multiply—two things for which Clackamas angoras are famous.

Goat Opportunities in Foothills.

Still the goat industry in this county is in its infancy. There are thousands and thousands of acres of waste land in the foothills along the western slope of the Cascade mountains, absolutely worthless today as pasture producing land, which could be made to pay—and pay well, by stocking the range with the wearers of the mohair.

Of primary importance is the goat's ability to clear land. A band of Angoras will clear up a man's land of all shrubs and weeds, and will clean up park and weeds. Everything goes the same route to that 110-proof receptacle known as the goat's stomach, of which the poets are wont to sing. All the while the goat is lurching on the chips and snuffing his mohair is thickening and when the sad time arrives when goat and hair must part, the owner finds a ready market in this locality at prices ranging from 25c to 35c per pound. Add to this 80 per cent to 100 per cent increase in the flock—of Oregon Angoras are bred against race suicide—and a neat profit on a very modest investment is the result.

Blue Bloods Pay Best.

It has also been shown in this county that pure-blood goats, like all other pure-blood stock, are far more valuable to the owner, and will produce from one to three pounds more wool per head. Possibly the common scrub goat becomes a little peevish at the simple life his aristocratic brothers strangely thrive on; at any rate, the blue-bloods bring the money and maintain a healthier existence, if such is possible. Speaking of health, or ill health rather, the consensus of opinion is that there is just about one disease which goat owners should be on their guard against. This blight is a form of worms, which if cared for in time, by any good salt preparation, will remove the trouble in quick order. An occasional inspection will tell the story of health or sickness among the flock.

Captain Dickson's Experience.

It is predicted that Clackamas county will within the next decade become the goat center of Oregon. Local farmers are fast waking up to the fact and are stocking their unimproved lands with goats. One of a hundred instances might be mentioned. Captain James Dickson, U. S. A., after a Philippine service lasting several years, retired from the department a year or so ago, bought 60 acres of unimproved land along the Clackamas river, five miles northeast of Oregon City. The first maneuver of the captain, after account among the many stumps on his place was to stock his land with a herd of Angoras, who follow the captain about doing the lighter work, while he and his men clean up the big stumps.



Above—Triplets, self-sustaining money-makers. Below—"Kids" on the Barney ranch, three miles east of Oregon City.

But two things are required, water and fences, and the goats do the rest. The canyons and slopes of Clackamas county could produce and care for annually 100,000 goats, according to a modest estimate, and the value of the annual increase of herds, together with the mohair, would exceed the total value of any of the cereals, hops, apples or small fruits exported from the county.

A very successful convention of the Baptist churches was closed last night at the local church. Dr. W. B. Hinson of the White Temple delivered the sermon last night, which was greatly appreciated by all who attended the meeting.

A large number of the Lent's younger set attended the opening of the new skating rink on Pearl street near Foster road, last night. The rink is one of the largest in the city, and will afford a new diversion for the pleasure loving citizens of the Mt. Scott district.

The afternoon session was taken up by a "Household Program." Miss Lillian "Single" of the Washington high school gave a very interesting lecture on domestic science work. Mrs. McNeill explained, "Best Floor Finishes" to the great satisfaction to all who were present. Mrs. Eugene Palmer addressed the members on "Best Material for Cooking Utensils." A short musical and literary program was also enjoyed, which included recitations by Winifred Smith and Gordon McNeill, and instrumental selections by Ruth Rodgers and Ruth Richards.

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LENTS SOCIAL CLUB MEETING

Merger With Commercial Club Decided Upon; Household Program.

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SATURDAY NIGHTS OFF REQUESTED

A plea for Saturday nights off through the whole year and for Saturday half-holidays in July and August for employes of department stores, will be made by members of the Portland Consumers League, of which Mrs. Henry Russell Talbot is chairman.

At a special meeting yesterday to discuss the subject, the executive board of the league put the request in the form of a petition which will be presented to the management of each of the stores. The action already taken by all the stores in shortening the hours and increasing the wages of women employes is warmly commended. The resolution reads in part as follows: "While commending, with earnest congratulations, the step recently taken by your firm in the matter of shorter hours and higher wages, we would petition for a still further extension of your welfare policy in behalf of your employes. We would ask your firm to place in operation the plan followed by first class firms in many of our large cities of closing the stores on Saturday nights during the year, and also giving the employes half-holidays during the months of July and August.

"We are especially gratified that this plan has been suggested by some of the firms directly affected."

With the petition is presented a formal agreement to effect that if unanimously signed by all the stores, the plan proposed will be put into effect.

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WHY JOSSELYN OPPOSES PLAN

W. C. Benbow Makes Pointed Comment on Commission Form.

That the opposition of B. S. Josselyn, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, to the commission plan charter chiefly because it includes the preferential system of voting, should make 10,000 votes for the charter, was asserted last night by W. C. Benbow, member of the official charter revision committee. Mr. Josselyn's statement appeared in The Journal yesterday afternoon.

"Mr. Josselyn in his attack on the commission charter," said Mr. Benbow, "discloses the kind of a city government he believes in. He would run it with multi-millionaires. He names them. They are now the unseen masters of our city. He would bring them in the open. They would need no salary because they own the city."

Would Be Manager.

"Mr. Josselyn would be the manager at \$50,000 a year. He could save the city 50 per cent by streetcar methods on city employes. He would make Messrs. Wilcox, Almsworth, Ladd and Pittock, all fine gentlemen personally, the open rulers of the city, and Messrs. Pittock and Wilcox, who own large blocks of river front property, are disputing now every effort of the city to control its own river front, Messrs. Wilcox, Ladd and Almsworth are holders of large blocks of stock in the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, the telephone company and other utility corporations. Even Mr. Lombard as mayor might fit in very well in Mr. Josselyn's government. These men, who have private personal interests directly opposed to every small home owner in the city, to the masses who ride in the streetcars or use the telephone.

Asks Some Questions.

"Josselyn says they would work for nothing. Does Mr. Josselyn know of any private corporation, even who would put in a part of their time, let alone the whole, serving for nothing on the board of directors?"

"Would Mr. Josselyn elect men on his board of directors who were in the active management of a competing company? Has he worked for nothing as president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company? Do Messrs. Wilcox, Almsworth, Ladd or Pittock devote their splendid business ability to anybody for nothing? Haven't they worked all their lives for their personal advantage? Wouldn't it reverse all their former business habits if he made such a change? Mr. Josselyn doesn't like the preferential system. Thank God, he is honest enough to let us know it. Maybe now some of the honest but misinformed people will understand that the new charter is worth while after all."

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N. K. Clarke, Asst. Mgr.

WANT EAST SIDE DOCKS BUILT SOON

Federated Clubs Appoint Committee to Look Into the Wharf Question.

At the meeting of the Greater East Side United Improvement Clubs' association Friday night the following resolution in regard to public docks was adopted unanimously by the 24 clubs represented at the meeting:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of the associations that the east side public docks, as planned and promised in Central East Portland, should be started and completed at the earliest possible moment and in time for the formal opening of the Panama canal, on or before 1915; and

"Whereas, The east side tonnage statistics gathered for public dock data showed nearly 3,000,000 tons of freight entering and leaving the east side over two years ago, and upon which the engineers and public dock commission recommended and promised a public dock for Central East Portland, to serve the greatest shipping district on the east side, which now handles over \$25,000,000 of agricultural implements and machinery alone, to say nothing of the other industries; and

"Whereas, There has been a great delay in the starting of the public docks, particularly as planned for the central east side, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the chair appoint a committee of five to look into the east side public dock question and urge upon the public dock commission the needs and importance of the early commencement and expedition in the construction of this east side public dock. It is further

"Resolved, That we favor the water front bill, and that this committee be instructed to do all in its power to protect the public on this water front question, helping to initiate this bill if necessary and to urge the building of these east side public docks in order that Portland may keep step in the world's growth as a maritime port."

The meeting also went on record as being in favor of commission government and the proposed charter for Portland. After lengthy discussion, it was decided that the charter was good enough to start with and that it would not hurt anyone but the public service and the special privilege interests. It was decided to take active part in the campaign for the commission charter, and the club will furnish speakers to any east side club that wishes to be informed upon the subject.

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