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BONUS PLAN IS KILLED

Labor Organizations Protest Against
What Is Contended to Be Slave
Driving Method.

Washington, Aug. 8.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL).—By decisive votes in both branches of congress it has been decided that the government will not countenance the use of stop watches or other so-called speeding up devices, such as are used in many manufacturing under private management.

The advocates of such devices assert that they are a means to efficiency. The standard of the efficient workman if fixed at a certain point, so that those who surpass the standard receive a bonus in the form of larger pay, and those who fall below the standard earn less or lose their employment.

The labor unions of the country are strongly opposed to such methods, which they contend lead to slave driving. The inevitable result, they declare, is to force men to work at the highest speed, under a nervous tension that tends to wear out the human machine at an untimely age.

Gallinger Offers Amendment.
After the senate, in the consideration of the military bill, had once decided that "efficiency devices" should be prohibited, the controversy was revived by Senator Gallinger, who suggested an amendment under which the stop watch would be forbidden, but under which bonuses might be paid "for suggestions resulting in improvements or economy in the operation of any government plant."

Gallinger's position was that a man who earns additional compensation should receive it. There is no injustice, he said, in granting greater pay to a workman who has gained greater skill and capacity than others who work alongside him.

Senator Weeks came to his support with a picture of conditions at the Watertown arsenal, where, he stated, 521 men have been working under the bonus system, and all of these men, with one exception, have earned bonus money in addition to their regular wages. These men will be deprived of the opportunity to earn an average of \$5.50 weekly above their regular compensation, he said.

Compared With Sweat Shop.
Senator La Follette declared that efficiency systems, whether stop watch or bonus be used, are essentially based upon the sweat shop idea of exacting all that labor will bear. "The public interest in this country," he said, "is in protecting it, not only with regard to the work hours of women but with regard to the hours of labor of men, not only with regard to the strain, the tension, the ordeal, the tax to which men and women shall be subjected in performing their daily occupations."

Recalling the fact that conference committees, when given even a small excuse, sometimes insert provisions that might not otherwise receive approval, La Follette urged rejection of the Gallinger proposal because it was a wedge of disagreement that might be used to restore some broader "efficiency plan" in conference.

Senate Rejects Amendment.
The senate rejected the Gallinger amendment by a vote of 15 to 40, as follows:

Ayes—Brandrege, Clark of Wyoming, Dillingham, Gallinger, Harding, Lee of Maryland, McCumber, Page, Penrose, Sherman, Smoot, Thomas, Wadsworth, Weeks, Works. Thirteen Republicans, two Democrats.

Nays—Ashurst, Brandrege, Borah, Brady, Broussard, Chamberlain, Chip Cullerson, Fletcher, James, Johnson of South Dakota, Jones, La Follette, Lane, Martin of Virginia, Martine of New Jersey, Myers, Norris, Overman, Owen, Phelan, Pittman, Poinsett, Randall, Reed, Sausburg, Sheppard, Shields, Simmons, Smith of Arizona, Smith of South Carolina, Sterling, Stone, Swanson, Taggart, Tillman, Thompson, Underwood, Vandaman, Williams. Seven Republicans, 33 Democrats.

Reinlein's Cure Held Valueless.

Washington, Aug. 8.—Secretary Houston of the department of agriculture, in a letter to Senator Chamberlain, says that plans proposed by Fred Reinlein of North Bend, Or., for control of the boll weevil pest are valueless.

Reinlein has issued circulars on the subject, accompanied by letters, which were referred to the department by the senator. Secretary Houston says these circulars and letters have been sent to directors of experiment stations and other state officers in the southern states by Reinlein, also to cotton planters, and the consensus of opinion, both inside and outside the department, is that the plans outlined are valueless.

SMITH'S ARID LANDS BILL IS EXPECTED TO STIMULATE IRRIGATION

Washington, Aug. 8.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL).—Considerable impetus is expected to be given to irrigation of arid lands under state law from the enactment by congress of the bill of Representative Smith of Idaho, under which construction charges on public lands within an irrigation district will be assessed against the lands.

Heretofore state irrigation districts have often been balked by refusal of entrants to pay irrigation charges, as it was possible to relinquish and the new owner would not be required to pay the accumulated costs. By making the charges a lien against the land the participation of government land in the cost of construction is insured.

Another provision which is expected to assist in marketing bonds of irrigation districts and thus promote development is the measure of protection that will be given in requiring approval by the secretary of the interior of the plans for any project in which liens are to be placed on government lands. This will give additional assurance to investors that the projects undertaken are feasible and the water supply sufficient.

The Smith bill was one of the measures approved by irrigation interests of the west. The Jones bill, which goes a step further and guarantees the interest on bonds of districts under state law, is still in senate committee. While its case is not hopeless, it is now so far behind that prospect of its enactment by the present congress is small.

MRS. VAN VLERAH IS QUEEN OF THE DAHLIAS



Mrs. Clyde Van Vlerah.

Seaside, Or., Aug. 8.—Mrs. Clyde Van Vlerah of Seaside has been elected queen of the eighth annual Dahlia Fair which will be held at Seaside, Thursday and Friday of this week. Mrs. Van Vlerah is the wife of Dr. Van Vlerah and daughter of Mrs. J. E. Brouse. She received a total of 2163 votes in the contest held to select a queen.

An elaborate program has been prepared for the dahlia show, the exhibit of blossoms this year to be more varied and beautiful than ever before according to plans.

The queen will be one of the soloists in the song cycle to be given on the second day of the show.

Lumbermen Will Meet at Bend, Or.

Proposed Consolidation Western Pine
Manufacturers and California White
Pine Manufacturers to Be Considered

Bend, Or., Aug. 8.—Between 75 and 100 lumbermen of the Pacific coast are expected in Bend tomorrow morning to attend the convention of Western Pine Manufacturers' association, the California White Pine Manufacturers' association and the Western Box Manufacturers' association, which meets here tomorrow and Thursday. Tomorrow's session will be chiefly concerned with business matters coming before the associations.

One of the most important questions is the proposed consolidation of the Western Pine Manufacturers' association and the California White Pine Manufacturers' association. The visiting lumbermen will be entertained tomorrow evening with a banquet by the Bend Commercial club. Over the lumber belt tributary to Bend, and will inspect the lumber mills of the Sheelin-Hixon company and the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company. A record-breaking wave of humidity has swept the valley, and this, combined with the ordinary intense heat of the region, has caused many prostrations.

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DR. EVA HARDING THINKS SHE STILL HAS A FIGHTING CHANCE

If Nominated for Congress,
Election Will Follow, Fair
Candidate Declares.

Topeka, Kan., Aug. 8.—(U. P.)—Dr. Eva Harding, the Sunflower state "fighting woman," would not admit today that the Rev. H. J. Corwin has beaten her for the Democratic nomination for congress in the first district. Corwin claimed the nomination by about 200 votes.

"I don't know whether I have been nominated or not," Dr. Harding said today. "If I have been nominated, I expect to be elected. Dan Anthony notwithstanding. It makes little difference to me whether I fight for the rights of women and children in Washington or in Kansas."

Dr. Harding does not like to campaign.

"I like a tangible scrap; something I can dig right into, like fighting for a children's park in Topeka. A campaign does not seem to me to be that kind of a scrap," she declared.

"If Anthony is a real good politician, and I have been nominated, he will refuse the Republican nomination and make it unanimous for the woman candidate—a compliment to Kansas women and suffrage," Dr. Harding said.

Dr. Harding got her name, "fighting woman," when she put a state textbook law through the legislature and enforced it after ousting one school board and arresting another on a criminal charge of selling illegal school books.

Another name, "Injunction," Harding was given when she got out an injunction restraining the city of Topeka from making a "park for the rich," and another restraining the street car company from going down Eighth street when it had promised to go down Tenth.

"Is it any wonder I am called a scrapper?" she said. "I like it a good deal better than going out after votes for myself."

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Billy Sunday Will Speak Here Tonight

Ice Hippodrome Will Be Place of Meet-
ing—Reserved Seats Will Not Be
Held After 8 o'clock Sharp.

Billy Sunday will speak at the Ice Hippodrome, Twentieth and Marshall streets, tonight.

At 8 o'clock sharp any reserved seats which are unoccupied will be thrown open to the public and the meeting will be on. Doors open at 7 p. m.

After Billy starts to speak no one will be admitted.

The Hammer quartet of Albany will sing between 7:30 and 8:00 o'clock. Dr. J. C. McMichael will lead congregational singing.

Rev. W. O. Shank, president of the Ministerial union, has an appointment to meet Mr. Sunday after the meeting tonight, to discuss with him necessary arrangements in order to bring him in to this city for an evangelistic campaign.

After five and a half years of work a Pennsylvania jeweler has completed an electrically operated clock containing 228 moving human figures, all carved from oak with a pen knife.

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GERMANY IS INSPIRED WITH CONFIDENCE AS RESULT OF VICTORIES

Failure of British to Make
Important Gains and Rou-
mania's Choice Cheer.

By Carl W. Ackerman.
Berlin, Aug. 8.—(U. P.)—Failure of the British to make any important headway in their great offensive on the Somme front and a fresh defeat for allied diplomats in Roumania have inspired the German public with confidence.

All reports from Bucharest and Vienna indicate that the Balkan situation is again satisfactory to the Central Powers. Reports from Stockholm declare keen disappointment is felt in Petrograd over the failure of the allied diplomats' latest maneuvers at Bucharest.

Satisfied that they could not induce Roumania to enter the war, the allies attempted another coup in the negotiations just closed. They asked that

Russia be permitted to send troops through Roumania to invade Hungary, thus evading the Carpathian mountain barrier. Russia guaranteed to defend Roumania from attack should Austria declare war on Roumania.

Halting of the Russian advance in the southeast and the allied failure to break through the German lines in the west were factors that added Germany greatly at Bucharest. The allies it is understood, have now practically discontinued their efforts to win Roumania's favor.

May Have Been Murdered.
Index, Wash., Aug. 8.—(P. N. S.)—

Authorities today are investigating the death of Ed Hogan, one of a pond crew who was found dead beside his cabin with a bullet wound in his head. It is believed he was murdered.

Judge Stuart of Hawaii Resigns.
Washington, Aug. 8.—(U. P.)—President Wilson today accepted the resignation of Judge Thomas D. Stuart of the First judicial circuit court of Hawaii. The vacancy will be filled in a few days, Attorney General Gregory said.

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