

EAST REBELS AT GARFIELD'S ORDER

Storm of Protest Follows a
Sweeping Move of Fuel
Administrator

DECLARES EVERY MONDAY
A LEGAL HOLIDAY

Press and Public Indignant;
Senators Start Investigation
of New Fuel-Saving Plan.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—
The Senate adopted a resolution
postponing the coal order for five
days.

BY ROBERT J. BENDER, U. P.
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

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Caught in the whirlpool of business
confusion and dismay, Fuel
Dictator Garfield this afternoon
sought to draft an intelligent or
der as to the suspension of indus-
tries. Not since the war began
has there been such a violent protest
over a government order. Garfield,
who consulted attorneys and
congressmen, was told every-
where that he hasn't the needed
authority to execute the program.
Garfield admits it may be necessary
to postpone execution of the
order at midnight.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Indus-
trial America arose and violently
protested Garfield's fuel
saving order virtually suspending
operations in the Eastern half of
the nation's great plants. Under
an avalanche of hundreds of
thousands of telegrams, Garfield
is planning with his state aides
for putting his order into effect
at midnight.

Business protests reveal dismay,
confusion, charges of inefficiency
and belief that the step is not nec-
essary. Telegrams are flooding
the White House demanding a
revocation of the order, Garfield's
removal, and declaring that it will
upset industries and is dangerous
nationally and internationally.

The fuel administrator answered
the charges of usurping power
by saying that the Lever bill and
Priority powers authorize the res-
triction of fuel. Conferences be-
tween Garfield and the shipping
board resulted in the declaration
that some steel plants must close
while sufficient supplies are en
route to the shippers.

Hundreds of questions coming in
indicate that the order is not clear
to thousands in the affected com-
munities. It caused general con-
fusion. Garfield explained that
the Monday holiday order affects
only the Eastern half of the na-
tion, but Western state fuel ad-
ministrators are empowered to
enforce a fuel holiday there also.
Garfield said for the present all
must rely on the newspapers for
information. He said the order is
solely for fuel restriction. Busi-
ness offices, etc., wishing to re-
main open without the use of
coal can do so. Garfield amended
the original order so it will be
effective at midnight instead of
at noon.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The
senate subcommittee investigating the
coal situation decided to summon
Garfield immediately to explain his
drastic order.

Senators Hitchcock and Gallinger
introduced resolutions asking Gar-
field to delay the order five days,
to allow protests to be heard. Mem-
bers of both houses are amazed, and many
indignantly say the order is calamitous.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—A million and
a half Illinois workmen and wo-
men will be affected by the order,
and the loss of wage income will be
approximately \$4,500,000 daily.

Business men and relief workers
believe a week's notice should have

P. D. GILBERT HEADS LOCAL DEFENSE COUNCIL

Election Held Yesterday to Fill
Vacancy Caused by Dr.
Gibson's Resignation.

At a meeting of the Patriotic
League of Linn county, of the
State Council of Defense, in the
circuit court room of the courthouse
yesterday, P. D. Gilbert was elected
chairman to succeed Rev. C. E. Gib-
son, resigned.

The meeting was called to order by
the secretary, K. R. Cronise, and
George H. Crowell was elected tem-
porary chairman and presided during
the meeting.

Mr. Gilbert's selection was unani-
mous, it being the belief that he would
serve better than anyone else in the
community. Having four sons in the
service, his interest in the war work
to be done is unquestioned.

Several delegates from different
towns in the county were present.

E. D. Cusick read a letter from
H. L. Corbett, chairman of the State
Council of Defense, asking the local
organization to raise its quota on
money for the War Camp Restoration
Fund. The matter was referred to a
committee of three who are to in-
vestigate and report.

Senator Cusick told of the work of
the State Council of Defense. Judge
D. B. McKnight called attention to
the fact that the court has an aside
sum for war work during this year,
and asked the cooperation of the
council in carrying on work of bene-
fit to the nation at this time.

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WEST WILL HELP OREGON AT WASHINGTON

Ex-Governor on His Way to
Capital to Get Govt. to Join
in Land Suit.

PORTLAND, Jan. 17.—(U. P.)—
Ex-Governor Oswald West goes to
Washington to induce the government
to join Oregon as party in a suit
to recover 15,000 acres of land which
the state failed to recover in the re-
cent victory in the Hyde land suits.
The court didn't direct return of
this portion of the land, though it
held it was obtained by fraud.

Plans for the local drive of the
Young Women's Christian association
for the week beginning January 21 are
being perfected. Miss Flora Mason and
Mrs. Joseph Ralston are the commit-
tee selected to manage the campaign
and they have chosen to assist as
captains, the following: Mrs. Owen
Beam, Mrs. L. E. Hamilton, Mrs. H.
B. Cusick, Mrs. W. H. Lee, Mrs.
H. S. Logan, Mrs. P. A. Young, Mrs.
C. E. Winn, Miss Ada Pratt.

Each captain will be assisted by a
committee of ten ladies who will make
a thorough house to house canvass
of the city.

Miss Fox, of the University of
Oregon, who has charge of the drive in
the state outside of Portland, will
meet with the captains and workers
Monday morning at the library. It is
hoped that the drive in Albany may
be completed on Tuesday, and every-
one is asked to respond promptly and
generously to this last call for war
work. After the enthusiastic plea
made by the Canadian officers last
night for the work of the Red Cross
and Young Men's and Young Wo-
men's Christian associations, all should
feel that this is a good chance to con-
tribute liberally to the work.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(U. P.)—
Berlin wireless messages assert that
the Central Powers' peace delegates for-
mally notified the Russians that their
proposals for the removal of German
troops from Courland, Poland and
Lithuania while these sections are
voting on a future government, is un-
acceptable.

They hold that the withdrawal of
the armies is impossible while the war
lasts, but promise to endeavor to
reduce the number of troops. They
said that the Teutons are "willing in
a benevolent spirit to examine the
question of the return of refugees."

MARY PICKFORD PLEAS
AT THE GLOBE THEATRE

As an attraction extraordinary the
Globe theatre presents Mary Pickford
in a new Arctcraft picture, "A Rom-
ance of the Redwoods," staged un-
der the personal direction of Cecil B.
De Mille.

A Western subject of full-blooded,
dramatic action, the new Pickford ve-
hicle presents "Little Mary" in a role
that is entirely different from any-
thing in which she has ever appeared
on the screen. The story was written
by Mr. DeMille himself in collabora-
tion with Jennie Macpherson and
discloses a wealth of typical Pickford
incidents of heart appeal. The set-
tings are of the days of '49 during
the time of the big gold rush. Mary
Pickford, as Jenny Lawrence, a little
New England miss, journeys to the
West in search of her only relative,
an uncle. Before she is aware of it,
she falls in love and as a result, be-
comes entangled in serious complica-
tions. Various clever twists to the
story afford surprises that add greatly
to the general merit of the picture.

"A Romance of the Redwoods"
links together the arts of two of the
greatest notables in screenland, Mary
Pickford and Cecil De Mille. The
talents of either one used in connec-
tion with the production of a photo-
play would mean a subject of merit.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(U. P.)—
Six were killed and three injured
when the battleship Michigan's fore-
mast toppled over during a heavy
gale at sea Tuesday, Sec. Daniels an-
nounced.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(U. P.)—
A dispatch in the Express says that 38
German officers were killed in a re-
cent mutiny of naval forces at Kiel.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—General Haig
reported a successful British raid
north of St. Quentin. There is en-
emy artillery firing in the Ypres sec-
tor.

Yesterday's temperature ranged
from 45 to 51 degrees. Rainfall was
.31 inch, and the Willamette river
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