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DEFLATED WAGES IS NOT SOLUTION

Means Curtailed Buying by Public
Is Contention of Labor Leader

Says Demand Does Not Come From
Mass of People But From Capital

BY JOHN L. LEWIS.

Editor's Note—John L. Lewis needs no introduction to readers of American newspapers. For years he has stood out a brilliant figure in the battles that have been fought between labor and capital, a target for abuse as well as unlimited praise. As president of the United Mine Workers he has been constantly in the public eye and whether one agrees with his beliefs or not no one will deny that what he has to say on any problem now confronting America will be read honestly and with as much force as the man can bring to bear on a subject that is his whole life's work.

The cruel theory held by a minority of employers in the United States that the worker should be forced to labor for the smallest possible wage that can be forced upon him is the theory that has caused the greatest and bitterest struggles between capital and labor.

While the number of such employers is small they are largely men who are in control of the gigantic manufacturing and producing corporations of America that give employment to scores of thousands. They stand together under the dire banner, "Lower Wages and Higher Profits," a slogan that openly asserts their right, or might, to seize from both producer and consumer.

Force Means Down
These are the men that seek without rest, excuse or opportunity to drive the scale of wages downward regardless of how low that scale may have fallen through general economic conditions and these are the men that fight

the most bitter the upward trend of wages and are the last to yield to a pressure that they know will crush them if they do not yield. The conditions of the wage earner, his life, happiness and the welfare of his family are not considered. While America may be proud of the fact that these men are in the minority as employers yet it must face the fact that they are a dominant, commanding position and by the very largeness of their operation can do a general depression when ever they can force a lower scale and set an example whose psychology is bad for their fellow employers as well as the nation of workers. They make their proposals of lower wages not because their business is endangered but because they believe they are in a strategic position that will allow them to "put it over."

The cry "Deflation of Wages," does not come from the great mass of the American public, because the public is aware that deflation of wages would leave industry strangled and industrial deflated wages means smaller earning power and smaller incomes for the workers. Smaller incomes means curtailed buying power. Curtailed buying power means less demand for the products of farm, factory, mill, mine and shop. Less demand means restricted production. Restricted production means less employment for the workers and a further shrinkage in their incomes and their buying power. The public understands all of this, and the public has no desire to bring about the operation of such a vicious and destructive circle.

Having Hard Time
We do not hear the cry for deflated wages from the wage earners themselves, for they realize better than anyone else what deflation of wages would mean to them. They know that deflated wages would bring upon them hardships, suffering, privation and denial of many of the necessities of life to just the extent to which the deflation process might be carried. It is strikingly manifest that the working people of America are having a hard enough time to get along upon their present wages, without subjecting them to the process of deflation. Nor do we hear the cry for deflation of wages from those business men from whom the working people buy their food, clothing, tools and other supplies. Reduction of wages—and that's what deflation means—would seriously affect the welfare of these business men, for it would reduce the volume of their business. People can spend only as they earn.

If you will look around a little you will also discover that the demand for deflation of wages is not coming from the class of employers who give a humane thought to the welfare of their employees. And there are very few such employers in this great nation. These are the same employers who deny their employees the right to organize for their mutual protection and help. Examine in your own mind the list of those whom you have heard demanding deflation of wages. You will find they are employers of that type. Their demand for wage reduction is simply a part of their plan for the destruction of the trade union movement in America. They have decided that extensive reductions in wages will reduce the efficiency of labor unions. They are aware that organized labor contends for a wage scale that will enable the worker to maintain his family on a decent American standard of health and comfort. It is this factor that sets this class of employers against labor unions.

Frees Not Down
But, we hear some say: "Prices would come down if labor would come down." Experience does not prove this contention. Employers are not making such promises. We hear some say that prices have already come down; that manufacturers have reduced their prices and that labor ought to do the

same. Some even go so far as to say that prices have reached the pre-war level and, unfortunately, they induce some people to believe such statements. This encourages some to denounce labor for fighting to maintain its wage standards.

The fact is that prices of the articles that the worker must buy have not come down to the pre-war level anywhere near the pre-war level. And let us all hope that prices will never again reach the pre-war level.

Only a few days ago there appeared in the daily newspapers an article dealing about the "terrible slump" in prices of the necessities of life, and the fact that there appeared in the same newspapers an official statement from Washington which said that the general average of prices of the necessities of life throughout the country is now 15 per cent above the average of 1914. Here we find prices still 50 per cent higher than they were before the war, and yet these employers are demanding that labor stand for a reduction of wages to the pre-war level. One fails to see anything fair in such an attitude on part of employers. Organized labor asks only a square deal.

Not Back Sliders
Wage standards were far too low in 1914. It would be an injustice to force labor to return to the 1914 level. America is not a nation of backsliders. The people of America believe in progress, in going ahead and not backward. It is contrary to every American ideal to encourage a policy of sliding backward from the 1921 standard to the standard of 1914. Let's forget 1914, in business, in industry and in our every day interest in humanity. Let's look forward to the year ahead and strive for the attainment of better things. Let's work for the upbuilding of our country and all that it contains. Let's wear new allegiance to that true Americanism that is founded upon the rock of justice and the spirit of the American people.

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CECIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Mr. and Mrs. O. Lundell and children were visitors in Oregon on Thursday.

Misses Mary and Myrtle Ellis from their home near The Willows were calling in Cecil on Monday.

Mrs. George Krebs of The Last Camp spent Wednesday and Thursday visiting friends in Oregon.

Cecil Thorne of Morgan and C. D. White of Broadacres near Cecil, were calling in Cecil on Sunday.

Mrs. H. V. Tyler of Rhea Siding visited with Mrs. George Henrick at Strawberry ranch on Sunday.

Max Gorkle of the Pendleton Eastern Hide and Junk company was a busy man around Cecil during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ball from their ranch near Moran were calling on their friends around Cecil on Friday.

Miss A. C. Hynd, who has been spending a few days in Heppner, returned to her home at Butterfly Flats on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Miller and son Ellis of Highview spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. Lundstrom near Ione.

John Krebs of The Last Camp took in the sights at The Dalles while delivering a truck for the Oregon Hassam Packing company.

Mrs. W. Chandler of Lebanon arrived at Willow Creek ranch on Friday and will visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. Henrick for some time.

Oscar Nash, who has been working near Morgan for several months is spending the winter with his wife, Leon Logan at Four Mile.

Clifford Henriksen of Willow Creek ranch spent several days at the corner near Cecil during the week hunting up Christmas presents for his best girls.

R. E. Duncan of Busy Bee ranch is taking his family to the corner near Cecil in a shiping car from their Holstein dairy cows.

W. E. Ahalt, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Hazel Engle, passed through Cecil on Monday enroute for Berkeley, California, where they will visit for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Knipfel and family of Morgan made a short stay in Cecil before leaving for Portland where they have bought a home and will reside for the future.

Miss Edith Swick, teacher of Rhea Siding school, accompanied by Harry L. Hayes, of Hood River were the dinner guests of Miss A. C. Hynd at Butterfly Flats on Sunday.

Harry L. Hayes who has been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Tyler at Rhea Siding left on the local on Monday for Norton, Kansas, where he will spend Christmas amongst his friends.

The "Hoyner" and his deputy made a trip to Heppner on Monday to attend some meeting but what kind of a meeting we don't know and what they said and did still remains a mystery to their Cecil friends, but these two gentlemen returned home early the same day, dead beat to the world.

Would speak to no one. The Deputy was heard from on Monday and hasn't been heard from since. The Mayor accompanied by his better half left Cecil on December 17 for Heppner, declaring he would be both seen and heard at the Farm Bureau meeting or die in the attempt before returning home.

Dr. McMurdo reports the arrival of a ten-pound non at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson on Willow creek just east of this city on Monday, December 19.

ALL CONFERENCES ARE NOT IN WASHINGTON



RABBIT POISONING CAMPAIGN ORGANIZED HERE

T. S. Jackson of the U. S. Biological Survey is assisting the county agent in organizing the rabbit poisoning campaign which will be prosecuted vigorously this winter. All communities are urged to cooperate in the campaign.

Kenneth Binns, Former Heppner Boy, Now a Married Man

A recent wedding of interest to Heppner people was that of Mr. Kenneth L. Binns and Miss Hazel Aigrutter, both students of the Oregon Agricultural college, which was solemnized at Corvallis on Saturday, December 17.

SPRAY ROAD PRESENTED TO FOREST OFFICIALS

Judge Campbell and Commissioners Heakman and Davidson returned home from Portland last week in Portland, attending a state meeting of members of the county court, which was greatly enjoyed, and proved to be instructive as well as an entertaining one.

ROYAL ARCH MASONRY INSTALL

Heppner Chapter No. 24, R. A. M. held their annual installation of officers at Masonic hall on Tuesday evening, when the following were inducted into office: M. D. Clark, High Priest; John Iler, Scribe; W. B. Barratt, King; Thos. Brennan, C. of H.; C. M. Scribner, P. S.; H. A. Dunham, B. E.; Paul Gemmill, 3rd. Vell; Fred Parrior, 2nd. Vell; Roy V. White, 1st. Vell; J. A. Waters, Secretary; John Patterson, Treasurer; Frank Moore, Sentinel.

TEACHERS EXAMINATION

Superintendent Lena Small Shurtle is this week conducting the semi-annual teachers examination with the following in attendance: H. E. Crawford and Mrs. Blanche Watkins, Boardman; Mrs. Jeanette Reisman, Blanche McMurray, Marion Albright, Mildred M. Schell, Jane Mrs. Bertha Stoneman, Shipman; Anna McDevitt, District No. 23; Margaret Doherty, Lena Daisy Barlow Gillespie, Rheta Creek and Mrs. Minnie McFerrin, Rhea creek.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Lord's Day, December 25.
STOP! LOOK! LISTEN! Stop in your quest of self, pleasure, knowledge, power, wisdom and victory and LOOK into the face of the Infant Hope of the Ages, and our personal hope of life eternal.—Jesus the Babe of the Bethlehem Manger. "In him is light and that light is the life of men." LISTEN, to the chanting of the celestial choir, as they sing, "Peace on earth, good will to men," the dream of these years. Together let us assemble in the Lord's house and reverently worship next day, Lord's Day, Christmas messages all day. Bible school 10 o'clock, preaching and Communion 11 o'clock, Christian Endeavor 6:30. On account of Christmas exercises at Fair pavilion on Sunday evening, the dream of these years. Together let us assemble in the Lord's house and reverently worship next day, Lord's Day, Christmas messages all day. Bible school 10 o'clock, preaching and Communion 11 o'clock, Christian Endeavor 6:30.

WHITE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

A WHITE CHRISTMAS SERVICE will be held in the Federated church on Christmas morning by the Sunday school, church and congregation beginning at 9:45 a. m. and will close shortly after eleven o'clock and there will not be any more church services during the Christmas day.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—As I am offering my property for sale. Will make reasonable terms. See me at once. E. H. Stearns.—Advertisement.

HEPPNER HI LIFE Edited By JUNIOR ENGLISH CLASS

One of the most successful high school plays ever given was presented last Friday by the student body. Two performances were given, one in the afternoon and one in the evening, both being well attended. The gate receipts amounted to \$158.71. Each of the characters acted his part remarkably well, showing that they had received careful training. Aunt Mary was especially good, sending the audience into gales of laughter by her original speeches and actions. Boy was everything that could be expected, while Florence Carson, who played opposite him, was equally good. Luella and Joshua deserved special mention, as they played their parts with a degree of reality which is beyond the reach of most high school students, adding much comedy to the play. Cole Cox was the typical brother and his two assistants, Raymond Ferguson and Paul McDufee, the lighting effects, furniture, and stage properties of all kinds, were provided by these boys, who also put the stage in order and returned the properties to their owners the next day.

POST OFFICE CLERK EXAMINATION

The United States Civil Service Commission announces a Post Office Clerk examination, to be held on January 7, 1922, for the purpose of establishing an eligible register from which selections may be made to fill vacancies as they may occur in the position of Clerk Post Office Service, Heppner, Oregon. All citizens of the United States who meet the requirements, both men and women, may enter this examination; appointing officers, however, have the legal right to specify the sex desired in requesting certification of eligibles. Age limits, 18 to 45 years on the date of the examination. Age limits do not apply to persons entitled to preference on account of military or naval service. For further information and application blank apply to the Postmaster, at Heppner, Oregon; or to the Secretary, 213 Post Office Building, Seattle, Washington.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA BY SUNDAY SCHOOL AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Sunday school of the First Christian Church will give their beautiful Christmas cantata on Saturday evening next, at 7:30 o'clock. The program is appropriate to the occasion and the public is cordially invited to attend.

BOWERS-CALKINS

The marriage of Charles B. Bowers and Maggie Calkins, residents of Ione, took place in this city at the home of Rev. W. O. Livingstone on last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Livingstone performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Mayne Moore of Ione were members of the bridal party and acted as witnesses. The newlyweds will continue to make their home at Ione.

Santa Will Not Overlook Petition of This Little Lady

Little communication which was penned for Christmas and which she wants you to bring him a little car. And bring Helen a little doll and bring the baby a rattle.

"Dear Santa Claus: I want you to bring me a doll dress for Christmas and which she wants you to bring him a little car. And bring Helen a little doll and bring the baby a rattle.

"Santa Claus please bring Miss Swick a school clock will you? Please bring Mamma a new dress color light peach soft dress. Please bring Jake a drum and bring papa a cigar. Get something for us and some more please. And write me a letter. And bring me a gloves please. Helen and Willis a winter hat please.

"I love Santa Claus. "KATHERINE FARNSWORTH"

"We think this pretty good for a little girl just learning to write in school, and Santa Claus cannot afford to overlook her requests. The letter was addressed to "Mr. Santa Claus, Arlington, Ore."

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE

Hall of Willow Lodge No. 66, I. O. O. F., Heppner, Oregon. Whereas, the hand of death has removed from among our number, our worthy brother, George A. Stevenson, and

Whereas, This Lodge has thereby sustained a loss that will long be felt, and the Order has been deprived of a useful and faithful member; Therefore, be it resolved that the sympathy of this Lodge is extended to the family of our departed brother in this hour of sorrow; that they be furnished a copy of these resolutions and that they be spread upon the minutes of the Lodge and a copy furnished the local press for publication.

W. E. MIKESSELL, J. L. YEAGER, J. C. KIRK, Committee.

Masonic Officers Installed

Heppner Lodge No. 68, A. O. U. M., on Tuesday evening, December 20, installed the following officers for the ensuing Masonic year: Frank Moore, Worshipful Master; C. M. Scribner, Senior Warden; Paul Gemmill, Junior Warden; Leon W. Briggs, Secretary; John Wightman, Junior Deacon; Spencer Crawford, Senior Deacon; A. L. Ayers, Tyler.

CARD OF THANKS

To our friends and neighbors, and to Willow Lodge No. 66, I. O. O. F., Heppner, we desire to express our sincere thanks for their helpful sympathy extended us during the illness of our husband, father and brother, George A. Stevenson, and for the many beautiful floral offerings at the grave.

MRS. IDA STEVENSON, LAURENCE STEVENSON, MR. and MRS. J. E. FREUND, ED STEVENSON, JOHN STEVENSON.

Evangelistic Meetings Delayed

Harmon and Gates, national evangelists, who have been engaged by the local Christian church, will hold evangelistic meetings for them, but will not begin the meetings January 1st as announced, but will be delayed until about the 8th. This is a very strong team in their chosen work, and the church is anticipating a great meeting.

Arm Broken by Fall

While on her way to attend Sunday school last Sunday morning, Mrs. L. J. Herren had the misfortune to slip and fall on the walk near the corner at the Calumet blacksmith shop, and sustained a broken left forearm. The break was quite a serious one. Mrs. Herren was immediately taken to the Heppner Surgical hospital, where Dr. McMurdo reduced the fracture and she was returned to her home and is now getting along well.

A CHRISTMAS CANTATA

The Federated Sunday school will give a beautiful Christmas Cantata and Christmas program at the Federated church on Friday evening, December 23rd at 7:30.

THE OLD TIME CHRISTMAS TREE

A choir of fifty voices. Come and bring your children and friends and hear the splendid music. It will be good for everybody.

Caesarian Operation Is Performed

A successful caesarian section was performed by Dr. McMurdo at the Heppner Surgical hospital on Sunday upon Mrs. M. W. Hammer of this city, and she was relieved of a 3-pound daughter. Report from the hospital today is to the effect that Mrs. Hammer is getting along splendidly and her complete recovery is but a matter of a few days. The little daughter is doing well and Mrs. Hammer is enjoying over its operation. This is the first time this service was attempted in Heppner, and the hospital forces are jubilant over its successful outcome.

O. A. C. STUDENTS AND ALUMNI ATTENTION!

DO YOU WANT TO DO SOMETHING FOR YOUR ALMA MATER? All O. A. C. students and alumni who see this notice are asked to meet at the residence of W. B. Barratt in south Heppner at 2:30 Saturday afternoon to talk over college life and incidentally make plans for an O. A. C. party.

FARM BUREAU HAS ANNUAL MEETING

Annual Meeting Held Here Last Saturday.—Plans Laid for Coming Year.—Membership Campaign to Start Soon.

(By C. C. CALKINS.)

The annual meeting of the Morrow County Farm Bureau proved to be a very interesting one. The meeting was called to order by President Keithley at 10:45 and there was something doing every minute until the meeting was dismissed at 4:15 p. m. The constitution and by-laws which have been worked out by a committee appointed by the president, reported at the opening of the session. The reading and discussion and adoption of the constitution and by-laws occupied the total forenoon.

The afternoon session opened by the whole delegation joining together in singing a farm bureau song. This song was rather unique, made up of the particular occasion and the farmers present certainly made it ring.

Inasmuch as the formation of all Farm Bureau work is based upon the community program, sometime was given to the discussion of the program as worked out by the different communities. Very definite plans have been laid out for specific work among which might be mentioned the following:

Twenty-eight men located in the different wheat growing sections are trying out the different varieties of wheat side by side and it is expected that in the next two or three years we will know within a bushel what can be expected from the different varieties in the different sections.

In treating for smut much damage is done to the seed wheat. The different methods of seed treatment have been tried side by side on as many different farms and on land located near the road. These plots will be labeled and farmers in the county will have an opportunity to observe these demonstrations during the next two or three years.

Seed wheat certification work is also going to be followed up. A definite poultry program involving the bringing in of hatchling eggs and day old chicks from stock of high egg production, culling of the flocks and the feeding for egg production to be particularly stressed in a number of the communities of the county. The setting the wage scale for spring and fall work.

Five different extension schools will be held in the county during about the second week in February. The communities troubled with rabbits are perfecting plans for a rabbit extermination campaign, besides miscellaneous plans for other work in the county. The future of the roads of Morrow county will depend largely upon the cooperation obtained from farmers working together on a good road program rather than through the organized Farm Bureau.

Mr. Schulmerick, president of the Washington Farm Bureau, explained the Moline Plow company's contract through which the farmers will be able to save 1-2 per cent on all machinery purchases. He also explained the Kelly-Springfield Tire company's proposition through which the Farm Bureau members will be able to save about 25 per cent on all tires purchased. Mr. Schulmerick also delivered a very interesting address showing the need of organization and closed by indicating that he was going to be able to spend a week in the county working with the organization committees and told the people that every farmer in Morrow county must be seen and lined up in the farm bureau.

The nominating committee of which Dwight Miener of Ione was chairman, presented the names of B. W. Turner, J. O. Kincaid, for vice-president; E. G. and Ray Wright for president; R. M. Hilden for secretary; Treasurer, B. Turner was elected as president; Ed Bug as vice-president; J. M. Hilden, secretary-treasurer. The nominating committee also nominated Ray Wright, J. O. Kincaid, Jack E. Hyslop, Ed Neill, Ed Herren, C. E. Glasgow and Ed McMurdo as executive committee.

Recommendations of the committee were adopted as read.

Every one present was much interested in putting across an effective membership campaign, getting a hundred per cent of the Morrow county farmers in the farm bureau.

The moving picture was then given entitled "Spring Valley," which showed the effectual transformation brought in one agricultural community by the workings of the farm bureau. The meeting adjourned to meet next year at the time set by the executive committee.

STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

Superintendent Mary L. Fulkerson, president of the State Teachers' association, announces the annual convention to be held in Portland on December 27, 28, 29 and 30. The first day will be taken up with the formation of the standing committees. The regular work of the convention will begin at nine o'clock Wednesday morning, December 28. All day Wednesday will be given up to the session of the Representative council which transmits all the business for the association. General assemblies and department meetings will be held on Thursday and Friday. The association will meet in the Lincoln High school. The Portland hotel will be headquarters for the association.

At two leading speakers of the convention will be Dr. Charles H. Judd, director of the school of education of the University of Chicago, and Dr. Marion LeRoy Burton, president of the University of Michigan. Each appears twice on the program of the general sessions and each will speak in department sessions.

H. V. Gates, president of Heppner Light and Water company, was in the city for a couple of days the end of the week. He departed Monday morning, going to Goldendale, Wash., from here.