

THIRTY-FIVE LABOR LEADERS ARE ARRESTED

Thirty-four Are Members of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers—Arrests Made in 16 Cities.

SAMUEL GOMPERS IS COMPLETELY EXONERATED

Not One Scintilla of Evidence Found Showing That President Gompers Knew of Alleged Plot.

ARRESTED TODAY.

- At Indianapolis—President F. M. Ryan, Acting Secretary Herbert S. Hoekin, Vice President John P. Butler, Sprague Meadows (of Carpenters' union) and Fred Sherman. At New York—Frank Webb, Patrick Ferrell and Daniel Brophy. At Kansas City, Mo.—W. J. McKain and M. J. Brown. At Peoria, Ill.—James Ray and Edward Smythe. At Detroit—Frank J. Murphy and Charles Waehnelster. At Springfield, Ill.—Andrew Kavanaugh and Murray Pennell. At Cleveland—Peter Smith and George Nipper Anderson. At Milwaukee—William Redding and Herman Seifert. At St. Louis—Paul Morris and John Barry. At Chicago—Richard Houlihan, James Conghlin, James Cooney and William Shupe. At Syracuse, N. Y.—E. E. Phillips and John Carroll. At Cincinnati—Edward Clarke and Ernest Basy. At Denver—H. W. Legleitner. At Scranton, Pa.—M. B. Harmon. At Philadelphia—Michael Cunnane. At Duluth, Minn.—Fred Mooney. At Davenport, Ia.—Daniel Buckley.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 14.—Indicted by a federal grand jury here on accusations of complicity in a country-wide dynamiting plot which culminated in the destruction of the Los Angeles Times by John J. and James B. McNamara, 35 labor leaders, 34 of them members of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, were arrested today in 16 eastern cities.

Foremost in importance of those taken into custody by the federal officials was Frank M. Ryan, president; John P. Butler, vice president; Herbert S. Hoekin, vice president and acting secretary, and H. W. Legleitner, a former member of the executive board of the iron worker. In every case where the union men were arraigned they at once pleaded not guilty to charges of conspiring 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 declared to have been baseless. Officials of the 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.

Intimation that the arrested iron workers 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."

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SCHWAB THREATENS TO RETIRE FROM STEEL INDUSTRY.



CHARLES M. SCHWAB

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—"If the Underwood Steel bill becomes a law I will retire from the steel industry," said Charles M. Schwab, of Bethlehem, Pa., before the senate finance committee. "Existing rates of duties are necessary to the welfare of the steel industry. To lower them would be ruinous."

Reminded of the statements of Andrew Carnegie that the steel industry was not dependent upon a protective tariff, Mr. Schwab replied that Mr. Carnegie had been like a father to him and he would not be drawn into any controversy with him.

MADERO MAY USE WILL WIPE OUT AN IRON HAND WILDCAT CONCERN

In Statement to United Press President of Mexico Declares He Will Suspend Constitutional Guarantee If Necessary to Keep Order.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Positive declaration that he will suspend the constitutional guarantee in Mexico if necessary to restore order, and that already he has suspended these guarantees in several states in Mexico, is made, today by President Francisco Madero in a telegram from Mexico City received here.

President Madero's telegram was addressed to the United Press and reads as follows:

"I still believe a democratic republic is possible in Mexico. But this does not prevent the administration at critical times having recourse to the ordinary measures authorized by the administration, inasmuch as provides a means of suspending the guarantees, which it itself granted.

"I have already applied this measure to several states, and probably will extend it to others. I have decided to operate with all energy necessary to re-establish complete order. If the trouble is not definitely settled, then I shall replace the present minister of war with General Trevino."

GAME PRESERVE AT TABLE ROCK

Colonel Ray Offers State Game and Fish Commission Lower Table Rock to Be Used as a Game Preserve.

Col. Frank H. Ray has offered the state game and fish commission lower Table rock as a game preserve, conditional upon their fencing the northeastern border and protecting the game by patrol.

There are 3000 acres of land in the tract, including forest land, ravines, natural meadows and river bottom—ideal land for large and small game.

This is a natural game retreat. Almost any time of year deer can be flushed. Both mountain and valley abound.

The first memorial lighthouse in the United States is being erected at Crown Point, N. Y., on Lake Champlain, in honor of the explorer for whom the lake is named.

United States District Attorney at Portland Declares War Will Be Waged on Every Questionable Orchard Company in State.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 14.—"This is just the beginning," said United States District Attorney John McCourt today speaking in regard to the arrests of A. J. Biehl and H. H. Humphrey of the defunct Columbia River Orchard company and J. T. Conway and H. H. Riddell, president of the Oregon Island Development company, for using the mails to defraud.

"We intend to wipe all get-rich-quick land schemes out of Oregon and fit punishment will be meted out to their promoters," added McCourt.

Warrants for the arrest of W. E. Delarm, president, and G. C. Hodges, another officer of the wrecked Orchard company, and Frank Richert, president of the Development company, have been issued and will be served if the men wanted can be found. Delarm and Hodges are believed to be in Canada and Richert in the east.

Biehl and Humphrey will be given a hearing this afternoon before United States Commissioner Cannon. They are at liberty on bonds.

McCourt said that he was satisfied that crooked work marked the bond selling and promotion career of the orchard concern. The company apparently had floated \$2,000,000 bonds and had assets of possibly \$250,000. Just how much was secured on the bonds has not been ascertained.

The orchard company, McCourt said, operated through three branches and their officers had official relations insuring a distribution of bondholders' coin to all.

According to records seized here the Washington Orchard Irrigation and Fruit company was the first of the companies in the field; then followed the formation of the Columbia Orchard company at Seattle and finally the organization of the Oregon Washington Trust company of Portland took place.

SAM M'CLENDON STILL UNCONSCIOUS

A telegram received Wednesday from San Diego states that Sam McClendon of Gold Hill, who was injured in an auto accident Sunday, has not since recovered consciousness. His brother, George McClendon, of Lompoc, Cal., is now with him.

ABE RUEF MAY ASK IMMUNITY FOR TESTIMONY

Former Boss Still Has a Number of Indictments Hanging Over His Head and He May Demand That They Be Quashed.

TESTIMONY IS NEEDED TO CONVICT EX-MAYOR

Only Two Jurors Remain to Be Seated Before Schmitz Trial Starts.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 14.—"Only Providence and Abe Ruef know whether Ruef will testify or not—and what he'll testify to if he does take the stand."

Assistant District Attorney Berry today thus epitomized the problematic situation confronting the commonwealth in its desire to have Ruef appear as a witness in the bribery trial of former Mayor Eugene L. Schmitz.

In less serious phrase, "Abe Ruef has everybody but himself 'up in the air.'" The former mayor cannot be convicted if Ruef does not testify. He may not be convicted if Ruef does testify. Ruef alone knows. And Ruef won't tell. There's a reason.

Abe Ruef still has a number of indictments hanging over his head. When he finishes serving the present term in San Quentin he may have to go to prison again—unless the indictments are dropped. That's the rub. Abe wants them quashed and he won't go on the stand—to tell anything—if they are not.

But two jurors remain to be secured before the actual Schmitz trial begins. Meanwhile conferences between Ruef and the district attorney cease. Following a conference today District Attorney Fleckert stated that he will take no further steps in the matter until the trial starts.

A fourth venire of 40 men is in court for resumption of the jury drawing today.

FISHWAY MUST BE BUILT SOON

Golden Drift Mining Company Must Improve Conditions at the Ament Dam or Drastic Step Will Be Taken.

State Game Warden Finley writes that the state game and fish commission has informed the receiver and stockholders of the Golden Drift Mining company that unless work is begun immediately upon a permanent fishway at Ament dam, drastic steps will be taken.

Superintendent O'Malley of the federal bureau of fisheries has been authorized to install at the state's expense equipment needed to handle a large quantity of fish at the Elk Creek hatchery. This will enable the maturing to the fishing stage of several million trout fry.

TAXI SERVICE FOR MEDFORD SOON

Young & Hill are in receipt of their first taxi, which will be placed in service soon. It is a splendid car, elegantly finished. A second car will arrive soon. Later they expect to have their drivers uniformed and give a first class service.

Elliot Again Travels.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 14.—Dr. Charles W. Elliot, president emeritus of Harvard, whose world tour was interrupted by an attack of ill health, today resumed his journey to Hong Kong from Ceylon, according to a cablegram to his son here. The party will cancel many engagements and arrive on the Pacific coast in July.

REPRESENTATIVE CLARK UNEARTHIS A "SCANDAL."



Frank Clark.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—Representative Frank D. Clark, of Florida, believes he has uncovered another "scandal" in the department of agriculture. He succeeded in inducing the house committees on expenditures in that department to agree upon an investigation of the part which the department has played in promoting plans to drain the Everglades in Florida. The inquiry will probably include the entire division of draining.

YUAN SHI KAI GIVEN CREDIT

Empress Dowager of China Thanks Ex-Premier for His Loyalty and Declares His Statesmanship Saved Her Life.

PEKIN, Feb. 14.—Granting Yuan Shi Kai a last audience, the dowager empress today thanked the former premier for his loyalty and declared that his statesmanship had prevented the rebels from executing her and the baby emperor. Weeping bitterly, she condemned the younger Manchou princes for having opposed the abdication of the dynasty.

Yuan Shi Kai assured the empress that the imperial clan would be shown every courtesy.

"REQUEST COSTS" TOO HIGH SAYS EXPERT

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—When the trial of J. Ogden Armour and nine other millionaire Chicago packers was resumed today before United States Judge Carpenter, Bernard Rammer, an expert accountant, employed by the Armour Packing company, was called to the stand. After identifying hundreds of "cost sheets" already admitted in evidence, Rammer contended that the Armour company lost money on the sale of dressed meats because the selling agents were unable to keep the prices up to "request costs." Rammer attempted to show that the selling price was invariably below the cost price.

The government is seeking to show that the cost prices as tabulated in the "cost sheets" are inflated.

UNITED STATES SEEKS TREATY WITH RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 14.—The United States is today making preliminary negotiations with Russia for a treaty to replace the convention of 1892, abrogated recently to expire at midnight December 31, 1912. The chief difficulty to be overcome in a new agreement will be the question of passports for American Jews in Russia.

RADICAL PRESIDENT GERMAN REICHSTAG

BERLIN, Feb. 14.—Final triumph of the coalition of parties with the socialists for the control of the reichstag was completed with the election as its president of Herr Kaempf, a radical.

HUNT WALKS TO CAPITOL AND IS SWORN IN

At Noon Today, 50 Years From Day Arizona Was Admitted to the Confederacy, State Is Added to American Sisterhood.

NEW GOVERNOR DECLARES GOLDEN RULE ADMINISTRATION

At 8 O'clock Tonight Every Citizen of the United States is Asked to Toast New State.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 14.—Exactly fifty years from the day Jefferson Davis signed a proclamation admitting Arizona to the confederacy, George W. P. Hunt was today inaugurated as her first state governor and she became the 48th member of the American sisterhood of states.

Simplicity was the keynote of the inauguration. Military features were entirely absent and Hunt, who began his career in Arizona 30 years ago as a waiter in a Globe restaurant, insisted on walking to the capitol, where he took the oath.

Phoenix is in gala dress today. Thousands of visitors are here from every section of the territory. A great celebration is planned for tonight. Governor Hunt received congratulatory messages from the governors of almost every other state.

At 8 o'clock tonight the world will drink to the health of the newest state, if the invitation of the Arizona committee is heeded. Every citizen of the United States has been requested to pledge prosperity to Arizona.

In his inaugural address Governor Hunt said in part:

"Fellow Citizens: In the name of the sovereign people of Arizona, who gave it, I accept the responsibility conferred upon me. There is neither thought nor desire in my mind to be known to posterity as Arizona's best governor, but rather the wish that Arizona and her governors hereafter shall continue to be progressive and that my administration encourage a constantly awakening public conscience.

"Arizona is progressive and democratic, and my administration, insofar as my conduct can assure it, shall be democratic in the Jeffersonian sense which denotes equality, simplicity and modesty.

"The office of governor will be open every hour of every working day of the year, and many other hours." After outlining his plans to make his administration one of strictly business principles, Governor Hunt said:

"In a subordinate sense I have tried to indicate that my administration will be strictly a business one and the people's money shall be wisely used, waste prohibited and graft, wherever it may be found, exposed and punished; but I am far more anxious that it shall be known as a golden rule administration, in which the rights of all classes shall have equal consideration."

The new governor closed his address with a promise of an opportunity for the people soon to decide upon the principle of judiciary recall which was eliminated from the constitution at the request of President Taft, in order to secure his approval of the constitution.

Governor Hunt today refused to review the inauguration civic parade from a reviewing stand that had been constructed by non-union labor.

When the word was conveyed to the officials of the new Arizona state Federation of Labor, they at once communicated with the officers of the carpenters' local, who rushed laborers to the reviewing grounds.

Within three hours a new stand, constructed by union labor, had been built. From this Governor Hunt announced he would review the parade. With him on the stand were William J. Bryan and Governor Marshall of Indiana.

Mayor Gaynor Better.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Mayor Gaynor, who has been confined to his home with an attack of grippe, is today reported much improved. His physicians say he will be entirely recovered within a week.

PROBE OF BRANDT CASE IS CHECKED

Justice Gerard Says He Is Unable to Act in Accordance With Instructions Owing to the Constitution.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Investigation into the case of Folke Brandt, former valet to Banker Mortimer Schiff, was today unexpectedly deferred. Justice Gerard of the supreme court, appointed by Governor Dix to probe Brandt's charges that he was "railroaded" to Sing Sing, announced that the state constitution prohibited him from investigating the case.

Justice Gerard said he could do no work not in direct connection with his judicial duties. Pending an inquiry, the investigation will be halted. Another investigator, in all probability, will be appointed.

Five years ago Brandt was sentenced to five years' imprisonment. He was convicted of burglarizing the Schiff mansion. The prisoner's friends now contend that he was "sent up" to shield the name of a member of the Schiff household. Upon these claims Governor Dix ordered an investigation.

SIX HONOR MEN COME FROM SALEM

Jake Grieve Returns From Salem With Men to Replace Those Whose Terms Have Expired—One Here Alone Five Days.

John Grieve returned Tuesday evening from Salem, bringing six honor men with him to replace those whose terms have expired among the old force at Westville. He left with the men on the Pacific & Eastern for Derby Wednesday morning.

"I had a talk with the governor at Salem and he seems much pleased with the progress at the camp. Work is going ahead rapidly and I have a good force of workmen, equal to any that I have ever had.

"One of the honor men employed at Westville came down with me several days ago to get some dental work done. He has spent five days here alone, which shows what a trustworthy bunch I have."