

STRIKES DECREASE UNEMPLOYMENT ALSO DECLINES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—(A. P.)—Improvement of relations between employers and workers, with an absence of unemployment and a decline in strikes, was declared today in the annual report of Secretary of Labor Davis to have been an outstanding feature of the past year in industry.

With the pressure of major industrial emergency removed, he said the department had been able to give constructive thought to the improvement of its work in controlling immigration, aiding labor, and promoting the public welfare.

Mr. Davis sketched a possible line of future attack on the problem of over production in industry, which he held responsible for much part-time and seasonal employment of workers. No mention of the anti-trust suspension was made in the report, which covered the fiscal year ending with last June.

"One of the great elements of the problem of unemployment is the present over-developed state of some of our larger industries," he said. "Our productive machinery and equipment in many of these industries cannot run 300 days per year without producing a stock that cannot be sold in this or any other country. As an illustration, the census lists 1570 boot and shoe factories. Of these 227 or 14 1/2 per cent produce 65 per cent of all shoes produced, and if they should run full time, they would produce 57 per cent of all shoes now produced and sold. In other words, 14 1/2 per cent of the factories, employing 60.4 per cent of the workers, could with steady work for 300 days a year produce all the boots and shoes we need."

"Take the flour mill industry as another example. . . . Here we have perhaps the worst situation of all; 2.8 per cent of the plants, employing 42 per cent of the whole number of workers engaged in the industry, produce 62 per cent of the output, while 85 per cent of the establishments produce but 12 per cent."

"Take another situation, that of bituminous coal. There are 338 shipping mines in the state of Illinois. These operated an average of 139 days in a year. Had 84 of these 338 mines operated 300 days, they could have produced 5,000,000 tons more in one year than all of them produced in 1924."

"Go down the line and in nearly every industry you will find the same appalling state of affairs. But it is no use to consider the disease unless we make some attempt to discover the remedy. A generation ago our people were frightened by the term 'combination' or 'trust.' Most of the protest that went up against these new combinations came from the very people engaged in superfluous industry. Now we see the fact more clearly. The combination tends to wipe out over-development and the wasteful unproductive."

"I do not advocate a movement toward monopoly or trusts such as were conceived in the minds of protestants a few years ago; not a single control or factory in each industry, but a cutting down of the number to the point where each establishment upon a competitive basis could operate at least approximately 300 days in each year."

Excellent Bill Vaudeville Wednesday

Patrons of the Hunt's Craterian theater will be given a rare treat in psychology by J. Joseph Clifford who headlines the Association Vaudeville bill, tomorrow matinee and night.

Max Burkhardt and Don Rich give a comedy skit entitled "Have a Sam-



ple." They have a great fund of comedy songs and talk that produces the desired result—laughs.

Miss Zola Bennett and company present "Sportology" in which the physical progress of the two girls who box, fence, wrestle and demonstrate Jiu Jitsu, is shown to good advantage, much to the chagrin of the male member of the trio who is always on the defensive.

"That Versatile Boy," Homer Coghill, given an entertainment which consists of eccentric dancing and producing excellent music from various instruments constructed out of the most ordinary tools and utensils.

Clyde and Marion Nelson give wonderful exhibitions of diabolo spinning, hat twirling and other, juggling feats.

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SECY. WILBUR HAS NO INTENTION OF RESIGNING POST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—(A. P.)—Secretary Wilbur, in declining appointment as chief justice of the supreme court of California, appears to have put a final quietus on persistent rumors that he intended soon to resign from his post in the cabinet.

Feeling that his duty lay in Washington was given by the naval secretary as the reason why he could not accept the offer of Governor Friend W. Richardson of the place on the California bench which he resigned when President Coolidge appointed him to succeed Edwin Denby in the cabinet.

Criticisms levelled at Secretary Wilbur recently in connection with the Shenandoah and other naval mishaps have carried rumors that he would soon resign and President Coolidge last week took cognizance of these changes by making it known that no such change in the cabinet was contemplated. The secretary also has consistently denied them and his refusal of the California chief justiceship yesterday gives final decision to the reports.

Mr. Wilbur, who replied at once to Governor Richardson's tender refused to comment when asked whether he had consulted President Coolidge before reaching his decision. He did make known that he previously had received a letter from Louis W. Meyers, the present chief justice of California, whose health is understood to be the reason for his retirement, urging Mr. Wilbur to accept the place if offered him.

Grand Dragon Selected for Pastor of Church

CANON CITY, Colo., Dec. 1.—(A. P.)—Dr. Fred G. Arnold, recently elected grand dragon of the Colorado Ku Klux Klan, was retained as pastor of the Baptist church here "for from one to one hundred years," by a unanimous vote of the congregation.

Disturbance in a Local Theater.
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The Screen By Ye Press Agent.

"Pretty Ladies" at Hunt's Craterian. One of the most colorful and novel pictures of the year is Monta Bell's "Pretty Ladies" being shown at the Hunt's Craterian tonight for the last time.

The story is full of human interest, is based on stage life.

A cast of stage and screen stars has been assembled for a single production. ZaSu Pitts is seen in the featured role and Tom Moore is the leading man. Lilyath Tashman is the blonde "heavy" and Bernard Randall the theatrical producer. Also Norma Shearer, Conrad Nagel and Ann Pennington.

Cohan Mystery at Rialto.
Douglas MacLean unlocks the gates of gaiety at the Rialto theater today, a picturization of the famous comedy, "Seven Keys to Baldpate."

It deals with a young novelist who seeks the solitude of Baldpate Inn, a deserted summer resort, to write a novel. A band of crooks seek the inn at the same time and MacLean becomes an unwilling accomplice.

He refuses to believe that all the gunplay, near murder, mystery and general pandemonium is real and in the battle for possession of a huge sum of money the utter disregard which MacLean has for skill danger provides some of the best comedy comedy scenes ever filmed. MacLean is supported by an excellent cast, including Edith Roberts, Ned Sparks, Anders Randolf, Graustad Kent, Betty Francisco, Wade Boteler and many others.

A comedy, Bertrand Wortman at the ocean and News Views complete the bill.

SHERIFF SETS A TRAP FOR DEATH MEDDLER

SAN RAFAEL, Cal.—The sheriff has set a watch on the telephone exchange here in an effort to trap a man who has been telephoning false death messages in the middle of the night. The messages come to homes from which members are absent and tell of the death of absent ones, usually by accident.

Will Aid Tritsky.
ROSTOV-ON-DON.—Leo Kamenoff has made up with his brother-in-law, Leon Tritsky. Having once voted for Tritsky's expulsion from the war ministry, Kamenoff is now going to help him become a member of the central executive and political bureau.

What Does It Mean.
BRUSSELS.—Says L'Soir, Belgium's biggest newspaper: "America, you are a good suzerain. Keep it up!" This is in answer to denunciation of America's financial imperialism.

60 ACRES PEARS ARE PLANTED BY CALIFORNIA CO.

Through the efforts of the local Chamber of Commerce, 60 acres of pear trees are now being planted by the Royal Orchards company, a California concern, a short distance east of Talent, where now 20 men are engaged in the work.

The trees being set out, are two years of age, and are of Old Home stock of Bartlett, Winter Nellis and Comice varieties. The trees are expected to be full bearing within seven years while fruit is expected to be picked in five. Approximately one-half the trees are to be planted this fall.

The Royal Orchards company, made up of the following: C. M. Coffey and Royal Miller of Sacramento, and K. L. "Pete" Engle, have owned the land for a number of years past and through the efforts of Secretary R. H. Boyl of the Chamber of Commerce were prompted to plant same to fruit. This is the first time for 12 years that such a large acreage has been planted, and it may pave the way for more valley acreage to be put in fruit.

Hartley Vetoes Bill.
OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 30.—(A. P.)—Governor Hartley returned the banker reclamation bill to the lower house of the state legislature today with his veto. The measure, as passed, provided for transferring administration of reclamation affairs from the department of conservation and development to the state land office.

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