

### PACKER FAVORS PAYING LIVING WAGE TO WORKERS

**Nelson Morris on Stand in Federal Probe Says His Employees' Pay Averages \$800 Yearly.**

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Nelson Morris, head of Morris & Co., took the witness stand today before Judge Samuel Alschuler, arbitrator in the demands of packing house employees for an eight-hour day and higher wages. Mr. Morris said that he was 26 years old and chairman of the board of directors of the company. A younger brother, Edward Morris, jr., he said was president.

The company operates plants at Chicago, East St. Louis, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Omaha and Oklahoma City and does some killing at New Orleans, but has no plant there.

Joseph Stern & Co. of New York, which caters to the kosher trade, he said, was a subsidiary of Morris & Co. He gave the daily killing capacity of the Chicago plant as 1,800 cattle, 4,000 hogs and 2,000 sheep.

**Favors Arbitration.**

Mr. Morris was questioned by Frank P. Walsh, attorney for the men.

"Have you ever considered the demands of the men?" asked Mr. Walsh.

"Yes; many times."

"Did you reach a decision?"

"No; because we decided to settle by arbitration."

Mr. Morris outlined the benevolent and welfare department of the company and remarked that many employees do not join.

"It seems to be a failing of human nature to care more for the immediate present than for the future," commented the witness. "I suppose that is why many of our employees do not join in our pension system."

He said that for several years employees had been guaranteed a minimum of 40 hours' employment a week, and were paid for 40 hours whether they were worked or not.

Mr. Morris said that piece workers also have a minimum guarantee and that last week the company paid out \$1,000 under the guarantee plan. He explained that when times are dull and higher priced men have to work in cheaper places the difference in pay was placed in the guarantee fund.

Morris & Co., he said, employ 13,000 men in Chicago at an average annual wage of \$800. Net profits in 1916 were \$3,800,000; in 1917 they jumped to \$5,400,000.

"I think all employees are entitled to a fair living wage," said the witness, "but the term living wage is variously construed. Some people might consider an automobile necessary to fair living."

"Do you know of any of your \$2.75 laborers who have automobiles?"

"I don't know whether they have or not."

**Three Theater Trips a Year.**

Mr. Morris named a family, every member of which is employed by his company, their combined earnings being \$100 a week.

Mr. Morris, outlining his own idea of the proper conditions for a stock yard laborer, included three trips to a theater a year.

"How many times do you go to the theater, Mr. Morris?" inquired the lawyer.

"Fifteen or twenty," replied the witness.

"You never knew what it was to lack for money or the necessities of life, did you?"

"No."

Mr. Morris compared the rent paid by his laborers with the \$8 to \$11 a month which he said was allowed second lieutenants in the American army.

"Do you think there is any similarity between your laborers and a second lieutenant?" asked Mr. Walsh.

"No; the army officer requires a better education, but despite that his salary is only \$1,700. I simply call attention to what the government allows him as adequate rent."

"Then you think that the second lieutenant does not get enough money?"

"I am not here to criticize the government."

**Candidate for Mayor of Seattle Shot in His Office**

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 19.—Ralph A. Horr, prominent Red Cross worker and candidate for the mayoralty nomination at the municipal primaries here today, was shot last night by an unknown man who concealed himself in Horr's office. The man who fired the shot escaped.

Horr was able to drag himself to his desk telephone and summon the police. At the city hospital doctors said he would live, the bullet having punctured the fleshy lower part of his left shoulder.

No reason for the shooting could be given by Horr. He said, however, that he had received several written threats which were to the effect that if he did not cease his denunciation of anti-patriots he would be killed.

Sunday Horr said he received a letter advising him "for the last time" to "cut out the pink cuff talk."

Horr, who is an attorney, went to his office late last night after finishing the closing speech of his campaign. He snapped on the light, he said, and saw two men, one of whom was armed with a revolver, facing him.

"You won't heed our warnings, eh?" Horr asserted, the man declared as he fired point blank.

It was 20 minutes before Horr managed to summon the police.

Horr is 35 years old, married and has resided here 12 years. He is a graduate of the University of Washington and for several years was graduate manager of the student body at that university.

**Wilson Urged to Extend Clemency to Negro Soldiers**

Washington, Feb. 19.—Pres. Woodrow Wilson was urged today by a committee from the New York branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to extend clemency to the five negro soldiers of the 24th United States Infantry, sentenced to be hanged for the part they played in the riots at Houston, Tex., last August.

A review of the cases of 41 other negro soldiers, sentenced to life imprisonment as a result of the rioting, also was requested. Rev. F. A. Cullen, as spokesman, placed in the hands of the president a petition bearing thousands of signatures.

### Trotzky Anxious To Know What Austria Will Do

Berne, Switzerland, Feb. 19.—According to Vienna dispatches, Leon Trotzky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, has forwarded a wireless message to Count Czernin, the Austrian foreign minister, reading: "The German government having re-established a state of war with Russia without even giving the seven days' previous notice, I have the honor to ask you to inform me whether the Austro-Hungarian government also considers itself in a state of war with Russia; and if not, whether it believes it possible to reach a practical realization of the agreements worked out at Petrograd."

### RED GOVERNMENT IS OVERTHROWN BY SOCIALISTS

**Lenine and Trotzky Reported to Have Fled From Petrograd to Riga; Tchernoff Heads New Revolution.**

London, Feb. 19.—Rumors are current in Vasa that the Bolshevik government in Petrograd has been overthrown by the social revolutionists under the leadership of M. Tchernoff, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

Nikolai Lenine and Leon Trotzky are said to have escaped to Riga.

**LED BY EX-MINISTER.**

Vasa, or Nikolaistadt, is in Finland on the only railway between Petrograd and Tornea, on the Swedish frontier.

M. Tchernoff is the leader of the social revolutionists and was chairman of the short-lived constituent assembly. He served as minister of agriculture in the Kerensky government last July and August.

Tchernoff has been a strong advocate of land reform and has been aligned with the Minimalists.

When the constituent assembly met in Petrograd in January Tchernoff was elected chairman over the Bolshevik candidate. The next day the assembly was broken up by the Bolsheviks and it was reported that the Bolsheviks intended to arrest Tchernoff.

In an interview with the Associated Press correspondent in Petrograd January 19, M. Tchernoff said that the social revolutionist party held that the constituent assembly should immediately call a conference of the entire allies to consider war aims.

**Russia Will Help Allies.**

He said his party expected that the allies would state their aims clearly and explicitly and would try to harmonize them with the democratic principles of the Russian revolution.

M. Tchernoff admitted that the Russian army probably could not be expected to fight to any great extent, but he declared that Russia could act as a magnet to draw the German forces and prevent their being thrown to the western front, thus helping the allies.

**Lenroot to Be Named for Senator Hustings Place**

Madison, Wis., Feb. 19.—Congressman S. L. Lenroot will be appointed to fill the vacancy in the United States senate caused by the death of Senator Paul O. Hustings, according to an announcement made by Governor E. L. Philipp last night.

The statement was based upon the assumption that the legislature will give the governor the power of appointing when it convenes in special session today.

Congressman Lenroot is a republican and Senator Hustings was a democrat.

**Fire in Kansas City.**

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 19.—Fire caused by an explosion of undetermined origin in the downtown district today destroyed one building and damaged two others with a loss of \$75,000.

Three firemen were injured, one of them possibly fatally.

### BRITISH TROOPS IN BIG RAID ON FLANDERS FRONT

**Irish Regiments Enter German Trenches and Capture Prisoners; Enemy Sustained Heavy Casualties.**

London, Feb. 19.—An extensive raid was carried out by British troops last night on the Flanders front in the southern section of Houtholst wood, the war office announced today.

There were two other successful raids, one in the region south of Lens and the other on the old Arras front, in the neighborhood of Epehy. Prisoners were taken in all these raids.

The Flanders raid was a particularly important affair, resulting in heavy casualties to the Germans.

The statement reads: "Successful raids were carried out by us last night in three different sectors of the front."

**Irish on Raid.**

"Southeast of Epehy Irish troops entered the enemy's trenches in the neighborhood of Gillemont farm and brought back a few prisoners.

"Another successful raid, in which five prisoners were captured by us, was carried out by Canadian troops south of Lens.

"Further north Lancashire border and Yorkshire troops raided German positions in the southern portion of Houtholst forest on a wide front.

"A large number of the enemy were killed and 27 prisoners and a machine gun were captured by us. Our casualties were slight."

**Air Raid Over London Fails.**

London, Feb. 19.—The attempted raid of German aviators last night was a failure. There were no casualties or damage.

### Try Making Your Own Cough Remedy

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If you combined the curative properties of every known "ready-made" cough remedy, you would hardly have in them all the curative power that lies in this simple "home-made" cough syrup which takes only a few minutes to prepare.

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Second Floor

### 50c Belts, at 19c

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Main Floor

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For little girls from 2 to 6 years, we are showing a line of Wash Dresses that are decidedly low priced at \$1.00 each. A charming assortment in Gingham and Chambray; made with short waisted or straight line effects, in all the popular shades of pink, blue, tan, also a variety of stripes and small checks.



Third Floor

### Highly Desirable Blouses At Very Moderate Prices at \$2.95 and \$3.95



We are offering a splendid lot of Crepe de Chine and Georgette Crepe Blouses—the 2 materials most sought after right now and Blouses for which any woman would readily pay \$5.00 in the regular way. We made very advantageous purchases and are in a position to offer these at the low prices mentioned.

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Good quality Tub Silk Blouses, in all the desirable colorings, at the price of a very ordinary Cotton Blouse ordinarily.

Second Floor

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**Lamb and Kid Gloves, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$2.75, and \$3.00 a Pair.**

Main Floor

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Main Floor, Rear



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