# GOMPERS WOULD DEFEND FREEDOM

Labor Leader Says Preparedness Necessary to Preserve Ideals of American Democracy.

#### LABOR DEMANDS RECOGNITION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18-Adequate preparedness for national defense each man owes." was advocated here today by Samuel Gompers, president of the American VILLA BANDIT Federation of Labor, in a speech before a session of the National Civic federation, devoted to that subject. While he insisted that all military organizations must be democratic and the nation must be safe-guarded willing to risk their all for an ideal. was refused, also were denied.

"Men worthy of the name," he said, The refugees who arrived today dewhen that paper represents ideals of Camargo and Chihuahua City had urged human justice and freedom. There is them not to leave Chihuahua state, little progress made in the affairs of the promising every protection against world in which resistance of others is further violence, provided they would not involved. \* \* \* The progress of all gather at central points under the guns the ages has come as the result of pro- of Currenza garrisons. Many of the tests against wrongs and existing condi- foreign residents, they added, had actions and through assertions of rights cepted these proffers and would remain. and effective demands for justice. Our although a number announced their inown freedom and republican form of gov- tention of coming out on a train which ernment have been achieved by resis- left Chihuahua City last night and probtance to tyranny and instatence upon abiy will arrive sometime today. rights. Freedom and democracy dare not be synonymous with weakness.

Preparedness Means Co-Ordination. forces and national resources. War as it zation of the material forces and re- eral Pablo Gonzales, a son-in-law, and The real problem is the organisources of the country and the co-or- General Jacinto Trevino, a relative. dination of these in the furtherance of a definite defensive military policy."

Whatever plan may ne adopted," said Mr. Gompers, explaining the attitude of mental principles must be regarded. All policies and plans for national defense must be determined by representatives of all the people. The organized labor movement asserts its rights to representation in all committees, commissions or bodies that decide upon military defense.

Army Must 2e Democratic. The labor movement demands democracy in all things, including military or gapizations and institutions of the coun-Not only must entrance to all in stitutions be freely and equally accorded to all, but the military must be democratically organized, democratically of would be killed if they did not abandon ficered and under the control of heads, the place. Only three foreigners boarded

"The labor movement has never advo- their safety, cated the abolition of agencies for right of tyranny against the workers Barbara. and to prevent the development of pernicious results that have grown out of SHARP DEBATE IN THE SENATE militarism, the building up of a separate nilitary easte and the subversion of civil Rending of an Editorial Praising life to military government and military standards."

Action Imperative, Says Hammond. ever opposed we may be to the profligate expenditure of the nation's wealth, that military and naval defense, even in the face of a peace-loving nation, is imperative in the present status of indeclared Mr. relations." ternational He declared that only two objections could be urged against preparedness, first by the "peace at any price" class, because they fear the development of a militaristic mania. Secthe question of cost. Mr. Hammond urged that the proposed expenditure of one billion beyong the country's present naval and military budget he poked upon as "a business investment, an insurance-not always effectival against war-but which will at least minimize the distress incidentto war. In conclusion, Mr. Hammond expressed the belief that a Panama canal bond issue to meet the cost of national dofense would be less objectionable than ony system of direct taxation. Peace Doctrine Demoralising.

Former Governor O'Neil declared it was difficult to believe that the "peace at any price" advocates realize the "debasing and demoralizing doctrine they preach

"The paramount duty of America is preparedness," he said. "The most serlous objection in congress to the preparedness program," he continued, "Is to expected from those members who bitterly oppose any reduction in the size or capacity of the 'pork barrel.' It he said, " that if preparedness meant the establishment of more useless army posts and navy yards in their congressional districts, their epposition would disappear. Fortunately these defenders of the 'pork barrel' represent 18 t a small and noisy minority." The speaker urged the creaton of an

adequate navy as a first line of defense, an efficient standing army of several hundred thousand men and the adoption versal service to make up a reserve

Threat of Big Indemnity.

Lifelaring that the United States if on indemnity reaching as high as 10,0000,-000,000 if the tribute taid on France by Germany in 1.71, may be taken as a measure. Mr. Williams said that the interest on this enormous sum would be as large as any expenditure now proposed for increasing this country's army and navy. For all the time, he added this interest would be met by all of the industries of the land and any attempt t throw this aside would destroy national

"The crowing reason for an adequate army and navy for the United States." said Mr. Williams, "is not war, but peace. The boundaries of the country need defense but no more than its duties need

Dadmun for Biggest Navy. Mr. Dadmun urged the adoption of a naval policy that would ultimately furnish the United States with a navy second to none. He also advocated a general staff for the navy, an improved personal law and an increase of 20,000 seamen and naval apprentices to fully man all use-

So inadequate is the country's military efficiency, declared Senator Wadsworth that if congress were to order interven-

tion in Mexico today. It would be "three, four or five menths before we could get MINERS AGAINST the troops to intervene.

The idea has prevalled that if we give man a gun and put a uniform on his back we will have a soldier. But I say o you that if we give a man a gun and ine, we come very nearly committing murder if that man is not trained. More and more I come to the conclusion that the only efficient way to establish a reserve force is by the institution of a system of compulsory military training. We should let our young men understand that service to the country is something

# IS EXECUTED AT CITY OF JUAREZ

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massacre did not carry safe conducts against the evils of militarism, Mr. when they went into Mexico and were Gompers declared that America's slain, was denied today by persons who freedom had been achieved by re- maw the passports which were issued by General Alvaro Obregon, the military sistance to tyranny and that pacifists chief, now at Queretaro with General failed to understand that quality of Carranza. Statements emanating from the human race which made men Mexican officials that eGneral Jacinto Trevino had offered an armed guard and

'will fight even for a 'scrap of paper' clared that Mexican official at Parral,

Obregon Practically Prisoner.

A number of well informed men, among the Americans aboard the train, National preparedness involves power made the statement that General Obregon to co-ordinate and to utilize national is practically a prisoner at Quaretaro. The encomiums he received while military is waged today is not determined merely the encomiums he received while military b, the men on the battlefield, but also by the mobilization of the national resources, national industries and com-

Raudits Defeated at unerrero. CHIHUAHUA CITY, Mexico, Jan. 18. Fighting between bandits and Carranza troops occurred yesterday at Guerrero, labor, "the organized labor movement of 125 miles northwest of Chihushua, ac-America demands that certain funda. The bandits numbered 300. They fled, leaving one machine gun, eighty-five rifles and 35,000 rounds of ammunition fa the hands of the Carranza troops.

General Jacinto Trevino, Carranza military chief of Chihuahua, declared today that all bandits would be vigorously hunted down and no quarter given. Trovino claims to have 4,000 men with 300 officers in the vicinity of this city.

The bandits who looted Magistrat, an isolated mining camp south of Rosario. Durango, not only took all visible sup plies, according to advices received to-day, but warned all foreigners they who are responsible to the citizens of the the train which left here today for Juarez. The rest express no fear for

Lealie Webb, a companion named Roband justice, or for abolition of the mill- inson and twenty picked Mexicans are tary arm of the government, but it does guarding the mines at Los Azules, thirty mand that these shall be so organized miles south of Parral. Three Germans as to prevent their misuse and abuse as a are left at the Trolotes mines near Santa

Huerta Shut Off by Vote. WASHINGTON, Jan. 18,-Mexico came up in the senate again today, when Sen-We are forced to the conclusion, how- ator Lippitt, republican, had the clerk read an editorial attacking President Wilson and oulogizing the late General Huerta. Senator Myers, democrat, interrupted the reading, saying he thought it improper for the senate to criticise the president "in eulogy of a man charac-

terized as a outthroat and a usurper." "The senator is entirely right," declared Chairman Stone of the foreign relations committee. "I hope in the future we will not have more of this thing attempted

By viva voce vote further reading of the editorial was denied. Senator Lewis asked that his resolution directing the president to intervene in Mexico be referred to the foreign relations committee, Senator Borah suggested the resolution be acted upon at once.

"The resolution might just as well be withdrawn for any good it will do American citizens being murdered in Mexico, he said.

"This senate ought to take a decisive step this moment notifying the de facto government in Mexico that we are ready to use the armed forces of the United States to protect our people."

Vice President Marshall ruled the discussion out of order and Senator Lewis gave notice that later he would move to have the resolution referred in order that the committee might act upon it tomor

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### UPDIKE FAMILY LIVED FORMERLY AT KEARNEY

KEARNEY, Neb., Jan. 18-(Special Telegram.) - The attempted plot in Chicago in which the family of Furman Updike is involved aroused much interest here today. For many years members of the family were residents of this city. of the Swiss or Australian plan of uni- During the boom days Furman Updike was a promoter and real estate man. He was a partner of F. G. Keens, millionaire Kearney land owner, and well known to hundreds of Burfalo county people. Mr. ever defeated in war would have to pay Updike lefe here in 1892, going to Chicago, where he became a hig operator on the Chicago Board of Trade.

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a uniform and send him to the firing President White of Coal Miners Says Muntions Makers Back of the Proposed Scheme.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 18. John P. White, international presi-America, declared in his biennial re- Ind. port, read to the delegates of the union in convention here today, that he was "fully convinced that the and editors of poultry papers arrived men of labor are unalterably op- today. posed to the whole scheme of preparedness." Mr. White commended President

Wilson for keeping the country at peace and said that too much praise "cannot be given to the president for his great efforts in this direction. The leader of the miners then referred to preparedness and asserted that "the munition manufacturers who are reaping enormous profits by reason of the European war no doubt have much to do with the general topic of preparedness."

Wages Should Be Raised. Taking up organization matters, President White referred to the fact that wage agreements will expire April 1 in the anthracite field and in many central and western states later in the year and in British Columbia in March, 1917. "I most earnestly urge that our scale committee carefully canvass the situation when formulating our demands for the consideration of this convention," he said. "Industrial conditions are greatly improved now, and from various authoritative sources we are advised that the country is entering upon an unprecedented era of prosperity. We should demand such im- standing. provements in our wage scale as conditions will warrant.

Work During Negotiations. Mr. White said he thought the policy of keeping the miners at work pending settlements is essential to the well being of the organization and its membership

and the welfare of the public. Continuing on this line he said: "There is no longer any need of re naining idle during settlements and disturbing markets of the organized territory by permitting a few who speculate in stock coal to make money out of the misfortunes of the people. I can see no well defined reason why the miners cannot, with just as much safety to their welfare and ninterest, work pending negotiations as do other bodies of organized workmen under like circumstances. I.

therefore, recommend that we reaffirm

our policy to work pending negotiations.

Convention is Too Large. Mr. White urged that efforts be made to reduce the size of the international convention. The report noted the fact that a committee of the United Mine Workers had reported against the proposition of amaignmating with the Western Federation of Miners. Mr. White reviewed the history of the Colorado strike and reiterated his opposition to the Rockefeller plan of dealing with labor in the had this to say about the Colorado labor

"Our federal government has been greatly exercised about the welfare of Its citizens in foreign lands and upon the high sea, which is commandab when its attention is directed to these domestic outrages occurring in one of our own soversign states we are advised that it is powerless to protect the citisens of our own country under such circumstances. This condition cannot long endure, and even-handed justice muse be

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## State Poultry Show Is On at Falls City

FALLS CITY, Neb., Jan. 18.-(Special Telegram.)-The show coops and decoraons, as well as the fancy, speccial display of white doves and oriental ducks and bantams has been put in place and the thirty-first annual exhibit of fancy and utility poultry held by the Nebraska RECOMMENDS HIGHER SCALE State Poultry association is ready for public inspection.

The judging begins this morning. The judges are: E. G. Roberts of Fort Atkinson, Wis.; E. C. Branch of Lee Sumdent of the United Mine Workers of mit, Mo : S. B. Johnston of Fairland,

> About 250 exhibitors from Colorado, South Dakota, Oklahoma, Iowa and Missouri are here, and 100 poultry raisers

> The annual meeting of the association will be held on Thursday, at which time the place for the exhibit next year will be decided upon. Already Grand Island and Omaha have men on hand to secure the show for 1917.

#### FATHER OF MRS. S. A. SEARLE PASSES AWAY AT NELSON

NELSON, Neb., Jan. 18 - (Special.)-D. W. Montgomery died at his home here this morning at the ripe old age of 30 years. Mr. Montgomery was the father the car out of the building for him. of Nuckolls county, so to speak. He came This morning his family telephone into Nebraska in 1870 and settled near what quiries to Grand Island, and late today is now known at Oak. He was one of notified the local officers. the organizers of Nuckola county and perintendent. Mr. Montgomery leaves a of the man was found. terment will be made at Edgar, where upon his mind. th eservices will be held under the auspices of the Masonic order, of which deceased had been a member of long

### DEATH RECORD

Charles Smith.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Special.) Charles Smith, who represented this ounty in the legislature during the session of 1899, died at his home in Nemaha ownship Saturday night. He was born in Germany in 1840 and came to Missouri then 15 years of age. In 1858 he moved to this county and settled on Hones creek, near the state line, and he resided on the farm ever since, except for the time when he served as a soldier during the civil war in Company G. Fifth Missourt cavalry. In 193 he married Miss Jennie Lockwood. To this union nine children were born, five of whom survive, as follows: Fred Smith, Mrs. George Funk, Mrs. O. C. Ayers, Mrs. Stadler and Mrs. S. B. French. His wife died three years ago. The funeral was held today.

mining districts of Colorado. Mr. White Hemple this morning and he will be

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#### FARMER NEAR PHILLIPS BEING SOUGHT BY FAMILY

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Jan. 18 .- (Spe ial Telegram.)-Mike Curtain, aged about 33, a farmer, residing near Phillips, has been missing since last night, when he left his automobile two miles southeast of this city alongside the road. Curtain came to the city some time yesterday, and left the garage at 7 last evening, acting somewhat pecu-Harly, so that the garage people backed

A search this evening revealed that surveyed the townsite of Nelson. He was his mittens, big fur overcoat and overthe first county clerk of this county and shoes were lif in the car, as also the also served in the capacity of county su- groceries he had bought, but no trace

widow and five children. The children Curtain has been particularly unforare: Mrs. S. A. Searle, Omaha; Mrs. tunate of late, his severest misfortune May Canfield, Californio; Mrs. Charles being the death of his child some monhts Ayres, Omaha; Roy Montgomery, Oak, ago by falling off a load of sand he was and John Montgomery, California. The hauling and being crushed to death. His funeral will be held Wednesday and in- family fears that this may have preyed

Tomorrow morning posses from Phillips and this city will search the entire surroundings under the direction of Sheriff Slevers. Curtain was light complexioned, tall and slender.

#### INDIAN KILLS HIS WIFE AND HER FATHER-IN-LAW

PIERRE, S. D., Jan. 18.-Louis Fisherman, a Cherry Creek Indian, went to the home of his father-in-law, George Pony, on the Pine Ridge Reservation and murdered his wife and her father, and made his escape

#### OMAHA MAN APPOINTED TO TREASURY DEPARTMENT

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 - (Special Telegram.)-Charles Gales of Omaha, has been appointed a clerk in the Treasury

Don't Suffer Needlessly

Lemuel Shepherd.

TABLE ROCK, Neb. Jan. 18.—(Special.)
Lemuel Shepherd, a resident of Table Rock for many years, died Sunday after a long and painful illness at the residence of his son William G. Shepherd in Table Rock, aged 20 years. He leaves several children here and one at his former home at Hemple, Mo. The body was taken to Hemple this morning and he will be buried by the side of his wife, who died many years ago.

Mrs. Barbara Hofer,
COLUMBUS, Neb., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. Barbara Hofer died Sunday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sam Gass, sr. The deceased was born in Canton Basserland, Switzerland, ninety-three years ago and came to Columbus in 1836, living here since that time.

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