

PRINTERS WILL NOT CHANGE THE POLICY

Convention of International Union Will Still Be Held at City Making Best Offer.

LYNCH DEFEATED ON POINT

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 14.—As far as delegates to the 1915 convention of the International Typographical union are concerned, the annual sessions of the organization will continue to be held in whichever city wins the honor of acting as host.

Lynch Wants Business Sessions. In supporting his proposition, Lynch declared that the almost continuous entertainment incidental to the holding of conventions prevents the delegates from giving the important business before them due consideration.

Thomas C. Parsons, chairman of the committee on laws, maintained that the holding of the conventions in various cities was of great value from an advertising standpoint and in spreading unionism.

No Salary Raise. The committee on laws reported unfavorably on the proposition to increase the salaries of the secretary-treasurer and president from \$3,500 to \$5,000 on the condition that the time was inopportune.

A proposition to make the secretary of a local union having more than 100 members, and entitled to one delegate, the representative by virtue of his office, was defeated.

After a debate led by James M. Lynch for the administration, delegates to the international typographical union, by a vote of 113 to 85, ordered today a referendum on the six-day week proposition adopted yesterday.

BLAIR ELECTRIC LIGHT EMPLOYEE IS SCALDED

BLAIR, Neb., Aug. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Paul Sprecker, an employee of the Electric Light company here, was badly

scalded tonight by the bursting of a four-inch steam pipe at the power plant. A piece of the metal struck him in the face. His case is considered very serious.

Culls From the Wire

Members of the committee on buildings and grounds of the Chicago board of education adopted a resolution commending the teaching of swimming in every public school.

Twenty hundred silver anniversary spoons and forks, valued at about \$2,000, were stolen from a booth on the site of the amusement highway at the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco.

The Pacific Mail Steamship company, in pursuance of its plan announced some time ago of disposing of its fleet and other property, has sold five of its steamers to the Atlantic Transport company of West Virginia.

Outbreaks of the hoof and mouth disease in several eastern and middle western states which may eliminate exhibitors from the districts of live stock show at the Panama-Pacific exposition in October were reported to Charles Keane, California state veterinarian, by A. D. Melvin, chief of the United States bureau of animal industry at Washington.

After having been under consideration for ten years by the commissioners on uniform state laws, the Torrens land registration act was adopted by the conference at Salt Lake City by a vote of seventeen to seven, with Illinois, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Nevada, Rhode Island and Wisconsin voting in the negative.

Washington Affairs

The advisory board of the navy unanimously approved Secretary Daniels' decision in the case of naval academy cadets charged with cheating at examinations.

Attorney General Gregory indicated that no new federal suits against authority railroads were likely to follow the decision of the Interstate Commerce commission ordering sweeping reductions in freight rates and holding the carriers guilty of unlawful and discriminatory practices favoring their allied coal companies.

George D. Will, a clerk in the bureau of navigation of the navy department, was arrested on a warrant charging conspiracy in that he was concerned in a scheme to obtain sums of money from enlisted men of the navy for transfers.

The Interstate Commerce commission upheld the actions of various western railroads in concealing rules providing for the readjustment of aggregate charges of shipment of dairy products, concentrated in transit in western territory, which mean an advance estimated at from 14 to 25 per cent over the present charges on traffic from Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri.

Small Farm Losses.

LONDON, Aug. 12.—(One lamb, one pony, one pig.)—make up the total losses to British farming stock caused by bombardment and aerial raids up to the present time, according to an official statement issued by the Parliamentary commission, appointed to investigate agricultural claims for damage.

READY TO FIGHT MEXICANS—Typical Texas rangers, that body of hard-riding and quick-shooting men who guard the Texas boundary, waiting to repel any Mexican invasion which may be started.



TYPICAL TEXAS RANGERS.

MINDEN HIT BY CLOUDBURST

Streams Thrown Out of Banks and Considerable Damage Follows—Rock Island Grade Washed.

AREA OF STORM IS LIMITED

Although there was not even a suggestion of the near presence of a rainstorm in the vicinity of Council Bluffs yesterday afternoon, beyond a low bank of thick clouds lying along the eastern horizon, one of the heaviest rainfalls of the season drenched the eastern and central portions of Pottawattamie county.

At Minden, Ia., in the central part of the county, a cloudburst deluged the country and considerable damage was reported. Small streams were forced out of their banks, flooding the lowlands. There was some damage to the Rock Island railroad tracks, but not serious enough to greatly delay traffic.

At Fortland a large section of the Milwaukee track was washed out, and incoming trains delayed by being drenched. Considerable wind accompanied the storm and cornfields, in addition to being washed out, were damaged to some extent by being flattened.

Automobile parties arriving from Walnut late in the afternoon said they were followed by the rain all of the way to a point between Weston and the city limits. At the city limits the roads were dusty, marked only by a few scattering drops of rain.

eastward to Atlantic, but was light. No rain fell at Crescent or within ten miles of the city on the northeast. The shower was concentrated into a small area.

Omaha Hotel Men After Convention

Some fifteen of the prominent hotel men of Omaha are planning to leave in a special car for Davenport, Ia., next Tuesday to attend the convention of the Mid-West Hotel Men's association.

A determined effort to secure the 1916 convention will be made by the Omaha delegates, and they believe that they will succeed in bringing it here.

Sword Gift to King Albert Completed

PARIS, Aug. 12.—The sword of honor to be presented by the people of Paris to King Albert has been completed by the sculptor, Fetsu. It will first be submitted to General Florentin, grand chancelier of the Legion of Honor, then

to Monsieur Poincare, president of the republic, after which it will be placed on view for a time at the exhibition of Belgian art at the Petit Palais.

"No thoroughfare," is the inscription upon the guard at the foot of the hilt in the form of a statuette in massive gold, representing a young athlete upon the defensive, brandishing a club.

The statuette represents the Flemish type, a Belgian having posed for the figure. The guard is also of massive gold, bearing the arms of the city of Paris in blue and red enamel, with the cross of the Legion of Honor and the device: "Fluctuat nec mergitur," and the date 1914 in diamonds upon an oak branch in green enamel.

On the other side of the guard, in golden letters upon blue enamel, is the inscription: "The People of Paris to His Majesty, Albert I, King of the Belgians."

The inscription on this side is surmounted by a laurel wreath set with emeralds and rubies.

The blade of the sword is in steel of Saint-Etienne, ornamented with panoplies of steel upon gold, with these lines by Jean Richepin:

"I have for my soul thy soul, O King. The sheath is of fish skin, tanned by a process revived from the eighteenth century. The chape bears the arms of the thirteen Belgian provinces, on a field of flowers and vegetation of the country; fax, hope and coals. It is surmounted by a mural crown."

The hilt is a very rich piece of embroidery, designed by Madame Van Orian, in eight different golden tints, with ivy, symbolizing attachment; wheat, figuring abundance; oak, indicating force, and the laurel leaves of glory, interlaced upon velvet in the colors of Paris.

FAVORS UNIFORM STATE TAX LAWS

Indiana Commissioner Says General Property Tax System is Generally Inefficient.

ADVOCATES ORGANIZATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 14.—E. H. Wolcott, member of the Indiana State Tax commission, in an address today before the ninth annual conference of the National Tax association, condemned general property taxation as it exists in some states as "ineffective and unenforceable."

"The burden of taxation," he continued, "falls heavily upon those who own real estate or those whose personal property is visible or tangible. The result is that each year the rate increases, and this increase causes more sequestration, the more that is hidden, the higher the rates, and so, marching out of step, general property taxation is ineffective, unenforceable and creates disrespect and disregard for all laws."

While there were objections to a classification tax, the speaker advocated as a solution of the problem a law that "should embrace a low rate or income tax for intangible property."

"Preferably," he continued, "an income tax, as each individual should contribute to the support of the community proportionately as he profits by all the protection it affords to his life and property and contributes to his welfare and comfort."

He concluded by advocating uniform tax laws in all states.

Lord Advocates Organization. George Lord of Detroit, Mich., secretary of the Michigan Tax association, urged the formation of a national organization of state tax officers in his address.

"I believe a national association of this character," he said, "holding annual conventions, would do more than any other agency could do toward a solution of the vexed tax problem with which many, if not all, of the states are confronted."

"The trouble with our tax system is not so much statutory as administrative. No state, I think, is suffering to a great extent because of too little tax legislation. It is not new tax legislation that we most want, but a simplification of the laws we already have and improved methods of their administration."

"In nearly every state we find the 'tax doctor' who, whenever any tax bill appears to him runs to the legislature for a

remedy. The result is that we are almost constantly enacting new tax legislation, which becomes more and more confusing to the tax-paying people. The influence of a national association of tax officers would surely work for improvement in such conditions."

Mr. Lord cited the present association of state tax officials of the New England states as evidence of the beneficial results to be obtained.

"There is no question," he said, "that these meetings of taxing officials, where administrative problems are freely discussed, are productive of much good in that there is an apparent improvement in administrative methods and a better understanding of the governing tax statutes. It is hoped that those states which have not yet formed similar organizations will soon do so."

FRENCH CITIZENS TURN IN VAST QUANTITIES OF GOLD

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

PARIS, Aug. 13.—One hundred and eighteen millions of francs in gold was exchanged for bank bills at the Bank of France, its branches and other establishments authorized to receive it in the last few weeks. To provoke this influx of gold no more was required than the statement of the minister of finance that French citizens should show their patriotism by helping increase the gold reserve of the Bank of France as well as by fighting in the trenches.

The first week produced 12,000,000, the second, 40,000,000, and the third, 65,000,000. To what sum these exchanges are likely to mount no one risks a guess, the movement is reaching such formidable proportions without official insistence or pressure of any sort. Judging by the comprehensive character of the multitude that crowds the windows at which gold is received, there will be little left in the safe deposit vaults, in the woolen sock or in the child's savings bank when the proposition has finally passed. There is an estimate net total of coined or coinable gold of 8,500,000,000 francs in France at the present moment.

DECIMAL COIN SYSTEM ADVOCATED IN ENGLAND

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

LONDON, Aug. 13.—Proposals to establish a decimal system of coinage in Great Britain are again receiving attention in the newspapers. The latest advocates are soldiers returning from France who have become accustomed to the decimal system in use there, and have quickly recognized its advantages.

The proposal most generally endorsed in England is that the farthing be made the basis of the new system. There is already a coin of this denomination in use in England, its value being one-fourth of a penny, or about half of an American cent. It is proposed to make 100 farthings equal to one florin (the common two-shilling piece of English coinage, equivalent to 50 cents American). This involves only a trifling change from the present system, whereby 96 farthings make one florin.

Under the proposed system the units of money would be: 100 farthings make 1 florin, 10 florins make 1 pound. The shilling would thus become an intermediate coin, representing 10 farthings, and the six-pence a similar intermediate coin, representing 25 farthings.

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SAN FRANCISCO—Battleships Visit Panama-Pacific Exposition.

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