

LABOR FIGHT ON RAILROAD BILL GOES TO WILSON

Cannot Sanction Wage Provisions In Measure, They Say—Ask President For Wage Tribunal.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Labor today carried its fight on the Esch-Cummings railroad bill to President Wilson.

In a letter delivered at the White House, union leaders attacked the labor clauses of the bill as well as the provision for a guaranteed return of 5 1/2 per cent and practically refused to submit their wage demands to arbitration tribunals set up by congress as proposed by the president.

The letter declares that analysis of the labor provisions of the bill "seem sufficient to warrant the definite conclusion that the congress has not proposed a method of procedure acceptable at any time and that the proposal is entirely inadequate to meet the present situation."

Want Wage Tribunal.

The union men further made it clear that they believe Wilson should go ahead with plans independent of congressional action to set up a tribunal to handle wage matters.

"We feel sure," the union men wrote to the president, "that you can agree with us to the extent that there is little likelihood that congress will be able to reach an agreement that will insure a prompt disposition of the question."

The letter of which a copy was transmitted to Rail Director Hines, was signed by President Bert M. Jewell, of the railway department of the American Federation of Labor President Timothy Shea, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, and E. J. Manion, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, who constitute the committee which has been negotiating with the president on behalf of all the railway unions.

Present Memorial.

The union men presented with the letter a memorial which they addressed to the Senate and House Thursday, analyzing the bill in detail. The letter to Wilson read:

"Supplementing our letters to Mr. Walker D. Hines, director general of railroads, under date of Feb. 9, and 11, your letter of February 13, and our letter to you dated February 14, answering yours of the 13th instant, we herewith submit for your consideration the following:

"At a meeting of the chief executive officers of the railroad labor organizations to whom you addressed your letter of February 13, held Wednesday evening, February 18, to discuss the labor section of H. R. 10453 (railroad bill) designated as title three of the act, the undersigned committee was appointed and duly authorized to prepare and submit (1) our criticisms resulting from a thorough analysis of the labor provisions of the act and (2) to protest against the provisions of the act wherein it provides for minimum guaranteed return of 5 1/2 per cent based on the aggregate value of the property of the carriers.

"We respectfully submit and urge that you give careful consideration to the attached copy of a memorial presented to the members of congress February 20, setting forth in detail our criticisms and protests thereof; quoting from your letter of the 13th instant.

Wilson's Promise.

"In the event that in connection with the return to private control provision shall be made by law for machinery for dealing with railroad wage matters, I shall promptly use my influence and so far as such law confers power upon me, I shall exercise that power to bring to about the earliest practical organization of the machinery thus provided.

"In our analysis of the labor provisions of the act, we have set forth reasons coupled with our years of practical application and experience in negotiating wage adjustments, which to us seems sufficiently to warrant the definite conclusion that the congress has not proposed a method of procedure acceptable at any time and entirely inadequate to meet the present situation.

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BANKER IS ADVOCATING NEW COALITION PARTY

New York, Feb. 23.—A plea for a "new coalition party," with a "business man of the highest standing" as its presidential candidate was made last night by U. H. McCarter, president of the Fidelity Trust Company, of Newark, N. J. Mr. McCarter spoke as toastmaster at the annual banquet of the trust company's section of the American Bankers' association here which was attended by 750 bankers from all parts of the country.

"I used to feel," he said, "that the future of this country depended entirely on the republican party, of which I have been a member since birth. I now feel, however, that the two parties are essentially the same, and, like many others, I look for the formation of a new coalition party, a party that will work for America first, last and all the time."

HORTHY NAMED REGENT.

Basel, Feb. 23.—Admiral Nicholas Horthy, commander-in-chief of the Hungarian army, is reported to have been named regent of Hungary by the national assembly.

NO HIGHER INTEREST.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Reports that the next issue of certificates of indebtedness would bear interest at 5 per cent were declared "utterly baseless" today by Secretary of the Treasury Houston.

POWDER SPOILS PICTURE.

Atlantic City, Feb. 23.—Will H. Towles, of Washington, D. C., addressing the annual convention of the photographer's association of the middle Atlantic states here today declared that if girls want to look beautiful in a photograph they must not powder their faces. He said powder flattens the expression and obliterates the lines necessary to bring out beauty and character when posing for a photograph.

ROADS MUST HAVE 648 MILLION MORE.

This Sum Needed to Wind Up Federal Control—Esch Starts Defense of His Bill in the House.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Additional appropriations of \$648,000,000 to wind up federal control soon will be asked of congress by Director General Hines, Representative Esch, Wisconsin, chairman of the House interstate commerce committee, told the House today in opening debate on the conference report on the railroad bill.

If this sum is granted congress will have appropriated a grand total of more than \$2,000,000,000 for the roads of which more than \$750,000,000 will represent a total loss and which must be charged up as a war cost, Esch said. The balance represents the amount the government has invested in the roads, including additions, betterments and new equipment, he stated.

Esch Defends It.

To date, congress has appropriated \$1,250,000,000 for the roads and the bill carries a direct appropriation of \$300,000,000. Esch made a vigorous defense of the guaranty provision of the measure which is a storm center.

"Capital will not invest in railroad securities under the old law of fixing just and reasonable rates," Esch said. "The investors want stability and the railroads must have additional credit. The 5 1/2 per cent guaranteed by the bill is on the actual value of the property and not on the capitalization.

Should the bill fail to pass, Esch declared that 50 per cent of the roads should be in the hands of receivers, adding "that receivership for the roads means receivership for all industry and business."

"This \$636,000,000 will have to be charged off as a war loss," he said. "One may say it was expensive, but it was worth the price. Without the railroads, transportation would have failed to supply our troops over seas."

Total appropriations of approximately \$1,900,000,000, including those already made, were the "experience of federal control," Mr. Esch said, but he added that of these amounts approximately \$1,250,000,000 were "investments" in the form of improvements made for the roads and for which they ultimately will pay.

LOWDEN IS HEARD BY HURON PEOPLE

Governor of Illinois Asserts Amerization Is Problem For People to Solve.

Huron, S. D., Feb. 23.—America is the land for American people and not for the "internationalist" who has the world in heart instead of the interest of America, Governor Lowden, of Illinois, told an audience here, as minority republican candidate for president at the March primaries.

"Americanization is the most important problem before the people of the United States," Governor Lowden declared. "Soviet government is an attempt to substitute rule by one class for rule by all the people. If allowed to thrive, it would be fatal to our institutions. Their idea of government by class takes different names, and soviet is not the only word which defines it. Some times it is the Industrial Workers of the World; sometimes it is the one big union, and sometimes the radical socialist party. Whatever its name, the menace to our liberties is equally great."

The "internationalist," Mr. Lowden declared, was the person who would pool America with other countries of the world. Americanization means that a citizen must be for America and not consider himself a citizen of the world, he said.

Those who consider themselves citizens of the world had better move beyond our borders, he added.

Governor Lowden will wind up his South Dakota campaign with a speech at Watertown tonight. He will then return to his home in Illinois.

ANSWER WAS READ.

Paris, Feb. 23.—Premier Millerand discussed negotiations at London before the foreign affairs committee of the chamber of deputies yesterday and read to the committee the supreme allied council's answer to President Wilson regarding the Adriatic. He outlined the principle features of his policy toward the Orient and gave details of the situation in Asia Minor.

BLAME FOREIGN LOBBIES.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—Charges that foreign lobbies are trying to break down the American merchant marine were laid before the Senate commerce committee today by W. L. Clark, Seattle.

MUST "SAIL ON."

New York, Feb. 23.—The U. S. S. Recruit, the miniature battleship "anchored" in Union Square, must "move on," Park department orders. She may cruise to the scrap heap or another city.

ALLIES FEAR TO BREAK WITH U. S. OFFICIAL SAYS

Europe Recognizes That Wilson Holds Key to Adriatic Situation—Note Not to Be Sent Today.

London, Feb. 23.—President Wilson holds the key to the Adriatic, a high Italian official declared in an interview here today. His statement was without qualification.

Despite their admitted inclinations the allies dare not ignore Washington, he said. They realize Europe would be thrown into economic and political chaos if it were to cut loose from the United States.

The president's answer to the allied note replying to his protest against their proposed Adriatic settlement undoubtedly will be unfavorable to Italy, the official believed. He admitted "there is room for argument" so far as the president's position is concerned. The allies, he added, hope to prolong the discussion until the economic, Turkish and Russian questions, now before the council of premiers, have been disposed of.

"The official said: 'The allies dare not frame any communication to the American government in the nature of an ultimatum. They realize that, by a single move, America can force the franc and lire down to a level with the mark and the kronen and even demoralize the pound sterling.'

Premier Nitti, "level headed and far seeing," is moving with great caution, the official said. He knows the exact limits of the line of demarcation over which he dare not step. Allied statesmen are uncertain as to the attitude of the American congress and the population, the Italian said.

Meanwhile, Jugo-Slav officials were frankly jubilant at the turn the president's Adriatic note has given the situation. M. Trumbitch, head of the Jugo-Slav delegation, was to leave for Paris, confident that his country's position is impregnable. The collapse of the Jugo-Slav ministry was awarded by many observers as most timely. It precluded the possibility of any wavering on the part of the Belgrade government, they believed.

Leaks Cause Worry.

Premier Lloyd George, it was learned, has become extremely irritable over alleged leaks in the proceedings of the council of premiers. He has opened each session since receipt of the president's note with a statement warning the conferees of the necessity for secrecy, it was said.

As a result of the premier's attitude French newspapers during the last two days have been able to get little "inside" information on the council meetings.

Greece, it was learned, probably will obtain sovereignty over the Gallipoli peninsula as a result of Premier Venizelos' statements to the council Thursday.

The Ukrainian high commission has handed to the council a petition for recognition of its government, pointing out that the allies already have recognized the independence of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Georgia, Azerbaijan and Armenia. The petition asks the support for the Ukrainian army in instructors and munitions and economic assistance to aid in the country's reconstruction. It was learned semi-officially that Lloyd George is disposed favorably toward the Ukrainians and the question probably will be taken up at the council's meeting next week.

NOTE NOT READY.

Washington, Feb. 23.—President Wilson's reply to the note of the supreme council on the Adriatic settlement will not be in shape for transmission today, it was learned at the state department.

U. S. IS OFFERING GOOD BARGAIN TO SOME BUYER

Washington, Feb. 23.—The \$70,000,000 powder plant at Nitro, W. Va., not only will be sold on the installment plan for about \$8,500,000, but the government will throw in \$9,000,000 worth of loose materials for good measure, Chairman Graham, of the House war investigation committee declared today in the House.

In urging that idle roadmaking machinery held by the war department be turned over to the states for practical use, Mr. Graham said he was astounded to get a report from Secretary Baker showing it had mighty little machinery on hand.

FEDERAL GRADE RULES ON GRAIN TO REMAIN

Washington, Feb. 23.—Federal grades for wheat will continue to be enforced under the grain standards act after the United States grain corporation has ceased to function, the department of agriculture announced today in denying reports which were said to have gained currency that the federal grading system and the grain corporation would pass out of existence simultaneously. The department explained that fixing of grades for wheat was authorized by permanent and not war emergency legislation.

GRAIN CORPORATION TO RESUME FLOUR BUYING

New York, Feb. 23.—The United States grain corporation announces that on March 2, it will resume buying flour under its "regular flour offer" plan, after a suspension of two months. Although there are large stocks of flour in Atlantic ports, Julius H. Barnes, United States wheat director, says the wheat guarantee act passed by congress specifies a

Mrs. Spoor Cowed Supposed Burglar With Canned Fruit

Chicago, Feb. 23.—"If you move I certainly will serve you these pineapples."

Mrs. George K. Spoor, a can of pineapples in one hand and a glass of jelly in the other, held a prowler at bay in the basement of her home while the family chauffeur responded to the "S. O. S." An empty ammonia bottle was his only weapon.

Mrs. Spoor, wife of the president of a film company and sister-in-law of "Billy" Sunday, was considered a heroine today. Harry Fisher was in jail.

Fisher said he had been invited to a friend's cellar in the neighborhood. "He has a famous cellar. An unknown person yelled 'jiggers, revenue officers!' It was a critical moment, I ran. This was the first opening and I ducked. I am not a burglar," Fisher said.

SAYS LABOR WILL ELECT PRESIDENT

A. F. L. President Predicts Defeat of Both Old Parties, Whose Platforms Do Not Satisfy.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—The platform adopted by the state unofficial republican convention in New York yesterday spells defeat for the republican party, John Fitzpatrick, president of the Chicago Federation of Labor, declared today.

"It's all bosh, and was undoubtedly drawn up in Pierpont Morgan's office by the Wall street gang," Fitzpatrick said. "It's the same old stuff—rehashed. The democratic platform will be of the same nature and drawn up by the same men, with a little political variations here and there. The very fact that the platform opposes the government's control of railroads shows that it was written by Wall street business men."

Labor to Elect.

"This platform is contrary to the one thing the laboring class wants—and the labor class is going to elect the next president. The next president will be of the labor party, he will be nominated at the labor party convention which will be held here on July 4. The platform also will be drawn up at this convention."

Fitzpatrick charged that the "Wall street gang" will finance both the republican and democratic campaigns. The labor party, he said, will be financed by the laboring class and therefore will draw up a platform to suit this class.

"We will not be a vassal of Wall street as both the republican and democratic parties are," Fitzpatrick said. "Our platform will be by the people, for the people and of the people, and not for the benefit of Wall street."

Fitzpatrick refused to say who will be the probable 1920 presidential choice of the labor party.

ST. LOUIS GRAIN RATE IS SAME AS CHICAGO

Interstate Commerce Commission Gives Ruling of Benefit to Sioux City.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Modifications of the previous general readjustment of rates on grain from the northwest to Chicago and St. Louis were announced last night by the Interstate Commerce commission. The commission's new conclusion provides that rates on grain shipments, by way of Minneapolis to Chicago from Mankato and Rapid City, S. D., and intermediate points be made not to exceed the rates over the direct routes to Chicago from all points on and north of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad to these points. It provides also that St. Louis should be given a proportional rate of 15 cents from Sioux City, the same as is in effect from Sioux City to Chicago.

SPURIOUS SPARK PLUGS HAVE FLOODED MARKET

Chicago, Feb. 23.—A search made today of the home of William A. Bentley, arrested yesterday as being implicated in an alleged \$1,000,000 spark plug conspiracy, brought to light several thousand spurious plugs, according to H. F. Heard, special investigator for a company of Toledo. He charged that there is a national chain of manufacturers and dealers who for the past five years have flooded the country with imitations of a spark plug manufactured in Toledo.

Mr. Heard declared tonight that records taken from Bentley showed that from 5,000 to 20,000 imitation plugs were turned out monthly in Chicago for the last five years.

TWO DEAD; THREE HURT IN OIL WELL BLAZE

Tulsa, Okla., Feb. 23.—Two men were burned to death and three injured so badly it is believed they will die, when the Slick-Jones oil well near Jennings burst into flames early today.

MILLS OPEN STORES.

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 23.—The American Woolen company has inaugurated a system of retail stores at its four mills in this city in an effort to reduce the cost of living for the 15,000 operatives. Staple commodities are sold at a price below that of local merchants, in line with the assertion made recently by William M. Wood, president of the company, that living costs here are higher than they should be.

EAT LESS AND TAKE SALTS FOR KIDNEYS

Take a Glass of Salts if Your Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers.

The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out, they weaken from overwork, become sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health.

When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead; your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys; to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

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His Reply.

A teacher was explaining the methods used in taking the census, and illustrated by asking the pupils some of the questions asked by the enumerators. She asked little Billie K. this question:

"Billie, what is your father's politics?"

Billie, being only eight years old, was not "up" on politics, so he answered thus:

"I—I don't know, but he is either a Bull Moose or belongs to Oriental lodge."

Professional Loss.

His friend noticed that the dentist was looking blue and inquired: "What's the matter Joe?"

"Why, I've had an ulcerated tooth and yesterday it got so bad I had to pull it myself."

"Did you get relief?"

"Oh, yes."

"Then why this grinch?"

"Why this grinch? Because, you idiot, I once got \$400 for treating a tooth like that."—Boston Transcript.


Business.

Reno—He always rubs it into the people, friends or no friends.

Henry—Always knocking, eh?

Reno—No; he's an osteopath.

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Get rid of it! Don't let acid-stomach hold you back, wreck your health, make your days miserable, make you a victim of the "blues" and gloomy thoughts! There is a marvelous modern remedy called EATONIC that brings out such quick relief from your stomach troubles—sets your stomach to rights—makes it strong, cool, sweet and comfortable. Helps you get back your strength, vigor, vitality, enthusiasm and good cheer. So many thousands upon thousands of sufferers have used EATONIC with such marvellously helpful results that we are sure you will feel the same way if you will just give it a trial. Get a big 50 cent box of EATONIC—the good tasting tablets that you eat like a bit of candy—from your druggist today. He will return your money if results are not even more than you expect.

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No Life Saver.

"I asked the boss for a raise today; told him I couldn't live on my present salary."

"Fine, and what did he say?"

"That he didn't think a man in his position should be considered merely as a life saver."—Lexington Leader.

Getting a Night Out.

"I'd like to have you come to my house tonight to a stag party."

"Will you put that in writing?"

"Do you doubt my good faith?"

"By no means. Just want to show the document to my wife."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Consistency.

"Why don't you go to work?"

"It would be highly improper for me to do so," answered the communist. "My idea is that people should live without working, and I've got to set an example."

A woman's sphere is the home. Any bride of a week is willing to admit this.

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