

Child Labor Law Is Demanded by Allied Unions

LaFollette Declares "Encroachments of Federal Courts" Have "Wrested Sovereignty From People."

Cincinnati, O., June 14.—(By A. P.)—Asserting that by a "process of gradual encroachments" the federal courts of the country have "wrested sovereignty from the people," Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin, in an address here today before the American Federation of Labor convention, proposed an amendment to the constitution denying the power of lower courts to set aside a federal law as unconstitutional and providing for the nullification of any such decision by the supreme court by re-enactment of the statute.

Five Are Supreme Rulers.

"The law is what they say it is," the Wisconsin Senator continued, "and not what the people through congress enact. Even the constitution of the United States is not what its plain terms declare, but what these five men construe it to be. In fact, five of these nine men are actually the supreme rulers, for by a bare majority the court has repeatedly overridden the will of the people."

"The nine lawyers who constitute the supreme court are placed in position of power for life, not by the votes of the people, but by presidential appointment. President Taft made chief justice by President Harding. Thus a man was invested with the enormous prestige and influence of chief justice by presidential appointment who had been repudiated by the voters of the United States on his record. No one will contend that he could have been elected chief justice by the vote of the people. And yet Chief Justice Taft wrote an opinion that annulled the child labor law; he wrote the opinion in the Coronado Coal company case. In making this observation I levy no criticism at the person of the court. I am not concerned with personalities. I am dealing with fundamentals."

"Judicial Oligarchy."

It cannot be denied that "we are ruled by a judicial oligarchy," the senator asserted, adding that while many of the minor federal judges "sharing the sovereign power" of the supreme court, were "excellent and enlightened men, some of them, notably Judge Anderson of Indiana and Judge McClinton of West Virginia have, in my opinion, shown themselves to be petty tyrants and arrogant despots."

Organized labor again raised its voice at the convention here today against child labor, coupling with this an observance of Flag day. The program for the entire day's speeches was devoted to child labor, with reference to the supreme court's recent decision of two months ago holding state child labor law unconstitutional.

The day's program was opened by the central labor union of this city presenting Samuel Gompers, president of the federation, with an American flag.

Mr. Gompers told the delegates that as far back as 1881 in the first constitution adopted by the federation, a declaration was incorporated

for the enactment of state laws prohibiting labor by children under 14 years old. He referred to the first federal law, that of 1916, being declared invalid by the supreme court by a 5 to 4 opinion, and added that the second law, passed in 1919, was set aside with one dissenting vote of the court. Labor's program now, he said, was to obtain adoption of a constitutional amendment, making possible a federal child labor law.

Delegates favoring radical change in the American trade union movement made their first move in the convention today by introducing a resolution favoring the amalgamation of existing unions by industries into single organizations.

The resolution was introduced by E. H. Fitzgerald and others representing the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks and proposed that the "American Federation of Labor take the necessary action toward bringing about the required solidarity with the ranks of organized labor, and that as a first step in this direction the various international unions be called into Kansas for the purpose of arranging to amalgamate all the unions in the respective industries into single organizations, each of which shall cover any industry."

The California state federation asked adoption of a resolution declaring in favor of a ban on Oriental immigration by denying "admission as immigrants and permanent residents, all aliens who are ineligible to citizenship under laws of the United States."

Other resolutions asked the federal court investigate the "alleged discriminatory action contemplated by Harvard university toward barring Hebrews as students," recognition of the Mexico government headed by President Obregon, and repeal of the Esch-Commins transportation law principally because of the railroad labor board, created under the law, reducing the wages of the rail workers.

The Ku Klux Klan was declared by resolution to be "detestable to the best interests of the working people and directly opposed to the constitution of the United States." Amnesty for political prisoners also was favored by a resolution.

All State Capitol Bids Are Rejected

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opened. There were fully 200 contractors present.

Road Contracts Awarded.

Meantime, bids were opened and contracts awarded for the summer's road work in Nebraska. Contracts awarded today follow:

Adair County—Culverts: Western Bridge & Construction company, Omaha, \$450.51; grading, Peterson, Shirley & Gunther, Omaha, \$4,583.24.
Platte County—Culverts: Allied Contractors, Inc., Omaha, \$4,148.47; concrete culverts, Peterson, Shirley & Gunther, Omaha, \$4,384.68.
Fillmore and Saline Counties—Grading: Phelan-Shirley company, Omaha, \$15,282.20; concrete piping, John W. Kempf, Hickory, \$3,204.49; guard rails, Metz Construction company, Springfield, Neb., \$200.42.

Saline County, Project No. 88-B—Grading: Phelan, Shirley company, Omaha, \$7,419.58; station blade grading, Saline county board of commissioners, \$1,470; concrete culverts, Metz Construction company, Springfield, \$4,332.64; guard rails, Nichols Brothers, Fairmount, \$115.60.
Saline County, Project No. 94-C—Grading: Phelan-Shirley company, Omaha, \$4,691; station blade grading, Saline county board of commissioners, \$310; guard rails, John A. and Frank Craven, Omaha, \$1,153.83; concrete culverts, Nicker, Fairbury, \$5,232.19.

Polk and Butler Counties—Four bridges: Polk county board of commissioners, \$16,432.46.
Butt County—Concrete culverts: Metz Construction company, Springfield, \$4,139.86; grading, Phelan-Shirley company, Omaha, \$11,246.70; guard rails, Beatty Contracting company, \$2,091.
Washington County—Concrete culverts: Metz Construction company, \$650.81; grading, Peterson, Shirley & Gunther, Omaha, \$7,582; guard rails, Jan Quinton, Kearney, \$888.54.
Sioux County, Project No. 103-A—Bridges: Western Bridge and Construction company, \$17,848.42.
Sioux County, Project No. 103-B—Grading: Peterson, Shirley & Gunther, \$9,043; culverts and guard rails, Western Bridge and Construction company, Omaha, \$2,269.44.

Mr. Gompers boards were invited to bid on all jobs but so far only two have taken advantage of the invitation.

Tobacco Company Probe Ordered by Federal Court

New York, June 14.—Writs of mandamus commanding the American Tobacco company and F. Lorillard & Co. to submit to agents of the federal trade commission books and papers concerned in the investigation of the alleged "tobacco trust" were handed down by Federal Judge Knox.

Unless the order is immediately complied with, Judge Knox decreed, the defendant companies are to appear in court June 23 and show cause why peremptory writs of mandamus should not be issued against them.

1,300 Christians Slain by Turks, Telegram

London, June 14.—Charges that 1,300 Christian women and children were taken by the Turks from Sam-sun, on the Black Sea, to the interior and massacred near Kavak two weeks ago are contained in a telegram received by the Greek defense committee here from Archbishop Meletios Metaxakis, Greek patriarch of Constantinople.

Massachusetts Rules Congress Is Charge of Texas Democrat

Washington, June 14.—Massachusetts—not the west—is in the congressional saddle nowadays, Representative Cameron, Democrat, Texas, declared in the house.

"You used to say the south was in the saddle," said Mr. Garner, "but I want some of you western republicans to say in the next campaign who is there now. Massachusetts is in the saddle. Massachusetts presides over this house; it presides over the senate and has a member of the steering committee in the house."

"But you are not satisfied with that. When the speaker has occasion to leave he substitutes in his place the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. Walsh), a very good man."

Champ Cow Girl, on Way to Get Trophy, Stops Here



Lorena Trickey.

Lost for five weeks, Lorena Trickey, 22, champion cow girl of the world, was found yesterday at Hotel Fontenelle, in company with Mrs. C. B. Irwin.

"I wasn't exactly lost. I was riding the range in eastern Oregon, in pursuit of rustlers," she explained. The slip of a girl, weighing but 98 pounds, was on the trail more than a month. Meanwhile donors of the

McAlpin trophy searched the west by wire to no avail, to notify her to come to New York and claim her trophy.

She started east last night to "collect" the magnificent diamond, silver and gold trophy she won last year for being the champion woman rider of the world. She will defend this title again at the Cheyenne Frontier Days celebration in July.

Gen. Wu Pei-Fu Named Chinese Minister of War

Dr. W. W. Yen Named Foreign Minister—Hope Still Held Dr. Wu Will Head All-China Ministry.

Pekin, June 14.—(By A. P.)—Dr. W. W. Yen, former foreign minister, has been reappointed to that post in the new central Chinese government of President Li Yuan-Hung. Dr. Yen also has been named acting premier and is expected to be made premier in the event Wu Ting-Fang, the former minister of the southern government at Canton refuses to be President Li's prime minister.

Gen. Wu Pei-Fu, the outstanding military figure of China by reason of his recent defeat of Chang Tso-Lin, the Manchurian leader, has been chosen minister of war in the Pekin cabinet. Dr. Wang Chung-Hui, a lawyer of international repute, will be President Li's minister of justice.

These appointments were announced in a mandate issued by President Li.

It was understood today that there was still hope that Dr. Wu Ting-Fang would consent to forsake Sun Yat-Sen and his southern government and lead what President Li designs to be an all-China ministry.

Wu Pei-Fu, who was in Pootungfu when the mandate was published, had not announced today whether he would accept the portfolio of war. His decision was awaited with anxiety, for a competent military man in the reorganized central government is held imperative.

Popular Demand.

General Wu was selected in response to a popular demand that he participate actively in the reconstruction of China. If he accepts, it is understood that he will devote his

attention to disbanding superfluous troops, which, he and his advisers consider, number hundreds of thousands. As minister of war he would be likely to attempt to carry out the suggestions for partial disarmament voiced at the Washington arms conference. He would be apt also to demand the immediate resignations of the military governors with a view to establishing civil authority in the province and of organizing one central army for national defense only.

The Chinese newspapers, commenting editorially, assert that Li's assumption of the presidency is a move toward popular government. They concede that he is surrounding himself with statesmen who recognize the needs of China. They point out, however, that the continued existence of the Canton government is a serious obstacle in the path of unification. The belief is expressed that if Wu Ting-Fang consents to join the north, Sun Yat-Sen will be forced to yield.

Ad Clubs of World to Meet in Atlantic City in 1923

Milwaukee, Wis., June 14.—Atlantic City will get the 1923 convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, while London will all probably entertain the convention in 1924, it was decided at a meeting of the club presidents, lasting till early this morning.

These selections are subject to ratification by the delegates at the general session of the convention on Thursday, but officials declared that they are certain to be carried.

Lou Holland, Kansas City, seems the leading candidate for president.

To Pay Reparations.

Paris, June 14.—(By A. P.)—The German government notified the reparations commission today that it would pay the regular monthly installment of 50,000,000 gold marks tomorrow, the date fixed for this payment, the commission, it was announced, will send another note to Germany this evening requesting further minor improvements in the budget and in the arrangements for financial reforms.

Omahan Is Chief of Veterans of '98

Bruce J. Newlon Named Department Commander at Hastings Encampment.

Hastings, Neb., June 14.—(Special Telegram.)—The annual encampment of Spanish War veterans closed today with a parade and election of officers. Bruce J. Newlon of Omaha was made department commander; H. S. Dungan of Hastings, senior vice commander, and J. B. Farnsworth of Kimball, department inspector.

Other officers elected were: junior vice commander, H. Gunderson, Ord; judge advocate, August Wagner, Columbus; surgeon, Dr. W. J. Raynor, Grand Island; chaplain, Rev. W. H. Underwood, Blair; marshal, L. I. Tucker, North Platte; historian, O. W. Meir, Lincoln; patriotic instructor, D. Burr Jones, Columbus. The department auxiliary officers were elected as follows: president,

Mrs. Florence White, Lincoln; senior vice president, Mrs. Emma Ross, Grand Island; junior vice president, Mrs. Mary Haner, North Platte; chaplain Mrs. Sadie Dean, Lincoln.

Rapid Progress Is Made in Financing of Mexico

New York, June 14.—Conferences over the Mexican debt situation progressed to a point where Finance Minister De la Huerta and the international committee of bankers on Mexico decided to put into writing as the basis for further discussion the matters dealt with up to now.

An optimistic statement was issued by the finance minister, saying that if no new difficulties come up "the agreements reached may be considered as definite subject to the ratification of President Obregon. The bankers, in their statement, made no mention of any agreements having been arrived at."

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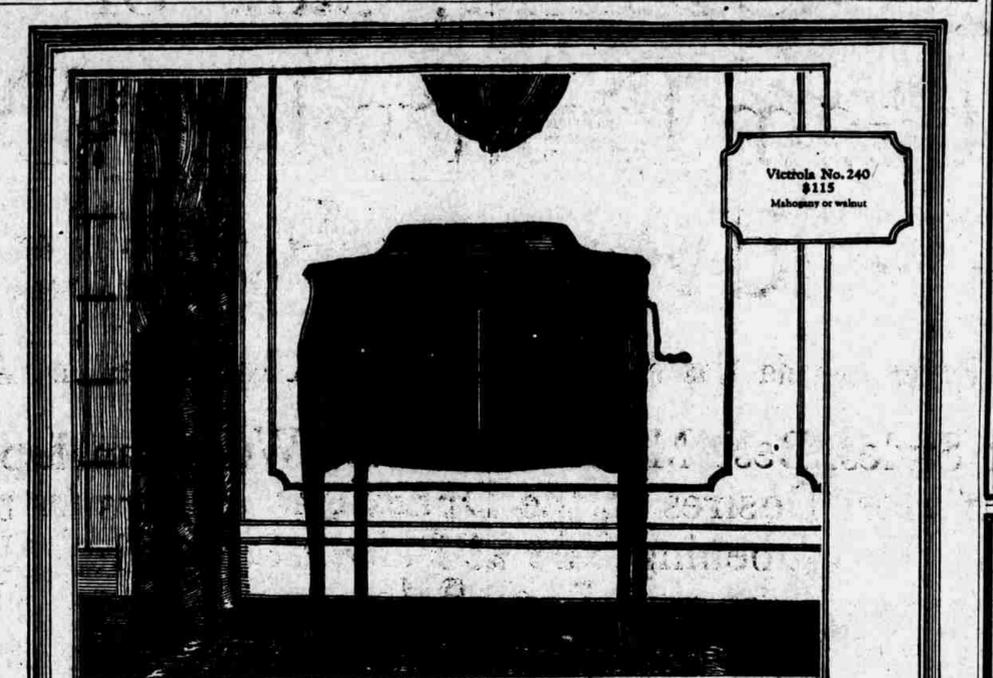
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