

### ORGANIZATION PROPER, COLVER TELLS MEETING

Federal Trade Commissioner at Coffeemen's Meeting, Says, However, Public Must Be Protected.

Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 14.—Organization of groups of men for mutual benefit are proper and to be encouraged up to the point where such organizations interfere with the general welfare and public interests, William B. Colver of the federal trade commission told the National Coffee Roasters' association meeting here today.

"Individual liberty is only to be enjoyed up to the point where it encroaches upon the liberty of others," the speaker said. "All rights yield to the one dominant right—that of the general welfare."

Labor was encouraged to organize by trades and crafts in the common interests of the wage earner. As in the case of organized capital, there can be no objection to the mere size

of such combinations, unless the general welfare, the public interest, is threatened.

Pointing out that during the war each citizen stood ready to contribute his all to the common cause, Mr. Colver deprecated the present day drift toward civil war between employers and employees. "Organized labor; organized capital; organized farmers; organized landlords; organized tenants; organized everything and everybody can and will be useful in our national life so long as they function in and for the public interest. Organized selfishness? Never! the speaker declared.

Mr. Colver concluded with an attack on the business methods of the "big five" meat packers, warning his audiences that there were indications that some of the Chicago packers intended to include the coffee business in the long list of their subsidiary activities in the near future.

**Cold Weather Forces Big Plane to Descend to Ground**

New York, Nov. 14.—The Handley-Page airplane, which started Friday from Mineola, in what was intended to be a nonstop flight to Chicago, descended at Mount Jewett, Pa., in the afternoon, according to a message received by Dr. Miller R. Hutchinson. Intense cold in the upper levels of the air forced the landing, the telegram said.

### PUBLIC CONTROL OF TIMBER LANDS IS ADVOCATED

Such Regulation Necessary for Paper and Pulp Industry Report to National Convention Declares.

New York, Nov. 14.—Public ownership of timber lands, national or state—with private cutting and marketing—was advocated by the Paper and Pulp association's committee on forest conservation in a report submitted to the association conference here today. Such ownership was said to be essential for the growing of the older and larger sizes of timber, its production being too long and hazardous an undertaking with too little earnings to attract private capital in adequate amounts.

In line with this opinion, speedy adoption and execution of national and state forest policies, co-ordinated and co-operative, was urged. Forest survey of land classification

as first steps were declared necessary.

Public purchase of cutover lands by the nation and the states should be enlarged and extended to all parts of the country, the report said. It also advocated more vigorous and general extension of fire prevention co-operation between the nation and the states, state adoption of uniformly fair forest taxation laws, establishment of forest nurseries and the preparation of forest working plans.

A very large program of forest planting on denuded lands which show little promise of new natural crops was urged as a needed departure, which has not been undertaken seriously in the United States.

The best obtainable estimates, according to the report, indicate an original forest area in the United States of 850,000,000 acres. Based on the same figures, the present area is but 550,000,000 acres. Of this 200,000,000 acres are practically merchantable timber, 250,000,000 acres have been partly cut and burned over with fair natural reproduction, and 100,000,000 acres are cut and burned so badly that extensive planting will be needed to restore it to anything like a productive basis.

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### DISAGREE OVER DISPOSITION OF EAST GALICIA

French Critics Declare Question Typifies Future Action of Proposed League of Nations.

By KENNETH LA TOUR, Universal Service Staff Correspondent, Special Cable Dispatch.

Paris, Nov. 14.—The peace conference now is devoting much of its time and effort to the question of Poland's eastern and southeastern frontier.

The problem of what to do with eastern Galicia remains unsolved. The present status of the country approximates that of a Polish protectorate provisionally administered under the authority of the "big five."

Contrary to the general impression, no official promise has been made that this territory will revert to Poland if a plebiscite so decides. The fact is that no plebiscite has ever been agreed upon. While the members of the peace conference admit that more than one-half of the Galician population is related by blood to the Polish nation, they look for trouble in the event that Poland takes over the country without obtaining Russia's consent.

British opinion favors a continuance of the present status for five years and a plebiscite thereafter. The American delegates oppose this view, fearing it will lead to trouble with Russia when that country recovers political stability. They propose, instead, to give Poland the mandate over Galicia until such time as the league of nations is able to settle the question between Russia and Poland.

The Galician question is typical of the multifarious problems still confronting the peace conference a year after the armistice was signed.

### A. C. Smith Appeals to Harvard Graduates To Help University

Educational institutions of America are in danger unless college endowments thrive, says A. C. Smith, chairman of the Harvard Endowment committee for Nebraska, and president of the M. E. Smith Wholesale Dry Goods company. Mr. Smith is a graduate of Harvard in the class of 1887.

"The burden has been assumed," said Mr. Smith. "It must not be dropped until the goal is reached. Failure to meet that goal is too great a danger. It means failure for Harvard which has not failed in three centuries. It means failure for American institutions and education. Education is the light which must illuminate the darkness into which the supporters of all these 'isms' would throw us. We must win, America's oldest university must not succumb."

### "Big Sisters" Organize With 80 Members Present

Eighty women banqueted at the Y. W. C. A. Friday evening and organized a Big Sister association for Omaha. Officers elected were: President, Elizabeth Howard; first vice president, Beulah Hall; second vice president, Jessie Northrup; third vice president, Elsie Montgomery; fourth vice president, Grace Rowland; secretary, Mrs. Ruth Cameron; treasurer, Miss Eloise Virtue; librarian, Gladys Shamp.

Mrs. Belle Gladish of Kansas City, Mo., gave an excellent talk on the big sister work in her city. Miss Ione C. Duffy presided. Other speakers were: Mrs. Ruth T. Cameron, Miss Elizabeth Howard, Mrs. H. H. Baldrige.

### Stricken With Influenza.

William and Mabel Norton, father and daughter, residing at 5119 North Seventeenth street, are stricken with influenza, according to reports sent to the health department. These were the first cases of this disease reported this week.

### Men's Brotherhood of Lowe Avenue Church Honor Overseas Men

One hundred members of the Men's Brotherhood of the Lowe avenue Presbyterian church gave a 6-3 dinner last night in honor of the members of the church who have been in the service. Several selections were given by the men's quartet.

Rev. A. F. Ernst, pastor of the church, told briefly of the financial condition of the church, and asked for a vote on improving the interior of the church.

Officers elected for the coming year were: President, Dr. Blaine Truesdell; vice president, Fred Henderson; treasurer, Emerson Westgate; secretary, Edgar Ernst.

Short talks were given by Dr. J. M. Patton, Lieutenant Nielson formerly of the air service; Edgar Ernst, Dan Miller and Fred Henderson. At the end of the meeting a solo was sung by C. L. Vance.

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### State Prods Board To Fit 46 Schools With Fire Escapes

Members of the Board of Education are preparing plans for the installation of fire escapes on 46 school buildings, this work having been deferred an account of the scarcity of steel during the period of the war. It is estimated that the work will cost \$100,000.

E. E. Hayduck, state fire inspector, has brought the matter to the attention of the board again in an emphatic manner, referring to an act of the state legislature on this subject. The matter will be considered in a formal manner at the regular meeting of the school board Monday night.

### Mrs. Lloyd George Upholds Lady Astor

Plymouth, England, Nov. 14.—Mrs. Lloyd George, wife of the premier, spoke at two meetings here Friday in the interest of Lady Astor's candidacy for parliament.

One of the meetings addressed by Mrs. Lloyd George is characterized as having developed the worst attempt by hecklers to silence speakers in the whole campaign. Mrs. Lloyd George, when she obtained a hearing, warmly endorsed the candidacy of Lady Astor, first she said because having a few women in parliament nowadays was most advisable; and second, because she was convinced that nobody would discharge such duties more thoroughly than Lady Astor.

The Honorable Mrs. Alfred Lyttelton, speaking at the same meeting, declared that she ventured to say the American senators might alter their antagonism to the league of nations when they saw an American woman sitting in the British parliament.

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