

Plans for Rail Wage Cut Denied

Executives Not Considering General Reduction in Salaries at Present Time.

Meeting Called Feb. 18

Chicago, Feb. 11.—A general reduction in wages of railway employees is not being considered by the Association of Railway Executives, which represents 90 per cent of the trackage of the country, according to a statement issued by Thomas Dewitt Cuyler, chairman of the association.

To Hear Report

Mr. Cuyler's statement follows in part: "This meeting, February 18, has been called to give the executives of the railways opportunity to receive a report from the labor committee regarding developments since the last general meeting of the association was held. The subject of a general reduction of railway wages has not been considered by the association or its labor committee and will not be the subject of consideration at the meeting, February 18."

Labor Committee to Report

The labor committee will also report to the association regarding the present status of the proceedings before the labor board concerning the national agreement.

Jeffens Asks Relief Committee to Ship Foodstuffs to China

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—At the suggestion of George A. Roberts, a leading Omaha grain man, Congressman Jeffers wired Ward M. Burgess of Omaha, state chairman of the China relief committee.

Man Tried for Murder Of His Wife Acquitted

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 11.—Patrick J. Reaney of Dallas, Tex., was acquitted of charge of slaying his wife, Mary Teresa, by a recorder's court jury here, Mrs. Reaney died in a local hospital, March 19, 1919.

Oregon House Passes Soldier Bonus Measure

Salem, Ore., Feb. 11.—The Oregon house of representatives today passed a bill providing a bonus to Oregon ex-service men of \$15 a month for each month served in the world war.

State Department Approves Plan to Market Sugar Crop

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—Approval of the Cuban government's plan to market the sugar crop through a commission is given in a communication sent by the State department to Major General Crowder at Havana, but coupled with it is a warning that any attempt at fixing high prices would be regarded as unfavorable.

Senate Votes Salary Increase to Coolidge

Washington, Feb. 11.—A salary increase of \$3,000 a year—from \$12,000 to \$15,000—was voted for Vice President Coolidge by the senate, which at the same time reduced his patronage roll by striking out a provision for a private telegraph operator at \$1,500 a year.

Elimination of the provision for a telegraph operator was made at the request of Vice President Marshall, who said the vice president had no need for a private operator.

New York Police Probe Will Rival Becker's Regime

New York, Feb. 11.—Disclosure of police scandal rivaling those of the days of Police Lieutenant Becker and the Herman Rosenthal murder, for which Becker and an East Side gunman went to death in the electric chair, is forecast by former Governor Charles S. Whitman who, cloaked with authority by the district attorney, is probing into alleged grafting and corruption by New York city officials.

Disclosure of Scandals Worse Than Those Exposed by Rosenthal Are Promised by Whitman's Probe

The Whitman inquiry has been under way only a short time, since the state assembly was urged to order legislative investigation into New York City's administration early in January. Already two police captains have been indicted for alleged grafting, charged with accepting fees from business firms in exchange for police protection during strikes.

Women's Organizations Plan Drive for Better Working Conditions

New York, Feb. 11.—United action to bring about better social and industrial conditions for women in the eastern states was decided upon at a conference here of representatives of women's organizations from New England, New York, New Jersey, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

Naval Plane Pilots Are Killed Near Guantanamo

Washington, Feb. 11.—Lieutenants John Henry Heitz Menken and John Frederick Wolfert, United States navy, were killed near Guantanamo, Cuba, yesterday by the wrecking of their airplane while on a flight for radio instruction. A dispatch received today by the Navy department gave no details.

A Valentine for Each Bee Reader

Page One of the next Sunday's *Rotogravure Section* is a full page valentine for every reader of *The Bee*. You'll appreciate its artistic value.

Case of Woman, Accused of Murdering Man, Began Yesterday

The jury took the case of Mrs. Mary Newell early yesterday afternoon in District Judge Troup's court. She is charged with first degree murder for the death of Jess Sillik, December 5, 1920, in a brawl at the Lathrop home, 2620 North Thirtieth street.

Wage Cut Announced

Houston, Tex., Feb. 11.—The Humble Oil & Refining Co. has announced a 10 per cent reduction in the wages of oil field employees, effective February 15. The cut does not affect office forces.

Royalty In Fremont Jail in Use

Man Arrested on Forgery Charge Tells Sheriff He Is Son of Lord Chestrefield of England.

Swindle Nipped in Bud

Fremont, Neb., Feb. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Royalty is reposing behind the bars of the Dodge county jail, according to a young man giving the name of Craig Chestrefield, 25, who claims to be a son of Lord Chestrefield of England. He was arrested with James Baird, 22, charged with forgery.

His Highness "Insulted"

His highness was highly "insulted" when the sheriff arrested him and used a gun to impress him with the seriousness of his action. Baird smilingly greeted the sheriff and is said to have confessed.

First Action in Fight Against Joseph Ryan Will Be Filed by Widow

New York, Feb. 11.—First steps to contest the will of Joseph J. Ryan, son of Thomas Fortune Ryan, were taken by his widow today when her attorneys filed a petition in the surrogate's court to have herself and Richard H. Clarke appointed administrators of the estate.

\$100,000,000 Fund to Aid Road Building in 1922 Urged in Senate

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—An appropriation of \$100,000,000 to finance federal government to assist state road building projects during the 1922 fiscal year was proposed by Senator Swanson, democrat, Virginia, in the form of an amendment to the annual postoffice appropriation bill. He gave notice that next week he would ask a vote on special rule for its insertion, saying there would be haste in getting a separate enactment for the money.

Italian Ambassador to U. S. Reaches New York

New York, Feb. 11.—Senator Rodolfo Ricci, recently appointed ambassador from Italy to the United States, arrived here today on the steamship Duca d'Aosta, from Genoa.

Clerical Forces at U. S. Navy Yards Are Reduced

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—Lack of funds has caused a further reduction in the number of clerical employees at navy yards, it was learned at the Navy department.

\$10,000 in Dope Found By Police in Two Raids

Morphine and cocaine worth \$10,000 were uncovered Thursday night by Detectives Danbaum, Palmatier, Toland and Lake in the home of R. S. Scott, painter, 2408 Maple street, and the room of C. F. Roland, drummer, at the Loyal hotel. The two men, with James Smith, barber, Eighteenth and Chicago streets, were arrested for investigation and will be charged with violation of the Harrison drug act today.

Mormon Missionary Arrested

Salt Lake City, Feb. 11.—Byron C. Jensen, reported to be under arrest at San Luis Obispo, Cal., on charges of deserting the army, posing as a United States secret service agent and passing worthless checks, is a member of a prominent Utah family. His parents reside in Salt Lake. Jensen served as a missionary of the Mormon church in the Hawaiian Islands a few years ago, church records show.

Boys and Girls! You'll find in The Sunday Bee an announcement that will interest you. Watch for it!

Boy Love Affair Back Of Blackmail Scare

Ogden, Utah, Feb. 11.—A school-boy love affair was found to be back of a blackmail scare at Riverdale, a farming community near here, according to Sheriff Richard Pincock, who questioned Tom Zito, 15.

Greek Financial Conditions Are Called Serious

Athens, Feb. 11.—(By The Associated Press)—Economic conditions in Greece are becoming serious. The exportation of tobacco and other products is at a standstill, the army in Smyrna is costing 3,000,000 drachmas per day and treasury receipts are dwindling daily.

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Food prices are mounting in proportion to the decline of the exchange rate on the drachma, which at present stands at 15 to the dollar. It is almost impossible to obtain meat and beef is expressed that it will soon be necessary for the government to issue bread tickets.

Mrs. Peete Says Counsel Refused To Let Her Talk

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 11.—Mrs. Louise L. Peete, convicted of the murder of Jacob Charles Denton, disclosed today in part what took place at a conference between her and her counsel prior to the decision not to permit her to take the witness stand and tell her story to the jury at her recent trial.

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May Feed Hunger Striker

Los Angeles, Feb. 11.—The police considered the advisability of forcibly feeding Health Egemark, chiropractor, who entered the 18th day of the hunger strike as a protest at a 90-day sentence for violation of state medical laws.