

### Gompers Takes Stand for Beer and Light Wines

Veteran Leader Says Labor Must Never Stop Fighting Until Rights of People Are Restored.

New York, May 4.—Samuel Gompers, veteran president of the American Federation of Labor, speaking to a crowd that jammed Madison Square Garden in a mass meeting called by the New York branch of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, declared that "labor must make the fight now and will never stop fighting until the rights of the people have been restored to them."

He was cheered by crowds, both inside and outside the big pavilion, for those who could not get into the hall heard the various speakers through voice amplifiers. The meeting was largely attended by members of union labor, representatives of more than 30 labor organizations being present. There also were many men prominent in the city's business and financial circles, who occupied places on the stage. A large part of the audience was composed of women.

"I and the federation I represent," Mr. Gompers said, "are in favor of beer and light wines and against any attempt to enforce summary laws aimed at the personal liberties of our people."

"I have always had faith in the future of my country, but with prohibition I am apprehensive of that future. Temperance was the rule of the great mass of organized labor, but the prohibitionists and the so-called Anti-Saloon league have done more to undermine the morality and temperance of the working man than any other agency I know."

"I have traveled all over the United States, before prohibition, including its so-called 'dry' territories, and today as I pass through these sections I have found more drunkenness than ever before."

"There are no stronger or more powerful supporters of the Volstead act than the distillers and bootleggers," Mr. Gompers declared to the accompaniment of vociferous applause. "With the Volstead act and prohibition replaced by a light wine and beer bill, the bootleggers would go out of business."

### Bloomfield Youth Injured in Accident With Tractor

Bloomfield, Neb., May 4.—(Special.)—Ernest Grimm, a son of John Grimm, was seriously injured while plowing with a tractor and something went wrong with the machinery. He stopped the tractor and got down to investigate. In some way the tractor started up and he was caught in the plow wheel and badly crushed and mangled. A passing motorist saw the tractor zig-zagging about the field with no one driving and hurried to the scene.

### Wolbach Farmer Makes Good Profit on Long-Fed Steers

Two loads of horned steers brought in by Bernard Cooney of Wolbach that averaged 1,450 pounds were sold on the Omaha market at \$7.85 a hundred. Mr. Cooney said the cattle were bought here five months ago when they averaged 937 pounds and cost \$5.35 a hundred. He said he was quite pleased with his profits as the shipment had shown a gain of about 500 pounds a head and sold at an advance of about \$2.50 a hundred.

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### Friends of McCormicks Hint at Double Wedding

Rumors Rife That Head of Harvester Company Will Marry Ganna Walska, Noted Opera Star, When Daughter Weds Max Oser, Swiss Horseman—Will Sail for Europe in June.

Chicago, May 4.—Friends of the Harold F. McCormick family believe there will be a double wedding in Europe within a few months which will unite the president of the International Harvester company and Ganna Walska and his daughter, Miss Mathilde, and Max Oser, the Swiss horseman.

Harold McCormick arrived in Chicago yesterday afternoon. He refused to discuss his personal affairs. His daughter, however, was not so reticent. Mathilde denied reports from Paris that she has broken with Oser.

When Mr. McCormick alighted from the train he clasped Mathilde and Muriel, his two daughters, in his arms and brusquely said that he would not discuss at length any such personal affair as his reported engagement to the opera singer who will shortly be divorced from her millionaire husband, Alexander Smith Cochran.

"But I can say we are not engaged," he added.

From a source close to Mr. McCormick, however, it was learned that while no formal engagement exists, owing to the fact that Mrs. Cochran has a husband, Mr. McCormick hopes to make her his bride soon after she is divorced.

Prior to Mr. McCormick's arrival, Howard Colby, an old friend of the family, put an end to the report that Mathilde would not go through with her engagement to Oser. According to Colby's statement, Mathilde is unshakable in her determination to marry him, and will sail from New York in June with her father.

Miss Mathilde herself is authority for the statement that there is not a bit of truth in the rumors that she has fallen out with the former Swiss cavalry officer.

Discuss Double Wedding.

Chicago friends of the McCormicks were discussing the double wedding angle yesterday. Both are to sail for Europe in June, Mathilde to go to Switzerland, presumably, and her father, it is hinted, hopes to marry the Polish singer as soon as the French courts grant her a divorce.

Dispatches from Paris said that Oser was worried because Mathilde had failed to answer his cable messages. Mathilde, however, stated that she treasures all letters and cables from Max and answers them regularly.

The reported wedding plans of the harvester president and Madam Walska follow on the heels of the settlement of the marital troubles of the diva and Alexander Smith Cochran, the terms of which were announced a few days ago. It was Mr. McCormick who introduced the famous singer to Mr. Cochran. The meeting occurred on board the Acquitania on which all three were sailing for Europe in 1920. Smith and the singer were married in September, 1920.

Madame Walska was anxious for an operatic career. Mr. Cochran opposed this, while Mr. McCormick gave her every aid. He arranged for her appearance here in "Zaza," but she caused a sensation by fleeing from the city on the eve of her debut and returning to Paris.

### Trainload of Livestock Is Shipped From Plainview

O. P. McGinn came in from Plainview with two loads of light steers, and he said an entire trainload of live stock was made up from the farmers around Plainview.

According to Mr. McGinn, the approach of the corn planting season has caused a lot of stock raisers to ship their live stock to market, which explains the recent heavy run at the Omaha yards. Mr. McGinn said he found that feeding stock was the only satisfactory method of marketing the big surplus corn production and that it was a lifesaver to many a farmer.

"There was quite a lot of cattle on feed along the railroad when we came down," said Mr. McGinn, "but in my section stock cattle are getting rather scarce and there will not be many cattle pastures that have live stock in them this fall."

### Hoskins Hog Tips Scale at Over 1,000 Pounds

A monster hog tipping the scales at 1,020 pounds was among a shipment of porkers that was brought to the Omaha stockyards by Robert Templeton of Hoskins and it was "some hog."

Mr. Hoskins said it had been a champion boar of the Poland-China breed, having won several blue ribbons at state and county fairs and for eight years led all competitors.

This particular member of the swine family was bought by a representative of the Midwest Packing company and it is said the machinery of the plant was somewhat taxed in changing the live animal into marketable produce. Mr. Hoskins received \$40.80 for the prize winner.



Mrs. Ganna Walska-Cochran.



Miss Mathilde McCormick.

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### Rules Committee Adopts Resolution Calling for Investigation of Contracts—Fight Expected.

Washington, May 4.—Ignoring the wishes of the administration, the house rules committee, by a vote of 6 to 5, yesterday ordered a favorable report on the Woodruff-Johnson resolution for a sweeping investigation of the failure of the Department of Justice to prosecute those guilty of war contract frauds.

Indications are that the resolution will precipitate a bitter fight on the floor of the house, and administration "regulars" still have hopes of defeating it. In the rules committee three republicans, Campbell, Kansas; Johnson, South Dakota, and Schall, Minnesota, joined with three democrats—Fou, North Carolina; Garrett, Tennessee, and Cantrell, Kentucky—in favor of the resolution, while the other republicans, Snell, New York; Rodenberg, Illinois; Fess, Ohio; Kreider, Pennsylvania, and Dale, Vermont, solidly voted against it.

### 'Are You Kidding Me?' Asks Jack Dempsey

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has accompanied Peggy since she left New York, acted as watchdog, shooing away the reporters who besieged the suite.

"Miss Joyce has nothing to say," she announced.

"However, Peggy admitted me to the sanctity of her chamber and told me that she is tremendously distressed at the turn things have taken.

"Why, I never dreamed for a moment that my name would be linked with Jack Dempsey's," she said. "I admire him. He is a wonderful specimen of a man. He is a fine dancer and is just awfully nice with women, but the only connection I have ever had with him was when he asked me to act with him in picture in America."

"I turned him down then but since this tragedy I think it might be best to quit Paris, so I am going to tell him that I will accept the contract."

Rumors of Split.

"When it became known in Paris that Dempsey was coming back unaccompanied by Jack Kearns there were rumors that the two had split

on account of Peggy. The stories spread far and wide, but everybody in the champion's entourage scoffed at the tales. Dempsey roared with laughter when the subject was mentioned to him.

"Go to it boys. I ain't married," he shouted to a group of newspaper men who quizzed him about the latest Paris gossip.

Errazuriz will be buried Friday. The Chilean ambassador will be one of the chief mourners. The authorities have decided that it was a clear case of suicide. From the first to the last the police never allowed mention of Peggy's name, taking their cue from the family of the wealthy Chilean who, denying the boy's attachment for Peggy, seek to impute the entire sensation to the love of American actresses for publicity.

Romantic Temperament.

Friends of the dead man, however, tell a different story. They say he loved over Peggy to them, frequently threatening to kill himself unless she "went away with him."

Evidence of the romantic temperament of Errazuriz is found in the fact that during the last night at Maurice's dance hall he called frequently for the most melancholy songs such as "I'm Sorry I Made You Cry," "April Showers," "My Rose," and "Somebody Loves Me." "Some of These Days You'll Miss Me, Honey."

Two hours after this song was sung, Errazuriz was dying.

### Yorkshires From Seward Top Market for Weight

L. C. Johnson rancher of Seward brought in a choice load of hogs of the Yorkshire breed that averaged 240 pounds, for which he received the top market price of the day, \$12.25 a hundred. This was said to be an unusually good price for hogs of that weight.

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