

REPUBLICANS AND LABOR.

Facts About the Abrogation of the Chinese Exclusion Act.

In view of the recent announcement that the administration has decided to import Chinese labor for the construction of the Panama canal in opposition to the protests of organized labor, it is important to remember the attitude of the Republicans in congress toward the scheme. On the 20th of last January the house of representatives adopted the following amendment to the urgent deficiency bill:

"That the provisions of the act entitled 'an act relating to the limitation of the hours of daily service of laborers and mechanics employed upon the public works of the United States and of the District of Columbia,' approved Aug. 1, 1902, shall not apply to alien laborers employed in the construction of the isthmian canal within the canal zone."

This measure was adopted upon the suggestion of Chairman Shonts of the canal commission "that labor on the isthmus should be excluded from the application of the eight hour law, the contract labor law and the Chinese exclusion act." It was also stated on the floor of the house that Secretary Taft approved the measure.

The Democrats opposed it unanimously, but it was pushed through by means of a resolution suspending the rule against new legislation on appropriation bills. The Democrats, notably Williams, Clark of Missouri, McNary and Fitzgerald, pointed out that it would abrogate the Chinese exclusion act and the contract labor law, but this was denied by the Republicans.

In the limited debate that was allowed the following colloquies occurred:

Mr. McNary—I should like to ask the gentleman (Mr. Littauer) whether behind all this idea of doing away with the eight hour law there is not the purpose of employing Chinese coolie labor to build the canal?

Mr. Littauer—The Chinese exclusion act controls that. This amendment has no relation to Chinese labor.

Mr. Clark of Missouri—is not the very same force that is back of the repeal of this eight hour law, as to the aliens, also in favor of the proposition of repealing the Chinese exclusion law if it extends to the isthmus of Panama—to repeal that clause so that Chinese and Japs can come in and work there?

Mr. Tawney—I will say to the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. Clark) that the eight hour law was construed by the attorney general to be applicable to the canal zone, although there was no legislation on the subject. Upon the same ground the Chinese exclusion act would no doubt be held to apply.

Not a single Republican admitted in the debate that the measure would affect the Chinese exclusion act or the alien contract labor law, though they all knew that it did affect both; that it was intended to carry out the suggestion of Mr. Shonts. And now the administration has construed the act according to the Shonts theory. It has made arrangements to bring in coolie labor under contract with Marchant, the French trader in coolie slaves, as well as to compel laborers to work over eight hours a day. The wretched double dealing of the Republican leaders was never more conspicuous. Those among them who usually manage the party affairs in congressional campaigns tried to keep as much in the background as possible. Babcock, Sherman, Overstreet, Jenkins, Crumpacker, Hitt and others of that class were paired in favor of the amendment, but did not vote. Cooper of Wisconsin voted for the consideration of it and then voted against it. These facts show insincerity on their part, as well as fear of the consequences.

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COUNTY NEWS.

Notes of Interest Gathered Here and There in Randolph.

The protracted meeting at Flag Springs will begin October 7, 1906. Our Uwharrie Correspondent writes:

Miss Nannie Dennis died of typhoid fever last Thursday evening. She died, not as those who have no hope. She was a member of New Bethany Church, where she was buried in the presence of a large crowd. Just about one month ago she followed to the grave her sister, Miss Berta Dennis. None save a Divine Being can understand the seemingly premature removal of these consecrated christian sisters. The entire family have the sympathy of this neighborhood.

Young People's Day at Worthville will be the first Sunday in October. Program will be arranged later on.

Miss Eva Heitman, of Trinity, left last week for Durham, where she will teach in one of the Graded Schools.

Two of Trinity's most attractive young ladies left for College last week. Miss Norma Reddick goes to Greensboro Female College, and Miss Melita Parkin, to the Baptist University at Raleigh.

Mr. Geo. Wood and family, of Durham, who have been visiting the family of Dr. Wood at Trinity, left for their home last week.

The cotton mills and the gold mine started up Monday morning of last week.

Mr. O. R. Cox, of Cedar Falls, who has been ill is some better.

Mrs. M. A. Glass has returned to Cedar Falls from a two months visit to her sister at Oella, Md. She visited Baltimore, Washington, and other places of interest while gone.

Mr. Fred Glass relieved the Railroad Agent and Operator at Bear Creek last week.

Mr. Fred Ingram who has been at home with his mother at Fair View since the 4th of July will return to South Carolina in a few days.

Misses Margaret and Lula May Moffitt, of Thomasville, are spending the week with their grandparents at Trinity.

Miss Fletha Elder, of Fair View left Monday morning for Guilford College, where she expects to enter school.

In these days of rush and hurry courtesy is often forgotten. In the mad, pell mell rush of our life little things are done to offend that we rather remained undone. A hastily eaten meal and its resultant headache may cause us social or financial loss. The wise man or woman is the one who relieves little ills of this sort by a little dose of Kodol For Dyspepsia. It digests what you eat and puts your stomach back into shape. Sold by Standard Drug Co. and Asheboro Drug Co., Asheboro, N. C.

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