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Mayor Walker Presents His Defense—Progress of the Mid-West Farmers' Strike—Business Conference Opened by President Hoover.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

MAYOR JAMES J. WALKER opened his defense before Governor Roosevelt, and numerous witnesses were called to testify to the purity of his actions and motives. At the beginning of the week Walker's chief counsel, John J. Curtin, closed his plea to Supreme Court Justice Staley to halt the removal proceedings, and with what seems to be his usual lack of tact wound up with the statement: "We can only go to court to avoid a physical conflict that might well ensue if a removal order were made without jurisdiction." Henry Epstein of the attorney general's staff challenged the authority of the court to limit the governor's power.

The mayor's first witnesses were the members of the city tax board of control, one of them being L. F. Loree, president of the Delaware and Hudson railroad. He and his colleagues testified that Walker did not attempt in any way to limit the number of cabs after the bond transaction with J. A. Sisto which is the basis of one of Mr. Seabury's most serious charges. Four independent taxicab operators were called and swore the board of control had not tried to create a monopoly for the larger companies.

Paul Block, the newspaper publisher, was a loyal and stubborn witness for the mayor. Concerning their joint stock account, he testified that each took \$102,000 from it in one year, and he told the governor that he never entertained the thought that his personal or business friendship for the mayor might be used to trade for "favours." Governor Roosevelt's questioning brought forth illuminating testimony regarding \$140,000 that Mr. Block had put into a tile manufacturing concern in which Senator John J. Hastings, another of the Walker group, owned a large interest. It was brought out that none of the tile ever was sold to the city. It was also shown that if the plans to manufacture the tile had not been dropped the city would have been interested in the product.

Walker's claim has been that the entire investigation was inspired by the Republicans to embarrass the Democratic party in the November election. In the attempt to bolster up this claim he summoned eight Republican state leaders, at the head of the list being W. Kingsland Macy, state chairman. The governor, however, blocked this move by refusing to hear testimony regarding the motives of the legislators who ordered the investigation that resulted in the charges against the mayor.

The hearing has taken much more time than had been expected, so the governor decided to hold night sessions.

A. FRED E. SMITH, national leader of the Democratic party, is now an editor. When the Outlook, now re-named the New Outlook, resumes publication on October 1 it will be filling the editorial chair, once occupied by Theodore Roosevelt. In his announcement of the fact he said he would carry on the traditions of Roosevelt and strive to make the magazine "a platform for the free and liberal expression of progressive thought on the economic, civic and spiritual problems of the day." As to its political complexion he had nothing to say.

The Outlook, which suspended publication last spring, was recently purchased by Frank Tichenor, publisher of the Spur, Aero Digest and other magazines. It was founded by Henry Ward Beecher in 1820 and has included among its editors Lyman Abbott as well as Theodore Roosevelt. Four years ago it was combined with the Independent, which was founded by H. C. Bowen as an anti-slavery organ.

FARMERS of the Middle West were meeting with considerable success in their "strike" designed to force produce prices to higher levels. The movement, which started in Iowa, spread to other states, and two vic-

tories were scored in Nebraska where milk producers gained higher prices.

At Omaha officials of the Iowa-Nebraska Co-Operative Milk association consented to pay \$2 per hundredweight for milk, compared with a previous figure of \$1.45, while at Lincoln milk dealers agreed to pay \$1.80, an increase of 40 cents over the previous figure.

More than 1,000 agriculturists were assembled in camps along the main highways leading into Omaha, but there were reports that some of the picketers were in a dispute as to the best method of enforcing the farmers' "holiday."

Despite warnings from federal officials, the farmers in several instances interfered with rail shipments of live stock in Iowa and Nebraska. Wisconsin and Minnesota dairymen were planning meetings to decide whether or not to join in the strike.

Tear bombs came into use at Council Bluffs, Iowa, when sheriff's deputies employed them to scatter a crowd of 1,000 farm "strikers" and spectators who were blocking a highway. Each trucker en route to market was given a deputy escort and no violence resulted.

WHEN the White House conference on business and industry opened Friday with more than one hundred prominent men in attendance, President Hoover started the proceedings with a statement outlining the scope of the parley. He proposed several specific lines of action. One aims to bring about increased employment and includes the five-day week, though Mr. Hoover did not recommend its adoption universally. A second deals with easier and cheaper credit for certain industries that have not benefited by the loosening up that already has taken place. A third proposition is to seek better credit facilities for marketing of farm products and live stock, both in the United States and abroad.

Other speakers of the opening day were: Secretary of the Treasury Mills, Gov. Eugene Meyer of the federal reserve board, Chairman Atlee Pomerene of the Reconstruction Finance corporation, Secretary of Commerce Ralph D. Chapin, Chairman Franklin W. Fort of the home loan bank board and Paul Bestor, farm loan commissioner.

SOUTH TRIMBLE, clerk of the house of representatives, made good his promise and gave to the public a statement of the transactions of the Reconstruction Finance corporation from July 21 to July 31 inclusive. During those eleven days, the directors of the corporation authorized 437 new loans aggregating \$45,057,556, and increases of former loans totaling \$1,653,500 to banks and other credit institutions and to railroads. The total so loaned was \$46,711,056. Later it was revealed that some of the loans authorized to banks had not been drawn upon.

Chairman Steagall of the house banking committee, said he believed the publicity given the loans would tend to strengthen the confidence of depositors in the banks concerned.

Mr. Trimble was accused by Congressman Treadway of Massachusetts of acting as he did in order to gain favor with Speaker Garner, who advocated publicity for the reports. In reply the house clerk said this charge was ridiculous and that he acted on the legal advice of his son, who held the law gave him no discretion in the matter.

CONGRESSMAN SHANNON'S committee investigating the results of federal competition with private concerns in business went to South Bend, Ind., and there heard a lot more complaints against Uncle Sam as a trader. Manufacturers, business men and representatives of various industries declared they were being pushed to the wall through competition from government boards and bureaus that are financed by taxpayers' money. Their wall was presented by the Federation of American Business, and the lines of competition ran all the way from pickles and rubber stamps to department stores, wheat, coffee and cotton. The Association of Railway Execu-

tives presented a brief attacking the Inland Waterways corporation, the government barge line that operates on the Mississippi, Illinois and Warrior rivers. The railway men argued that the government should get rid of the barge line as an unfair competitor of the rails.

Manufacturers in Illinois presented a brief giving specific lines in which competition by the government is reducing their business, cutting into the normal revenues, reducing their pay rolls and number of employees, meanwhile piling up the tax burden. One item of complaint is the growth of prison industries.

F. TRUBEE DAVISON, assistant secretary of war, has announced that he is a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination at the New York state Republican convention. The announcement followed formal notification to him that the executive committee of Nassau county Republican committee had adopted a resolution pronouncing him the candidate of the Nassau county Republicans.

PROSPECTS for civil war in Germany were heightened when a court at Beuthen, Upper Silesia, sentenced five National Socialists to death in connection with the killing of a Communist. Seven other Nazis were sentenced to prison at hard labor. Immediately Adolf Hitler and his followers arose in mighty wrath, denouncing the sentence, Chancellor Von Papen and the entire government of the reich and demanding pardon for the five. There were riotous demonstrations in Beuthen and other places, with attacks on Jews and Socialists, and the police and more conservative Nazi leaders had a hard time curbing the enraged Hitlerites.



Franz von Papen

Hitler issued a statement declaring the condemned men to be "martyrs" and assuring them that their freedom "from this minute is a question of our honor." He added: "It is our duty to battle the government which made this monstrous blood sentence possible. Heaven may send us torture upon torture, but the National Socialist movement will soon be able to finish this guillotine government led by Von Papen."

To meet the storm of protest and denunciation, the governments of the reich and of Prussia issued a joint manifesto that made it plain Von Papen's cabinet would not tolerate any revolt against the laws of the reich. It declared that the severest penalties would be invoked against "every law-breaker, regardless of person or party," and that the government would yield to no political pressure in considering the cases of the five condemned men.

PERHAPS the best piece of news of the week was the announcement by Myron C. Taylor, chairman of the board of the United States Steel corporation, that it would immediately spend \$5,000,000 for replacements and new equipment. The expenditures are to be made in the corporation's plants in Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Alabama and Pennsylvania.

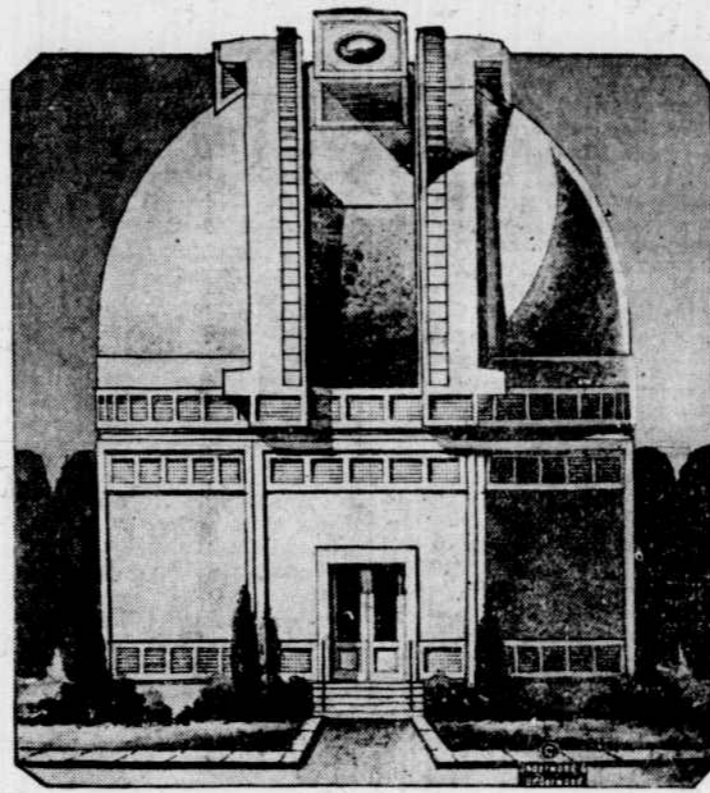
"It would seem the buying movement cannot long be delayed," said Mr. Taylor, and his further remarks indicated that the directors of the huge corporation believe it is now safe for them to plan for better times in the industrial world.

LONDON again hears that the prince of Wales is going to take a bride, and again the rumor is that the lady chosen is Princess Ingrid of Sweden. The prince is to open a British exhibition at Copenhagen on September 24, and he is to attend the wedding of Prince Gustaf of Sweden at Coburg on October 20. Between those dates, according to the unconfirmed story, he will pay a visit to Stockholm, and it is expected the marriage will then be arranged.

The prince of Wales was thirty-eight years old last June. Ingrid, a pretty blond, is twenty-two. She is distantly related to the prince and is a frequent visitor in London, where she is often the guest of the British royal family. She is also one of the most eligible of the princesses in Europe.

CAPT. JAMES A. MOLLISON of Great Britain put his little Moth plane down at Roosevelt field, New York, and went on record as the first person to make the solo flight westward across the Atlantic. His start was from Ireland and he landed first forty miles from St. John, N. B. He planned to fly back to Ireland as soon as the weather was propitious.

Modernistic Observatory Dome



FIRST photograph of the architect's drawing of the proposed new telescope dome to be erected soon at the naval observatory in Washington. Built in modernistic style, the dome will be made of welded steel and will be 30 feet in diameter, with an inner shell for ventilation and cooling. It will be operated by machinery and will house a new photographing telescope now under construction by Prof. George W. Ritchey.

READY FOR GUESTS

THERE are so many dishes which may be prepared the day before, saving the time and nerves of the hostess that one should gather as many of such recipes together for time of need. Here are some suggestions:

Chicken Salad in Cracker Boxes.

Soak one teaspoonful of gelatin in two tablespoonfuls of water and, dissolve in two tablespoonfuls of boiling water. Take 24 small square crackers and put four of them together in a box shape, open top and bottom. Set on lettuce lined plates and fill with chicken salad. Mix two cupfuls of finely cut chicken with an equal amount of fine celery, a few nuts and any salad dressing desired to moisten, using salt and cayenne to season. The gelatin is used to fasten the crackers together in the shape of boxes. The crackers are to be eaten with the salad.

Whole Wheat Bread Sandwiches.

Cut quarter-inch slices of whole wheat bread and spread with butter. Mix salted peanuts, finely chopped, with cottage cheese and spread as filling.

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DADA KNOWS-



"Pop, what is elaborate?"
"A preacher's treatment of his text."
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"You can't be sure a chap will make a good match," says romantic Romaine, "until you know whether he will lose his head if he's rubbed the wrong way."
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BEDTIME STORY FOR CHILDREN

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

PETER DISCOVERS THE SECRET OF RATTLES

PETER RABBIT was so excited that he almost forgot that he was spying and that if he showed himself he might miss the very thing for which he had waited so long. There was Rattles the Kingfisher coming straight down the Laughing Brook with a minnow in his bill, and of course he was bringing it to his babies in their secret home! In a minute or two he, Peter, would know the secret! In his excitement Peter started to sit up so as to see better. Just in time he remembered that he wasn't supposed to be there at all. If Rattles should see him he certainly wouldn't go to his home in spite of the hungry babies Peter knew must be there waiting for fish. He wouldn't be so foolish as to show where his home was by en-



Then, As if Satisfied That No One Saw Him, He Shot Out Into the Air.

tering it when he knew that he was being watched. To do such a thing wouldn't be good sense.

So just in the very nick of time Peter ducked down among the grasses and, peeping between them, watched Rattles. He could see the sharp eyes of Rattles looking suspiciously at both banks as he came swiftly on. Peter knew without being told that Rattles was trying to make sure that no one was watching him, and he chuckled as he snuggled down a little closer to the warm earth among the grasses. "I wonder what he would do and say if he knew he was being watched," thought he.

But Rattles didn't know, and he saw nothing to make him the least bit suspicious. He came straight on until he was right opposite the big sandbank across from Peter. Then he turned and flew straight toward it, and a second later had disappeared. Peter couldn't believe it, but it was so. It seemed somehow as if that bank of sand had swallowed Rattles the Kingfisher. He had disappeared so quickly that Peter hadn't seen exactly where he did go. Peter raised his head and stared across at the sandbank. It was yellow and smooth, and nowhere could he see a hole.

"Great Jumping Jupiter!" exclaimed Peter, and rubbed his eyes that he might look better. But this didn't help him any. Rattles the Kingfisher had disappeared as completely as if he never had been. Peter was still

staring foolishly when he saw a few grains of sand trickle down from the very edge of the bank where some grass and weeds hung over the edge. Without thinking why he did it, he ducked down out of sight and then peering between the grasses watched the spot from which he had seen the sand trickle down. Was there a dark spot there just below the edge of the bank half hidden by grass and weeds? Peter blinked and stared again. Yes, there certainly was a small dark spot there. Could it be a hole? It might be. Peter decided he would watch it.

He didn't have to watch long. In fact, it was hardly a minute before he saw something move over there. He held his breath. Then what do you think he saw? Why, he saw first a big stout spear-like bill thrust out and then a head with a queer rough top-knot. It was the head of Rattles the Kingfisher! There was no doubt about this, for no one else had a head like his. For a moment Rattles was perfectly still, looking this way and looking that way up and down the Laughing Brook. Then, as if satisfied that no one saw him, he shot out into the air and was away toward the Laughing Brook, rattling as only he can rattle. There was no doubt in Peter's mind now. He had found the home of Rattles, and it was in a hole in the ground, just as he had been told.

"I never!" exclaimed Peter as he sat up and stretched. "I never! Can you beat that? A real bird living in a hole in the ground! I never!"

What more Peter might have said will never be known, for a movement down below the Laughing Brook caught his attention. It was Billy Mink, and it was very clear that Billy had also discovered the home of Rattles the Kingfisher. His bright, beady eyes were fixed on that hole in the bank, and he was swimming straight across to the shore just below. Peter wondered what would happen next.

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YOU CAN'T STOP WOMEN

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

YOU can't stop women working. No matter how you try. They see a cobweb lurking— Why, they would sweep the sky if brooms were ever made that long For women folk to buy.

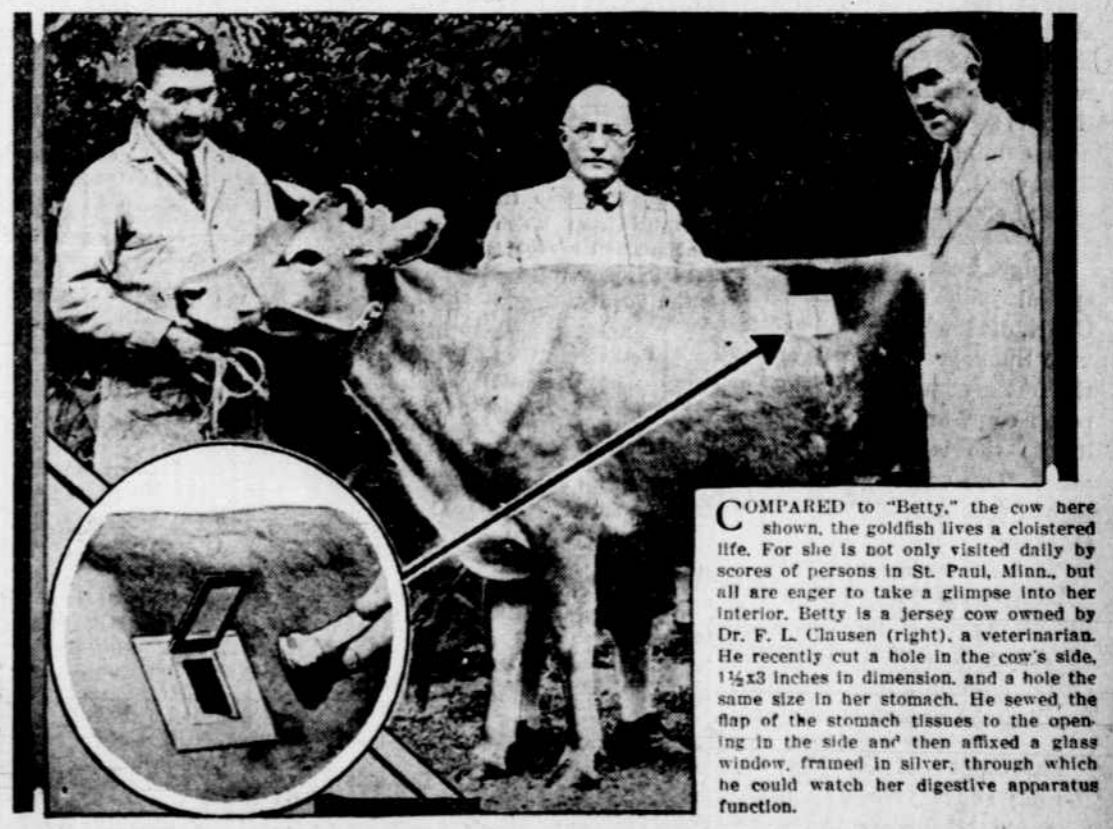
You can't stop women dusting. And moving things about. They all must think that rusting is worse than wearing out. But that's another truth that men Are much inclined to doubt.

You can't stop women mending. Things men would throw away. Their labor is unending. The way they often say. They'd strike if they were not allowed A twenty-four-hour day.

You can't stop women taking. This most peculiar view Of mopping, sewing, baking— Yet there's one way, it's true: The only way would be for men To make them less to do.

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Betty Is a Genuine Bovine Laboratory



COMPARED to "Betty," the cow here shown, the goldfish lives a cloistered life. For she is not only visited daily by scores of persons in St. Paul, Minn., but all are eager to take a glimpse into her interior. Betty is a Jersey cow owned by Dr. F. L. Clausen (right), a veterinarian. He recently cut a hole in the cow's side, 1 1/2 x 3 inches in dimension, and a hole the same size in her stomach. He sewed the flap of the stomach tissues to the opening in the side and then affixed a glass window, framed in silver, through which he could watch her digestive apparatus function.