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ROADS MUST MAKE SHARP REDUCTIONS IN OPERATING COST

Committee Of Chamber Of Commerce Of U. S. Gives Statement On Survey

GROUPING OF RAILWAYS MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED

Report Of Committee Also Stresses Fact That Readjustment Of Salaries and Wages Must Come; No Additional Legislation On Railroad Question Necessary

Washington, May 22.—Railroads must make sharp reductions in their operating expenses if their credit and financial stability are to be re-established, a committee of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, which made a survey of the transportation question, declared tonight in a statement.

Necessity of practicing strict economy was urged, the committee pointing out that readjustment of salaries and wages is in progress in all other industries, and it is to be assumed that railroad wages will in the future, as they have in the past, bear an equitable relationship to wages paid in other activities.

The committee was of the opinion that the grouping or consolidation of railroads must ultimately be accomplished. It also declared that Federal incorporation of railroads was highly desirable.

Need No Legislation. No additional legislation on the railroad question, however, was needed at this time, the statement said, as it was advisable to have further experience with the Transportation Act before attempting to modify it.

The committee stated it had come to the conclusion that "even with increased traffic that will come with the gradual return of business prosperity, the business of railroad transportation cannot be restored to a profitable basis until the present high operating expenses are cut down."

"It is recognized by the railroads," the committee report continued, "that rates and fares cannot be increased. Stressing the need for more economic methods of operation, the committee said the first step toward the accomplishment of economies should be greater cooperation among the carriers in the performance of their services. In terminal organization and management the report stated, the co-operation of the carriers was especially urgent.

Must Cut Wages. "Whatever economies may be effected by changes in operating methods," it was stated, "there inevitably must be a reduction in the percentage which salaries and wages comprise of the total operating revenue. The payroll of the railroads in 1917 amounted to \$1,700,000,000, or about 45 per cent of the operating revenue. In 1920 the payroll had more than doubled, having risen to \$3,750,000,000, which is about 60 per cent of the operating revenue."

"The committee assumes that every effort will be made by the carriers to maintain equitable scales of wages for different classes of employment. While wages must be reduced, no class of labor should bear an inequitable share of the burden of the rehabilitation period and all should render a full eight hours service for eight hours' pay."

GIVES CONDITIONS ON RECOGNITION OF MEXICO

Statement Being Prepared By State Department To Be Sent To Oregon

Washington, May 22.—A definite statement outlining the conditions upon which the United States would extend recognition to the Oregon government of Mexico has been prepared for submission to President Obregon. This statement in the form of a memorandum, it was said tonight, will be delivered to Obregon by George T. Sumner, ambassador of the American embassy at Mexico City, who is expected to leave for Mexico this week. He was summoned here a month ago by the Secretary of State to give first hand information concerning the situation in that country.

The conditions for recognition, it is understood, are practically identical with the recommendations made by Secretary Fall in his report at the last session of Congress as chairman of the sub-committee of the Senate on foreign relations investigating the Mexican question.

The important feature of the communication is said to be the insistence that Obregon must sign some document giving assurance that Americans and their interests will be properly safeguarded in Mexico before the United States will consider the resumption of formal relations with that country. If such assurance are given, it is believed that Henry P. Fletcher, under secretary of state, who was ambassador to Mexico for a time under the Wilson administration until he resigned because of disapproval of that administration's policy toward Mexico, will be designated to represent the United States in drafting a treaty.

BONDTRAILER TO DELIVER ADDRESS AT ASHVILLE

Ashville, May 22.—Dr. Howard E. Bondtrailer, president of Salem College at Winston-Salem, will deliver the annual address to members of the graduating class of the Asheville high school at their commencement exercises Friday night, June 10, in the city auditorium.

LINNEY'S CHANGES FOR CONFIRMATION SHOW UP BRIGHTER

Rumor Going The Rounds That G. O. P. Plans Further Inroads In The South

LINNEY'S CONFIRMATION PART OF INVASION PLAN

Understood That Administration Is Trying To Get "Buckling" Senators To Take National View Of Situation, and Assist In Breaking Party Ties With The Negro

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Washington, May 22.—There is talk here that the case for Frank Linney is not so storm-cloudy for him as it appeared when the cyclone struck his nomination for district attorney for the Western District of North Carolina at its appearance before the judiciary committee of the Senate. Inside intimations are said to have been at work to ward off the storm, and the rumor is that there is a pep of sunshine to gladden the eyes of the North Carolina Republican state chairman. At any rate, when he left here the last of the week he had been given some encouragement and feels that there is more than a fighting chance for his confirmation.

The thing that gives this encouragement to him and his backers is that the whipper in going the rounds that the Harding administration, emboldened by the Republican success in swinging away from their Democratic moorings two of the Southern states, have a well-defined policy in view to make further inroads into the South and its Democratic majorities. It is said that there is realization that Republicans cannot grow in the South, as Republicans want to see it grow, if Southern Republicanism is tied up with the negro, and the endeavor of the administration is understood to be to have Northern and Western Republicans take a national view of the situation, to get away from a sectional or a limited state view, and get together on a policy that will have in it what is considered a chance to further break the "solid South."

The Lion In The Path. Of course, the lion in the path of this project is to get Republican senators to risk their political supremacy in states where the negro vote cuts very thick ice, and join in the plan to make a Southern-Republican party that will appeal to the white voters. That the protection talk from certain sources in the South appeals to the old-line Republican leaders is clear, and it is reasoned that if the Southern Republican party is shaped up so as to get rid of the negro domination, that it will have a chance to make a stronger appeal in the Southern white man.

The inference from what I have learned is that there is a regular system being worked out, and that the nomination of Linney is merely a part of that system, a cog in its wheels, and that it was fully understood by Attorney General Daugherty and President Harding when his nomination was agreed upon that he had taken a decided stand upon the question of the negro in the Republican party. That the administration is standing pat on the Linney nomination is understood, and it is also the understanding that the delay in having the sub-committee of the Senate go ahead with its investigation of the charges of the negroes against Linney is due to the fact that pressure is being brought upon certain senators to have them see the light as the administration sees it. Senators on the judiciary committee are understood not to have been informed of the administration view of the conditions sought to be softened in the South, hence their backing when the Linney nomination was struck with the negro lash. These senators are being given time to think things over, and when the time is ripe there will be action in getting the sub-committee in.

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ARE YOU IN? The Y. M. C. A., which is planning large things for the young men and boys of Raleigh, is seeking to wipe out its indebtedness and several have subscribed to the fund needed. Is YOUR name in the list? In a very real sense the reputation of Raleigh is at stake. YOU ought to take part in this great work for two reasons: 1. For the good of the boys and young men in the city and who are attracted to the city. 2. For the honor and reputation of Raleigh. Every public-spirited person who loves Raleigh ought to join the large number who have subscribed. It would be a reflection upon Raleigh and injure its reputation if it should fail in this important matter. This is to YOU. If YOU have not subscribed, do so today. More than \$36,000 has been subscribed, but every cent of it is upon condition that \$5,000 more is subscribed by midnight tonight. YOU love Raleigh. YOU are interested in the welfare of its boys and young men. YOU can help the youth and the city by giving as much as you can. Let every man, and every woman, too, take advantage of the opportunity. Are YOU in? If not get in today. You are needed.

Governor Morrison And Mayor Eldridge Take Raleigh Lads For "Little Brothers"



On the left Edgar Graham Upchurch, adopted for three years by Governor Cameron Morrison, and on the left Charlie Fowler who for three years may claim the mayor of the city for his Big Brother. Both are "Major Bernard's Boys" down at Pullen Memorial.

Workers Plan To Achieve Goal In "Y" Drive Today

Less Than \$9,000 To Be Raised Before Total Of \$45,000 Is Reached

WOMEN JOIN RANKS OF WORKERS IN CAMPAIGN

"Buy a Boy" Slogan Continues To Have Strong Appeal; Much Enthusiasm

Eighty-seven hundred dollars short of the campaign objective, workers in the drive to liquidate the \$45,000 debt that has hung over the Raleigh Y. M. C. A. since its beginning a decade ago will take the field this morning, and tonight at 6:30 o'clock will gather 100 strong, plus a score of Raleigh women headed by Mrs. Josephus Daniels and Mrs. B. H. Griffin, to report what's been done about it. The answer is assured. The momentum gained during the past two days will not be spoiled, and leaders and workers alike declare that Raleigh will not again deny the association its freedom from the dragging weight that has hampered it through the ten years that it has been in existence. Final plans for the day's work will be agreed upon when the workers gather for a ten-minute conference at headquarters at 10 o'clock today.

Women Will Help. Raleigh's womanhood entered the ranks of the campaigners Saturday afternoon at 6 o'clock when Mrs. Griffin, Mrs. Best, Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. Weston Bruner met to consider what services they could render in the campaign. The worth of their service was demonstrated two hours later when they entered headquarters with \$1,500 and a dozen Raleigh lads adopted as little brothers to as many Raleigh business men.

No rest was taken by the campaigners yesterday, and achievement followed wherever they went. In every church in the city, in every Sunday school, ministers spoke of the campaign, and boys enlisted as four-minute speakers presented the appeal for Raleigh's youth. No fabrication of the results obtained in the afternoon was made, but indications were that the fund is a good deal nearer the \$45,000 mark than it stood when reports were in Saturday night.

"Buy a Boy" Slogan. "Buy a Boy" is yet the slogan of the campaign. Lists of boys who are making their own way in the world, struggling against circumstance that often turns down its thumbs, have been prepared by the campaign organization, giving brief biographies of the lads who are being offered, so that every man who wants a boy may know him, may direct a personal interest toward him, and lend him a hand that may guide and lift him to achievement of the best that is in him.

"The Y. M. C. A. is reaching down and not up," declared Rev. Dr. W. McC. White at the First Presbyterian Church yesterday morning, laying special emphasis on the development of the campaign that is destined to bring the association into closer, more intimate and more helpful relation to the youth of the city that has had no spokesman, no one to help, no one to care whether the lad went under or not. Similar reference was made in all of the churches.

Scores of men in the city, who have turned deaf ears to a mere appeal to help the Y. M. C. A. get out of debt, have gladly taken hold in the "Buy a Boy" movement, and surely does a worker find a man or woman who will turn down the appeal when presented on the definite behalf of a boy who needs the sort of influence that a big brother can give, and the environment that can be thrown around him in the Association.

Infectious Enthusiasm. Interest and enthusiasm in the campaign reached the infectious stage yesterday. Even to the boys in the streets, for whom Mr. Crow and the other leaders in the drive are making such a prodigy of effort to have the Y. M. C. A. reach, discussed the problem of being "sold," and told very braggingly of who had adopted them as "Little Brothers." Chief among the prideful youngsters who have been "bought" was Edgar Graham Upchurch, who can not

FORMER GOVERNOR CATTS GIVES BOND IN SUM OF \$5,000

Goes To Starke, Florida, In Connection With Indictment For Bribery

TO GIVE FORMAL BOND IN PEONAGE CASE ALSO

Former Chief Executive Of Florida Maintains Silence In Regard To Indictments Against Him; Will Probably Face Federal Charge Of Alleged Peonage First

Starke, Fla., May 22.—Sidney J. Catts, who served four years as governor of Florida, having been elected on a Prohibitionist ticket, later a candidate for the United States Senate, and now under indictments by Federal and county grand juries on charges growing out of alleged misuse of his executive authority and the object of a joint legislative investigation, came here today from Jacksonville and furnished bond of \$5,000. In this, Bradford county, Mr. Catts is charged with accepting a bribe in voting for a pardon for Peonasco, Fla. He left his home today for Pensacola, where, according to his attorneys, he plans to make formal bond of \$5,000 on a charge of peonage, for which he was indicted May 18, and arrested yesterday at Albany, Georgia. He was released from custody at Albany after five citizens had signed his bond and permitted to proceed on his way to Jacksonville.

Came Unaccompanied. So far as is known, Mr. Catts came here unaccompanied. During his stay he was the guest of his local attorney. He had spent last night at the home of his brother-in-law in Jacksonville, and his attitude of silence regarding his indictments was not changed here. Beyond the fact that he told his bondsmen in Albany, Ga., that he had been in British Columbia, nothing could be learned of his whereabouts since his indictment here on May 8.

It is believed that Mr. Catts will face the Federal charge first, and reports from Pensacola were to the effect that a special session of court would be called for this purpose. Specifically, the Federal indictment set forth that Mr. Catts voted for pardons in favor of two negroes, Ed Brown and John Henry Rodgers, serving sentences in the State penitentiary, and that representatives of the former governor met the negroes upon their release and took them to his Walton county farm where they are alleged to have been held in peonage.

Fold Negro Laborers. Reports from Albany quoted him as saying the negroes had been paid \$10 a month and well clothed and fed. One of these negroes testified at the hearings of the joint legislative committee in Tallahassee, which, under a joint resolution, is investigating "rumors" that the former governor received money to influence his decision in matters of pardon and other alleged misconduct. The committee has been holding its hearings for several weeks and no indication is forthcoming as to when it will report its findings.

Both houses of the legislature, now in biennial session, have postponed numerous officers received by the former governor. At least \$25,000 has been voted as reimbursement to the various men for the salaries they lost while under suspension. Mr. Catts' term of office expired January 3 last.

REPORT MORE TROUBLE IN SILESIA TERRITORY

Oppeln, Silesia, May 22.—It is reported that trouble has broken out in the neighborhood of Kreuzberg. German "free companies" are reported to be advancing, but it is not yet known whether the movement is in the nature of a raid or a broader operation.

REPORT OF REVOLUTION IN PORTUGAL RECEIVED

Travelers Reaching Vigo Tell Of Proclamation Of Santos As President

Madrid, May 22.—The Tiempo today prints under reserve a report from travelers reaching Vigo to the effect that a revolution has broken out in Lisbon, Portugal. According to the travelers, the members of the cabinet have been imprisoned and Machado dos Santos has been proclaimed president of the republic.

The Portuguese legation in Madrid announced today that it had no knowledge of a revolution in Lisbon and discredited the reports current here.

A dispatch from Lisbon Saturday night said that the Portuguese cabinet, headed by Bernardino Machado, had resigned, but that no disturbances had taken place. It was added that political conferences had been held throughout Saturday in an endeavor to bring about a satisfactory arrangement of the ministerial situation.

Machado Santos is a former president and founder of the republic.

W. L. Moore Dies. Kinston, May 22.—W. L. Moore died recently at his residence in Jones county, according to news received here. He was 62 years of age and is survived by a widow and ten children, two

MACON CROWD CONDEMNS GOVERNOR DORSEY FOR HIS "PEONAGE PAMPHLET"

Macon, Ga., May 22.—At a mass meeting of nearly 2,000 persons at the city hall this afternoon, a resolution was adopted condemning Governor Dorsey for issuing his "Peonage Pamphlet" and petitioning the General Assembly "to appoint a court of inquiry to make an investigation of the legality of the Governor's appeal to a committee not under the direction of the judiciary."

The resolution concluded: "If it be found that he has violated the oath of his office in the premises, has committed libel against any county in Georgia, or fails to produce satisfactory evidence proving his charges, that the said Governor, Hugh M. Dorsey, be impeached."

A substitute resolution, a modification, following two speeches in defense of the Governor, was killed in committee. Former Congressman C. L. Bartlett was chairman of the meeting.

PRESIDENT ON WAY TO NEW YORK CITY

To Deliver Two Addresses There Today; Making Trip On The Mayflower

Washington, May 22.—The Presidential yacht Mayflower, with President Harding and his party aboard, was reported sixty miles north of Cape Charles light at noon today in a radio message received here. Perfect weather was said to prevail. The yacht is due at New York tomorrow morning.

ELABORATE PROGRAM OF ENTERTAINMENT ARRANGED

New York, May 22.—New York will entertain President Harding tomorrow for the second time since his inauguration. He will speak at a luncheon of the Academy of Political Science at the Hotel Astor in the afternoon, review the Twenty-third regiment at its armory in Brooklyn a few hours later, and deliver the principal address at the 125th anniversary celebration of the New York Commercial at the Hotel Commodore in the evening.

The city planned an enthusiastic welcome to the chief executive, who, with Mrs. Harding and a party of friends, was en route tonight from Washington on the Mayflower.

When the Presidential yacht enters The Narrows tomorrow morning the guns at Forts Hamilton and Wadsworth will roar the customary 21-gun salute. Destroyers and battleships of the Atlantic fleet, at anchor in the Hudson, will accord the same honor as the yacht proceeds up the river to Ninety-sixth Street.

The President plans to remain aboard the Mayflower until noon, when he will land and go directly to the hotel for his first address. The trip to Brooklyn will take the President across Manhattan bridge over the East River, and the streets along the route to the armory will be lined with school children and a sprinkling of troops. The President will speak briefly after the military review.

A boy's band of 500 pieces will re-entertain the President when he returns to his hotel in Manhattan. The President and Vice-President Coolidge, who also will speak, will hold a reception for an hour before the evening banquet.

SEAMEN REJECT PLAN TO END MARINE STRIKE

Unanimous Rejection Follows Meeting Of Workers; Secretary Davis In N. Y.

New York, May 22.—Proposals of Federal mediators looking to a settlement of the nation-wide marine strike, which has been in effect since May 1, were unanimously rejected at a meeting here today of locals 33 and 80 of the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association.

The meeting was called to hear a report of a committee which had been in conference with Secretary of Labor Davis at Washington and as a result of which, it was reported, a possible basis of settlement had been reached. The proposals were reported to involve acceptance by the men of a reduction in wages and the granting to them of concessions as to overtime work. So far as is known, the proposals in question were not submitted to the operators, who previously had declared they would not sign any further agreements with seagoing unions.

Thomas B. Healey and Bert L. Todd, representatives of the union, declared no vote was taken. They added that this was necessary, as the discussion of the proposals showed the men were unanimous in their declaration to stand by their original proposition.

Secretary Davis arrived here today and conferred with Winthrop L. Marvin, general manager, and H. H. Baymond, president of the American Steamship Owners' Association. While Mr. Davis would not discuss the conference, it was learned unofficially that if the engineers had favorably considered the proposals, the wage committee of the owners' association would have met with Mr. Davis Tuesday in Washington.

CONGRESS AIMS TO CLEAN UP PENDING MEASURES QUICKLY

Leaders Plan To Clean Slate In Two Weeks Before Taking Up Tariff

PEACE RESOLUTION TO COME UP IN THE HOUSE

Temporary Tariff, Army and Navy Appropriation Bills, Budget Bill and Deficiency Appropriation Measure Principal Legislative Matters For Immediate Action

Washington, May 22.—A clean-up of pending important measures during the next two weeks is the aim of Republican leaders in Congress to pave the way for consideration of the permanent tariff and tax revision, two of the major subjects for which the extra session was called. The permanent tariff bill is expected to be reported by the House ways and means committee early next month.

Prominent among measures scheduled for completion in the next fortnight are the Knox peace resolution, the temporary tariff, the army and navy appropriation bills, the Good-McCormick bill for a federal budget system, and the deficiency appropriation measure.

Peace Resolution Up. The peace resolution is to be taken up by the House foreign affairs committee early this week, but Chairman Porter does not expect a House vote before next week. The leaders of the House are leaning toward amendment of the Senate measure by declaring merely a state of peace instead of repealing the German and Austrian war declarations. Negotiations with Senate leaders are scheduled this week preliminary to committee and House action.

The conference report on the temporary tariff bill is to be taken up by the House tomorrow, with its adoption a foregone conclusion. President Harding is expected to act on the measure before the week-end. The report was adopted last Friday by the Senate.

Disposition of the three remaining appropriations bills largely rests with the Senate. The House is expected to pass the \$100,000,000 deficiency bill tomorrow or Tuesday and the Senate will resume consideration tomorrow of the \$495,000,000 naval budget, with the principal controversies remaining over the proposed naval base at Alameda, Cal., and committee proposals to increase the navy personnel by 20,000 over the 100,000 men authorized by the House.

Fight On Navy Bill.

Economy advocates will continue their attacks on the naval bill tomorrow, with an extended address planned by Senator LaFollette, Republican, Wisconsin, on "big interests" in armament. The Senate also has to act formally on the Borah amendment for a disarmament conference, but its adoption has been virtually assured.

The army supply bill, with committee provisions increasing the regular army from an average of 150,000 men, authorized in the House, to a minimum of 170,000 at any time during the next five years, will just as follow the naval bill in the Senate.

On the program, awaiting the first opportunity for consideration in both the Senate and House are separate packer control bills. Agricultural advocates on both sides are pressing leaders for legislation of action in a few weeks. Another agricultural measure, on which hearings are to begin next Friday before a Senate committee, is the bill to regulate future trade in cotton. There is a movement to include cotton within its scope through a Senate amendment. The Senate also has pending the Lenoir resolution for a joint congressional commission with powers to make an exhaustive general agricultural survey.

Ford-Newberry Case

Another session on the Ford-Newberry case is scheduled by the Senate privileges and elections committee. Tuesday, Senator Townsend, Republican, Michigan, in behalf of Senator Newberry, and Alfred Lacking, counsel for Henry Ford, are to discuss whether the Supreme Court dismissal of charges against Senator Newberry should quash further Senate proceedings.

Several other committee hearings are to continue this week, including the House inquiry into the escape of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, draft evader. A. H. Smith, of the New York Central line, and Howard Elliott, representing the Northern Pacific Railroad, are to appear tomorrow in connection with the Senate interstate commerce committee investigating railroad conditions. Hearings also will be continued on the Townsend \$200,000,000 good-roads bill and on revision of Federal employees' salaries. The nomination of David H. Blair, of North Carolina, to Internal Revenue Commissioner, which Senator Johnson, of California, is fighting, is to come before the Senate this week, with confirmation predicted even by opponents.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZES BOND ISSUE

New York, May 22.—J. F. Morgan & Co. announced today that the French government has authorized it to issue in the United States \$100,000,000 of French 20-year external loan 7 1/2 per cent bonds.

Sunday School Meeting. Henderson, May 22.—The Vance County Sunday School Association officers met in Henderson Friday afternoon, and set Wednesday and Thursday, June 5 and 6, as convention dates for the Sunday schools of the county. An educational program is being prepared by State Sunday school workers and officers of the county association.