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## TO PICK MEMBERS FOR CONFERENCE ON UNEMPLOYMENT

**Proposed Meeting May Prove  
White Elephant For Republi-  
can Administration**

## HOOVER TAKES STEPS TO WARD OFF TROUBLE

**Senator Borah Begins Cam-  
paign To Secure Open Ses-  
sions Of Disarmament Con-  
ference; Commissioner Page  
Protests Against Moving Ar-  
tillery Over State Roads**

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(By Special Lease Wire)

Washington, Aug. 30.—Indications  
came today that the administration has  
in mind that it may have a white ele-  
phant on its hands in the coming con-  
ference on unemployment, and that out  
of it might come labor disputes that  
would set the conference by the ears.  
And with this in view there has come  
forth a statement from Secretary of  
Commerce Hoover that there must be  
none of the matters in dispute between  
capital and labor in the conference.

Having been in conference before  
in which labor and capital failed to  
find a meeting point for their diver-  
gent views Secretary Hoover and the  
administration are taking time by the  
forelock and are putting the kibosh  
in advance on any such matters.

**Hand Picked Conference.**  
The line of defense adopted by the  
administration is a simple one. It is  
merely to see to it that those asked to  
take part in the conference are selected  
as to those from whom no clash  
would be expected. In fact it looks  
now as if the conference will be an ad-  
ministration hand-picked gathering, so  
from it there is to be expected nothing  
more of an expression than would echo  
the views of the administration on the  
subject. Says Mr. Hoover:

"Such contentious questions as the  
closed shop, wages, or conditions of  
labor are to be strictly barred. The  
conference is solely to study and make  
recommendations on the unemployment  
situation as a great human condition  
that must be alleviated."

But how Mr. Hoover and all the ad-  
ministration forces directing the con-  
ference are going to get away from  
the matter of wages or conditions of  
labor in discussing the matter of un-  
employment no one seems to know.  
But at all events the Hoover plan is to  
have the dove of peace fly around in  
the conference chamber and will give  
the taboo sign if any one starts any-  
thing that is not down on the program.

## Dr. Brooks Fires Broadside At Inefficient County Rule

**Is Opening Of Fight On Incom-  
petent County Adminis-  
tration**

## SPEAKS BEFORE STATE MEETING OF FARMERS

**More Than Thousand Farmers  
and Farm Women In  
Attendance**

Dr. E. C. Brooks, superintendent of  
Public Instruction, fired the opening gun  
in a warfare on inefficient and hap-  
hazard administration of county affairs  
in some of the counties of the State  
yesterday in an address before a joint  
session of the State Farmers and Farm  
Women's Conventions at Pullen Hall  
yesterday morning.

On the basis of an investigation in  
a dozen representative counties in the  
State, Dr. Brooks charged:

"That there are county officials who  
do not know how much money is due  
from taxes or how that money is being  
spent.

"That in many districts no records  
have ever been made of taxes levied  
to those districts.

## Take Further Measures To Conserve Supply of Water

**Partially Suspend Pumping Operations At Night And Stop  
Use of Water For Construction Purposes; Urgent Ap-  
peal For Conservation; No Rain In Sight Yet**

Partial suspension of pumping opera-  
tions at night and orders stopping  
use of water for construction purposes  
and preventing plumbers from mak-  
ing new connections are the latest steps  
taken by the city to stave off a water  
famine.

Meantime, the situation continues to  
grow more menacing and Superintendent  
E. B. Bain and Commissioner of  
Public Works Bray are considering  
further drastic steps in the event re-  
lief is not afforded by heavy rainfall  
within the next two or three days.

The quantity of water in Lake Raleigh  
yesterday was about the same—the  
supply on hand being estimated as  
sufficient for ten days. The inflow  
from Walnut Creek continues at about  
a half million gallons, or about one-  
fourth of the amount of water being  
consumed daily at the present time.

**No Hope For Rain.**  
No hope for rain today of tomorrow  
is held out by the weather man, who  
stated yesterday afternoon that his  
map showed no signs of a low pres-  
sure area heading in this direction.

The forecast called for generally fair  
weather today, with high temperatures.  
A high pressure area hovers over the  
entire southeastern section and hot,  
dry weather for the next 24 hours  
appears in prospect.

Mr. Bain and Commissioner Bray  
again earnestly appeal to the people  
of Raleigh to conserve water as much  
as possible. During the last few days  
there has been a noticeable decrease in  
the daily consumption, giving evidence  
that the people are coming to a realization  
of the gravity of the situation  
and are co-operating to a considerable  
degree. However, the decrease is not  
sufficient, stated Mr. Bain, who says  
Raleigh consumers must take more  
drastic steps to curtail general use  
of water if conservation is to prove  
effective.

**Must Conserve Supply.**  
A majority of the people appear to  
realize that Raleigh is facing the  
worst water crisis in its history and  
are endeavoring earnestly to save  
as much as possible. However, there  
are many who are not displaying a  
proper spirit of co-operation and it is  
especially to these that the appeal is  
directed.

The normal daily consumption of  
water is 3,000,000 gallons and during  
the past few days the quantity used  
has been brought down to around 2,  
000,000 gallons. Commissioner Bray  
and Mr. Bain are of the opinion that  
Raleigh should be able to get by with a  
million and a half gallons a day and  
they stress the fact that if a famine is  
to be averted consumption must be  
reduced to around this figure.

**Cutting Off Supplies.**  
That the city is determined to save  
as much water as possible is indicated  
by the fact that over 100 services have  
been discontinued during the past few  
days because of defective plumbing.  
John B. Thiem, plumbing inspector,  
and his assistants are busy inspecting  
buildings and residences in search for  
leaky plumbing and in every in-  
stance where leaks have been found the  
supply has been promptly cut off. The  
supply will not be turned on again un-  
til the defects have been remedied, it  
was stated. Mr. Thiem urgently re-  
quests that all persons having knowl-  
edge of waste of water through de-  
fective plumbing call Phone 706 or  
289 at once. Any information of this  
nature will be kept in strict confi-  
dence if desired.

The order stopping the use of water  
for washing automobiles, sprinkling  
lawns, construction purposes, etc., has  
cut down the daily consumption con-  
siderably, but it is pointed out that  
the most effective conservation must  
come through saving water used for  
general purposes. Some general in-  
stances in which water is wasted and  
which can be remedied are as fol-  
lows:

**Wasteful Practices.**  
Allowing water to run while wash-  
ing the face and hands.  
Filling bath-tubs over three-fourths  
full whereas three or four inches of  
water is sufficient in view of the pres-  
ent situation.

Allowing water to run while filling  
or washing kitchen utensils.  
Waste of water in numerous other  
general ways can be prevented by  
thoughtfulness on the part of the peo-  
ple and a full appreciation of the  
necessity for conservation. Persons who  
have knowledge of defective plum-  
bing involving a waste of water should  
cut off the supply entirely except

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## COMMITTEE HEARS PROTESTS AGAINST NEW TARIFF RATES

**Representatives Of Two Coun-  
tries Before Senate Fi-  
nance Committee**

## HIGHER RATES WANTED BY MILLING INTERESTS

**English Delegation Seeks Low-  
er Tariff On High Speed  
Steel, While Representatives  
Of Fishing Industry Appear  
Both For and Against New  
Import Taxes**

Washington, Aug. 30.—Representa-  
tives of industries of two countries  
presented arguments before the Senate  
Finance Committee today striking at  
rates in the Fordney tariff bill. From  
England came a delegation to urge re-  
vision downward of rates on high speed  
steel, while higher rates on flour and  
mill feeds were sought by domestic  
milling interests. Representatives of  
the fishing industry appeared both to  
defend and denounce import taxes on  
their products.

Claims of the flour millers, sub-  
mitted by L. E. Moses, of Kansas City,  
Missouri, president of the Southwestern  
Millers League, and A. L. Goetmann,  
of Minneapolis, president of the Millers'  
National Federation, were for rates  
which would be compensatory for the  
25 cents a bushel duty on wheat. Unless  
the flour duty was made practically  
double the House rate, they agreed,  
the duty on wheat would bring no good  
effect.

**Making No Profit.**  
Mr. Moses asserted that the milling  
industry was making no profits and  
that its position in the business world  
would be more perilous without the  
protective duty.

"If you give us rates which will  
keep us running," he said, "we can  
and will furnish the people of the  
United States flour at the cheaper  
price of any people on earth. If you  
force us to run only part of the time  
your flour price will be higher and  
the consumer will pay and the pro-  
ducers' market will be disturbed and  
lowered and he will lose. I won't pre-  
dict what will happen to the mills  
themselves if we have to close our  
plants part of the time."

**Duties on Fish.**  
On the question of duties on fish, a  
difference of opinion was voiced by the  
home producers and the importers, al-  
though some New England fishing in-  
terests favored a low import tax. The  
Alaskan industry protested against any  
changes from the House rate, the claim  
being made by Dan Sutherland, Alaskan  
delegate in the House, that the bill  
taxed everything the fishermen used in  
their business but gave them only mod-  
erate protection on the results of their  
labors. His argument was supported by  
A. W. Thomas, of Boston, head of a  
Prince William Sound company, who  
declared that the rate of 11.2 cents a  
pound on herring barely met the high  
transportation costs which he had to  
bear in delivering fish in New York in  
competition with the Scandinavians.

Without the duty, he said, the industry,  
encouraged by the government during  
the war, would go on the down grade.  
Atlantic coast fishing interests were  
represented by George E. Willey, of  
Boston, who claimed that no good rea-  
son existed for duties as high as those  
fixed and argued that the tax would  
serve to increase the cost of living "to  
the poor folks." This phase of the  
argument was supplemented by Mrs.  
Jennie D. Heath, of New York, presi-  
dent of the National Housewives'  
League. She said, also, that high duties  
probably would result in decreased con-  
sumption of fish.

## SMITHFIELD SELLS ITS BONDS TO TOLEDO FIRM

Smithfield, Aug. 30.—Smithfield sold  
\$200,000 worth of school bonds here to-  
day. The deal was made through the  
Prudden & Company of Toledo, Ohio.  
Work is to start immediately on the  
new school building. The contract for  
the building was awarded to Kennon &  
Thompson, of Raleigh.

Neuse river shows no signs of rising  
from the downpour of rain which pre-  
vailed in this section Sunday. The  
lows and trees are looking refreshed  
after the treat to the first drink in  
several weeks. The atmosphere is much  
cooler and the people have taken on a  
more optimistic feeling in the last 24  
hours.

## FIRE DAMAGES ROCKY MOUNT COTTON FACTORY

Rocky Mount, Aug. 30.—Fire believed  
to have been started by a flying spark  
from an acetylene welding outfit which  
workmen here were using in making  
repairs in the wheel room, did interior  
damage at the Rocky Mount mills this  
afternoon which mill officials estimate  
will total \$10,000. The fire spread over  
the belting system in one unit of the  
mill and then released the automatic  
sprinkler system, which did much water  
damage to the machinery.

## MRS. ANNIE BURWELL DIES IN SALEM, VA.

Goldboro, Aug. 30.—Relatives in  
Goldboro, where she resided for several  
years, have been advised of the death  
of Mrs. Annie T. Burwell, at the home  
of her daughter, Mrs. Harvey Gierach,  
in Salem, Va. Mrs. Burwell was the  
mother of Mrs. P. R. King, grandmother  
of Mrs. J. C. Eason and Horace E.  
King, great-grandmother of Miss Fran-  
ces King all of Goldboro, covering  
five generations. Mrs. Burwell recently  
celebrated her 93rd birthday and was  
the widow of the late H. W. Burwell,  
of this city.

## FISHERMEN RESCUE SIX AIRMEN FROM BALLOON

Hampton, Va., Aug. 30.—Fishermen  
near the mouth of York river this morn-  
ing rescued a small free balloon from  
Langley field and the crew of six mem-  
bers while the bag was blowing south-  
ward. Ascent was made in a light  
northerly breeze, but the course of the  
bag was changed during the night.  
Ropes thrown from the balloon were  
hauled in by the fishing boats.

## LEADING LAWYERS OF NATION GATHER FOR 44TH SESSION

**First Day Of Cincinnati Con-  
vention Given Over To  
Routine Matters**

## ELIHU ROOT DELIVERS TWO SHORT ADDRESSES

**Program Of Addresses Before  
General Convention Begins  
Today, With Prominent  
Speakers Of The Nation On  
The Program; Root Stresses  
Importance Of Bar**

Cincinnati, Aug. 30.—A day of sec-  
tional meetings devoted largely to re-  
ports of committees and discussion oc-  
cupied delegates and visitors who poured  
into Cincinnati today for the forty-  
fourth annual convention of the Ameri-  
can Bar Association. Prominent bar-  
risters from all sections of the country  
auxiliary to the program of addresses,  
which begins tomorrow before the gen-  
eral convention.

Elihu Root former Secretary of State,  
made two brief addresses today, in  
which he urged the bar to play an  
important role in creating public opin-  
ion and in educating young lawyers in  
the fundamentals of the law.

The former Secretary of State urged  
that the bar association exercise strict  
supervision of lawyers of the coming  
generation so that the legal profession  
might have competent men to administer  
the law.

Miss Annette Adams, of San Fran-  
cisco, was one of the speakers before  
the criminal law section, urging swift  
prosecution of those charged with crime.  
"The effect of example to the public  
and of reform for the criminal is lost  
if there is long delay between his arrest  
and his final conviction and incarceration,"  
Miss Adams declared. "Innocent  
men, too, should have an early oppor-  
tunity to establish their innocence."

**Finger Print Expert.**  
Forged finger prints were explained  
to the same section by Milton Carlson,  
a finger print expert of Los Angeles,  
who told the lawyers that the first thing  
to prove where finger prints were in-  
volved in crime cases was whether the  
print was made by a human hand. He  
explained how finger prints could be  
forged, disposing of the popular theory,  
he said, that finger prints were infallible  
proof.

Delegates to the convention in con-  
ference today made reports of the activi-  
ties of their local and State bar asso-  
ciations. The Association of Attorneys-  
General and the Commissioners of Uni-  
form State Laws concluded their session  
today, prior to the general convention  
tomorrow.

**Adopt Resolution.**  
After a lengthy discussion tonight,  
the conference of delegates adopted a  
resolution presented by George E.  
Price, of Charleston, W. Va., providing  
that the Bar Association should examine  
representatives appearing in cases be-  
fore the United States Treasury De-  
partment. The resolution was pre-  
pared at the suggestion of the depart-  
ment. Mr. Price said, and recommended  
that State and local bar associations  
assist the department in investigating  
the character and qualifications of those  
appearing in cases before the depart-  
ment or its bureaus.

The resolution also provided that  
the giving of advice on the income  
tax be regarded as the practice of  
law. This provision was adopted af-  
ter considerable discussion as an  
amendment presented by Julius Hen-  
ry Cohen, of New York.

**Officers Elected.**  
The criminal law section elected the  
following officers tonight: Floyd E.  
Thompson, Rock Island, Ill., presi-  
dent; W. O. Hart, New Orleans, vice-  
president; Edwin M. Abbott, Secretary-  
treasurer; and Thomas J. O'Donnell,  
Denver, and Annette Adams, San Fran-  
cisco, council members.

Following the election, an address  
was made by E. W. Sims, former  
United States District Attorney of  
Chicago, and a paper by James R.  
Clark, United States District Attorney,  
of Cincinnati, was read by Thomas  
Morrow, first assistant district attor-  
ney. Mr. Clark discussed the question  
of unanimous verdicts and offered the  
conclusion that all verdicts should be  
unanimous. Civil cases in Ohio al-  
low a three-fourths verdict, he said, but  
although convictions were more difficult  
to secure, he favored unanimous deci-  
sions.

John G. Price, of Ohio, was elected  
president of the Association of attor-  
neys-General of the United States. At-  
torney-General William G. Morgan, of  
Wisconsin, was elected vice-president  
and Samuel W. Wolfe, South Carolina,  
secretary-treasurer.

## PRESIDENT ORDERS LAWLESS BANDS TO DISPERSE AT ONCE

**Proclamation Commands Per-  
sons In West Virginia Engaged  
In Unlawful Proceedings To  
Disperse By Thursday**

## GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE QUICK ACTION IF ORDER IS NOT COMPLIED WITH

Declaration Of Martial Law  
and Dispatch Of Strong  
Force Of Federal Troops  
To Mingo District Next  
Steps If Order Is Not Re-  
stored By Thursday; Gen-  
eral Bandholtz Ordered Back  
To West Virginia To Watch  
Situation In Troublesome  
Fields and Advise How  
Proclamation Is Received;  
Administration Prepared To  
Meet Any Serious Situation  
and There Will Be "No  
Child's Play"

## MAKING PLANS TO RESIST INVASION

**Large Body Of Armed Men Re-  
ported To Have Gathered  
Near Logan County**

Logan, W. Va., Aug. 30.—Extraordi-  
nary preparations went forward today  
and continued tonight following reports  
of a gathering of armed men at Jeffery,  
in the adjacent county of Boone. Re-  
ported estimates of the number vary  
from hundreds to thousands. Lack of  
telephone communication precluded con-  
firmation of the figures.

Fearing that the men would cross the  
hills to the Logan county side, com-  
panies to ex-service men were being  
formed today to reinforce detachments  
of deputy sheriffs and State police  
guarding the border. In this little town,  
the county seat, a battalion drilled  
throughout the afternoon. Additional  
forces of former soldiers were reported  
to be coming from Welch and McDowell.  
No word had been received from  
Adjutant General John H. Charnock,  
who left Charleston today on a special  
train for the "District of Uncertainty"  
on the east slope of Spruce Fork Ridge  
separating Logan county from Boone.

**Elaborate Defenses.**  
For the first time since the Logan  
and McDowell men took up arms to re-  
pel a possible invasion a newspaper-  
man today was permitted to view part  
of the defense works on the Logan  
county side. These defenses were  
those of McDowell men guarding the  
state highway leading from Logan to  
Jefferson. Sheriff "Bill" Hatfield, com-  
manding the McDowell contingent, at  
this morning made a tour of inspection.  
He traveled by automobile and on his re-  
turn to Logan expressed himself as  
being satisfied with the morale of his  
defenses.

The road leads through one of the  
wildest sections of the southern West  
Virginia mountains. On the tour the  
sheriff frequently stopped in front of  
hillside homes. In most instances the  
occupants came to the door, whereupon  
Sheriff "Bill" introduced himself and  
assured the dwellers that the McDowell  
men were their friends and that even  
more forces could be obtained from his  
county if necessary.

**Get More Forces.**  
Upon his return to Logan from Mill  
Creek and Peck's Creek, the first and  
second lines of defense, respectively,  
Sheriff Hatfield was informed that Col-  
onel Morgan had requested him to call  
more McDowell deputies into Logan. He  
immediately made arrangements to have  
additional forces brought here.

Other roads leading from Logan into  
Boone county are guarded by State  
troops, under command of Captain J.  
B. Brockus, summoned from Mingo and  
by Logan deputies and volunteers com-  
manded by Sheriff Don Chafin.

While everything was reported quiet  
on the Logan side today, advance in-  
quest now restless on the part of the  
armed band just across the bridge.

A special train, one coach of which  
was loaded with arms and ammunition,  
arrived here at 7 o'clock tonight coming  
from Charleston. The ammunition were  
guarded by deputies.

After being unloaded, the munitions  
were taken to the court house where  
the men began cleaning the weapons.  
In the meantime armed guards were  
thrown around the building and no  
one but constituted authorities were  
permitted to enter. It was expected  
that during the night the guns and  
ammunition would be placed in auto-  
mobile trucks and taken to the border-  
line over the same roads that today  
were traversed by similar vehicles  
carrying supplies to the guardians on  
the Logan side of the ridge. Scores  
of mountain men and others from the  
lowlands, armed with rifles, pistols  
and Browning guns, patrol the roads  
over which the trucks passed.

The approach of nightfall brought  
with it increased tenseness and ad-  
ditional men were sent from here  
to the hills to reinforce the border  
patrol. These in command expressed  
the opinion that if the men across  
the line were aware of the fact that  
injection of Federal troops was a possi-  
bility September 1, an attempt might  
be made to cross tonight. Women of  
the town were "doing their bit" pre-  
paring and serving food, coffee and  
other necessities to arriving rein-  
forcements.

Four hundred and seventy addi-  
tional McDowell men arrived on a  
special train at 9:30. Included in the  
detachment were two physicians and  
three nurses. The detachment was  
moved from Welch to Mallory in au-  
gust.

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