

Harding Asks Rail Workers To Return And Let Labor Board Settle Seniority

SENATE BLOCKED HARRISON'S EFFORT ON SUGAR PROBE

Senator Smoot Prevents Overthrow of Plan for Probing Charges Against Producers.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 7.—Efforts to bring up Senator Harrison's resolution opposing investigation of charges that American government officials sought to have Cuban sugar producers curtail their crops this year in return for reduced tariff duty on sugar were blocked in the senate by Senator Smoot, Republican, of Utah.

Senator Nicholson declared that "very serious charges" had been made in articles read to the senate Saturday by Senator Harrison and that he felt the senate should not proceed with consideration of the sugar schedule until there had been an investigation.

A point of order by Senator Smoot that this motion was out of order was upheld by Senator Cummins, Republican, of Iowa, who was presiding.

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Senator Smoot said he wanted the senate and the country to know that "this propaganda that has been spread from one end of the country to the other was a continuation of the fight against domestic sugar producers by the sugar refiners."

"They have made up their minds," added Senator Smoot, "never to be contented until they destroy the sugar producers in the United States. If they succeed the American people will pay dearly," he continued.

Declaring that the refiners profits were unconscionable Senator Smoot said they sought power to lower sugar prices when the domestic crops comes to the market. "With the aid of Wall street and a banking group they are now trying to throttle the sugar industry in America," he said, adding that stock promoters and speculators were also taking up the propaganda and supporting them "in the hundreds of millions of dollars stock in Cuban sugar companies foisted on the American public."

"These are war babies," Senator Smoot declared, "and they are asking that our children be kicked out of their own homes to make places for theirs."

Washington, Aug. 7.—Denying charges that he proposed curtailment of the Cuban sugar crop to 2,500,000 tons this year in return for a reduction of the tariff on sugar Senator Smoot, Republican, Utah, read today to the senate a statement of the president of Cuba that no proposal for limitation of the crop had come from American government officials.

Getting Fat



This latest portrait of the former Crown Prince of Germany, just received from Wieringen, Holland, indicates that exile is agreeing with him.

S. B. KARRIKER WINS 2ND TIME

N. W. Menius, Salisbury, Route 8, Wins Second Prize With Sixty-nine Products.

S. B. Karriker, Barber, route one, again captured first place in the Evening Post's "What Can Rowan Raise" contest with 79 products. Mr. Karriker also won the prize the first week.

The competition this week was stiff, C. D. Peeler, Salisbury, route eight and Adolphus Brown, route three all had lists running close to the meritorious.

Mr. Karriker's list as allowed is as follows: Turnips, horse radish, pepper, okra, sweet potatoes, squash, beets, radish, carrots, tomatoes, cucumbers, plums, pears, damsons, scuppernon, milk, cantaloupes, butter, wood, peaches, Irish potatoes, blackberries, grapes, vinegar, watermelons, cotton, wool, onions, bacon, cabbage, peanuts, molasses, rape seed, clover seed, pecans, butternut beans, cherries, hickory nuts, parsley, sage, beef, goat meat, barley, alfalfa, millet, strawberries, turkey eggs, guinea eggs, duck eggs, hay, kale, scalebarks, collards, celery, rye, wheat, corn, vetch seed, oats, lettuce, curliand seed, mustard seed, snap beans, peas, chickens, figs, honey, citron seed, pumpkin seed, pawpaws, persimmons, catnip, horehound, penicill, artichokes, mutton and wormwood.

N. W. Menius won the second prize with sixty nine products while C. D. Peeler, route eight, fell only one shy of tying Mr. Menius.

This week beginning today is the last week of the contest and it is probably that many farmers will enter the last week.

No tabulation of the standing of the various entrants into the monthly contest has been made and none will be made until the contest closes this Saturday. Each week's products have been more or less the same and it is not thought that the monthly contest winner will have many more products than in the weekly contest.

TO HALT OIL POLLUTION. Washington, Aug. 7.—Representatives of six executive departments and the shipping board, who will work out a program to submit to the forthcoming international conference for the prevention of pollution of navigable waters by oil-burning and oil-carrying steamships, were designed by the state department.

HARDING PRAISED FOR ELIMINATING POLITICAL 'PIES'

Diplomatic Selections Commended; Rewarding Competency Instead of Politicians, Declared.

(By Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 7.—Long strides toward removing diplomatic posts from rewards for political service have been made during President Harding's administration, according to a report issued today by the Committee on Foreign Service of the National Civil Service Reform League.

The report says the first year "seems to indicate that an earnest effort has been made to retain the services of men of experience and to appoint to diplomatic posts persons with qualifications in diplomacy."

The committee reports that five of the nine ambassadors appointed by President Harding were men with previous experience in diplomacy. Six of the thirty ministers now serving in the diplomatic corps, the committee found, were appointed on the basis of their experience and eight were men appointed during previous administrations but were retained by President Harding.

Four ambassadors, sixteen ministers, two agents and consuls general and one minister resident and consul general appointed by President Harding, the report says, were persons without any previous diplomatic experience. "While many of the twenty-three appointments made of persons without previous diplomatic experience operated as a recognition of political obligations," the report states, "the evil of such appointments is largely abated by the present administration and contrasts favorably with the records of the first year of other administrations. For this record, President Harding and Secretary Hughes are to be commended. President Harding is furthermore deserving of commendation in that he had selected for Secretary of State a man of the highest qualifications and one devoted to the merit principle."

The committee reported a still better showing, "an unequalled record of adherence to the merit system" in its examination of appointments in the consular service. There has been, during the first fifteen months of the present administration, the report states, "not a single exception to the rules requiring appointments through examinations in the consular service."

It is worthy of special notice, the report says that the present administration "to a greater extent than any other" has chosen as assistance to the Secretary of State men trained in the foreign service.

WOULD INCLUDE W. VA. IN CENTRAL COAL FIELDS TO EFFECT SETTLEMENT. Cleveland, Aug. 7.—Extension of the central competitive fields to include northwestern Virginia as a part of the territory for making a basic wage agreement in the soft coal industry will be sought by the Monongahela Coal operators association at the wage conference of operators and the union miners that opened here today with the view of breaking the soft coal strike.

An application by the operators for the extension of the central fields which now includes Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and western Pennsylvania, it was learned, has already been filed with President Lewis of the miners and will be submitted by him to the union policy committee.

Secretary Davis Optimistic. Washington, Aug. 7.—Secretary of Labor Davis expressed the opinion today that much good would come out of the conference to begin today in Cleveland between a number of bituminous coal operators and representatives of the United Mine Workers of America. Representatives of the labor department were understood to have been directed to be present as observers and to communicate developments of the conference to Secretary Davis.

BISHOP KILGO DYING

(By Associated Press) Charlotte, Aug. 7.—Bishop John C. Kilgo was reported to be in a dying condition early today at his home here, after another heart attack, which he suffered during the night.

CAR TURNED OVER ONE MAN DEAD

One Killed in Florida, Another in Hickory, Other Casualties Over the Week-End.

(By Associated Press) High Point, Aug. 7.—H. W. Hemerick, 35 years old, of High Point, was instantly killed Saturday in an automobile accident near Elkin, according to a message received here this morning. Hemerick with his wife and several children were en route from Elkin to High Point when the automobile turned over on a curve. Hemerick, who was driving, was pinned beneath the machine. His wife and children received only minor injuries, according to information received here.

High Point, Aug. 7.—J. E. Mullies, who was injured when an automobile in which he was riding collided with a trolley car late here last night, remained in a critical condition this morning, it was announced at a local hospital where he was taken following the accident.

He has a fighting chance for recovery, physicians said. Mullies is said to have been driving his automobile at a rapid rate of speed when he struck the front of a trolley car. In the collision, both the automobile and trolley car were badly damaged.

The motorman and three passengers on the car at the time of the accident were not injured. Hickory, Aug. 7.—Jacob Lee Bollick, Caldwell county farmer, died in a local hospital here yesterday afternoon following injuries received when his automobile turned over with himself, wife and three small children, near Hudson, N. C., about eight miles from this city. Bollick, who was subject to severe headaches, is believed to have suffered a sharp pain which caused him to lose control of the machine. His wife and three children were badly bruised but will recover. Bollick was 47 years of age and highly respected in his community. Bollick is survived by a wife and 11 children.

NINETY-NINTH COTTON MILL FOR GASTON CO.

(By Associated Press) Gastonia, Aug. 7.—Incorporation of the Art Cloth Mills, Inc., with a capital of \$200,000, to manufacture colored fancy silks, novelty dress goods and shirt materials, announced today, makes the 99th cotton mill for Gaston county and is believed to be the beginning of the inauguration of finishing plants as a feature of the textile industry here.

H. D. Gagner, of North Adams, is president; R. L. Stowe, of Belmont, vice president, and J. B. Reeves, of Gastonia, treasurer.

"SHIMMY DIVE" LATEST FAD. Youngstown, Ohio, Aug. 3.—The "shimmy dive" is the latest fad here. In the eyes of the spectators, bathers at the local pools are not popular if they cannot do the "wiggly" when they plunge. A number of boys and men have become experts in leaping from the springboard, preparatory to taking an ordinary plunge, and, while in the air, do the "shimmy," the "snake crawl," or "turn the worm."

Virginia Faces Coal Famine. Richmond, Va., Aug. 7.—Alexander Foward, fuel administrator for Virginia, announced today that the state is "facing a coal famine" unless the miners strike is settled at an early date, and that industries throughout Virginia will be forced to suspend operations because of lack of fuel. Mr. Craigie Arey, of Danville, Va., spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. D. L. Arey.

SERIOUS CHARGES LODGED AGAINST K. K. K. MEMBERS

Indictments Range From Kidnapping to Intent to Commit Murder; Total of 37 Arraigned.

(By Associated Press) Los Angeles, Aug. 7.—A night raid by masked men at Inglewood, a suburb of Los Angeles, on April 22, 1922, resulting in the slaying of one raider and the wounding of two others, was followed by an investigation in which the first definite charges were made that the Ku Klux Klan of the present day is engaged in deeds of violence. Forty three persons were indicted by the Los Angeles county grand jury for false imprisonment, kidnapping and assault with intent to commit murder in connection with the raid. The trial began today.

Thirty seven of the accused were mentioned by name and six, unidentified at the time, as "John Does." Those named included William S. Coburn, Grand Goblin of the Pacific Domain of the Ku Klux Klan; G. W. Price, King Kleagle of the Klan for the state of California, and Nathan A. Daker, Kleagle, or organizer, for Los Angeles county.

The victims of the Inglewood raid were Fidel and Mathias Elduayen, brothers, proprietors of a winery near Inglewood, operating under a federal license. A crowd of men estimated as numbering from 50 to 100 entered the Elduayen place, bound the brothers and carried them to the Inglewood city jail and asked to have them locked up as "bootleggers." The Elduayens were then carried to Redondo Beach, ten miles away, and a similar attempt was made at the lockup there, with the same result.

While the raiders were surrounding the Elduayen place, Frank T. Woerner, deputy city marshal of Inglewood, rode up in a motorcycle and was ordered to halt by one of the group of masked men who were guarding the highway. The deputy displayed his badge, whereupon he testified later, general revolvers were leveled at him. He drew his own weapon and fired into the crowd, three men falling. Woerner continued firing until his ammunition was exhausted, then returned to the Inglewood police station for more. When he got back to the scene of the raid the crowd had dispersed.

The three men shot by Woerner were carried into the town where they were found to be M. B. Noshner, Inglewood constable; Walter E. Noshner, his son, and Leonard Ruzge, a deputy constable. The elder Noshner died about an hour after he was shot.

Meanwhile the Elduayens had been set free several miles from their home. An inquest was held three days after the raid, in an Inglewood courtroom. The inquest was presided over by Judge J. B. Shambaum, a traffic officer, testified that the raid had been organized the night of April 21, in the same room where the inquest was being held, and that at the same meeting candidates for admission to the Ku Klux Klan had been identified by Baker. He and other witnesses said Baker led the raiders in the attack upon the Elduayens. Coburn testified he was in Inglewood that night, declaring he went there because he heard there was some kind of trouble, and he wanted to make sure no Klansmen were mixed up in it.

A few days after the inquest a squad of deputy sheriffs, equipped with search warrants, entered Coburn's office and seized all documents relating to the Ku Klux Klan. Later District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolwine declared the documents contained "conclusive evidence" that the Klan was officially concerned with the Inglewood raid and with other acts of violence in its "Pacific Domain." The Los Angeles grand jury examined about 125 witnesses in addition to checking over the documentary evidence. Coburn and Price were in Atlanta, Ga., where the supreme headquarters of the Klan were located, when the indictment was filed, but returned and furnished bail. All the others also gave bail.

Tibet is the loftiest region of its extent on earth.

THREE ARE INDICTED FOR ALLEGED WAR FRAUDS ON THE GOV.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Aug. 7.—Indictments were returned today by a special grand jury investigating the alleged war frauds against Ernest C. Morse, former director of the sales of the war department; Evelyn M. Davis, president of the E. M. Davis Chemical company, of New York, and Alexander Phillips, associate of Davis. The three men, all of whom live in New York were charged in the indictments with having defrauded the government out of more than one million dollars in connection with the sale of the war built plant of the Old Hickory Power company, near Nashville, Tennessee.

CANDIDATES REST ON THE EVE OF ALA. PRIMARIES

Both of Gubernatorial Candidates Strictly in Favor of Prohibition Laws.

(By Associated Press) Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 7.—W. W. "Plain Bill" Brandon, of Tuscaloosa and Bibb Graves of Montgomery, candidates in the Democratic primary tomorrow for governor, rested today for their campaign endeavors which took them from one end of the state to the other. Their race will be of chief interest to the voters, although the congressional contests in some districts will attract many to the polls.

Both of the gubernatorial candidates are for strict enforcement of the prohibition laws, and Mr. Graves would prevent Sunday from "being commercialized by amusement run for pay." He favors an "Americanism" which gives "each man freedom to join or not to join any lawful organization that will admit him, whether it be an employee's union or an employer's association—Americanism that gives each man freedom to bargain either individually or collectively as he can; that gives each man freedom to be bargained with, either individually or collectively as he can." Mr. Graves, a world war veteran, also favors a soldier bonus and abolition of the convict lease system.

Mr. Brandon is standing on his "ninth points" a designation of his platform which contains nine brief paragraphs and the principal plank of which is for abolition of tax adjusters and field agents of the state tax commission and "all other unnecessary employees of the state." He favors a reduction in taxation, and a rich people, rather than a rich state and a poor people. He would "remove as far as possible the tendency to centralize government which he declares should be kept in the head of the people." Mr. Brandon is probate judge of Tuscaloosa county.

Present representatives in the lower house of congress are candidates to succeed themselves from nine Alabama districts. In five districts the incumbent has no opposition, these being John McDuffie in the first; Henry B. Stegall in the third; Lamar Jeffers in the fourth; W. B. Bowling in the fifth; and W. B. Oliver in the sixth. Rep. L. B. Rainey is not a candidate to succeed himself from the seventh. His place is sought by M. C. Allgood, Oneonta; Alto V. Gadsden; J. M. Miller, Gadsden; L. L. Herzberg, Gadsden and W. E. James, Cullman.

In the second district John R. Tyson is opposed by T. M. Arrington and J. Morgan Prestwood. The contest in the eighth district is between Rep. Ed B. Almon and Mrs. W. B. Edmundson, only woman candidate for congressional honor in Alabama. Rep. George Huddleston is opposed for renomination from the ninth district by M. B. Grace, and Rep. Bankhead will fight it out with H. P. Gibson in the tenth. Republican primaries will be held in the counties of Chilton, Blount, DeKalb, St. Clair, Franklin, Winston, Shelby and Cullman. Candidates will be nominated in a few other counties at Republican conventions. Republican nominees will go into the general election against the Democratic nominees.

The shin bone is the longest in the human skeleton.

A NEW PEACE PLAN IS MADE PUBLIC AT THE WHITE HOUSE TODAY AFTER A CONFERENCE WITH CUMMINS OF I. C. C.

President Reminds Both Jewell and Cuyler That They Have Pledged Themselves to Recognize Validity of Labor Board.

(By The Associated Press.) Washington, Aug. 7.—President Harding today called upon the striking railroad shopmen to return to work, requested the railroads to assign them work and asked both the shopmen and the carriers to submit the dispute of the question of seniority to the railroad labor board.

The president sent telegrams to B. M. Jewell, head of the railroad shopmen's union and T. DeWitt Cuyler, chairman of the railroad executives, outlining his plan which he hoped would result in the termination of the strike.

Mr. Harding in his message asked that both parties to the dispute agree to comply with the decision rendered on seniority by the United States labor board. The further statement was made by the president that he was "mindful" of the pledge of both the executives and the striking workmen to recognize the validity of all decisions of the railroad labor board.

2 MEN KILLED IN R. R. YARD RIOT

Sheriff Newkirk Seriously Wounded; Will Call State Troops to Preserve Order.

Joliet, Ill., Aug. 7.—Rioting which broke out in the railroad yards here this morning resulted in the killing of Special Agent Phillip Reitz, of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern railroad, an unknown striker and the serious wounding of Sheriff James Newkirk. Local authorities are planning to call state troops to preserve order. A mob of several hundred gathered in the railroad yards this morning. The trouble is believed to have started over the shooting of a striker Saturday. The sheriff's office at 9 o'clock this morning called for state troops, after it was decided the local authorities were unable to cope with the situation.

TWO MEETINGS BY LOCAL SHOPMEN OF SOUTHERN

There was a meeting yesterday of the executive committee of the local shopmen of the Southern, who have been on strike more than five weeks, all of the six shop crafts being represented on the committee. Mr. J. M. Ellis, one of the six general chairmen of the shop crafts on the Southern system, came in from Washington, where he went last week for a meeting with other chairmen, with Vice President Miller of the Southern, and met with the local executive committee, returning last night to Washington to be present at the conference between the chairmen and Mr. Miller, which was postponed to today. At the close of the meeting it was stated by a member of the committee that there was nothing to give out.

There was another general mass meeting of the local shopmen held in the Strand theatre this morning at 10 o'clock, but it was said it was only one of the stated sessions and that nothing of general interest had transpired. Inquiry as to whether the men on the Southern were taking a vote on the question of negotiating a separate agreement brought the information that no such vote was being taken. In the meantime the men, along with the general public, are awaiting the outcome of the meeting of the general chairmen of the shopmen on the Southern with officials of the company in Washington today.

SIGNAL UNHEEDED; 38 PEOPLE DEAD

(By Associated Press) Sulphur Springs, Mo., Aug. 7.—Failure of an engineer to heed a block signal caused the rear end collision on the Missouri Pacific here last night in which 38 were killed and about 37 injured, 25 seriously, according to John Cannon, assistant general manager of the road.

Mr. John O. Wright left this morning by automobile for Raleigh where he goes after Mrs. Wright and little daughter, who have been visiting Mrs. Chas. A. Klutin for some time.