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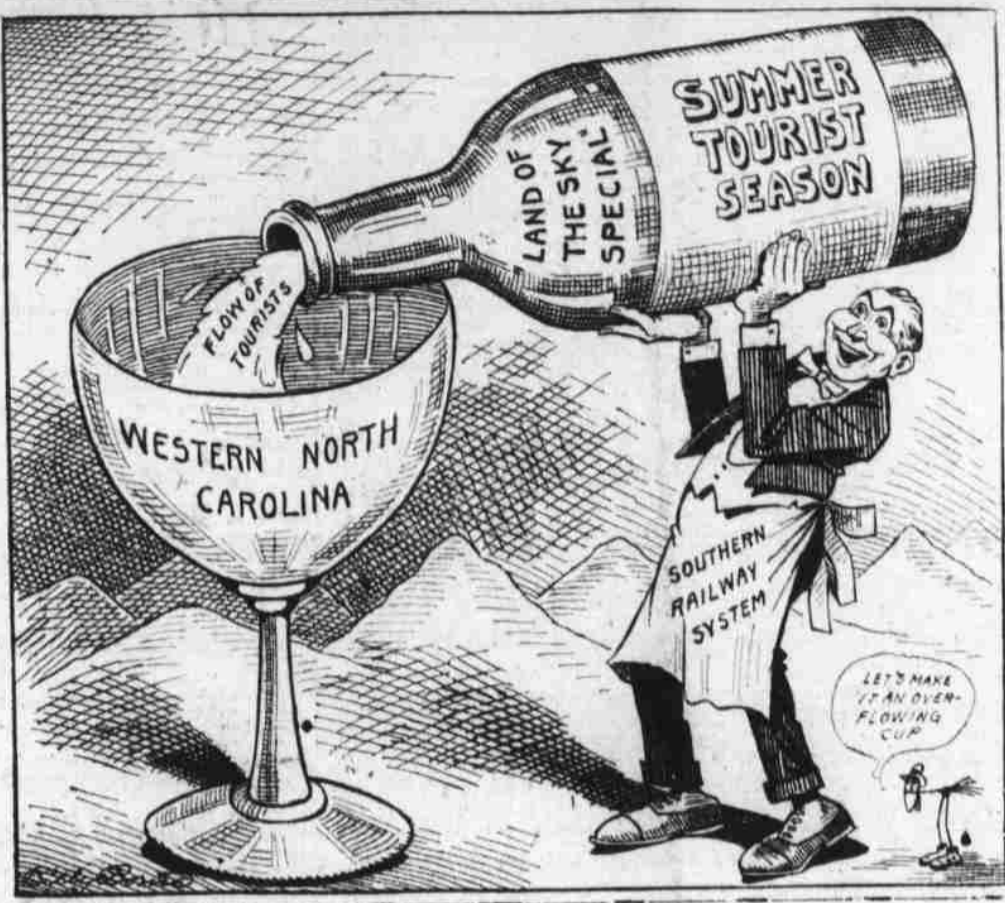
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COMMITTEE SAYS INDUSTRIAL FEUDALISM FINDS WAY INTO WHITE HOUSE.

RECALL LINCOLN'S STRIKE POLIOY

Congress and Bureau of Efficiency Are Also Under Fire.

CINCINNATI, June 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—Industrial feudalism supported by political beauracy seems to have made its way into the White House, declared the representatives of the special Policy Committee of the American Federation of Labor in setting forth organized labor's stand against the Kansas Industrial Court and other proposals for compulsory arbitration in labor disputes to state tribunals. President Harding's declaration to Congress last December, suggesting regulation of labor unions prompted the Committee's criticism.

It would seem, declared the Committee, that propaganda for industrial feudalism supported by political bureaucracy had found its way into the White House. It is most regrettable to note the utterances of the President of the United States wherein he disparaged the laborer's right to strike and necessary resort to strike action against industrial oppression. It may be well to recall in this connection a most appropriate utterance upon the same subject by another President, Abraham Lincoln, who said, "I am glad that a system of government under which laborers can strike when they want to."

Made Public Following Convention.

The report was made public today as an aftermath of the Federation's 42nd convention, which, in mourning yesterday ordered that should be included in the investigation proceedings, inasmuch as they were not subject to dispute. This action, it was announced, was tantamount to adoption for the convention directed the reports should be referred to the Federation's executive council for action if any were necessary.

For the purpose of cleaning up these odds and ends, the council met here today, receiving the reports and adjourned with the announcement that further discussion would be had at the council meeting in Washington in September. Politics, international relations and a shorter work day were among the subjects touched upon by the reports presented to the council today in addition to that of the special policy committee.

The special committee considered the Kansas Industrial Court law the Colorado Industrial Commission law, compulsory incorporation of trade unions, President Harding's suggestion of regulation and the attempt to pass the Dues-Miller bill in New York.

"Intervened throughout all of these legislative enactments and legislative proposals," said the report, "is the insidious attempt to extend the doctrine of conspiracy to the whole trade union movement and thus to prevent the constructive, effective and efficient application of the principles of organization and co-operation by the wage earners. Whatever else may be said of the Kansas law, the fact remains that the wheels of industry cannot be moved by a strike legislation any more effectively than coal can be dug by injunctions."

The committee declared in favor of the Federation's continuance with the revised plan of fight on the Kansas and Colorado laws, asserting that there could be no compromise for the issue was one that "could not be tolerated by free men."

Congress was subjected to criticism by a supplemental report of the Legislative Committee, which declared that its attitude against labor had "frequently been evidenced on remedial labor legislation."

"Rather than spend our efforts to change the attitude of the present Congress," said the report, "we should endeavor to change its personnel. Now is the opportune time to do so. There are at least 50 Congressional Districts now represented by men who are not in accord with our legislative program and who are generally hostile to our objectives, from which trade union sympathizers might be elected. What we most need is a realization upon the part of organized labor that it is in Congress that it has no right to lawyers and capitalists."

The Legislative Committee also attacked the United States Bureau of Efficiency, declaring that "since its inception it has not made a single worth while contribution to public service."

The shorter work day committee also filed a supplemental report with the council, describing the union coal miners, the printers and the textile workers as "the shock troops" of organized labor in fighting for a shorter work day.

WALSH DECLARES TARIFF TO HURT U. S. FOOD BILL

Says Over Billion Dollars Will Be Added to Cost Of Essentials.

TERRIBLE RESULT FORECAST BY HIM

Agricultural Bloc Is Blamed For This Phase Of Tariff Advance.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Increases in tariff duties proposed on fresh meats, sugars, cereals, beans, potatoes and apples, if effective, would advance the cost of those commodities to American consumers by a total of \$1,216,589,449 annually, Senator Walsh, Democrat, Massachusetts said today in a formal statement. He explained that this estimate had been prepared by the Department of Agriculture at his request and was based on the cost of total consumption in this country multiplied by the increase in tax proposed in the new bill over the law of 1913.

Senator Walsh made public a table prepared by the department showing the increased per cent cost per annum on such items would be as follows:

Barley \$0.094; buckwheat \$0.007; corn \$4.077; oats \$1.309; rye \$0.062; wheat \$1.792; sugar \$0.490; beef, fresh \$2.714; mutton \$0.159; pork \$0.736; beans \$0.130; apples \$1.233; apples \$0.397; total \$13.152.

"These figures reveal the terrible consequences of high tariff duties on the bare necessities of life," said Senator Walsh. "At the very period when we are attempting to reduce the enormous cost of production and the excessive prices prevailing as a result of war conditions, it is proposed to increase the cost of living to the American people to the extent of \$1,216,589,449 per annum."

"It is unbelievable, it is inconceivable that any public man would for one instant consider such a proposition. Yet, so great has been the pressure exerted on the majority party by the agricultural tariff bloc, that unless the American people make emphatic protest without delay their living expenses for what they eat are to be increased at the rate of over one and a quarter billion dollars per year."

"The heavy income tax burdens, the excess profit taxes, and the high sugar and potato duties and other heavy individuals have had to bear during, after and since, the war sink into insignificance compared with the burden that the advocates of these agricultural tariff duties seek to force upon the great army of American farmers and the people of the United States ready to surrender without vehement protest just because the majority party in Congress have surrendered to the threats of the agricultural bloc."

CHARGE WIFE WITH SHOOTING OF HUSBAND

Oscar A. Hirsch, Theatrical Producer, in Critical Condition.

PREFORT, N. Y., June 25.—Oscar A. Hirsch, wealthy former theatrical producer of New York, is in a critical condition at the Nassau County hospital and his wife, Hazel, is under arrest, charged with having shot him following a quarrel at the close of a lawn party given by Miss Rene Davies, an actress, early this morning.

The shooting occurred in front of the home of Miss Davies, who is a sister of Marion Davies, moving picture star. Rene Davies is the former wife of Geo. Lederer, theatre manager.

FIVE SUFFOCATED IN AN ABANDONED MINE

HARTFORD, Ark., June 25.—At least five members of a picnic party were suffocated today in an abandoned mine near here. Three others, who attempted to rescue the victims, were overcome and are reported to be in a serious condition. The mine, which had not been in operation for six months, is located six miles from Hartford. It is believed the deaths were caused by an accumulation of black damp. A searching party is at the scene tonight to determine if any more bodies are in the mine.

The deaths resulted from a small boy's exploring expedition. It is said, The boy entered the mine and is supposed to have opened a door leading into the abandoned shaft. When he failed to reappear, other members of the party, looking for him, picked up blackberries nearby, went after him and were either killed or injured by the poisonous vapor.

MRS. LEN SMALL IS STRICKEN WITH APOPLEXY

KANSAAS, Ill., June 25.—Mrs. Len W. Small, wife of Governor Len Small, is suffering from a stroke of apoplexy, doctors have been summoned from Chicago. Mrs. Small was stricken after her return here from a long trip to her husband's estate, a long trial her husband was acquitted of a charge of embezzling state funds.

Officials Of Wrecked Mine Blamed By Jury For Late "Massacre"

LEWIS CALLED TO MURDER CHARGED WASHINGTON BY AGAINST MURKIN DAVIS, IS BELIEF SUPERINTENDENT

Leaders on Both Sides Said to Think Time Ripe For Settlement.

MINERS STICK TO ORIGINAL PROGRAM

Sharp Upward Turn Taken in Soft Coal Production During Week.

WASHINGTON, June 25.—A conference with President Harding on the national coal strike was understood to be the purpose of the visit here today of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America. Mr. Lewis refused to discuss his trip to Washington, but the impression was gained that he had come in response to a request from Secretary Davis of the Labor Department.

Neither President Harding nor Secretary Davis were in town when the miners' leader arrived and, so far as could be learned, no arrangement was made today for Mr. Lewis to go to the White House. Mr. Harding was not to return from his week-end visit to the country home of Edward B. McDowell, Washington publisher at Leesburg, Va., until tomorrow.

Although Mr. Lewis would not discuss his expected meeting with the President, in circles generally conversant with the coal strike situation, it was believed that the conference might be the prelude to a general meeting between the miners' leaders and the operators, under White House auspices.

Some officials of the miners' union and some operators are understood to believe the time is ripe for some attempt at a settlement. On the other hand the sentiment in the operators organization is said to be against any attempt at settlement except through district and local agreements. The miners, it was declared today, would welcome any attempt to assert they would have from the first—a general conference with the operators and would participate in one if called by the President. They have not receded it was said, from the program adopted at their convention last February, which was ready to present it at such a conference.

PRODUCTION OF SOFT COAL SHOWS INCREASE

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Production of soft coal in the United States took a sharp upward turn during the twelfth week of the strike, which closed last Saturday, according to the weekly bulletin issued by the Geological Survey. The rate of production for bituminous coal for the first four days of the week indicated, the bulletin stated, that the total output for the week would be 6,000,000 tons. On the other hand, production of anthracite during the week remained "at practically zero."

TEXAS TOWN FLOODED; NO LIVES ARE LOST

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, June 25.—Huge floods of water from 2 to 3 feet deep tonight covered most of the town of Mercedes, 50 miles up stream here in Hidalgo county. No loss of life has been reported. Two hundred men working in levees for 12 hours, fought a losing battle when early today water poured over the levee protecting towns of the south bank and covered a large residential section of Mercedes. Other levees soon overflowed and the flood area was extended to the business section. Merchandise, however, had been previously moved. No serious property damage is expected. No means of transportation into or out of the town except by boat. The waters are expected to subside within 24 hours.

A small army of men are fighting valiantly tonight to keep ahead of rising waters at a levee five miles north of Harlingen where 15,000 to 20,000 acres of irrigated cotton are ready to pick.

VIRGINIANS PROTEST DRASTIC MOTOR LAW

RICHMOND, Va., June 25.—Great indignation was the result of the arrest of automobilists by the hundreds today for failure to come to a full stop within ten feet of a railroad before crossing was expressed by motorists in several sections of Virginia. In several instances those warning the drivers were threatened with arrest for alleged interference.

SOUTH CAROLINA MAN IS DROWNED IN POND

BARWELL, S. C., June 25.—Oscar Jones, a young white farmer residing near here was drowned today at Paterson's pond, 7 miles from Barwell. Jones was in bathing with his wife and father at the time of the accident.

MRS. M. E. STAPLETON OF GEORGIA IS DEAD

STAPLETON, Ga., June 25.—Mrs. M. E. Stapleton, one of the oldest residents of this town and the wife of Col. James Stapleton, of whom the town is named, died here today after an illness of three years.

A note of optimism over the prospects for an excellent summer season in Western North Carolina, was expressed by H. F. Cary, general passenger agent, of the Southern Railway, who arrived in Asheville yesterday for the trip to Mount Mitchell.

LUTHERANS PLAN SUMMER GROUNDS IN THIS REGION

Committee to Choose Site in Immediate Territory — To Build Soon

Establishment of a Lutheran Southern Assembly Grounds, in the immediate vicinity, is projected for the South was reported at a recent meeting in Charlotte, when representatives from the Lutheran Synods of Virginia, North and South Carolina, and Georgia, conferred on the question.

The conference was unanimous in its decision to choose the Asheville-Black Mountain-Hendersonville territory as the most suitable for the establishment of the Assembly Grounds, and for furthering the plan a committee was appointed to inspect the territory above named.

The committee, composed of L. M. Swink, of Winston-Salem, James D. Heilig, of Salisbury, and Rev. M. Schaeffer, of Kings Mountain, Secretary of the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina.

LASKER WANTS SHIP PLANS DISSEMINATED

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Assuming that members of the House during the forthcoming recess will as the President has requested, "illuminate" their constituents on the subsidy question, Chairman Lasker of the Shipping Board, has written each of them, directing them to advise the committee before the joint committee of the two houses as fully covering the Shipping Board's point of view and experience, the Government's preoccupation in its ownership of ships, and other phases of the merchant marine problem.

SUN'S MEN DISORGANIZED ARE LOOTING TERRITORY

PEKING, June 25.—(By the Associated Press.)—Latest advices from Canton report Dr. Sun Yat Sen, southern leader, detained aboard a gunboat there, with his navy and the Kwangtung provincial assembly definitely aligned against him and Gen. Chen Chung Ming's troops in full control of the city. Sun's troops in Kainan province, on which he pinned his flickering hopes for restoration, are said to be disorganized and looting the territory over which they are scattered.

FRESH DEMONSTRATIONS EXPECTED IN IRELAND

LONDON, June 25.—The British government has received important communication from Dublin and anxious telegrams have passed between the government Michael Collins in connection with the attitude of Eamonn de Valera and the Republican leaders, says the political correspondent of the Daily Mail.

FEDERAL HEARINGS ON COST PLAN OPEN TODAY

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., June 25.—Hearings before the federal trade commission of the "Pittsburgh plus" case will open here tomorrow before Special Examiner J. W. Bennett, and are expected to continue for three weeks. All witnesses for the Southern territory, including thirty leading manufacturers will be heard. The southern association of rolled consumers and the Birmingham civic association are complainants in the case.

WOMEN IN SESSION ATTEND SERVICES

CHAUTAQUA, N. Y., June 25.—Religious services at which Bishop Charles Bayard Mitchell, of St. Paul, Minn., preached the sermon, featured today's session of the biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

A musical program and an exhibition of a collection of curios from the Holy Land made up the rest of the day's program.

WE Have With Us

W. H. F. CARY Today

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