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way Workers STRIKE OF PALEFACES ike To Compel oyers To Keep Word wages. bridgemen from Canada to come here and accept employment. They are smuggled in, despite the federal labor department and representatives of the union who watch the Canadian Indian reser-

ration of the of contract. iced in a cablethe Pan-Ameri-Labor, as follows a railroad workers feel to your action in our half. Extend our greetings to

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workers. ."OTHERO, "HERRERA. "TAMAYO, "AREVALO."

"AREVALO." Two months ago the railroad workers of Cuba went on strike, de-manding certain readjustments in conditions and wages. After a strug-le the strike wag solited and on gle the strike was settled and an agreement entered into. About a month ago the railroads violated the agreement, whereupon the strike was renewed for the sole purpose of

destruction of the organizations and restoration of old anti-union condi-tions. The Cuban railroad workers, for the first time organized in a national federation, applied to the Pan-American Federation of Labor for support and assistance. As the most practical method of meeting the sit-uation and complying with the wishes of the Cuban rallroad workers, the Can-American Federation of Labor addressed the following cable-gram to President Alfredo Zayas,

in Cuba from railroad strike and we earnestly hope that before crisis as sumes major proportions your gov-ernment will use its good offices to obtain an amicable and just settle-Each delegate, to be entitled to a Bearnestly hope that before criss astation of Labor.
Bach delegate, to be entitled to a seat in this convention, shall be reard of their right to organize and assessments must be the goods means failed and the convention, shall be reard of their right to organize and bargain collectively and we earnest ly hope the Cuban government will protect that right."
The following day the Cuban ralinad to protect that right."
The following day the Cuban ralinad the government will protect that right."
The following day the Cuban ralinad to protect the specific to organize and the workers assembled in mass meeting, cabled appreciation of that advance at once to the Secretary. Treasurer.
Credentials - Credentials in dupilate are orged to send on advance at once to the Secretary. Treasurer.
Credentials - Credentials in dupilate area on as your delegates have been to following day complete victory for the workers was announced in a diverse will observe the necessity out, signed and sealed, and the dupilate area to the sum should be filled to realize that it will put new life into the secretary. Treasurer, C. G. Worley, and the original turned over to your delegates fore the sunshine. Our mill men is cornanted to the parameter will observe the necessity will disappear like the dew be to prove the necessity will disappear like the dew be to prove the necessity will disappear like the dew be to prove the necessity will disappear like the develoc were the necessary will observe the necesser dist of the work is done were and the original turned over to your delegates as soon as dout it is locidared to the parameter will be made headquarters. The most is locidares, as soon at he production capacing the work is done the work is done. Following the diverse were and but they there work, better pay, better work, there work wetter work, the the dew be to more were and thought or diverse and the original turned over to your delegate. Greentials for

the lumbermen, it is declared, permit stocks to be lowered d buyers will find it necessary to pay reasonable prices." A general shut-down of the mills is predicted. shut-down of the mills is predicted. This is another way of saying that the lamber barons have cut wages and are now preparing to force the and are now preparing to force the

public to pay higher prices. The lumber men were aided in their wage cutting by their company "union," known as the loyal legion of loggers and lumbermen. The workers were told that the industry lace the verse told that the industry

Cuban rail-n their strike STATE FEDERATION

Labor Unions-Greeting:

Labor Unions—Greeting: Complying with the Constitution of the North Carolina State Federa-tion of Labor, you are hereby ad-vised that the Eighteenth Annual Convention will convene in Durham, Monday, August 11, 1924, at 10 oclock, a. m., and will remain in section until all business is complet-ed, estimated at three days. Representation—For Central La-bor Unions and Building Trades Councils Two (2) Delegates each; LABOR SITUATION

signed by the roads. In violating the agreement with the workers the roads sought to strike a blow at the unions which, if successful, would have resulted in egate for each Fifty (50) up to Two Hundred (200) and one (1) for each additional One Hundred (100) to Four Hundred (400) and one up to Four Hundred (400) and one until Monday? Well, we say that delegate for each additional Five Hundred (500) or major fraction thereof, up to Two Thousand (2,-000). And in no case shall any local union be represented by proxy or shall have more votes than delegates present at the convention. The delegates shall be elected at least two weeks previous to the An-

gram to President Alfredo Zayas, at mayana, Cuba: "We have followed with deep in-terest the critical situation resulting in Cuba from railroad strike and we sumest major proportions your gov. is affiliated with the international Union

Rates \$1.75 per person up. Object—The object of the North Carolina State Federation of Labor

METAL WORKERS GAIN. METAL WORKERS GAIN. La Crosse, Wis., July 2.—Organ-ized sheet metal workers have rais-ed wages through negotiation.

Employers induced Indian

vations. The union has interested the Indian chief in their cause and he tells his fellow redskins what it means to break the strike of

The iron workers say the In-dian is a successful pleader for unionism.

IN W. GASTONIA

(By Rev. C. J. Black, in The Gastonia

Daily Gazette.)

vations.

pale faces.

Textile Workers Urge IS AIDED BY REDSKIN Nomination of McAdoo New York, July 2.—An Indian chief is in this city aiding struc-tural iron workers in their strike for union recognition and higher

Resolutions urging support of Mc-Adoo for the presidential nomination by North Carolina's delegation at the Democratic convention as long Constitution of the United States to as his name is before the convention, petitioning the extra session of the Tar Heel legislature to enact a 48-hour work week law for the textile before the legislatures of the textile hour work week law for the textile before the legislatures of the converted of the textile placed before the legislatures of the hour work week law for the textile industry, and calling upon the legis-latures of North and South Carolina to ratify the child labor amendment to the federal constitution, were adopted at a meeting of the joint council of the United Textile Work-ers of the Carolinas at the Charlotts Central Labor union hall Saturday A large group of textile workers from the locals of the two states was present for the meeting, creden-tials being presented by delegates Greensboro, Durham, Roanoke Rap-Gs. Mooresville, Statesville, Hunters-

Greensboro, Durham, Roanoke Rap-ids, Mooresville, Statesville, Hunters-ville, Gastonia, Rock Hill, S. C., Gaff-ney, S. C., and Columbia, S. C. The council decided to hold its July meeting in Salisbury. This will be the last Saturday in July and the meeting will be held over Davis and record in favor of this child labor Wiley Bank in the center of Salis-bury's business district. Shipman Endorsed.

"Resolved, that we do everything

of the two states to ratify it at the earliest possible moment, and be it

Shipman Endorsed

That the world is in a bad shape C. P. Barringer, of Salisbury, pres-ident of the North Carolina State Federation of Labor, was present and addressed the meeting. He said that the name of the Federation of further financially, no one will try to deny Federation of Labor, was present in our power as a joint council, as and addressed the meeting. He said that the name of the Federation of help the passage of this measure for Labor had been drawn into the fight but what has gone wrong with the that the name of the Federation of the passage of this defeat will mean that the prestige of the federation for the urged the federation for the urged the federation for the prestige of the federation for the prestige of the federation for the urged the there. "His defeat will mean that the federation of Labor is mud, nothing more until Monday? Well, we say that curtail as they have? You say be-

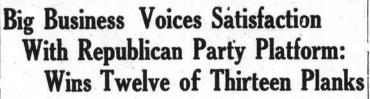
cause they cannot sell their goods? We must say it is because they can We must say it is because they can-not meet their competitors, and why can they not meet them? Is it not becase they are turning out the qual-ity of goods they should? It most assuredly is. Our helpn does not realize how important it is to make

perfect work at this critical time. The Loray mill officials placed a

The Loray mill omcials placed a card in the pay slips of their opera-tives last week telling them if they made better work it meant full time, but many do not realize that that is true. Now if better goods means

anne of the North Carolina Federa-tion of Labor is mud, nothing more and nothing less," concluded Mr. the efficient work. of the councils Barringer. The question of urging the sup-port of McAdoo by the Tar Heel del-egation at the New York convention of the Democratic party was to remain on the farm instead of egation at the New York convention the textile industry and diging them of the Democratic party was to remain on the farm instead of brought to the attention of the workers by James F. Barrett, presi-dent of the Joint Council. Insist On McAdoo.

He said that the cause of labor will be materially strengthened by the nomination of Mr. McAdoo and the workers agreed with him when they quickly voted to send a tele-gram to their delegates at the con-they quickly noted to send a tele-of 57 at Lexington. Mr. Barrett urged gram to their delegates at the con-by at Lexington. Ar. Barlett diget by Mr. McAdoo as long as his name is up for consideration. The following is the text of the resolution, regarding the federal of 14 years.



By International Labor News Service. |will, essential tothe maintenance o Washington, July 2.—"Big Busi-ness," acting through the National Association of Manufacturers, has presented to the Republican and in: it cannot be imposed from withpresented to the Republican and in, it cannot be imposed from with-Democratic parties a series of thir-teen platform demands. Harden Colfax, writing in The Washington Evening Star, says that twelve of the thirteen Big Business IV, Colfax sums up as follows the WISDOM

Each week a quotation from some wise and famous person whose writings are tucked away in the storehouse of history and achievement.

"Give me the money that has clothe every man, woman and child in an attire of which kings been' spent in war, and I will will build a school house in every and queens would be proud. valley over the whole earth. I will crown every hillside with a place of worship consecrated to the gospel of peace."-Charles

EMBARRASSING That report made to the States-ville conference of the M. E. church a few weeks ago by the missionary ladies of North Charlotte has been a few weeks ago by the missionary ladies of North Charlotte has been very embarassing to the members of Charlotte churches which have been contributing to the North Char-lotte extension work. It is said that the most interesting part of that re-port dealt with the success the church ladies had in keeping the women of North Charlotte from go-ing on a strike last September. In other words the welfare workers of sowom that these church workers a had been successful in keeping 50 s women loyal to the Highland Park Manufacturing company and pre-n vented them from joining with the other workers who had gone on a strike. Those. Methodist churches in TEXTILE WORKERS **ARE NOT DECEIVED**

Cotton mill workers are not by any manner of means deceived by the present mill situation. They know that the plan on foot is to begin operation at a reduced rate. This fact has been plainly manifest dur-ing the recent meeting of the Union Workers. The workers are prepar-ing to resist this wage cut plan. They will not be in a very strong po-sition to put up a resistence because of the long period of items. In fact the textile workers may have to ac-cept any kind of a proposition made to them by the mill owners. Star-vation is a terrific weapon to use in a battle with the workers.

strike. Those Methodist churches in Charlotte may be interested to know that their contributions have been used for the purpose of keeping Mr. Charlie Johnson's cotton mill battle with the workers

However it is expected that the workers will offer battle in any at-tempt to reduce their wages.

PRISON-MADE GOODS

A spected that the private concern to empirical income taxes of the Florida state, convict labor in that state, sovernor has signed a comit a private concern to emit in the manufacture of the state of the state, sovernor has signed a comit a private concern to emit in the manufacture of the state of the state, sovernor has signed a comit a private concern to emit in the manufacture of the state of the state, sovernor has signed a comit has private concern to emit in the manufacture of the state of the state, sovernor has signed a comit has private concern to emit in the manufacture of the state of the state of the state, sovernor has signed a comit has private concern to emit in the manufacture of the state of the state of the state in the state. New York, July 2.—Work shirts made in Florida prisons will be sold throughout the country without a distinguishing mark, said F. A. Alli-son, secretary of a garment manu-facturers' association, in protesting to Governor Hardee of Florida against convict hear in the state

Governor Hardee, Mr. America to the ers is also cited as indicating of lower moral standar. The second place, taxes are indequate to meet the solution of the solution of the solution to the solution of the

more paid to free workers for the same labor. "The 72-1-2 cent rate, according to Mr. Allison, will not compensate the state for its synenesse "the multiplication of the second place, taxes are higher all along the line in England than they are here. There are probably fewer than same labor. "The 72-1-2 cent rate, according to Mr. Allison, will not compensate the state for its expenses, "the public of Florida and all other states being bound to lose through additional taxes necessary to make up the de-ficit." In defending his action, Governor The case of the average family of than they are nore. There are probably fewer than There are probably fewer than that a million wage-carners in this country earning more than \$2,000 a year. The exemption for an unmar-ried man is \$1,000 and for a mar-ried man \$2,000, with an additional \$200 for each dependent. So that, in the case of the average family of

ficit." In defending his action, Governor Hardee said he is authorized to em-ploy prisoners upon public roads and at other public work which will it is mather that at the public to guard the institutions find the case of the average family of find the case of the average family of have a trust to preserve the Ship of tax. To load a boat beyond the law of

ploy prisoners upon public roads and at other public work which will add in making the prisoners self-sustaining. Mr. Allison ppinted out that the employment of prisoners will roads or similar work provides a saving to the state through the ability to avoid the hirring of high-priced free labor, but the use of such prisoners by private contractors at one-fourth the wages of free labor serves only to enrich the private contractor. **RESISTING WAGE CUTS.**

On Immigration Problem International Labor News Service **CHURCH REPORT** Indianapolis, Ind., July 2 .- America's widespread interest in the question of immigration, to which organzed labo has devoted much atten-

ized labo has devoted much atten-tion, was indicated by the great num-ber of essays submitted in the Amer-ican Legion's national essay contest on "Why America Should Prohibit Immigration for Five Years." More than 350,000 high school pu-plis, epesenting every section of the country, submitted essays in the con-test. Three prizes, first \$750; sec-ond, \$500, and third, \$250, were of-fered by the American Legion for the three best essays. The judges were Raymond F. Crist, United States ommissioner of Immigration; W. T. Bowden, Assistant Commissioner of Education and William Tyler Page, clerk of the House of Representa-tives.

FIVE YEARS. America has done nobly by the stranger. From the beginning she has been a home for the oppressed. Class distinction, social prejudices, differences by birth, religion or ideas have not been erected as barriers. A man was recognized as a man "for a' that."

to Governor Hardee of Florida against convict labor in that state. The governor has signed a con-ploy 250 inmates of the Florida state prison farm in the manufacture of work shirts. Governor Hardee, Mr. Allison said apparently gave no consideration to the advisability of adopting the "state's use" method of employing prisoners, in line with action taken by other states. He pointed out that

are ignored and strife is all too common. Therefore for the sake of the stranger who come to our shores as well as for the best interests of those who are already here and for the well being of our homes and institutions we ought to lock the gates against all strangers for the next five years. We owe it to the Founders of this remublic to guard the institutions

is to bring about a closer co-opera-tion between all the different organ-SENSE FROM



To the Affiliated Central Bodies Railroad Brotherhoods, and All

is on the verge of collapse and that lower wage rates is the only thing that can save it. In financial circles it is now stated that slackening in the lumber industry "has been over-emphasized." Only the unorganized workers believed the story that no orders were being received. In the week ended June 7 there

was a substantial increase in national lumber orders and shipments. Orders received by Southern pine association mills were 96 per cent and shipments 79 per cent of the actual production, while mills of the West Coast lumbermen's association received orders totaling 117 per cent and made shipments amounting to 99 ner cent of production.

With wage cuts assured, and orders piling up, the mill owners are arranging to gouge the public. Cur-tailment of stocks is necessary, that the cry of "supply and demand" may used when prices are increased. vance. Do not fail to write the address o

PULLMAN COMPANY SPLITS.

the delegate plainly so there will be

Chicago, July 2.—The Pullman company has organized a new cor-poration to handle the manufactur-ing part of its business. This will permit the company to get out from the delegate plaining so there will be mailing. For further information, write the Secretary. Anticipating the largest and great-est State Convention ever held, I am, under the jurisdiction of the inter-Yours fraternally erce commission.

at this meeting.

C. G. WORLEY, Secy.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL MEET HEARS OF LABOR'S DEMANDS gress.

www Tork, July 3.—Organized la-, conservation of national verility that bor presented to the Democratic na-tional convention the identical de-Repeal of the labor clauses of the tional convention the identical detransportation act was favored, as was a law prohibiting the interstate transportation of convict labor promands that the Republican national

Convention was asked to approve. The demands were laid before the convention's resolutions committee by authority of the executive coun-cil of the A. F. of L. and the execuducts. Other demands were: Construcconvention's resolutions committee by authority of the executive coun-cli of the A. F. of L. and the execu-tive committee of the A. F. of L. and the execu-tional non-partisan campaign com-mittee. The latter consists of Pres-ident Gompers and Secretary Frank Morrison of the A. F. of L. and Jas. O'Connell of the A. F. of L. metal trades department. A large number of trade ur on officials were here developing secil-ment for the labor planks and usor for the vice presidential candidaty of George L. Berry, president of the International Printing Pressmen and Assistants' union. In discussing the labor planks, president Gompers emphasized the meed for remedial legislation to meet

need for remedial legislation to meet that individuals and groups should changing social conditions. This is be responsible for their acts and ut should

chapping social registration to meet chapping social conditions. This is shown in labor's demand for a re-peat of anti-trust legislation, which was passed by congress a quirter of a century ago in the belief that uo-litical action could check the unit-

ing of economic forces. Strong ground was taken in oppo-sition to the labor injunction which the unionists declare to be "a per-version of the injunctive process" version of the injunctive process. Ratication by the states of the child labor constitutional amendment enabling con-gress to re-enact by two-thirds vote any measure declared unconstitu-tional by the supreme court of the United States."

CONGRESS mical to our interest defeated. Dis-cussion of all matters of interest to Organized Labor will be considered

"By collective bargaining labor has made itself secure. * * * * Everybody is aware of what la-Every affiliated Union should be

represented and every Delegate se-lected should prepare their matters carefully in advance so as to be in bor has gained through collective bargaining. Every honest man must admit how impossible would have been this advance of a position to get an intelligent discussion on each subject any Union may desire to bring before the Con-vention. It is just as important that your Union attend the Federation labor from a veritable seridom to its present position without col-lective bargaining"—Senator Roy-al S. Copeland of New York, in sp eaking on Farmer Relief. Convention as it is for your mem

bership to attend local meetings, and we sincerely trust your Union will see the necessity of selecting dele-"The great tolling masses of the people, who are not often articu-late at Washington, must organgates at once and send their Cre dentials to the Secretary immediateize to make their influence more ly in order that he may communi-cate with each delegate relative to powerful in the legislative branch of our government."—Representa-tive Ashton C. Shallenberger of Nebraska, in Address on Revision of Railroad Rates. accommodations while attending the convention, and other matters of importance to be presented in ad-

"Some will tell you that we made a great mistake in passing the bonus law. The only regret that I have in that connection is the fact that I had no opportunity

the fact that I had no opportunity to vote for a cash bonus. Con-gress took the best of care of war profiteers in its last session. Why should we not have taken some care of the real war winners?"— Representative Charles I. Stengle, of New York, Speaking on the Work of the Sixty-eighth Con-reses

Washington Evening Star, says that twelve of the thirteen Big Business planks were written into the Repub-lican platform at Cleveland. "Open Shop" Plank Wins Qualified Approval. Of the thirteenth plank Colfax says Big Business regards the plat-form declaration, not as a denial of what Big Business wants, but as "a non-antagonistic declaration of prin-ciples." This plank evidently was the Big Business "open shop plank" which as set forth in the Big Busi-ness series of demands reads as fol-lows:

which as set forth in the Big Busi, ness series of demands reads as fol-lows: "To select and pursue any lawful business or occupation, to make leg itimate agreements in furtherer ward of effort, is a fundament of the public service in or out make and maintain voluntary em-ployment agreements, individual and naccordance with the or operation and which ut respect to compulsory membership or non." Efficient Output Called Essential There is another paragraph for mass service to conjustory membership in any control. * We comment dent firm in-sistence of President Coolidge upon the is obtained only through the sun-coresult co-operation of management (cantant in the firm in-cluded in the plank, which, taken in conjunction with the if is conjustory membership in any control." * We construct the policy and the firm in-sistence of President Coolidge upon the is obtained only through the sun-cessful co-operation of management (cantant and habor. The mutual good

RESISTING WAGE CUTS. Toledo, Ohio, July 2.—"Business men's administrations" have put this city on the financial rocks, and poli-tical Babbits who talk of their "business connections" are urging a re-duction of 15 per cent in the wares of municipal employes. Anti-unio employers agree with the proposal. If adopted it would be a precedent for chem. The trade union move-ment is resisting the plan. adds that progressive tax reduction 'should be accomplished through tax

stredible as it seems, \$12 out of every \$100 earned was used to pay the ex-penses of government. "Suppose that instead of taxing the individual indirectly the govern-ment had compelled the people to

remit their taxes directly out of their

should be the vanguard in that development. Public opinion is resistless. If the people, for instance, underearnings. • What an overwhelming roar of protest would arise.

public opinion to their interests. With this accomplished, legisla-

supplemented in popular forums and with the printed word.

Law makers do not resist an overpowering public opinion.

Privilege and power is well aware of this. They now attempt

Let wage workers awake to the foundation for social legislation. Let them take full advantage of the non-partisan theory to urge the cause of justice on every occasion before every group of citizens.

YOUR WORTH.

in history, It is a peaceful revoit, but the and growing. Therefore it behooves the politician and public official to walk softly and carry a pruning knife for governmental waste and subject of vital importance. Did you ever think what you are Did you ever think what you are really worth as a business producer? Three thousand dollars is 6 -per

If you are earning \$3,000 a year

vice president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, and well known banker, who spoke at the mid-winter meeting of the Bankers' club of Chicago. "Out of a national income of \$5.8,-000,000,000, the United States in 1922 took more than \$7,000,000,000 for taxes. About \$2,900,000,000 was taken for federal taxes, nearly \$8:0,-000,000 was taken by the states, and \$3,300,000 was taken for city and local taxes.

and local taxes. "Combining all the taxes on the or some one threw a monkey wrench

"Combining all the taxes on the American people, it follows that 12 her cent of every dollar earned in the United States was devoted to payment of some kind of taxes. In-credible as it seems, \$12 out of every Maybe you're a \$75,000 man, or

And yet when organized labor in recognition of the time-worn truism that "all work and no play tends Public ophilon is residues. stood that the labor injunction overthrows government by raw, the plunging of this nation toward judicial autocracy would be quickly checked. If the people understood that our future citizenship will be harmed by every child forced to labor in factory and mill, the so-thists who talk "states' rights" and oppose the child labor amend-biots. As imilar study will reveal approximately the same situation in the states of the states of the same situation in the states of the states of the same situation in the states of t year in city taxes. This is one-sixth of all the money received by land-lords. A similar study will reveal approximately the same situation in every city. About \$3,300,000,000 raised to pay the yearly tax bills is of such a system. Labor is worth of such a system. Labor is worth what it is capable of producing, but "It is well to remember that labor itself is in the grip of the same vicious circle of high taxes, high rents and high cost of living." it is far from getting more than a fractional part of that in spite of its state of organization

TOO MANY LAWS.

rents and high cost of living." The vicious circle is an invention of Big Business that keeps the mass-es milling until dizzy and incapable of intelligent thought or action. To escape a portion of the income tax, Big Business cuts its former enor-mous profits out builds up its bus New York, July 3.—The country is burdened with too many laws. George R. Lunn, lleutenant govern-or, declared at the meeting of the Retail Credit Men's national associamous profits, and builds up its business by cheating the government.

Civilization started Egypt and tion. The speaker said 70 per car these Egyptian clothes are ending it in America.

non-partisan portical policy? Who insisted that our unions should indorse a labor party?

The trade union movement was the pioneer in the new order.

In the days of yesterday, trade unionists were told political powr and economic power are of equal importance. Sort of a huge plunging of this nation toward judicial autocracy would be quickly bird, or a flying machine, with a wing on each side.

cought turmoil into our unions by their padded-cell logic?

oday, this is a nation-wide characteristic.

Party discipline is destroyed and party feeling is passing. Public ppinion, rather than the secret caucus and the party lash, is the tion is merely legalizing the popular will. governing power.

Argument and propaganda have replaced prejudice and appeal to passion.

The new system is a test of true citizenship. In the old days it was only necessary to obey the political boss or a convention mandate

The trend of the times is to abjure parties; to vote for principle and the man who approximates that principle. Voting, however, is the least of a citizen's duty. The non-partisan theory compels one to think.

ABOR NO LONGER HAS TO DEFEND NON-PARTISAN POLICY

Where are those of yesterday who denounced organized labor's

It was the first to plead for political indeepndence. It was the first to protest against judgment-blinding partisanship.

Where are these wise men-the intelligentsia of their day-who

Yesterday organized labor pleaded alone for non-partisanship.

The last fight is waged in legislative halls. This must always be

If they did, democracy would be a failure.

o mold the popular will.

Democracy rests on an enlightened public opinion.

Social legislation and remedial laws are the reflex of the voters' sympathy and understanding. All progress has come through this system and trade unionists