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A. F. of L. CONVENTION VOTES TO CONTINUE C. I. O. SUSPENSION

OUSTER OF LEWIS GROUP HELD IN ABEYANCE; AUTHORITY IS GIVEN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO NEGOTIATE AT "SPECIAL EXPULSION" MEETING

MONDAY SESSION

TAMPA, Fla., Nov. 24.—The American Federation of Labor convention voted Monday night to continue indefinitely the suspension of John L. Lewis' 10 rebel unions.

At the same time the convention decided: (1) To renew the federation executive council's offer to talk peace with the rebels, suspended September 5 for "insurrection." (2) To give the executive council power to call a special federation convention to expel the rebels if peace efforts collapse. The vote to support the resolution hour for refusing to meet various

"heal the breach."

serve unity.

"There is no issue that transcends

unity and solidarity in the move-ment," Green said. "I'd do anything

in the world to unite the movement.

've suffered from humiliation and in-

sult, and I'll suffer again to reunite

"The council had to do one of two

things. It had to prostrate this (A.

F. of L.) movement or pour water on the fire and put it out . . . I do not know what the future has in store for us. But I do know that no self-

respecting movement will stand for

Debate centered on the legal issue

-whether the executive council had

Woll vociferously defended the

Shortly after 6 p.m., the convention recessed until 8:30 p.m.

members of the United Mine Work-

ers at the convention, was the first

Myrup, of the Bakers, dissented from

minority rule or minority control,"

the right to suspend the rules.

lacked that right.

"as clear as mud."

council.

The vote to support the resolution committee's report was 21,796 to 2,043 against.

Principal opposition to this pro-

Principal opposition to this pro-posal came from the United Hatters, Cap and Millinery Workers and the International Typographical union. The head of each is also a member of Lewis's Committee for Industrial Organization.

Max Zaritsky, president of the hatthe movement . . . I'm speaking with ters, contended the council had no feeling because men get up and deright to suspend the Lewis unions, nounce the council for trying to prealthough he admitted his cause in the union was a lost one.

Other Lewis sympathizers struck the same note in their prolonged oratory.

John P. Frey, who brought the "insurrection" charges that led to the suspensions, was the executive council's No. 1 defender. Frey contended the rebels had violated every rule of democracy in trying to bring all the workers in each big industry into one big union, regardless of the federation's traditional craft union

Pro-Lewis delegates heatedly protested against this policy, recom-mended by the convention's resolu-tions committee. They wanted the suspension lifted. Old-line leaders, with their large block of votes, easily shouted down the opposition, however.

they said they were willing and eager to talk peace, but could not countenance rebellion without purishment. The delegates' vote left the relationship between the A. F. of L. and Lewis' rebel faction in their preconvention state. Lewis says he is speaker. willing to talk peace after the rebels!

Federation leaders are willing to talk peace at any time, but will not reinstate the rebels, they say, until they dissolve their Committee for of the council' right to suspend the rebels, Lewis said, the situation was Industrial Organization. The funda-mental issue—craft versus industrial unionism-is no more settled than it was after last year's Atlantic City

Lewis and his allies believe all the workers in each big industry should be organized into one big union. The federation's old-line leaders say

"no"-that workers should be organized by craft, no matter where they Just before the vote, William Green, federation president, made a fervid plea for reunion. is still open, the hand of fellowship is still extended," he said. "Only

our enemies will profit by this Green regalled he had warned Lewis nearly a year ago "not to rip

Hailed With Delight

By Parties Concerned

HARRY BOATE

The year 1936 is almost over, and as is the custom in the United States, the President has proclaimed the last Thursday of November be set aside as a day of thanks to the Lord of All for his many blessings to us, both as individuals and as a nation.

It is true that many will say they have nothing for which to be thankful, but if they will just look about them it will be discovered that there much has come into their lives in 1936 which is worthy of heartfelt thanks, and these blessings should be given those thanks.

First, the mere fact that we are yet alive and able to read this article is a thing for which to be thankful, especially the fact that we are alive, even though the article has no appeal.

Again, this nation is at peace with all the world, and while countries

Again, this nation is at peace with all the world, and while countries in various sections are torn by war and rebellion we are enjoying that peace which comes to a God-loving nation.

While strikes and labor troubles have been abundant in the United States from the Atlantic to the Pacific, they have been small disturbances mostly of a local nature, and no great harm has been done, which is another thing to be thankful for. A few destructive storms have swept the country at odd times, a few have been killed and homes have been destroyed, but we should be thankful the destruction was not greater, for it could have been worse, and in fact worse storms have occurred and much greater destruction has been wrought.

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A few years ago the slogan was, "Prosperity is just around the corner." According to all reports of the present day that corner seems to have been turned, and we are now facing what may soon prove to be one of the greatest business booms this country has ever known. In fact, the government is now fearful that prosperity may develop into a boom that may in the future be a boomerang. However, let us be thankful for things as they are, and trust to the Lord to protect us from a recurrence of the great financial and business distress through which we have passed and are now facing the silver lining of the dark cloud which has so long

Business is now so brisk that there is a crying need for skilled help in almost all lines of industry. Every day the papers contain advertisements for help wanted, both male and female, and it is not so far back Waiving a copy of the Federation constitution in his hand, Zaritsky argued for an hour that the council that such calls were as scarce as were the dollars so much needed with which to secure the comforts and necessities of life.

It is also true that there yet remains many thousands of men and women who need work and who really want work, many who are expert in their chosen trade or profession and who will give their best to any

who will employ them, yet the business outlook is far better than for many months, and it is the duty of each individual to go to some thanksgiving and selection of a city for next year's months, and it is the duty of each individual to go to some thanksgiving and selection of a city for next year's service and join heartly and sincerely in rendering thanks for all the blessings and mercies which they have received, and there is none who can find nothing whatever for which to be thankful.

A familiar hymn in many churches of today reads on this order: Practically every delegate was in his seat when Green called the night session to order.
J. C. Lewis, president of the Iowa
Federation of Labor and one of two

"Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your many blessings, see what God hath done." This is a very appropriate hymn for this season of the year, and while we wish that you may enjoy all the festivities of the day, for it is intended to be a day of feasting and good humor, it is also intended that we should remember God on that day for Lewis was a member of the resolu-Lewis was a member of the resolu-tions committee and, along with A. A. permitting us to live and enjoy the feasting.

Services of prayer and thanksgiving will be held in many churches

throughout the land, and let us one and all attend at least one such service. It will be remembered that on one occasion Christ healed ten lepers, and only one returned to render thanks, and Christ, said: "Were there not ten healed? Where are the other nine?"

Do not imitate the nine, but be the one who is truly thankful, and show that you really are thankful by taking part in some such service on

Lewis called the suspensions "economic treason" and added that the miners would "fight against being dumped out of the federation this

A. F. of L. May Use Vast Sum To Get **Into Industrial Fields**

way."
"They're not going to take it," he

TAMPA, Fla., Nov. 21.—Chieftains of the American Federation of Labor roughed out battle plans to bring the labor movement apart." He thousands of now unorganized work-then assailed the rebels for half an ers into unions affiliated with the

L. & A. Railway Truce Joe Brown Easy Mark For A Fast **Talking Salesman**

BATON ROUGE, La., Nov. 21.— Both union workers and railroad of ficials yesterday expressed satisfaction over the harmonious agreement that ended the sixty-day old violencemarked strike of transportation employes on the Louisiana and Arkansas

Governor Richard W. Leche announced early today that controversies over wages and working conditions had been ironed out in a series of conferences in his offices between rail heads and representatives of the four brotherhoods who called the strike on September 19.

The governor said both sides "made concessions in the interest of har-

MRS. HARRY BOATE IMPROVING STEADILY AT MERCY HOSPITAL

It is with pleasure that we learn that Mrs. Harry Boate, who was op-erated on at General Mercy hospital about two weeks ago, is coming through all right, and it is expected she will be taken home within the next week.

COUNCIL FOR INDUSTRIAL PROGRESS TO MEET DEC. 11

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21 .- Taxation, business competition, and wa-ges and hours were named today as the leading matters for discussion at the meeting of the Council for Indutrial Progress here December 10 and 11, by George L. Berry, co-ordinator for industrial co-operation.

National comedy, "Earthworm Trac-tor," which comes to the Criteiron Theatre Thursday and Friday. He

"They've made a salesman out of me in my latest picture at the First National studio. It's called 'Earth-worm Tractors.' I'm supposed to be one of those guys who could sell electric heating pads to natives of the tropics. They've certainly put me right in character this time; for I'm the man who could do it.

"This is no idle boast on my part. During the past ten or fifteen years 've learned more about high pressure salehmanship than the average man who has forgotten to put a salesmanproof lock on his front door. I didn't have to go to school to gather this knowledge. I learned it from the boys who sell the stuff.

"I don't know why salesmen regard me as the perfect specimen of a man sadly lacking in that quality which businessmen call 'sales resistance.' They do, though, and I have gone through life buying things I didn't need with money I didn't have, to store away in closets packed with other similar things I didn't want."

RAIL EMPLOYES GET A RAISE ALONG WITH OFFICERS N. C. & ST. L. RY.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 21.— President Fitzgerald Hall, of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis in recess until Monday-gave the railway announced today that salaries and wages of all officers and leaders in both camps occasion to preemployes will be back to pre-depres- dict reprisals would come from the sion levels December 1.

The Amalgamated, suspended with Lewis's own United Mine Workers Leaders at the federation's convention here hinted vast sums might be used in forays upon industrial fields regarded as possible working grounds for John L. Lewis' committee for in-dustrial organization and labor units dustrial organization and labor units the A. F. of L. workers. The United Garment was are ers, whose products uninists now are committed to use, has about 35,000.

As chairman of the organization committee, Tobin reported the cam-paign would not reach top speed un-til after the first month of the new Typographical union, shouted during Typographical union, shouted during congress had passed, "as we wish to the concentrate now on the legislative union label of the Amalgamated will program."

Temper of the new congress toward labor legislation would be of more than passing importance in determining strategy of the membership drive.

of some unaffiliated Growth unions, Tobin said, was aiding the federation. "Many employers and owners of large industries," he said, now are anxious to get thir workers into legitimate unions that are Joe E. Brown, is star of the First controlled and disciplined by international unions that believe in law and order."

A militant band of John L. Lewis supporters, short in voting strength but determined to be heard on the floor of the American Federation of Labor convention, whipped up opposition today to steamroller action on their resolutions proposing peace with industrial unionists.

Gathering, their temporary chairman annuonced, in the name of those who love democracy," some democracy," some love democracy," some lected "In-Between" A.F.L. hundred delegates laid plans, elected a board of strategy, and went forth into convention by-ways, button-holing others to gain converts to their

Smarting under defeat in the first major test of strength at the convention, the industrial unionists forgot any technical differences for an united front after a boycott had been voted by the convention on men's clothing made by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, affiliated with the Lewis committee.

Speakers at the council of war de nounced the boycott as "undemo cratic" and serving to widen the breach in labor's ranks caused by the A. F. of L. executive council's suspension of the ten committee for industrial organization unions.

The week-end respite from speeches and deliberations—the convention is rebels time to marshal forces and Amalgamated boycott.

and eight other unions by the A. F. of L. executive council two months ago for "insurrection," has 150,000 Leaders said most of these were

in work clothes plants, and Frank Typographical union, shouted during the boycott debate "to outlaw the mean that a man who wants a suit of union-made clothes will have to get a pair of overalls."

Thomas Ricket, veteran president crisply replied "yes" when Max Zar-itsky, president of the United Hatters, Cap and Millinery Workers and a member of the Lewis committee, questioned whether the United Workers was well enough organized to enable A. F. of L. members to use clothes with their label."

Opportunity for this stab at a Lewis ally came through decision of Amalgamated's officers, after the union's suspension, to use their own label instead of United's. The Amalgamated, it was explained by Wil-liam Green, president of the Federa-tion, agreed to use United's label when admitted to the A. F. of L. in

Convention adjourned Friday over Saturday-Sunday.

Convention News

TAMPA, Fla., Nov. 22. - The American Federation of Labor convention's legislative committee asserted last night that "millions of dollars" would be available this winter to a lobby seeking to kill the Senate investigation of strik-breaking and labor espionage.

The committee urged the conven-

tion, in its report, to demand an ample appropriation to continue the inquiry directed by Senator La Fol-lette, Progressive of Wisconsin.

"All the lobbies of the great antiunion financial forces and all their secret pressures are being mobilized to prevent the Senate granting an appropriation to carry on the investigation," the report said.

"If our reports are as accurate as we believe them to be, the greatest and most adroit lobby that has ever operated in Washington is being or-ganized to kill this astounding ex-

HOWARD, I. T. U. PRESIDENT, AND SECRETARY OF LEWIS' C. I. O. ORGANIZATION, SAYS A. F. OF L. IS "HEADED FOR DESTRUCTION"

TAMPA, Fla., Nov. 25.—Charles P. Howard, president of the Typographical union, accused American Federation of Labor leaders Tuesday of "starting the Federation toward destruction" by continuing indefinitely the suspension of John L. Lewis' 10 rebel

Howard is secretary of Lewis' committee for industrial organization.

"The issue which has split the trade union movement into what is certain to gecome two determined groups," Howard said, "is not the guilt or innocence of the committee for industrial organization.

"It is not the question of whether industrial unionism in mass production industries is the best form of organization, and it is not a matter of who is right or who is wrong.

"The real issue is whether or not the executive council of the American Federation of Labor is to be governed by its constitution. Nowhere in that document is authority delegated to the executive council to suspend an international union for any cause whatever.

"It is generally accepted as a dis-honest method to accomplish indirectly that which can not be accomplished directly. In this case the executive council usurped the power to suspend international unions representing a million and a quarter mem-

Following the midnight vote to continue the rebel suspensions, only a handful of delegates were in the convention hall when William Green, federation president, called for order this morning.

An official said tonight the American Federation of Labor will send a new plea to talk peace to John L. Lewis, rebel leader, within the next few days.

George M. Harrison, president of the Railway Clerks and chairman of the federation's special peace committee, told reporters he would send an "official communication" with this plea to Lewis.

Harrison discounted reports that a specific plan with in the wind. Before any plan could be considered, he said, a round table conference with the rebels was necessary.

Informal negotiations between A.

F. of L. leaders and persons close to Lewis may precede any formal peace offers, it was learned tonight in usually well informed quarters.

Observers looked with interest to

the presence here of the Rev. Father Francis J. Haas, former member of the National Labor Relations board. Meantime, the federation's convention, at today's session, termed Communism, Facism and Naziism "a definite threat to human liberty and to peace," and voted to fight the spread of these doctrines with all its strength.

A movement to wind up the convention tomorrow night started among the delegates today but President William Green said he thought adjournment before Friday impossible.

"Prominent Citizen" "The Three Wise Takes Anti-Union Stand On Labor

To the Editor of the Labor Journal: The writer was very much surprised to learn that one of our very prominent citizens who is being mentioned for an important position with the new county commissioners recently took a very anti-union stand in a dispute between a union and a nonunion organization.

This was especially surprising in as much as his sponsors ran for office on a pledge of 100 per cent support of organized labor and that his stand was taken before he had investigated the facts and given the union an opportunity to state it's side of the case

It is just as important for labor organizations to watch the actions of officials that have been elected to office and their appointees as it is to carefully consider the labor record of the candidates for office. Organized labor in this county will watch with interest the outcome of this af-

"The La Follette committee has made only a beginning, but what a beginning! It has dragged into the light the underworld that serves the biggest businesses—the spies and thugs whose profession is wrecking

unions,, or even murdering workers.
"Espionage and thuggery are shown to be businesses organized on a nation-wide scale, to which great corporations pay tens of millions an-nually. Strike-breaking munitions, gas grenades, and machine guns are proved to be stocked by plants in every line of industry.

"Criminals, paid by business, march out of plants badged as deputy sheriffs, free to frame union mer to prison. Big employers are shown personally instructing gangsters in the arts and tricks of destroying

unions. "Local public officials have been revealed as selling tear gas by night and, by day, drilling vigilantes as 'law and order leaguers' to crush unions. .

"The nub of the matter is that the Senate must grant the La Folette committee adequate financing for lack of which its work is being While the convention was in recess

some of the delegates sympathetic with John L. Lewis' revolt organized for a "united front" when the rebellion issue comes to the floor Mon-

day.

These rebel sympathizers admitted they had little chance of blocking any action the old guard wished to take, but they were determined to get their views before the convention.

Leaders reiterated predictions the convention would approve the federation executive council's suspension of the 10 unions allied in the Lewis revolt, but would leave the door open to peace by refusing to expel them.

Guys" To Be At **Charlotte Theatre**

Damon Runyon's prize short story, "The Three Wise Guys," opens Friday at the Charlotte Theatre with all of its original virility more laugh-provoking in celluloid than in type and infinitely entertaining from ev-

ery standpoint,
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has treated
the story with the exact attention it required for screen adaptation. The choice of stars and cast was peculiarly fortunate and George Seitz, the director, caught the spirit of Runyon's humorous philosophy toward modern youth and the current American

Robert Young and Betty Furness are co-featured as a spendthrift youngster who falls in love with a pretty girl whom he meets on a speeding transcontinental train. The story shifts from New York to Hollywood at the smart pace of the 20th Century Limited, Their romance runs into wild adventure wher gangsters enter into the plot to "blow" a safe and almost wreck their love

Dosh Goes To Fla. To Wrestle With The "Big Fishes'

Right on top of a summer vacation in Florida, and getting himself a new car, "Bro." L. H. Dosh has let the "fishing bug" hit him again and has hied himself back to Florida to do a little big fishing. The Journal is looking for another group of "fish I caught" pictures upon his return in a week. Frank Barr had better look to his laurels!

We gues she will be accompaneed by the Madam, which would certainly be a wise precaution.

HOSIERY WORKERS TO PUSH FOR PASSAGE OF TEXTILE ACT

PHIALDELPHIA, Nov. 21.-John W. Adelman, research director of the American Federation of Hosiery Workers, said today that the national textile act regulating wages, hours and employment conditions in the textile and hosiery industries will be re-intorduced early in the coming session of congress.

SWIFTY

With a charming air of romance and pleasant sentimentality, the company were discussing how each married couple among them first met. "And where did you first meet your wife?" the little man in the corner was asked.

"Gentlemen, I did not meet her," he replied, solemnly. "She overtook me."

An elephant's trunk contains about