

ALLEGED BOMB THROWERS HAVE CONNECTED LABOR LEADERS

(By Associated Press)
Chicago, May 16.—Evidence connecting the bomb throwers and the slayers of two policemen with Chicago's big three labor leaders is claimed by police and states attorneys. A decision is expected today on the pleas of attorneys for two of the labor leaders that their cases be assigned for trial.

LARGE FIRES ARE IN NEW JERSEY

Perth Amboy, May 16.—The white lead department of the United Lead Company was destroyed by fire here today. The damage is estimated at half million dollars.

Bayonne, May 16.—Ten tanks of petroleum of the Tidewater Oil Company have been destroyed by fire which started last night when lightning struck one of the tanks. The loss is estimated at seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

TO TAKE HANDS IN THE MINE SITUATION

Washington, May 16.—Steps are being taken by the government to forestall tendencies towards rising prices of bituminous coal at the mines it was declared at the White House today. Secretary Hoover has the matter in charge.

PA. CANDIDATES NOMINATED TODAY

Philadelphia, May 16.—Pennsylvania voters today went to the polls to nominate candidates for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of Internal Affairs, two United State Senators, Representatives to Congress and members of the State Legislature. It is thought that a large vote will be polled.

COMPLAINING HARD TIMES

London, May 16.—London doctors are complaining as loudly as their professional dignity will permit of hard times. They declare that fewer people seek medical advice nowadays than ever before and that they complain more loudly of the fees charged by specialists. On the other hand some citizens report that the fees of specialists have been maintained at their highest mark while British salaries and incomes have been depleted.

President Harding Uneasy About Coming Election

By WALLACE BASSFORD (Special Correspondent)
Washington, D. C., May 16.—The President who proudly rode into office in March last year with seven millions majority behind him is now so uneasy as to the result of the coming November elections that he and his Director of the Budget, General Dawes, juggle appropriation figures and boldly distort the facts in their efforts to fool the people into again voting for the party of special privilege. The President's claim to saving \$1,600,000,000 in the past year was taken up in the House the other day by Congressman Byrnes of South Carolina and shot full of holes. Mr. Byrnes said:

"The President announced to the country that we will this year reduce our expenditures \$1,600,000,000 below the expenditure for the last fiscal year. Well, the expenditures for the last fiscal year which were authorized by a Republican Congress were the largest ever authorized in time of peace in the history of the country. If now, four years after the war, there was not a tremendous reduction in expenditures there would be little hope for the preservation of the government.

"My regret is that the President in issuing this statement did not call attention to the fact that for the year 1916, the last year prior to or entering the war when we were engaged in measures of preparedness, our expenditures did not amount to more than \$1,115,000,000, and that the estimate he now makes as to expenditures this year is \$3,922,372,050, or \$2,807,372,050 more than was spent under the Democratic administration for the last fiscal year prior to the war.

"I regret that he did not call attention to the fact that while the Budget Bureau claims these bogus savings of \$136,000,000, the fact is that the same departments have to date secured from the Congress deficiencies or supplemental appropriations amounting to \$374,691,040.65.

"The Secretary of the Treasury does not keep up with this political game. He issued a statement that we are facing a deficit, and then along comes General Dawes, who says that we have saved a billion and a half dollars. The President, if he has any confidence in him at all, ought to urge the Congress to declare a dividend to the taxpayers of America, and we would all be entitled to a share. I favor the Bureau of the Budget.

There was real work for the Director of the Budget to do, but the Bureau of the Budget has never functioned as Congress intended it should. The Bureau submitted estimates for an amount larger than the appropriations for the current year and before the subcommittees of the Committee on Appropriations no one appeared to defend his estimates. The director contented himself with these baseless claims of savings. It is nothing but bunk—political bunk. (Applause.)

Mr. Byrnes then went on to show some of the specific instances where the President and General Dawes had made claims of saving—claims so easily disproved that the President appears in a childlike and ridiculous attitude before the country. If we assume that he was so easily misled by Dawes' political smoke-screen, Mr. Byrnes said in part:

"He says that \$7,500 was saved out of an appropriation for the widow of Senator Proctor of Vermont. Away back in 1908 when Senator Proctor died this money was appropriated for his widow. She declined to accept it, and the good lady has long since gone to her reward. It remained upon the books to her credit, but nobody else could get it, and General Dawes says he saved it this year. Who was saving it to get it? (Laughter.)

"There is \$100,000 saved in en-

larging the Capitol Grounds. Do you remember in the distant past that appropriation was made for enlarging the Capitol Grounds? It has been on the books, and it stays there. Therefore, it is saved out of the current appropriations this year. I wish my friend from Kentucky, Ben Johnson, were here, because it would bring back memories of the past to him. The trouble with this statement is that it goes throughout the country and some people are misled by it. They are misled into believing that there is a saving of \$112,000,000, now increased to \$135,000,000, when there is not any saving, and, as a matter of fact, it is only a saving on paper. It is nothing but a political saving; it will never relieve the taxpayer.

"Then there is the Panama Canal. Why, my friends, he has a saving in here of \$19,674 in the original appropriation for digging a canal from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, appropriated when the proposition was first urged for digging a canal from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean. He says it is saved because it was not spent this year. How could it be spent? In what way could he dig a canal from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean for \$10,000? The money could be spent for no other purpose. For years it has been on the books, and if it is on the books, then he has saved it this year.

"Then we have censorship for foreign mails in the Panama Canal Zone, where we have saved \$53,205 this year. Evidently he has not heard that the espionage act is no more, and we could not spend it. Because it was not spent and could not be spent, the Director of the Budget says he saved \$53,000. And the worst of it all is he seems to have induced the President to believe it, and he has given circulation to these absurd claims of savings.

"Why, we are going to save \$19,000,000 in the Treasury Department in the Supervising Architect's office. On what? On public buildings. Back in 1913 we passed a public building bill, and because they can not get anybody to take the contracts for some buildings for the amount of money then appropriated, on account of the increased cost, it remains on the books. Therefore we have saved \$10,000,000 because we can not get anybody to take the contract until we enact legislation increasing the limit of cost.

"Now, as to the Department of State. There is an alleged saving of a little over a million dollars. The largest single item is \$750,000 payment to Columbia under the treaty of 1909. In other words, back in 1909, \$750,000 was appropriated. Columbia refused to accept. Director Dawes says it is saved this year, if it was a saving this year, it has been a saving every year for the past 12 years, and we have saved \$9,000,000 out of this \$750,000 fund.

"District of Columbia. Now, this statement of General Dawes would be a joke book if it were not serious in its effort to mislead the public. There is a saving of \$100,000 for what? War emergency improvements. One hundred thousand dollars was appropriated for the District of Columbia to repair streets around the Army and Navy buildings constructed during the war. The Treasury could not pay out a dollar of it after the end of the war. It was not spent during the war under the Democratic administration: they didn't spend a dollar of it, and it remains on the books. General Dawes says he has saved it this year when there could not have been a dollar of it paid out of the Treasury on any voucher. Who did he save it from?

"Legislative. You do not know it, but he says that he saved \$25,000 out of the salaries of

TWO VA. GIRLS KILLED IN AN ACCIDENT

(By Associated Press)
Charlottesville Va., May 16.—Misses Mary Moon and India Sargent, of Scottsville were killed last night when the automobile in which they were riding turned turtle and plunged into a canal.

Petrograd Mint Again In Operation

Stockholm, May 16.—The Petrograd mint is once more in operation and is turning out five and 10 ruble gold coins and silver coins of various denominations from ten kopeks to one ruble, says Stockholm's Tidningen. It is stated that one gold ruble is worth 1,000,000 paper rubles.

The coins are being minted from the gold and silver treasures recently taken by the Soviet authorities from Russian churches.

BISHOPS ELECTED AT HOT SPRINGS

(By Associated Press)
Hot Springs, May 16.—Delegates to the nineteenth quadrennial conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church south today began balloting to elect five new bishops. Three names, Doctors Franklin N. Parker, of Atlanta; Sam B. Hay, of Houston; and J. E. Dickey, of Griffin, Ga., stood out prominently for offices.

COTTON MARKET

MAY	21.23
JULY	20.47
OCTOBER	20.48
DECEMBER	20.44
JANUARY	20.27
MARCH	20.22

YESTERDAY'S MARKET

MAY	20.95
JULY	20.40
OCTOBER	20.38
DECEMBER	20.38
JANUARY	20.21
MARCH	20.19

BIG BREAK IN THE LEVEE AT HAMBURG

(By Associated Press.)
Baton Rouge, La., May 16.—A break of two hundred and fifty feet in the levee at Hamburg on the bayou de Glaise occurred today. Unless efforts are successful to close the break portions of Avoyelles, St. Landry, and St. Martin parishes will be flooded.

Members of Congress. Who did not get theirs? (Laughter.) The only way it could be saved was when some member of Congress died. Did he kill them? And yet he claims that he saved that amount. I said it was a joke book. (Laughter.)

American Legion To Stage Big Minstrel Around Last of May

PLACED ON TRIAL FOR ALLEGED MURDER

(By Associated Press)
Columbia, S. C., May 16.—F. M. Jerrards, Ira Harrison and Glenn Treece were placed on trial here today charged with killing J. C. Arnette, proprietor of a filling station. The alleged crime took place last Tuesday.

ITALY SURPRISED

U. S. WILL NOT PARTICIPATE

(By Associated Press)

Genoa, May 16.—Foreign Minister Schanzer, of Italy, learning today that the United States would not join the proposed commission on Russian affairs at The Hague expressed great surprise especially at the rapidity with which the decision was taken which may have great influence on further discussion at Genoa.

Premier Lloyd George does not feel, it was indicated today, that America's refusal to participate on commission at The Hague on Russian affairs is final as document indicates there is great American interest in Russia's economic reconstruction and the reply is regarded as one forming a basis for further discussion.

America's Welfare Dependant Upon Europe's Rehabilitation

Philadelphia, May 13.—America's welfare is dependent upon the rehabilitation of Europe, and without extension of credit from the United States, Europe's restoration to a sound economic basis will be impossible, Sir George Paish, British economist, declared in a paper read for him tonight before the American Academy of Political and Social Science.

"Never has a nation been faced by a graver responsibility," Sir George wrote. "If America accepts the responsibility the world will move forward under American leadership to a state of well-being never hitherto attained. If, however, America refuses responsibility, then every nation including America will sink into unprecedented poverty."

Summing up factors which he said were essential in the restoration of the world's economic balance, Sir George continued: "It is essential for America to maintain her position as world banker which she assumed during the war.

"It is equally essential that America should now definitely assume the function of 'world trader' and that she should not only sell her own productions freely but should buy without hindrance or restriction the productions of other nations.

"America must grant additional credit to Europe for reconstruction purposes on the security of German reparations plus the guarantees of the Entente nations to the limit of her surplus supplies of produce and goods which otherwise she would be unable to sell.

The American Legion will stage a big minstrel around the last of this month and the performance will be under the direction of "Deep C" Green, who directed the Legion performance given last December.

A two hour comedy performance will be offered and in the minstrel first part which will run an hour and ten with new local jokes and song hits, four female ends and four male ends in blackface will be seen along with twelve excellent soloists. The second half of the show will consist of one of the funniest blackface plays ever written, "Mrs. Black's Pink Tea," in which ten of the most talented ladies in the city will shine as blackface commediennes. Several acts of vaudeville will also be offered. Rehearsals will start Thursday, May 17.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS REFUSE RUSS PROBLEMS

Geneva, May 16.—The Council of the League of Nations has refused to take up the Russian problem and referred to the Genoa Conference the Norwegian governments request for immediate inquiry by the league into the general situation in Russia and the effect of the famine on the economic reconstruction of Europe.

WEATHER REPORT

For North Carolina: Showers tonight and Wednesday cooler on northeast coast tonight fresh easterly winds.