

U. S. Federation Of Labor Will Ask Congress Revise Textiles Tariff Downward

Demand Comes as Result of Reduction Wages on Part of Textile Interests While Other Industries Have Maintained Wage Scale, Declares President Green

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Washington, Oct. 5.—Congress will be asked by the American Federation of Labor to revise the tariff downward on textiles. This is an extraordinary request for the American Federation of Labor, and is, paradoxically enough, not a change in labor's attitude toward the protective tariff as a whole.

"We feel that the protective tariff is a good thing," said President William Green of the American Federation of Labor, last week, "because American labor is protected in its high wages. But when the textile industry takes advantage of conditions entirely apart from labor factors to reduce wages then it is time to call the attention of Congress to the situation and demand a lower tariff."

"I know of no single industry that has done this except textiles. Even the steel business despite its fluctuations has maintained its wage scales. It is obviously unfair to labor to be taken advantage of just because operations have to be curtailed because of diminution in demand. The public has not received the benefit of these reductions in lower prices so I feel the tariff should come down. We shall go before the ways and means committee and place all the facts at their disposal and ask for a revision downward."

Mr. Green last summer issued a statement decrying the reduction in wages in the textile industry but did not say how vigorously he intended to follow it up. His silence for several weeks has been interpreted in some quarters as the end of the issue. Mr. Green, however, will place the matter before the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor at Atlantic City next week and resolutions condemning the reduction in wages and requesting a revision of the tariff are almost certain to be adopted.

"Not all the textile manufacturers feel the same about it," Mr. Green says. "We have letter from some of the Rhode Island manufacturers who are in disagreement with some of the Massachusetts men on the subject." Mr. Green's effort to revise the tariff is significant. Hitherto labor has always declared that the protective tariff maintained high wages. The A. F. of L. is unwilling to pronounce the protective tariff as a whole because the tariff rates in some industries are regarded as a real protection to wages. But there are other demands from various parts of the United States for a revision downward of the tariff, particularly from some agricultural regions where the rates have not been effective in keeping the American price high and where the cost of commodities purchased by the farmer consumer has been high.

The Coolidge administration has made up its mind to resist any tariff revision whatsoever, being unwilling to recognize even the just claims for revision here and there because it might open up the whole tariff law to amendment. And just now the administration is anxious to get its tax bill out through the next session and postpone if possible the controversy on the tariff until the Congressional elections of 1926 are over.

President Coolidge and Senator Smoot and Representative Green—the latter two being chairmen of the committees which handle tariff questions—are in absolute agreement on the subject of letting the tariff law alone for the present. Insurgent sentiment will have to be developed considerably more if the matter is to be counted as a major issue in the coming session of Congress. The Democratic, as usual, will back any demand for a lower tariff and will do all they can to assist the American Federation of Labor to get a change in the tariff. It is a subject that lends itself particularly to politics this year as Senator William M. Butler, chairman of the Republican National Committee and political manager for Mr. Coolidge is already in the midst of his campaign for election next fall, and is almost certain to have as his opponent former Senator David Walsh who has been deploring the reduction in wages and making considerable fuss about it in New England. So whether the administration does anything about it in the coming session of Congress, the issue is bound to creep into the Congressional election in various parts of the country.

It would be inaccurate, however, to assume that the tariff issue has as yet awakened any considerable public interest—at least

EXCELLENT RACE PROGRAM AHEAD FOR FAIR WEEK

Elizabeth City Horses Stand Exceptional Chance of Winning Many Purse, Horseman Declares

TO BEGIN TOMORROW

Farm Horses and Mules from All Parts of District to Compete in the Two Opening Events

Elizabeth City will have the best representation in many years in the races at the Great Albemarle District Fair this week, according to Leslie Armstrong, who besides being a horse racing enthusiast is a member of the City Council, having won the race in the First Ward last spring against a formidable field.

"We ought to be able to hold our own against anything they bring here from Virginia or anywhere else," Mr. Armstrong declared Saturday afternoon, while he was binding the legs of one of his own horses at the fair grounds. "If we don't carry off a good part of the money, I'll be surprised."

With a little under 50 entries, racing fans are promised plenty of sport this week. The fair will open tomorrow, and will continue through Saturday.

Incidentally, Mr. Armstrong is counting on two of his own horses, Corbin and Lady Symbol. These have won money for him on the Eastern Shore and elsewhere this season, he says, and should make a good showing here.

Three races are slated for tomorrow. The first two are a mile race for a purse of \$50, and a local trot or pace, purse \$150, for bona fide farm horses that have never won a race, and that have belonged to their present owners for at least 90 days prior to the race. It is for horses from anywhere in the Albemarle District. There will be a 2:15 pace also, for a purse of \$200.

The races for the remainder of the week follow: Wednesday, 2:15 trot and 2:18 pace; Thursday, 2:19 trot and 2:24 pace; Friday, free for all and 2:25 trot. Purses of \$200 are offered in each race. On Saturday, which will be observed as Colored Day, there will be a 2:25 trot and a free for all, each for a purse of \$100. Only horses driven by colored jockeys will be entered in Saturday's races.

National Trotting Association rules will govern, except when otherwise stated, and the money will be divided on a basis of 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. All races will be in mile heats, the three heat plan to govern all harness races. Tom Cannon, veteran racing secretary of the Eastern circuit, will officiate as starter.

LABOR CONVENES IN FORTY-FIFTH SESSION

Atlantic City, Oct. 5.—Representatives of nearly 3,000,000 organized workers assembled today for the formal opening of the forty-fifth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor.

MITCHELL REPORTS TO INSPECTOR GEN'L

Washington, Oct. 5.—Colonel William Mitchell of the Army air service reported today to the inspector general's office where disciplinary proceedings against him are under consideration.

M. J. SEYMOUR DEAD

Gregory, Oct. 5.—M. J. Seymour of Riddle, died Saturday night, about one thirty, after an illness of about four months.

He is survived by his wife, and two sons, M. B. and J. B. Seymour, of Riddle; three sisters, Mrs. Mack Staples of Shiloh, Mrs. P. B. Gibson of Indian town, Mrs. H. F. Knight of Shawboro.

Mr. Seymour was about 65 years of age.

Years ago he was in the mercantile business, his last years were spent on the farm.

He has been a cripple, foot and leg, since boyhood and with these afflictions he was considered and looked upon as being one of the most industrious men in Camden County.

He was a member of Shiloh Methodist Church and a member of the Board of Stewards.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at two o'clock at the home by Rev. T. E. Coble, assisted by Rev. C. T. Thrift of Moyock and burial was held in the family burying lot at the home.

HAS ISSUED CALL TO NATIONAL BANKS

Washington, Oct. 5.—The Comptroller of Currency today issued a call for the condition of all National banks at the close of business on Monday, September 28.

Proclamation

CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP "Get Ready for the Indoor Months"

The cleanest city is the safest city, against fire and disease. Let us make our city as clean and orderly as the cleanest homes. Our citizens have the ambition and the ability to achieve that ideal, through everybody's co-operation.

Therefore the week of October 4 to 10 is hereby designated and proclaimed as **The Opening Week of a Thorough Campaign to Clean Up and Reduce Fire Risks.**

Away with summer's rubbish! Cut the weeds! Banish the plague spots! Clean the yards, the streets and alleys! Clear out the attics and cellars! Repair everything about your building that needs it—and use paint liberally to keep things clean and orderly, and protected.

Our city needs all this cleaning and caretaking right now, for protection against the ravages of fire, disease and storm the coming winter.

This is Everybody's Job. Every man, woman and child is invited and expected to help. Let there be no slackers!

(Signed) A. G. McCABE, Mayor.

Bears In Dismal Swamp Are Queerly Different

Some Like Corn Young and Tender, Others Prefer it Old and Hard; Farmer Adopts Unique Protection for Hogs As Last Resort

For reasons thus far not satisfactorily explained, bears in one part of the Great Dismal Swamp manifest tendencies exactly the opposite of those in another part, not distantly removed. Testimony to this queer state of affairs is given by farmers living on the high land fringing the swamp in these two localities.

Folks living in Providence township, this County, in the vicinity of the great morass, report that Bruin is paying little or no attention to their cornfields these days. They say the big, furry swamp denizen cares not a great deal for corn that has hardened on the ear. He comes out often enough a little earlier, when the corn is green and tender. But not now.

Bruin's attitude toward corn as an item of diet is exactly the reverse in the vicinity of South Mills, a little farther up in the swamp country, according to W. R. Lane, of Camden County, who pays occasional visits to Elizabeth City. There, he scarcely will touch green corn, and has been little in evidence until recently, though now his depredations are exasperating the farmers. Efforts to abate the nuisance have resulted in the capture of two bears in the last few weeks, he says.

A little later on, when the crops have been harvested and the stock is turned into the fields to fatten for slaughter, Bruin will return to Providence, the farmers say. He is especially fond of young pork, and in order to capture young, fat pigs, he will take almost any sort of a risk, they declare. Already they are gilling up their traps and otherwise preparing to give him a warm reception.

One farmer has hit upon a novel scheme to keep the bears out of his pigpen, though thus far its efficacy has not been tested thoroughly. He hangs an old shirt, tattered and faded, and tells his neighbors this will furnish adequate protection for his hogs. The neighbors say they don't blame the bears for staying away.

This farmer adopted the shirt idea after he had tried out several others, with indifferent success. For a time he kept a lighted lantern hanging at night near the enclosure in which he kept his hogs. This was all right for a while. Then hogs began vanishing mysteriously. Bruin had evidently discovered that the lantern didn't mean such a lot.

Next, this resourceful farmer hung a bell on his fence. He told folks living in the neighborhood that the bear, through politeness or merely by inadvertence, would be certain to ring the bell whenever he called. But Bruin never did, and a few more hogs went squealing the way of their unfortunate brethren.

The outcome of it all was that the farmer in question this fall has hung one of his well worn shirts, unlaundered, on the fence. Bruin ordinarily pays little attention to the human scent, unless the individual is immediately in the offing. It may be, however, that Bruin is a fastidious creature to whom an unwashed garment is so repugnant that he will shun the pen on which it hangs. The neighbors are watching the outcome of the experiment with keen interest.

CONNELL BACKS UP COMM'DR. RODGERS

Washington, Oct. 5.—Colonel Mitchell's charge that "amateur bungling" by non-flying Naval officers was responsible for failure of the Navy's Hawaiian flight drew contradiction today before the President's air board from Lieutenant Byron J. Connell, pilot of the PN-3 No. 1.

Under questioning by Senator Bingham of Connecticut, Lieutenant Connell backed up the testimony given last week by Commander Rodgers, leader of the flight, declaring that all arrangements were carried out by Rodgers and other flying officers.

PEOPLE TO VOTE ON NEW SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION

Four Small Districts in Pasquotank County Comprised in Latest Plan; Election November 17

MAY SEEK STATE AID

County Commissioners Approve Request for Loan, Provided Special Tax Proposal Is Carried

A special tax election with a view to consolidation of four small school districts in Pasquotank County, and subsequent erection of a large high school probably in the vicinity of Elizabeth City, on the Hertford Highway, was called by the County Board of Education and the Board of County Commissioners Monday, to be held on Tuesday, November 17.

The territory comprises the following school districts: Mr. Hermon No. 1, known as Corinth; Mr. Hermon No. 4, or Small's; Nixonton No. 1, known as Nixonton district, and Nixonton No. 2, or Banks. This area was included in the larger district comprising ten smaller schools, which voted down a consolidation proposal in the summer.

In connection with the merger proposal, the County Commissioners voted to approve an application to the State Board of Education for a loan to cover the cost of the proposed new school building, provided the election was carried. The commissioners hesitated over the proposition, Chairman Love taking the stand that it was hardly a business-like procedure to approve a request for a loan when it had not been established definitely that the money would be needed.

Chairman Lefroy, of the County School Board, explained that unless the Commissioners acted at that meeting, it would be impossible to obtain funds from the State for the purpose in less than two years, through a requirement that the request be in the hands of the State authorities early in November. He stated that the Board of Education hoped to be in a position to erect the school building in the early future, if the election was carried, and that to withhold the request might prove a serious handicap to the development of the County school system.

It was explained also that the State lends the money from a special fund, at a rate of four per cent—cheaper than it would be available from other sources—and that a period of 20 years is allowed for repayment of the loan.

The motion to grant the request was offered by Commissioner Edney, and was seconded by Commissioner Cartwright. Messrs. Edney, Cartwright and Messrs. J. C. Thompson and Phillip Pritchard against. The measure was carried with the express understanding that if the election failed, the Commissioners were not obligated to borrow the money. The amount contemplated was not stated.

The election will be to decide whether a special tax of 30 cents per \$100 property valuation will be levied in the territory comprised in the four school districts under consideration. Consolidation of these districts would follow as a matter of course, it is explained.

COUNTY WILL SEND EXHIBIT TO RALEIGH

Commissioners Vote Appropriation of \$250 to Meet Cost of Advertising at State Fair

An appropriation of \$250 to cover the cost of sending an exhibit from Pasquotank County to the State Fair at Raleigh next week was voted by the County Commissioners Monday morning, in response to a request from the Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations here.

Representatives of the Chamber and of other interested organizations appeared before the Commissioners, asking that the appropriation be made. The advertising value of the exhibit was stressed strongly. In answer to a question whether the City Council would be asked to help meet the cost of the exhibit, G. R. Little, one of the spokesmen, explained that the City Council had given liberally toward the expense of the Acorn Hill Road celebration, and that the Commissioners had not been asked to help on that. Hence, he stated, the present request was made only to the County governing body.

ALLIES AND GERMANS ARE IN CONFERENCE

Lecanto, Switzerland, Oct. 5.—A conference of Allied and German statesmen called to consider the conclusion of the security pact was opened here today. The sessions are being held in the cantonal courtroom on the second floor of the Palace of Justice.

SAYS COLE ON TRIAL NOT HIS DAUGHTER

Rockingham, Oct. 5.—The defense today continued its presentation of evidence to support the claims of transitory insanity and self-defense as justification for W. B. Cole's wealthy manufacturer slaying W. W. Ormond last August.

J. C. Conley presented the State's contention that the virtue of Miss Elizabeth Cole was not at issue and that the State repeatedly had declined to discuss her character. Cole is on trial for murder, he contended, and there is no other consideration.

He then launched into an attack on the defense's plea of insanity. Rockingham, Oct. 5.—The prosecution of W. B. Cole won a temporary victory today when Judge Finley excluded the testimony of R. R. Simmons until after he has prepared his decision dealing with the point.

Simmons' testimony concerns remarks alleged to have been made about Miss Elizabeth Cole, daughter of the manufacturer.

J. W. West, employee at Hannan Pickett Mill, who drove Ormond's car away from the scene of the shooting, testified for the defense that he did not place the pistol in Ormond's car. On cross examination he admitted that a week later some one mentioned a pistol and he went to William Scales and told him there was a possibility of his being indicted for perjury if he "didn't tell anything he might know of it."

The defense witnesses were corroborating previous testimony.

Parade To Begin At Eleven Sharp

Many attractively decorated automobiles and floats will be entered in the parade which will open the Great Albemarle District Fair in official fashion tomorrow morning, according to Miles L. Clark, chairman of the parade committee.

The parade will begin at 11 o'clock sharp, Mr. Clark announces. It will be formed on Pennsylvania avenue, and will proceed thence down Burgess street to Road, to Main to Water, to Matthews and thence back to the Southern Hotel corner, where it will disband. The floats and other advertising features will proceed to the Fair Grounds, and will circle the track in front of the grandstand.

The parade judges will be stationed on Main street, to view the procession as it passes and decide upon the prize winners. In all, \$100 in prizes will be awarded for the best decorated automobiles and floats, the most fantastically dressed individual, and the most original get-up, either of an individual, an automobile or a float.

Included in the parade will be two bands and the Wild West Show which will be featured as a midway attraction at the fair.

NEW ROAD TO ENCIRCLE SITE OF FORT RALEIGH

Information from Roanoke Island is to the effect that the road promised recently by Highway Commissioner W. A. Hart will circle the site of Old Fort Raleigh and terminate on Roanoke Sound at a point approximately opposite Point Harbor, Currituck County. It is proposed later to run a ferry from the island to Point Harbor.

Through misconception on the part of a member of the staff of The Daily Advance, it was stated that Mr. Hart had promised the islanders a road westwardly to the shore of Croatan Sound, in response to a petition sponsored by the Manteo Chamber of Commerce. So far as can be learned, however, nothing definite has been done with reference to establishing this road.

Boy of 15 Kills

Elmer Dorr, 15, has confessed that he beat his 78-year-old grandmother to death with a heavy iron bar, when she refused to let him into her home near Phillips, Wis. He was arrested the day after the murder while working in a brickyard.

REV. A. H. OUTLAW IS SUCCESSOR TO MRS. ANNA LEWIS

Pastor of Free Will Baptist Church Is Elected Welfare Officer of Pasquotank County

HAS HAD EXPERIENCE

Served in Similar Capacity in Carteret County Nearly Two Years; Is Recommended Highly

Rev. A. H. Outlaw, pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church here, was elected County Welfare Officer of Pasquotank County Monday morning to succeed Mrs. Anna Lewis, whose resignation was presented to the County Welfare Board and the Board of County Commissioners in joint session. It will become effective October 31.

Two members of the Welfare Board, Dr. S. H. Templeman and Superintendent M. P. Jennings, of the County schools, were present at the meeting. G. F. Seyffert, the chairman, was absent. Dr. Templeman was spokesman for the board, explaining that Mr. Outlaw's application was the only one before that body for consideration.

Dr. Templeman explained that only one other application for the position had been received by the board. This, he stated, was from Mrs. J. G. Fearing, of this city. He explained that it was received the same day that Mrs. Fearing announced in a published statement that she would not accept the office, and therefore was not acted upon.

A third application had been received by the Board of County Commissioners. This was from Mrs. J. C. Modlin, also of this city. In view of the fact that it had not been presented to the County Welfare Board, no action was taken upon it.

In his application, Mr. Outlaw stated that he had served nearly two years as Welfare Officer of Carteret County, in which Morehead City is situated. He submitted testimonials as to the effectiveness of his work from county officials and others in Carteret.

Mr. Outlaw set forth that he was serving as a published pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church here, and was holding services on only two Sundays each month. Dr. Templeman stated that he was endorsed for the office by the Children's Home Board.

On behalf of the County Commissioners, Mr. Love expressed regret over Mrs. Lewis's resignation, stating that he had not realized the value of her work to the city and County until after he had become chairman of the board and had been brought into closer touch with her activities.

In her letter of resignation, which was read for her by Superintendent Jennings, Mrs. Lewis thanked both the Welfare Board and the County Commissioners for the full measure of co-operation accorded her. In closing, she called attention to the Children's Home, declaring she regarded it as the most worthwhile work undertaken during her stay in office and expressing the hope that it would continue to be supported in adequate fashion.

Mrs. Lewis will leave her position to take up similar duties in Wake County at what is reported to be a substantial increase in salary. She has a son living in Raleigh, and this is believed to have had some bearing upon her decision to go.

Mrs. Lewis announces that she can be reached over the Y. M. C. A. phone, 728-W, this month, or at her office in the Chamber of Commerce quarters, phone 532.

LINE UP FOR FIGHT ON BILLY MITCHELL

Omaha, Oct. 5.—Veterans of the World War for the seventh annual convention of the American Legion lined up today for a fight on the endorsement of Colonel William Mitchell's recommendations to Congress for a separate air service department. President Coolidge is on his way to attend the convention.

WEATHER AND SEA HAVE HALTED WORK

New London, Conn., Oct. 5.—Rear Admiral H. H. Christy in charge of the efforts to recover the bodies of the 28 men who went down with the submarine S-51 reported to the submarine base today that the weather conditions and the sea were too rough to permit diving operations this morning.

MRS. McMULLAN BETTER

Mrs. T. S. McMullan, Jr., who has been critically ill is said to be improving today.

COTTON MARKET

New York, Oct. 5.—Spot cotton closed steady, middling 23.15, an advance of 15 points. Futures closing bid: October 22.90, Dec. 22.90, Jan. 22.15, May 22.45, July 22.65.

