

## COMPERS ANGRY AT JUDGE WRIGHT

Writes Bitter Editorial in Union Paper on Recent Sentence of Officers of the Federation.

## DESCENDANT OF KING

Makes Charge That Judge Would Not Permit Anyone to Even Criticize His Decisions.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, July 25.—In bitter phrases culminating in a diatribe against Justice Daniel Thew Wright, President Compers of the American Federation of Labor, today discussed the jurist's recent sentencing of Compers, Mitchell and Morrison for contempt of court in a signed editorial in the American Federationist as follows:

"Justice Wright discloses the mental attitude of a bygone age when the masters owned the workmen who were their slaves or serfs.

"As a lineal descendant of the king, or his representative the chancellor, Justice Wright, undertook to deny to the workers of our time their equality before the law, their rights gained by the constitution of our country.

"Justice Wright would forbid that men even criticize a judge or his decision.

"In so doing he is propagating a dangerous dogma, for there is no theory more subservient to democracy than the theory of infallibility.

"Any court that is compelled to resort to the suppression of criticism in order to protect itself against contempt, is not one that is standing for the ideals of democracy, justice and liberty.

"The opinion is a document that reflects with the utmost clearness this kingly view point, the mental bias and mental process that stands so conspicuously different from the conceptions of the rights of citizenship among our people.

"Its pseudo-individualistic political theory reverberates like a voice from the tomb of the 'vested interest' philosophers."

Compers repeated the declaration immediately after the decision was rendered and immediately denied by Justice Wright that he had heard that the decision in the contempt case was completed prior to the Chicago convention but withheld.

"We will stake our reputation for veracity with Justice Wright's," the editorial declared. "Our statement was Russia could not go farther in judicial censorship than Wright in the contempt decision.

"The judge gave the men no credit for truthfulness or honesty," Compers continued. "His summary of Mitchell's evidence was a sneer at his 'veracity.'"

Wright, Compers asserted, was unable to grasp that the labor leaders were not fighting to undermine the judiciary but striving for judicial reform.

## Still After Hanford.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] SEATTLE, Wash., July 25.—The central labor council today adopted resolutions indorsing Congressman Berger's demand for a special federal grand jury to probe the causes leading to the resignation of Federal Judge Hanford while "under fire." The council wishes an especial investigation of the agreements that were said to exist between Hanford and the North Pacific railroad. A copy of the resolutions will be forwarded to Berger at Washington.

## TITANIC COIFFURES TO BE THE STYLE THIS YEAR

More Hair is the Edict of the Hair Dressers in National Convention.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, July 25.—"More hair" is the edict of the hair dressers. The edict stands for a whole year, too, because the national convention now in session here is an annual event. Professor M. Paul told of the demand for excessive hair.

"To be fashionable," he said, "the

## STRIKERS GIVEN A RAW DEAL

Lower Courts of Boston Handed Out Sentences With the Idea That the Men Were Criminals.

## CLEAN UP PROMISED

District Attorney Intends to Straighten Out Some of the Worst Cases of Miscarriage of Justice.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] BOSTON, July 25.—District Attorney Joseph C. Pelletier today followed up a sensational attack on Boston's lower courts by setting the machinery of his office in motion for complete investigation of every case disposed of against Boston elevated strikers in the municipal courts. The district attorney directly charged in a statement published today that some of the lower court judges "by their sentences act as if any striker charged with crime should be sent to prison, guilty or not."

From a cursory examination of some of the cases already entered," said Pelletier, "I am of the opinion that many appeals will not have to be heard, but the facts suggest to me the ordinary dispositions, viz: Some to be not prosed, others fined, probation for some and complete change of sentence for others.

"In some of the cases, the complaint filed has been of such an extreme nature such as charging robbery where simple larceny would be of doubtful proof, and the outrageous sentences imposed as three and six months for calling 'scab,' one, two or three years for a simple assault, are not tolerable under present day conditions, and I certainly propose to stand between the people and such lower courts as seem to have lost all reason and by their sentences act as if any striker charged with crime should be sent to prison, guilty or not."

In the meantime the special session of the grand jury today was prepared to hear in person General William A. Bancroft, president of the Boston Elevated and other officials regarding charges of perjury by other officials of the state board of arbitration, which reported that the company was responsible for the strike of its motormen and conductors.

## MADERO SHOULD HAVE KILLED HIM

Had Zapata Been Executed a Year Ago the Massacres Would be Ended.

MEXICO CITY, July 25.—Responsibility for the massacre of soldiers and passengers on the Mexico-Cuernavaca train recently, when upward of 100 persons were slain, is today being laid directly at the door of President Madero, by officers high in the ranks of the army.

These army officers declare that but for interference by Madero, Emilio Zapata, the rebel leader whose troops attacked the train, would have been executed a year ago. Before turning over the reins of government to Madero, Provisional President De La Barra insisted upon execution of Zapata. Madero interceded, however, and since then Zapata's followers have taken thousands of lives and looted a vast section of the country.

## Struck by Lightning.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] PARIS, July 25.—Marquis Louis De Montbello was found dead today under a tree near his chateau at Merelle, struck by lightning during a storm which passed over Paris last evening.

## ROOSEVELT READY FOR HIS MEETING

Will be at Chicago Convention at the Start and Stay Through Until the Final Windup.

## HIS SPEECH IS READY

Bryan Has no Faith in the Progressivism of the Colonel and Points Out Where He is Weak.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] OYSTER BAY, July 25.—Colonel Roosevelt today announced his plans pending the bull moose convention at Chicago.

The colonel will arrive in Chicago August 5, the opening day and that night he will deliver his declaration of principles. It is known that Roosevelt has been at work on his speech for several days. It will begin with "Thou shalt not steal," and its peroration will be: "The people shall rule."

It will contain the colonel's views on all the topics covered in the convention call issued several weeks ago by Senator Dixon. Colonel Roosevelt has not yet made known any details of the second trip to Chicago but he has made it plain that he will be on the job from the opening gun until the finish and the bull moose are not anticipating any annual at their August convention.

## Bryan Is No Moose.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 25.—William J. Bryan has no faith in the progressivism of Theodore Roosevelt. In a Commoner editorial today, the bull moose leader is described as a reactionary who is not worthy of the support either of democrats or progressive republicans. In part Bryan says:

"But Mr. Roosevelt's errors are not to be wondered at. His whole bias is wrong. He is more Hamiltonian than Hamilton himself. No public man since the government was formed has treated constitutional limitations so contemptuously.

"Can he lead the progressive republicans to the extreme that he represents? Did he not show by his conduct at Chicago that he is more interested in obtaining the office for himself than in advancing reforms? He could have nominated any one of a number of progressives—why did he refuse to stand aside? Is there no other person big enough for such a swollen presidency as he would create? If so, does not this show the danger of enlarging the powers of the executive as he desires to enlarge them?"

"The democratic platform contains more progressiveness than the people are ready to accept, and Governor Wilson can be trusted to carry out the platform. Mr. Roosevelt stands for a number of progressive policies popular election of senators, income tax, regulation of railroads and publicity, for instance, but these things are practically secured, and the democrats have done much more than Mr. Roosevelt to secure them.

"On questions now before the national government, such as tariff, trusts, national incorporation and imperialism and the third term, Roosevelt is wrong. On these subjects he is reactionary and cannot secure a following among democrats—he can hardly hope to hold progressive republicans."

## DEMOCRATS WILL DELAY CONGRESS

Are Against Building Battleships and Will Make Session a Long One.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, July 25.—That the present session of congress will be prolonged for several weeks by the democratic caucus vote against any battleship program for next year, was the general belief here today. The house majority voted 79 to 62, following a bitter debate. This forecasts a deadlock in conference over the naval bill, in which the senate inserted an amendment calling for two battleships.

Senators today declared that the senate conferees would not retreat from their stand and congressmen were equally positive in insisting that the house would not compromise. The caucus developed a lively antagonism in the party and the decision was directly opposed to the views expressed by Governor Wilson and Majority Leader Underwood.

## VOTES FOR WOMEN AND SALOONS

Iowa Democrats Are Fighting These Two Planks to be Placed in Their Platform.

## REED WAS DEFEATED

Henry Riegelman of Des Moines is to be State Chairman Because He Was For Wilson.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] DES MOINES, Iowa, July 25.—The feature of the Iowa democratic state convention at Cedar Rapids today was the defeat of N. F. Reed of Ottumwa as member of the state central committee to succeed himself as state chairman. He was defeated in the caucus of his own district and Henry Riegelman of Des Moines of the seventh district will be state chairman when the new committee reorganizes late this afternoon. Reed was a Clark supporter before the national convention and Riegelman a Wilson advocate. The only two fights on resolutions is whether to incorporate a liquor plank and woman's suffrage. Anti-liquor interests intend to carry the fight to the convention floor if any liquor plan is offered. Colonel Elbow of Des Moines, a German editor, is urging the incorporation of a plank providing for granting the saloon privilege by secret ballot instead of upon public petition as at present.

## FELL SEVEN STORIES AND STILL LIVES

Woman Did Receive "Minor Injuries" From Her Drop of Eighty-Five Feet.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, July 5.—Physicians today declared Mrs. Florence E. Massey wife of James G. Massey, an interior department clerk, would quickly recover from "minor injuries" received after a fall from her flat on the seventh floor of the Newberne apartment house, to the concrete pavement 85 feet below.

Mrs. Massey lost her balance while leaning out the window. She managed to grasp the chain on a fire escape breaking her fall. Neighbors found her crumpled up on the pavement and conscious but with her leg shattered in two places.

## THE WEATHER.

For Keokuk and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Friday. Cooler tonight.

For Illinois and Missouri: Fair tonight and Friday. Somewhat lower temperature tonight.

For Iowa: Generally fair tonight and Friday. Cooler tonight.

## Weather Conditions.

Showers in the lake region attended the passage of the storm center of yesterday from the lake region to the northeastern states, and temperature of ninety, or above, prevailed throughout the lower Missouri and the Mississippi valleys.

The pressure has increased in the high area, which remains in the Dakotas, and is causing cooler weather, following scattered light showers, from the Rockies to the upper Mississippi valley.

In the mountain region the temperature is rising slowly with an area of low pressure in the southern portion. Conditions indicate generally fair weather for this section tonight and Friday, and somewhat cooler tonight.

## Daily River Bulletin.

| Stage     | Height | Change | Weather       |
|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|
| St. Paul  | 14     | 2.1    | x0.3 Clear    |
| La Crosse | 12     | 3.1    | -0.1 Clear    |
| Dubuque   | 18     | 5.0    | -0.1 Clear    |
| Davenport | 15     | 4.7    | -0.1 Pt. Cldy |
| Galland   | 8      | 2.2    | x0.1          |
| Keokuk    | 15     | 4.6    | x0.4 Cldy     |
| St. Louis | 30     | 11.0   | 0.0 Cldy      |

## River Forecast.

The river will fall slowly from Davenport to Keokuk during the next forty-eight hours.

## Local Observations.

July, Bar, Ther, Wind, Weather.  
24 7 p. m. . . 29.87 81 SW Cldy  
25 7 a. m. . . 30.00 69 N Cldy  
Rainfall for the past 24 hours trace.  
Mean temperature, July 24, 84.  
Highest temperature, 91.  
Lowest temperature, 77.  
Lowest temperature last night, 68.  
FRED Z. GOSEWISCH, Observer.

## BOLTING RIVERS WERE DESTRUCTIVE

Floods in Wisconsin Did One Million Dollars Worth of Damage But Took no Lives.

## MINERS DROWNED OUT

Pennsylvania Rising Waters Trapped Several Men Below the Ground and Killed Them.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] MILWAUKEE, July 25.—Reports today from a half score cities in northern Wisconsin yesterday swept by flood and cloudburst indicated an aggregate estimate of the loss will reach the million mark but with no casualties.

Wausau, Merrill, Schofield and other cities along the upper Wisconsin suffered heaviest losses. Floods also threatened Oshkosh, Shawano and other cities on the Wolfe river, but reports today say the danger is past. Green Bay, Manitowoc, Eland Junction were swept by the heaviest waterfalls in years.

## More Miners Drowned.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., July 25.—The rising waters have claimed at least three more victims, according to Fire Boss William Stevens of the Lamont mine today.

Stevens said that more than a hundred men were working in the Lamont mine when the rising waters flowed into the workings yesterday.

Ninety-one men escaped and several others have been accounted for but three of the men are dead, it is practically certain.

Estimates by mining experts today were that it would probably be two months before the dead bodies of the fourteen miners in Spherba mine No. 2 will be recovered. It is thought that the rushing waters swept the men possibly 1,000 feet back into the workings.

## In Wisconsin.

WAUSAU, Wis., July 25.—The flood that yesterday swept down the Wisconsin river as a result of the breaking of two dams north of here is rapidly receding today and conditions are gradually assuming normal. Revised estimates place the loss at \$250,000, with no casualties. The big paper mills, which depend on water power to operate, face a serious situation today. With rush orders for print paper at hand they will be unable to operate for at least a period of two weeks until the big power dams are repaired.

In Wausau today street car and electric service was resumed.

## Seventeen Dead.

UNIONTOWN, Pa., July 25.—Seventeen dead, it was believed shortly after noon today will be the extent of the terrible ravages of the inundations following yesterday's heavy rains.

Three are dead in the Lamont mine. So far as is known this is the extent of the fatalities.

Rescuing parties in boats attempted to enter the mines, but again were driven back by the on-rush of waters today.

Telephone and telegraph communication to West Virginia points, notably Elkins, Grafton, Fairmont and points south of Morgantown was cut off today and no news had been heard from them up to 1 o'clock this afternoon.

Railroad and telegraph and telephone companies were the heaviest sufferers.

## Investigate Mine Disaster.

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 25.—The state of Pennsylvania through its water supply commission will make a thorough investigation of the causes of the flooding of the Superba No. 2 mine at Evans Station in which fourteen miners lost their lives yesterday.

The commission today sent one of its engineers, Charles F. Rider, to the scene of the disaster and he will make a detailed report on the circumstances.

## Admits Being Forger.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] GREENWICH, Conn., July 25.—Stanley A. Beadle, arrested here for assault, has admitted to the police that he is wanted in Seattle and Spokane, Wash., and Los Angeles, Cal., for passing fraudulent checks. A card showing he was formerly secretary of the Western Sales company of 124 South Spring street, Los Angeles. He is held under \$5,000 for the assault.

## THIRTIETH CRIME WAS HIS FINISH

Negro Attorney Who For Six Months Had Terrorized the City Was Shot to Death by Tailor.

## ALWAYS WORE DISGUISE

Killed After a Record of Twenty-Nine Crimes, a Great Many of Which Were Against Women.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] LITTLE ROCK, Ark., July 25.—Samuel Collins, a negro tailor is today the hero of Little Rock and the police declare the town has gotten rid of one of the most dangerous characters known to them in years, as a result of the shooting of J. B. Brown, a negro attorney.

After he had entered the room of Maude Sumner, a stenographer late last night Brown was shot to death by Collins when he tried to enter the latter's home.

For six months Little Rock has been terrorized by a "Jack the shooter" burglaries, attacks on women occurring nightly. A vigilance committee was organized to patrol the streets and the police have a record of twenty-nine crimes which were undoubtedly committed by Brown. He shot and wounded Mrs. D. P. Coulter and killed her 9-months-old child.

When slain Brown has his face and hands covered with powder, which gave him the appearance of a Mexican, as described by the women who were attacked.

## IS NOT AS SICK AS HE MAKES OUT

Juror Leavitt is Feigning Illness to Get Out of the Darrow Trial.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] LOS ANGELES, Cal., July 25.—Although the district attorney said early today that he expected Juror Leavitt to return to the box in the Darrow bribery trial it was freely stated by friends of the defense attorneys that a mistrial of the case might result because of the charges freely made that Leavitt's illness, which has kept him from attending the case for several days, was feigned. The attorneys for the defense have noted that Presiding Judge Hutton immediately investigated the juror's absence and also Leavitt's free expression of his opinion regarding the guilt or innocence of Darrow. Leavitt is said to have told members of his family and neighbors what he thought of Darrow.

When Leavitt did not appear for the trial a few days ago and sent word that he was ill, the defense is said to have urged the judge to excuse Leavitt and allow the thirteenth juror to sit in his place.

## 40 Little Woodrows.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] SEA GIRT, N. J., July 25.—Governor Wilson's political secretary succeeded today in finishing the classification of the enormous mass of letters upwards of 20,000 since the Baltimore convention. One file contains the label "babies." In it are forty letters from American fathers and mothers announcing the arrival of boy babies and their christening as "Woodrow Wilson Smith, Jones, Brown or whatever the last name is."

Replies signed by the governor have been sent to each family. Wilson is still in seclusion working on his speech of acceptance.

## CAUSTIC BOLTS FROM A BOLTER

Congressman Norris Makes Reply to Mondell's Speech and Speaks Right Off the Bat.

## PLUM TREE SHAKEN

Declared Colner Got Federal Appointment Because He Kept the Bull Moooses Out of the Hall.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, July 25.—Business in the house was suspended for an hour today while Representative Norris, Nebraska progressive, denounced as "fraudulent" President Taft's nomination at Chicago. The progressive leader replied to the speech yesterday of Representative Mondell, who bitterly attacked Colonel Roosevelt and denied the Roosevelt charges of "stealing delegates."

Norris did not have a prepared speech. He spoke right off the bat, ridiculing the claim that Taft's victory was "regular and legal."

Clustered about Norris were an applauding group of the house progressives. The regular republicans' seats were crowded too, and many democrats listened contentedly, their faces wreathed in broad smiles as Norris shot his caustic bolts at the Taft supporters.

The Texas contests at Chicago were analyzed in detail by Norris. He denounced the unsetting of Colonel Cecil Lyon and his Roosevelt delegates, as "one of the grossest frauds of the whole Chicago robbery."

Representative Humphrey of Washington, gave notice that he would reply tomorrow to Norris' statements regarding alleged frauds in the Washington state convention.

Norris opened fire upon the "southern delegates," declaring federal officers manipulated the Alabama convention.

"Every white man on the Georgia delegation except one was a federal office holder," he said. "Their joint salaries were \$52,000.

"The salaries of all of the federal office holders from the south at Chicago would amount to \$1,000,000. That is more than the republican organization and party is worth down there.

"If any federal office holder in Texas had the nerve to oppose Taft as Mr. Mondell declared, he ought to have a chromo, a medal and a pension."

Norris then linked the Ohio and Massachusetts primaries in his attack. "We find Roosevelt telling some of the Massachusetts delegates to vote for Taft," said Norris. "In Ohio we find Mr. Taft, at the state convention sending a dispatch to his managers, like this:

"I hope my friends will not consider any compromise."  
"Defeated by 47,000 but giving orders to capture the convention and get the delegates—this was Taft's position in Ohio.

"The plum tree in Ohio was shaken a while ago, at least some of the men who obeyed Taft's orders received their reward."

Norris said the brother-in-law of a New Mexico delegate who voted for Taft had been appointed as United States marshal.

Returning to the alleged "steal" of the Washington delegates, Norris lambasted Beverly W. Colner, recently nominated by President Taft for United States district attorney for the western district at Washington.

"They took down fire escapes and placed police at the doors of the con-

## OPTOMETRIST NEEDED BY THE GOD OF LOVE

Eugenics Think That One Good Operation Would Cure His Blindness.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] LONDON, July 25.—Love ought to see an oculist. The blind god's blindness is curable. He has cataracts merely, or some such thing. His optic nerves are all right. He not only can be cured but he ought to be cured and he must be. Otherwise the human race is coming to a bad end.

In various forms this was the warning conveyed in all the papers read today before the International Eugenics congress at London university. Mating has got to be done along scientific lines, the eugenists agreed—or posterity won't amount to much. "I believe civilization is in serious danger of retrograding," Major Leonard Darwin told the congress in his presidential address "unless the eugenics movement keeps it from doing so. The movement's success is imperative."

There were many other more or less technical addresses. The Duchess of Marlborough will receive the delegates at Sunderland house tonight. Eugenics means "the science of improving stock whether human or animal."