

ITS RECOMMEND LABOR MOBILIZATION

Comprehensive System of Government-Centered Exchange Urged at Meeting

INDUSTRY RIVALS ARMS

As Important to Co-ordinate Workers as Military Forces, Speakers Tell Delegates

Mobilization of labor through a comprehensive system of labor exchanges centering in the Federal Government was urged this afternoon by experts who addressed a joint meeting of the American Association for Labor Legislation, American Economic Association and American Farm Management Association at the University of Pennsylvania.

Henry B. Seager, secretary of the United States Shipbuilding Labor Adjustment Board, declared it was as important to mobilize the industrial army required for the production of food, munitions, airplanes and ships as the actual army.

"For the one we have resorted to the draft," he said, "for the other we must rely upon the appeal for wages fairly adjusted to higher living costs, of dependent safe working conditions and of patriotism. To these we have pledged thousands of workers will respond, provided machinery is created to connect them with the war industries. This calls for an efficient co-ordinating organization. State and municipal public employment bureaus.

Professor Seager advocated the expansion of the Federal employment service under a director so appointed to be the official employment agent of our war industries. It is only through such a system, he contended, that it could be determined whether we have plenty of workers for the war industries, or whether the dilution of labor through the employment of unskilled men, women or children.

Professor M. B. Hammond, of Ohio State University, said that although England was fortified with an efficient employment service system at the outset of hostilities, she was confronted nevertheless on every hand with problems of labor mobilization.

Steps to make the man power of the nation available for both manufacturing and agriculture were outlined by V. Wilcox, of the United States Department of Agriculture. This is absolutely necessary, he said, if the farmers are to obtain help in planting and harvesting seasons to insure feeding the world.

Nation-wide employment service along the lines mentioned was also urged by Charles B. Barnes, director of the New York State Bureau of Employment, Frank App, of the New Jersey Agricultural College, and others.

Greater co-operation by the lumber operators and the use of healthiest food were two pertinent suggestions developed at meetings held at the Hotel Adelphi by the American Sociological Society and American Farm Management Association this morning.

The arbitrary attitude of lumber operators may seriously interfere with the production of airplanes so essential to the winning of the war.

A warning to this effect was given by Prof. Carl Kelsey, of the University of Pennsylvania, in the course of an address on "The War as a Crisis in Social Control" at the twelfth annual meeting of the American Sociological Society.

The speaker deplored the limitations placed on Government work by the Lumbermen's Protective League, and in the course of his remarks said among other things:

"The present situation requires the virtual conscription of all citizens that each may contribute to the immediate end, the winning of the war. Unless this is done we shall continue the practice adopted by the Government in building the cantonments where it guaranteed cost plus 10 per cent to the contractor and then set him free to bid in the open market for labor, resulting in exorbitant wages and driving laborers from other industries, themselves holding government contracts at fixed prices for urgently needed articles.

"Not only should there be registration of labor and elimination of idlers, but strikes and lockouts must be forbidden and strikers treated as traitors. This must not be construed for maintenance of inadequate wages or of bad living conditions. If the Government controls it must provide decent conditions.

The suggestion for the use of horses as food was made by G. P. Warren, of Cornell University, before the Farm Management Association.

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CHESTNUT HILL WEDDING

Miss Mildred H. Lane to Marry New York Man Tomorrow

Miss Mildred H. Lane, of Chestnut Hill, will become the bride of Douglas Woodruff, of Auburn, N. Y., tomorrow afternoon at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Chestnut Hill.

The ceremony will be performed at 4:30 o'clock by the Rev. Edwin Selden Lane, brother of the bride, assisted by the Rev. John H. Chapman, rector. The bride, who is a daughter of Alexander Lane, a wool merchant, of 51 Rex avenue, will have as maid of honor Miss Idella Grubel, daughter of Colonel John Grubel, and as flower girl Miss Elizabeth Sheldon, a cousin. Karl Woodruff, brother of the bridegroom, will be best man. The bridegroom, who is in the New York National Guard on the Mexican border last year, will live in Auburn, where Mr. Woodruff is a manufacturer, executing Government contracts.

ITALIAN ART WORKS PILLAGED BY HUNS

Invasors Mask Thefts by Protestation of Good Intentions, Rome Charges

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The protection of artistic monuments in invaded Italian territory through the appointment of a special commission of experts by the Central Powers is simply a mask to hide the real purposes of the invaders. Official cablegrams from Rome brought this information to Washington today.

The Italians have established the fact that the Austro-Germans have transported to Vienna, Budapest and Berlin various works of art in public and private buildings and churches. The equestrian statue of Victor Emmanuel in Udine has disappeared. Italians point out they respected the monument of Emperor Maximilian at Comorn, notwithstanding this particular monument was erected as a provocation and challenge to Italy.

The dispatches say all the villas of Austrian noblemen have been pillaged and wonderful artistic collections transported to Austria. The Temple Canova at Casanova was badly damaged, but all Canova's art works were placed in safety before the invaders arrived.

SCIENTIST PREDICTS FALL OF BOLSHIEVIKI

Misled by Germans and Mismatched Masses, Says Convention Speaker

HOPE LIES IN PEASANTS

Military History and Economics Are Cited as Furnishing Useful Lessons

The Bolsheviks probably will fall to pieces, in the opinion of Alexander Petrunkevitch, of Yale University, an aristocratic Russian, whose father is editor of a leading Russian organ at Petrograd and who analyzed today the present political situation in his native land at the second day's session of the thirty-third annual convention of the American Historical Association in Houston Hall, University of Pennsylvania.

In speaking of the "part the intellectuels played in the Russian revolution," he said that he couldn't tell how long the Bolsheviks would last, but that they would probably utterly fail; that they are the result of German propaganda. He maintained that the intellectuels had fallen down in their attempt to handle the economic and social phases of the revolution.

"The progress of the Russian revolution," Mr. Petrunkevitch explained, "presents a sad spectacle of an almost complete failure on the part of the majority of the intellectuels to understand the spirit of the time and to guide the masses through the labyrinth of errors. The intellectuels weakened the Czar's power and thus contributed to the overthrow of the Government by their persistent attacks upon the system of autocratic rule."

"They helped to awaken the spirit of self-consciousness in the masses, but they did not evolve new principles. They misunderstood the masses, and consequently were unable to control the forces set loose. If Russia is going to be saved from utter ruin and to evolve a new democratic system it will be due not to the intellectuels, but to the great spirit of the dark masses of the Russian peasants."

Inference that the world war, drawing heavily upon the nation's resources, will stimulate and give permanent strength to American manufactures was drawn from an address today by Dr. Victor S. Clark, of the Carnegie Institution, Washington.

"At no time during the Civil War was there such a fuel shortage as we have at present," said Doctor Clark. "For

TRUCKLOAD OF CASTINGS GONE; DRIVER ARRESTED

Young Man Suspected of Stealing From Government and Employer

On suspicion of stealing a number of brass castings belonging to the United States Government and valued at \$25,000 and an automobile from Fred Archer, 210 Brandywine street, Samuel Davis, twenty-nine years old, 1308 North Twelfth street, was arrested by City Hall detectives Brown and Coogan early today.

According to Archer, he employed Davis as a chauffeur, and on December 24, sent him to bridge part with a truck load of castings which were to be finished there for the Government. They were never delivered, and Archer had no trace of the truck or of Davis.

Archer reported the supposed theft to the detective bureau, and Brown and Coogan went to Davis' home. There, they say, they found him dressed in the uniform of a sergeant in the United States army. He showed discharge papers from the army, but could give no satisfactory explanation as to the wearing of the uniform. He said that he had been forced to abandon the truck on the road to Bridgeport because he became stuck in a snowdrift. He will be taken on a motor ride this afternoon in an effort to locate the truck. It is expected that he will be turned over to the Federal authorities for wearing the uniform while not in the service.

GROUNDHOG A FAKER, SCIENTISTS ARE TOLD

The American groundhog was exposed as a weather faker today by a learned gathering—members of the American Folklore Society—at the University Museum.

The animal weather prognosticator, who has been getting the credit for years for meteorological sagacity, really owes his fame to a French bear, according to Miss H. Newell Wardle, of this city, in a paper entitled "Note on the Ground Hog Day Myth and its Origin."

"There is an old French fable about a bear which the peasants first called the 'hoar bear' and later the 'disappointed bear,'" she said. "He was supposed to appear February 2 and retro to his hole if he saw his shadow. Some one brought the legend across the water to America, where it was applied to the groundhog because of its resemblance to a bear."

A \$2000 fund in the for most two 11000 Liberty Loan bonds was presented to the society by Mrs. J. M. Moore, of Philadelphia, on behalf of her late brother, W. W. Newell, C. M. Barbeau, of Ottawa, Can., was elected president to succeed Robert H. Lewis. All the other officers were re-elected as follows: First vice president, G. L. Kidbridge; second vice president, J. Walter Fewkes; permanent secretary, Charles Peabody;

CONSULTING SURGEON NAMED

Dr. Elwood R. Kirby Appointed to Eastern Penitentiary Post

Announcement was made today of appointment of Dr. Elwood R. Kirby as consulting surgeon of the Eastern Penitentiary. Doctor Kirby, who is widely known in medical circles, lives at 1202 Spruce street. He is now medical director of St. Mary's Hospital.

Doctor Kirby was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1887, and subsequently studied in England and Germany. He was for several years clinical surgeon at the University Hospital and was connected with several other institutions.

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