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SHOP TRADES HAIL DECISION OF RAILROAD LABOR BOARD AS VICTORY IN STATEMENT

Set of 16 Principles Is Approved by All Members; Big Business Had Influenced Course of Board, Says Gompers.

Chicago, April 15.—Abrogation of the national agreements between the railroads and their employes, announced Thursday by the railroad labor board, was officially accepted Friday night by the executive council of the shop trades in a statement which hailed the decision as a great victory for labor, declaring it did not impair labor's economic or social status. About 500,000 men are employed in the shop crafts.

Steel Trust Influence? During the day the railroads through the conference committee, the Association of Railway Executives and through statements from the heads of federal roads, approved the decision as a whole, although criticizing certain phases of it.

The attitude of the shop trades council, however, apparently was not shared by all labor leaders, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, in a statement issued in New York, declaring that the board must have been "influenced by big business" while others termed the decision the "work of the steel trust" and criticized it severely.

Board is Pleasid. The labor board itself expressed satisfaction over the fact that the decision apparently had met with some approval from both sides, declaring that this indicated it had at least opened the way to a permanent industrial peace between railroad employes and employes.

The decision of the board to permit individual conference between each road and its employes instead of granting labor's request for one national conference, was said by board members to have been the only course open.

Negotiations Unhindered. "There is nothing in the law to authorize the board to set up a national conference or a national set of agreements," said a member of the public group. "Every railroad has the free and inalienable right to negotiate with its own employes if it so desires and every American citizen has the right to make his own terms with his employers if he so desires. Neither could be bound by concerted action on either side."

The board also let it become known that while the set sixteen principles, which the decision said should be part of any agreement, was written by Henry T. Hunt, of the public group, it had been approved by each member of the board, although only a majority was necessary to incorporate it in the decision.

TONOPAH GOLD MINERS STRIKE

Tonopah, Nev., April 15.—All miners, engineers, electricians, machinists and mill men employed by the Belmont Development Co., the Tonopah Extension Co. and the Tonopah Mining Co., numbering 700 men, went on strike here Friday night, as a result of a new wage scale reducing wages 75 cents a shift, effective Saturday. The North Star and Rescue Eula mining properties, controlled by San Francisco interests, will operate under the old wage scale.

The workers' walkout was conducted in an orderly manner, the laborers expecting an early reinstatement at the old wage scale. A number of reports voluntarily closed here Friday night, pending settlement of the controversy.

GREAT WESTERN WELL NO. 2 IN

Lawistown, April 15.—The Democrat-News announces that the Great Western well No. 2 is completed. The oil flows over the top of the casing but the production will be comparatively small, being estimated at around 100 barrels, maximum, by using a swab. This is the thirtieth commercial well for the Cat Creek field, the new producer being in section 10, 15-28. The officers of the Great Western are all Miles City men.

Conley Will Refuse to Surrender Post Declares Counsel

Attorneys Contend Governor Dixon Exceeds Authority in Attempting to Oust Warden, Quote State Statutes in Defense.

Butte, April 15.—Following a demonstration staged in his honor at Deer Lodge Friday afternoon by more than 300 Butte, Anaconda and Warm Springs friends, attorneys for Frank Conley, warden of the state penitentiary, announced that Mr. Conley will not surrender his office to M. W. Potter, appointed as his successor by Governor Joseph M. Dixon.

Warden Conley's attorneys contend that the governor had exceeded his authority in attempting to oust Mr. Conley from office, declaring that "under the law, the governor has no authority, except in the case of a vacancy, to appoint a warden of the state prison without the consent and approval of the state senate."

Attorney's Statement. A statement issued by the attorneys states: Mr. Conley's term of office expired in February, at a time when the state senate was in session. The governor failed to make any appointment at the time, and made no attempt to have any appointment confirmed by the senate. It is also contended that the senate would not have confirmed appointments of any other person for warden than Mr. Conley. The law further provides that the tenure of the office of the warden is for a period of four years, and for such further time until his successor is qualified. It is maintained that a successor cannot be qualified except by confirmation of the senate.

Mr. Conley said that he had decided to fight removal "not because of any desire to retain the office but because I feel that the action taken by the governor was unfair and illegal."

Flight of Late Empress Eugenie Is Recalled by Death of Englishman

London, April 15.—The recent death of Sir John Montagu Burgoyne, famous for his rescue of the late Empress Eugenie at the fall of the second French empire in 1870, has brought to light a letter written by Sir John to Sir Henry Ponsombly ten days after the dramatic voyage across the English channel. The letter related the details of the escape in which Dr. Evans, an American dentist, was instrumental.

Sir John's yacht happened to be lying in the harbor at Deauville on September 6, 1870, waiting favorable weather for sailing. At 2 p. m. two strangers came aboard and asked for an audience with the owner. They appeared to trust Sir John and confided to him that the Empress was concealed in Deauville, he agreed to convey her to safety in England and it was decided that Lady Burgoyne should remain on board in order not to arouse suspicion.

Harding and Cabinet Discuss Rail Problem

Washington, April 15.—President Harding and his cabinet discussed the railway situation again Friday, without reaching a decision as to the plan to be pursued in arranging a satisfactory solution.

Suggestions for a general conference between the managers and employes still are under advisement and are awaiting the collection of further information regarding the feasibility of such a course, it was said. It is understood the cabinet discussion was incidental to a general canvass of ways and means to restore normal industrial conditions. Administration officials are said to feel that rehabilitation of the transportation systems would go a long way toward insuring necessary readjustments throughout the commercial world.

Striking Miners Plead for Food to Alabama Governor

Birmingham, Ala., April 15.—Declaring their members destitute, seven locals of the United Mine Workers of America Friday appealed to Governor Kilby for re-employment in the mines or for relief in some other form. The petition was said to represent 729 union miners and 2639 women and children. International relief funds were withdrawn from Alabama April 9.

Twister Kills 100 in Texas and Arkansas

Little Rock, Ark., April 16.—Reports received by the Arkansas Gazette up to an early hour this morning, give a total of 39 persons dead as a result of the storm in southwestern Arkansas. Twenty-seven of these were said to be white persons and a large number of them were unidentified.

Texarkana, April 15.—At least 11 persons are known to have been killed, more than 30 injured, some probably fatally and heavy property damage caused by a tornado that swooped down upon a stretch of rural territory near here late Friday.

The storm, according to reports here late Thursday night, indicated the storm struck east of here and moved northeast, cutting a swath two miles wide and ten miles long. Shiloh, and Trigenta, seem to have borne the brunt of the twisting wind in this locality, although because of impassable roads relief parties found it impossible to investigate thoroughly tonight.

Eleven bodies, several of them those of negroes, had been brought to Texarkana late tonight, and the meager reports received here indicated a rapidly mounting list of injured. It was believed the property loss would be tremendous.

Texarkana, April 15.—Starting at a point about three miles east of Texarkana, a tornado Friday afternoon swept northeast, doing extensive damage over an area varying from half a mile to nearly 2 miles in width and ten miles long, killing six identified persons, three of whom are negroes, and, according to reliable reports, killing five out of six in the Jones family. On the Boyce plantation, one little girl, River bottom, five dead out of six in the Jones family, one little girl, injured, surviving. Several negroes also are reported dead there. Two unknown negroes were killed in a field southwest of Texarkana by a secondary storm and more than a score of persons injured.

At Shiloh, six miles east of Texarkana, a school house was wrecked and Miss Lena Owens, demonstration agent, who was holding a meeting, and four children were injured. The school house at Trigenta was wrecked just after school had been dismissed. All buildings on the Boyce, Potter and Sims plantations, all large places with many tenant houses, were destroyed.

Hope, Ark., April 15.—From 15 to 20 reported dead and scores injured as the result of a tornado which swept the entire length of

Drive to Unionize Steel Workers to Commence June 19

Washington, April 15.—(By The Associated Press).—The active campaign of national and international organizations in the steel industry affiliated with the American Federation of Labor to unionize the steel plants of the country will begin June 19, the executive council of these unions decided at a meeting Friday. This action was decided upon, it was said, notwithstanding unemployment and depressed industrial conditions.

The council decided to lay the foundation for the new unionization work by immediate launching a nationwide "educational drive" among the thousands of steel workers in the country, especially those now unemployed.

Meet in Denver, Plan. The steel campaign will be opened with a meeting of the executive council at Denver, Colo., at which time the organization program and the location of the steel committee's national headquarters will be decided. It is understood, has practically decided to open its headquarters in Chicago, with a large branch office at Pittsburgh, Pa. It is planned also to open organization offices in several steel centers.

"Chicago is a strategic steel center and organized labor there is in a new campaign with its resources," William Hannon, secretary of the council, said Friday. Because of this and other advantages, the Illinois city is considered as the logical location for our headquarters."

Former Presidents Will Be Pensioned \$10,000 if Bill Passes

Washington, April 15.—A proposal that former presidents be paid annual pensions of \$10,000, was introduced in the senate Friday by Senator Calder, Republican, New York, and in the house by Representative Dyer, Republican, Missouri. Another pension bill introduced in the house was that of Representative Rickerts, Republican, Ohio, providing from \$6 to \$14 a week for persons over 65 years of age who have incomes not exceeding \$10 a week and who are attempting to earn a living if physically able to do so.

YOUNG EMERGENCY TARIFF BILL, AFTER BITTER FIGHT, PASSES HOUSE 269 TO 112

Steel Companies Slash Prices in Bidding for Very Limited Business

Average Drop \$8 Ton in Pipe and Sheet Quotations of \$7 to \$14 Ton Recorded; Lower Rail Rate Anticipated by Buyers.

New York, April 15.—Spirited competition for the limited business in the steel market was thought in business circles to have precipitated the succession of price cutting announcements Friday by both the United States Steel corporation and several independents. Marked increase in buying was noted, however.

This intensified reports that the corporation intends lowering wages among its 265,000 employes, but officials of the corporation deny this. Continued apathy of purchasers was taken to mean they were waiting for a prospective revision of railroad wage scales in the expectation that lower freight rates would result. The American Sheet & Tin Plate Co., a subsidiary of the United States Steel corporation, Friday cut its quotations from \$7 to \$14 a ton on sheets.

Spaniards Protest American Troops in Santo Domingo

Madrid, April 15.—A protest against the occupation of Santo Domingo by United States troops is contained in a message that has been addressed to President Harding by a group of prominent Spaniards, including former Premier Romanones, Francisco Cambon, former minister of public works, and Professor Unamuno of Salamanca university the message says. A suggestion that the time was propitious for the United States to withdraw its troops from Santo Domingo and restore the "regime" annulled by the military occupa-

TRAPPER SLAIN NEAR STUART

Butte, April 15.—An unidentified trapper of near Stuart was found dead near the Silver Bow county poor farm Thursday by a schoolboy. That the man was murdered is evidenced by two bullet holes in the back of his head and three bullet wounds in his stomach. The body was slightly frozen, the eyes puffed and swollen, indicating that he had died at least 24 hours before he was found.

The man was identified as a trapper by near Stuart by J. R. Smith, of Butte, a conductor on the Northern Pacific, who was located at Missoula. A ticket check on which was written Mr. Smith's name and address was found under the man's hat band. Conductor Smith said the trapper often got on his train, either at Stuart or Garrison, and that the last time had promised to get him (Smith) some beaver hides which accounted for the name and address on the ticket check. Only 78 cents was found in the murdered man's clothes. Police have a number of other clues to his identity which they are working on.

QUART OF MILK 10C ON COAST

Portland, Ore., April 15.—Milk which was recently reduced from 13 cents a quart to 11 cents by the Oregon Dairymen's Co-operative league, is slated for another drop of a cent a quart, according to a statement issued Friday by M. F. Shrock, manager of the league, the reduction to be effective within three days. The present 11 cent price is effective only at grocery stores. Milk delivered to residences still bring 13 cents a quart.

\$200,000 SCHOOL COMPLETED. Sheridan, Wyo., April 15.—Contractors will turn over to the school board here Wednesday the new \$200,000 grade school building which has just been completed, it was announced Friday.

15 Democrats Join Republican Leaders; Debate Reveals Split in Texas Delegation; Six G. O. P. Solons Oppose

Washington, April 15.—Republican leaders, supported by all except eight of their party and by 15 Democrats, pushed the Young emergency tariff and anti-dumping bill through the house late Friday. The vote was 269 to 112, with two members voting present.

Passage of the measure came at the end of a stormy session, during which a handful of Democrats, aided by a few Republicans, had harassed the leaders of the Republican side persistently. For more than four hours charges that the Republicans had bowed to the "dictation of the senate" were hurled, not only by Representative Garrett, Tennessee, acting Democratic leader, but by Representative Newton, Minnesota, and Representative Luca, Massachusetts, both Republicans, as well.

Heated Discussion. Heated discussion marked the tariff debate, which revealed a wide split in the Texas delegation. Several Louisiana members also supported the tariff program. The discussion was particularly pointed when Representative Connolly, Democrat, Texas, chided his colleague, Representative Hinds, for deserting his party.

Besides Mr. Hinds, the roll call showed the following Democrats voting for the tariff: Parrish, Blanton and Jones, of Texas; Dyprenavrot, Martin and Lazara, of Louisiana; Smithwick, Georgia; Taylor, Colorado; Lea, California; Clark, Florida; Campbell, Louisiana; Georgia, and Deal, Virginia.

Six Republicans Oppose. Republicans voting against the bill included: Stafford, Wisconsin; Tinkham, Massachusetts; Perlman, York, Ky.; Ryan, and Siegel, of Louisiana; Massachusetts; and Keller, Michigan.

Chairman Fordney, of the ways and means committee, precipitated the charges of senate dictation when he declared the senate would accept any changes in the bill as it was passed last session, not so much as "a crossing of a t' or the dotting of an i."

"Those are instructions," he added. Mr. Newton, who had the floor, retorted that he would not "surrender judgment and intelligence both" on a question on which he felt he was right, "senate dictation notwithstanding."

"I don't propose to have the house accept the dictation of the other body," he exclaimed.

Amendments Dropped. "That admission by Mr. Fordney is the most amazing I have heard in my 18 years' experience," said Representative Garner, of Texas, shouting. "It appears that the constitution is being violated, for it says explicitly that revenue measures must originate in the house, and here we have the chairman of the ways and means committee admitting frankly that the bill was dictated by the senate."

And further, Mr. Fordney's statement means that hereafter no bill can be amended in this house if the senate leaders will that it shall not be changed. It means that we must bow to the senators' wishes whether or not amendments have merit."

Sam Gompers to Wed New York City Widow

New York, April 15.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, Friday night authorized the announcement of his engagement to Mrs. Gertrude Giverson Neuscheler, of this city. The marriage will take place in the near future.