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RAILMEN STRIKE IF BILL PASSES

Machinists Serve Notice of Intention on Congress.

OTHER BODIES MEET

All Brotherhoods to Gather at Gompers' Call to Discuss Cummins Measure.

CONFEREES TO START SOON

Senate and House Expect a Hard Fight in Getting Together on Strike Clause.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Organized railway machinists through their president, served notice on congress today that they would not submit to enactment of the Cummins railroad bill with its drastic strikers provision.

More than a month ago, 85 per cent of the 125,000 members of the union favored an immediate walkout in event of the bill's passage by both houses of congress, but the railroads, not made known until the bill was passed, might appear in the light of attempting to force the lawmaking branch of the government.

Meet on Monday

The machinists, according to William H. Johnson, president of the International Association of Railway Machinists, who have taken a strike vote, but the heads of all the brotherhoods, 14 in all, have been summoned to meet here Monday to consider pending railway legislation and define precisely their positions on the clause in the Cummins bill, which prevents strikes and puts strikers in jail.

The call for the conference was issued by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, but Mr. Gompers and other labor leaders refused to discuss probable action by the brotherhood leaders. President Wilson's Christmas Eve announcement that the roads would be handed back to their owners March 1 was a distinct disappointment to labor leaders, who had been pleading for a two-year extension of government control. The act, however, that the roads were to go back to them was a good thing to let it be known.

Conference Next Monday

There was no meeting today of house and senate conferees who have been assigned the stupendous job of trying to frame a new railroad bill out of the 26th and Cummins measures. This work, however, will begin next week in the hope of final enactment of railroad legislation sometime in the next two months. The anti-strike clause, which will be the main point of difference, and while it was left intact in the bill passed by the senate, house leaders.

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LENINE IS TOO SLOW

Soviets in New York Condemn Russian Regime as Being Reactionary—Lusk Report to Be Made

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Evidence was given at today's executive session of legislative committee which has been investigating radicalism in New York state, that the Union of Russian Workers, the organization to which a large proportion of the radicals recently deported on the transport Buford belonged, exceeds the anti-government of Russia in its antagonism to the form of authority. George J. Starr, an investigator of the committee, testified that at one of the meetings of the organization a resolution was adopted condemning the Leninist variety of government as being as reactionary as any other form.

The committee tonight issued a statement preliminary to the final report, which will be presented to congress at its forthcoming session.

It is not only the large number of men and women engaged in the radical revolutionary movement. Evidence discloses the fact that literature of an extremely radical nature is being generally and widely circulated throughout the entire state, principally through establishments located in New York city.

By all means keep story of "When the Clouds Roll By" secret. Don't divulge it in any of your advertisements. This is the personal property of Manager Bill Smith of the Radio Theater. Photograph request sent Manager Bill Smith of the Radio Theater, yesterday by Douglas Fairbanks, adding that the story is so new and original that he wants to keep it from his fans. He will add to it on the screen. The request will be complied with. The story is of great interest. It may be stated that in the picture house girls from "Bancroft, Okla."

World's News Told in Condensed Form For Hurried Readers

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 26.—Constitutionality of a statute designed to curtail use of foreign languages in Nebraska schools was cancelled today by Secretary of War Newton D. Baker because many of the members are absent from Washington for the holidays.

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PARIS, Dec. 26.—Gaby Deslys, famous French dancer who has been critically ill, following a throat operation, seemed to improve today, as announced at her home. The physician says if she continues to mend she will soon be out of bed.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 26.—Charles Moran, known all over the country as a "dreaded" criminal, was arrested today. He was arrested in a federal automobile and pleaded guilty to complicity in the Minnie Frank case. Sentence was deferred and he was remanded to jail.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 26.—The Detroit United Railways today withdrew a suit that it proposed to make a charge of 1 cent for transfers, stating that because of government interference in its operations, it now finds itself unable to operate profitably on a flat 5-cent fare.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Raymond Rodriguez and Adrian Alvarez Herrera, arrested on charges of attacking and robbing Mr. and Mrs. Alexioa Broderick of Dallas, Texas, in their suite at the Hotel Knickerbocker, were today sentenced to 10 years in prison for their part in the robbery and for carrying a dangerous weapon. Both pleaded not guilty.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—No Persian skirts of the tattered variety, no bare hocked or low bodiced gowns and no abbreviated skirts are to be tolerated at the fashion shows at Buckingham palace, it was learned today. An intimation from the king's lord chamberlain stated that "freak and immodest gowns are tabooed."

LA PORTE, Ind., Dec. 26.—The Bank of Westville, near here, today offered a reward of \$2,500 and "the offering asked" for the return of \$100,000 worth of Liberty bonds, the proceeds of a recent issue, which were stolen from the bank's safety deposit vault several days ago.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—More than 1,000,000 gallons of whisky stored here, it became known today, has found a place that can be called "home." Information has been received from both Cuba and Mexico, it is learned, that the liquor will be most welcome in their countries. Shipment of the liquor is expected to start imminently.

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A number of other men were held in a critical condition tonight in investigations in Hartford and Springfield. Four men were under arrest in Hartford and three in Chicopee, pending the result of autopsies to be held late tonight.

Police investigations in Hartford indicated that the liquor, which was sent to that city from New York, contained wood alcohol. Part of it was sold at a bar in Hartford, part was bought at a place by persons who carried it away and part was sent to a hotel in Chicopee Falls.

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HUNT FOR TEXAS OIL FIELD REDS

Federal Agents Start a Probe of Activities of Radicals.

GUARDS PUT ON DUTY

Invasion of Waggoner City Reported Planned—Suspects Are Arrested.

LAWLESSNESS IS SPREADING

Wave Sweeping Through the Camps and State and Federal Forces Doubled.

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Dec. 26.—Radicals are spreading "red" propaganda in the oil field camps in northern Texas and are making an organized effort to create discontent among workmen, department of justice officials who have been investigating radical activities announced here today.

The federal government, it was said, was making an "extensive investigation" of the activities of the radicals.

Reports that radicals were planning an invasion of Waggoner City, 14 miles northwest of here, last night caused heavy guards to be stationed about stores and in the outskirts of the town.

A number of persons were arrested last night at Waggoner City by county officers and are being held for investigation. State and federal forces in the oil regions were increased this month in an effort to curb what was said to be "a wave of lawlessness which was sweeping through the oil fields."

NEW TRIAL IS DELAYED

Case Will be Reopened Monday; More Depositions Read to Prove Insanity of Defendant.

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Charges For Theft Dropped When War Record Is Learned

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—How Arthur E. Abbott, long wanted as a fugitive from justice, the son of a well-known Federal Trust company of this city, enlisted in the marine as Sergeant W. H. Haskell and was cited for brilliant war service, was discovered today when it was announced that he had been set free on probation by the district attorney and that he had received the croix de guerre officially under his right name.

Abbott, who was employed as a bookkeeper at \$29 a week, disappeared in the fall of 1917 after the bank loss became known and it was learned that he had been living like a man of wealth and had evaded a nationwide search for him and enlisted in the marine corps at New Orleans as Haskell and went overseas with the sixth regiment. He was one of the 43 men left of the famous 1,200 marines who went through the Argonne. He was cited for bravery after capturing a machine gun and taking prisoners near Virey, July 29, 1918.

After receiving an honorable discharge last January he immediately re-enlisted again as Haskell. He was detailed aboard the U. S. Dolphin in July and ordered to Philadelphia, a nationwide search for him and enlisted in the marine corps at New Orleans as Haskell and went overseas with the sixth regiment. He was one of the 43 men left of the famous 1,200 marines who went through the Argonne. He was cited for bravery after capturing a machine gun and taking prisoners near Virey, July 29, 1918.

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ORDERS REVISION OF NAVY AWARDS

Daniels Directs Board to Reconcive on January 5.

SIMS' ROW IS CAUSE

Refusal of Admiral to Accept Decoration Instrumental in Secretary's Step.

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BREAK PARTY LINES IN TREATY FIGHT

UNWRITTEN LAW SLAYER'S CLAIM

C. D. Fuller Shoots Man Who Refused To Let His Wife Alone

PLEADS NOT GUILTY

Tragedy Took Place in the Hallway of Clinton Building.

While talking to the wife of his slayer, James Morris, 25, an employee of the Pan American Refining company of this city, was shot and instantly killed at 7 o'clock yesterday morning by C. D. Fuller, 28, an employee of the local Hook agency.

The tragedy, a culmination of attentions paid to Mrs. Fuller employed in the eight-story Clinton building, Fourth street and Houston, where the shooting occurred, is said to have resulted only after the husband and Mrs. Fuller's father had on a number of occasions remonstrated with Morris to forego his attentions to the woman. This he refused to do, according to their statements, and the shooting followed.

Fuller entered a plea of not guilty to the charge of murder filed against him yesterday in the court of Justice H. J. Gray, and was committed to jail without bail for preliminary hearing December 31, at 2 o'clock.

Fuller's friends say that many times the defendant has approached Morris and sought to dissuade the latter from his attentions to Mrs. Fuller. Fuller's father-in-law, an attorney at Fort Gibson, also attempted to persuade Morris to cease his attentions to the woman, but it is said that Morris disregarded their pleas and continued his attentions.

H. E. Carruthers, the only eyewitness to the shooting except Mrs. Fuller, was standing in the elevator in the hallway when the shot was fired. Morris was struck by two of the five bullets fired at him by Fuller. After the shooting Fuller walked toward the police station and gave himself up to officers whom he met. Fuller's only remark was to the effect that he either had to kill Morris or be killed himself.

When the body of the dead man was searched no weapon of any kind was found and the only thing found in his pockets was a silver dollar.

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Members of Coal Commission Start Investigation Soon

Notice Served by Members of Both Parties To Hurry Plans.

FOES ACCEPT BATTLE

Irreconcilables Planning to Keep Forces Intact Against Acceptance.

WILSON IS DESERTED

Democrats Willing to Vote for Best Terms That They Can Obtain.

LODGE IS THREATENED

Mild Republicans to Act Independently to Come to an Agreement.

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