



FEDERATION CONVENTION

Much Business and Pleasure During Session.

UNION SMOKER SUCCESS

Resolutions on Fishing Business Introduced and Will be Acted Upon Today.

PLEASANT TRIP ON THE BAY

The State Federation of Labor is Transacting Important Business and Closer Connections Are Being Made Between Devotees of the Cause of Labor.

The convention of the State Federation of Labor met yesterday with a good attendance of delegates. There was not much business transacted, the session being devoted to discussions on important topics.

A resolution of condolence, extending the sympathy of the gathering, was extended to Brother Scheel, of the Brewery Workers' Union, on the death of his mother, who died on Monday. A resolution advocating the enactment of laws by Congress, for the better protection of fishermen, was adopted. A resolution strongly supporting the direct primary law, and statement No. 1 and advocating the election, to public office, of no candidate who fails to subscribe to Statement No. 1, was introduced and referred to the committee on resolutions. The convention then adjourned to meet at the dock of the Patrol where the delegates were to embark for a trip around the harbor, as guests of the people of Astoria. The delegates returned at 4 p. m. and immediately went into session. A communication from the Brewery Workers' International Union was received, regarding prohibition, and was under discussion when the convention adjourned until today.

Resolutions were presented by the delegates from the Fishermen's Union, and will be acted upon today. From the expression of many of the delegates, there is no question but that they will be passed unanimously.

One of the resolutions presented was the following:

Whereas, It is reported that the fish-wheel owners of the upper Columbia, noting the bona fide efforts of the Columbia River Salmon Protective Association to save our fisheries, are circulating petitions to stop fishing for salmon during nights and stop fishing for salmon at the mouth of the Columbia; and

Whereas, No state or nation has ever prohibited fishing at the mouth of any river where such river is even one-half as wide as the Columbia is at its mouth, states and nations only stopping fishing in very narrow rivers or in the narrow upper parts of large rivers; and

Whereas, Several thousand gill-net fishermen are fishing off and just above the mouth of the Columbia River; and

Whereas, Gill-net fishing can only be carried on during certain stages of the tide and gill-nets can only be fished nights during certain seasons of the year when the water in the river is clear and salmon do not gill during the day time, it is apparent that this move of the rich fish wheel owners is to obscure the issues presented by the Columbia River Salmon Protective Association; it is also apparent that to stop night fishing and stop fishing at the mouth of the Columbia is for the purpose of driving several thousand gill-net fishermen from the river, so that the fish-wheel and fish-trap owners can get all the salmon, the fish wheels and

fish traps not fishing nights as good as during the day time; therefore be it

Resolved, By the fifth annual convention of the Oregon State Federation of Labor, that we hereby brand this trickery of the fish wheel owners as unusually despicable and unworthy of the support of any citizen who has the welfare of our state and its people at heart.

OLE J. SETTEM,
H. M. LORNTSEN,
JENS NIELSEN.

The smoker given by the local unions to the visiting delegates, at the Odd Fellows' hall, last night, was a neat compliment to the hordes of organized labor who are, at present making Astoria their headquarters. During the afternoon the delegates were treated to a ride around the harbor in the Patrol, and from 2 p. m. until 4 our visitors (some of them) enjoyed a ride on water around our harbor. Several ladies accompanied the jolly party and were special guests of the genial skipper of the marine representative of Uncle Sam. When the convention adjourned for the day, the ladies were relegated to the back ground, and the local male contingent had all kinds of excuses for being absent from the evening meal. "Business, my dear, will keep me from dinner," was used on the telephone to such an extent that the "hello girls" were heard, even over the wires, to say: "Gee, wouldn't that jar you?" At 7:30 about 300 people gathered in Odd Fellows' hall to attend the smoker given by the local unions, to the visiting delegates. When the exercises opened, Mayor Wise, in his usual happy vein, greeted the enthusiastic throng, and by his witty sallies, coupled with his usual bright sayings, won the applause of many who have not had the pleasure of meeting our urbane Mayor. Mr. Wise was at his best and today he is a better known man than he thought he would ever be. Ed Rosenberg, who needs no introduction was called upon for a speech and the applause that greeted his remarks could be heard on Bond street. Jokes, stories, etc., enlivened the evening until it was announced that a three-round boxing exhibition would be presented by Prof. Holstein Rathlon, and Ralph Steinenberg, a local man. Both men indulged in a very scientific display of the manly art. Prof. Rathlon gave a splendid exhibition of boxing as indulged in where he made his home, in Denmark, but Steinenberg used our home methods and as a result a pretty contest was shown. Both participants by a prearranged plan divided the gate receipts which were nil. Everyone enjoyed himself and felt that a smoker of the unions of Astoria is a good thing to attend.

TENANTS THREATEN

Landlords Notified Fire Will Result After Eviction.

WARNING FROM RENTSTRIKERS

Point Given to Threats by Fire in Madison Street Tenement—Courts Working Overtime on Applications to Dispossess—Lower Rents Are Asked.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Threats that their buildings would be burned if the tenants were evicted, flooded the east side landlords today. The warning is supposed to have come from rent strikers, and in general were on postal cards worded as follows:

"We will move, but after we have vacated, the fire department will visit you. (Signed),

"The Red Flag."

A point was given to the threats by a fire today at a Madison street tenement where the first demands for lower rent had been refused. Applications for dispossession papers have been so heavy that several courts today refused to accept any more until Friday.

MAKES NO DIFFERENCE.

TUCSON, Ariz., Jan. 7.—Francis J. Heney, when asked about the appointment of Christian Schuebel, as United States district attorney for Oregon, and about the resignation of James Cole, assistant United States district attorney, said the appointment and resignation would not change the plans of the prosecution.

COPPER KING IS INDICTED

Heinze is Under Ban of Grand Jury.

OVER CERTIFIED CHECKS

Federal Grand Jury Takes Action After Investigating Defunct Bank.

FURNISHES \$50,000 BONDS

Aftermath of Collapse of Heinze Pool in United Copper and the Suspension of Mercantile National Bank Results in Indictment of Copper Magnate.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Indicted by the federal grand jury for the over-certification of checks, representing in the aggregate over \$400,000, drawn by the firm of Otto Heinze & Co., on the Mercantile National Bank, F. A. Heinze, copper magnate and former president of the Mercantile National Bank, surrendered himself to United States Commissioner Shields today and later was released on \$50,000 bail. Heinze will be formally arraigned to plead to the indictment tomorrow. Edward Lauterback, counsel for Heinze stated tonight that his client did not willfully overcertify the checks, as he had drawn a check to the credit of Otto Heinze & Co., for the amount of \$500,000 which the bookkeeper of the bank probably failed to enter on the books until the day after the certification of the checks in question. The indictment by the federal grand jury, which has been investigating the Mercantile, and other banks identified with the Heinze and Charles W. Morse interest, is the after cause of the collapse of the Heinze pool in United Copper, which brought about the suspension of Gross & Kleeberg, stock brokers, and resulted in the resignation of F. A. Heinze from the presidency and retirement of the directorate of Mercantile National Bank, after the examination of that institution had been made by the Clearing-House. He declared at the time he had been betrayed by his friends in the United Copper pool. Heinze had been informed quietly that indictments, charging him with over-certification of 15 checks, all drawn October 14, just before the smash in United Copper, had been found by the grand jury on December 2, and that his appearance would be required today.

Without awaiting service of a bench warrant, Heinze in company with his counsel appeared before Shields this afternoon. The proceedings were short. Heinze pleaded not guilty and bail was immediately furnished by a surety company.

TEACHERS SCARCE.

Public School Work Crippled in Larger Cities.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Scarcity of teachers, which is crippling public school work in the larger cities throughout the country made itself felt in Chicago yesterday in unexpected fashion.

In no less than 33 rooms at elementary schools in various parts of the city the pupils, when they came together for the opening of the second term, found the teachers' desk unoccupied. After explaining the situation and directing the children to return as usual this morning, the principal of the school in each case dismissed the pupils in the "disabled" room.

One hundred and fifty sub-teachers had been assigned to regular work in charge of school-rooms, but this exhausted the available list.

ARRESTS OF CHILDREN.

Officers Active in Preventing Childish Pranks Which Cause Damage.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The annual report of the society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children shows that there is a slight decrease in the number of arrests of children during 1907. The report advocates the formation of a state board of juvenile probation under the direction of the city magistrates, and justices of the courts of general sessions.

The report says that 1344 boys and girls, a total of 1497 children, were paroled last year.

The average of reformation in the year past stood at 89 per cent, a gain of one per cent over the average for the five years in which the Children's Court has been in operation.

The number of children brought before the court in 1907 was nearly 2000 larger than in 1906. This increase is regarded rather as a result of increased activity than of increased criminal propensities in the wrong.

Many children were arrested in the last year for building bonfires in the streets and offenses to which the police gave little attention until recently.

TREASURER CHARGED.

Malfaisance in Office is Offense of State Treasurer.

LANSING, Mich., Jan. 7.—Governor Warren served on State Treasurer Glazier formal charges of malfaisance in office and gross neglect of duty in depositing state funds, amounting to almost \$700,000, in the Chelsea Savings Bank, which failed last month. The filing of charges follows Glazier's refusal to resign. Glazier is critically ill.

UNIONS REVOLT.

Refuse to Continue Heavy Assessments to Support Strikers.

GOLDFIELD, Jan. 7.—The answer of the Miners' Union to the complaint recently filed at Carson City, at the instance of the Miners' Association asking the dissolution of the local union, has been practically completed and will be filed Thursday. It is a sweeping denial of all the sensational charges in the complaint. Barkeepers and other unions, allied with the miners, through the Industrial Workers of the World are in open revolt against the heavy assessments levied to support the strike. They have been paying \$5000 a week and refuse to contribute further.

SHORT RANGE DUEL

Gambler and Chauffeur Engage in Mortal Combat.

EACH RECEIVE THREE BULLETS

Trouble Existing Between the Two Men Over a Woman Results in Deadly Duel in San Francisco Saloon—Both Men Are Dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—Frank Cochrane and T. R. Bell, recently arrivals from Seattle, and between whom bad feeling is said to have existed, met this afternoon in a saloon in Sansome street, near Market. They went into a private booth and after engaging in a short conversation, drew pistols and began a duel at short range. Eight shots were fired, six taking effect, each man receiving three bullets in his body. Bell fell to the floor and was apparently dying when Cochrane walked out into the saloon, where he was disarmed by a barkeeper. A moment later he fell over dead. Bell will not live more than a few hours. It is said the trouble arose over Cochrane's wife. Cochrane is a faro dealer, and Bell is a chauffeur.

In an ante-mortem statement Bell said Cochrane fired the first shot and that the latter told him he had come from Seattle to kill him.

ROOSEVELT IS GRILLED

Willet of Texas Roasts President.

BLAMES HIM FOR PANIC

He Believes Chief Executive of This Country Not a Sensible Man.

TAFT IS LOGICAL NOMINEE

Resolution Referring President's Message to Committees Starts Diatribe on the Part of Democratic Members of the House—Banking Law Discussed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The resolution referring the President's message to the several committees, furnished occasion in the House today for a number of speeches mostly by Democrats. They covered a variety of subjects, but the ones that attracted special attention were by Sheppard, of Texas, and Willet, of New York. The former not only made a plea for the restoration of "In God We Trust," on American coins, but discussed the cruise of the American battleships and referred to the possible conflict with Japan.

Willet placed all the blame for the recent financial panic on the President, whom he denounced in severe terms. He charged the President with not being a sensible man and with having turned on the gas not to light, and with going up and down the country condemning and striking with the big stick great industrial interests.

"The President has gone forth day after day to the people and declared to them that the men who hold the reins of our great industrial institutions are dishonest and not worthy of our confidence.

"We want cheer. We don't want our chief executive going up and down the country condemning and striking with his big stick everything that sticks its head up."

What was wanted, he said, was a man to perform his duties with dignity and power and with the influence of all sane men behind him.

"It has been said our President is sincere," he continued, "He may be so, but we want good sense in the President along with sincerity."

He declared the President was not a sensible man and concluded, "It is because of what I charge him with, with all the powers of my mind and body, as my profound conviction, that because of his lack of sense and lack of due appreciation of the true condition of our nation, that we have this panic today."

Hardwick, Ga., attacked the republican policies and predicted that the only safety for the party lay in the nomination of Taft.

Norris, Nebr., discussed the national banking law and advocated the taxing of state banks to create a fund for the protection of depositors.

MANY DEFENDANTS.

Frank Fraud Suits Begun by Government in Colorado.

DENVER, Jan. 7.—Half a dozen suits, naming more than three score defendants, for recovery of thousands of acres of land estimated to be worth several million dollars, were begun today by the government in the federal court here. The men accused of land fraud in the indictments, recently quashed here, are the defendants in these suits. Should the government win in the present proceedings, the lands will be restored to the public domain.

CHARITY STOPS.

Committee for Prevention of Tuberculosis Suspends.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The work of the Charity Organization Societies Committee for the Prevention of Tuberculosis will be suspended owing to the failure of John D. Rockefeller to renew his subscription for carrying on the work. The society received a number of subscriptions from others besides Rockefeller last year, but they were all made for the reason that he headed the list and when he did not respond to the appeal for further aid this year it was decided to give up the work. The work of the committee was largely among the poor on the East Side.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR UNION.

Strong Program Being Prepared for Convention at Eugene.

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 7.—It was definitely announced that the biennial convention of the Oregon State Christian Endeavor Union will be held in Eugene, beginning Thursday, February 20, and closing Sunday evening, February 23. The theme of the convention will be "Ever Abounding" and a strong program is being prepared by the state president, Rev. C. T. Hurd, and the other members of the executive committee. The Eugene Endeavorers are organizing committees to have charge of the preparations for the convention.

PLUNGES THROUGH TRESTLE.

Fatal Catastrophe on Southern Railway Near Atlanta.

ATLANTA, Jan. 7.—Running at a speed of 39 miles an hour, the second section of an excursion train on the Southern Railway from Cleveland, known as the Colver Special and bound for Florida Points, plunged through the trestle over the copper creek mine, about 30 miles west of Atlanta today and as a result one person, the engineer, of the special, is dead, three others are fatally injured and 80 passengers so seriously injured as to require medical attention. Besides the trainmen, fatally injured, are Mrs. Emil Hoover, and Florence A. Studebaker, both of Cleveland.

GARDINER-WALCOLL MILL.

BOSTON, Jan. 7.—Jimmy Gardiner, of Lowell, tonight defeated Joe Wolcott, in a twelve-round bout.

CURRENCY BILL READ

Senator Aldrich Introduces Remedial Financial Measure.

ASSURANCE GIVEN CULBERSON

Clark of Georgia Wants Federal Law to Uphold Prohibition But Senator Nelson Succeeds in Having Resolution the Laid Over Until Next Meeting.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Senator Aldrich today introduced his currency bill which has been the subject for a discussion among the members of the committee on finance for several days. He had the bill read to the Senate and announced that the committee would be glad to consider with it all bills that Senator Smith desired to introduce. He assured Culberson his resolution would receive attention. Clark, of Georgia, announced he proposed to have a vote in the Senate to test the sentiment of that body for his resolution, favoring federal law to uphold in their efforts to make prohibition effective within their borders. He wanted the Senate to pass a resolution instructing the committee on judiciary to bring in a bill to accomplish this purpose but on the objection of Nelson it went over until the next meeting of the Senate. The Senate adjourned at 1:40 until Thursday.