

### CANAL WORKERS IN PANAMA ASK BONUS

#### Threaten to Leave Canal Zone Ending Operation Work If Gratuities End.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—The Panama Canal is to be wrecked because the United States workers on the Canal Zone have been denied their perquisites by an order of President Harding according to William C. Hushing, member of the Panama Canal Wage Board and the Panama Canal Complaints Board, who represents the Canal employees and is asking relief from congress. The canal workers are not intended to blow up the canal, but intend to leave the Canal Zone and return to the United States unless their perquisites are restored to them, Hushing said. They will tell other workers in the United States how unsatisfactory climatic and working conditions in the Canal Zone really are and they do not believe any one will go there to take up the work without perquisites, he asserted.

Representative Cooper, republican of Ohio, a labor member of congress, has taken up the case on behalf of the Canal Zone employees. He has introduced in congress a bill restoring conditions of employment on the Canal Zone as they existed up to January 1 last, at which time the perquisites were cut out by the president on the recommendation of a special Panama Canal commission, which spent a month investigating the canal in the summer of 1921.

**Most Pass Tests.**

The American employees on the canal according to Rep. Cooper, have been selected after rigorous physical and mental tests from the finest craftsmen and clerical workers in the United States. They were induced to enter tropical service by the customary 25 per cent differential in wages, and free quarters, light, fuel and sanitation. Service in the tropics entails from twenty to thirty days cumulative leave each year and twenty-four days annual leave, with seven days travel time to enable an employee to return to the United States periodically to recuperate his health. These perquisites are gone because of the order of the president, Cooper declared.

Representatives of the canal employees assert that in the order revoking the perquisites there has been discrimination against the skilled American workman in favor of the executives and the alien negro workmen. The latter, mostly British, continue to receive free heat, light and sanitation, they say, while American workmen are required to pay a rental 60 percent higher than that of the negro workmen for similar quarters, and are charged for heat, light and sanitation.

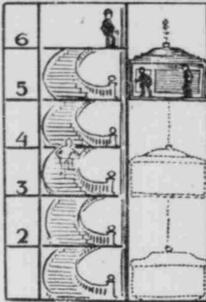
**Officers Get Increases.**

The supervising officers of the Panama Canal Zone formerly received the same perquisites as the skilled workmen, but when these perquisites were revoked the officers had their pay increased \$50 to \$100 a month. The pay of workmen has been reduced in many instances, and further reductions are scheduled. The average pay of skilled workmen and the clerical staff of the Panama Canal is \$182 a month, which includes the differential of 25 per cent over compensation for similar work in the United States.

Governor Morrow, of the Panama Canal one, has sided with the employees in their protest. He has told Secretary of War Weeks that "adoption of these recommendations a step and in toto would ruin the Canal."

Continuing Governor Morrow says: "We would soon have a halting, limping service, damage bills to an incalculable extent, a very considerable traffic loss, a wholesale desertion of highly-skilled employees, resulting in a disorganized service that could never be restored to even a small fraction of its present efficiency; also, a valuable strategic asset would be almost totally destroyed. The net result would be an actual financial loss as well as a great loss in national prestige."

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### PLYMOUTH WORKERS FOR MISS O'KEEFE PREDICT VICTORY

#### Jones Tells of Warm Reception Given at Northern Indiana Cities During Tour.

Confidence of the nomination of Miss Esther O'Keefe as the democratic candidate for congress from the 13th district was expressed by John R. Jones of Plymouth, Saturday. Mr. Jones had just completed, with a number of others from Plymouth, a survey of Bremen, Napanee, Wakarusa, Goshen, Elkhart, Mishawaka, South Bend, Lakeville and Lapaz where he had found, he said, very promising conditions.

"The willingness of the people of the 13th district to be represented by a congresswoman is very evident," said Mr. Jones. "We have been covering this territory in behalf of Miss O'Keefe, who comes from our town, and everywhere we have found the best of good will."

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Flappers were ordered to make themselves extinct.

Responsive to a city ordinance generous crops of stubble began appearing on many chins.

Sacramento is going to give a "Forty Nine" celebration the last of May. It hopes to revive for a time the days when it was the place where countless miners lost their last ounce of dust at the Faro bank or traded it in for "one more drink" before "headin' back" to the "diggins."

Beginning at sundown last night a city ordinance became effective where any man is subject to a fine of 25 cents for each day he goes smooth shaven from now until June 1.

posed of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Jones, Mrs. Bader, George Kline, Charles Zumbach, William Friesel, Harold North, and others, all from Plymouth.

The town as a whole, it is said, is looking in every way possible for the nomination of the "lady from Plymouth," and hopes are high for her election.

**James M. Andrews, Pilot of Many Locomotives, Spry as Ever on 86th Anniversary**

Some of the "boys" who used to pull the throttle with him helped James M. Andrews, living with his daughter, Mrs. C. E. Meyer, 523 S. Main st., celebrate his 86th birthday Saturday. Reminiscences of the "good old days" were in order all

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Mr. Andrews maintains he is just as spry as some of the "youngsters" of 45 or 50. He was born in St. Joseph county and has lived in South Bend 50 years, having been employed on the New York Central railroad as an engineer for 43 years.

He has three children, a son, Frank, of Los Angeles; Charles of this city, and Mrs. C. E. Meyer.

Among the "boys" who platted Mr. Andrews Saturday were Walter Clement, more commonly known as "Walt," James A. "Jim" Calkins, D. A. Fleming and G. M. Winegartner. Other old timers also came to pay their respects.

**DIPLOMATIC MAIL BY AIR.**

PARIS, April 29.—For the first time ever known diplomatic pouches will be carried by airplane during Fred's Millerand's trip through pouch for the French embassy. Thirty automobiles will make up the president's escort, and for five weeks Algeria and Morocco. They will land once in Spain and drop the they will visit every important point of the two French colonies.

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