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### YELLOW JOURNALISM RAGING

Should the law creating the United States Railroad Labor Board be so amended as to give the board the power to punish those who refuse to comply with its decisions, thus depriving railroad workers of the right to quit work?

That was the problem that occupied the center of the stage at the opening session of the twenty-third annual meeting of the National Civic Federation at the Hotel Astor, New York city, last Monday.

Former Governor Ben W. Hooper, a member of the public group of the Railroad Labor board, pleaded for more power for the board.

He admitted that so far there had been "practically no violations" of the board's decisions by the employees. On the other hand, he said, the instances in which "carriers have ignored and flouted the decisions of the board are too numerous to mention."

Glenn E. Plumb, counsel for the railway employees, replied to Governor Hooper. Mr. Plumb explained that he was speaking for the American Federation of Labor, who had found it impossible to present, and that everything he said had been submitted to Mr. Jewell and had received the latter's approval.

Mr. Plumb held that instead of being supplied with "teeth," the Labor board should never have been established. The board, he said, was so constituted that the members supposed to represent the public must eventually make all important decisions. They were not qualified, either by experience or training, to assume such responsibility, and when they made a correct decision they were "right by chance."

It would be just as unreasonable, said Mr. Plumb, to deny to capital the right to withdraw its investment from any particular industry as to attempt to say that labor should not withdraw its services when the conditions were unsatisfactory.

While contending that all workers are "guaranteed under our form of government" the enjoyment of the gains which their industry produces, Mr. Plumb denied that this means that all wealth created by productive enterprises shall be distributed amongst laborers alone.

"Labor and capital," he said, "must work together jointly under every form of organized industry to produce wealth. It is the function of capital to provide the plant, tools, equipment and facilities for production. It is the function of labor to furnish the effort which furnishes to the consumer the commodity or service he requires."

These factors, labor and capital, are entirely separate in the wealth which they have jointly produced in the proportion of the value of the contribution which each has made in order to produce the common output of commodities or services.

Around this distribution of earnings between capital and labor centers all of the wage disputes. Mr. Plumb continued, and to adjust these disputes, when they occur in the transportation industry, congress created the Railroad Labor board and invested it with certain powers of inquiry and adjudication.

The governmental agency dealing with veteran relief work, the U. S. Veterans' Bureau, is now manned almost entirely by ex-service men. This situation has been long contemplated by the government and has been advocated by all the veteran organizations. The veterans' bureau indicated that their problem would receive more sympathetic consideration by one who had been in the service. They felt that one who was familiar with the conditions existing during the war, both in army cantonments in this country, as well as the conditions which existed overseas would be acquainted with the service procedure and therefore better able to render a fair decision in their case. President Harding took this into consideration when he appointed an officer who had seen service overseas, Col. Charles R. Forbes, to be director of the veterans' bureau. Col. Forbes in turn has made it a point to fill practically all the responsible positions with ex-service men who had worn uniform. Regional officers are 100 per cent ex-service men. The managers of the fourteen regional districts are without exception ex-service men. These men are in direct charge of the activities of the Veterans' Bureau relating to compensation, hospitalization and vocational training in their respective districts. The decentralization of the Veterans' Bureau has given these men added responsibilities.

The Sweet Bill provided for a number of sub-offices not to exceed 140. There are now 138 such sub-offices in existence. Eighty-six per cent of the sub-district managers are ex-service men.

In the Central Office in Washington all the chiefs of divisions are men who were in the service. Sixty-one per cent of the entire office force in the Central Office are veterans. The reason for this percentage being less than those mentioned above is due to the fact that a large percentage of the force is composed of nurses, typists and stenographers who are women.

#### SHIAWASSEE HAS BUT LITTLE POWER

Not Water Enough in River to Produce Power Says Owosso Man.

OWOSSO, Feb. 10—"The city is welcome to any power they can get out of the river at Owosso," said W. B. Cobb, superintendent of the Consumers Power company, when he was asked about the matter of damming the river. According to Mr. Cobb, there is not enough water in the stream to produce an appreciable amount of power although the fall is good. Cobb favors the building of dams to improve health conditions and beautify the city.

County officials marked time Monday, waiting for the report from state health authorities. No arrests were made.

#### OWOSSO PEOPLE WANT WATER STREET PAVED

OWOSSO, Feb. 10—At the regular meeting of the city commission this week, property owners on South Water street again appeared to urge the paving project. The question will be put before the voters in the spring election and should pass without opposition. The city's share of the costs will be compared with the benefits, probably less than three thousand dollars. It has become imperative that heavy traffic be diverted from Main and Washington sts.

#### OWOSSO DEFEATS LANSING Y. M. C. A.

Pat Reule, Captain of Company "G" Tossers Did Most of the Scoring.

OWOSSO, Feb. 10—Company G, national guard, basket ball team defeated Lansing Y. M. C. A. team in a hard fought game here Wednesday night. The final score was 25 to 13.

Lansing led during the first part of the game, the score at the end of the first half was 12-9, Lansing up. During the second half the guardsmen fought an uphill battle, finally tying the score and then forging ahead.

Vowler, the Lansing center, gave a great deal of trouble, being fast and strong. Pat Reule, Owosso captain, did most of the scoring with 19 of his team's 25 points. The lineup: Lansing, Nichols and Bailey, forwards; Vowler, center; Smith and Plank, guards. Owosso, Pat Reule and Don Reule, forwards; Sawyer, center; Cameron and McNally, guards.

Scoring: Field goals, Pat Reule 6, Don Reule 2, McNally, Nichols 3, Vowler 3, Smith, Plank. Substitutions: Albers for Smith.

The following schedule has been arranged by the business manager of Co. G basket ball team: Feb. 4—Fowlerville, there. Feb. 7—Lansing "Y," there. Feb. 8—Chesaning Ind., there. Feb. 15—VanDervoort team of Lansing, here.

Feb. 16—Ithaca Ind., there. March 1—Local Legion team, here.

Co. G has beaten Lansing "Y," Chesaning Independents and Ithaca here.

VanDervoort team has not been beaten this year yet. They beat Lansing "Y" 20-13; Co. G beat the "Y" here Feb. 1, 25-18.

#### Personals

H. Kirk White, Jr., is in Grand Rapids this week attending the Hardware Dealers' convention.

Dr. F. W. Bennet of Ovid has moved to Owosso and will practice veterinary surgery here.

Mrs. Maude Thompson went to Detroit Tuesday to attend a missionary board meeting of the Congregational churches. She will go to Ann Arbor Wednesday to attend the convention of the state officers of Women's clubs.

Burt Dutcher has moved his tailor shop and is now located over King's drug store.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron P. Hicks were in Durand Monday night attending a dinner given by Mrs. Anna Fitch.

Mike Schmalgie of Durand was in Owosso Monday on business. Mike has taken over the Brown hotel in Durand.

Mrs. Matthew Bush is visiting relatives in Detroit.

Misses Georgia and Helen Kirby, who have been very ill of storming poisoning, are slightly improved.

#### Lincoln at Gettysburg



#### Mrs. Harriet Burnett of Corunna Dies at Petoskey

OWOSSO, Feb. 10—Floyd Burnett received word that his mother, Mrs. Harriet Burnett, died at Petoskey January 26. The remains will be brought to Corunna for burial in Pine Tree cemetery.

Miss Evelyn Sheardy of M. A. C. spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sheardy.

Mrs. Ed. Kirby has been called to Ashley to attend her daughter, Mrs. Roscoe Riches, who is very ill.

Miss Nina Evelith has returned to her school work at M. A. C. after two weeks' absence on account of sickness.

The Woman's Home Missionary society held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. George Beemer recently.

Mrs. C. M. Craig has returned from a long visit with relatives in Flushing.

Mrs. A. N. Curtis entertained at five hundred recently.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The January report of the police department was read and showed unusually activity. There were 31 arrests, six were prohibition law violators, five drunk and disorderly, 14 speeding, parking wrongly or disobeying motor laws. Two were apprehended for other cities and one was arrested for carrying concealed weapons. Thirty-two tramps slept in the city jail during the month. Six were bound over to the circuit court during the month.

Mrs. James H. Copas and Josephine spent the week-end in Jackson.

Mrs. Erma Paulda is in Chicago this week on business for the D. M. Christian company.

Mrs. R. J. Fischer of Ann Arbor has been in the city for the past few days on business. Mrs. Fischer will be remembered in Owosso as Miss Neva Royce.

Mrs. Charles Hurd spent Tuesday in Flint.

Mrs. Jack Frederick who has been spending several weeks with her parents in Louisville, Ky., has returned.

#### Owosso River Shows Lack of Oxygen Owing to Criminal Waste of Milk

OWOSSO, Feb. 10—Representatives of the state conservation department have been in Owosso the past few days investigating the condition of the Shiawassee river. James Liggett has been in charge of the investigation. R. A. Bostwick and Earnest Badger of the state health department assisted. Testimony was taken before Judge Day from more than 18 prominent manufacturers and farmers. In a trip down the river hundreds of dead fish were found. One farmer stated that cows would walk a mile for water rather than drink from the river.

Examinations showed conclusions that the fish died from lack

#### OWOSSO TOSSERS WIN IN FAST TILT

Defeat Chesaning by Score of 17-16 Regardless of Poor Floor and High Baskets.

OWOSSO, Feb. 10—The American Legion basketball team defeated the Chesaning Independents in a close game on the Chesaning floor, Tuesday night. The final score was 17-16. At the end of the first half Chesaning led 12-4 but the veterans came back strong and becoming accustomed to the poor floor and high baskets, finished one point in the lead. Azeltine, who played forward for the Legion, was the star of the game, scoring 5 of the 3 field goals.

Since their defeat at the hands of Howell the Legion boys have come back strong and have developed an impregnable defense. The next three games will be with Mt. Morris here Thursday, at Fowlerville next Tuesday and M. A. C. Short Course team here Wednesday. There will be a dancing party after the M. A. C. game.

Miss Johnstone, Thais; Musin, Mazurka.

Mr. King.

#### OWOSSO WILL HAVE REVIVAL MEETINGS

D. L. Moody, Nephew of the Famous Evangelist Will Assist Rev. Littrell.

OWOSSO, February 10—Revival meetings will be held at the Owosso Baptist church for two weeks, starting Feb. 12. Rev. H. A. Waite is very enthusiastic for the work and has secured two brilliant evangelists. "Never before has Owosso needed a religious re-awakening as it does now," said Rev. Waite. A week of prayer is being held to prepare members of the congregation for the meetings. Large crowds are attending.

Rev. A. W. Littrell, who has led several very successful revivals in Michigan this year, will preach at the meetings. Mr. Littrell is described as a forceful, eloquent and entertaining speaker, who sways the emotions of all of his listeners, preaching old-fashioned sermons of sound Christian doctrines.

D. L. Moody, nephew of the famous evangelist, will assist Rev. Littrell with the revival. Moody has a strong baritone voice. Many beautiful duets and solos are sang by Moody and Littrell at their meetings. Both are splendid gospel singers. The augmented church chorus choir will assist with the music. There will be two pianos besides the pipe organ.

#### Owosso People Hear Miss Johnson in Song

OWOSSO, February 10—Miss Lois Johnson, assisted by William G. King and Miss Margaret Mannebach entertained a large and appreciative audience at the Baptist church Monday evening.

Miss Johnson came under the auspices of the Art society of Owosso. Winning the hearts of all present with a piquant personal charm as well as with her marvelous voice, Miss Johnson will long be remembered in Owosso. Mr. King and Miss Mannebach gave pleasing selections with violin and piano. The following program was given:

1—Grieg, First movement, Sonata C Minor, for piano and violin.

Miss Mannebach and Mr. King.

2—Verdi, Pace, pace—Lorza de destino.

Miss Johnson.

3—Mendelssohn, Andante — Concerto in E. Minor.

Mr. King.

4—Goring Thomas, Memory; Pesse Bonjour Suzanne; Debussy, Green; Faurand, Chanson Norwegienne.

Miss Johnson.

5—Massenet, Meditation, Thais; Musin, Mazurka.

Mr. King.

6—Kernochan, We two together; Brookway (arrangement) Nightingale song; Scott, Lullabye; Boyd, Balloons in the Snow; Boyd, Tarantella.

Miss Johnson.

7—Schubert, Ave Maria; Kreisler, Viennese Melody; Kreisler, Liebsfreud.

Mr. King.

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#### REPORTERS CLAIMING TO BE DEPUTY SHERIFFS INVADE HOMES

Pictures Of Many Of The Prominent Citizens Scattered Broadcast

GOSSIP FEAST OF LIES

A Mere Incident Enlarged Upon By Outside Interests For Purely Commercial Purposes.

OWOSSO, Feb. 10—There were few new developments in the Owosso "poison pen" case Thursday. Altogether, more than 50 letters have been turned over to Rev. H. A. Waite by various persons who have received them. Apparently the unknown correspondent has ceased to write, for no letters were reported Wednesday. Rev. Waite has made enemies among certain factions because of the stand he has taken in supporting the city government. Certain individuals have written threatening letters. Whether or not the "poison pen" letters are fulfillments of the threats will probably come out after the postoffice authorities have made their investigations.

The following statement was issued Thursday night on the so-called poison pen case by Rev. H. A. Waite, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, in which he has been involved:

"In the first place the principals involved in these scurrilous letters are of the highest reputation, prominent in city circles, and the conclusion is that a demented fanatic is back of the whole thing. The writer of these letters has persistently pursued the lady in question for two consecutive years in the attempt to disparage her reputation in the First Baptist church of the city. During this time the ladies of the church, knowing the situation, have done their utmost to uphold the lady. Consequently no action was secured through those tactics.

"Then came a week ago, the linking up of myself in order to secure immediate action, and immediate action certainly was secured. That is the reason that on Sunday night I declared war on the anonymous letter writer of Owosso, and with the help of the federal department the author of those letters will be brought to justice. I have the solid support of every city official, and it might easily be said that the city is completely at my back.

"It is a shame that a woman of high standing, cultured and refined, could be made the object of such abusive attacks even from an enemy; like a murderer in the dark, it is my purpose to lend myself to the defense of the character of the lady in question. As for myself, there is no need of defense, my life of seven years in Owosso speaks for itself.

Rev. Mr. Waite came here seven years ago from Perry, N. Y., and is recognized in Baptist circles throughout the state as one of the most efficient church builders, keenest students of the Bible and eloquent speakers in that denomination. He is one of the most popular ministers in the city.

#### REVENUE MAN TO STOP AT OWOSSO

T. A. Tallaferre, Deputy Collector, to Aid Income Tax Work.

OWOSSO, Feb. 10—T. A. Tallaferre, deputy collector of the internal revenue service, will be in Owosso during February and March. He has issued the following notice:

"Deputy Collector T. A. Tallaferre will be in Owosso, Mich., on Feb. 21, March 6, 7, 11, 13 and 14, at the postoffice to assist taxpayers in filing their 1921 income tax returns. Every person who is not married or married and not living with husband or wife whose net income equals or exceeds \$1000 must file a return. Every person who is married and living with husband or wife and whose combined net income of husband and wife and dependent minor children equals \$2000 must file returns. If gross income equals \$5,000 return must be filed regardless of profit or loss. Personal exemption of single persons \$1,000, married \$2,500, providing net income is not in excess of \$5,000, in which case an exemption of \$2,000 is allowed by law. Taxpayers are urged to file and have their figures in readiness so as not to require too much of the deputy's time.

(Signed)  
T. A. Tallaferre,  
Deputy Collector."

#### Owosso Chamber Hears H. B. Carpenter on Roads

OWOSSO, Feb. 10—H. B. Carpenter addressed the chamber of commerce Tuesday noon on the subject of roads. Mr. Carpenter is an asphalt salesman and road expert. He laid emphasis on the necessity of looking into the future when planning roads. Many roads have been built in the past to carry a five-ton load, now 25 or 30-ton loads pass over them and destroy them in a short time. The speaker also gave some valuable advice on repairing country roads. A mixture of one to two and a half inch stone mixed with asphalt laid on the old road bed and covered with hard stone and asphalt dressing make a live, durable road. Such a road will last six or seven years under heavy traffic and then can be cheaply recovered. Asphalt pavement makes riding in Fords a pleasure, according to Mr. Carpenter. In tests made during the past year by the Illinois highway department, roads were put under traffic and broken up. Asphalt paving stood the test better than any other.

It was announced that the hospital committee would report next week.

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