

## LABOR THINKS WILSON WILL VETO RAIL BILL

Measure Passed Yesterday Expected to Receive President's Attention Today.

### Senate For It 3 to 1

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Railroad men today are confident the president will veto the Esch-Cummins railroad bill.

The measure, passed by the senate yesterday and by the house Saturday, was expected to be sent to the whitehouse today.

The president has drafted a reply to the request of the representatives of the railroad workers that he appoint at once a tribunal of employers and employees to adjust railroad wage demands and to help to maintain order in the railroad conference now in session. It is understood the president will state that he can not appoint such a commission until he has acted upon the Cummins-Esch bill, which provides for a labor adjustment board.

#### DEFEND ON PROMISE

The railroad men's confidence of a presidential veto is based on what they interpret as promises of a "square deal" made by the president last summer when he asked them to postpone pressing their wage demands pending result of the government's efforts to settle the prices.

With action, Mr. Wilson takes on the railroad bill probably will be influenced by the advice of Rail Director Hines, whose attitude toward it is more or less of a mystery. Both opponents and friends of the measure claim his support. In Louisville recently Hines spoke in defense of the bill.

Plumb plan league has this speech printed and mailed to thousands of persons, as they regarded it an argument for continuation of federal control. Then at a recent meeting attended by congressmen and union men Hines was accused of being the author of the labor section of the measure. His name was in a letter which was put into the congressional record.

#### PRIVATE CONTROL

On the other hand, notification was sent to all railroads through Hines yesterday that the roads would go back to private control March 1 and friends of the bill took this to mean that the president would not veto it. They then sent this notice two hours before the senate voted on the conference report.

What would follow a veto is uncertain. It is generally believed that not enough votes could be mustered in the house to pass the bill over the veto. But the senate is more inclined to override it.

The vote yesterday was 47 to 17. One of the principal objections the president probably will take into consideration in deciding whether to veto the bill is its guarantee to the roads of 5% per cent interest on the amount of the greatest amount needed that are now in the nation. I am glad that the Indiana Daily Times is on the democratic side.

Every real democrat in Indiana should appreciate the service that the Indiana Daily Times is rendering to the party.

"I say there is a real demand in Indiana for me to be named a candidate for governor. I believe there is a real demand that the rank and file of the democratic party to espouse democratic principles.

I believe the great majority of the men and women of Indiana will insist on candidates in both political parties, especially openly for principles that mean the permanence of the liberties guaranteed by our federal constitution.

Conferences will continue all day, officials expected. The conferences were sectional. Officials of each union met in executive session to pass on the negotiations with the president and devise new plans. A general conference of all the unions was to be called as soon as the sectional meetings were finished. Chief executives of the unions expected this general conference would be today.

#### PASSED BY 3 to 1

#### VOOTE OF SENATE.

By a vote of nearly 3 to 1 the senate last night passed the measure.

Thirty-two republicans joined with fifteen democrats in voting for adoption of the conference report, while three republicans and fourteen democrats comprised the seventeen voting against it. There was never any doubt as to what the senate would do, in view of the wide margin in which the compromise measure was passed.

During the five hours of debate, led by Chairman Cummins of the Interstate commerce committee, senators expressed varying opinions as to how the public and the railroads would fare under the bill, which was widely misinterpreted and attacked. But the intense interest, which characterized proceedings Saturday in the house, was lacking, frequent quorum calls being necessary to get members in the chamber. Around 6 o'clock the patience of the senate appeared to be exhausted after the long session of speech making and instant demands for a vote cut short the desire to prolong the presentation of individual views.

#### LABOR AND RATE MAKING

#### CHIEF DISCUSSION.

Discussion yesterday related largely to the labor and rate making provisions. Senator Cummins with great feeling, denounced widespread graft that was finding freight and passenger charges calculated to give the roads a return of 5% per cent meant taking huge sums of money from the public treasury. The bill, he declared, would not take one dollar in that way. Such reports, he said, were merely a part of the propaganda put forth in an effort to defeat all legislation on the eve of return of the roads to their owners March 1.

Announcement was made that if Senator Hitchcock, Nebraska; Stanley, Kentucky, and Chamberlain, Oregon, all democrats, had been present they would have voted in support of the conference report.

Senator Myers, democrat, Montana, attacked organized labor for its attitude toward the railroad bill and other measures.

"Organized labor is the greatest menace before the country today," he said. "Labor had gone into politics and if you get through one out of three bills opposed by Gompers I should think the country is doing well."

#### HOW SENATORS

#### VOTED ON MEASURE.

The vote in the senate on the railroad conference report follows:

#### FOR THE REPORT.

Republicans—  
Ball, 1  
Brundage, 1  
Calder, 1  
Capper, 1  
Colt, 1  
Cummins, 1  
Curtis, 1  
Dale, 1  
Fernald, 1  
Frelinghuysen, 1  
Hale, 1  
Jones (Wash.), 1  
Kellogg, 1  
Kenyon, 1  
Krebs, 1  
Lorroot, 1  
Watson, 1  
Total republicans 32.

#### Democrats.

Robinson, 1  
Fletcher, 1  
Gay, 1  
Meyers, 1  
Phelan, 1  
Pomerene, 1  
Rath, 1  
Total democrats for 47.

#### AGAINST THE REPORT.

Republicans—  
Gronna, 1  
France, 1  
Total republicans against 3.

#### Democrats.

King, 1  
McKellar, 1  
Nugent, 1

## Woman, 104, Walks All Night in Slush

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Hannah Klein ran away from home yesterday, forgot her address and walked all night in the slush until a policeman found her. Despite the fact Hannah is 104 years old, she suffered no ill effects.

Harris, 1  
Harrison, 1  
Johnson (S. D.), 1  
Jones (N. M.), 1  
Trammell, 1  
Total against adoption, 17.

#### FAILED.

Bankhead (for) with Culberson (against), McCormick (for) with Henderson (against), Dillingham (for) with Swanson (against), Fall (for) with Kendrick (against), Simmons (for) with LaFollette (against), Counter (for) with LoFollette (against), Harding (for) with Walsh of Massachusetts (against), Edge (for) with Owen (against).

## RISK IN RACE FOR GOVERNOR

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exchange the confidence, appreciation, admiration and respect of the thousands upon thousands of good men and women of Indiana.

"You and I know, personally, the real opposition to the Jones primary bill, the direct primary was a democratic platform measure and had the endorsement of eleven democratic congressmen, two United States senators, the president of the United States and the secretary of state, and yet the democratic machine was still operating. We will repudiate their platform and disregard the advice of eleven congressmen, two United States senators, the president of the United States and the secretary of state, and it may wonder that the democracy of Indiana felt outraged at the action of the machine?

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democratic and was immediately convinced that they were in earnest.

#### DESIRE OF VOTER

"Keep your business as it is, I have required your attention for the last three or four years and your desire to stay out of politics, so far as desiring to become a candidate, I did not feel that I had the right, neither did I have the desire to insist on your becoming a candidate, without first putting myself in a position of knowing what the desire of the voters was.

"Kirby Risk, there is a real demand in Indiana for your candidate for governor and, as a democrat with sufficient experience in politics to enable me to judge political conditions, I am willing to say to you that you have better than a fair chance to be nominated. The thousands of democrats that know you personally are familiar with the service you have rendered the party in the last quarter of a century and will support you in preference to any other candidate.

"The machine respects you and admires that you are a hard and open fighter. Their outspoken opposition to you is due entirely to your pronounced views on the temperance and woman's suffrage questions, but their real opposition, in my opinion, is due to the demoralizing defeat of the machine in the direct primary fight during 1915 legislature.

"The machine realizes that your management of the party is right and much is to be desired in securing the passage of the bill, but while you incurred the increased enmity of the machine in the fight, you in turn won the confidence, appreciation, admiration and respect of thousands upon thousands of good men and women of Indiana, and they are ready and willing to support you in your campaign. They know you have kept the fight. They want you to become their candidate for governor.

"Knowing you as I do and knowing your desire to render service, honest, efficient service, and knowing how badly Indiana needs a good executive in the governor's chair, and on behalf of the real democracy of Indiana, I ask you to become a candidate.

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## STOP ANARCHY RUSSIA IS TOLD

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Heed, is that the Moscow government will fail, or at least be so reorganized that France can execute an about-face without apparent inconsistency or arousing trouble at home.

With this background, diplomats said, the allied attitude toward Turkey necessarily had undergone a considerable change. Premier Lloyd George, they pointed out, in view of the Russian question, has backed down on his position that the Turk must not remain in Constantinople.

The premier, they believed, realized that Russia's vital interest in the Turkish capital is not unchanged, and that the need to show the Russians his keeping of their interest in mind by following out the Russian idea that no disposition must be made of the city without Russian agreement.

The diplomats were agreed that Lenin understands the whole diplomatic chess game. They pointed out that in a recent Moscow wireless he gave a general outline of the entire situation, according to his estimate of administration. Lenin realized fully, they said, that Russia would "sit tight" and let Britain and France play against one another, secure in the knowledge that no matter which of the allied leaders came out on top.

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