

## CAPITAL AND LABOR BLAMED BY JOB PARLEY

Each Held Equally at Fault for Depression and Unemployment.

### ALL IN ON PROFITEERING

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—President Harding's unemployment conference probably will sidestep all controversies, and bring in a final report which distributes over a wide field the blame for present widespread unemployment and economic depression.

The consensus of opinion of the various committees reports were combined today in a general report under the supervision of the steering committee. It will be submitted to the conference and probably adopted.

Capital and labor came in for equal blame under the report.

Implicitly phrased language the report finds:

"It will be observed that there is an entire disproportion between the prices of primary commodities and the ultimate retail prices; these disproportionate increases in progressive stages of distribution are due to increased cost of transportation, enlarged profits, interest, taxes, labor and other charges."

The report agreed upon by the Steering Committee as embodying the consensus of opinion among the various subcommittees recommends:

1. Readjustment of railway rates on a fairer basis of the relative values of commodities and with a reduction in rates upon primary commodities at the same time safeguarding the financial stability of the roads.

2. Speedy completion of the tax bill with its contemplated reduction in taxes in order that business now held back pending definite determination may proceed.

3. Immediate settlement or definite postponement of tariff legislation in order that business may determine its future conduct and policy.

4. Settlement of the Government's financial relationship with the railroads, having in mind the immediate necessity for increased maintenance and betterments, making effective increased railway employment and stimulation of general employment, in order that the railroads might be prepared for enlarged business as it comes.

5. Limitation of world armament and consequent increase of tranquility and further decrease of the tax burden, not only of the United States, but of other countries.

## MRS. BURKETT'S SANITY DEALT WITH AT TRIAL

Jury May Get Case of Roosevelt Claimant To-day.

NEW YORK, Oct. 11.—Testimony touching on the sanity of Mrs. Edna Richardson Burkett, along with letters alleged to have been written by her while she was in the tombs here, featured her trial today.

The woman is being tried on a charge of forging the name of Theodore Roosevelt to a note for \$89,000. She claims Roosevelt gave her the note at the Congress Hotel, Chicago, during the 1912 convention.

Dr. Percy M. Lichtenstein, Tombs physician, declared that he had observed Mrs. Burkett closely and found that she suffered from delusions.

Mrs. Burkett denied having written the letter which was introduced against her, but handwriting experts declared that she had written it. The letter was addressed to John Wright at Montezuma, Indiana.

"You're my money," the letter said, "of the time you were in Chicago on June 1922, and saw me turn 80 years old to Theodore Roosevelt and Charles Shenson and saw them sign a note in the presence of James G. Payton and Colonel Roosevelt and saw them count the money in a room near the C. E. office.

"If you come to New York City and give your evidence, I will give you \$40,000. If you find Howard Singer and George Shenson in my gang and they will make affidavit before the notaries, the questions will be sent by a judge here to take them. Be careful and I will give you \$10,000 cash for it if I get the witness; so get busy. Go get the other two. You know where to find them and I will pay you \$10,000 and you can pay the witness that you want."

A notarized copy of the letter said:

"Your expenses will be only 50 cents each before a notary. It is a better way to make money than selling miles and horses and it means homecoming to me with \$65,000."

The case probably will be sent to the jury today.

## FERRY BOAT IS USED IN CHASE OF A BUCK DEER

SEATTLE, Oct. 11.—Woodland Park Zoo has another distinguished inmate; distinguished because of the unique method by which it was captured.

It took a ferryboat, a lasso and several days to get the best of this new member of the menagerie.

A year-old buck deer had been chased off Mercer Island by dogs and, in a last desperate effort to escape, endeavored to swim Lake Washington. Captain Charles Herzog, commander of the ferry plying on the lake, maneuvered the animal when it was about midway between the island and the mainland.

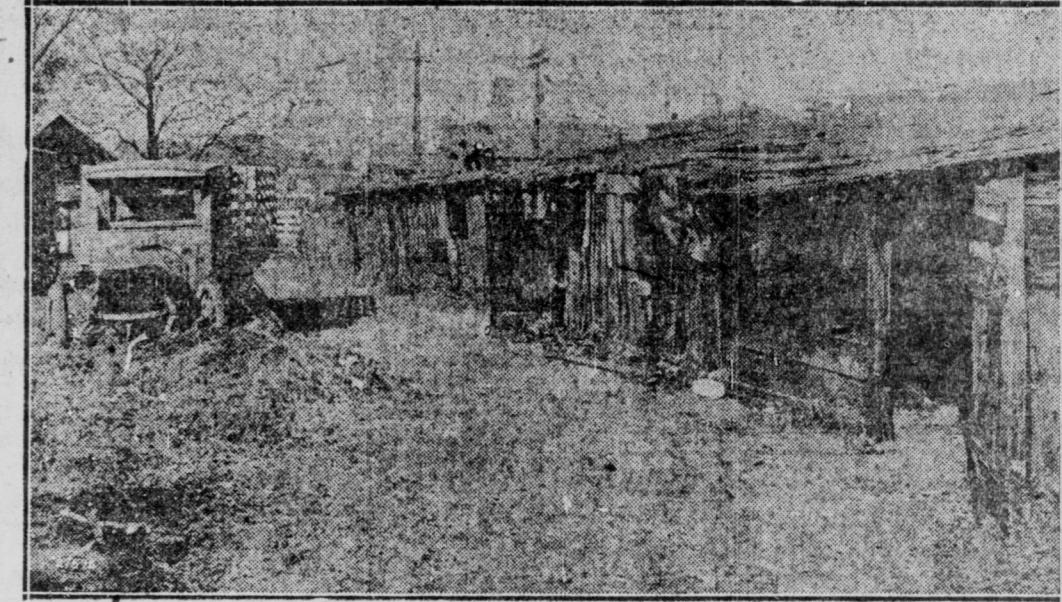
Unloading the few passengers passengers who did not wish to participate in the chase, the captain pointed his craft seawards, and the marine round-up commenced. Skillfully he maneuvered his boat close beside the badly frightened deer.

Herzog Younger was assigned the first throw of the rope. He missed, and the deer swam off to port. Once more the skinned brought his craft alongside and Herzog, with a lasso, made a cast. Then a lasso fell over the head and horns of the animal, and he was hauled alongside. Although badly exhausted, the deer put up a stiff fight before he was pulled on board. It took all the men aboard the boat about ten minutes before the task was accomplished.

Arriving at the dock with the prize, the skipper and his "outfit" were met by game wardens, who took charge of the prisoner. Another fight took place when Wardens Beach tried to induce the deer to take a seat in the tonneau of his automobile. The deer finally agreed, after his feet had been roughly tied. At the see he was pronounced one of the finest specimens ever seen there.

The new member of the Woodland Park family hasn't been christened yet, but the name "Moses" is receiving con-

## PREVENTION DRIVE WILL ELIMINATE THESE



Fire Hazards in Downtown District.

These two pictures show conditions near the downtown district, which are gradually being eliminated through the efforts of the fire-prevention division of the Indianapolis fire force. According to J. H. Hilkene, chief of the Indianapolis fire prevention division, there were many vacant lots and back yards throughout the city where trash and rubbish had been

placed and which offered excellent opportunities for the spread of fire.

"The constant work of uniformed firemen who have made regular inspections of dwelling houses and other buildings throughout the city, has reduced the fire hazard," Mr. Hilkene said. "But many unsatisfactory conditions still remain to be corrected."

## POLICE BELIEVE FILM DIRECTOR WAS MURDERED

Whether Death Was Caused by Alcoholism to Be Determined at Autopsy.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 11.—Pending official report of the official autopsy the police clung persistently today to the theory that Albert S. Stelin, movie director, had been deliberately poisoned.

While Autopsy Surgeon Wagner said there were no signs that Stelin died of "bad liquor" following a drinking bout at his apartment here Sunday, he admitted the possibility of the director having been murdered.

Should the autopsy reveal traces of poison in Stelin's stomach, the police said that Mrs. Jean Monroe, movie actress, and Mildred Bellwin, vaudeville artist, might be questioned further.

Although he does not anticipate that his proposal will command a majority vote, Senator Smoot is confident that not later than next year the sales tax will be adopted as the keystone of the American tax system.

The Smoot plan calls for the creation of six main sources of revenue.

1. Manufacturers and producers' sales

2. Individual income tax.

3. Corporation tax.

4. Customs duties imposed by the tariff.

5. Inheritance or estate tax.

6. Tobacco tax.

## REGISTRATION OF VOTERS MAY EXCEED 140,000

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arrants. This includes those registered both Sept. 10 and yesterday.

The registration of men and women by products follows:

**FIRST WARD.**

Men. Women.

1. 590 582

2. 337 328

3. 349 299

4. 391 309

5. 458 342

6. 889 462

7. 529 392

8. 519 452

9. 588 440

10. 507 447

11. 427 388

12. 463 368

13. 743 605

14. 406 396

15. 245 231

16. 314 214

**SECOND WARD.**

Men. Women.

1. 413 382

2. 558 466

3. 372 324

4. 442 378

5. 549 541

6. 401 350

7. 530 570

8. 408 479

9. 405 454

10. 412 496

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18. 545 424

19. 433 327

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