

## HARDING ASKS SPEED TO HELP UNEMPLOYED

Tells Six Cabinet Officers to Rush Public Work.

### SEES TRIAL AHEAD

Advises Revision of Plans to Provide Relief.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—President Harding today instructed six cabinet officers to "speed up" plans in their departments for the accomplishment of all possible public works in the remaining months of the winter, in order that the unemployment situation may further be alleviated.

The President's instructions were contained in a letter to Secretaries of War, Navy, Treasury, Commerce and Agriculture.

The President stated that the "most difficult period of the winter is still before us," and that the Government should duplicate the splendid efforts at alleviation of unemployment which have been made by the various municipalities, States and private concerns.

LETTER SENT TO SECRETARIES.

The President's letter follows: "The response of the employing interests throughout the country to the appeal to special effort to afford employment to the greatest possible extent during the winter has produced highly gratifying results. Thanks to the fine cooperation, the situation has been much less difficult during the winter thus far than it might otherwise have been.

"The most difficult period of the winter, however, is still before us, and I am therefore writing you to bespeak the utmost cooperation that your department may be able to afford in extending further employment.

STATES AND CITIES PROVIDE RELIEF.

"States and cities, as well as private companies and individuals, have taken more comprehensive and effective measures than probably have ever been taken before in such a situation. The natural self-reliance of the American citizens has been supplemented in these plans by neighborly help, by part time work, by odd jobs, employers have to a marked degree, exerted themselves to find work for employees and have anticipated repair and construction operations which otherwise would have remained to be taken up later.

"City and State authorities have generally organized to provide work and prevent or alleviate distress due to lack of employment.

"In substantially every city where the need has appeared, the mayor has appointed emergency committees to lead the community's action. Municipal bonds have been sold to an unprecedented degree to provide for construction as early as possible of needed municipal works.

## Endeavor to Extradite Titian-Haired Beauty

Kidnaping Charge Placed Against Woman With Fiance's Small Child by Its Mother.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Extradition proceedings were started here today to bring back to Chicago Miss Frances MacLane, titian-haired beauty, held in Ogden Utah, with the 3½-year-old son of George B. Robbins.

Miss MacLane is alleged to have kidnaped the child from Chicago in order to take the baby to its father, now on the Pacific Coast.

The mother of the baby who has been divorced from Robbins charges Miss MacLane, also a divorcee, with trying to kidnap the child.

ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED. "Miss MacLane and Robbins are engaged to be married," the mother declared, "and they want to take the baby with them on a trip."

Chicago detectives who had been ordered to Ogden to take the woman and child into custody, were recalled pending outcome of the extradition proceedings.

The boy is the grandson of George B. Robbins, for thirty-five years a vice president of Armour & Co., and the son of Cutler H. Robbins, capitalist.

The warrant for Miss MacLane, who is pretty and 22, was sworn out by the child's mother, Mrs. Mary Robbins, for common stock, which will total \$2,000,000 instead of \$3,000,000, as was anticipated. It is understood this cut was made with the consent of the corporation.

The order was approved by all the members of the commission with the exception of George M. Barnard, who presided in the case. Mr. Barnard had written an order denying the petition and the remainder of the commission refused to accept it. The other commissioners then wrote the order approving the merger. The order stipulated that the valuation of the property should not be used for rate making purposes.

BARNARD DISAGREES WITH VALUATION.

Commissioner Barnard, in his dissenting opinion, said that he was unable to agree that the properties involved are worth \$17,500,000, the valuation fixed by the commissioners. He said the figure would place the valuation of the Merchants Heat and Light Company too high.

The order of the commission goes to some length in explaining the value of a central power plant and points out such a plant could be operated more economically.

The order was the second issued in the merger case by the commission. The first denied a petition for permission to issue \$21,000,000 in securities for the same purpose.

Two Killed When Trains Collide

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 27.—Jacob Atkins, 35, and EM S. Thompson, 20, both of Turtle Creek, this country, were killed, and John O'Hara, a conductor, was badly scalded and bruised today in a collision between two trains of the Union Railroad, near Hall Station, three miles from Turtle Creek.

A misunderstanding of orders is said to be responsible for the crash. In the impact the steam pipes on one engine burst and the crew was scalded.

## CHAMBERS WILL WAGE FIGHT ON LAKE SCHEMES

Speaker Reveals System of Checking Which Will Prevent Frauds.

Plans to combat fake solicitation, especially for magazine subscriptions, for unstable companies, were made at a luncheon of the State Commercial Secretaries' Association and the Indiana Chamber of Commerce at the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce today.

Frank J. Green, chairman of the secretaries' vigilance commission, was unable to attend the luncheon. His report, however, was read by Robert M. Snyder, assistant manager of the South Bend Chamber of Commerce. I told of the

system which is used to check up on wild cat schemes. All secretaries of commercial bodies send in a report to the South Bend body of all unscrupulous schemes. A weekly bulletin then is issued and sent to the Better Business Bureaus, chamber of Commerce and other organizations.

The vigilance committee will attempt to eliminate a large number of alleged fake schemes it was announced. This committee is working in conjunction with the State securities commission.

LEGION LEADER GIVES ADDRESS.

Lemuel Bolles, National Adjutant of the American Legion, also addressed the meeting at the Chamber of Commerce. His subject was "The Relationship of the American Legion to the Local Chamber of Commerce."

Speakers on this morning's program and their subjects were: Maurice L. Meadenhall, administrative officer, Indiana securities commission, "The Securities Commission and The Chamber of Commerce," John A. Shields, general manager of the Blish Milling Company,

Seymour, "The Manufacturers' Problems, Chamber of Commerce Aid in Their Solution," A. W. Meit, Ft. Wayne, president of the Meit Miller Lau Company, "Chamber of Commerce Service Most Needed by the Wholesaler," and John A. Rhue, Marion, president of the Indiana Bankers' Association. Discussions followed each talk.

DIRECTORS ARE ELECTED.

Yesterday afternoon thirty directors were elected as a preliminary step in the reorganization of the bodies. They are: F. B. Anstead, Connersville; J. E. Fredericks, Kokomo; A. De Prez, Shelbyville; W. E. Showers, Bloomington; Thomas Bauer, Lafayette; Dick Miller, Indianapolis; J. W. Robb, Clinton; G. B. Luckett, Crawfordsville; G. W. Gallier, Muncie; John A. Shields, Seymour; W. L. Chandler, Mishawaka; G. Leonard Maxwell, Valparaiso; R. F. Alnutt, Evansville; E. G. Richter, Michigan City; C. B. Fitch, Ft. Wayne; W. C. Neice, Hartford City; Will M. Meyers, Terre Haute; J. A. Van Osdel, Anderson; Frank X. Garland,

Marion; Guy B. Tuthill, Elkhart; Wallace C. Himmelwright, Frankfort; Joseph A. Kebler, Indianapolis; Miles W. O'Brien, South Bend; Charles Barnaby, Greencastle; Frank C. Ball, Muncie; Mole Cook, Wabash; E. G. Scotten, Newastle; Harry Elliott, Logansport; Alfred M. Ogilvie, Terre Haute, and Lawrence F. Ebner, Vincennes.

The executive officers of the reorganized association will be elected next week at a meeting of the new board of directors, J. A. Van Osdel, State president, said.

The convention closed with a theater party.

## FARMPARLEY DEFEATS WAGE CUT PROPOSAL

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declared Herbert Myrick of Springfield, Mass., editor of a farm journal and a

leading figure in the "farm paper bloc." This "bloc" grew out of the agriculture conference and claims to represent 6,000,000 farmers.

FORESEES NO MOVEMENT TO FORM THIRD PARTY.

"I foresee no third party growing out of the farmers' movement unless this movement fails to receive reasonable attention from the other parties," continued Myrick. "This movement of the farmers reflects the feelings of the common people."

"We feel that the best thing that can happen for agriculture is to drive out most of the men in Congress today and start with a new deal. That is very likely to happen in the next senatorial election, not through a third party, but rather through regeneration of the old parties."

"There is as yet no specific organized movement among the farmers to create an 'agricultural bloc' in State Legislatures. The intention is there, however. The people are going to take hold and throw out of office the politicians who are holding agriculture back."



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acquired in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), and to issue bonds thereunder to the extent of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) at this time. The balance, thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) to be issued from time to time, to take care of extensions, improvements, etc., in the development of this property.

The commission consented to the execution and issuance of said Company in a mortgage in the form of a deed of trust to the Fidelity National Bank and Trust Company of Kansas City, Missouri, and act as Trustee and Registrar, face value of said bonds to be in the denomination of one hundred dollars (\$100.00),

payable on the first day of September, 1931. Eight per cent, ten-year gold bonds, interest payable semi-annually.

The Company is planning on developing a large Central Station to extend its lines to the nearby communities, wholesaling its energy to the various municipalities. The estimated net revenue is about twice bond interest.

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