

LABOR BOARD IS DEMANDED BY A. F. OF L.

Federal Agency Sought to Avert Repetition of Depression.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Demand for creation of a federal labor board to "study the problems of labor and suggest constructive policies" is made by the American Federation of Labor's executive council in its annual report released here today. Such a board, the council declares, "would disclose mounting unemployment, trends in distribution of income, inadequate buying power as balanced against production." It would "warn labor and business of unbalance due to inadequate returns to wage earners" to prevent disasters such as the present depression. It would be manned by representative citizens, equipped with a technical staff.

"Such a federal labor board would give labor federal assistance and service comparable to what is given farmers and industry," the report says.

Job Program Offered

The report expresses disappointment in President Hoover's failure to call an emergency conference of labor-employer interests to prevent wage cuts and arrange for national industrial planning.

It assails the bankers for their reported share in recent wage cuts, declaring that the bankers fail to understand the relation between high wages and national prosperity. "Higher wages are necessary to maintain an economic machine geared to high production," it states.

The council suggests an emergency program for the coming winter, consisting of maintenance of high wages, shortening of work hours, employment by each of the nation's 3,000,000 employers of two workers each, work assurance to a minimum force from November to April by employers, additional public works, strengthening of employment agencies, keeping of all children in their teens in school, preference of workers with dependents, financial relief from private and public funds.

Oppose Dole, Charity

Employers are warned that if nothing is done to give American workers assurance of labor compulsory insurance is inevitable. The council declares that the workers do not want charity or the dole.

It bitterly denounces the "nuisance tax, or sales tax, as proposed by Senator David Reed and others. Instead it insists that "the most just forms of taxation great wealth are through the estate, gift and inheritance taxes." A fertile field also lies in taxation of the great incomes.

The council declares for modification of the Voistead act to permit the manufacture and sale of 2.75 per cent beer. It announces itself in favor of the 90 per cent emergency immigration restriction to quota and nonquota countries. It favors the Welsh bill for Philipine independence and immigration restriction.

Urge Old Age Pension

It favors enactment of the anti-injunction bill, the King bill to prevent smuggling of aliens as saboteurs, the defeated meat-in-infancy act.

Labor is not satisfied with the present Doak employment service, the report indicates. It praises the vetoed Wagner bill.

The council urges a nation-wide drive to ratify the child labor amendment, urges adoption of its model old-age pension act, denounces discrimination against older workers.

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HUNTERS TO CONVENE

Fox Chasers to Hold Annual Event at Edinburg.

To the yelping of hounds straining at the leash, Southern Indiana and State Fox Hunters Association, Inc., will open its twenty-first annual hunt in Edinburg Sunday.

Derby races to begin Tuesday will be completed Wednesday when a night parade will be held through the downtown section. Thorough business meetings and election of officers will be concluded. A quadrille dance will be given that night.

Awards of prizes and trophies on Friday will close the meetings.

BLOOMINGTON Woman Injured

By Times Special
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Oct. 5.—Serious injuries were suffered by Mrs. William Scott, wife of a local banker, when three automobiles collided on a new stretch of State Road 7 north of North Vernon. Drivers of cars were unable to see due to dense smoke which arose after highway workmen set fire to straw with which new paving had been covered.

Not Courting

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—President Hoover had an engagement today with the Philadelphia Athletics and the St. Louis Cardinals. According to 143-year-old custom, he also had an engagement with the supreme court of the United States.

The supreme court did not see the President.

Since the court first sat in 1789, it has called at the executive mansion the first day of each term to notify the President it is in session. The visit has become a part of court and presidential routine. But today, the President left for Philadelphia to see the world series, before the court met.

At the White House the United Press was informed that the court undoubtedly knew Mr. Hoover was going to a ball game and would not be at home.

Romance Is on Rocks



Ethelred Terry (above) musical comedy star, is planning to follow the Reno trail to divorce, she told New York reporters who questioned her about a marital rift with her husband, Ben E. Bogart, of Chicago. "I was disillusioned with marriage, that's all, she said."

EXECUTIVE OF AUTO COMPANY IS DEAD

Funeral Service Will Be Held Today for George Briggs.

Funeral rites for George T. Briggs, 55, of 4125 North Illinois street, who died Saturday, will be held at 4 this afternoon in Flanner & Buchanan mortuary, with the Rev. Frank S. C. Wicks, pastor of All Souls Unitarian church, conducting the service.

Mr. Briggs was prominent many years in the automobile industry, as sales manager for the Wheeler-Schebler Carburetor Company and a member of the American Society of Automotive Engineers.

Surviving him are the widow, Mrs. Florabelle Briggs, a 10-year-old daughter Nancy, and a sister, Mrs. George William Davenport, of Easton, Md., wife of an Episcopalian bishop.

Funeral will be held at 1:30 Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Christina Harmening, 81, a south side resident many years, who died Sunday at the home of her son, Henry W. Harmening, 1422 East Kelly street. Another son, Charles, two sisters and three grandchildren survived her.

Last rites will be held at 8:30 Tuesday morning in St. Joseph's Catholic church for Mrs. Anna Corrigan Haley, 75, who died Sunday in her home at 1106 East Pratt street. She was a resident here more than a half century.

Funeral for Mrs. Bert A. Patterson, 50, of 337 North Arsenal avenue, who died Saturday, will be held at 10 Tuesday morning at Christ Episcopal church. She was born here and was the wife of Earl C. Patterson, a salesman, who with her father, and two brothers, survives her.

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ATHEARN DINNER PROGRAM FIXED

Affair Wednesday Sponsored by C. of C.

A citizens' dinner at the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday night officially will welcome Dr. Walter Scott Athearn, new Butler college president, to Indianapolis.

It is being sponsored by the chamber's education committee, of which Henry L. Dithmer is chairman. Program for the dinner was announced today by Earl H. Richardson, chairman of the program committee. G. A. Millet is chairman of the committee arranging the dinner.

George S. Cole, state superintendent of public instruction; Paul C. Stetson, city schools superintendent, and Hilton U. Brown, president of the board of Butler university trustees, will speak.

Louis J. Borinstein, president of the Chamber of Commerce, will be toastmaster.

Music will be provided by the Butler string quartet composed of Miss Myrtle Zaring, piano; Mrs. Helen Harrison Dailey, harp, and Mrs. Christine Wagner Roush and Miss Margaret Harrison, violin.

COUNCIL TO SCAN FEES

Retained Sum for Lawyers in Gas Case to Be Acted On.

Final payment of retainers for Fred C. Gause and John W. Holtzman, counsel for the city in the Citizens Gas Company legal actions, will be considered by city councilmen tonight.

The last payments call for \$500 each for the attorneys, which makes their total salaries \$8,000 each.

Licenses Variety Wins His Cell

Because of a variety in license plates on the automobile of Paul Knowles, Mitchell, Ind., police arrested him Sunday on a vagrancy charge, pending investigation. The car carried a passenger auto plate on the front and a truck license on the rear, police said.

Woman Found Insane

NEWPORT, Ind., Oct. 5.—Mrs. Glennie Hollingsworth, who is alleged to have shot Joe Lubovich as he slept on the porch of his home in Blanford, has been committed to a state hospital for the insane. Lubovich was not seriously wounded.

THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

THIRD DEGREE USED, SIMMONS DEFENSE HINTS

State Witnesses Deny Charges Hurled by Lawyers for Woman.

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June 21 was inserted in chicken sandwiches, the state charging Mrs. Simmons committed the crime.

He was permitted to say that tests showed the capsules would not dissolve in water for several days.

Showed No Symptoms

He was halted from answering the state's question as to whether Mrs. Simmons, at the hospital before the deaths of her daughters, asserted the capsules would have been dissolved if they had been placed in the food at her home in Greenfield.

Porter testified that Simmons showed no symptoms of strichine poisoning, but had said he "felt bad."

Three-way verbal warfare flared between the attorneys and Judge John W. Hornaday when the state objected to the defense asking Porter if he heard Scires tell Mrs. Simmons he "had enough out of you to send you to the electric chair."

With the objections overruled, Scires and Roy Adney, special prosecutor, turned to the court asking:

Question Is Withdrawn

"Aren't you going to be fair? We tried to get in conversation, but failed."

The question propounded to Porter never was answered, W. H. Parr Sr. withdrawing it after the state's withdrawal.

This afternoon defense attorneys were expected to open their third-degree accusations on Porter.

Doctors and nurses who attempted to save the lives of the children after the strichine poisoning will follow Dr. Porter on the witness stand.

They are expected to corroborate the coroner's testimony that Mrs. Simmons was calm and apparently undisturbed by the death throes of her daughters.

Then, one by one, the persons who attended the reunion, relatives of the Simmons and Pollard families, will march to the witness box for the state to tell of the day's events on June 21 and their exact whereabouts at the time the poison capsules were discovered in the pressed chicken sandwiches.

Hoover Talks With Many

Dwight W. Morrow, who did much useful undercover liaison work between the administration and New York bankers in arranging the original banking co-operation which supported the moratorium, came here last week.

Every effort was made to conceal his presence. Bernard Baruch, New York financier, who just had returned from abroad, also was called to Washington to consult with Mr. Hoover. Julius Barnes, another financial adviser of the President, spent the week-end with Mr. Hoover. Today Secretaries Mellon and Stimson conferred.

Opposed by Congress

Opposition to an extension at this time comes chiefly from congress which has still to approve the one-year suspension for debt payments put into effect by Mr. Hoover. July 1.

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