

## GARNER URGED TO DROP FIGHT ON RELIEF BILL

Senate Democrats Plead  
With House Speaker  
for Compromise.

*By United Press*  
WASHINGTON, July 8—Senate  
Democrats decided today to inter-  
cede with Speaker John N. Garner  
in an effort to obtain a relief bill  
which will be acceptable to Pres-  
ident Hoover.

In a Democratic conference it was  
decided that Senators Robert Buck-  
ley (O.), Robert Wagner (N. Y.) and  
Joseph Robinson (Ark.) should  
meet Garner as soon as possible in  
an effort to break the deadlock  
which is delaying relief and ad-  
journment of congress.

Garners soon afterward came to  
the senate side of the capitol. Sen-  
ators were hopeful a compromise  
bill could be agreed upon.

In the senate, two provisions of  
the conference report are under  
fire instead of one. A number of  
southern Democrats are opposed to  
allocation of emergency hunger re-  
lief funds on the basis of need  
rather than population.

No start has been made so far to-  
ward drafting new relief legislation,  
though Republicans and Democrats  
alike agree that a relief bill must be  
passed. The house Thursday ap-  
proved the report by the vote of  
202 to 156.

### Huge Bill Still Pending

The \$300,000,000 Wagner bill, pro-  
viding emergency relief loans to  
states, which the senate passed  
weeks ago, still is pending before  
the house, banking and currency  
committee.

It was held there at the wish of  
Speaker Garner, in order that it  
might be tied into one bill with his  
loaning and public works proposals.

Action on his part could obtain its  
immediate passage in the house.

However, this bill would allocate  
the relief funds on the population  
basis, and so far President Hoover  
has refused to agree to this basis of  
distribution.

The delay in final determination  
of the relief question is winning new  
converts for the railroad labor  
executives' association plan of gov-  
ernment credit thrown behind pur-  
chasing power rather than produc-  
tive power.

### Plan Is Winning Converts

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credit certificates, exchangeable for  
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## Jobless Thousands Hunt Gold, Pray for 1-in-1,000,000 Strike

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**S**AN FRANCISCO, July 8.—Drawn by the chance-in-a-million they may strike riches, at least 10,000 men and women to-day dilligently are panning the once famous gold streams of California.

Most of these amateur gold miners were drawn by lack of employment. Many are eking out a meager living—from 50 cents a day upward—from their labors.

Others, unversed in the use of pans, rockers, sluice boxes and dry washers, are going hungry.

**T**HE fine-tooth comb of the foothills and streams that has been drawn across the state by this unprecedented activity has increased California's output of gold.

Last year, California produced \$10,708,000 worth of gold as compared to \$8,526,703 worth in 1929.

"The output for 1932 will be higher," declared Walter W. Bradley, state mineralogist.

Deducting "quantity production" of the old established mines owned by large operators, the share to be divided among the thousands of individual miners is small—less than ordinary day wages. Very few average more than \$1 a day for their efforts.

**T**HE amateur army—which re-  
vives memories of the gold  
rush in '49, is largely deployed in  
northern California in the Sierra  
and Siskiyou mountains and along  
the beds of the Stanislaus, Yuba,  
Feather, Mokelumne, Salmon and  
Klamath rivers.

Veteran prospectors keep close  
watch on the activities of the  
goldminers, hopeful that one may  
hit the chance-in-a-million and  
strike a rich mother lode. The  
chances of this happening, how-  
ever, are very slim, according to  
experts mining men.

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**A**PTAMENT IS LOOTED

Loot valued at more than \$100  
was taken by burglars from the  
home of Perry A. Brown, 1711 College  
avenue, Apartment 3, he reported  
to police early today. Stolen  
articles include fishing tackle, jew-  
elry and a traveling bag.

A \$50 bag was stolen from the  
studio of Robert J. Sutton, 441 Farmers  
Trust building, he told police  
this morning.

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element of chance would be re-  
duced to a minimum because he  
proposes placer mining instead of  
digging for nuggets. The average  
man with no experience, Walker

says, should be able to earn be-  
tween \$2 and \$5 a day.

**U**NDER the Walker plan, the  
government would grub-stake  
the jobless.

"I would suggest," he said,  
"that the President, as chief of the  
army and navy, immediately mo-  
bilize the necessary equipment now

lying idle, such as trucks, tents  
and supplies and the idle trans-  
ports, now lying in our harbors,

to send all persons who want to  
go to the Rocky Mountain region,

California and Alaska.

**Woman Rous Bandit Gang**

**CHICAGO, July 8.—Mrs. Ottie**

**Martin is skeptical of "police of-  
ficers" who refuse to show their**

**badges. Three bandits posing as  
police tried to enter her home.**

**When they wouldn't reveal their  
stars, Mrs. Martin fired several**

**shots through the door and drove  
them away.**

