

EMPLOYERS ON DEFENSIVE IN LABOR TROUBLE

Strikers Theoretically Side With Government in Present Strike.

This is the last of three articles by Harry Elmer Barnes, Ph. D., on industrial strife in American history as a background for interpreting of disorders accompanying application of Clause 7A of the national industrial recovery act.

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The twentieth century dawned with a black background of industrial warfare behind it. There was little change during the first decade of the new century.

The struggle between the miners and the reactionary employers continued unabated in Idaho, Colorado and other western mining centers. In 1902 a strike in the anthracite area of Pennsylvania threatened the east with a fuelless winter. President Roosevelt forced the coal operators to accept arbitration but not the principles of labor union.

From 1905 to 1910 the American Federation of Labor placed less reliance upon strikes than upon the union label and the boycott in its fight for collective bargaining. This worked fairly well until the supreme court decision in the Danbury haters' case interpreted the secondary boycott as a conspiracy in restraint of trade, punishable under the Sherman act.

Newspaper Plant Bombed

In 1910 there occurred an ominous incident in labor warfare, the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times, owned by Harrison Gray Otis, the chief labor biter on the Pacific coast. The explosion on Oct. 1, 1910, cost twenty lives.

William J. Burns was called in and evidence he gathered led to the arrest of the McNamara brothers and Ortiz McManigal. During the course of a sensational trial the McNamara confessed guilt in return for a promise of mercy, which the state only partially carried out.

While Gompers had no responsibility for the dynamiting, he at first sympathized with the McNamara, whom he sincerely believed to be innocent. Their confession helped to put a serious crimp in any remaining militancy on the part of the American Federation of Labor.

Mill Strikers Win

The next sensational strike between labor and capital was waged under the leadership of the I. W. W. at the textile town of Lawrence, Mass., in 1912.

The strike leaders, Joe Ettor and Arturo Giovannitti, from the first made every effort to prevent violence and succeeded in doing so. Only the police and the troops shed blood. The peaceful tactics of the strikers were vindicated, since the strike was won after tremendous feats of endurance.

Our entry into the World war helped to lessen strikes and industrial warfare. Soon after the war industrial strife broke out again. The I. W. W. had, indeed, been relentlessly attacked during the World war. On Armistice day, 1919, the American Legion, incited by the lumber barons of the northwest, attacked the I. W. W. headquarters at Centralia, Wash. Four veterans were killed and several I. W. W. leaders were later sentenced to long terms of imprisonment. A general strike in Seattle, in 1919, tied up the whole city for a week.

Steel Strike in 1919

In the autumn of 1919 came the great steel strike, precipitated as the result of an effort to unionize the plants of the United States Steel Corporation. The federal government quickly came to the aid of the steel corporation through injunctions and the calling out of the federal army under General Leonard Wood. The Boston police strike of 1919 was cleverly exploited by employers to discredit all strikes.

The strikes at Passaic, N. J., in 1925, and at New Bedford, Mass., in 1928, were the most colorful flare-ups until the spring of 1929. Serious and extended industrial warfare broke out in 1929 in the textile towns of North Carolina, particularly in the district around Gastonia and Marion. There was some bloodshed, but most of the mortalities occurred among strikers, who were wantonly fired on by deputy sheriffs controlled by the textile companies. Even women were shot



HAPPY CHILDREN SWARM CITY BEACHES TO ESCAPE HEAT WAVE

FURTHER RAINS NEEDED TO AID CROP REVIVAL

Corn Outlook 'Materially Improved,' Weather Bureau Says.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, June 13.—Rains last week were of "inestimable value" to the drought area, but additional precipitation is needed to advance, "or even maintain the present improved outlook," the weather bureau said today in its weekly crop bulletin.

"While rains came too late to be of material help to most winter and early spring grains," the bureau commented, "they have been sufficient to relieve the serious live-stock situation in many places."

The bureau reported the corn outlook "materially improved, with rapid germination of late planted corn and revival of considerable earlier acreages that were struggling for existence."

"The present condition of the crop is now favorable, except in the southwest," the report said.

Downpour Hits Florida

By United Press
TAMPA, Fla., June 13.—Heavy property damage resulted today from record breaking rains that have flooded lowlands in this section.

The weather bureau reported 7.4 inches of rain fell between 8 p. m. yesterday and 8 a. m. today with the rains continuing. This exceeded by more than an inch the previous record for rainfall in the last forty years.

LIFE OF NOGUCHI TOLD

Rotarians Hear Story of Famed Scientific Figure.

Members of the Indianapolis Rotary Club heard the story of Noguchi, famed Japanese-American bacteriologist, yesterday, as told by Mrs. Kathryn Turney Garten, book reviewer for Stewart's, Inc. Mrs. Garten told the story as it is written by Gustav Eckstein.

Eugene C. Fosler, director of the Indianapolis Foundation, gave a report on the work of the Flower Mission Society, the Summer Mission for Sick Children, and the Children's Air Society.

INSPекторS TO MEET

Electrical Group to Hear Address by Al Feeney.

First annual meeting of the Indiana chapter, western section of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors, will be held at the Sevier tomorrow and Friday.

Al G. Feeney, state safety director; William F. Hurd, city building commissioner, and Gerry M. Sanborn, electrical contractors' NRA code authority, will be speaker.

30 KILLERS BREAK JAIL

Mexico Police Hunt Desperados; Warden's Arrest Ordered.

By United Press
MEXICO CITY, June 13.—Mexico state police, abandoning all other duties, searched today for thirty long term prisoners, all convicted of murder, who escaped from jail at Tenango Del Valle.

Arrest of the prison warden was ordered.

Anderson Electrician Killed

By United Press
ANDERSON, Ind., June 13.—Joseph Chambers, 49, municipal light plant employee, was electrocuted here late yesterday when he grasped a 2,200-volt high tension wire by mistake.

CITY FLIER HURT



JAPAN CONSUL FOUND ALIVE IN CHINESE CAVE

Missing Official Planned Suicide, He Admits to Officials.

By United Press
NANKING, June 13.—Hidemitsu Kuramoto, missing Japanese vice consul, for whose safety Japan held China responsible, was found alive today in a cave near the tombs of the Ming dynasty of emperors.

A coolie found the man whose disappearance had threatened to involve Japan and the Chinese National government in a serious dispute.

Chinese authorities issued a statement revealing that Kuramoto went into hiding and planned suicide after being reprimanded for loss of certain documents. Authorities told the United Press that the vice consul had admitted that his disappearance was voluntary and caused by "humiliation" following a reprimand by Consul General Suma.

The alleged reprimand occurred last week. Kuramoto dropped from sight Friday. Japan immediately notified the Chinese government that it was responsible for his safety and sent warships here to "protect" other Japanese residents.

Kuramoto later admitted to the United Press that he disappeared voluntarily. He said he left the consulate in a rickshaw and rode to the cemetery. From the mountain side, he looked out upon the lights of the city.

"I looked back," he said, "and shouted: 'Goodbye to all that.' The consulate attaché had lost an important document and brought stern reproof upon himself. He planned self-destruction, he said."

STATE PRESBYTERIANS CHOOSE MODERATOR

Synod Group Holds Meeting at Hanover College.

HANOVER, Ind., June 13.—The Rev. John Prentiss, Bedford, was chosen moderator of the Indiana Presbyterians church synod in annual meeting at Hanover college yesterday. Business sessions of the synod and the fifty-second annual meeting of the Women's Synodical Society will continue through tomorrow.

GRAVES LEADS IN VOTE

Alabama Ex-Governor Ahead for Democratic Nomination.

By United Press
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 13.—With returns lacking from only 150 of the state's 2,256 voting boxes, ex-Governor Bibb Graves today held an insurmountable lead of more than 22,000 votes over Frank M. Dixon, Birmingham lawyer, for the Democratic governorship nomination.

BAKERY CODE TO START

National Council Sets June 18 for Opening of Agreement.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, June 13.—The bakery industry code of fair competition will become effective June 18, the National Bakers' Council, code authority, advised today through the recovery administration.

Rooselvelt's Mother Honored.

By United Press
ILLINOIS TOWN SKIPS TAX
HAMMOND, Ind., June 13.—Miss Irma Arson, 25, Chicago, was thrown from a horse and killed instantly last night on the bridle path of the Hammond riding academy. Her neck was broken.

SOCIALISTS TO MEET

W. H. Richards to Speak at Ninth Ward Session.

Hot Coffee Scalds Child

Ninth ward Socialists will meet at 8 tonight at the Dearborn, 3208 East Michigan street. W. H. Richards will speak on "A Socialist America." The public is invited.

NINE POSTMEN HONORED

Carriers Get Pins for Twenty-five Years of Service.

Nine postal carriers were given pins emblematic of twenty-five years service at the meeting of Hoosier City branch No. 39, National Association of Letter Carriers, at the Sevier last night. Those honored were John W.

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