

UNIONS PLAN FINISH FIGHT ON RAIL BILL

President First to Be Approached and Second Resort to Attack Constitutionality of Act, Plan.

WILL NOT NEGOTIATE

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Consideration of President Wilson's proposal for settlement of railroad employees' wage demands by an impartial tribunal was side-tracked today by union officers to give the right of way to a finish fight on the recently passed railroad reorganization bill.

Request for a veto of the measure will be presented to President Wilson, probably tonight, in the form of a memorial setting forth organized labor's objections to the arbitration features of the bill, especially, and to the financial clauses. Failing to gain a veto the unions plan to attack the constitutionality of the law.

Decision is sudden.
Decision to carry the fight to the white house was taken suddenly at a meeting to consider the president's proposal, but the latter did not get much consideration, because general committeemen represented that their membership was restive under what they termed "legislative attacks" on union labor and would not be satisfied unless the bill was fought to the last ditch.

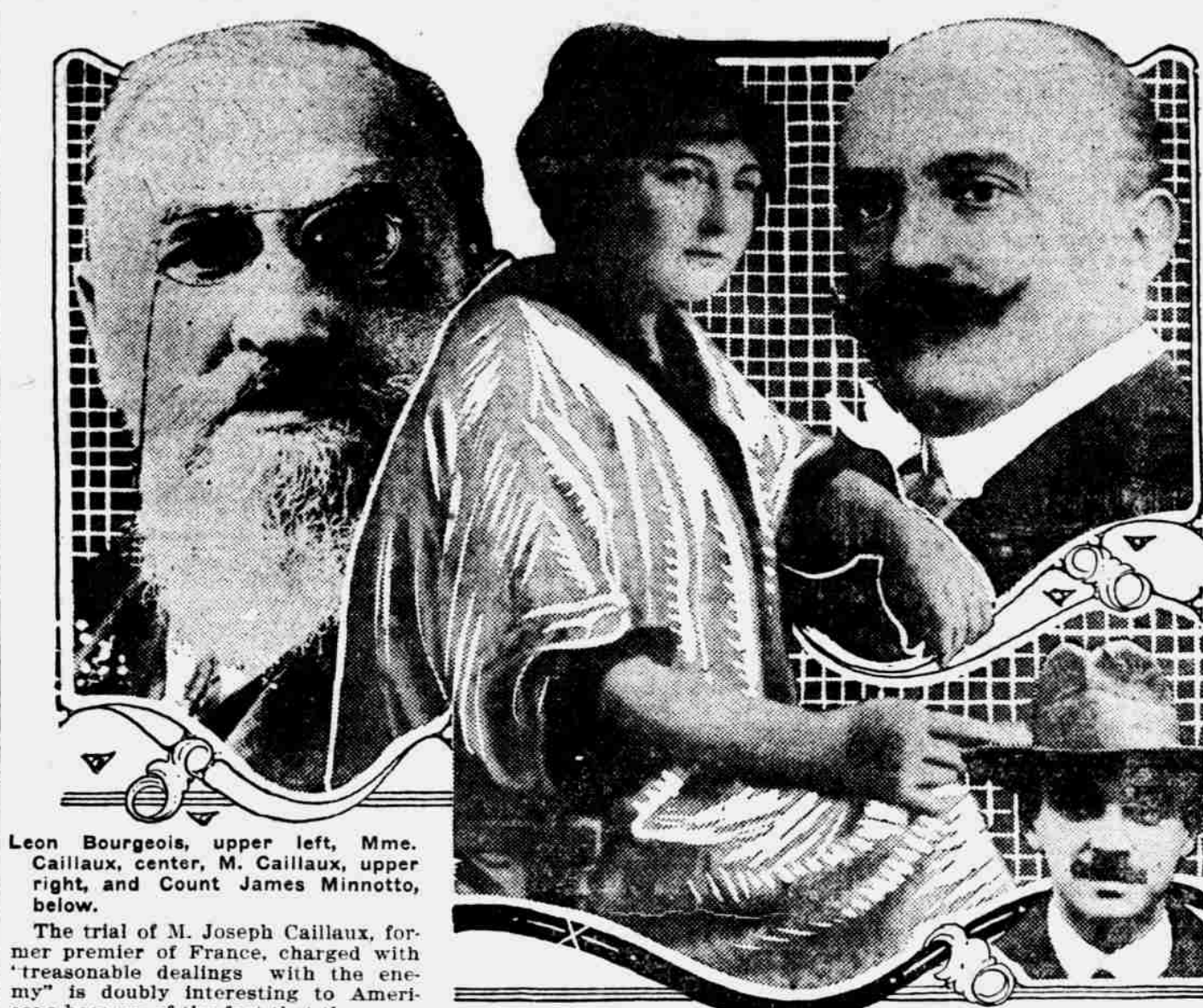
When it was decided to ask for executive disapproval of the measure, many of the delegates made arrangements to return home immediately, leaving the wage controversy negotiations unfinished.

The unions still have to decide also whether they will join in selection of experts to gather data for consideration by the wage commission created by the railroad bill.

Have Expressed Opposition
As the unions have expressed unalterable opposition to such a council of arbitration, in which the public would be represented as well as railroad and employees, some of their officers have objected to participation in choosing the board for fear it would be taken as acceptance of the provisions they deem obnoxious.

The memorial to President Wilson is being drafted by B. M. Jewell, acting president of the railway employees department, American Federation of Labor; E. J. Manion, president of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, and Timothy Shea, acting president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, who were the delegation chosen to visit the White House recently and receive the president's communication in the wage controversy.

Swift's Son-in-law Mentioned in Trial of Caillaux for Treason



Leon Bourgeois, upper left, Mme. Caillaux, center, M. Caillaux, upper right, and Count James Minotto, below.

The trial of M. Joseph Caillaux, former premier of France, charged with "treasonable dealings with the enemy" is doubly interesting to Americans because of the fact that the name of Count James Minotto is being mentioned almost incessantly. Minotto is the son-in-law of Louis F. Swift, Chicago packer. The count was interned in the U. S. in 1918 as an alien enemy. M. Caillaux stated early in the trial that Minotto was one of the German agents who followed him in South America. Leon Bourgeois, president of the senate, is presiding at the trial. The testimony of Mme. Caillaux, the defendant's wife, is expected to play an important part in the trial.

ERZBERGER QUILTS, ALMOST BY REQUEST; MOESLE GETS JOB

(By Associated Press)
BERLIN, Tuesday, Feb. 24.—Mathias Erzberger tonight tendered President Ebert his resignation as minister of finance, basing his action upon a desire to have the investigation of his alleged false tax returns proceed without prejudice or consideration for his official position.

While the official announcement issued late tonight assigns this as a reason, the minister's retirement and its alleged motive were completely eclipsed by the character of evidence which Dr. Carl Helfferich, former vice chancellor, succeeded in piling up against Herr Erzberger during the last two days of the latter's libel suit against him.

Lead German Politics.
Twenty years ago a rural schoolmaster and since 1905 the stormy petrel of German parliamentary life, Herr Erzberger has for the last 15 months been the most conspicuous figure in Germany's post-revolutionary era.

He tonight retired from the government a thoroughly discredited man, although the cabinet stood by him loyally until the last moment in the face of overwhelming odds against the man who had been its mainstay. The clerical party too, declined to jettison its favorite son until the court's verdict had been rendered tonight.

Personal friends regret the failure to use the recent attempt against Herr Erzberger's life as an opportune reason for his voluntary retirement, thus depriving Dr. Helfferich of his decisive victory, which is now adding to Pan-Germania jubilation.

BERLIN, Feb. 25.—Under-secretary of State Moesle has been selected to succeed Mathias Erzberger, who resigned as minister of finance. Moesle was appointed a Deputy to Erzberger on Jan. 27.

More Than One-Half of One Per cent in Anything, Illegal, Rules Orbison

First it was whiskey, then it was beer, and now it takes in anything from patent medicine up.

Prosecutor Freeman Wednesday received instructions from Charles J. Orbison, federal prohibition director for Indiana, that any person manufacturing or selling any concoction containing more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol should be prosecuted.

"Richmond druggists should exercise great caution in disposing of concoctions containing more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol," said Freeman. "Several cases have been reported lately of druggists selling mixtures containing much alcohol, which have been used as a beverage. Druggists must be exceedingly careful to ascertain the purpose of the purchaser. The law is that any concoction containing more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol, which is intended or reasonably likely to be used as a beverage, is an intoxicating liquor as defined in the prohibition statute, and druggists are liable to prosecution for any such sales."

The instructions also say that although the state law permits the manufacture of wine and cider containing more than one-half of one per cent of alcohol, for home consumption, the state law is superseded and repealed by the eighteenth amendment and the enforcement act enacted by congress Oct. 27, 1919.

FLU CLOSES MEX. SCHOOLS.
MEXICO CITY, Feb. 25.—Schools, churches and other public meeting places have been closed indefinitely because of influenza. Estimates of the number of cases in Mexico City run as high as several hundred thousand, but there have been comparatively few deaths.

American Flyers Set Free by Mexican Officers

(By Associated Press)
DOUGLAS, ARIZ., Feb. 25.—Lieutenants G. L. Usher and M. L. Wolf, American aviators, held in nominal captivity at Nacozari, 90 miles below the border, since they made a forced landing there Feb. 2, today were at liberty to return to American soil.

The lieutenants were held prisoners longer than any other American aviators who had been forced to land in the southern republic. They were permitted the freedoms of Nacozari while negotiations for their release were conducted through the foreign departments of the two governments under the new Mexican policy which requires official investigation of all landings of American flyers south of the international line.

FEDERAL TROOPS AT MURDER TRIAL

(By Associated Press)
MONTESANO, Wash., Feb. 25.—Federal troops from Camp Lewis were under orders today to come to Montesano, scene of the trial of 10 alleged industrial workers of the World charged with murder in connection with the killing of four former service men during the armistice day parade at Centralia. The size of the detachment and when it will start was not announced. The troops were asked for upon request of Herman Allen, prosecuting attorney, because "no harm can come by taking the proper steps to reestablish any possibility of serious friction."

Mr. Allen said there had been rumors of approaching trouble, even of armed interference, since the trial began last month. He said there had been "an increasing drift" of radicals to Montesano.

Governor Hart declined to discuss the situation. Montesano for some time has been a focus of interest from all over the northwest. Great attention has been given the trial, both by alleged radicals and sympathizers and by members of the American legion.

Illness of jurors has caused several continuances of the trial in the last few days and before court opened today it was said a further continuance might be necessary on that account.

Maryland Legislators Want Dry Act Repeal

(By Associated Press)
ANNAPOLIS, Feb. 25.—Co-incidence with the appearance here today of Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the anti-saloon league to explain the provisions of the Volstead Prohibition enforcement act before the temperance committee of the house of delegates, resolutions were introduced in both branches of the legislature rescinding Maryland's ratification of the Federal prohibition amendment, and authorizing the government to institute proceedings for its annulment.

"Canned Debate" Features
New York Political Meet

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—A "canned" debate on the League of Nations will feature a meeting of the Central Republican club in Harlem tonight. Rival statesmen, through the medium of the talking machine record, will expound their attitudes on the question. The speakers will be Senators Lodge and Harding, Republicans; William G. McAdoo and Attorney General Palmer, Democrats.

No decision will be announced.

STOCK YARDS OWNERS CAN COVER UP SAYS COMMITTEE WITNESS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Resuming his testimony today at the hearing of the House agriculture committee on legislation for control of the meat packing industry, W. B. Colver, of the federal trade commission, again suggested laws requiring corporations engaged in interstate commerce to disclose their real owners.

He told the committee the trade commission and other government agencies have been unable to learn the real ownership of the Chicago stock yards, which he said "was covered up" by numerous dealers.

The stock yards, he continued, are owned under certificates in blank, payable to bearer. Under this plan, he continued, the dealers agreed to by the department of justice and the packers, by which the latter are to confine themselves solely to the meat packing and produce business, might be evaded.

Questioned regarding the decree, Mr. Colver said the proceedings had demonstrated that existing laws were inadequate to deal with the industry.

"If the current decree is good or bad, it emphasizes need for legislation," he said.

Wayne Folks in Marion County to Mourn Exile at Banquet March 5

Just because about 2,000 Wayne county natives live in Marion county, west on the National road—within the borders of Marion county—there is no reason why they can no longer be neighbors, says the Wayne County Society of Marion county, and is accordingly announcing a banquet to be held at the Independent Athletic club in Indianapolis Friday evening, March 5, and invites all of the favored 2,000 to attend.

The program will include the singing of "Wayne County," the county's anthem. John A. Shaffer will be toastmaster. Responses will be made by L. S. Bowman, Mrs. Grace Julian Clarke, Gaar Williams, J. Clyde Hoffman, Mrs. Alvin T. Coate, Mrs. W. H. Alford, E. D. Foxworthy, Dr. I. S. Harlow and others.

John H. Robbins is president and Mrs. Laura Hartill Bates secretary of the society, which holds reunions each summer. At the last reunion it was decided to hold a banquet each winter.

Mrs. Hattie Rinehart Dies at Home in Hagerstown

HAGERSTOWN, Ind., Feb. 25.—Mrs. Hattie Rinehart, 35 years old, died Tuesday at 11 p. m. at the home of her father, J. M. Mendenhall. She had been suffering for more than two years from cancer.

Her husband, Frank Rinehart, and two children, Marie and Kenneth, survive. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a. m. at Methodist church. Burial will be in Westlawn cemetery.

R. R. STRIKE IN FRANCE

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Feb. 25.—The Paris, Lyon and Mediterranean railroad strike was called today. All shops were idle, no trains left the Lyon station and the Marseilles and Lyon yards were also paralyzed. Two trains, one northbound and the other southbound, were despatched from Dijon. It was expected that not a wheel would be turned on the system by afternoon.

FOOD RIOTS IN GERMANY
BERLIN, Feb. 25.—Food riots are reported at Ludwigshafen, and mobs are said to be plundering shops. Numerous arrests have been made, according to addresses received here.

FEDERAL MEN GIVE IRON RIVER WINE TO GUTTER; TOWN QUIET

(By Associated Press)
IRON RIVER, Mich., Feb. 25.—State's Attorney M. S. McDonough, of Iron county could not be located today by Major A. V. Dalrymple, federal prohibition director for the central states, but the wine which was taken from the federal authorities last week was found and destroyed.

Nine barrels of wine were located in the cellar of a priest's house, where it had been placed for safekeeping, and rolled into the streets where the agents knocked the ends off the barrels and let the liquor run into the gutter.

The conference which was to have taken place between Major Dalrymple and the state officials has been postponed until such a time as the officials are found.

Major Dalrymple and his guests expected to leave here immediately for the Virgil mine, where another raid will be made.

Precautions taken by the prohibition director before he reached Iron River included issuance to each man of his party 600 rounds of ammunition.

Taking Precautions.
"We are taking precautions in case we should meet resistance during our work, but that does not mean we expect a fight," he said.

Major Dalrymple issued a statement repeating his announcement that "this affair has been brewing for a long time, and expressing the opinion that it was inevitable that in some community there would be an organized attempt to violate the prohibition law."

He said that he determined weeks ago that when the outbreak came he would put it down with prompt and vigorous measures.

Leo J. Grove, the prohibition agent from whom the wine was taken, accompanied Major Dalrymple here from Chicago. He held search warrants for 10 places.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—A complete investigation of the prohibition controversy in Iron county, Michigan, will be made by the internal revenue bureau, Commissioner Roper announced today.

H. M. Gaylord, deputy prohibition commissioner, will leave tonight for Grand Rapids and Iron River to take up with the authorities there the controversy which led district prohibition commissioner Dalrymple, at Chicago, to declare the county an "open revolt."

LANSING, Mich., Feb. 25.—Although state officials here continued today to minimize the seriousness of affairs in Iron county, Mich., where federal agents charge county officials with obstructing enforcement of the prohibition law, the various state departments were prepared to co-operate with federal officers.

PRESIDENT'S REPLY GETS TO PREMIERS

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Feb. 25.—President Wilson's reply to the allied note on the Adriatic situation reached London today and was delivered to the allied supreme council.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Arrival in London today of President Wilson's reply to the entente premier's note on the Adriatic question will furnish the European chancelleries with an unequivocal statement of this country's position as to the forming of agreements for disposal of territory without the participation of the United States.

President Wilson has refused, according to well informed circles, to agree to the settlement offered to Yugoslavia as an ultimatum, he has not insisted on the carrying out precisely the Adriatic settlement reached Dec. 9 with the consent of the United States. Seizure of Fiume by D'Annunzio and other subsequent events, were said to have made requisite some changes in that plan.

Irish Home Rule Bill Starts Gauntlet Thursday

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Feb. 25.—The government's bill for Irish home rule will be introduced in the house of commons tomorrow. Announcement to this effect was made in the house today by Ian MacPherson, the secretary for Ireland.

Serbian Premier and Prince are Wounded

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Feb. 25.—An attempt has been made to assassinate Prince Regent Alexander, of Serbia and Premier Protich, according to a dispatch from Trieste to the Giornale D'Italia, forwarded by the Central News Rome correspondent.

Both the prince regent and the premier were wounded.

More American Booty Captured by Mexicans

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Barry Hogarty, an American citizen, was kidnapped by Mexican at Matimi, Durango, and is being held for ransom, according to information received today by the state department.

NEW YORK DEMOCRATIC WOMEN ELECT DELEGATES

(By Associated Press)
ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 25.—Democratic women from all parts of the state came to Albany today to select two women as candidates for delegates at large to the national convention. State party leaders have decided to give women equal representation with men on the "big four." Miss Harriet May Mills, of Syracuse and Miss Elizabeth Marbury, of New York, seemed to have little opposition.

Join a Party, Advice



Mrs. Fletcher Dobyns.

That women are going deep into politics, the same as men, and campaigning for future presidents of the United States, may be gleaned from the fact that Mrs. Fletcher Dobyns of Chicago is chairman of the woman's division of the national committee that is fighting for the nomination of Gov. Frank Lowden of Illinois for president.

Mrs. Dobyns urges other women to get into politics, too. It's interesting, educational and instructive, she says. Although some have said that women in politics is bad for the home, her own home is an extremely happy one. Mrs. Dobyns says. She is a Republican herself, but she believes every woman should join some party.

TAX VALUATIONS TO BE DECIDED MONDAY

Valuation of animals and produce for spring taxation which begins Monday will be determined by the township assessors of the county, who meet Monday at 10 a. m. in the courthouse to get supplies, acting county assessor David L. Reid said Wednesday.

The assessors of personal property have until May 15 to complete their work, said Reid. "Additional improvements" are the only type of real estate to be assessed this year. This work is expected to be completed in Wayne township within 30 days.

According to local authorities, additional improvements in Richmond and Wayne township will total approximately \$600,000.

Autos at True Value.
Autos will be assessed at their true cash value, based on the judgment of the assessor. There will be no set schedule for assessing automobiles this year, as in former years.

The township trustees and their townships in the county follow: Clinton, Martindale, Jefferson; Harry, Harrison; Abington; Levi R. Odom, Harrison; Edward Wilcoxen, Webster; John Bowman, Perry; Edward Sykes, Clay; James H. Martin, Center; John W. Burgess, New Garden; William B. Overhulser, Boston; Albert J. Newman, Washington; John W. Reid, Franklin; Clare E. Martin, Green; Harry Macy, Dalton, and David L. Reid, Wayne.

Wets Have Just Begun to Fight, Says President of Brewers' Conference

(By Associated Press)
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 25.—Brewers of the United States will use "every legal and constitutional means to keep that liberty and that property that is guaranteed to us by the constitution," Christian W. Feigenbaum declared here today at the United States brewers' conference of which he is president.

"Counting the non-ratifying states, those which have not voted for state prohibition, and those which have voted against federal or state constitutional prohibition in recent years," he said, "we have 25, or more than a majority of the whole number. There are 21 referendum states, fifteen of which are not included in the foregoing. In these states the people have reserved to themselves the right to approve or reject at the polls any act of the legislature. They must therefore be counted as states which have not ratified. Adding these states to the 25 mentioned heretofore, we have a total of 40 in which the people are either opposed to federal prohibition or have been denied their undoubted right to pass upon it. No wonder the opponents of this system fought tooth and nail against letting the people vote."

Both the prince regent and the premier were wounded.

WILL COMMEMORATE HIGH TIDE OF HUN OFFENSIVE

(By Associated Press)
VERDUN, Feb. 25.—The municipality of Verdun has decided to organize a patriotic fête on June 23 to commemorate the extreme limit of the German offensive which was reached on June 23, 1916. All the residents are to take part in the fight on the banks of the Meuse will send delegations with their flags. President Deschanel will inaugurate the celebration.

MELLON PENNSY DIRECTOR.

(By Associated Press)
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 25.—Andrew W. Mellon, of Pittsburgh, was today elected a director of the Pennsylvania railroad to succeed the late Henry C. Frick. Mr. Mellon is president of the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh and is interested in many business interests in that city and elsewhere.

COLBY NAMED TO TAKE JOB OF LANSING

Former Bull Moose, Now Democrat, Named Secretary of State—Was Member of Shipping Board.

IS NEW YORK LAWYER

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Bainbridge Colby, of New York, who was one of the leaders in the Progressive party under Theodore Roosevelt, will succeed Robert Lansing as secretary of state. Announcement of his selection by President Wilson was made today at the White House.

The selection of Mr. Colby as a surprise, most officials assuming that Frank L. Polk, acting secretary, would be the president's choice.

The first inkling that the president was to appoint someone outside his official family came when Mr. Colby visited the White House early today, in company with Raymond T. Baker, director of the mint.

A few minutes later the formal announcement of his selection was made. His nomination is expected to be sent to the senate within a day or two.

Bolted Republican Party
This is not the first office Mr. Colby has held under the present administration. He was appointed a member of the shipping board and the emergency fleet corporation in July, 1917, and also was a member of the American Mission to the Interallied Shipping conference at Paris, in the same year. He retired from the shipping board more than a year ago.

Mr. Colby was a lifelong Republican until the famous Bull Moose bolt at the Chicago convention in 1912. When Colonel Roosevelt threw the weight of his influence to Charles E. Hughes in the 1916 presidential race, Mr. Colby identified himself with the Democratic party.

Mr. Colby was born at St. Louis 31 years ago.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—After Mr. Colby has taken office, Mr. Polk, who has been secretary ad interim since the resignation of Mr. Lansing nearly two weeks ago, is expected to carry out his duties of retiring from the state department. Mr. Polk's health has not been at all good for more than a year and his physicians have advised him to take a long rest.

Socialists Try to Drag Out Alleged Favoritism to Interests, in Trial

(By Associated Press)
ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 25.—Counsel for the five suspended socialist assemblymen being tried by the assembly judiciary committee on charges of disloyalty are expected today to make their promised "expose" of how the "milk, water power and traction trusts" arrive in political Albany.

The first step in this direction was taken yesterday. Assemblyman Louis Waldman, first of the defendants to testify in his own behalf, was put on the stand and before adjournment he had begun enumeration of 74 public welfare bills introduced in 1918, by the socialist delegation. Most of these measures, he said, had been killed in committee.

It was expected that further examination of Mr. Waldman will consume most of today's session. After having shown through him "positive" acts of the socialist delegation, to illustrate the claim that it was busily engaged in promoting legislation designate for the good of the majority, the defense has indicated it will turn to measures fought by the Socialists on the ground that they were intended to benefit the "vested interests" at the expense of the public.

Throw Meat to Tigers and Trade to Bolsheviks, London Times' Opinion

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Feb. 25.—Announcement of the allied policy toward Russia has evoked mixed comment from the London press. The Times, which is a strong opponent of Bolshevism, accuses Premier Lloyd George with having for more than a year "sought for his own purposes to throw weak, ignorant and reluctant Europe into the vernal arms of her Bolshevik seducer."

It says the council's announcement is an indication of the "progress" which Mr. Lloyd George now considers he has made toward his goal.

The next step is to compromise Europe beyond recall.

"As to the development of the premier's soviet intrigue shows," the Times continues, "tact and patient perseverance are the true instruments by which to decoy the unsuspecting to apostasy and shame."

The Daily News says the new policy bears all the marks of a compromise having manifestly emerged from a conflict of views, but that the balance on the good side unquestionably predominates.

The Chronicle, which has lately advocated peace with the Bolsheviks, says yesterday's decision embodies a big step forward, but is masked under evasive expressions.

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL MURDERED

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 25.—Miss Florence Housel, 50, owner of the Huntington Hall school for girls in South Pasadena, near here, was shot and killed in her room last night by an unknown assailant, who then fled exulting in the kitchen and set fire to the building. The fire was discovered by Miss Housel's father, aged 80, who extinguished the flames.

Stock Market Decline Continues in New York

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Liquidation in stock market was renewed today, causing additional severe decline among many active shares before noon. The reaction gathered much of its impetus from signs of tighter money and apprehension regarding the attitude of federal reserve board toward the credit system in general.

Directors of the local reserve bank were in session at mid day and it was thought that another advance in interests and discount rates, might be necessitated because of the deficit in reserves by that institution last week.

Universal Training is Left Out of Army Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The program of Republican house leaders to omit universal military training from the army reorganization bill was accepted today by the house military committee which ordered favorable report on the bill without any recommendation as to training.

Weather Forecast

For Indiana, by United States Weather Bureau.—Fair and continuing cold tonight and Thursday. Snow flurries tonight, in North and East portions.

Today	Yesterday
Noon	21
Maximum	21
Minimum	22

For Wayne County, by W. E. Moore.—Partly cloudy and continued cold tonight. Occasional snow.

General Conditions.—The storm which was central over Florida peninsula is moving northward and is causing rain and snow in the Atlantic states and as far west as the lakes. Temperatures continue some what below normal east of the Rocky mountains with snow as far south as Memphis, Tenn., and zero weather in Winnipeg, Canada. The southwest storm over the Rocky mountains continues to develop.