

HOME RULE GIVES LABOR EVEN BREAK

Editor of Dayton Labor Paper
Says Labor Gets a Square
Deal—Citizens Tell Com-
plaints to Commissioners.

WORKERS SATISFIED

Editor's Note: Clarence B. Greene, director of the Dayton Bureau of Research, has prepared a series of articles on home rule for the Palladium. The eighth follows:

In any city where a radical change in municipal government is proposed, the opponents of the proposition raise the issue that the departure from the old order of things will not meet the approval of labor. Commission-manager government proposals have not escaped these assaults from the professional politician, who would use labor to his own selfish advantage. The politician has argued that commission-manager government is high-brow and not the kind to give the laboring man a real voice in municipal affairs.

In some instances the political tub-thumper has been able to sway a portion of labor to his way of thinking, but in a majority of cases the worker has been amply shown that commission-manager government is more to his advantage than the federal form, with its political log-rolling and sectionalism.

The best evidence of labor's satisfaction with commission-manager government is to be found in Dayton, O., where the majority of the workers are found solidly behind the system. Discussing this plan of municipal government, E. A. Nunan, editor of the Labor Review, published by and for organized labor, made the following statement which is a sample of the average point of view of the workers of that city:

"From the standpoint of the laboring man no objection can be voiced to the commission-manager form of government. In fact, our experience in Dayton has shown the system to be satisfactory in every respect; not meaning that labor receives any special consideration, but it does receive all that it asks—an even break."

"Probably we have been exceptionally fortunate in this city, in that every man who has been elected as commissioner has made personal sacrifices in order to accept the position. The commissioners are innocent of any knowledge of party politics, and, therefore, transcend the business of the city in the same manner as they would a commercial enterprise, and are not called upon to consider the possible political significance of their every act."

"The meeting of the five commissioners is decidedly informal. The object of the commission is to get results, which means there is no up-dignity connected with the weekly gatherings of that body. Any citizen who has a complaint to make or a suggestion to offer merely drops into the commission room, tells the commissioners what he has to say, and goes on about his business, knowing that whatever he has offered the commission will be fully considered. In this way the government is brought down to the people, as the humblest citizen receives the same consideration, and his voice is just as potent in reaching a decision as that of the richest man in town. This is not theory—it is an actuality."

"Service Rendered
From each dollar expended the city probably receives 25 cents' worth of service that it did not get under the old political plan, and as the working-man really is the fellow who must pay all the cost of operating a city, this one item contains a strong appeal."

"However, it must not be understood that if professional politicians should be elected commissioners they do as much if not more harm than was possible under the old system."

"Labor will find the commission-manager plan an ideal one, provided labor investigates all candidates and elects only those whose civic pride is known to be superior to their personal interests and their political ambitions. There are many such men to be found in every community—at least, Dayton has been able to find them."

"Those political visionaries who have been working overtime to create doubt in the public mind as to labor's attitude toward commission-manager government will find scant comfort in Mr. Nunan's message."

"The workers of this city should weigh most carefully the words of Editor Nunan, and reflect upon past conditions here, before they allow themselves to be misled by self-seekers, who at best are working for individual rather than public interest."

"Every workingman in this city should firmly urge the enactment of the law which will allow the election of a new commission, pledged to the appointment of a capable and earnest city manager."

**Revive Dealings In
International Securities**
(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The practice of international securities under joint account arrangements suspended by the stock exchange in 1912, was revived here today. The only difference between the practice as revived and that before 1912 is that dealings on the London and Amsterdam exchanges are conducted direct from brokerage houses instead of on the floor of the stock exchange.

Brokers said business of this nature is likely to be more brisk with Amsterdam, than with London since rules in London restrict trading to actual cash transactions, thus preventing profits by "short" transactions. Cable transmission to Amsterdam, also, is swifter they said.

General Robert Neville Arrives in Philadelphia

(By Associated Press)
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—General Robert Georges Neville, the hero of Verdun, arrived here today and will be the guest of the city during his stay. He came to Philadelphia as the official representative of France to the tercentenary celebration. General Neville will visit Independence hall, the grave of Benjamin Franklin, the old Christ church, the statue of Joan of Arc and other scenes of historical significance in the association of France and America. He will later go to Valley Forge, the scene of the activities of his fellow-countryman Lafayette.

Dr. Ernest LaPlace, president of the central committee of the French committee, has charge of the welcome.

ENTRIES ARE ADDED TO FREE EXHIBIT OF RICHMOND PRODUCTS

More entries were added to the "Made in Richmond" exhibit, that is being held at the Y. M. C. A. all this week, when several manufacturers placed their articles on display Wednesday morning. Virtually all the factories of the city are represented in some manner in the show. Several unique designs have been worked out by the various exhibitors, making the entire show interesting and educational.

About 700 people visited the exhibit during the afternoon and evening Tuesday, in spite of the inclement weather. The Rotary club members and their families were special guests, and a large number of them took advantage of the occasion to inspect the articles made in this city. The Garfield orchestra furnished the music during the evening. Lloyd E. Harter spoke in behalf of the Rotary club, and expressed the appreciation of the club in having an evening set apart for them to be the special guests of the exhibit as well as complimenting the Y. M. C. A. officials on their foresight in providing such an excellent and interesting display for the city.

Congratulate Orchestra.
The youngsters making up the Garfield orchestra came in for their share of the speech. Mr. Harter expressing the club's congratulations for their help in making the evening's program a pronounced success.

Knights of Columbus, their families and friends will be special visitors to the association building Wednesday night. Owing to the fact that the chamber of commerce has engaged the interest of most of the musicians of the city for this evening no special orchestra music will be held. Mrs. E. W. Krueger will sing several numbers during the course of the evening.

The public art gallery which is now showing an exhibit of Richmond artists will be open Wednesday evening for the special benefit of those interested in artists of this city. The gallery is open during the day time all through the week, but the opening Wednesday will be the only evening.

Book Display.
One of the latest additions to the exhibit is a display of books from the library which are the products of Richmond authors. Mrs. Ada L. Bernhard, librarian of the Morrison-Reeves library, has arranged this exhibit which is very complete.

Bender's Ice Cream company, C. T. Price and the Richmond Baking company scored a decided hit with the visitors when they distributed edible souvenirs from their booths.

The Richmond Symphony orchestra will be the special attraction for Thursday night and the high school orchestra on Friday night.

**United States Ready
TO RECOGNIZE MEXICO**
(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The way to resumption of all diplomatic relations between the United States and Mexico apparently was cleared today with a proposal from Secretary Coby for the appointment of commissioners by the two governments to draw up a treaty.

Embodied in a letter to Robert V. Pesquiera, Mexican confidential agent in Washington, Secretary Coby's proposal, declaring the complete understanding reached between himself and M. Pesquiera in their recent conversations now remained only to be given a treaty form.

Declaring his conversation with M. Pesquiera had left no reasonable doubt of the high and enlightened purposes that actuate the present government of Mexico, Secretary Coby also asserted that the expressions contained in M. Pesquiera's recent letter urging recognition by the United States should allay the fears of those who have acquired land titles in Mexico.

Lower Prices Not Expected On Farm Implements

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 1.—Lower prices on farm implements cannot be expected, according to John Wagner, of Jasper, the president of the Indiana Implement Dealers' association, who addressed the opening session of the association's annual convention here today. The convention will be in session until Friday.

Douglas Will Speak At Dalton, Thursday

Ben Taylor, secretary of the Dalton township federation, announces that Maurice Douglas, first vice president of the state federation, will address the farmers' meeting at Dalton on Thursday evening, December 2. Mr. Douglas is an interesting and well posted speaker.

WILSON OFFER IS ACCEPTED BY COUNCIL

Reply to President Wilson's
Offer to Act as Mediator in
Armenia Being Drafted—
Proposal Meets Approval.

SPAIN, BRAZIL TO JOIN

(By Associated Press)
GENEVA, Dec. 1.—A letter to President Wilson, accepting his offer to act as mediator in Armenia was being drafted by the Council of the League of Nations here today. Mr. Wilson's note, which was received this morning, was read to members of the council at 10:30 o'clock and was received with marks of liveliest satisfaction.

It was announced this afternoon that Spain and Brazil had offered to join President Wilson in his role of Armenian mediator. This offer has been embodied in the reply to Mr. Wilson framed by the council.

President Wilson's acceptance created a great impression when it was announced today.

"Poor old Europe will feel less abandoned," was a remark made by a member of the French delegation while discussing the matter.

The news gave the assembly great relief, as the Armenian question had become the bugbear of the assembly.

Much Speculation.
There is much speculation as to what form the mediation of Armenia will take. A. J. Balfour, a leader of the British delegation, remarked to the assembly the other day that in order to negotiate it would be necessary to offer Mustafa Kemal, chief of the Turkish nationalists, something, either money or territory and this remark is recalled in connection with Mr. Wilson's known opposition to the mediation made of some parts of the territory of Turkey by the Sevres treaty.

Prediction is made here that in the end the Greeks may pay the price for saving what remains of the Armenian people.

"President Wilson's action is a big step toward a solution of one of the most serious problems before the assembly," was the way Lord Robert Cecil, characterized the American president's acceptance.

Brings Relief.
"That is wonderful news," he declared when the information was given him. It brings relief to all of us who are trying to find a way to help the Armenians out of the difficulty. Mr. Wilson's acceptance is commendable and worthy of the best traditions of the United States which have always been a friend of Armenia and taken the lead in alleviating her sufferings."

"The decision of President Wilson is not in any sense political, from my point of view and cannot give encouragement to all those who wish to see the United States in the league. It is simply a natural development of an old humanitarian policy."

Dr. Fridtjof Nansen who had been one of the first to become interested in Armenia, and is a member of the committee considering developments in that country, was rather inclined to pessimism yesterday. When he heard the news today, however, he beamed with joy.

"We have found the man," he cried. "and the rest will be easy."

Bulgaria Doubtful
Application by Bulgaria for admission to the league of nations was expected to be brought up today at the session of the assembly of the league. Serbia, Greece and Rumania had indicated their serious opposition to the admission of Bulgaria, and it appeared probable they would make an issue of the matter.

At a meeting of the commission for the admission of new members yesterday it was indicated that Austria would be accorded membership in the league without a dissenting vote.

While the commission discussed Austria's application for some time, no final action was taken, but all the delegates expressed themselves in favor of admitting that country to the organization.

Objections Voiced
Another attempt was made today to gain approval of the league's budget for the forthcoming year. This matter came before the assembly yesterday but objections were voiced by several national delegates. New Zealand, Australia and India pointing out that in their opinion 7,000,000 francs in gold was an excessive amount. Albert Thomas of Great Britain, head of the international labor bureau, explained contemplated expenditures by that organization and Sir Eric Drummond, general secretary of the league, participated in the argument, explaining the need of the amount named.

As a result of the protests of delegates another meeting of the economic commission was held this morning for the purpose of once more going over the estimates preparatory to submitting the budget at this afternoon's session.

Detectives End Mystery by Arrest

TORONTO, Dec. 1.—John Doughty, arrested in Oregon and returned here to face charges of theft and conspiracy in the kidnapping of Ambrose J. Small, theatre owner, who has been missing since last December, will be held without bail for a hearing next Monday, the police announced today. Doughty is a former employee of the missing man.

New Shipping Board Holds First Meeting

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The first meeting of the new shipping board of seven commissioners named by President Wilson under the Jones Merchant Marine Act will be held today. No business will be taken up at the initial meeting at which the new commissioners will qualify. Chairman Benson said beyond the possible election of a vice-chairman and the distribution of the various duties to each commissioner.

WEIGHTY QUESTIONS AWAIT CONSIDERATION BY STATE GOVERNORS

(By Associated Press)
HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 1.—New England clasped hands with the Pacific slope here today and the Denizen of the frozen Great Lakes shore met and fraternized with the dweller of the land along the Rio Grande when two score governors and governors-elect assembled in the Pennsylvania senate chamber for the opening session of their twelfth annual conference.

Discussion of weighty questions of government administration and the threshing out of problems of state craft and economics which await post war readjustment in every state of the Union faced the executives when they convened under the gavel of Governor William C. Sproul of Pennsylvania in capacity of host and temporary chairman.

Throughout last evening and early today the governors and governors-to-be were met at the railroad station by Pennsylvania civil and military authorities and were escorted to conference headquarters at the Pennsylvania hotel.

After each was driven to the executive mansion for a short call and then to the capital to be greeted by Governor Sproul in the executive offices.

Official Discussions.
Today's schedule called for a rigorous program of official discussion punctuated by entertainment at the hotel for luncheon and at the governor's home for a formal dinner in the evening.

At half past ten the session scheduled to begin with the addresses of welcome by Governor Sproul on behalf of Pennsylvania and Lieut. Gov. Edward E. Biddleman, speaking in the name of Harrisburg. Response was by Governor Thomas E. Campbell of Arizona.

Each of the subsequent prepared addresses was to be followed by general discussion. The other subjects on the program for discussion were:

"The national importance of agriculture," Governor John M. Parker, of Louisiana; "The responsibility of the state for industrial justice," Governor Henry J. Allen, of Kansas; "The work of the national conference on uniform state laws," Judge William M. Hargest, Pennsylvania's delegate to the conference and "the decentralization of governmental functions and activities," Governor R. A. Cooper of South Carolina.

MAY USE MILITARY AGAINST D'ANNUNZIO

(By Associated Press)
FIUME, Dec. 1.—Military action by Italian regulars against the Legionaries of Captain D'Annunzio in this city is apparently fore-shadowed in an order of the day issued by General Cavaglia, commander of the regulars outside of Fiume yesterday.

"We are faced with a sad task at the present moment," the order said. "but I rely upon your complete co-operation."

In conversation with newspaper men Gen. Cavaglia indicated he would retire from the scene if such a step would cause any change in the attitude of D'Annunzio, adding he would happily sacrifice himself for the good of the country.

"No Italian," he continued, "however distinguished, can expect to oppose his will to that of the nation."

INVESTIGATE GRAFT

TOKIO.—Members of the municipal council of this city resigned today in connection with charges of graft which have been presented.

Weather Forecast

Moore's Special Forecast.
Partly cloudy but mostly fair weather will prevail tonight and Thursday. It will be cool tonight, with freezing temperature, but there is no severe cold weather in sight.

For Indiana, by the United States Weather Bureau—Fair tonight and Thursday; colder tonight in extreme north portion.

Temperatures Yesterday.
Maximum 48
Minimum 41
Today.
Neon 44
Weather Conditions by W. E. Moore
—The slow moving rain storm is now passing away. It will be followed by somewhat colder weather, but no real cold weather is indicated on account of the mild temperatures continuing over Montana and western Canada. The coldest weather is over Wyoming, where it is far below freezing.

Aids Europeans



Col. Robert Olds, chief American Red Cross commissioner for Europe, recently sailed to begin the medical relief work which is to be directed for the relief commission composed of eight agencies. He is authorized to spend about \$10,000,000, which is estimated will be needed for this work. The relief is for women and children of eastern and central Europe, whose condition is reported as pitiful.

DECORATIONS, MUSIC TO BE FEATURE OF COLISEUM LUNCHEON

Those who have made reservations for the dollar luncheon at the Coliseum for this evening are requested by officials in charge to bring their admission cards in order to avoid confusion in seating arrangements.

The admission card will assure that the holder will receive prompt service in the matter of being seated. The luncheon will open at 6:15 p. m.

Special decorations in charge of a committee consisting of Harry Holmes, Howard Grotendick, Fred Lehman and Harry Crump were being put up in the Coliseum, while the work of placing tables and chairs and making other arrangements for the affair went on all day Wednesday.

Land Acts as Chairman.
Walker Land, who acted as chairman at the meeting Wednesday evening, J. H. Bentley, superintendent of schools, will speak, as also will W. L. Miller, secretary of the Muncie chamber of commerce.

Between 700 and 800 persons will be present when the curtain goes up this evening on one of the biggest civic meetings Richmond has seen in years. Representatives from other cities will tell of the progress accomplished by the chamber of commerce in their towns, and the preliminary details of the organization will be set up.

All sections of the city will be represented. The preliminary drive for members of the organization has already insured a very comfortable representation to start the new Richmond chamber of commerce on its way, according to a statement made today.

DISORDERLY SCENES IN PRUSSIAN DEBATES

(By Associated Press)
BERLIN, Dec. 1.—Disorderly scenes occurred in the Prussian assembly, Tuesday following a debate on a motion presented by the Majority Socialists which would transfer property owned by the Hohenzollern family to the Prussian state and would assign a suitable income to members of the former reigning house. So serious was the situation that the vice president was compelled to suspend the sitting.

Herr Heilmann, a Socialist, who introduced the motion, argued that for every million marks paid to the Hohenzollerns, former enemies of Germany would "claim another billion in reparations."

He declared there was no desire to deprive the Hohenzollerns of a livelihood, but strictly speaking, they were not entitled to a penny, and "ought to be thankful for our magnanimity."

He insisted there was danger to the German republic in affording members of the Hohenzollern family the means to pursue their pretensions to the German throne. Disorder began when Herr Kaufmann, a Conservative, attacked Herr Heilmann. The Socialists shouted and one threw a paper missile at Herr Kaufmann.

NEW STATE OFFICERS ASSUME DUTIES TODAY

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 1.—The first of the new state officials, elected at the recent election, took office today when William G. Oliver of Franklin, became state auditor, succeeding Otto L. Klaus.

The term of Mr. Klaus expired a week ago, but under an agreement with the new official the transfer of the office was deferred until the beginning of the new month.

J. J. Brown of Rockport, recently appointed to membership on the state tax board, also took office today, succeeding S. N. Cragun.

Mr. Oliver's first official act was to participate in a meeting of the board of finance which set Jan. 3 as the date for selecting banking institutions as depositories of state funds.

VICTIMS WHISKY RING PROBE WILL NOT ESCAPE PUNISHMENT FROM FEDERAL AUTHORITIES

Investigation Which Government Officials Are Making Is Independent of Any Action that May Be Taken by Wayne County Grand Jury—Federal Agents Continue Clean-up Campaign Wednesday — Six Indictments Returned by County Grand Jurors — Understood Evidence is Being Heard Relative to Sales of Preparations Sold by Local Soft Drink Establishments—More Indictments Expected.

NUMBER OF WITNESSES HEARD WEDNESDAY

Federal investigators continued their clean-up campaign today. The investigation which the government officials are making is independent of any action that may be taken by the Wayne grand jury.

Persons who have been caught in the federal dragnet will appear before the federal grand jury and ultimately before the federal court. According to the instructions of Judge Bond to the members of the grand jury, their investigation is not to conflict with the federal probe.

Even if a person is indicted by the local grand jury, it will not save him from indictment by the federal grand jury when the facts are presented to it.

STILL IS FOUND BY SHERIFF IN RAID ON EATON FARMHOUSE

EATON, O., Dec. 1.—A 50-gallon still, seven whisky barrels, and a quantity of bottles were said to have been found in a raid conducted by Sheriff Georges Jones and Deputy Sheriff Wehrley and four assistants late Tuesday afternoon in the farm rented by Ralph M. Taylor, two miles west of Gratiot near here. James Elliott, brother-in-law of Taylor, who was at the farm, was taken in custody and Taylor was brought to Eaton from the home of a relative near Boston, Ind., late Tuesday night. William Bishop, a 16-year-old boy who has been staying on the farm, was also taken in custody.

The men making the raid reported that the large still was found in the basement of the farm house, being constructed out of a gasoline tank and a large keg which contained the coils. Two or three of the barrels contained small quantities of whisky. It was stated. All the evidence was taken in charge by the county officers.

Elliott Held in Jail.
Elliott was arraigned in a justice of the peace court Tuesday evening and placed under a \$500 bond, which he was unable to furnish. Taylor will be arraigned Wednesday afternoon. All the men were being held in the Preble county jail pending formal charges.

Sheriff Jones would not reveal the source of his "tip" regarding the still, but it is expected that other raids will be made soon. This is the first of any consequence recently.

Taylor and Elliott are brothers-in-law, both men being married. The farm which Taylor rented is along the highway between Eaton and Gratiot. Taylor had not been at his farm recently, it was said, he being at the home of his aunt near Boston, Ind., who has been ill. He was found there by authorities Tuesday night.

Indiana Farmer Wins Corn Honors at Chicago

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 1.—S. E. Troyer, of LaFontaine, Ind., is the new United States corn king, having been awarded the sweepstakes at today's session of the International Livestock exposition in Chicago, according to a dispatch received here.

Mr. Troyer won the sweepstakes with a ten ear sample. Thomas Owens, of Franklin, Ind., was awarded the reserve championship. His display consisted of a ten ear sample of yellow corn. Peter Lux of Shelbyville, won ten honors last year.

**Crucible Steel Director
Indicted by Grand Jury**
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 1.—A federal grand jury here today returned indictments against Herbert DuPuy, former president and chairman of the board of directors of the Crucible Steel company of America, and George Turville, former vice president and secretary-treasurer, charging them with conspiracy to defraud the United States government out of income and excess profit taxes said to amount to several million dollars.

Lithuanians Sign Peace Treaty With Zellygouski

(By Associated Press)
GENEVA, Dec. 1.—Official notification of the signing at Kovno yesterday of a protocol ending hostilities between the Lithuanians and the forces of General Zellygouski, the insurgent commander at Vilna was received by Leon Bourgeois of the league of nations organization today. The protocol was signed as the result of the efforts of the special commission of the league sent to the Vilna district in an effort to solve the difficulty created by the occupation of Vilna by the Polish insurgent general.

CHINESE TROOPS SEIZE CITY; BURN, LOOT, SAYS REPORT

SHANGHAI, China, Dec. 1.—Messages received by business houses here today report that the troops of Li Chang, a treaty port of Hu-Peh province, have mutinied, seized and set fire to the city and are looting it.

D'ANNUNZIO SEIZES SHIP.

TRIESTE.—The steamer Nargenta, loaded with flour and fodder, has been captured by Gabriele D'Annunzio's Arditi near Pola.