

## NEW JERSEY EXECUTIVE IS CALLED TO THE STAND FOR RAIL TESTIMONY

(By Associated Press) CHICAGO, April 4.—W. G. Besler, president of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, was the first witness to take the stand before the railroad labor board today in the hearing on rules and working conditions. He is a member of the labor committee of the Association of Railway Executives. Previous to Mr. Besler's testimony, a letter was read from E. K. Loomis, president of the Lehigh Valley railroad, stating that he had no information that would throw any light upon the national rules. Frank P. Walsh, counsel for the railroad unions, announced that he would not insist on Mr. Loomis appearing before the board.

"Mr. Walsh requested that Frank McNamey, assistant director of operators of the mechanical department of the United States railroad administration, be called to testify on Wednesday."

Mr. Walsh began questioning Mr. Besler to bring out if any of the rules contained in the national agreements were in force on the Central railroad of New Jersey prior to government control.

Asked what rules the railroad operated upon, Mr. Besler answered: "We had no agreements or rules. We have a staff of competent officials and placed responsibility in them."

After going through the national agreements rule by rule, Mr. Besler said that 15 of the 184 rules of shop crafts agreements in substance were in force on the railroad prior to federal control and were satisfactory to the railroad management.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Ways and means for putting into effect a general wage reduction for all railroad employees were discussed here today at a conference between representatives of interests owning more than \$12,000,000 worth of railroad securities and officials of the "big four" railroad brotherhoods.

S. Davies Warfield, president of the National Association of Owners of Railroad Securities, who called the meeting to discuss "a remedy for the present situation" declared before the meeting started that wage reduction was the principal issue to be considered. The conference was held behind closed doors.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—R. M. Jewell, president of the railway department of the American Federation of Labor and A. B. Garretson, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, were called into conference today by President Harding, who is studying the general railway situation. Traders were summoned to give their opinions, not only regarding wage schedules, but relative also to the broader question of general railway rehabilitation. They were given separate appointments and it was indicated that other labor leaders and representatives of the railway managers would be asked to see the president later.

PITTSBURGH, April.—Representatives of the shop crafts employees of the Pennsylvania met the general managers' committee here today in the third in the series of conferences on proposed wage reductions. The shopmen, who include machinists, sheet metal workers, blacksmiths, boilermakers, electrical workers and railway car men, were represented by a committee of Pennsylvania system federation No. 90. C. S. Krick, of Philadelphia is head of the managers' committee.

CHINAMAN WILL WED AMERICAN GIRL HERE

George Long, owner of the Long Chinese laundry on North Eighth street, procured license Monday to wed Irene M. Hess, a laundress, employed at the laundry. Mr. Long, who was born in San Francisco, Calif., is 32 years old. He stated that he could not spell his mother's nor father's name because they had not been translated into English.

The bride to be is 18 years old. She has been employed at the laundry for about a year. She was born at Decatur, Ill. Her father is a teamster living in Richmond. The other accompanied the couple to the county clerk's office to secure the marriage license.

This is the second daughter of Mr. Hess to marry a Chinaman. The other marriage occurred about four years ago, it is said.

IRISH FORCES ARE ACTIVE NEAR DUBLIN

(By Associated Press) DUBLIN, April 4.—Flying columns of the Irish Republican army are officially reported to be operating in Fermanagh, Armagh, Tyrone, Kildare and Queen's counties. There has been much destruction of roads and in many cases intimidation has been reported. The columns invariably disappear on the approach of crown forces, the official reports say.

A fight occurred last night in the hills near Dundrum, four miles south of Dublin. Crown forces had proceeded to the hills in lorries to investigate reports of firing. They found twenty armed men, some of whom, after firing at the military, mingled with women and children who were picnicking, for which reason the crown forces refrained from using their machine guns.

They pursued the others, however, who were escaping to another hill and shot two. The remainder set fire to the shrubbery on the hillside and escaped in the smoke screen.

BELFAST, April 4.—Belfast this morning had its first experience of bomb throwing when two were hurled at the men guarding the Ulster club, at which General Bainbridge, in command of the troops in Ulster, is a frequent visitor. Only one of the bombs exploded, however, and this caused neither damage nor casualties, although it produced much excitement. The bomb throwers escaped.



### Accused Murderer Sticks to His Story

(By Associated Press) CORUNNA, Mich., April 4.—Fores Higgins, held on a murder charge in connection with the death of Lucy Whitman, his 19-year-old sweetheart, reiterated today that he had told the entire truth when he described how the girl swallowed poison on learning that their contemplated elopement was to be postponed. Higgins was questioned further this forenoon by Prosecuting Attorney R. E. Mathews. "I have told the absolute truth, and there is nothing more to tell," he informed the prosecutor.

### CHANGES ARE MADE IN TEACHERS BODY

Many local teachers, members of the Indiana Teachers' association, are interested in several drastic changes made in framing the new constitution, accomplished in Indianapolis, Saturday.

Each year the association holds a meeting, at which teachers from all parts of the state attend. Membership is determined by whether or not a teacher attends. When an instructor attends the annual meeting, he is recognized as a member of the association for the coming year. Following are the six articles representing the most drastic changes:

1. For a central meeting at Indianapolis once each year.

2. For a president and two vice-presidents at the head of the association. The old constitution provided for 12 vice-presidents.

3. For a treasurer to serve a period of three years. Under the old constitution the office of treasurer was for a life term.

4. For an all-time paid secretary who is to be selected by the executive committee and whose salary is to be fixed by that body. The old constitution provided for the election of a secretary without pay.

5. For the teachers of each district where five hundred or more reside to group themselves into convention district meetings and affiliate with the state organization.

6. Instead of a general meeting of all teachers in the state for the transaction of business as heretofore, business will be transacted by an assembly of delegates elected in the counties with one delegate for each 65 teachers or fraction thereof.

### LABOR FEDERATION REQUESTS CLEMENCY

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Amnesty for persons convicted of war time offenses was requested of President Harding by a delegation of labor leaders headed by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who called today at the White House. The President was quoted by members of the delegation as having said he was giving the matter of such prisoners very serious consideration with the object of doing them justice.

Complete Children's Colony

A colony for children alone will be built upon the tract, Commander Booth said. There will be schools, a church, a hospital, modern homes and other necessary buildings. Orphans, hospital waifs and street children from every city in the country will be sent there to gain education and better starts in life.

"No more desirable site for the children's village could be found," said Commander Booth on making the announcement. The gift was voluntary one, following an address the Army leader made in Greenville recently. The land overlooks the Blue Ridge mountains on an elevation that commands a sweeping view of Greenville and the surrounding territory.

### DENBY RETURNS TO WASHINGTON MONDAY

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Secretary Denby will return to Washington late today on the destroyer Pruitt from a two weeks' visit to the Atlantic fleet at Guantanamo, Cuba, and navy marine corps shore stations in Cuba, Haiti and San Domingo.

On starting home, the secretary sent the following message to the fleet and stations:

"The secretary of the navy upon leaving Caribbean waters after a short, but instructive tour of inspection, compliments the service on the highly creditable condition of the ships and shore stations. The men seem zealous and eager, the officers working hard for the good of the service. The secretary deeply appreciates the uniform courtesy with which he has been welcomed during his visit. Good luck to you all."

### URGES IMMEDIATE WAR ON THREE PLANT INSECTS

INDIANAPOLIS, April 4.—Immediate steps should be taken to combat three plant insects which are becoming prevalent in the state, according to Harry F. Dietz, assistant entomologist for the state department of conservation. These insects are the rose midge, chrysanthemum midge and the greenhouse leaf tier.

Mr. Dietz, who has just returned from a trip through the northern part of the state, where he inspected greenhouses at Fort Wayne, Portland, Bluffton and Hartford City, says the insects can be controlled by fumigation and spray. Considerable damage will be caused, he declares, unless the greenhouse owners make prompt efforts to attack the destructive insects.

Home Rule Address.—A speaker from Indianapolis is to address the Rotary Club on home rule, at the regular meeting to be held at noon Tuesday. Installation of officers will occupy a portion of the program.

Moose Memorial Held.—A large group witnessed the Moose memorial services in honor of her dead during the past year, at the Moose hall Sunday afternoon. The Rev. L. E. Murray, pastor of the First Christian church, delivered the address.

Marriage License Granted.—Marriage license was granted to Francis C. Hiatt, colored, laborer, to Bearnie E. Goodall, colored, by County Clerk Meredith Monday afternoon.

### WHILE THE TIGER HUNTED THE TIGER

(By Associated Press)



### Federal Officer Traps Would-Be Bribe Giver

(By Associated Press)

YOUNGSTOWN, O., April 4.—Adolph Glick, indicted jointly with Moe Baron, of Brooklyn, for attempting to bribe Safety director Scott to allow whisky to be brought into Youngstown, pleaded guilty today in common pleas court here. Scott set a trap for Glick after the latter had first approached him, and had witnesses present when Glick paid \$2,500 as the first installment of a \$50,000 bribe.

### DEATH PACT LEADS TWO MEN TO PRISON

(By Associated Press)

BASEL, Switzerland, April 4.—Two men, who had entered into a contract with a woman to end her life, were recently haled into criminal court here by the party of the second part for taking her money and failing to carry out their bargain. Robbery was charged by the plaintiff in the action, and the men were sentenced to terms in prison. The woman narrowly escaped trial for attempted self-murder.

Fraulein Krauss, brooding over her spinsterhood, decided to end her life, but she could not bring herself to suicide. She found a chemist, who professed to be willing to act as executioner for a consideration and after the two had conferred in the presence of a third person, terms were agreed upon.

The woman insists upon being beheaded, it is alleged, but the chemist, with a show of professional pride, held that poison would be just as efficacious and more in keeping with the conventions. The third party suggested drowning as a compromise, and the deal was closed. The three started for Lake Lucerne, but the chemist, having exacted advance payment of 75 per cent. of the £400 contract price, vanished en route, and prosecution followed.

### FIND POSTMASTER BOUND: ROBBERS GET \$50,000

(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, April 4.—An old dream of the Salvation Army to establish a community for the care of waifs from all over the country is about to be realized Commander Evangeline Booth announced today, through the gift of a tract of land near Greenville, S. C., for that purpose.

In accepting the gift, Miss Booth promised the plan will become a reality within 10 years. The land comprises 105 acres overlooking the city and includes a 25-acre peach orchard.

It was the gift of W. W. Burgess, a Greenville manufacturer, who made it as a memorial to his young son, who died recently.

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### TARIFF FIRST, PLAN OF LEADERS IN EXTRA SESSION

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Plans of Republican congressional leaders to place tariff first and tax revision second on the legislative program of the extra session will stand, it was said today by members of congress after they had conferred with President Harding.

The president was represented as not entirely satisfied with the program insofar as it called for re-passage of the Fordney emergency tariff bill, but was said to be willing to accept this plan as a measure for agricultural relief in view of leaders' agreement that a new agricultural relief bill could not be passed expeditiously.

### BATTLESHIP CONNECTICUT FORCED BACK TODAY

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—The battleship Connecticut which left the Philadelphia navy yards today with the battleships South Carolina and Michigan for the annual cruise in the West Indies, returned here this afternoon, having been forced back because of a mishap to an air pump. Repairs will be made at the navy yards and the other two ships will await the Connecticut at the Delaware Capes.

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### SENT TO PENAL FARM FOR PETIT LARCENY

George Williams, colored, was sentenced to six months at the state

penal farm, disbarred for two years and fined \$5 for petit larceny by Judge Bond as the first case in the April term of Wayne circuit court Monday morning.

Williams was charged specifically with having stolen an overcoat. But in the prosecutor's statement it was brought out that he had defrauded numerous other colored citizens of considerable money. Williams pleaded guilty to the larceny charge.

### INTEREST AROUSED IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS

(By Associated Press)

o'clock Sunday, April 17. Other meetings are to be held each afternoon and night up to and including Wednesday, April 20. The complete program for the series of meetings is to be announced in the near future.

### JEWS IN VLADIVOSTOK TERRIFIED BY MOBS

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, April 4.—The entire Jewish population of the Vladivostok district is being terrorized by anti-Semitic mobs and threatened with pogroms, according to advices received by the Zionist organization in this city from Vladivostok today. An appeal has been sent to the committee of Jewish delegations in Paris requesting intervention by the allied representatives in Vladivostok.

Enrollment cards were left with congregations for signing, thereby signifying the intentions of individuals to participate in the meetings. One church has already returned to the City Sunday School association a large number of signed enrollment cards. All cards are to be collected next Sunday. Each person signing a card will be given an identification card which reserves the signer's seat.

Meetings will be held in the First English Lutheran church, beginning with an afternoon meeting at 3:45 vices added.

### EXAMINE PUPILS FOR DIPLOMAS APRIL 16

Diploma examinations for pupils of the eighth grade in the county will be held in all the township schools Saturday, April 16, according to an announcement of County Superintendent C. O. Williams, Monday. All the students of the county in the eighth grade, with the exception of Cambridge City and Richmond, are required to take this examination to graduate from the grade schools.

The examinations will be held at the following places: Fountain City, Greensboro, Hagerstown, Whitewater, Boston, Jacksonburg, Milton, Richmond for Wayne township, Cambridge City for Jackson township, Economy Dalton, Williamsburg, Webster, Centerville and Abington.

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Announcing John McCormack

Another Step to the Front

Hear Him at His Best

### I HEAR YOU CALLING ME (Marshall)

Tenor with Orchestra Accompaniment

### CELESTE AIDA (From Aida) (Verdi)

Tenor with Orchestra Accompaniment

### LITTLE DAVID, PLAY ON YOUR HARP (Spiritual)

Southland Jubilee Singers

### GREAT CAMP MEETING (Jubilee Song)</h3