

## LEWIS WILL SEEK HIGHEST LABOR OFFICE

President of Miners Formally Announces Candidacy — Gompers Says His Name Will Not Be Withdrawn. TO DECIDE BIG ISSUES

(By Associated Press.) DENVER, June 20.—John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, today formally announced that he was a candidate for the presidency of the American Federation of Labor, in opposition to Samuel Gompers.

"I have decided to permit my name to be submitted to the convention as a candidate for the presidency of the American Federation of Labor," was the brief announcement made by Mr. Lewis. He declined to make any further statement.

**Gompers in Race**  
President Gompers announced that he will be a candidate for re-election in the following statement:

"The delegates to the convention will determine who shall be their officers and if they see fit to re-elect their president they will have the opportunity. My name will go before the convention and it will not be withdrawn."

The complicated situation growing over the split between the two factions of Irish sympathizers was expected to be disposed of today or tomorrow when the resolutions committee brings in its report. The committee is understood to have decided to reject the resolutions urging boycott of British-made goods and report favorably the less drastic resolution of sympathy for the Irish cause and calling for restoration of the Irish republic.

**May Oppose Report**  
Supporters of the boycott resolution, who declare it the "official resolution of the Irish republic," asserted they will carry the fight to the floor of the convention in an effort to overthrow the committee's report. If it is unfavorable, they said they will also demand a roll call on the measure. Sam Evans, personal representative of Frank P. Walsh, is here directing the fight in behalf of the boycott resolution.

The international association of machinists have announced their determination to have the convention reject the action of the executive council in severing relations with the international federation of trade unions. They have submitted a resolution directing the council to immediately re-affiliate the federation with the labor European movement.

**Have Rail Support**

The request of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Ways employees and railway shop laborers for reinstatement in the federation, it was learned has the full support of all the railroad organizations. This union, with its membership of nearly two hundred thousand, was suspended in 1919 because of a jurisdictional dispute with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners. The carpenters' union has announced its intention with co-operation of the building trades' union, to fight against the railroad organization re-instatement.

The question of putting into effect the federation's railroad program calling for "government control with democratic operation" is expected to be one of the major issues. Delegates of the machinists' union and other railroad organizations declared that they are going to demand that the executive council take steps immediately toward getting this program under way.

Secretary Frank Morrison said the convention would probably complete its business and adjourn next Saturday.

## MEMORIAL ROAD PLAN DISCUSSED FRIDAY

Making the National Old Trails road a memorial highway in honor of the soldiers, sailors and marines who served during the late war, will be discussed Friday night, at 8 o'clock, by representatives of local organizations, meeting in the K. of P. building.

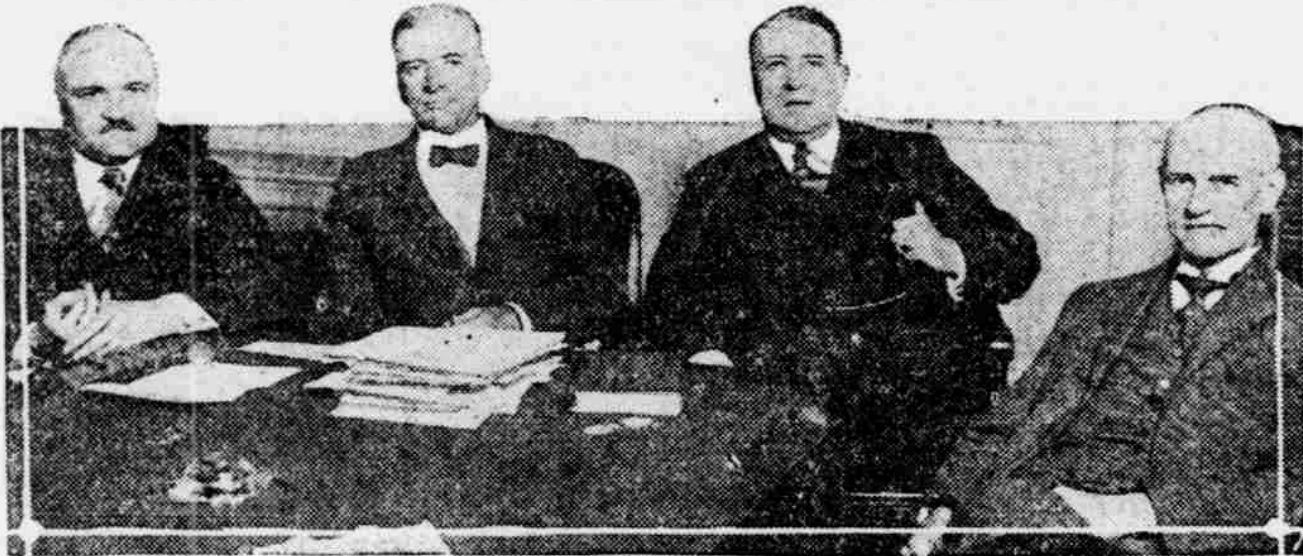
Plans which have been adopted by several states along the highway will be outlined by Dr. Isaac Harold, vice-president of the National Old Trails association. Such a plan would be also a memorial to the pioneers who had the vision to build such a highway.

F. P. Chaffee, secretary-manager of the chamber of commerce, said Monday that the hope was to make the highway one continuous monument to the ex-service men and pioneers. Planting of trees and placing of tablets along the route is believed to be the plan in mind. All persons interested are urged to attend the meeting Friday night.

## HOUSE FAVORS BOOST IN PHILIPPINE DEBT

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, June 20.—The house passed today a bill authorizing the Philippine government to increase the limit of indebtedness from \$15,000,000 to \$30,000,000. An effort will be made to obtain quick senate action, proponents of the measure said.

## Senate Committee Investigating All Soldier Relief Measures



The photo, taken at the first session of the committee, shows: Senators William M. Calder, Howard Sutherland (chairman), David I. Walsh, and O. E. Weller. Senator Pomerene was absent.

Widespread interest, particularly among service and ex-service men, is attached to the work of the special senate investigating committee on soldier relief measures. The investigation will cover the work of the war risk insurance bureau, the public health service and the federal board on vocational training. The picture was made at the first meeting of the committee.

## Solon Claims Land Tax Bill Remedy For Social Injustice

Minnesota Congressman Asserts Proposed Revenue Would Decrease Prices, Promote Production, Break up Monopolies and Decentralize Accumulation of Wealth

**PALLADIUM NEWS BUREAU**  
WASHINGTON, June 20.—A land value tax bill, along the lines of the Nolan bill of the last session of congress which was vigorously opposed by many farmers of the sixth Indiana congressional district, is now being pressed for favorable consideration by its author, Rep. Oscar E. Keller of Minnesota. It is one of three tax revision measures the Minnesota congressman has introduced.

The Keller bill provides a one percent tax on land values after deducting all improvements and allowing an exemption of \$10,000 on the land. All tenant farmers would be exempt under the provisions of the bill.

Following the introduction of the Nolan bill last year a deluge of protests against it were received in Washington from farmers in every county in the sixth district. Over one thousand complaints were received from Shelby county alone.

**Measure Pending.**  
Representative Keller claims, however, that his bill is advocated by the Farmers' Federal Tax League of America and by the Committee of Manufacturers and Merchants on Federal Taxation. The bill is pending before the ways and means committee of the house.

The Minnesota congressman asserts that the land value tax he proposes would raise approximately \$1,000,000,000 annually, largely from hitherto untaxed sources; that it would be easy to collect.

## HEAVY RAINS CAUSE NO SERIOUS DAMAGE; FARMERS ARE HAPPY

Local storms Friday, Saturday and Sunday broke a long continued and damaging drought in Wayne and Preble counties, to the deep relief of farmers in this section.

Preble county had been especially hard hit by the dry weather, tobacco planting having been seriously retarded, owing to inability even to prepare much of the ground, while what had been prepared was too dry for plants to live after they had been transplanted. One estimate by a man who has to do much traveling over the county, placed the amount of ground unprepared on account of the dry weather at one-fourth of the crop acreage of the county.

A heavy rain in the southern end of the county relieved that portion of Preble Friday, the storm flooding some of the lower fields. Saturday, also, a welcome rain storm that almost amounted to a cloudburst, swept the width of Wayne and Preble counties along the National Road, accompanied by a strong wind, which, however did little damage beyond laying down a small portion of the grain. Farmers along the National Road to the distance of several miles on each side received the benefits of this rain, which was a life saver to some.

**Heavy Rain Sunday**

Another heavy rain went through Wayne county Sunday from south to north, through Center township and up across Green township. This was another severe storm, coming up suddenly in the afternoon, and accompanied by a strong wind. Later, during the evening, there was a heavy down-pour in the eastern part of Wayne county.

Much gratitude is expressed by farmers for the rain as oats and wheat were being seriously injured by the dry weather, while corn also was beginning to show its effects. Wheat is well matured and beyond being much affected by the last rains, although they will help in the ripening.

About 150 telephones of the Richmond company were put out of service by the electrical storm which accompanied the Saturday rain. They had all been repaired Monday morning, but several cables were put out of commission again on Sunday and the repairing crew was busy on them today. The company expected to have normal service restored early, however.

## Porto Rican Senate Head Regrets Mason's Death

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, June 20.—Regret over the death of Representative Mason of Illinois is expressed in a cablegram received today by Speaker Gillett from President Barco of the Porto Rican senate. The message referred to Mr. Mason as "Porto Rico's greatest friend."

ly and cheaply collected; that it would decrease instead of increase prices; that it would promote production instead of handicapping industry, and that it would remedy most of the existing social injustices by breaking up monopoly, improving the status of the farmers and workers, and decentralizing accumulation of wealth.

**Escape Taxation**  
"Estimates based on the last census reports show that land values and industrial values in the United States aggregate about \$140,000,000,000 each," said Representative Keller in a speech delivered in the house in explanation.

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## MANLOVE AND WILSON FIRM INSOLVENT; SET DATE OF PUBLIC SALE

The firm of Manlove and Wilson was declared insolvent by Judge William A. Bond, Saturday afternoon, after receiving the report of Frank T. Strayer, receiver for the firm. Assets of the company were fixed at \$20,000 and liabilities estimated in the neighborhood of \$41,000 by the receiver's report.

The court ordered a public sale of all the property of the company which will be held at Cambridge City Thursday, June 30. At this time a number of automobiles and a quantity of accessories, together with some personal property of the members of the firm will be disposed of.

**Follows Wilson's Disappearance**  
A receiver for the firm was appointed in April when James Wilson, who was a partner in the firm with Omer Manlove, suddenly disappeared leaving in his wake a number of worthless checks and notes which he had negotiated without the knowledge of Mr. Manlove.

Mr. Strayer was appointed receiver and took over the property of both the Cambridge City and Richmond branches of the firm. No trace of Mr. Wilson has been found. Mr. Manlove was relieved of all blame for the condition of the firm by the receiver.

## RECREATION CENTERS ARE OPENED MONDAY; MANY SPORTS OFFERED

Five city playgrounds were to have been ready for use at 1:30 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Equipment necessary to make each place an ideal one for the boys and girls of the city was to be in place. P. H. Slocom, head of the local community service organization, said Monday that the object of the service was to teach children proper methods of recreation.

It is hoped that the community service can organize senior and junior baseball and newcomb leagues, horse-shoe matches and athletic contests of various kinds.

Among the other features planned is that of basket and raffia making, dramatics and folk dancing. Probably prizes will be offered later in the season to those being the most skilled in one or more of these added playground attractions, according to Mr. Slocom.

Playground supervisors met Monday morning to discuss the summer work. The above mentioned play-ground attractions were practically agreed upon. Grounds opened include the Twenty-second street, Finley, Warner, Sevastopol, and Whitewater school grounds. Each play-ground was to have complete baseball, volleyball and basketball equipments. Horse-shoe and sand piles were also to be on hand for use.

## Printing Plants Adopt 44 Hour Week Today

(By Associated Press.) SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., June 20.—The 44 hour week became effective today in all the union printing plants in Saratoga county. The agreement was reached by arbitration.

## Five Men Hold Up Expressman; Get \$16,000

GRANITE CITY, Ill., June 20.—Five men today held up the driver of an American Railway Express company wagon here and escaped with a safe reported to contain \$16,000. The money was being transported from the St. Louis office of the National Lead company to its Granite City office.

## PRIMARY ELECTION SET FOR AUGUST 23 CANDIDATES TO REFILE

Primary election for the selection of candidates to represent the various parties in the fall election for city offices will be held Tuesday, Aug. 23, according to the action taken by the common council which met in special session Saturday night.

The date was put late in August in order to allow conformity with all the provisions of the primary law, which provides that a candidate can file his declaration to run for office 60 days prior to the election.

**Choose Earlier Date.**  
The question of setting the date for the election on Sept. 6, the same date that a vote on constitutional amendments will be taken, was discussed but several councilmen and the mayor were opposed to this date and the earlier date was chosen.

Council will meet for its regular meeting Monday night. The question of calling the election will be brought to the attention of the city elders again, according to Mayor Zimmerman. Several business men are planning to visit the council meeting and urge the regulation of the number of carnivals visiting the city. It is stated that business men have compiled figures intended to show that legitimate businesses of the city are hurt by the continuous string of carnivals that have shown in Richmond this summer.

## RELLER WILL OPPOSE LIBERTY APPLICATION FOR DAYTON POWER

City Attorney Will Reller will fight the petition of the Liberty Light and Power company, asking to be allowed to take current interchangeably from the Dayton company's current. Hearing for this petition is to be before the Indiana Public Service commission in Indianapolis, at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, June 23.

Notification of the hearing was received by the board of works Monday morning. A resolution that the City attorney oppose the petition to the fullest extent was unanimously passed by the board. Mayor W. W. Zimmerman will accompany Mr. Reller to Indianapolis.

It is understood that the purpose of the Liberty plan is to make connections with the Dayton company's current at a point near New Westville, providing the petition is granted. A member of the board of works said Monday that with the new equipment and facilities of the local city light plant all of the needs of the Liberty plant could be met easily. Every effort is to be made to prevent the Liberty company gaining its petition.

**Bills Passed.**  
Bills totaling approximately \$18,000 were passed by the board. Many of the larger bills were for the city's coal supply.

J. L. Teegarden was awarded a preliminary contract for the improvement of North A street between North Second and Third streets.

The board moved the adoption of a resolution for a cement roadway in the alley between South Eleventh and Twelfth streets, from D to E streets.

Another complaint was received against odors from local crematory. The complaint alleges that F. E. Slick is negligent about burning the refuse. The city is planning to have a 50 foot stack built to the building to carry the smoke from the surroundings.

## Studebaker Paymaster Faces Serious Charge

(By Associated Press.) CINCINNATI, June 20.—William Ley, 40, head paymaster of the automobile division of the Studebaker Corporation, Detroit, was held by the police here today upon complaint of John C. Hogan, special detective, employed by the corporation, who said warrants charging embezzlement and forgery had been issued by Detroit for Ley. Hogan claimed Ley's accounts were \$15,000 to \$20,000 short. Ley had been living at a hotel here until recently when he moved to Newport, Ky. Ley waived extradition.

## Prominent Churchman Victim of Sudden Illness

(By Associated Press.) BOSTON, June 20.—The Reverend William Shaw, general secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, was a patient at a local hospital today as a result of a sudden illness, suffered while he was delivering an address last night. His physicians said they did not consider his illness critical.

## RAIL SLASH EXTENDED TO OTHER ROADS

Wage Reduction Order Affecting All Companies Not Named in June 1 Decision Expected This Week.

## CUT TO BE IDENTICAL

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, June 20.—Announcement of a wage reduction order affecting practically all railroads involved in the 600,000,000 wage award of July 1920, and not named in the reduction order of June 1, is expected this week. It was learned today at the United States Railroad labor board.

A brief hearing covering about 30 roads asking wage cuts was held today. The board's decision on this case and on the hearing of June 6, when more than 150 roads presented petitions will be rendered simultaneously.

The decision, it was learned officially today, will be drawn as an addendum to the wage reduction order of June 1, and the reduction virtually will be identical with the average 12 per cent cut granted by that order.

## Masked Auto Bandits Rob Bank Messenger

(By Associated Press.) PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 20.—Four masked automobile bandits held up Frederick Myers, a runner for the Mutual Trust company, here today and seized a bag containing between \$5,000 and \$10,000. The runner fled after the fleeing bandits who escaped with the money.

## PROPOSED SUBSIDY FOR COAL INDUSTRY DROPPED BY BRITAIN

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, June 20.—Leaders of the miners' federation of Great Britain took no steps yesterday to prevent the withdrawal of the government's offer of a ten million pounds sterling subsidy to the coal industry, and it would appear that unless the government renews its offer the money will not be provided by the government for the carrying on of the business.

The situation is full of uncertainty, the main outstanding fact being the call of the miners' union to all trade organizations affected by the wage dispute to meet at an early date for the purpose of taking national action to secure mutual demands. Most of today's newspapers described the decision to call this meeting as an "S. O. S." prompted by desperation. As yet nothing has occurred to indicate how the call is likely to be received.

The annual conference of the labor party will be held at Brighton, tomorrow and Herbert Smith, president of the miners' union, and Frank Hodges, the union's secretary, will attend. They will probably determine the attitude of the leaders of other unions whose aggregate membership is more than three million. Most of these unions are now involved in wage disputes and are ready, according to spokesmen of the miners, to take a stand with the coal diggers against what they regard to be a "conspiracy" on the part of employers to reduce wages below the pre-war level and break the unions.

**Miners Gain Little**  
On the other hand, less interested observers predict the experience of the miners themselves who, up to today, the 31st day of their strike, have gained nothing and lost much, will deter other unions from making common cause with them. Reports of the sentiment prevailing in the ranks of the miners are contradictory. Some represent the mean as weakening, while others state they are holding fast. It seems certain that South Wales, at any rate, will have nothing to do with a movement making for surrender or compromise.

"The fight is now taking on an entirely different character," said A. J. Cook, a prominent South Wales leader and a member of the miners' federation executive committee, yesterday. The whole body of the British miners is going into the struggle for socialization or nationalization of the mines. It is going to be a fight directly against the government."

## Weather Forecast

**MOORE'S LOCAL FORECAST.**  
Fair, followed by thunderstorms. Generally fair weather of today will be followed by unsettled during the next 26 hours, with occasional thunderstorms.

**For Indiana by the United States Weather Bureau.**—Partly cloudy to night and Tuesday; probably local thunderstorms in south portion; little change in temperatures.

**Temperatures for Yesterday.**  
Maximum..... 84  
Minimum..... 68

**Today.**  
Maximum..... 88  
Minimum..... 68

**Weather Conditions.**—The severe drought has now been broken over Wayne and adjacent counties, due to a storm which crossed the Great Lakes and originated in the Rocky mountains. The hot wave was severe over the Southern and Central states and in portions of the Northern states.

At Charleston, S. C., 100 degrees, and as high as 94 degrees in Minnesota. The cool wave continues over the Rocky Mountain states, with 28 above at Flagstaff, Arizona.

## Woman Heads School



Miss Leah Fletcher

Miss Leah Fletcher of Knoxville, Tenn., holds an unusual position as superintendent of the Knox County Industrial school. This school is a county institution for dependent, orphan and incorrigible children and there are in the school both white and negro boys and girls from six to 21 years of age. Miss Fletcher is thought to be the only woman in the south and perhaps in the entire United States to hold such a position.

## BUILDER WILL DEAL DIRECT WITH UNIONS UNDER NEW PROPOSAL

Elimination of the general contractor and the establishment of a co-operative plan between prospective builders and the Building Trades' council is the idea to be presented to a meeting of the Trades' Council Monday night, according to Ernest Gable, business manager for the unions now out on strike against the proposed lowering of the scale of wages in Richmond.

The detailed plan probably will be gone over by the carpenters, plasterers and plumbers at their meeting Monday night. After this, Mr. Gable states, a wait of two or three days will be made in order to give the Master Builders' association time to consider the proposition. In the event the Master Builders fail to put their men back at work the trades council will open offices with intention of contracting for building business, it is said.

**Details of Plan.**  
The unions will furnish a foreman and the necessary men to do the work, the money for material being put up by the prospective builder, according to their plan. The men will work for the regular scale of wages with a small percentage added for the maintenance of central offices, they state.

Mr. Gable stated that this plan would undoubtedly lower the cost of building in Richmond.

Henry J. Dietrich, head of the Master Builders' association, said that the plan outlined by the unions would be a good thing for them to try, when he was informed of the general idea of the plan.

**Approves Plan.**  
"That is a good thing for them to do," Mr. Dietrich said. "They will find out the numerous things that the contractors have to contend with when they get their plan started. It is a good way for them to find out."

After a week of waiting neither side in the building controversy is willing to give in to the other, leaders stated Monday. The one effort at mediation which was made last Thursday resulted in failure to reach an agreement. Since that time both sides have been waiting for the other to make the first move towards a settlement.

## TRIAL OF INDICTED BALL PLAYERS SET FOR NEXT MONDAY

CHICAGO, June 20.—Chief Justice Charles A. McHugh today assigned the trial of 13 former baseball players and gamblers charged with conspiracy to "throw" the 1919 world series to Judge Hugo Friends, who announced he would set the case for next Monday. Benjamin Franklin, of St. Louis, who, with Carl Zerk, a St. Louis manufacturer, is accused by the state of concocting the scheme, may be given a separate trial, as he is reported confined to his bed by illness.

In addition to Zerk and Franklin, the defendants are: Eddie Cicotte, Claude Williams, Joe Jackson, Buck Weaver, Swede Risberg, Oscar Felsch, Fred McMullin, Chick Gandil, Hal Chase and Bill Burns, all former baseball players; Joseph J. Sullivan, Rachael Brown, Abe Attell, Louis and Ben Levi, and David Zerk.

Hal Chase may escape trial for the present, as he never has been arrested here. Chase was arrested in California, but released on a writ of habeas corpus. The state is not certain that Abe Attell, former prize fighter, who has been fighting extradition from New York, will be here for trial.

Rumors have been current for several days that Bill Burns has made a complete statement to the state and when his name was called today and he failed to respond Judge George F. Barrett, special prosecutor, remarked that "that's all right."

**FRENCH STEAMER AGROUND.**  
NORFOLK, Va., June 20.—The French steamer, Nord African, is aground at Cape Lookout and a wrecking tug has been sent to her assistance from this port. A wireless message from the stranded ship said she was in no serious danger as long as the weather continued favorable. The vessel grounded while en route from Norfolk to Charleston, S. C.

## ENGLAND TO FIX POLICIES AT CONCLAVE

Lloyd George Welcomes Imperial Premiers — Conference Expected To Consider Very Important Matters.

## DECIDE PROCEDURE

(By Associated Press.) LONDON, June 20.—The conference of imperial premiers met this afternoon in the official residence of the prime minister in Downing street. A brief address of welcome and an outline of the work to be undertaken by the conference were made by Mr. Lloyd George, which was virtually the only business of the session.

Those attending today's sitting were:

Mr. Lloyd George, Austin Chamberlain, government leader in the house of commons; Winston Spencer Churchill, secretary for the colonies; A. G. Balfour, lord president of the council; Premiers Hughes of Australia; Meighan, of Canada; Massey, of New Zealand, and Smuts of South Africa, and three representatives of India.

**Decide Procedure.**  
The first work to be done, according to the announced program, was to decide upon the procedure to be followed during the meetings and the extent to which the deliberations of the conference would be made public.

Later, meetings of the premiers will be held, probably in St. James palace. Forecasts of the conference have indicated that the Anglo-Japanese alliance, imperial defense, imperial policy in foreign affairs and other matters of far-reaching importance will be discussed.

## SWEDEN AND FINLAND DEBATING STATUS OF THE ALAND ISLANDS

(By Associated Press.) GENEVA, June 20.—Sweden and Finland debated questions relative to the future status of the Aland Islands before the council of the league of nations today. This was the first open session of the council, public meetings held in the past being for the purpose of announcing decisions on matters heard at executive assemblies of the organization. Hjalmar Branting, former Swedish minister of finance, has prepared a presentation of Sweden's claims to the islands, and the answer was to be made by C. W. A. Bucknell former Finnish foreign minister, and now the Finnish minister to France.

During the coming week, the Polish-Lithuanian dispute, the report of the commission appointed to pass on proposed amendments to the covenant of the league, and conflicting claims to territory along the frontier of Albania will be considered by the council. Belief is expressed that these matters will be cleared up before Saturday.

**Based on Former Report.**  
The debate on the Aland Islands was based on the report of the league of nations commission, which recommended that the islands be given to Finland. The members of this commission were Judge Abram Elkus, former United States ambassador to Turkey; M. Calomiris, former president of the Swiss confederation and Baron Baeyens of Belgium. They decided that there was no more reason for attaching the islands to Sweden than there was for giving to Sweden parts of the Finnish mainland where the Swedes also predominate. It was admitted the population of the islands was overwhelmingly Swedish, but it was stated that the people's interests would be adequately protected, and methods for insuring this protection were detailed.

It was expected this morning that the council would also consider the suggestion of repatriating Russian refugees, either through the control of a central organization or otherwise.

## TOLEDO PREPARES TO WELCOME MOOSE

(By Associated Press.) TOLEDO, O., June 20.—A whole city is working to make a success of the thirty-third annual international supreme convention of the Loyal Order of Moose here June 27-July 1.

The magnitude of the affair has gripped Toledo, and a community effort to put the convention over as far as Toledo is concerned has developed.

Thousands of visitors and delegates are expected. They will come from all over the country. The farthest corners of the United States will be represented. Delegates from Alaska mushed over ice and snow behind dog teams to get to places where they could start their journey to Toledo.

One southern lodge will send its delegates dressed as Simon Le Grees; others will come in the regalia of Klux Klux clansmen, and colonial home-stead colonels.

Marching clubs in cities as far distant from the convention city as Jacksonville, Fla., and towns along the Pacific coast have been formed for the Moose parade the evening of June 29. Thousands of Moose are expected to be in line.

T. T. Trobaugh has been selected as delegate to represent the local lodge of Moose at the international convention of the order.