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RAILROAD OWNERS OPENLY ACCUSED

Trainmen's Head Charges They Want Government Operation to Fail

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.

"Railroad owners do not want the operation of the railways by the Government made a success."

W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, made this charge at the hearing before the Railway Wage Commission today.

"I hope you will excuse me," Mr. Lee said, "for being suspicious, but I have been dealing with these gentlemen for half a century.

"They do not want the Government to make a success of its operation of the railroads. I can back up the statement that experienced railroad men are not permitted to perform their duties as their experience would dictate. They know that if the Government makes a success of railroad operations the railroads will never be handed back. Do you think the public will let them go back? That's why I want to see the Government make a success of it."

A. B. Garretson, of the Conductors' Brotherhood, and Mr. Lee, appeared before the commission today with some apprehension as to the character of the hearing when they saw railroad men other than employes present. Mr. Garretson informed the commission that the appearance of these men was in exact contravention of the four brotherhoods' understanding with Mr. McAdoo.

"We were assured," Mr. Garretson said, "that the railroad owners or their representatives would not participate. We were assured there was no other side but ours except the Government's. We have abandoned our ordinary method of procedure at hearings because of the assurances we received. We do not intend to deal with a second set of employers; we do not intend to disarm ourselves."

Secretary Lane endeavored to reassure Mr. Garretson and explained that the railroads were not participating in the hearing, but that individuals had been invited by the commission to give what facts they had that would be of value, together with the facts presented by the brotherhoods.

"We are seeking from you," Mr. Lane declared, "information that will aid us in arriving at a just decision in the matter of wages. There is no controversy. This is not, however, an ex-parte proceedings. We feel that we need information from various sources."

Commissioner Covington interjected that the men whose presence the brotherhood objected to were merely to supplement and not to antagonize information the brotherhood would supply. Mr. Garretson then announced that Mr. Lee would precede him in presenting statistics on the cost of living in relation to the wage increases sought.

Mr. Lee said that he wanted to assure the commission that railroad men desired to co-operate with the commission to the fullest extent, bearing in mind the high cost of living. The purchasing power of a dollar, he said, is now 52 per cent less than when the scale now in effect was adopted.

Garretson has asked the commission on behalf of the freight and passenger conductors, for a flat wage of $5.20 per 100 miles for the former and $3.25 for the latter.

Lee demands increases approximating 66 2-3 per cent of the increased cost of living.

FIRE WRECKS CENTER OF MARYLAND TOWN

Many Stores and Dwellings Burn at Aberdeen—Loss Is $100,000

ABERDEEN, Md., Feb. 5.

Aberdeen, an important town on the Maryland division of the P., B. and W. Railroad, about forty miles south of Wilmington, was almost wiped out by fire early today. The business section of the town was wrecked, several large stores being burned. The loss is estimated at $100,000.

Many families were routed out of their homes by the fire. Because of frozen firefugs it was necessary to blow up buildings with dynamite to check the progress of the blaze.

This was done by about 200 soldiers and workmen from the Government proving ground near Aberdeen, who quickly responded to the call for help.

The mercury registered 10 degrees below zero and a high wind was blowing from the west. The fire was discovered at 4:30 o'clock in the grocery store of W. N. Adams & Son on the main street, and the flames spread rapidly. The following buildings were destroyed: United States postoffice, W. N. Adams & Sons grocery store, William Silver & Co., canned goods brokers; Henry K. Tarring & Sons, hardware; L. S. Slade, harness; S. L. Fyle, groceries; Hanway & Gibson, general merchandise; several smaller buildings and some dwellings. The fire had virtually burned itself out up to the dynamited area by 10 o'clock and there was no further danger.

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DIVISION OF FORTY-SIXTH WARD IS AGAIN AGITATED BY RESIDENTS

Petition Soon to Be Presented Asking Partition of West Philadelphia Bailiwick and Increase of Councilmanic Districts to Forty-nine

FOLLOWING an agitation of several years legal steps will shortly be taken to put up to the voters of the Forty-sixth Ward the question of dividing that ward into political bailiwicks. The new ward, should a majority of the voters so will, will be known as the Forty-ninth Ward. A petition is now being prepared for the necessary signatures of fifty residents of the present Forty-sixth Ward and when completed it will be presented for the consideration of the Common Pleas Court. It is expected that the application will be filed with the court within the next two or three weeks, so that action may be taken in time for the proposition to be presented to the voters of the ward at the May primaries.

As the plan has been worked out, and will be submitted to the court, the new ward will be bounded on the north by Pine street, on the east by Forty-fifth street to Kingsessing avenue, thence to the Chester branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks to Fiftieth street, to Baltimore avenue, to Cobb's Creek and along Cobb's Creek to Pine street. The new ward will contain approximately 10,000 persons and about 9000 registered voters. The present ward, by far the largest in the city, has a population of nearly 100,000 persons and a voting population approximating 20,000.

The political wiseacres have already picked Edward P. Bailey, a lawyer, as Republican leader of the new ward, should the proposition go through at the polls. Mr. Bailey was at one time active in the reform politics of the Forty-sixth Ward, but more recently has been affiliated with Harry A. Mackey, the Organization leader. Last fall he was a Mackey candidate for Councils, but was defeated by the Town Meeting party candidate.

While he would not consent to be quoted as sponsoring the movement for the division of the ward, Mr. Mackey is known to favor the partition, and it is also said on authority that the Vares are also in favor of it.

On the surface the principal reason set forth in favor of dividing the ward is its immense size in population and also the diversity of its residential citizenship, making it complex and difficult for its representatives, both political and official, to properly look after its interests. The Forty-sixth Ward, and particularly that portion which it is proposed to make into the new Forty-ninth Ward, has been year in and year out staunchly independent and has almost uniformly rolled up big majorities for the various reform parties and sent anti-organization men to Councils.

The section, which will remain the Forty-sixth, however, is far more inclined to be with the regular organization, and, in fact, it is believed that should the division be effected this will be at least one West Philadelphia ward which can be counted upon for the Organization. For the present, however, it would mean only a Select Councilman to be elected from the new ward next fall, as the Common Councilmen now sitting would fill out their terms.

Mr. Mackey would, of course, continue to have full sway over the Forty-sixth Ward as Republican leader, though he said that his duties as chairman of the State Compensation Board had grown to such proportions that he might shortly be forced to resign his active ward leadership.

600 AMERICAN SHIPS NOW ARE HOOVERIZED

Wheat and Meat Consumption Cut 50 Per Cent; Pork by Three-Quarters

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Reaching into the highways and byways of food consumption, the food administration is making steady progress in conservation.

On six hundred American steamships, plying in the Atlantic and Gulf, the crews are now thoroughly wheatless, meatless and porkless-sized. Wheat and meat consumption on these ships, the food administration reported today, has been curtailed 50 per cent and pork consumption 75 per cent. It has sounded the doom of the bully beef stew at every meal, and many an ancient fo'castle delicacy.

Hotels, clubs and restaurants, too, are rapidly falling into line.

Ohio eating places saved in December 305,745 pounds of beef, 197,348 pounds of pork, 29,434 pounds of mutton, 121,608 pounds of other meats and 262,310 pounds of flour and 181,455 pounds of sugar, the Ohio hotel administrator reported. The American Institute of Banking has promised to give quick action on drafts attached to bills of lading on foods to facilitate prompt disposal of shipments. This will hasten distribution and relieve freight congestion.

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CAPITAL IS DIVIDED ON GARFIELD DAYS

McAdoo Wants Them Abandoned, but State Fuel Chiefs Support Original Plan

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.

Indications of a sharp clash in Administration councils over the continuance of "heatless" Mondays are in evidence.

State fuel administrators, in conference with Fuel Administrator Garfield, were unanimous in urging that the Monday closing should be enforced for the period originally provided, to March 25, insisting that in no other way can they meet acute coal situations in their respective States.

It became known that Secretary McAdoo is opposed to further enforcement of the order, and that he has strong reasons for his stand. In his opposition to the Monday order, Mr. McAdoo has the support of leading Administration forces, one of the most ardent of whom is E. N. Hurley, chairman of the Shipping Board.

The clash will come if Doctor Garfield, viewing the situation purely from a fuel viewpoint, is willing to back the judgment of his State administrators against the admitted aversion of Secretary McAdoo to industrial suspension.

Doctor Garfield was on the point of accepting Mr. McAdoo's contention last week, when they conferred at length over the closing order, and a joint statement, issued after their conference, indicated rather strongly that yesterday was to be the last of the Monday holidays. Doctor Garfield will confer with Mr. McAdoo today.

The strongest kind of pressure has been urged on the President to bring the heatless Mondays to an end. Some of the Administration's leading officials are expressing deep concern over the continuance of the order, and they are pressing all manner of objections to it at the White House.

While the order essentially was a transportation development at the outset, Mr. McAdoo, as director general of railroads, does not believe that the Monday closing can be justified any longer on that ground. Mr. McAdoo will insist today that the informal assurance given the nation last week that the order probably would be revoked after today shall be fulfilled, and Doctor Garfield will transmit the opinion of his State administrators that its continuance offers the only solution for the acute coal shortage.

The State administrators informed Doctor Garfield yesterday that without the coal-saving effect by the Monday closing order they positively could not meet the serious problems in their respective States, and representatives of the New England States insisted that widespread industrial suspension would result.

The whole thing, accordingly, will be thrown upon the President for a decision. He supported the Garfield order when the nation protested against it, but he gives strong weight to the views of Mr. McAdoo and others in the Cabinet who are open in their opposition to the Monday order.

William Potter, State administrator of Pennsylvania, reported a one-day supply on hand, and the Delaware and Maryland administrators said they were dependent upon day-to-day shipments. Both the Ohio and Michigan administrators reported a similar condition.

MRS. LEON B. HEACOCK
Captain of Team No. 20 in the ten days' campaign to raise $125,000 for two scholarships to the Woman's Medical College which begins today. She lives at 4803 Walnut street.

DON'T BUILD HOMES NOW, SAYS M'ADOO

Save Capital, Material and Labor for War Purposes, Urges Treasury Chief

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.

An appeal to the public not to build new homes during the war, except when the need is urgent, in order to save capital, material and labor for essential war enterprises, has been issued by Secretary McAdoo.

"Home-building is an excellent thing in normal times," said the Secretary, "but at present, unless there is a real shortage of homes for war workers, I strongly advise that materials, valuable labor and credit be not utilized for this purpose. Whether homes should be built should be determined by the urgency of the need."

The Secretary explained that the ing to let contracts for Federal buildings Treasury is observing this rule by refus- except in cases of absolute necessity.

"MOVIE" CROWD IN PANIC

People Jump Through Windows When Reel of Film Takes Fire

HARRINGTON, Del., Feb. 5.—Jumping through windows and doors, a much frightened crowd at a motion picture theater here went into a genuine panic, in which several were injured, when a reel of film caught fire.

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