

TAFT CENSURES BETHLEHEM CO.

U. S. Award on Conditions and Wages at Plant Not Fulfilled

\$10,000,000 HELD BACK

War Labor Board Laments Lack of Power to Enforce Rulings

Washington, Jan. 15.—The failure of the Bethlehem Steel Company to continue to carry out the Government's award as applied last August to conditions and wages in the company's shell and gun plant at Allentown, Pa., was severely censured yesterday by William Howard Taft, joint chairman, and other members of the war labor board.

The steel company's denial of the right of the award to remain effective since the signing of the armistice and the attitude of H. C. Grace, president of the company, and other officials, as expressed by their counsel before the board came in for particular condemnation from Mr. Taft, who lamented that the board was without the judicial power clearly to enforce its findings.

"This situation," said Mr. Taft, in adjourning the session of the board last Saturday when discussion of the case will be renewed, "is very painful to me. The attitude of Mr. Grace and his company after what has been done and agreed to colors the whole situation with an aspect of injustice which makes one yearn for the judicial power with which to compel justice."

The controversy involves the payment of money paid to aggregate more than \$10,000,000, and the right of collective bargaining through numerous employees' shop committees set up by order of the war labor board.

City Coroner of Boston, who appeared for the Bethlehem company, stated it was the company's view that the war labor board could not go on adjusting differences between employers and employees now that the war had ended. He added, however, that the company had no intention of going back on its agreements and would pay over to the employees the amounts it involved in this connection from the War and Navy Departments.

FACTION LINES DIVIDE LABOR CONVENTION

Committee Approves Only One of Many Resolutions Referred to It

By the Associated Press
Chicago, Jan. 15.—After an all-night session the committee on resolutions of National Labor Congress approved only one of several hundred resolutions referred to it, which related to the case of Thomas J. Mooney in whose behalf the convention was called. Early today seventy-eight resolutions had been examined by the thirty members of the committee, and a larger stack remained to be considered.

The congress was called by the International Workers' Defense League to form plans against a new trial for Mooney and also Warren Billings, serving life sentence in connection with the Preparedness Act, which conviction at San Francisco in July, 1916.

While the resolutions committee was wrestling with the stack of papers heaped upon it by the congress as the result of a stormy session yesterday, the radical element among the delegates and others not given credentials as delegates held a long session. W. F. Dunn, of San Francisco, presided. At the close of the caucus it was said he would present a resolution in convention today demanding the abandonment of the "undred existing unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor into twelve gigantic international" to be under control of a committee of five, and work with the International Workers' Defense League. It was added the resolution embodied a provision that Mooney and all political, class and industrial prisoners be released, April 1 being fixed as a date for a general nation-wide strike should this fail.

Leaders of the conservative faction said they hoped to introduce a resolution during the day which would wrap out a program for the release of Mooney and Billings. This was the subject of the call for a convention, they said, and inclusion of William L. Haywood and his fellow prisoner and others under conviction was not the object of the gathering.

With the conservatives and radicals thus aligned the convention opened its third day's session with every prospect of the leaders meeting, for he morning a meeting as that of yesterday or the opening day. Chairman H. D. Nolan, of San Francisco, was confident the conservatives would control the convention, as they did on the agreement which resulted in his selection over the candidate of the radicals, John H. Messers, of Reading, Pa.

ATTACK BURLINGTON BUDGET

Counsel for Charitable Home, Denied Aid, Warns Freeholders

Mount Holly, N. J., Jan. 15.—The 1919 budget of \$249,000 adopted by the Burlington County Board of Freeholders after a hearing to receive any objections that might be raised by the taxpayers may be upset in the courts, Lawyer Francis J. Smith, of Beverly, having publicly warned the board that he would attack the legality of some of the items because his request for an appropriation for St. Joseph's Home, at Beverly, was turned down. The board had a hearing on this request and decided that the county could not appropriate funds for a sectarian institution.

When the matter came up publicly Lawyer Smith stated on the floor that the home had been in operation taking care of the poor and helpless for twenty-five years without asking a cent from the county and he believed it the proper time to ask for assistance, especially in view of the fact that there are other institutions in the county receiving county aid and doing a better work. The Freeholders adhered to their course of decision.

GIANT U. S. DREADNOUGHTS

Six to Be Built for Navy Will Be Most Powerful Afloat

Washington, Jan. 15.—The Navy Department has placed orders for the construction of four giant dreadnoughts of 35,000 tons displacement, which will be the most powerful fighting ships afloat. Two of these big destroyers will be built at the Puget Sound Navy Yard,

CITY MORALS UPHELD BY SAFETY DIRECTOR

Wilson Issues "Deadly Parallel" Statement, in Which He Quotes Contradictions of Vice Charges Made by Ministers' Investigator

Director of Public Safety Wilson today issued a statement in which he brought into play the "deadly parallel" in an effort to show that attacks on the morals of Philadelphia are "unarranted by conditions as viewed by the most eminent agents and officials in this city."

The parallel consists of extracts from a statement given out by the investigator for Dr. Edwin Heyl Deik and a statement issued by the wartime commission of the Interchurch Federation, on one side, and on the other extracts

WILSON'S PARALLELS ON VICE

"View is just as revealed on vice conditions in Philadelphia and the city state before the investigating commission. From report of Director Deik's investigator, January 7, 1919.

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"The second police division (which takes in the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Wards), is in better shape than ever. From report made to Director Wilson, January 15, 1919, by Captain James J. Heary, second division.

"This office, with the American Protective League has put forth strenuous efforts to suppress vice in the city. In the connection of the above case, I was able to secure a letter from the person who was charged with the offense, in which he stated that he was not a member of the American Protective League and was not a member of any other organization. From a letter written by Todd Daniel, acting agent in charge Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice to Superintendent of Police, December 5, 1918.

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ALLIES FIND GERMAN PLAN TO REGAIN SUNK CARGOES

Speaker at Franklin Institute Tells How Scheme Will Be Operated

Secret Found in Submarine Captured by British—Billions Will Be Recovered

A possible court at the bottom of the sea, with all the modern conveniences, including elevator, dining room, sleeping quarters, places of rest, and various amusements—all this was pictured in auring detail for members of the Franklin Institute by Dr. A. R. Buxton, head of the British Navy Association, in a lecture given at the Franklin Institute last night.

For the more strenuous there is "sailing" on the surface, basis the tourist around. For places where the coasting is good, an electric horse is brought into use when mingling with mermaids is a form used to gain entrance through the sides of sunken ships.

This feature is added to permit the collection of souvenirs from the untold treasures that have been sent to the bottom for centuries past by storms and wars. Plans taken from captured submarines revealed the scheme to the British Government.

The pleasure resort Doctor Bond pictured is a tank, it is equipped with an elevator to carry the diver to the bottom of the ocean. From this tank the diver makes half-hour trips to sunken vessels, making his way about on either the sled or the electric "horse." As he can work only a half hour at a time, he must return at intervals to the tank, which is a place of rest, sleeping, eating, recreation or other amusement. The torch is used to burn holes in the ship so that the treasure can be got out and hauled to the surface.

The "horse" permits a diver to get inside of it and thus avoid death or serious injury due to high water pressure at the bottom of the sea.

from uncollected letters received by Director Wilson and the Superintendent of Police.

Director Wilson said that he had no comment to make in issuing the parallel other than that it was entirely "self-explanatory."

Secretary of the Navy Daniels is expected to take action at any time now on the situation here.

He is going over reports made to him by Lieutenant Colonel Charles H. Harbo, U. S. M. C., who is the Government's law-enforcing officer in this city. The statement given out by Director Wilson today reads as follows:

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