

SAYS U. S. SHOULD BUY TIMBER LANDS

Lumbermen Told Best Way to Avoid Famine and Settle Market

FEDERAL EXPERTS TALK

By the Associated Press
Chicago, April 16.—Immediate federal and state legislation centering chiefly in public ownership of the nation's timber lands was advocated by speakers at the opening session of the American Lumber Congress today as the most efficient means of stabilizing the lumber industry and preventing a shortage in natural lumber resources which was described as "rapidly becoming international in its seriousness."

Colonel Henry S. Graves, chief of the United States Forest Service, told the congress that unless immediate steps are taken on the part of the public to conserve America's forests it would soon be impossible for the lumber industry to regain its former stable condition, and William Smith Culbertson, of the United States Tariff Commission, urged adoption of an export policy which would stabilize domestic conditions and prevent a future shortage of lumber.

"We are now cutting twice as much timber as we grow," said Culbertson, "and if this continues the very basis of our export trade will vanish. Temporarily, foreign markets may be used as an outlet. This cannot continue, for we cannot have a permanent export policy which does not include stabilizing domestic production and conserving our natural resources."

Creation of commissions by the league of nations to handle export matters and prevent unfair competition and practices was urged by Culbertson as the best solution of export problems.

Colonel Graves asserted the chief cause of the present erratic condition of the lumber industry and the danger of further future instability lay almost entirely in the private ownership of forests. He added:

"The public must take an immediate interest in the timber lands and see that federal and state legislation is enacted which will make for permanent mills and forest development, place timber on the market only as needed, give adequate forest protection and assure renewal after logging. The states should acquire large forest tracts and see they do not fall into the hands of private owners, who cull the timber without thought of renewal."

NEW ENGLAND PHONE SERVICE REMAINS MUTE

Company Officials Hope for Improvement, but Operatives Are Defiant

Boston, April 16.—(By A. P.)

Interruption of telephone service in New England outside of Connecticut by the strike of operators of the New England and Providence companies continued today, although company officials looked for some improvement as a result of efforts made to obtain substitute operators.

In this city the tie-up was virtually complete. In a few other sections partial service was maintained through the help of employees of departments not involved in the strike. Exchange managers in several cities announced that some former employees had taken up work at the switchboards.

Leaders of the strikers asserted that all the union operators were standing firm for their demand for an increase in wages and the privilege of collective bargaining. They pointed to the promise of support given by the cable splicers' union and the inside telephone men as evidence of the strength of their position. The cable splicers, numbering several hundred, notified the New England telephone management yesterday that they would not work unless their wage schedule presented some months ago was immediately acted upon.

The inside telephone men, including electrical workers from all parts of New England, voted last night to strike at noon today. They demand "a settlement of all pending grievances of all New England telephone locals, both male and female." Union officials said the action meant the addition of 12,000 electrical workers to the ranks of the strikers.

DELAWARE CODE IS LAW

New School System in Effect—Some Bills Are Lost

Dover, Del., April 16.—Governor Townsend while at the State House here yesterday signed the new school code which is the only bill signed. The bill becomes operative at once, although the provisions will not be worked out until a year hence. Under its provisions the governor will appoint all the school commissioners for one year, after which they will be elected by the voters of each district.

House Bill No. 66, in relation to motor vehicles, which was supposed to have passed both houses and to be ready for the Governor's approval, had not been received by the Governor. Not was there record of its having reached the secretary of state's office. Just where House Bill No. 66 was, no one seemed to know.

There also arose another question over a bill which passed the House by a vote of 19 yeas and 1 nay, and was supposed to have been killed or let die in the Senate, but which appears to have passed both houses and to have been signed by the Governor last Thursday, the bill having the signatures of both speakers and both clerks of the house. It is House Bill No. 212, providing for an increase in the salaries of the deputy sheriffs of Kent and Sussex counties.

CIVIL WAR WRITER DEAD

James H. Goodsell Established First Illustrated Daily in United States

New York, April 16.—James H. Goodsell, whose death from pneumonia was reported yesterday, was one of the most prominent newspaper men in the country. He was one of the last surviving war correspondents of civil war days, and became a volunteer aid on the staff of General Rosecrans, who then commanded the Army of the Cumberland. After the death of the late Whitlaw Reid, Mr. Goodsell was the sole surviving staff correspondent of the civil war.

In 1866 he returned to Chicago, becoming managing editor of the Chicago Tribune at the age of twenty-four years. In 1872 he resigned and moved to New York, where with his brother, Charles Goodsell, he interested Canadian and British capital and started the New York Daily Graphic, the first daily illustrated newspaper in America.

POLES ON MARCH ACROSS GERMANY

Are Shepherded by Allied Officers to Prevent Friction With Inhabitants

AIM TO MAINTAIN ORDER

By the Associated Press
Paris, April 15.—(delayed)—The first contingent of General Haller's Polish troops started across Germany today. They were accompanied by an officer detailed by the United States army and British, French and Italian officers who will act as liaison officials between the German and Polish troops.

Lissa, Posen, April 14.—(delayed)

(By A. P.)—General Baron von Hammerstein, member of the German armistice commission, has telegraphed to the People's Council here, saying that the Entente powers had given assurance that General Haller's Polish troops would be used merely in maintaining order in former Russian territory vacated by the Germans. He said the trains bearing the Polish troops would be accompanied by Entente officers who would be responsible for the carrying out of the terms made between the Allies and the Germans.

Hammerstein gives warning that it is a patriotic necessity that no difficulty be placed in the way of transporting these troops, that there be no German demonstrations along the way, and that everything should be avoided which might lead to steps having most serious results.

Warsaw, April 16.—(By A. P.)

Advices from Cracow say Czech forces have been concentrated at Ostrova and Myslowa, in Silesia, close to the line of demarcation between Czech and Polish armies in that region which was fixed by the Allied mission sent there. It is said, the Czechs have announced, they will settle the frontier question by force of arms.

A Czech detachment is said to have entered Polish territory at Lotynia, where it clashed with a Polish force, several Poles being wounded.

ANOTHER WAR—SURE

British Star-Gazer, With Some "Rep." Predicts 1926 Conflict
London, April 7.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—There will be another world war beginning in June, 1926, according to a writer in the British Journal of Astrology. This prophet, who signs himself "Sepharia," asks for a serious hearing, inasmuch as he claims to have published a year in advance in such case the exact date of the war of 1914 and of the cessation of hostilities.

"The first phase of the next war," he writes, "will begin with Turkey, whose perfidy will lead to its final overthrow in 1921-22. At this time, Prussian intrigue will dominate the position in the near East, affecting Greece, Turkey and Russia. But according to my calculations the great crisis will not be reached until June, 1926."

"In this great war, which may be regarded as Prussia's counter to the war of 1914-18, the malevolent forces take their rise in Vienna and Berlin, ascend to Petrograd, penetrate through the whole of Russia and descend via the Black Sea and Turkey in Asia, onto Syria and Palestine."

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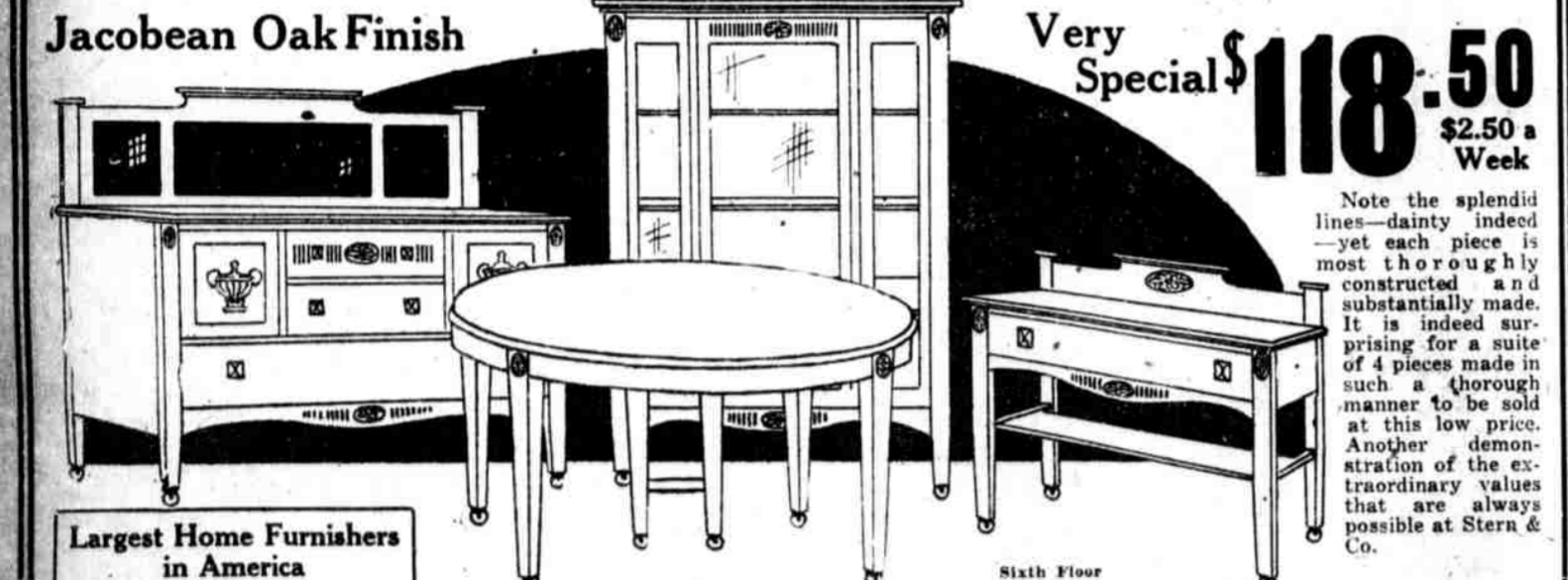
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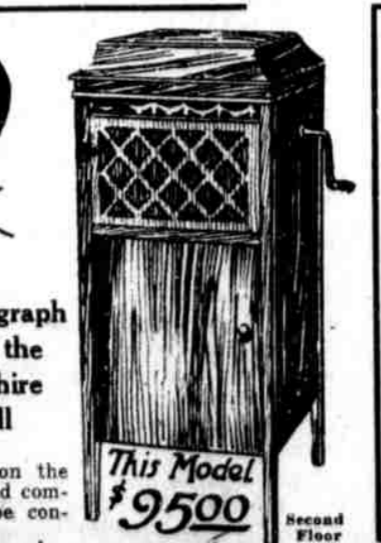
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