

UNITED STATES REAL ROBBERS ROOST DECLARES

Republican Senator in Prepared Address Before Senate in Which He Flays Dept. of Justice.

WALL STREET'S MELON PATCHES

Are Warmed by Sun of Privilege, Fertilized by Perspiration of Labor and Watered by Tears of Poverty.

Washington, April 25.—"The United States has become a robber's roost," Senator Capper, Republican, Kansas, declared in a prepared address in the Senate, Saturday, in which he scored profiteering and declared that if the law enforcement of United Justice could not enforce the law they should resign and let men who can, take their places.

Denouncing that profit of profiteering was in the margin of profit, the senator said that in one year since the outbreak of the war the gross income of American corporations rose from \$6 billions to \$9 1/2 billions, the increase in the profit of corporations whose profits were passed at anywhere from 20 to two hundred per cent.

Melon Patches.

"Wall Street's melon patches," he declared, "continues to be watered by the sun of privilege, fertilized by the perspiration of labor, and watered by the tears of poverty, and this year will make a record-breaking crop from the sweat of the brow of the masses, while the people are being urged to buy their goods and be robbed for less, to submit to a second year of inflation and to purchase war saving stamps from the United States that they may live in a new billion eyes on a million income."

"At this moment the most brazen challenge we have had in this country is in sugar. A corner has evidently been formed in the eyes of the Department of Justice. The cutting season is on. For years the sugar interests have annually and openly and shamelessly robbed the people, but this year they have gone further, they have taken the sugar interests during this war season."

Profiteering Proof Open.

After reviewing the activities of the sugar and cotton mills, the senator said that the recent Supreme Court decision holding stock dividends unlawful, and the Department of Justice campaign urging the use of "cheaper" gas, which he condemned—Senator Capper presented a list of corporations whose earnings, he said, were proof of profiteering, "open, legal, scandalous."

Tremendous Profits.

"The Standard Oil Company of Indiana," the senator continued, "has recently increased its capital from one million to thirty million, and is giving its stockholders a stock dividend of 200 per cent."

"The National Candy Company's last year showed an increase of 50 per cent over 1919; Burns Bros., the largest retail coal dealers in the United States, made a net profit of 40 cents a ton against 25 cents in 1919; the earnings of the United Drug Company, doing a business of \$50,000,000 annually, were 242 per cent greater than 1919; the American Ice Company, which cuts ice by the millions but not profits, has in the last four years increased its earnings 283 per cent; the International Cotton Company doing nearly \$8,000,000 worth of business last year, made 39 per cent more money, although it sold 20 per cent fewer goods; and Pacific Mills output of cotton and worsted dress goods produce 34 per cent more profit than in the year before the war; and the excess profit surplus of United States Steel, the largest steel maker after dividends—has aggregated nearly \$500,000,000 in the last five years, although \$216,000,000 was spent on improvements."

ADRIATIC QUESTION BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Italian Premier Prepared to Accept Settlement Suggested by Pres. Wilson.

Rome, April 25.—(By the A. P.)—The Adriatic question was brought before the Supreme Council this afternoon. The Italian Premier, Signor Nitti, proposed a settlement that followed generally President Wilson's note of December 8. It varies, however, to include a constitution for the buffer state of Fiume, to which both the French and British premiers objected, on the ground that it limited the freedom of the Adriatic. President Nitti pointed out that the Italian proposal was almost identical with that of President Wilson, nevertheless, after considerable discussion, both the French and British delegates said they could not accept it. They declared that Italy should either take President Wilson's plan, or abide by that of the pact of London, which gives Fiume to the Jugoslavs. Premier Nitti promised to give his decision tomorrow.

POPULATION OF CANADA PLACED AT NINE MILLIONS

Ottawa, April 25.—While officials of the Bureau of Census and Statistics were busy making estimates of Canada's population at the present time, they are of the opinion that Canada's population now numbers eight and three-quarter million souls. They admit, however, that this is just a calculation and that next year's census may show that Canada numbers many more. A recent return tabled in the House of Commons estimated the population at March 31, this year at nine million.

STRIKE THREATENS PACKING INTERESTS

Meat Packers Have So Far Refused to Agree to a Board of Conciliation for Settlement of Disputes.

Toronto, April 25.—Unless the meat packers of this city agree to the appointment of a Board of Conciliation to consider the differences between the employees and the companies on the wage question or come to a settlement with the men in the meantime, the four thousand employees will strike on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

The men through their union representative asked the Minister of Labor a few days ago to appoint a Board of Conciliation to deal with the dispute, but so far the packing house proprietors had refused to submit the question to a Board although requested by the Department of Labor at Ottawa to do so. Their consent is necessary before a Board could set in the matter.

The packing houses have offered an advance of five cents an hour in the men's wages but the lowest demand of the men is for an increase of 7 1/2 cents an hour.

INHABITANTS OF SUBOTITSA ARE IN OPEN REVOLT

Revolt Started by Propagandists Connected With Soviet League for Integrity of Hungary.

Belgrade, Jugoslavia, April 25.—A message from Subotitza, reports that on the evening of the 14th a revolt broke out among the inhabitants of Subotitza, in the Ferenko district, which formerly belonged to Hungary. A crowd attacked the municipal police stations, killing two of them and seriously wounding five others. The revolt is believed to have been started by several hundred Hungarians, propagandists connected with the Soviet League for the Integrity of Hungary, headquarters of which are at Budapest.

COPP'S REASON FOR PRESENT UNREST

Lays the Cause of the Unrest to the Defeat of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in 1911.

Montreal, April 25.—A. B. Copp, M. P. for Westmount, speaking at the weekly luncheon of the Reform Club here on Saturday, attributed the cause of the present unrest to the defeat of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his party in 1911, and the reason why there was less unrest in Quebec province than elsewhere in the Dominion, according to the speaker, was because the Liberal party had not lost its grip over the people of the province.

COSTS MORE TO PURCHASE WIVES

London, April 25.—Lord Dewar just returned from travels in Central Africa, reports that the high cost of living is reflected even in the wife market among African natives. For example, a good wife for a man in the bush now costs \$100, while in the past it was \$200 or \$300.

ARDUOUS DUTIES OF LEGISLATORS ENDED SAT.

Session Failed to Produce Anything of Great Importance in Constructive Legislation.

GOVT APPEARED DRIFTING AIMLESSLY

Most Important of Gov't Bills Rushed Through in Closing Hours of the Session.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, April 24.—With that painful formality characteristic of such functions, the fourth session of the seventh Legislature was brought to a close at 4:10 this afternoon. The session has not been a historical one, but there has been a certain amount of interesting and important legislation. Some hundred and fifty measures were brought to the attention of the law makers and about one hundred and forty new legislative acts will be added to the statute books of the province.

The session commenced the larger part of seven weeks, and the real work accomplished might easily have been brought about in two weeks. The Government has been hesitantly at sea in the conduct of affairs, and appeared to have slight knowledge of the real situation existing in Government transactions. The work of the session has emphasized the contention that the present Government is a one-man affair. The one man is the Hon. Peter Veniot.

It was always the quick-witted Minister of Public Works who came to the rescue when other Ministers were unable to answer questions put to them by the Opposition. He it was who jumped on members of the Government side of the House when they made statements not to his liking. The closing hours of the session saw some of the most important bills rushed through with a minimum of delay. Explanations of blind sections in Government bills were not given when such were demanded by Opposition members. During the session the Premier promised to answer these questions, but failed to do so.

The Premier promised that the details of the bill would be worked out by the members of this year. The Hon. Peter Veniot, in answer to a query from Mr. Bailey, was quite explicit that he looked for another deficit in his Department this year. Thus we have the "Madame Defeat" Government already on the way to excelling largely in excess of expectation.

From a public standpoint the most gratifying part of the session was when the Lieutenant-Governor gave assent to the bill passed, left the Chamber, and all was over.

ROYAL BANK TO ISSUE NEW STOCK

New Stock to be Issued to Shareholders on Basis of \$150 a Share.

Montreal, April 25.—(By Canadian Press)—The Royal Bank of Canada announced on Saturday its intention to issue \$5,000,000 new capital stock to shareholders on May 21.

CHILD'S DEATH CAUSED BY BEATING

Father Now Accused of Causing Death for Which Step-Mother is Sentenced to Hang.

Quebec, April 25.—(Canadian Press)—Emilien Hamel, a witness at the trial of Joseph Gagnon, accused of having murdered his daughter Aure, for which crime the child's step-mother Marie Anne Houde has been condemned to hang on October 1, swore on Saturday morning that the prisoner had beaten his daughter with a switch when the child's step-mother had urged him to beat her because she would not wash the dishes. There was no sitting of the court on Saturday afternoon, but the case will be resumed at 10 o'clock Monday, when, it is expected, the Crown will produce some new witnesses.

ST. JOHN WOMEN HELD AT MONCTON

Special to The Standard. Moncton, N. B., April 25.—Emma Gilling and Barbara Duplessis, travelling from St. John, were arrested by the police in a room in the Rex Cafe between three and four o'clock this morning. Two young men were arrested at the same time and all landed at the lockup. The girls are being held for a hearing before the police court tomorrow, but their male companions were given their liberty.

FRENCH TROOPS ARE WIPED OUT

Constantinople, April 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Five hundred French troops are reported to have been wiped out in the evacuation of Urfa in the North West part of Mesopotamia. Details are lacking.

WILSON ASKED TO TAKE MANDATE OVER ARMENIA

The Council is Also Leaving to President the Arbitration of Difficulties Over Boundaries of Armenia.

PALESTINE UNDER BRITISH MANDATE

France Given Mandate Over Syria, a Question Which Has Been Controversial Between Great Britain and France.

WAGE INCREASE DOESN'T SOLVE THE DIFFICULTY

Strikes of Future Will be to Prevent Manufacturers From Charging Exorbitant Prices for Commodities.

Ottawa, April 25.—"It might have been more popular if I had come to this meeting in overall, but I think this of that movement that if those wearing blue new had given more consideration to those forced to wear them, there might not be so much industrial unrest in the country," Mr. Tom Moore, President of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, made the foregoing statement with reference to the "overall movement," when addressing about 100 members of the International Union of Steam and Operating Engineers on the labor situation of the world this afternoon.

The day was coming through the formation of industrial councils, when strikes would not be concluded by the labor movement, to obtain better hours or more wages, but in order to prevent manufacturers and employers from charging exorbitant prices for commodities.

SCHOONER AHOORE AT BEAR COVE

Special to The Standard. Digby, N. S., April 25.—The three-masted schooner Ahoore, from St. John's, N.S., for Parrboro, N. S., was driven ashore early today at Bear Cove, three miles from Triverton and will probably be a total loss.

FIRST STEAMER AT MONTREAL

Montreal, April 25.—The first boat of the navigation season, the Canadian Aviator, of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, arrived here this morning from Glasgow.

FIUME BLOCKADED BY LAND AND SEA

Fiume, April 25.—(By the Associated Press)—Fiume is again severely blockaded by land and by sea following a raid by D'Annunzio's soldiers on Athias, west of this city, where forty-five horses were stolen from the regular troops. The blockade is intended as punishment by General Ferrario against the military command of Fiume.

SERIOUS LOSS FROM FIRE

Special to The Standard. Moncton, April 25.—Neilson Wilson, a resident of Forest Glen, Albert Co., sustained a heavy fire loss on Thursday last. His house, barn and out-buildings were totally destroyed. Three horses, two cows and two pigs in the barn at the time were also lost. Wilson's loss is a serious one, as he has no insurance.

SEVEN KILLED IN FOREST FIRE IN JAPAN

Jonolulu, April 25.—Scores of persons were killed and 50,000 acres of valuable timber land destroyed by forest fire in the Kamao district, Hiroshima Prefecture, Japan, according to a cable from Tokyo, received here by the "Nippo Jiji" a Japanese language paper.

FRENCH DISCOVER QUANTITY OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION

Paris, April 25.—Large quantities of arms and ammunition were discovered by French cavalry entering Hunau, east of Frankfort, according to the Temps today. The war material was labelled "Army of the West." Numerous planes relating to manoeuvres also were found purporting to cover military operations against France through the zone occupied by the American Army at Coblenz. Two hundred and fifty cases have been discovered at Koulisberg, West Prussia, by the Inter-Allied Commission, according to advices received here.

MONTREAL INTERESTS SECURE BIG PLANT

Take Over British Chemicals, Limited, Formerly Operated by Imperial Munition Board.

Ottawa, April 25.—Word reached the capital today that a strong group of Toronto and Montreal industrial interests had been successful in securing the large plant of the British Chemicals, Limited, formerly operated by the Imperial Munitions Board at Trenton, Ont. The extensive plants and equipment were installed by the Imperial Munitions Board during the war at a cost of over \$5,000,000. The entire plant covers an area of 225 acres of land, upon which were erected more than eighty buildings of various character.

The Dominion Government has been very anxious that this industry should be conserved to Canada, the chemical plants being regarded as the most modern of their kind in the world. The closure of the plant means that an extensive line of chemicals such as aspirin, phenacetin and other products, for which there is at present an abnormal demand both in Canada and abroad, will be manufactured in Canada for the Canadian market and for export. Prior to the war these products all came from Germany, now Canada can supply all her own needs from this one plant alone.

MURDER FAMILY IN LITTLE LAKE SOUTH DAKOTA

Father, Mother, Five Daughters and Hired Man Mysteriously Slain.

Turkey Lake, N. D., April 25.—Eight persons were found dead yesterday at the farm home of Jacob Wolf, three miles north of here, the victims of a mysterious tragedy. The dead are: Jacob Wolf and his wife, their five daughters, Bertha, Lilla, Mary, Lydia and Martha and Jake Hofer, who was employed on the farm. Only one member of the family escaped. Emma, 8 months old. Indications are that a murder was committed in the kitchen of the Wolf home and the weapon used was a hatchet.

FRENCH BY WORKERS VOTE GENERAL STRIKE

Paris, April 25.—The congress of French Railway workers voted last night to call an immediate general strike unless the following demands are accepted:

Nationalization of the railways; re-employment of the strikers removed on account of the February strike; abandonment of judicial prosecutions and recognition of the national union. The congress had appealed to Premier Millerand to intervene in the case of the dismissed men, but he refused to do so. The congress carried upon the people of France to uphold its decision in the interest of the republic.

MILLIONS FOR EDUCATIONAL WORK

Ottawa, April 25.—Instead of bringing in estimates for hundreds of thousands of dollars for educational purposes in Ontario, we will have to talk and deal in millions," said Hon. R. H. Pratt, M. L. A., Minister of Education, at the opening of the Creighton Street School on Saturday night. "I have every right to consider that this will be favorably received by members on both sides of the House," he added. "The old parties have indicated that they are prepared to support such legislation."

REAL CAUSE OF STRIKES

Boston, April 25.—The Hon. Gideon Roberson, Canadian Minister of Labor, in an address here last night said that lack of confidence between employer and employe was responsible for most strikes.

AUTO DRIVER IS KILLED WHEN CAR TURNS TURTLE

Accident Happens About 2 Miles From Aroostook—Two Passengers Escape Uninjured.

CAR LODGES ON TREE STUMP

This Preventing a Drop of 200 Feet into the Aroostook River—C. P. R. Men Sent to Assist.

SPECIAL TO THE STANDARD.

Aroostook, Me., April 25.—A fatal accident occurred at 2:30 o'clock last night when the driver of an automobile, Arthur Orton, was killed instantly, and a man and woman, who were passengers, had a narrow escape from death. The party left Fort Fairfield, Me., at four o'clock Saturday afternoon for Aroostook via Aroostook Falls, and owing to the deep mud on the road, experienced great difficulty in making progress. Although the distance is only seven miles it was 3:30 o'clock when they arrived within two and a half miles of Aroostook. On reaching this point, and when turning to cross the C. P. R. track near the residence of Mr. Bruce, whose out-view had been made, the car swerved slightly and in an instant it completely turned over falling over the embankment. The top of the car was penetrated by a tree stump and remained there with the automobile wheels in the air. Orton, who was driving the car, was pinned underneath and instantly killed. The man and woman passengers managed to escape through the side, and although badly frightened, escaped practically uninjured.

The car had not been held in position by the tree stump it would probably have fallen into the Aroostook river, which at the place of the accident is more than two hundred feet below.

Mr. Bragaly joined the party at Aroostook Falls and was being given a ride to Aroostook, and at the time of the accident while riding on the running board of the car. When the auto left the road it was thrown over its top and alighted in the bushes uninjured. After seeing that the man and woman escaped and Orton was dead, Mr. Bragaly went for assistance and the news was telephoned to Aroostook. A number of C. P. R. men were called up and with lanterns they traveled over the two miles, through the mud and about five miles, through as it had been snowing heavy all evening. On reaching the scene of the accident the men raised the car, but the body of Orton was allowed to remain there as no person present cared to take the responsibility of removing the remains until a coroner arrived on the scene. It was learned that the body was not removed until 10:30 this morning when a party with an auto truck arrived from Fort Fairfield and conveyed the body to that place.

OVERALLS REFUSE PRICE OF CLOTHES

Campaign is Bearing Results in Greatly Reduced Price of Wearing Apparel.

New York, April 25.—Overalls, worn by men and patches worn by the women, were the instigator of the campaign in New York streets in protest against the high cost of wearing apparel. The spectators were in thousands all along the route, and markedly enthusiastic, although the numbers in the parade itself were disappointingly small to those in charge. The costumes were varied and picturesque. Girls in riding breeches marched side by side with girls in gingham and blue denim. Men wore re-pesteared trousers and plain overalls, while a few youths were clad in burials. There were school girls in middie, and hundreds of boys and girl scouts in khaki. Many college students turned out in the uniforms they wore in the army.

TRANSPORT LABORERS REFUSE TO RESUME WORK

The Hague, April 23.—Both the International and Amsterdam transport laborers have decided to resume work tomorrow, the strike which lasted two weeks has ended in the defeat of the laborers, who return to work under the old conditions.