

INO. LEWIS MAY OUST GOMPERS FOR PRESIDENT

Keen Contest For Leadership
of American Federation
of Labor.

OTHERS MAY BE NAMED

Whole Political Complexion of
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DENVER, Colo., June 20.—Supporters of Samuel Gompers and John Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, who announced today his candidacy, tonight were marshalling their forces for the contest, which will decide whether the veteran labor leader shall be returned to the presidency of the American Federation of Labor.

Both sides are making canvass of the situation and already declare they have mustered sufficient votes to win.

The Gompers forces went into action immediately following the announcement by Lewis, with a declaration that their chief would be a candidate and had no intention of withdrawing from the race.

Mr. Gompers stated, however, that "I consider the position of president of the American Federation of Labor so exalted and so dignified, I would not stoop to politics to attain it."

Except for his brief announcement that he was a candidate, Mr. Lewis, who heads the largest union in the United States, declined to make any statement. His supporters, however, were active in the campaign, and pledged more than twenty thousand of the thirty-eight thousand two hundred and ninety-four votes in the convention.

Although electioneering on behalf of Lewis has been in progress here for the last week, his announcement came as a surprise to many of the delegates. Many had believed that the miners' chief would formally withdraw from the race instead of being a candidate.

Labor leaders pointed out tonight that the candidacy of Lewis would change the "whole political complexion" of the convention. They said that there probably would be candidates put into the field in opposition to the present members of the executive council. Up to tonight, however, there had been no indication of such a move.

Strong Organization.

Mr. Lewis has established a campaign headquarters at one of the downtown hotels, and is being aided in his campaign by a large force of miners' officials from all sections of the country. Practically all of his executive board members are in the city working in his behalf.

Reports that Lewis would not be able to control the votes of his own organization were denied tonight by his supporters, who announced tonight that the 4,257 votes of the miners would be cast in favor of their leader.

The machinery of the second largest, and the carpenters and joiners' union, the third largest union in the federation, already have swung their support to Lewis.

Claim Majority.

Both Gompers and Lewis supporters claim a majority of the delegates from railroad organizations.

The candidacy of Lewis is the first serious opposition that President Gompers has had since 1914, when he was defeated for re-election by John McBride, a mine worker. Since that time he has been re-elected year after year by almost a unanimous vote.

Published reports that representatives of certain anti-Gompers interests are operating among the delegates with a hundred thousand dollar "slush fund" have created considerable excitement. Attempts, however, to get the convention to investigate the latter failed today on a point of order, but it is expected the motion for a committee of inquiry will be made tomorrow.

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BOARD REFUSES DEMANDS FOR WAGE INCREASE

Walkerton Teachers Have
Until Wednesday To Retain
Their Positions.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

WALKERTON, June 20.—Principal Rankin and five teachers of the local public school staff, who asked for a raise in their salaries, were met by the board and their demands refused. The board is advertising for an entire new staff, but the present teachers have the option of again taking their positions at the same salary as before, on or before Wednesday, June 22.

While there is some sympathy locally with the teachers as far as their demand for salary increase goes, there is little sympathy with any attempt to hold up the board or to enforce demands that may be part of dictators from Toronto or outside points. The situation at Simcoe is being watched with interest, and some of those in close touch with educational matters, believe the teachers are going the wrong way about securing additional salary.

NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

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SIMCOE, June 20.—There are no new developments locally in connection with the fight being waged by the local school board against the Teachers' Federation. The matter is causing considerable comment, and the result of the board's action is being awaited with no small interest not only in town, but in many other places. Whether the teachers will be the gainers by trying to force Simcoe is an open question, and many of the taxpayers are somewhat doubtful regarding the wisdom of their course.

ASK WITHDRAWAL OF U. S. TROOPS

Population of Santo Domingo
Sending Message To
President.

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic, June 20.—An enormous demonstration in favor of the unconditional withdrawal of the United States military forces from Santo Domingo was held here today. The manifestos expressed the desire that Santo Domingo assume no further obligations than the convention of 1907, providing for assistance in open question, and many of the taxpayers are somewhat doubtful regarding the wisdom of their course.

A letter embodying the protests of the people, addressed to President Harding, was handed to the military governor by the leaders of the demonstration.

The archbishop, members of the supreme court, lawyers and the faculties of the universities took part in the meeting, at which was expressed the demand that the United States offer assistance in open question, and many of the taxpayers are somewhat doubtful regarding the wisdom of their course.

HIGHER CAR FARES
LESSENED TRAFFIC

Expert At Hydro Probe Tells
of Experience in
Detroit.

TORONTO, June 20.—R. B. Rifenberk, Detroit transportation expert, was on the witness stand when Mr. Justice Sutcliffe's commission, after a recess of several days, resumed today the inquiry into the radial railway projects of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission.

Robert McKay, K.C., counsel for the municipalities, was reproved by Mr. Justice Sutcliffe when he intimated that the witness had not been altogether honest in his estimates as to costs.

"You do not have to insinuate things like that before this commission," said the chairman.

Mr. McKay had objected to the witness charging interest over a three-year period, when some large items in construction costs would run only for six months.

When the question of population and traffic was under consideration, Mr. McKay pointed out that while Detroit in 1919 with a population of 660,000, showed 399 train rides per capita, Toronto at the same time, with a population of 489,000, showed 372 rides per capita.

To this Mr. Rifenberk rejoined that low fares in Toronto were responsible for high per capita figures. With an increased fare the street car habit would show a certain falling off.

On East Orchard Beach in the pretty cottage "Seaford" are Miss H. Montgomery and Mrs. R. Last of Woodstock. They expect to entertain several visitors throughout the summer season, and in a couple of weeks Mr. and Mrs. Waters of Woodstock will visit them for a month or more.

"East Port Villa," the quaint summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gibson of Princess Avenue, London, is being renovated in preparation of the family's arrival in a week or two.

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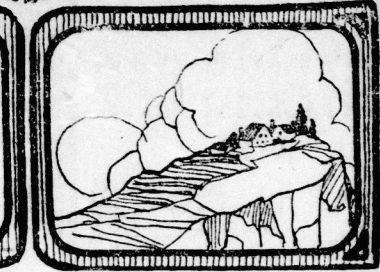
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