

SPARKS WILL CALL SPECIAL SESSION

Will issue Proclamation for Convening of Legislature in About Two Weeks.

CHANGES THE LABOR ASPECT.

Governor Was Induced to Act Through An Ultimatum Contained in President's Letter.

Reno, Nev., Dec. 29.—A special session of the Nevada legislature will be called tomorrow by Gov. Sparks. The governor said tonight that he will issue the proclamation in the morning, and that the date of convening will be in about two weeks.

The call will be made at the request of President Roosevelt, who has notified Nevada's governor that such action must be taken or the troops now stationed at Goldfield will be removed.

Notification of the decision to assemble the legislature has been transmitted, Sparks says, to Washington.

GOLDFIELD CHEERS UP.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 29.—The announcement made here today that Gov. Sparks has telegraphed word to President Roosevelt that he will call the Nevada legislature together in special session as soon as possible, has put an entirely new aspect upon the labor situation here. The position of the federal troops will, it is thought, remain in Goldfield for an indefinite period and all fear of any serious disturbance growing out of the dispute has vanished. It is not at all certain that the legislature will act in accordance with the wishes of Gov. Sparks, but the calling of the special session will have the effect of keeping the federal troops in Goldfield for several weeks and will make the possibility of serious trouble more remote.

The governor has asked many prominent citizens of Nevada for an expression of opinion regarding the special session and has received only favorable replies.

The governor will give at least 10 days' notice of the convening of the legislature and the call will be issued Monday or Tuesday.

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Washington, Dec. 28.—President Roosevelt today indicated by telegram to Gov. Sparks of Nevada that the federal troops now at Goldfield will be ordered to remain there for further protection of the miners, providing the governor within five days issues a call for a special session of the state legislature. The telegram President Roosevelt sent was in response to one from the governor in which he sets forth the need of armed intervention and expresses doubt whether to call the legislature would result in a request from that body for general aid.

SPARKS TO PRESIDENT.

"Carson, Nev., Dec. 28, 1907.

"The President, Washington, D. C.: As the chief magistrate of the state of Nevada, I have been of the opinion for the past year that a condition bordering on domestic violence has existed in Goldfield mining district. There has been an almost constant state of war between the miners' union and the mine owners who employ the members of the union.

"During the year 1907 practically one-fourth of the time was occupied in actual strikes, and several months in negotiations after each strike.

"In considering the merit of any of the controversies, it is only necessary to state that the entire district became divided into two hostile camps, on the one hand the miners, with their adherents and sympathizers, and on the other hand the mine owners, with their adherents and sympathizers.

"The union alone claimed a membership of 8,000, and fully half of the membership was constantly armed.

"Arms and ammunition were purchased and kept by the union as a body. On the other hand, the mine owners had in their employ a large number of watchmen and guards who were constantly armed and on duty. In addition to these opposing forces was an unusually large number of the criminal element attracted to the new and bounding mining camp.

"Under existing conditions the civil authorities were practically powerless. They could attend to the ordinary police offenders from day to day, but at the first conflict between the real armies of labor and capital they would have been swept away. The repeated strikes and continued threats of strikes irritated the mine owners more and more. It was clear to me, therefore, that when the last strike was called in the midst of the financial crisis spreading over the country and with a long winter facing the people situated on the desert, hundreds of miles from any centers of population, it was time to recognize the actual condition of affairs and to act accordingly, a state of violence and insurrection arises, in my judgment, when the civil authorities have no sufficient power to overcome the civil authorities and continual threats are made by the dissatisfied people. This has been the condition of the Goldfield mining district the past year and it exists there now. It calls for the presence of the troops to keep the peace."

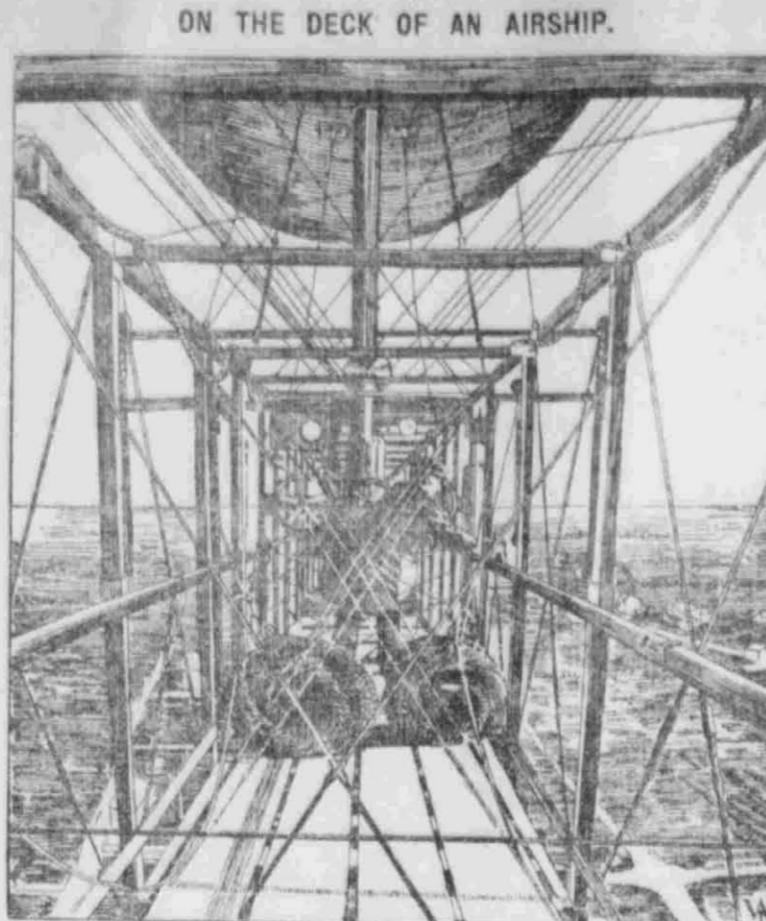
"As this condition has been slow of growth it will take time to remove it. In my judgment it is necessary that the troops be sent to Goldfield for an indefinite period of time. They should remain there until both sides are shown that the district is not to remain an armed camp and a scene of continual warfare. The communist and anarchist must seek new fields; the laboring man must be convinced that arbitration and peaceful methods are more effective than force. The miners must be convinced that their condition is by dynamite and the shotgun. This conclusion can only come about with time, and for the present, and for some time in the future, the strong arm of the military must be in evidence to convince all that no other method will be tolerated. It is known as a matter of legislative history that the recommendation of the commission was not followed in carrying out the establishment of a state constabulary along the lines of the Texas rangers, which was rejected by that body, the members thereof still being in office. The assembly of that session, with the vote of all but one, passed a resolution denouncing the injunctions done Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone by the denial of a speedy trial. The resolution, however, was tabled by the majority.

"It is a matter of only a few weeks since I called for the opinions of different representatives and individual citizens of the state generally as to the advisability of convening a special session to act upon the then existing emergency, which, however, did not relate to the present situation. The resolutions received in that connection of the majority of the people were unanimous to such extent. For geographical reasons and on account of the enormous 10 days' notice to members, it would be impossible to convene and organize a special session of the legislature in less than three weeks, depending on the most expeditious action on the part of members. For these reasons I deemed it impossible to

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HUSLER'S FLOUR

A lot of doctors would be out of employment.



convene the legislature in special session to meet the present emergency, and with this in mind it is highly inadvisable. This telegram is my official notice of preparation on the 17th instant to reply to your telegram of that date, having been taken ill and have only just returned to my office. I am now sending it in lieu of a letter, which I wired you was in course of preparation. The delay was not intentional on my part and no courtesy meant thereby.

JOHN SPARKS, Governor.

PRESIDENT'S REPLY.

Washington, Dec. 28, 1907.
Hon. John Sparks, Governor, Carson City, Nev.:—

Your telegram, Dec. 26, is received. It is my desire declare that you have failed to call legislature together because, in your judgment, the legislature would not call upon the government of the United States for the use of troops, although in your opinion it ought to do so.

The Constitution of the United States does not open you out upon the signature, if it can be convened, the duty of calling upon the government of the United States to protect the same in Nevada against violence. You now request me to use the armed forces of the United States in violation of the Constitution, because, in your judgment, the legislature would fail to perform its duty under the Constitution. The state of Oregon certainly does not appear to have made any serious efforts to do its duty by the effective enforcement of its police functions. I repeat again what I have already said to you seven times, that under the circumstances now existing in the state of Nevada, as made known to me an application from the legislature is a wise and constitutional course.

The continuation of the troops at Goldfield. Circumstances may change, and if they do, I will take whatever action the needs of the situation require, so far as my constitutional powers permit.

But the first need is that the state authorities should do their duty, and the first step toward this is the assembling of the legislature.

It appears to me your telegram that the legislature of Nevada can readily be convened. You have fixed the period of three weeks as the time necessary to convine and organize a special session. If within five days from the receipt of this telegram you shall have issued the necessary notice to convene the legislature of Nevada, I shall consider the station or the troops in Goldfield during a period of three weeks. If within the term of five days such notice has not been issued, the troops will be immediately returned to their former station.

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

NEWLANDS TO SPARKS.

Senator Francis G. Newlands of Nevada today sent the following telegram to Gov. Sparks:

"My opinion is that in order to justify the national government in using its armed forces to protect the state against domestic violence it is necessary, under the Constitution, that application should be made by the legislature, or when the legislature cannot be convened, by the governor. It is necessary for you, in my judgment, to convene the legislature and obtain their decision as to whether an application should be made to the president for protection, or an adequate law passed for the organization of a state peace force which will maintain order and protect life and property.

"Individually I believe in the latter course and that the good name of Nevada requires that it assert itself, maintain order and protect life and property within its boundaries, and that its duty is plain. The peace force should not be under the control or paid by either the mineowners or the miners, but should stand aloof from the industrial contest between them, with a single eye to the maintenance of order and the protection of life and property. In all that you have done I recognize the difference of the position you have taken and your desire to prevent violence and bloodshed in the interest of good; but it is clear that the state must sooner or later assert its sovereignty and its firm determination, unaided by the national government, to suppress all violence, and I believe the time is now. I cannot believe that the legislature can fail to act promptly and decisively. If it does not, we will call in the aid of the national government.

The special commission amounted by the president to investigate conditions at Goldfield returned today, after spending a week in the mining camp. A report will be made to the president on his return from Pine Knot. Nothing will be given out in advance of the report.

GEORGIA'S PROHIBITION LAW VERY DRASIC.

Brown, Ga., Dec. 29.—With the advent of the new year the law preventing the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors passed by the last session of the legislature becomes effective, making Georgia the first of the southern states to be placed in the prohibition column. The law is very drastic in its prohibition and prevents the keeping or giving away of liquors in public places and imposes a fine of \$500 on clubs whose members are allowed to keep drinks of an in-

dividual nature in their individual lockers.

Notwithstanding the passage of this law, there is some agitation to have it declared unconstitutional. This action may be brought in the United States courts in the course of the month.

It was claimed today that Atlanta alone would lose in license taxes \$25,000, and that the property value of saloons and breweries here will go out of business on Jan. 1, from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000. For the rest of the state the property values involved amount to \$60,000,000. It is estimated that 10,000 persons will lose their employment when Jan. 1 rings its bell on the sale of intoxicating liquors.

That the prohibition law will be enforced, there is no question. Gov. Smith and the city court officials have been frank in their statements that they intend to enforce the law.

Many of the prominent clubs have declared that they will go better than the law and prohibit the keeping of liquor within their doors.

The constitution of Georgia in its provision for school maintenance is very specific, according to one Atlanta lawyer. The question now arises where the funds for the maintenance of the public schools will come from, and it is said that a considerable increase in the tax rate may result.

Gov. Hoke Smith made this statement to the Associated Press tonight:

"There is nothing in the effort to attack the prohibition law on account of the provision of the constitution appropriating special liquor taxes to purposes. The constitution authorizes but does not require a special liquor tax."

The concerns which quit the liquor business are not lost. The breweries are prepared to manufacture ice and soft drinks with which they can pay a fair profit on their investments.

"There is plenty of work in Georgia for those who go out of the liquor business and plenty of work for all of the time of those who have wasted their time through the use of liquor."

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. See

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Barton, Vt., Dec. 29.—After shooting and killing his mother-in-law, Mrs. Lydia M. Runyon, 26 years old, driving his wife and children from home and holding at bay a sheriff's posse, which surrounded his house all Saturday night, Edward Butterfield, a Sutton lawyer, was found dead in bed today, having apparently committed suicide. Butterfield left with his wife from the city of Rutland, Vt., about a month ago, and it is believed he had been crazed by liquor. He was 50 years old.

DEFER WAGE DEMAND.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Trainmen and conductors on all the railroads running east and west have voted to defer action on their demands for a general revision of wages and working conditions.

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THE BEST DOCTOR.

Rev. B. C. Norton, Sulphur Springs, Tex., writes Jan. 1, 1908, "I am well and happy. I am in my family Ballard's Snow Liniment and Horsehead Syrup, and they have proved certainly satisfactory. The liniment is the best we have ever used for burns and sores, and the snow liniment has been our doctor for the last eight years." Sold by Z. C. M. I. Drug Dept. B.

To feel strong, have good appetite and digestion, sleep soundly and enjoy life, use Burdock Blood Bitters, the great system tonic and builder.

Auction Closes New Years Eve.

The Big Auction Sale of J. C. Nelson Co. jewelry stock will positively close Tuesday, New Year's eve. Bring all your tickets to the sale for the twenty presents including the Ladies' Watch and Silver Tea set.

COTTON MILL DIVIDENDS.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 29.—Cash dividends of \$2,701,571 have been paid out to stockholders by Fall River cotton mill corporations for the year 1907, according to figures just compiled. On the total capital of approximately \$25,475,000, this dividend is about 10.97 per cent.

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According to former United States Senator William E. Chandler, this action is to be followed by a new lawsuit involving the Christian Science head of the church, and he intends to bring suit for damages against him for the "next friend." Mrs. Eddy's son, George Glover, his daughter, Mary Baker Glover, and Mrs. Eddy's adopted son, Dr. Ebenezer J. Foster of Waterbury, Vt.

The contention of Mr. Chandler is that the proposed appropriation of a million dollars is in direct violation of Mrs. Eddy's deed of trust of March 6, 1907, in which she turned over all her property to the three trustees of her foundation, reserving only the right to use the income and certain realty, and which also marked the partial termination of litigation against her and the trustees by the "next friends" a few months since.

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