

ORGANIZED LABOR MAKES WAR ON JAPANESE

American Federation Will Petition Congress to Exclude Mikado's Subjects.

Unions Also Want the Bars Raised Against Korean Immigrants.

Delegates Vote Thousands of Dollars to Aid Striking Textile Workers.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Friday, Nov. 18.—One of the matters that has created great interest among the delegates to the convention of the American Federation of Labor is that of the exclusion of Mongolians from the United States. There seems to be an undercurrent of sentiment among all present that Congress will be memorialized to pass an act of nature similar to the Chinese exclusion law, which shall apply to Japanese and Koreans. A number of such resolutions have been presented, but so anxious are the delegates to make the petition as acceptable as possible that the committee has withheld the matter until a measure can be presented to the delegates that shall be acceptable to all.

Delegate Golden brought before the convention the condition existing at

Fall River, Mass., where a large number of textile workers are now out on strike. This was considered so important a question that it was made a special order for 11 o'clock. Then the delegates unanimously voted to levy an assessment of one cent per member per week for three weeks in aid of the textile workers now out on strike at Fall River, Mass., and to confer upon the executive council of the federation authority to levy additional assessments if such a course in their judgment should be deemed necessary. This will immediately realize about \$75,000 for the aid of the strikers.

Vote Was Unanimous.

The vote was unanimous and was received with great cheering by the delegates, many of whom rose in their seats and tendered checks or even cash as the share of their organizations to John Golden, representative of the United Textile Workers of the United States.

Delegate John Golden, in addressing the delegates, implored them to aid the 25,000 operatives now on strike there by voting to levy an assessment of one cent per week for every member of a labor organization affiliated with the American Federation of Labor. That this might be accomplished, he offered the following resolution for adoption:

Golden's Resolution.

"Whereas, 5,000 textile operatives in the city of Fall River having been on strike since the 25th of last July against a reduction of wages ranging from 12½ per cent to as high as 40 per cent in some cases, and

"Whereas we, the United Textile Workers of America, firmly believe that, not only are we being forced to work for an un-American wage but are also of the opinion that a deliberate attempt is being made to wreck our organization, portions of which have been in existence since 1838; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we do respectfully ask the delegates in convention assembled for the placing of an assessment on the members affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, on the lines laid down in the constitution, viz: one cent per member per week, being firmly of the opinion that by such action both the United Textile Workers of America and the American Federation of Labor will be enabled to win one of the greatest victories ever secured by organized labor."

Appeal Made by a Woman.

Impassioned speeches were made in behalf of this measure. Delegate Mrs. Mary Kener O'Sullivan, of the National Women's Trade Union League, depicted the scenes there since the strike began. She characterized the conditions existing as more terrible than those attending on the anthracite coal strike. One meal a day, consisting of soup and two slices of bread was, she alleged, the fare of 400 women and children. To safeguard the virtue of these unfortunate women and protect the health and perhaps the very life of the children, she prayed that financial aid might be given until the strike was won.

Delegate Driscoll, of Boston, offered a motion that an assessment of 1 cent per week for three weeks be levied on every member of an organization affiliated with the American Federation of Labor to aid the textile workers now on strike at Fall River. The motion was carried unanimously amidst great cheering. Figuring on a basis of a membership of 2,000,000 it is estimated that aid to the extent of \$25,000 a week will be given the strikers.

After passing this measure the convention adjourned until tomorrow morning that committee work might be concluded.

It is stated that the Socialist element in the American Federation of Labor will make no effort at the present session of that body to commit the federation to Socialism, but would be satisfied with the adoption of a number of Socialistic resolutions, which have been introduced, and among which are the following:

Socialistic Resolutions.

"That we hereby make it imperative upon all organizations affiliated with the American Federation of Labor to have their members study the economic conditions and to do everything in their power for the enlightenment and intellectual advancement of the proletariat.

"That the twenty-fourth convention of the American Federation of Labor go on record as favoring the nationalization of the trusts for the benefit of all the people, and call upon the trades unions of the country to use their best efforts and especially the power of their ballots for that purpose.

"That the incoming executive council of the American Federation of Labor be instructed to use its best efforts to induce Congress to pass a bill which will secure to every wage-earner in the United States who has earned no more than \$1,000 average wages per year, a pension of not less than \$12 per month at the age of sixty, and thereafter for the rest of his or her natural life; provided, however, that such wage-worker is a citizen of the United States and has lived in this country for at least twenty-one years continuously at the time when the application is made."

"That we declare our intention and hereby instruct all affiliated bodies to hold absolutely aloof from all connection

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with the militia, until the military system in vogue in Switzerland is adopted in the United States."

CIVIC LEAGUE MEETS

Everett Association Will Attempt to Secure Election of Good Men to Office.

EVERETT, Friday, Nov. 18.—About 600 people attended the mass meeting of the Everett Civic League in the Central Theatre last night. In explaining the league's purpose President Cox said it would not boost or oppose any political party, but that it was planned to support the better of the two candidates irrespective of politics. In speaking of the condition of the city, which has been shown to be going behind \$50,000 a year, Dr. Manning said:

"The trouble comes from the indifferent bacillus, the incompetent bacillus, the intemperance bacillus, the cowardice bacillus, not to speak of the bacilli of mendacious graft and other forms of theft."

Those who attended the meeting last night express a belief that it will bring about the clean and economical city government for which it was planned.

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