

TASK HOPELESS, FLETCHER RESIGNS MEXICO CITY POST

Cannot Foresee Conciliation While Carranza Remains In Executive Chair

RESIGNATION WILL BE EFFECTIVE VERY SOON

Recent Activity Considered To Have Impaired His Chances Of Usefulness

Washington, Jan. 27.—(By the Associated Press).—Henry P. Fletcher has resigned as United States ambassador to Mexico, to take effect in the course of the next few weeks. Those who know the reason for Mr. Fletcher's decision say that he was convinced that a continuation of the efforts he has made during the four years in which he has held this important post to bring the Carranza government into accord with the United States government on the many irritating issues which have arisen, involving protection of American lives and property, would be futile.

He terminates eighteen years of service in the diplomatic branch of the government with great regret and without any particular plans for his own future, but feels certain that he can no longer be helpful in cultivating proper relations with Mexico as long as President Carranza remains in control there.

The ambassador's activity in presentation of the American demands made it certain that he could not return to his post with benefit to either government.

REDS TO FACE TRIAL APRIL 5

Alleged Communists Arraigned In Chicago

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Trial of the alleged radicals indicted last week by a special grand jury investigating red propaganda will be started April 5, it was agreed tonight by Assistant State's Attorney Marvin Barnhardt and Lloyd H. Smith, attorneys representing members of the communist labor party of America, thirteen of whom were arraigned this afternoon before Judge Robert E. Crowe.

OUTRAGED HUSBAND IS DECLARED SLAYER

Wife Explains Death Of Two In Macon

Macon, Ga., Jan. 27.—A coroner's jury investigating the double shooting last night, in which Mrs. R. E. Herrington and Charles Howze were killed, today held that the two "came to their death by gunshot wounds at the hands of Riley E. Herrington," husband of the woman, and that "the same is murdered."

COMPROMISE HOPES REVIVED; OUTLOOK HOWEVER, IS DARK

Negotiations Get New Lease On Life When Conference Agree To Meet Again

Washington, Jan. 27.—Peace treaty compromise negotiations, hovering on the verge of dissolution, were given today a new forty-eight-hour lease of life. But there was nothing in the development which changed the pessimistic outlook of senate leaders as to the final outcome.

The democrats, replying to the republican refusal to compromise on article 10 and the Monroe doctrine, charged at a stormy session of the bi-partisan compromise conference, that republican leaders had suddenly changed front after most of the conferees had consented to an article 10 compromise in definite form. To this the republicans opposed a categorical denial, declaring no one at all had agreed to the proposed compromise draft.

After two hours of wrangling, during which the democrats threatened to transfer the whole subject to the open senate, the conference agreed to meet again Thursday in either effort to bring the negotiations to a successful conclusion. A few senators professed to see some rays of hope in the situation, but to most of the leaders the outlook appeared far from promising.

Many Private Conferences Numerous private conferences on both sides followed with the leaders feeling out sentiment carefully as they approached the final showdown. In some quarters, it was believed that in the interval President Wilson would take a hand to stiffen the resistance of the democrats, but white house officials were silent, and Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, the acting democratic leader of the senate, declared he was proceeding without knowledge of the president's views on the specific compromise reservations discussed in the conference.

During the day a plea for immediate ratification either with or without reservations, was presented to Senators Wadsworth and Calkins, of New York, by a delegation from New York city, headed by William Church Osborne, and representing the League to Enforce Peace, the League of Nations association, the New York Federation of Labor Organizations, the Chamber of Commerce of New York and Daughters of the American Revolution. Spokesmen for the delegates expressed belief that the time was ripe for composition of differences over the treaty.

DEMAND PASSAGE OF KENDRICK-KENYON BILL

Stock Men Say Packers Misrepresent Case

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 27.—The market committee of the American Livestock association, which is holding its annual convention here, appealed to the convention today to demand passage of the Kendrick-Kenyon bill now pending in congress, providing for regulation of the meat packing industry. The report charges the packers with having conducted a "great campaign of misrepresentation" and with having attempted to prevent livestock associations from endorsing the bills for their regulation.

ANTI-SEDITION BILLS GET ANOTHER SET-BACK

GREY REPORT DENIED

Washington, Jan. 27.—Anti-sedition measures were given a further setback today by refusal of the house committee to give legislative preference for their consideration.

USE GRAPEFRUIT TO COMBAT 'FLU'

Carload Lots Moving From Florida

PROFESSORS GIVEN SALARY INCREASE

Faculty At University Get From 10 Per Cent To \$350 A Year In Raises

Raleigh, Jan. 27.—Provision for establishment of a chair of sociology at the university; raises in salary for all members of faculty; adoption of plans for inauguration of President Chase; ordering erection of faculty residences; adoption of plans for use of the Kenan fund, and approval of work of the Graham Memorial commission, with instructions to the committee to proceed with plans for the erection of this building at one end, and the erection of two dormitories, were high lights in the regular January meeting of the board of trustees of the university here today.

Full professors at the university will get a \$350 raise annually, assistants one hundred dollars less, and instructors will get a ten per cent increase under ruling of trustees, on recommendation of President Chase. In order to provide houses for members of the faculty, certain money invested in securities will be used for building eight or ten new residences at once. The chair of sociology will train men for public welfare work, and will aid the state organizations doing welfare work in North Carolina now.

The trustees adopted Chairman F. D. Winston's tentative plans for the inauguration of President Chase on April 23, when President Hibben, of Princeton, and Dean Mann, of Chicago university, will speak on some phase of higher education and its present task, which will be the general subject of the inauguration ceremonies. The governor will preside.

OFFICER FACES TRIAL

Trenton, Ga., Jan. 27.—County Police Officer W. J. Robinson will be placed on trial here tomorrow, charged with the murder of T. L. Smith, killed a few days ago while resisting arrest, who shot Robinson in the shoulder before falling under the fire of the officer. Smith was about to board a train with a grip which Robinson believed contained liquor and when ordered to halt, drew his revolver and fired, being killed instantly by the officer.

ALEXANDER WARNS AGAINST CREDITS

Exhaustion Of America's Resources Is Declared To Be 'Not Improbable'

New York, Jan. 27.—Advocacy of the disposal of government owned shipping to private interests coupled with a warning against further extension of foreign credits were the features of an address by Secretary of Commerce Alexander at the opening of the allied machinery center here today. United States Senator Edge, of New Jersey, who also spoke, reiterated Mr. Alexander's warning about foreign credits.

BOB MARTIN GOES TO BOSTON

Youngstown, O., Jan. 27.—Bob Martin, A. E. F. champion, placed his injured right hand in the two hands of "Boss" Eddie here today. Eddie found the fighter had sustained no broken bones, although the hand is badly jammed. Martin was advised to rest the hand for three weeks, which will necessitate cancellation of his engagements in Kansas City, Oklahoma City, Kalamazoo and Columbus.

COAL MINERS AND OPERATORS APART REGARDING WAGES

Owners Say Workmen Are Highest Paid Class In World—Employees Differ

Washington, Jan. 27.—Coal miners and coal mine operators presented conflicting conclusions on the subject of wages in the industry at the resumption of hearings today by the coal strike settlement commission. Don Ross, of Pittsburgh, spokesman for operators in the Freeport field asserted that the fourteen per cent increase already granted the miners a potential earning power greater than that of any other class of American labor. Demands for more pay for explosives and mine lights and abolition of duties in connection with moving loaded cars and excavating working spaces underground were characterized by Mr. Ross as attempts to get further advances by indirect methods.

Presenting statistics, Von H. Bittner, statistician for the United Mine Workers of America, told the commission that in the present purchasing power, the pay of miners was 35 to 40 per cent lower than pre-war standards and insufficient to maintain their standard of living. Such conditions, he added, had obtained throughout the actual war period, although the net profits of operators had increased "grossly out of proportion to the cost of operation."

During the discussion the representative of the operators suggested that the thirty hour week was "un-American," thereby arousing the ire of John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers. "I do not intend to remain quiet while this challenge of our Americanism is repeated by the operators' council," Mr. Lewis declared, addressing the commission. "The mine workers field to no one in their allegiance to American institutions, government and flag. These attacks are not germane to the matter under consideration and we do not propose to be tried on the charge of unpatriotic conduct at the whim of any individual."

PRICES OF DRY GOODS ARE STILL GOING UP

Will Continue On Up Grade, Delegates Say

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Drygoods prices are on the upgrade, and will continue so for some time, according to delegates attending the convention here of the United Mercantile Stores. "Labor engaged in the production of textiles is getting 20 per cent more wages and is producing less," said A. H. Bowman, of St. Louis. "At the same time there has been a bigger demand for drygoods than the world has ever seen."

POWHATAN TOWED INTO QUIET HAVEN

Reaches Halifax After Ten Days Of Battle With Incessant Storms

Halifax, Jan. 27.—The disabled United States army transport Powhatan was towed into Halifax harbor at 7:30 this evening. Captain Randall, her commander, reported that with the exception of three men slightly ill, all was well on board. The safe arrival of the Powhatan with her crew of 150 men, ends a ten-day battle with incessant storms under extreme conditions of hardship before she opened on January 13 when the distressed vessel then about 600 miles from land, sent out wireless appeals for aid. She then had on board 271 passengers, including women and children, who suffered for five days before weather conditions permitted their transfer to the transport Northern Pacific. The passengers arrived safely in New York last Saturday.

SUFFRAGISTS HONOR MEMORY OF DR. SHAW

Carolina Convention Begins At Greensboro

Greensboro, Jan. 27.—The opening session of the fifth annual convention of the North Carolina Equal Suffrage association here today was a service in memory of Dr. Anna Howard Shaw. Miss Gertrude Well, of Goldsboro, president of the state association, called the convention to order, and in referring to Dr. Shaw said that "her memory would always be cherished by this association." Miss Marjorie Shuler, of the National Woman Suffrage association, made an address of fifteen minutes, giving personal reminiscences of Dr. Shaw.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE PLAN IS DENOUNCED BY MONDELL

Republican Leader Raises Howl Against Cost Of Training Such An Army And Scathes Colleagues Supporting Measure

Washington, Jan. 27.—Variance between republican leaders of the senate and house on enactment of universal military training legislation today came into the open. Closely following incorporation yesterday of a universal training provision in the army reorganization bill by the senate military committee, with the committee on committees to fill in the affirmative, Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, republican leader in the house, declared, in an address today, that leaders of the party responsible for introduction of such legislation would be cast into political oblivion. The government, Representative Mondell told the house, would be compelled to spend a billion dollars and to raise the money by a bond issue to put the universal training plan into operation. Senator Wadsworth, of New York, chairman of the military committee, generally estimated that adoption of four months training for all youths between eighteen and twenty-one, inclusive, would enable such a reduction in the regular army establishment as to cut the present annual expenditure of \$1,100,000,000 to approximately \$500,000,000. Representative Mondell estimated that 50,000 additional officers would be required under universal training; and that \$300,000,000 would be required to put camps and cantonments into condition, and \$60,000,000 would be needed to maintain them. Clothing and equipment for each youth would further increase the cost, he said. Chairman Wadsworth was unable to report the army reorganization bill with its universal training provision to the senate today, but announced tonight he would attempt to do so tomorrow. The universal training controversy also was brought to the surface during the day by declaration of Representative Harrell, republican of Oklahoma, elected recently on a platform opposing the principle, to accept appointment to the house military committee. Selection of Mr. Harrell by the committee on committees to fill the committee vacancy resulting from the resignation of Representative La Guardia, of New York, had brought objections from house republicans favoring universal training, and the Oklahoma representative in his letter of resignation said he did not desire to be "the center of a controversy." There was no intimation as to plans for filling the committee vacancy, or appointee to which will exercise the controlling vote in the committee on universal training legislation.

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ONE DIES IN ACCIDENT; ANOTHER BADLY HURT

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 26.—James Farrell, a young chauffeur, was instantly killed, and Jerry O'Hara, aged 17 years, was seriously injured here tonight, as the result of a freight train crashing into an automobile in which they were riding. O'Hara was seriously burned when the automobile's gasoline tank exploded.