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SCORE KILLED IN FURIOUS RACE RIOTS IN CHICAGO

CAR TIE-UP IS AIDING SPREAD OF LAWLESSNESS

Hundreds Injured Three Additional Death Under Investigation by Police

FOURTEEN WHITES ARE ON DEATH LIST

Disorder Spreads to City's Residential Section—Several Battalions of State Troops Await Call Arms—Entire Police Force used in Attempts to Stop the Rioting.

Chicago, July 29.—Race rioting spread outside the southside negro district today. There was furious fighting and shooting in the Loop early in the forenoon. The exclusive northside residential district received a touch of disorder. Killings continued after daybreak, bringing the number of dead in police reports up to 23 by mid forenoon and hundreds were injured. The police had under investigation three other reported killings. The list of 22 included fourteen whites and eight negroes.

The street car strike seemed to aid the spread of race rioting which surged up from the southside into the loop on the heels of thousands walking to work who ordinary rode. Streets ordinarily almost deserted early in the day were busy with pedestrians mostly men and boys whose numbers afforded rich opportunities for racial quarrels. Several battalions of State troops were under arms in armories or parks awaiting possible call of the city. Meanwhile the entire police force was dealing with the riots.

BLIMP LOSS WITNESS



CHICAGO.—Kraft is aeronautical engineer of the Goodyear Rubber Company and therefore an important witness in any action that may grow out of the burning of the Goodyear dirigible, Wing-Foot Express, in Chicago, resulting in 12 deaths.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ADVISES REPEAL OF SOFT DRINK MAX

Washington, July 28.—Measures for the protection of several of the industries which grew out of war necessity and for the repeal of the ten per cent tax on soft drinks and the Canadian reciprocity agreement were recommended by the house ways and means committee. A tax of two cents a gallon on apple, grape and loganberry wines in lieu of the present gross tax of 10 per cent on sales also was recommended.

Action on the bill for the protection of the dye industry was deferred pending a drafting of the measure by its patron, Representative Longworth, republican, Ohio. His measure levies a tax on imports and authorizes creation of a board to control imports through a licensing system. Mr. Longworth has rewritten the bill and expects action next week.

FINN PRESIDENT CHOSEN

Helsinki, July 28.—The Finnish diet elected Prof. K. J. Stahlberg, president of the republic. Professor Stahlberg received 142 votes, while General J. Mannerheim, who has been acting as regent was given 99 votes.

COURT TO DECIDE OWNERSHIP OF AIR

Missouri Farmer Seeks Keep Airplanes From Using Space Over Farm

Kansas City, Mo., July 29.—Whether a property owner is also owner of the air above his land is to be determined through a court action brought by Frederick Hoenemann, a farmer. He seeks to restrain a company owning airplanes from using the air above his farm.

Hoenemann contends that sight of the machines and the noise of their engines disturb the livestock.

There is said to be no direct precedent to guide the court, and the case is causing wide discussion in legal circles.

Legal experts of England have discussed the matter from the standpoint of national ownership of the air, it is said.

Some lawyers contend that freedom of the seas and freedom of the air are the same, while other assert the courts have held that ownership carries with it light and air above the property as well as the earth beneath.

It is pointed out that when the steam engine came there were many law suits, the plaintiffs contending that the noise as well as the danger jeopardized their stock. The Massachusetts supreme court, however, rendered the opinion that the locomotive was lawful and in keeping with progress. Attorneys say a similar condition arose when motor cars came into use, but the highest court of Indiana ruled in their favor on the grounds that the law must keep pace with progress.

SENATE WILL GET FRENCH PACT TODAY

President May Not Leave on Western Tour Until the Middle of August

Washington, July 29.—The Franco-American treaty will be sent to the Senate today by President Wilson, Secretary Tumulty announced that the President would not submit the treaty in person. He will send it, and the accompanying message by messengers.

The President may not leave Washington on his tour of the country until August 15, owing to the excessive heat. He will confer with Secretary Daniels probably today concerning the advisability of having the Pacific fleet await his arrival before entering San Francisco harbor.

Red Cross Helping Men Get Back in the Game

Atlanta, July 28.—One thing the Red Cross Department of Civilian Relief is doing these days is to see that every crippled soldier or sailor "gets back into the game" just as close to his original self as science can make him—that is the idea of the government.

The government provides for the fitting, replacing, and keeping in repair of every artificial limb or appliance required by its crippled fighters, and the Red Cross is helping to see that all who need these things apply to Uncle Sam for them.

The excellence of these artificial adjuncts to the human body is remarkable. Miss Mary Ann Abel of the Southern Division headquarters attended a baseball game in Washington recently in which every member of both teams had lost either a leg or an arm and it was a good, close, hard-fought game of ball, too.

Appearance of Bootblacks One Result War in Berlin

Berlin, July 1.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—One more of the practical "fruits of the revolution" has been the appearance of bootblack in the downtown streets of Berlin. They are especially welcomed by the hotel guests who since the dawn of "new freedom" and the shortage of footwear are steadily discarding the once proper night custom of placing their boots in front of the door of the apartment where they awaited the porter's early morning round.

Greater Berlin has just licensed 16 public bootblack stands. Operators will wear a number and a Prussian eagle band on their caps.

COTTON

New York, July 29.—Cotton futures closed steady, October 34.45, December 34.55, January 34.65, March 34.85, May 35.05.

WILL INVESTIGATE CLAIM OF FARMER

Geographic Society Determine if Kentuckian is Really 130

Louisville, July 29.—The National Geographic society has been asked to investigate the claim of John Shell, a mountaineer of Leslie County, Ky., that he is 130 years old. Shell's neighbors corroborate the statement concerning his age. Shell has nine children. He says the oldest is ninety years old. He is said to have 200 descendants in his home section, several being great-great-grandchildren.

The mountaineer, who claim excellent eyesight, steady nerve, and general good health, attributes his long life to outdoor living and temperate habits.

EXPRESS CHARGES EQUAL TOTAL VALUE OF GOODS

New York, July 29.—Investigations which have recently been made by the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, of this city, to determine the fairness of advertisements published by so-called mail order grocery houses, have developed some interesting facts with relation to the "saving" which the buyer is supposed to enjoy.

A Los Angeles man answered such an advertisement in a local newspaper and ordered \$1.99 worth of goods. Express charges were \$1.85, and when he submitted the merchandise to a Los Angeles grocer, the latter offered to duplicate the order out of regular stock for \$1.85.

These mail order houses, say officers of the advertising association, should not be confused with legitimate mail order houses which operate upon the principle of winning friends and building permanent trade. Indications are that "once over" is as much as these houses can expect. Certainly, a man would be a fool to pay \$3.48 (the cost including the expense of sending the order) for what he could get around the corner for \$1.85.

Such offers are usually made in connection with prices that are cut on a few standard articles. To obtain these, the purchaser must take an assortment of other articles which are not standard.

KAISER HAS NEVER ABDICATED CLAIM

Pan-German Press Says Announcement by Maximilian on no Authority

Berlin, July 28.—This morning's pan-German newspapers of Berlin make a feature of a five-column expose of occurrences in connection with the outbreak of the German revolution last November, including a struggle taking place at German great headquarters at Spa on November 9, lasting nearly 24 hours, to induce Emperor William to abdicate.

Material is adduced to show that Prince Maximilian of Baden, then imperial chancellor, finally took the initiative and gave to the Wolff Bureau an official statement that the emperor had abdicated as emperor and king of Prussia, although it is asserted he had done neither and has never renounced the throne of Prussia.

Prince Maximilian, it is declared, took this step out of misguided patriotism in an attempt to subdue the revolutionary movement which was rapidly getting out of hand and by it forced the emperor's advisers to hurry him away to Holland. The pan-Germans now charge the former chancellor with treachery.

All doubts as to William Hohenzollern's abdication as German emperor and king of Prussia were considered to have been settled when Berlin advices on November 30 last told of the issuance by the new German government of the former emperor's act of renunciation, described as having been executed and signed by William Hohenzollern at Amerongen, Holland, on November 28. The text of the abdication as given in a Berlin dispatch began:

HAIG DECORATES U. S. HERO



LONDON.—Major General George O. Squires, chief signal officer of the American army, has been decorated by the hand of Sir Douglas Haig. He received the K. C. M. G.—Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George. General Squires was formerly American military attaché to Great Britain.

IS INVESTIGATING POTATO WART HERE

Government Expert Making Survey of State to Discover Infections

Mr. K. C. Wietorek, a plant disease expert of the Bureau of Plant Industry, Washington, D. C., is spending several days in this state in connection with his work of making a survey of North Carolina to discover wart on potato and thus aid the bureau in its combat against the potato disease which is proving so destructive in certain regions. Mr. Wietorek is endeavoring to locate any possible examples of the infection and simultaneously further the information to the potato users in order that they may cooperate with the government authorities in the ultimate destruction of the disease.

The potato industry of this country is endangered, according to Mr. Wietorek, by this new infection called wart of potato (Irish) which was discovered in Pennsylvania in 1918, and is believed to have spread to other sections of the country. It was doubtless brought in from Europe, said the government expert, and in 1912 a strict embargo was put on all importations of potatoes in an effort to keep it out.

It is known, however, that a shipment, or perhaps several shipments of foreign grown potatoes came directly into Wilmington from abroad before the embargo went into effect, and it is for this reason that a careful survey is being made in this state. Any discoveries of the disease will necessitate a rigid quarantine of the infested areas for an indefinite period of time, as a preventative measure against further infection.

Asked for evidence of the infection, Mr. Wietorek replied that it is readily recognized by rough, spongy outgrowths, varying from the size of a pea to the size of the tuber itself, which are produced on the tubers at the eyes or at injured places. These outgrowths are light brown at first, but with age become black. The mass readily decays and thus causes soil infection by the liberation of the spores. This soil infection, affirmed the government man, lasted for years.

Find Carload Cattle That Was Forgotten and Starved

Berlin, July 1.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—The government troops guarding the Liechtenberg station in the east end of Berlin, have discovered several carloads of livestock which were sidetracked to the freight yards and apparently forgotten. Most of the animals were dead from starvation.

Nowwhile the shortage of food in Berlin is one of the most difficult problems facing the city, it is a large lot of dead animals that are being disposed of.

NEGRO WHO ROBBED STORE IS CAPTURED

John Wilson, also Wanted for Breaking Jail Arrested Here

John Wilson, colored, who broke into the store of Mr. M. C. Braswell at Batthboro several nights ago and got away with approximately four hundred dollars worth of merchandise, was taken into custody here yesterday by J. F. Speight and is now being held by police officials pending his turning over to the county authorities at Nashville. A portion of the property which Wilson stole has been recovered from another negro who resides near the scene of the robbery, but a large amount yet remains undiscovered.

Wilson, it will be remembered, was arrested here about a year ago and turned over to authorities at Kenansville where he had escaped from imprisonment and at the same time aided in the liberation of eleven other prisoners. For this offense he was sentenced to a year and a half on the roads.

When captured by local officers yesterday, he admitted that he had broken jail a second time at Kenansville after having served only four and a half months of his sentence. After paying for his most recent offense in this county, he will again be turned over to the Kenansville authorities for the completion of his term there.

LOCOMOTIVE GOES THROUGH TRESTLE

Washout Causes an A. C. L. Bridge on Norfolk Line to Give Way

An engine and tender crashed through the A. C. L. trestle across Tar river on the main line to Norfolk yesterday afternoon about six o'clock. Fortunately no one was in the locomotive, and no fatalities resulted. The engine it seems had been left standing on the north side of the trestle to act as ballast and at the same time test the strength of the structure. With the continual strain of the giant locomotive upon it, the buttresses of the bridge gave way under the washing of the waters with the result that the engine was sent crashing down into the stream.

The accident further handicapped the office facilities of the railroad which have already been terribly crippled because of numerous washouts by the excessive rains and swollen streams of recent days.

All trains are running on much delayed schedules and over most circuitous routes. Since the giving away of the trestle last night, all Norfolk trains are sent around via Benton, N. C., and necessarily much delayed.

IN POLICE COURT

Only one case came up for disposal in municipal court today. This was a case against Louis Dinkens who was arrested on a charge of assaulting his wife. Dinkens was fined \$10.

PRESIDENT SENDS PACT TO SENATE

Special Messenger Takes Franco-American Treaty to CSapitol

WILL ASSIST FRANCE

Provides that America Will Aid That Country in Case of Unprovoked Attack by Germany. Treaty Separate From Covenant.

Washington, July 29.—President Wilson today transmitted to the Senate the special treaty with France by which the United States pledges itself to come immediately to the aid of that republic in the event of an unprovoked attack by Germany and asks for its early ratification along with the treaty with Germany. Submission of the treaty came up with sharp criticism by Republicans who for several days had openly charged on the Senate floor that in failing to present the draft of the pact along with the Versailles, the President had violated one of the articles of the document. The President did not follow the usual custom of presenting the treaty in person.

He sent it to the capitol by special messenger along with a message explaining its purpose. The President told the Senate the purpose of the treaty was to provide assistance for France in case of unprovoked aggression by Germany without waiting for the advice of the Council of the League of Nations that such action should be taken and explained that it was to be an "arrangement not independent of the League of Nations, but under it."

STAMPS OF SMALL NATIONS CURIOUS

Those of New Nation Created by Recent War Attract Much Attention

London, July 4.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—Stamp collectors, of which London has its full share, are enthusiastic over the curious postage stamps which are beginning to reach them from the smaller European states.

One example from Lithuania is of the first permanent issue of that country. It has been lithographed on heavy Siberian gray paper, formerly used for the printing of bread tickets.

Lithuania's neighbor, printed its first stamps on the backs of German ordnance maps but these proved a little unwieldy and now its stamps are printed on the dimest of cigarette papers.

Czecho-Slovakia stamps recently received here are simply the united arms of Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia with the inscription "Cesko-Slovenska Státní" printed on the Magyar stamps. They were issued when the Czecho-Slovak troops invaded Hungary.

The disposal of part of Fiume has been provided with a striking series of pictorial stamps, apparently in anticipation of an Italian mandate for they all bear the words "Fiume proclama l'annessione all'Italia" and the date 30-10-1918. The four designs include the statue of Romulus and Remus fed by the she wolf, the piazza of St. Mark, and ancient Venetian galleon and the portrait of Dr. Croscich.

ERZBERGER SAYS ENTENTE MADE OVERTURES FOR PEACE

Berlin, July 29.—(By Associated Press.)—Matthias Erzberger, vice premier and minister of finance, declared in the German national assembly that Great Britain and France made peace overtures to Germany through the Vatican in August, 1917, and that Germany rejected them.

Documents to support the statement were mentioned by Herr Erzberger. These included the text of a note from Monsignor Paebelli, nuncio at Munich, including what was said to be a telegram from the British minister at the Vatican, to which France assented.

VICTORS IN INTERALLIED GAMES TO SAIL JULY 30

New York, July 29.—The victorious interallied track team which won the recent interallied games in the Pershing stadium near Paris, will sail from France tomorrow. Colonel Walt Johnson, who is in charge of the team, called the sailing date to Amateur Athletic Union officials in this city. On the arrival of the athletes there will be a special reception and celebration, followed by a track meet in which both the track and field men will compete in their specialties.

STREETCAR STRIKE IS ON IN CHICAGO

Fifteen Thousand Employees Demand Higher Wages in Windy City

DISAVOW AGREEMENT

Strike Took Effect at Four o'Clock This Morning—Agreement Between Company and Employees is Repudiated

Chicago, July 29.—Fifteen thousand street railway employees went on a strike for higher wages at 4 o'clock this morning, completely tying up the surface and elevated systems of the city. The companies made no attempt to run cars and workers demanded steam railways, automobiles, and other vehicles to reach their place of business.

Early last night bands of the union and officials of the street railway companies reached an agreement to fix the wages of the men at approximately 85 cents an hour and granted an eight hour day with time and a half for overtime. It was thought this action would avert a walkout but at a mass meeting, shortly before midnight the men repudiated the agreement and employees voted to strike at 4 a. m. today. The employees demanded 85 cents an hour an increase of 77 per cent over present wages, an eight hour day and time and a half for overtime.

PLAN TO RAISE BIG FUND FOR ASHINGTON AND LEE

Lynchburg, Va., July 28.—The board of trustees of Washington and Lee university in session in Lynchburg today perfected plans for a nation-wide campaign for a million dollar endowment fund.

The money is intended to be used for the immediate needs of the university, including an increase in the salaries of the professors and for future benefits. The future headquarters of the campaign will be at Richmond.

WILMINGTON TO BUILD SCHOOL BUILDING COSTING \$255,000

Wilmington, July 28.—The school authorities have given contract for the erection of a high school building here that will cost \$255,000, the house to be completed early next January. It is said to be the last work architecturally and in the scientific arrangement of class rooms and other equipment. There will be quarters for a "gym," baths, a complete workshop, domestic science, and there will be taught all those useful things which are considered equally important with text book knowledge.

HE'S BOY MURDERER



NEW YORK.—Edward O'Brien was a 17 year old messenger boy in New York. But he confesses that he bent his employer to death with a hammer and robbed his cash box. O'Brien had an accomplice, Edward Paige, another errand boy. They did not intend to kill Gardner C. Hull—but murder is too often the unexpected outcome of robbery.

STOCKS

New York, July 29.—Following its uncertain course of the previous session trading on the stock exchange today began with a number of price changes in which gains exceeded the declines. Dealings had little of their recent breadth or vigor, however and suggested increased caution by professional interest. Steels, equipments, shipping and tobacco represented the stronger issues with a continuance of yesterday's advance in obscure specialties.

A minority is always a wicked and suspicious mob until it grows up to be a majority.