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RAILWAY WORKERS PERFECT PLANS FOR GENERAL WALKOUT

Officers of Maintenance of Way Employes and Shop Laborers Busy

DECLARE PERIOD OF SUSPENSE HAS ENDED

Grand Officials Claim They Have Postponed Strike in Hope of Action by Administration—Proceed Make Plans for Walkout Feb. 17.

Detroit, Feb. 10.—Executive officers of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance and Way employees and shop laborers were going ahead with strike plans today while a committee of heads of various divisions of the union were enroute to Washington where they will make a final effort if called into conference with Director General Hines to avert the walkout on February 17 of nearly 300,000 railway workers.

Allen E. Barker, president of the brotherhood would make no statement early today in reply to the assertion by Mr. Hines that the strike call violated the unions wage agreements, but he recalled that a strike was voted last fall set for November 1 and that it had twice been postponed in a hope that an agreement might be reached on a new wage scale or that the government might be able to reduce the cost of living.

"The cost of living continues to rise," Mr. Barker said, "and we are convinced that the Railroad administration does not intend to grant increases in wages unless forced to do so. We are determined to have fair increases now."

The men are all employed on American roads, although the union has a membership of 28,000 in Canada.

NORWEGIAN RED CROSS TRIES TO RELIEVE VIENNA DISTRESS

Christiania, Norway, Feb. 10.—To relieve the distress in Vienna, $250,000 worth of clothes and foodstuffs [illegible] dispatched [illegible] Red Cross [illegible] addition [illegible] will be received by Norwegian families until the hard times at home are over. Church collections and appropriations made by Norwegian municipalities have produced another $250,000 each for the Viennese sufferers.

HOUNDS ARE USED TO HELP HUNTERS

Manchester—Complaint has been made here that poachers are using automobiles, driving along the road, shooting within reserves and sending dogs for the game.

DINED HIM—HAD HIM PINCHED

London—When William A. Baden accosted Albert Coles on the street and accused him of stealing [illegible] he was wearing, Baden invited Coles to the Carlton for dinner. [illegible] had Baden arrested.

SCHOOLS OF CITY CLOSE FOR WEEK

Dearth Teachers Causes Action by School Board at Session this Morning

Because of a dearth of teachers all the white schools of the city were closed down today at noon and will not open again until next Monday. This action was taken following a conference of members of the school board and various school officials this morning.

At present ten of the regular teachers of the city school systems are detained from their work either by sickness or for some other reason. The high school especially is demoralized as four members of the teaching staff are out, and conditions consequently are such that the school work cannot be carried out. Although a large number of pupils are absent on account of sickness, it was the absence of the teaching force, and not the local influenza situation which caused the drastic action by the school board this morning.

However, the influenza situation is indirectly responsible for the shut down as about one-half of the teachers who are absent are sick with this disease and many others are detained by sickness among their immediate families. School officials are confident that the teacher famine will be relieved after the week's vacation and that the school system of the city will be reopened on a normal basis next Monday morning.

Because of the action in closing the schools today, the lectures on sex education which were to have been given in this city by representatives of the state board of health tomorrow have been postponed indefinitely. It is hoped, however, to bring these lectures to the city at some future date which will be announced later.

$15,000,000 UNCLAIMEED DEPOSITS

London—The Bank of England has $15,000,000 unclaimed deposits. After 30 years during which an account has neither been increased or diminished the law requires that for two years the bank must conduct a search for the depositor. Failing, the money is turned over to the government and held indefinitely against the coming of a claimant.

REV. MR. DIEHL IS SPEAKER TO CLUB

Episcopal Minister Lectures on Life and Work of Abraham Lincoln

Speaking on "Abraham Lincoln" in connection with the observance of the "rail splitter's" birthday during the current week, Rev. Frederick Diehl, rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, delivered a most interesting and entertaining lecture at the regular meeting of the Current Topics club last night.

In the beginning of his address Rev. Mr. Diehl pointed out the mystery connected with Lincoln's life and personality. Before attempting to analyze Lincoln's character and to point out the elements which made him the man that he was, the speaker lamented the fact that so little about the real man was known in the South and stated that in foreign countries he had been given greater fame than he had in this section of his own country.

Taking up the life of the man himself, Rev. Mr. Diehl drew a picture of Lincoln in his younger days, [illegible] awkward, [illegible] business failure and political defeat [illegible] legislature. Then the speaker skipped over thirty years and pictured the same man in the White House, a thinker, natural [illegible] master speaker and a master of men. The great change in the man the speaker attributed to three things. First, the fact that Lincoln was called by God to accomplish a great task. Second, he was a product of the Anglo-Saxon race [illegible] third topic speaker [illegible] Lincoln's development to his reading, his writing and his talkings. After a [illegible] biographical sketch in which he pointed out many of the characteristics of the man, Mr. Diehl concluded his talk with an appeal for his hearers to study the life of the man and get an insight into character by a study of his speeches and writings which continue to be examples of the purest thought of the Anglo-Saxon race.

Following the conclusion of his talk the program committee announced that Professor L. A. Williams, of the University of North Carolina, would be the speaker at the next session of the club, while Dr. H. Lee Large, [illegible] president of the club [illegible] is scheduled to appear at the meeting two weeks hence.

RUSSIAN REFUGEES FEARED IN CHINA

Shanghai Employers Fear Their Presence will Influence Bolshevism

[illegible]

Seattle Union Labor Has Its Own School

Seattle, Feb. 9.—Union labor men of Seattle are going to their own school, the Workers' College, and are taking courses given by professors at the University of Washington.

The Workers' College is conducted nights at the Seattle labor temple under the auspices of the Seattle Central Labor Council. It is open to all citizens, men and women. A large number of labor men, including officers of the council and the Washington State Federation of of Labor, are enrolled.

The object of the college, it is announced, is to stimulate a desire for education among wage earners. Among the courses taught are dramatics, economics, social ethics, local government, cooperative movements, care of children and legal rights and duties of citizens.

TRIES SUICIDE VER A LOVE AFFAIR

Peoria, Feb. 10.—Because the love she lavished on a motorcycle policeman was unrequited, Ada Daniels, 17, a waitress, drank a disinfectant. She burned her mouth and will live. She says she's sorry the [illegible] wasn't stronger.

COCOANUT USED IN POISON PLOT

London—Mrs. Mary Ann Woodger is alleged to have attempted the poisoning of her husband with laudanum in a cocoanut. The alleged fact was brought out in his suit for divorce.

DEMOCRATS REJECT MILITARY TRAINING

Go on Record as Opposing Policy Despite President's Caution

PARTY CAUCUS ACTS

Democrats of House Vote to Make Opposition to Universal Training a Party Issue—Disregard Instructions from Wilson.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Democrats of the house early [illegible] President Wilson [illegible] that they [illegible] the [illegible] National convention in June.

The action was taken at the party caucus [illegible] Democrats [illegible] 106 to 17 [illegible] universal compulsory military service or training. Early in the session the Democrats [illegible] the President's [illegible] voting [illegible] against a proposal that action on the measure be deferred.

SAN SALVADOR LABORERS PROPOSE BIG CONFERENCE

Mexico City, Jan. 25.—Union laborers in San Salvador have sent [illegible] to all Latin-American countries, including Mexico, asking that delegates be appointed to a workmen's convention soon to be held in San Salvador. [illegible] the [illegible] of a thorough discussion of such subjects the convention will take [illegible] also attend as to its attitude [illegible] eral.

BOXING RATED AS SPORT AT U. N. C

Special Director Conducts Training, Part of Athletic Program

Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 10.—Boxing [illegible] sport at the University of North Carolina. Under the direction of Thomas J. Browne, [illegible]

[illegible]

The boxing [illegible] Browne is starting 30 [illegible] boxing and [illegible] a lot of [illegible]

[illegible] At Yale, Harvard and Dartmouth, Penn State and [illegible] notable progress has been made [illegible] University of Pennsylvania [illegible] newspaper [illegible] editorial [illegible] against its adoption on the ground that it affords [illegible] chance for professionalism.

At the university the boxers have not yet reached the stage of boxing [illegible] Capt. Browne is taking his beginners along slowly, teaching them a lot about the blows and footwork before he lets them get at each other. A full supply of gloves is on hand and the students wear them in all their practice work. With the [illegible] and the raw material ready at hand and with plenty of spirit among the beginners the university students are expecting to see an exhibition bout or so before warm weather chases everybody out to baseball.

MINISTER ON SNOWSHOES FILLS THREE PULPITS

Winsted, Conn., Feb. 10.—The Rev. Harry Dodd, of West Hartland, who, as a rule, preaches in three churches every Sunday, the Congregational and Methodist in Hartland, and the Methodist in Colebrook River, is traveling cross country on snowshoes, to keep his appointments. The roads are blocked with drifts.

On Sunday afternoon, the minister snow-shoed eight miles to preach to his congregation in Colebrook River, but no service was held because he found the church empty.

SIMS FINISHES HIS TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE COMMITTEE

Tells Investigators that He Has no Personal Antagonism for Daniels

MAKES SUGGESTIONS FOR GOOD OF SERVICE

Admiral Declares Criticisms Have Been from View-Point of Officer Doing His Duty—Cites Specific Needs for Reform.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Rear Admiral [illegible]

[illegible]

FLOODS WREAK BIG DAMAGE IN FRANCE

Seine and Marne Overflow Their Banks in the Vicinity of Paris

[illegible]

English Preacher Toured U. S. During Acting Days

London, Feb. 10.—The Rev. Everard Digby, known in England as the "sporting parson," who has been offered the pastorate of the Church of the Ascension in Brooklyn, N. Y., toured the eastern United States as a member of a theatrical company several years ago.

Rev. Mr. Digby told an interviewer that the Brooklyn offer appealed to him [illegible] of Miss Langtry's company," he said. "We had a very successful six months' season, opening at the Garrick Theatre, New York, with 'The Cross Ways' and touring the whole of the eastern states. If I now decide to go to America I shall be reviving many happy memories and associations."

Rev. Mr. Digby served as a chaplain with the British forces during the war.

Second Big Snow Storm Sweeps Over New York

New York, Feb. 10.—Another snow storm hit New York today with all but a few of the principal streets are now blocked by a drift. There was a prospect that the snow would turn to rain but early in the day the fall was heavy with a strong wind. An army of 14,000 men has been working day and night since Wednesday shoveling snow, but little headway has been made.

HINES OPPOSED TO WORKERS DEMANDS

Director General Expected to Appear Before Rail Workers Today

NO TIME FOR ACTION

Head Railroad Administration Claims that Roads Will go Back to Private Control Before Government Can Act.

Washington, Feb. 10.—[illegible]

[illegible]

URGES LETHAL CHAMBER FOR UNEDUCATED PEOPLE

London, [illegible] Montgomery Canon of Coventry, in a discussion at a conference of the Educational Associations at University [illegible]

GERMAN RESS FOR WIRELESS SERVICE

Conference in Berlin to Discuss Transmission of News by Wireless

Berlin, Feb. 8.—All the press organizations of Germany, the representatives of all publishers' organizations, the official Wolff Bureau, the Dutch [illegible]

[illegible]

LONDON SUBWAYS HANDLE ENORMOUS VOLUME BUSINESS

London, Feb. 10.—London's underground railways [illegible]

Prosecution Speeds Up The Newberry Hearing

Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 10.—[illegible] Indications were that the government attorneys was [illegible] to speed up the proceedings, a larger number of witnesses having been disposed of yesterday than on any previous day of the trial.

EASY TO GET UNTIED IN PETROGRAD NOW

Geneva, Feb. 10.—Russians who have arrived here recently by way of Sweden and Germany say a former minister [illegible] Spitzberg, has been installed in Petrograd as "breaker of marriages." He is said to be granting from 500 to 600 divorces a week, no investigation being necessary. All that appears to be required is the signature of the person desiring freedom from marriage.

ANARCHY REPORTED AS PREVAILING IN ODESSA

Constantinople, Feb. 10.—Anarchy reigns in Odessa recently captured by the Bolsheviki, according to advices received here.

MURRAY CHILD IS KILLED IN MISHAP

Fatally Injured when Struck by Car Driven by C. C. Hopkins Yesterday

[illegible] Murray, three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Murray, of this city, [illegible] yesterday [illegible] Falls road near the outskirts of the city when he was struck and knocked down by an automobile driven by C. C. Hopkins, a mechanic employed at Boykin's garage. [illegible]

[illegible]

CONVENTION OF N. C. CLUB WOMEN IS POSTPONED

Raleigh, Feb. 10.—The convention of North Carolina club women scheduled to meet here today to consider measures for the reduction of the high cost of living has been postponed because of the influenza situation.

ALASKA READY TO AID PAPER SUPPLY

Northern Country Wants to Throw Open National Forests for Pulp

Seattle, Feb. 10.—Alaska wants to throw open its millions of acres of national forests so that the "billions" of feet of paper wood of the northland can help relieve the pulp and newsprint famine, Governor Thomas Riggs, Jr., of Alaska, declared here recently.

Governor Riggs was here on his way from Juneau to Washington, D. C., where he expected to help press pending legislation intended to remove restrictions and allow pulp manufacturers to go into the Tongass and Chugach reservations, the northern territory's two great reserves.

Pulp and paper men are anxious to go to Alaska and establish mills as great as those operated in British Columbia not far south of the Alaska boundary line, the governor asserted. Under the present laws the pulp makers cannot enter the reservations with any certainty that they will be allowed to [illegible]

Alaska's great forests stretch over approximately 31,000 square miles, an area nearly equal in size to the state of Indiana, according to estimates made by government officials.

Several hundred million feet of good pulp wood, including western yellow pine, hemlock, Sitka spruce, white fir and lodge pole pine, are in the forest reserves alone.

The Tongass reserve, in southeastern Alaska, is especially adapted to the manufacture of pulp and paper, forestry officials have reported. There is plenty of water power, ocean harbors open the year round, timber skirting the water and weather similar to that of Puget Sound.

The governor intends to ask Washington to restore the reserves to the national domain or to open them to the pulp industry.

Hospital Supplies Are Sold By War Department

Washington, Feb. 10.—Large quantities of drugs, surgical instruments, surgical dressings and various kinds of hospital equipment are offered for sale by the war department to state and municipals, free clinics and like institutions for thirty days ending February 29. The war department announces that these supplies will be sold at prices much below present market quotations.

The materials were purchased for use during the war, but have been declared surplus because the quantities on hand are much in excess of the present requirements of the army. Although disposal of them will be made at less than prevailing prices, the government will lose nothing by the transaction and various public and charitable institutions will be benefited.

It is announced that state, county and municipal institutions will be accorded 90 days' credit on purchases of these supplies, and will not be required to make a deposit. Other purchasers must pay in full before the materials are delivered.

For, if we can shoot to the moon, maybe those fellows on the moon can shoot back, and earth citizens can well defer any interplanetary warfare.

PEACE TREATY IS BACK IN HANDS OF SENATE COMMITTEE

Pact Probably be Returned to the Senate Floor Next Week

LODGE VERY ANXIOUS TO DEFER ACTIONS

Republican Leader Would Postpone Further Action in Order Handle Appropriation and Tariff Legislation.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The peace treaty was back in the hands of the foreign relations committee today and it probably will not be returned to the senate floor until next week. The committee was expected to act today on the instructions of the senate to report the treaty out with the reservations drafted by the republicans at the last session of congress. Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, republican leader, plans, however, to defer further senate consideration of the measure to make way for the appropriation and tariff legislation.

When the treaty comes back to the senate with the reservations, republican leaders, it is understood, are prepared to propose modifications to the reservation similar to those drawn up recently at the bi-partizan conference. This would open discussion for compromise, it is pointed out, although the possibility of ratificaton is considered by both sides as a long way off.

ISSUANCE OF SMALL PAPER MONEY LIKELY IN MEXICO

Mexico City, Feb. 10.—Issuance of paper money in denominations of one peso and 50 centavos, provided for in a presidential decree promulgated Jan. 10, has caused uncertainty among small shopkeepers and peddlers. The issue of peso notes is limited to 15,000,000 and 50 pesos to 10,000,000 and gold currency must be deposited with the government before the paper is put into circulation, even before the notes appeared, notices were posted that the new currency would be accepted only at a discount of 40 per cent.

VESSEL OUTFITTED TO CARRY PRINCE ON AUSTRALIAN TRIP

Portsmouth, Engg., Jan. 23.—The battleship Renown has been fitting out here to carry the Prince of Wales on his Australian trip. Additional cabin space has been made and a steam laundry installed.

MEXICAN NATIONAL DEBT IS $425,739,801 PESOS

Mexico City, Feb. 8.—The National debt of Mexico is 425,729,801 pesos according to a recent statement of Luis Cabrera, secretary of the treasury, who added that the interest unpaid amounts to 113,170,975 pesos.

CARRANZA TRIES TO REGAIN LANDS

Mexican President Recover Tracts Ceded to Foreign Interests

Mexico City, Feb. 10.—President Carranza's administration intends to recover to the nation great tracts of land conceded by previous administrations to foreign interests, according to statements of Mexican officials. It intends also to enforce the constitutional prohibition barring foreigners from holding land within 62 miles of the Mexican frontier and 31 miles from the coastline.

The general trend of their statements is to the effect that it is the purpose of the administration to avoid colonization projects that might eventually endanger the nation and to recover dominion over oil lands without violating the legal rights of the present producers.

These statements were made in explanation of the government's request that the 1919 congress float a loan of 50,000,000 pesos to enable the nation to recover land held under concessions by foreign interests.

The officials stated that the greater part of several states, such as Lower California and Chiapas is held by foreigners under concessions given by previous administrations.

Where the terms of these concessions have not been complied with, they have been nullified, according to the department of agriculture. Part of the proposed loan was intended to indemnify holders for these concessions for improvements they had made.

Interests who have been deprived of their concessions by this nullification have declared that interior conditions for the last 10 years have made it impossible for them to fulfill their agreements. Various British representatives are said to be pushing for indemnification for work don on concessions especially in Lower California and Ciapas.

Denial is made by Pastor Rouaix, secretary of agriculture and development, that the government plans to nullify all concessions granted under the Diaz and Madero regimes. Only those where prescribed obligations have not been met will be annulled, he asserts.