

GIGANTIC MOVEMENT TO PARALYZE FRENCH INDUSTRY THREATENED

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PREMIER BRIAND DECLARES STRIKE AN INSURRECTION

Says Instigators Will Be Criminally Prosecuted—Government Seriously Concerned Over Matter of Good Supply.

PARIS, Oct. 12.—Encouraged by the effectiveness of the strike of the employees of the Northern and western railroads and extension of the movement today to the Eastern road and Paris, Lyons, and Mediterranean lines, leaders of French workmen generally threaten a gigantic move to paralyze activities of the whole country.

The situation throughout the republic is regarded as grave. Electricians and employees of omnibus, metropolitan and subway transportation lines here considering today the advisability of seizing this opportunity to strike for redress of long standing grievances. The railways are making a desperate effort to maintain some sort of service, but are meeting with little success.

Strike leaders say not a wheel will be turning on any railway in France tomorrow morning. Employees of the Eastern railroad today voted to strike at noon; trainmen of the Paris, Lyons and Mediterranean lines decided to go out this evening.

Last night the strike spread to the Western railway, which is owned by the state.

The strike on the Western road was voted by 8000 men employed in Paris and the suburbs. They count upon the unions to tie up the provinces. Threatened With Scarcity of Food.

As is usual in such circumstances the city of Paris is threatened with a scarcity of food supplies. Freight and mail passenger transportation is partially paralyzed, and the vast army of working people in the north-west are unable to reach their places of business.

Highways leading to Paris are black with humanity. Thousands of workmen trudging to city converged at the city gates, where the congestion was frightful. The government is seriously concerned over the matter of food supply. Already the market is pinched.

President Fallieres returned this morning from his estate in the south and conferred with the ministers. The government is adopting measures similar to those in war times.

The strikers held up the express train for Havre at Bois Colombes, covered the engineer and fireman with revolvers, and compelled them to abandon the locomotive, which was then uncoupled from the train and tipped across the track. Paving stones were heaped upon the tracks outside Saint Nazaire station.

Denunciation by Briand. Premier Briand this afternoon issued a public statement denouncing the strike as an insurrection built upon criminal foundations, and urged the trainmen not to follow the advice of instigators of the strike who, he said, would be criminally prosecuted.

More telegraph wires were cut today, including several connecting French points with London and Brussels. Telegraph and telephone poles were torn down in some instances.

The more conservative newspapers condemn the strike as indicating a revolutionary general federation of labor trying to absorb the railroad unions, but the socialist press hail it as a commendable battle to obtain needed redress.

STEELE, MILLER & CO. TRIAL TO BE IN APRIL

Motion to Be Quashed Indictment Overruled—Members of Firm Held in \$150,000 Bond, Each.

Aberdeen, Miss., Oct. 12.—Judge Niles in Federal court here today overruled the demurrer to quash the indictments against Steele, Miller & Co., charged with fraudulent use of the mails in the issuance of bogus bills of lading, argued here yesterday. The case was continued until the next term of Federal court, the first Tuesday of April, 1911.

L. C. Steele, J. H. Miller, C. H. G. Lunde and James McKnight are placed under a bond of \$150,000 each. No More Tub Bathing; Water Too Scarce.

Palmer, Mass., Oct. 12.—Tub bathing is prohibited by an order issued by the local water company, in the effort to conserve the rapidly diminishing water supply in the company's reservoirs. An artesian well is being sunk and other emergency measures are being taken.

ROOSEVELT TAKES TRIP IN BIPLANE

Hoxsey, Was Afraid, However, Colonel Would Fall Out, He Enjoyed It so.

St. Louis, Oct. 12.—Theodore Roosevelt yesterday made an airship flight as the passenger of Archibald Hoxsey and he said it was the finest sensation he had ever experienced. They traveled two times around the aviation field at Kinloch park in three minutes and 20 seconds. He waved his hand at the thousands of spectators, much to the discomfort of the aviator, who feared that the colonel might hit a connecting rod. When the machine alighted easily a few feet from the starting place a mighty shout of applause went up.

Hoxsey, a Wright aviator, said that Mr. Roosevelt made a good passenger except that he enjoyed the trip so much that Hoxsey was afraid that the colonel would fall out or interfere with the engine that was roaring at his side. The colonel waved his hands at the crowd so vigorously that Hoxsey called out to him: "Keep your hands on the rails, colonel."

Colonel Roosevelt, who had forgotten to hold himself in, waved his hands once more, and then obeyed orders. The colonel's flight was a surprise to everybody. Although he had been invited to go, no one had the least idea that he would do so, and he himself did not decide to fly until the moment before he stepped into the machine.

The trip to the aviation field to watch the airship flights was on the afternoon's program for the colonel's day in St. Louis. He went to Kinloch in an automobile at the head of a procession of motor cars half a mile long.

The cars were filled with the members of the republican state and city committees and business men. The ride was a fast and dusty one and much of the way Colonel Roosevelt's face was covered with a thick coating of Missouri soil.

Colonel Roosevelt's car was driven directly to the aviation field. Hoxsey's biplane was standing directly in front of the grand stand. Colonel Roosevelt stepped out of his automobile with Governor Hadley at his side and walked over to the biplane. He inspected the broad planes and the engines and shook hands with the aviator.

"I'd like to have you for a passenger," said Hoxsey. The colonel looked at him without a word and then he began to take off his coat. It was the first intimation that he would make a trip in the air.

Governor Hadley stepped up quickly and said: "Are you really going up, colonel?" "Of course I am," said the colonel. Without another word he took his seat at Hoxsey's direction, beside the engine. Governor Hadley admitted that he was nervous. It extends up into the air and I feel a sense of responsibility while the colonel is in my territory," he said.

Colonel Roosevelt removed his slouch hat for the trip and borrowed a gray cap, which he pulled down over his eyes. Hoxsey took his place beside Colonel Roosevelt, who watched the preparations with a smile of anticipation.

After tests the motor was allowed to run and the machine ran over the ground quietly. Colonel Roosevelt gripped the rail hard and looked straight ahead. The machine skidded over the field a few yards then lifted its nose into the air, rising easily.

At the end of the second lap, Hoxsey dipped his planes and the machine descended easily, striking the ground without a jar a few rods from the grand stand. The machine glided over the grass a short distance and stopped.

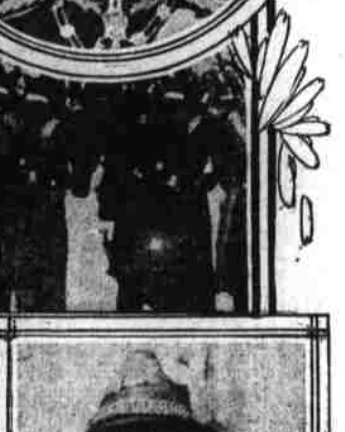
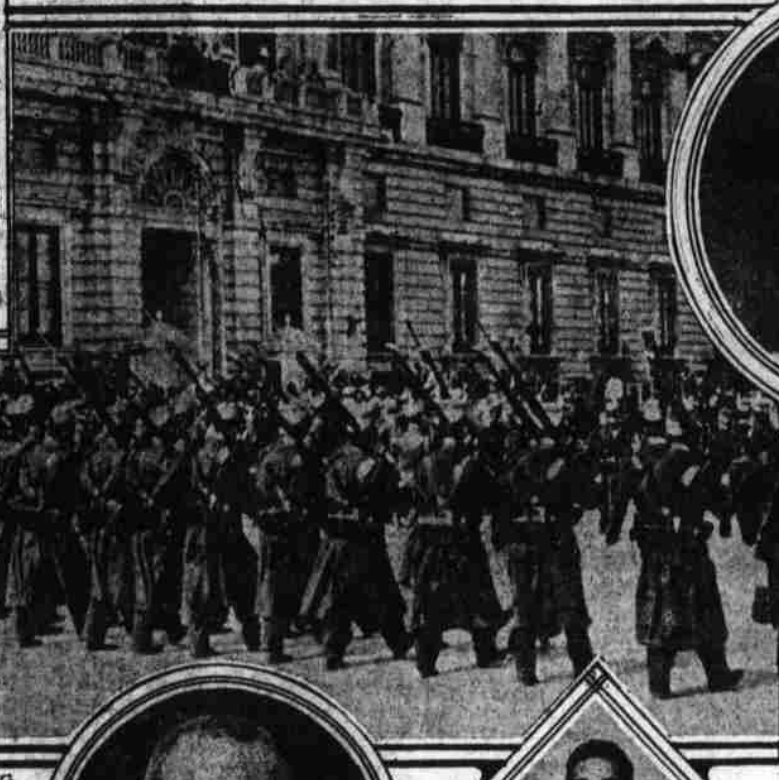
Colonel Roosevelt, smiling his most expansive smile, disembarked backwards. He became entangled with the wires, but was soon out of them.

DEGREES ARE CONFERRED BY BERLIN UNIVERSITY

That of Doctor of Laws on Emperor William—Various Degrees Given to Scholars of America.

Berlin, Oct. 12.—The University of Berlin, celebrating its hundredth anniversary, today conferred the degree of doctor of laws upon Emperor William. Degrees were conferred upon the following Americans: Doctor of Law—Associate Justice Holmes of the Supreme court; Prof. John William Burgess, dean of political science of the faculty of Columbia University. Doctor of Philosophy—President Hadley of Yale, Doctor of Medicine—Prof. Theodore William Richards, professor of chemistry Harvard.

Spanish Government Feels Deepest Anxiety On Eve of "Ferrer Day"—Tomorrow, 13th



If the Day Passes Without Outbreak, the Worst, It Is Believed, Will Be Over.

MADRID, Oct. 12.—The Spanish premier's warning to parliament that the agitation of the clerical and anti-clerical among the workmen is likely to plunge Spain into a civil war has not served to ease the mind of the public, which daily is discussing the possibility that the flame of revolution will overtop the frontier and engulf this country. The reported message of Senor Alejandro Lerroux, chief of the republicans at Barcelona, to Provisional President Braga of Portugal, "Start your revolution. We will take care of ours," is widely printed in the radical press as indicating republican plans for an uprising.

The government feels the deepest anxiety at the approach of tomorrow, October 13, which is popularly known as "Ferrer Day," as it is the first anniversary of the shooting of Francisco Ferrer, who was put to death last year after having been found guilty of the attempted revolution in Barcelona. The government fears that manifestations marking this anniversary will develop rioting.

All requests for permission to hold Ferrer meetings of protest are refused. If tomorrow passes without an outbreak the government believes the worst will be over, as it counts on the absolute loyalty of the army, which in its entirety is held in readiness to stamp out the first spark of rebellion.

OBSTACLE PUT ON TRACK TO WRECK FAST TRAIN

Discovered Just Before Train Was Due—A Similar Attempt Was Made Two Months Ago.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 12.—Obstructions placed on the tracks of the Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific, with the evident intention of wrecking the limited passenger train from Cincinnati to New Orleans, were discovered last night, 13 miles south of here, just before the train was due. An attempt was made two months ago to wreck the same train at the same spot.

DONNED BURIAL CLOTHES HUNG CREPE, INHALED GAS

Well Known St. Augustine Man Made All Burial Arrangements Before Killing Himself.

St. Augustine, Fla., Oct. 12.—After tying crepe on the front door, donning burial clothes, with a note in an undertaker, directing the disposition of his body, Giles Phelps, a well known business man, committed suicide today by inhaling gas.

Dependancy over his wife's death is believed to have caused the act. The Children and the Theater.

Washington, Oct. 12.—Today's session of the International Humane conference was devoted exclusively to discussion of child protection. The particular subjects are moving picture shows and their influence on the child, and children and the theaters.

MANUEL DECIDES TO GO TO ENGLAND

He and Mother Accept Invitation to Visit, and Will Probably Finally Reside There.

Evesham, England, Oct. 12.—King Manuel of Portugal and the Queen Mother Amelia have accepted the invitation of the Duke of Orleans to become his guests at Wood Norton. The house in which Amelia spent her childhood stands on the duke's estate, a short distance from Wood Norton, in Worcestershire. It is believed this eventually will become the home of the royal Portuguese exiles.

TRANQUILITY IS RESTORED IN CAPITAL OF PORTUGAL

Washington, Oct. 12.—The Swiss government is ready to enter into communication with the new Portuguese government, according to advices to the state department from American Minister Swenson at Bern.

Plans of Portuguese Royal Family.

Gibraltar, Oct. 12.—The Duchess of Guise, sister of the queen mother of Portugal, has arrived here. It is said the Duke of Oporto and the queen dowager will take up their residence in the castle of Moncalieri, near Turin.

COLUMBUS DAY CELEBRATED.

President Taft Receives Parade of 60,000 in Boston—Celebration in Other Cities.

New York, Oct. 12.—All exchanges are closed today—Columbus day. Detroit, Oct. 12.—Italian residents here celebrated Columbus day by unveiling a statue of the navigator.

Boston, Oct. 12.—Columbus day was observed today in Massachusetts for the first time. The celebration centered here, where a parade of 60,000 was reviewed by President Taft, Governor Draper, Mayor Fitzgerald and Archbishop O'Donnell.

Chicago, Oct. 12.—Banks, the board of trade, and courts are closed here. An immense crowd viewed a pageant illustrating the landing of Columbus.

Valledares Agrees to Go to Capital.

Washington, Oct. 12.—General Jose Marie Valledares, governor of Ampana, Honduras, who is said to have made threats against foreigners, has agreed to the request of President Davila that he retire and come to the capital, according to a dispatch to the state department from the American minister at Tegucigalpa.

PATRICK TO RENEW FIGHT IN COURTS

Alleges He Has New Evidence, from Autopsies on Bodies of Persons Who Died of Chloroform.

New York, Oct. 12.—Albert T. Patrick, the lawyer, now under life imprisonment for the murder of William Marsh Rice, a Texas millionaire, is going to renew the fight for freedom which he has waged continuously through the courts for several years. Patrick has retained a new lawyer, and will apply to the Court of Appeals for a new trial on new evidence, discovered, it was asserted, as the result of autopsies performed on bodies of persons who had died from the effects of chloroform.

JOHN A. DIX ACCEPTS DEMOCRATS' NOMINATION

He Plants Himself Squarely upon Platform Adopted by Rochester State Convention.

Tombon, N. Y., Oct. 12.—Planting himself squarely upon the platform adopted by Rochester state convention and pledging his support to the principles enunciated therein, John A. Dix today formally accepted the nomination as a candidate of the democratic party for the office of governor of New York.

Herbert P. Bassell of Buffalo, the convention's presiding officer, officially notified Dix and the other candidates on the state ticket of their nomination.

EDUCATION OF THE NEGRO HAS STEADILY PROGRESSED

Durham, Oct. 12.—The work of education of the negro has progressed so steadily in the past ten years that only 42 per cent of the race in the United States at present are illiterate, according to Mrs. Emma Erskine Hahn, of New York, who today addressed the Students National Religious Training school here at the opening of the fall term.

Sentenced to Be Hanged November 25.

Louisville, Miss., Oct. 12.—Swinton Perimeter, last night found guilty of murder in the first degree for killing Miss Janie Sharpe, near here, several months ago, was brought into court today and sentenced to be hanged November 25.

Greek Cabinet Resigns.

Athens, Oct. 12.—The Greek cabinet resigned today. The resignations are due to complications with Turkey and to internal dissensions.

INQUIRY RESUMED INTO NEW RATES

Proposed Advances on Eastern Trunk Lines Are Again Under Investigation.

Washington, Oct. 12.—Investigation by the interstate commerce commission into the proposed freight rate advances in eastern trunk line territory was resumed today after an adjournment of the hearing from New York. In a general way the proposed increases affect nearly all articles handled at either class or commodity rates; but do not apply to the great volume of freight, as exceptions are made of coal and coke, iron and steel articles, iron ore and some other large commodities.

Recently the proposed increases were postponed until November 1, and it appears probable there will be further postponement.

Conspiracy on the part of the railroads to deprive western grain shippers of the advantage of cheap water transportation and to drive the grain transportation business from the great lakes is charged in a petition filed with the interstate commerce commission by the Chicago board of trade.

TRUE BILLS RETURNED FOR CRIPPEN AND WOMAN

The Former as Principal, Latter as Accessory After Fact of Murder of Crippen's Wife.

London, Oct. 12.—The grand jury found true bills against Dr. Hawley H. Crippen and Ethel Clara Le Neve, charging the former as principal, and the latter accessory after the fact, with the murder of the doctor's wife, known on the stage as Belle Elmore. Their trials probably will start Tuesday.

PROMINENT MEN ARE HURT IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Were Returning to Muskegon, Mich., from a Fish Fry, When Machine Ran Against a Pole.

Muskegon, Mich., Oct. 12.—Four prominent business men were hurt, one probably fatally, when an automobile driven by Milton Riordan, manager of a local department store, running at 40 miles an hour, early today crashed into a telephone pole.

The men were returning from a fish fry in Lake Michigan park.

Western Rate Advance Again Postponed.

REPORT ON FARMS AND FARM LABOR

Wholesome Advance in Agriculture in All Sections of the State is Indicated.

TWO CONDITIONAL PARDONS ARE GRANTED BY THE GOVERNOR

Town Clerks Are Called Upon to Report Status of Their Fire Fighting Apparatus, Etc.

Gazette-News Bureau, Chamber of Commerce Rooms, Hollimon Building, Raleigh, Oct. 12.

Two pardons, both conditional, are granted by Governor Kitchin. Lee Caldwell of Warren county is pardoned from a six years' sentence in the penitentiary, after two years' service. The crime was manslaughter. However, the victim had a few days before the killing attacked and beaten the prisoner's mother, apparently without cause. Furthermore, Caldwell warned the deceased when he met him that he intended to beat him or get beaten. The deceased struck Caldwell with a hote that Caldwell wrenched away from him and struck him with it. The deceased then drew his knife, cut Caldwell in three places. As he ran away from the deceased he fell into a ditch. It was after he was down and deceased was coming in on him that Caldwell used his revolver with deadly effect. The governor says in his statement of reasons for the pardon that Caldwell lived six years in Manchester, Va., where he was regarded as honest, industrious, temperate and polite. He has been a model prisoner.

The second pardon is for Robert Shoffner, a Guilford county negro, charged with criminal intimacy with a girl under fourteen years old. He had been charged with criminal outrage, but submitted to the lesser charge by consent at the trial, taking a sentence of 25 years of which he has served a number. The governor says that indications are that many believed the man to be innocent. His pardon has been pressed by influential friends through sympathy and without any fees, the trial judge and solicitor taking the view along with others that the fellow has had sufficient punishment for whatever degree of guilt he might have had in the affair.

A summary of the chapter of the department of Labor and Printing devoted to farms and farm labor is just issued by Commissioner of Labor and Printing M. L. Shipman and contains many features of special interest, the report being made up from special reports prepared by the department from every locality in the state. The commissioner says the reports show a wholesome advance in farming in all sections of the state, with special progress in the practice of seed selection, preparation of soil, in drainage of swamp lands, measures to prevent erosion, with assurances that progress along these lines will continue.

The commission commends the work he finds that the North Carolina Geological survey is doing along the line of drainage undertaking and declares that with constantly increasing values it behooves the farmers to see to it that there are no gullies and washouts on their properties.

What Crops Cost. The reports indicate slight difference in wages or in cost of producing the various crops in different sections of the state. It is ascertained that 67 counties produce cotton at a cost of \$33.37 per bale; that 81 counties produce wheat at a cost of 72 cents per bushel; 97 grow corn at 52 cents per bushel; 95 grow oats at 35 cents per bushel; 53 grow tobacco at an average cost of 7.50 per hundred pounds.

Wages and Laborers. Increase in farm hand wages is reported in 33 counties, a decrease in one county and no change in the others. The highest average wages paid men for farm work is \$25.11 and the lowest \$15.23, this being an increase of 31 per cent and 49 cents per month respectively. The highest average for women is found to be \$15.53 and lowest average \$10.11, an increase of 82 cents per month over the averages for last year's reports.

Children are reported to have average wages of \$8.76, an increase of 23 cents per month over last year. As to the financial condition of the working people the reports from seventeen counties show them good, 53 fair, 21 poor and one bad, with no report from another. Ninety-two counties report improvement in this respect.

The reports from 23 counties show change toward greater diversity of crops and 98 report improvement in methods of cultivation. Every county reports increase in the cost of living. Increases in the value of lands is reported from 93 counties and the fertility of lands maintained in 84, with general tendency toward smaller farms. Labor is reported scarce in 85 counties and negro labor unreliable in 35 counties and reliable in two.

Reports show road improvement strongly favored through taxation in ninety-two counties and not favored in six counties.

Fishmen's Bonus Fund. The clerks of the various towns in North Carolina that expect to participate in the benefits of the Fishmen's Bonus Fund provided through special legislation passed by the legislature are called upon to report the status of their funds.

Chicago, Oct. 12.—At a meeting in the offices of the western trunk line the committee decided to postpone again the proposed advance in freight rates on certain commodities in western territory, this time until February 1.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 12.—Secretary of War Dickson and party left here today for Paris.