

WARM SESSION OF AMERICAN LEGION

COMMITTEE MINORITY REPORT REITERATES POSITION OF LEGION AS TO LABOR.

POPPY IS MEMORIAL FLOWER

Business Temporarily Suspended and Convention Hears a Brief Address by General Fayolle of France.

Cleveland, O.—The second annual convention of the American Legion in session here underwent a barrage of resolutions and committee reports and then adjournment was taken, after a nine-hour session.

The stand of the legion in regard to organized labor was not mentioned in the report of the committee on resolutions. However, a minority report was submitted which recommended that "the American Legion reiterate its well known position that it has no participation in controversies between capital and labor."

By a happy coincidence, just as the poppy had been recommended and adopted as the memorial flower of the American Legion, General Marie Fayolle and his party entered the convention hall. Five minutes of cheering interrupted the meeting and the national commander declared the regular order of business temporarily suspended.

Ball Players Indicted.

Chicago.—The Cook county grand jury voted true bills against the following baseball players in its investigation of alleged "throwing" of world's series games last year.

Eddie Cicotte, Claude Williams, "Chick" Gandil, Hopy Felsch, Charles Riebegg, Joe Jackson, Fred McMulinn and Buck Weaver. All are members of the Chicago Americans.

The eight players are charged with conspiracy to violate a state law.

Government Accepts Terms.

Martinsville, W. Va.—The grand jury investigation of alleged violation of the Lever act in the sale of coal in northern West Virginia was temporarily suspended when United States District Attorney S. V. Walker announced in court that the government had accepted terms of the operators, under which the latter will cooperate in price reducing.

Go After Immigrants.

New Orleans, La.—With the sugar cane crop 30 per cent larger than last year and the labor supply about 30 per cent under the limited supply of 1919, representatives of the American Cane Growers Association left for Ellis Island, N. Y., where they will endeavor to induce immigrants to come to Louisiana and work in the cane fields.

Governor Proposes Action.

Oklahoma City.—Gov. J. B. A. Robertson sent a telegram to the interstate commerce commission stating that the coal situation in Oklahoma, because of the attitude of the railroads, is serious and that if necessary, he will "not only take possession of the mines, but also take sufficient cars and engines to distribute the necessary fuel."

Woman is Disqualified.

Fort Worth, Texas.—The disqualifying of a woman as juror in a murder case furnished the basis for an exception by the defense and an appeal to the higher courts here. Attorneys for the defense insisted that the advent of federal suffrage qualified the women of Texas to serve as jurors.

Would Increase Endowment.

Macon, Ga.—Trustees of Mercer University met in this city to consider a plan worked out by President Rufus W. Weaver, or the inauguration of a campaign to increase the institution's endowment to ten million dollars by 1937.

Cattle For Germany.

San Antonio, Texas.—The first shipment of cattle from Texas to Germany and Austria to rehabilitate the herds of those two countries will sail from Galveston about October 15, according to an announcement.

Negroes to Replace Japs.

Los Angeles.—The possibility of negroes taking the place of Asiatics as workers in California was discussed at the national convention of the Industrial and Commercial Council of People of African Descent.

Atlanta Deeply Stirred.

Atlanta.—The death of W. W. Mooney in an automobile accident making three fatalities in as many accidents in the past 36 hours, spurred city and county officials to action to end reckless driving.

Children Die of Poison.

Newport, Ky.—Arsenic poison, administered in milk made deadly by unknown hands, caused the death of the three children of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams of Newport, a coroner's jury returned here.

SECOND GATHERING AMERICAN LEGION

PARADE OF TWENTY THOUSAND EX-SERVICE MEN WITNESSED BY 300,000 VISITORS

FRANCE'S LOYALTY TO LEGION

Cheering and Cries For Commander of Legion Post Number 1 at Paris Brings Him to His Feet.

Cleveland, O.—A parade of 20,000 ex-service men, witnessed by approximately 300,000 people, including about 50,000 out-of-town visitors, closed the first day of the second annual convention of the American Legion here.

One feature which tended to liven the session came when Col. J. R. McQuigg, commander of the department of Ohio, in replying to the address of welcome by Mayor W. S. Fitzgerald, stated that France was one of the most loyal friends of the American Legion. Cheering started and cries for Francis E. Drake, the commander of legion post number 1, Paris, brought him to his feet. At this juncture everybody arose and cheered for several minutes. Mr. Drake is representing the legion posts of France, England, Belgium and the Rhine.

Secretary Houston's Statement.

Washington.—The government can not a party to any undertaking for artificially maintaining "war prices" by enabling owners to withhold their commodities from the markets, Secretary Houston said in a formal statement.

On the other hand the secretary declares in favor of the orderly marketing of all commodities and estimates that the commercial loans of all banks during the past year increased by about \$2,000,000,000 to \$3,000,000,000 to meet the demands of industry and agriculture.

Must Continue Relief.

Washington.—Conditions in Poland, Austria and in other parts of Europe are such that general relief work must be continued for some time to come, in the opinion of Dr. Livingston Ferrand, chairman of the central committee of the American Red Cross.

Hunt Given Appointment.

Washington.—Thomas Forsyth Hunt, dean of the College of Agriculture, University of California, was appointed by President Wilson as a member of the permanent committee of the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome, Italy.

Baruch Not Guilty.

New York.—The League to Enforce Peace, in a statement issued here declared that it is a non-partisan organization and the contributors of B. M. Baruch to its news bureau maintained in Washington last winter were not in any sense contributions to the Democratic party.

Wheat Exports Increase.

Washington.—Wheat exports increased in August over July, the department of commerce's monthly detailed statement of exports showing that 27,569,982 more bushels were shipped out of the country last month as compared with 23,839,541 bushels in July.

Poles Capture Grodno.

Warsaw.—Grodno, an important city in northwestern Russia, near the Lithuanian frontier, has been captured by Polish troops after heavy fighting, says an official statement issued here. A large number of prisoners and much war material were taken by the Poles.

Warns Building Crafts.

Chicago.—A warning to building crafts that, unless they "resort to reason" and end jurisdictional disputes the unions may be destroyed and open shop come into vogue, has been issued by John H. Donlin, president of the building trades department of the American Federation of Labor.

Auto Prices Higher.

Toledo, Ohio.—It is announced by Frank Bankstead, president of the Lexington Motor company, that the price of the Lexington touring car will be increased \$100.

\$2,000,000,000 Saved.

Washington.—Prohibition was credited with producing a saving of \$2,000,000,000 for the nation in the last year by Governor Milliken of Maine in addressing the closing session of the 15th International Congress Against Alcoholism.

Lumber Prices Lower.

Chicago.—Reduction in lumber prices of 10 to 35 per cent over February quotations is announced by retail dealers in Chicago with an average wholesale reduction of 27 per cent, throughout the country.

Staving Off Coal Famine.

Washington.—To forestall the possibility of a bituminous coal shortage this winter coal operators are bending every effort to maintain a weekly output of over 12,000,000 tons of soft coal to December 1.



J. R. HOWARD
New and exclusive photographs of J. R. Howard, president of the American Farm Bureau federation.

GREAT SLUMP IN VEGETABLES

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Washington.—Coal will be the next important commodity added to the list of 248 necessities on which prices have been cut, Director General Geo. H. Cushing of the American Wholesale Coal Dealers' Association, predicted.

Coal prices experienced a slump of more than \$2 a ton in eastern states a month ago. Another slump is due soon throughout the country, according to Cushing.

Cheaper coal means lower costs in manufacturing electric light and power to run street car lines and factories. It may have the effect of preventing further increased rates to street car companies in many cities.

"Coal, at least the bituminous variety, now is getting into the class of commodities in which surplus stocks are piling up," said Cushing.

The biggest slump in months is being felt in prices of vegetables, according to the announcement by the agricultural department. The department showed that many farmers are being forced to sell produce at less than the cost of production.

This is due to record crops. The potato crop was 15 per cent larger than an ordinary, while similar large increases were shown in the onion and cabbage crops.

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Express Rates Increase.

Washington.—Further increases in express rates averaging 13.5 per cent were approved by the interstate-commerce commission. The increases which apply to class and commodity rates make a total increase of 26 per cent granted the express companies within the last few months. The express company had asked further increases averaging 15 per cent.

Reds Violate Neutrality.

New York.—The bolshevik preparations for an attack upon Poland are being made behind the Lithuanian frontier, under cover of alleged Lithuanian neutrality, creating a situation too serious for Poland to tolerate, it was declared in a message sent recently by Poland to the league of nations regarding the Polish-Lithuanian difference.

No Woman Jurors.

Columbia, S. C.—No petit jury duty for women, registered or not registered, is the gist of an opinion rendered by S. M. Wolfe, attorney general of South Carolina.

Flour Prices Reduced.

Portland, Ore.—A reduction of 35 cents a barrel to \$12.60 on patent flours was put in effect by local millers. It was the first change in the flour market since last July.

Three Days A Week.

Winchendon, Mass.—The cotton mills of N. D. White and Sons will go on a three-days-a-week schedule beginning September 30, it was announced. One thousand operatives will be effected.

A Gradual Reduction.

New York.—A decline in food prices and a gradual reduction in prices charged by restaurants throughout the country was predicted here by August Janssen, president of the Society of Restaurateurs.

Harness For Villa's Men.

San Antonio, Texas.—A local saddlery house has shipped to the Mexican government 1,600 sets of harness which will be distributed among the men formerly of Francisco Villa's rebel band, it was announced here.

Cincinnati's Biggest Check.

Cincinnati.—The largest check in the history of Cincinnati has been received by City Auditor Carrel. It represents payment of \$2,580,000 to the city for the issue of deficiency bonds authorized by the city council.

REVOLT IN ITALY SO FAR IS QUIET

THE WORKERS INVOLVED SEEM TO DESIRE TO BUILD UP, NOT SMASH PROPERTY

WANTING FREE RAW MATERIAL

Under Circumstances, Premier Giolitti Holds it Improper to Take Sides With Either Faction.

Milan, Italy.—Northern Italy is the scene of what may eventuate into as great a political, economic and social experiment for the world to watch as Russia.

The difference is that the Italians are not smashing things. They are intent upon building, not destroying. Italian workers know the great metallurgical industry depends absolutely upon the free import of raw materials. Without these, hundreds of mills and tens of thousands of men would be idle. Therefore, despite all the red banners flying in Milan, Turin and the towns roundabout, despite all signs praising Lenin there is, at present at least, no attempt at soviet government.

The administration took the position the situation was purely economic and not political; that it was aimed, not at the government, but at the goal of better wages and more control of industry. Hence, Premier Giolitti held it improper to take sides between workmen and employers.

Russians Still Retreating.

Warsaw.—Polish cavalry operating in the rear of retreating bolshevik forces in the region of Grodno have reached a point north of Lidva, says an official statement issued here. During recent fighting, the Poles captured 1,300 prisoners, including a bolshevik commissar, and also took eight cannon and great quantities of munitions.

Lithuanian artillery has shelled Polish positions in the Sukalki sector, the statement declares.

North of the Pripiet the battle is continuing in favor of the Poles. The Russians are retreating along the entire front, but are offering stubborn resistance as they fall back. The Poles in their advance are approaching the Shechara river. Further to the north the Poles have crossed the Nieman.

Wool Price Reduced.

Cleveland, O.—A price reduction of 15 to 20 per cent in wools was announced by officials of the Cleveland Worsted Mills Company. George H. Hodgson, vice-president of the company, in announcing the reduction, said the lower cost of raw materials was the cause.

"The price reduction is effective now," he said. "It will not reach the people until spring when goods we are manufacturing now will be placed on the market."

New Record For Canal.

Washington.—A new record for a month's traffic through the Panama canal was established during August when 266 commercial ships passed the canal carrying 1,040,740 tons of cargo. Tolls collected during the month amounted to \$936,209.

Can Apply for Loan.

Chicago.—Federal Judge George Carpenter authorized the receiver for the Chicago and Eastern Indiana railroad to apply for a loan of \$900,000 from the \$300,000,000 fund created by the Esch-Cummins transportation bill.

To Close Milk Plants.

Belvidere, Ill.—Orders to cease buying milk after September 30 were announced by managers of the Borden Milk Company. Five plants in Illinois and Wisconsin will be closed if it is stated.

Refuse Certain Increases.

Atlanta, Ga.—The Georgia railroad commission denied application of all railroads operating in Georgia to advance intrastate freight rates on cotton, cotton lint and bricks to the level of the new interstate rates or these commodities.

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Socialization of Mines.

Berlin.—Preparation of a bill by which socialization of mines throughout Germany might be carried out was decided upon by the cabinet, the minister of public economy being instructed to frame the measure.

Turned to Business.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The social events and the big annual parade over, delegates to the annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic turned to the business of the organization.



J. BUTLER WRIGHT
J. Butler Wright holds the position of first councillor in the American embassy in London.

MAY ASK FOR A COMMISSION

Claim is Made by Japan that Recent Legislation by California Legislature is Unconstitutional.

Tokio.—The Washington government will be asked to appoint a commission to effect a solution of Japanese-American problems and in the event of the passage of the California anti-Japanese California legislation the Japanese government will arrange for a law suit against the California legislature on the ground that the bill is unconstitutional and a violation of the treaty rights of the Japanese.

Washington.—Reports in the Japanese newspapers that the Japanese cabinet and advisory council had decided to ask the United States to appoint a commission to effect a solution of Japanese-American problems, created surprise at the State Department where efforts to effect an understanding by diplomatic means are still being made.

It was stated that no official information had been received indicating that Japan had decided to take the question out of the hands of its ambassador, Kijuro Shidehara, who recently was given authority by his government to conduct formal negotiations with the State Department on the various questions which before that time had been discussed only informally.

The conversations now under way between the Japanese ambassador on the one hand and department officials and Roland S. Morris, American ambassador to Japan, on the other, have to do with the Japanese occupation of Saghalien islands as well as the anti-Japanese legislation to be voted on in California in November.

Mail Order Houses Cut Prices.

Chicago.—Two of the largest mail order houses in the world, Sears-Roebuck Company, and Montgomery, Ward & Co., announced price cuts of from 10 to 20 per cent in many lines of merchandise.

Food prices as a whole, were not affected, although sugar was quoted at \$17.95 a hundred pounds and the representative of one company predicted it would drop to \$12.50 to \$14 after the canning season.

Waste Much Newsprint.

New York.—Substitution of metal for wood now used in making of shipping cases would increase the annual output of newsprint 4,000,000 tons, Everett W. Morgan of the Pneumatic Scales Corporation, declared in a address before the American Institution of Chemical Engineers.

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ENTOMOLOGIST HAS GENUINE WEEVIL

THE RECORD INDICATES THAT USUAL FALL MIGRATION OF DREAD PEST HAS BEGUN

MAY GO BEYOND USUAL LIMIT

The Limits of Immediate Movement is Expected to Be Confined Within a Radius of 17 Counties

Raleigh. F. Sherman, entomologist, state department of agriculture at Raleigh announces that a specimen of genuine boll weevil found in vicinity of Lumberton, has been sent to him by County Farm Agent O. O. Dukes of Robeson county. Only the extreme southern trip of Robeson was invaded by the weevil in 1919, and this record indicates that the usual fall migration of the weevils to the northward has now begun, as was anticipated by recent announcements.

Between now and winter a normal migratory will take the weevil to a line running approximately from Charlotte to Fayetteville to New Bern, including part, or all, of the counties of Mecklenburg, Union, Anson, Richmond, Scotland, Hoke, Robeson, Cumberland, Bladen, Sampson, Pender, Duplin, Onslow, Jones, Carteret and Craven. It may go beyond these limits or it may fall short.

It is intended to determine the limits of its new spread when the migration is over. Meantime citizens can save expense to the state by sending suspected specimens to Mr. Sherman at address above indicated, as each genuine record will save time and expense in the inspections. Mail specimens in tight package, indicating post office locality where found. Name and address of sender should be on package.

Further Census Reports.

Washington.—Population statistics announced by the census bureau included the following North Carolina places:

- Bellhaven, 1,16; Robersonville, 1,199; Williamson, 1,800; Tryon, 1,067.
- Yadkin county, 16,391 and 15,428.
- Watauga, 13,477 and 13,556; Blowing Rock town, 338 and 261; Boone, 374 and 169.
- Polk county, 8,832 and 7,640; Columbus town, 168 and 122; Saluda City, 649 and 235; Tryon town, 1,067 and 700.
- Jackson county, 13,396 and 12,998; Dillsboro town, 628 and 277; Sylva town, 863 and 698; Webster town, 74 and 227.
- Swain county, 13,224 and 10,403; Almond town, 146 and 98; Bryson City town, 882 and 612.
- Craven county, 29,148 and 25,594.

Would Extend License System.

For the protection of the public and the members of the profession the North Carolina Society of Engineers advocates the licensing of engineers and surveyors by the state, and its committee, of which Charles E. Wadell, of Asheville, is chairman, is now drafting a law to be presented to the 1921 session of the legislature providing for a board of examiners which shall issue licenses to those found qualified.

New Millions in Commerce.

Washington.—(Special.)—With the aid of Senator Simmons and Secretary Daniels, Mr. E. H. Barlow, secretary of the New Bern chamber of commerce, backed by the city of New Bern and other towns, put through a deal here with the War Department that means new millions in commerce to all Eastern North Carolina. The war department has agreed through the Inland Coastwise Waterways Service to operate nine barges on the inland water route between Baltimore and New Bern. In commercial importance the achievement ranks with the expected "ultimate victory" of the State over the Virginia cities in the freight discrimination case now pending.

Flyers on the Wing.

Runser and Turner, aviators, well known in Raleigh and vicinity, after visiting eleven states covering over 8,000 miles without mishap since leaving Raleigh in May, arrived here on their way to the Rocky Mount fair. The flyers will, besides their work at Goldsboro and Greensboro fairs, do considerable flying at the Raleigh state fair. At the conclusion of the exhibition flights at the Rocky Mount and Goldsboro fairs the two aviators will return to Raleigh for the State Fair, which commences October 19.

Rate Raising Denied.

A further hearing has been denied the Virginia corporation commission and the railroads in the North Carolina freight rate case and the argument will be held September 30, as previously stated, it was announced by M. R. Beaman, secretary of the North Carolina Traffic association, who received a telegram to this effect from J. H. Fishback, Washington attorney for the association. In response to the telegram Mr. Beaman left for Washington.

Census Report (Continued).

Washington.—Revised census figures for Greensboro, given out by the Census Bureau, show a population for the Gate City of 19,861. The previously announced figures were 19,748. The bureau gave the census of Guilford county as 79,232, an increase during the past decade of 18,775 or 31 per cent.

Incorporated places in the county, with their populations, are: Gibsonville, 1,385; Greensboro (revised), 19,861; High Point, 14,302; Stokesdale, 179.

The census of Mitchell county was announced as 11,178, a decrease of 5,967, a decrease of 34.6 per cent. The population of Spruce Pine, in this county is 717.

The population of Greene county was given as 16,212, an increase of 3,129 or 23.9 per cent. Incorporated places are: Hockertown, 294; Maury, 81; Snow Hill, 700; Walsenburg, 168; Gibsonville, N. C., 1,385.

Spring Hope, N. C., 1,221.

Cabarrus county, 33,730, an increase during the past ten years of 749, or 23.5 per cent.

Populations of incorporated places announced were: Concord, 9,903; Mount Pleasant, 770.

Nash county, 41,061, an increase of 4,334 during the past ten years, or 21.7 per cent.

Populations of incorporated places in the county follow: Bailey, 513; Battleboro, 309; Castalia, 213; Middlesex, 697; Nashville, 939; Rocky Mount, 12,742; Rocky Mount Mills, 833; Sharnsburg, 334; Spring Hope, 1,221; Westray, 48; Whitakers, 723.

Bank and Savings Deposits.

Deposits in North Carolina banks increased more than \$35,000,000 in the last fiscal year, being now considerably in excess of \$209,000,000. The growth of savings deposits in the same period was more than \$21,000,000, and there are today between 14,000 and 18,000 more individual savings accounts in the banks of the Old North State than ever before. These figures are from a report just filed by the War Loan Organization of the Fifth Federal Reserve District from information furnished by the banks, by the state bank examiner and by the controller of the currency in Washington.

Total savings in North Carolina banks are put at \$73,000,000 in round numbers, having increased in the fiscal year, ending June 30, 1920, from \$52,000,000. There are listed in the banks of this state more than 238,000 separate savings accounts. At the beginning of the fiscal year the number was 224,000 for the 44 financial institutions in this state which reported to the War Loan Organization.

If this federal reserve district (comprising Maryland, the District of Columbia, the two Virginia and the two Carolinas) there are 2,224 banks and trust companies.

Movies in the Country.

Among the several agencies engaged in welfare work in North Carolina at the present time, the Bureau of Community Service, with something like twenty county directors, is doing much to instruct and entertain the people of the rural sections of the state, with its programs of moving pictures.

The Bureau of Community Service was the outcome of an act of the General Assembly of 1917 which Governor Bickett was largely responsible for, entitled "An act to improve the social and educational conditions of rural communities through a series of entertainments varying in number and cost consisting of moving pictures selected for their entertaining and educational value."

The film programs shown in the counties consist of six reels.

Rhodes Scholarships Awarded.

The examining board for the Rhodes scholarship in North Carolina in session here awarded the 1920 scholarship to C. C. Spruill, Jr., of Raleigh, and the 1921 scholarship of W. B. Bolch of Winston-Salem.

Paper and Board Factory.

Knoxville, (Special.)—A book paper plant and container board factory will