

IN EXCELLENT HEALTH PRESIDENT WILSON IS FRENCH CAPITAL AGAIN

His Ship Arrived at Brest Last Night and Party at Once Proceeded on Their Way To Scene of The Peace Conference

WORKED EFFECTIVELY ON HIS PLANS DURING TRIP

Until Last Day or Two He Obeded Instructions of His Physician and Took Needed Rest and Is Now in Fine Fettle To Take Up His Task Again; Action of Peace Council Yesterday Decided That Dirigibles Can Be Used No More in War; Commission On Greek Affairs, Representatives of Conflict, etc.

(By the Associated Press.)
Brest, March 13.—President Wilson and the party which came with him from the United States left Brest for Paris at 11 o'clock today. The President and Mrs. Wilson disembarked from the George Washington at 9:45 o'clock. It was a moonlight night.

Though numerous decorations had been hung out to welcome the return of the President his reception was entirely without ceremony. Those who went aboard the George Washington to extend their greetings were the French ambassador to the United States and Madame Jusserand, M. Leygues, Minister of Marine and several other representatives of the French government, Major General Eli A. Helmick and Brig. Gen. William W. Haris, Col. House met the President at the dock.

President Wilson was in excellent health, apparently having benefited by period of rest since he left here on Feb. 15.

The Presidential party came ashore on an American tug and while on board Mrs. Wilson was presented with a bouquet by M. Leygues. There were a number of surprises during the trip from the steamer, but this lasted only a short time.

HAS MAPPED OUT MUCH OF HIS WORK DURING TRIP

On Board U. S. S. George Washington, March 13.—(By Wireless to the Associated Press.)—Today, the last of his voyage from the United States to Brest, President Wilson put in several hours mapping out his plans for his peace conference work. During the day the President received a wireless dispatch outlining the situation with regard to the phases of the negotiations which are to come up soon after his arrival in Paris.

The voyage has been of great benefit to President Wilson who throughout has obeyed the injunctions of Rear Admiral Grayson, his personal physician, to rest. The President has entirely recovered from the cold from which he had been suffering and also the fatigue consequent on his hurried trip to Washington, and is in vigorous condition and ready to take up the tasks awaiting him. These tasks will begin when he boards the train at Brest for the last stage of the journey to Paris.

No More Army Dirigibles.
Paris, Wednesday, March 12.—The aerial terms of the German disarmament as adopted today by the supreme war council provide that airplanes and dirigibles shall no longer be used for military purposes. The council concluded it was not feasible to prohibit airplanes for commercial uses.

The drafting committee was directed to make clear the distinction between commercial airplanes in the terms incorporated in the peace terms.

All forms of military airplanes are barred to Germany, the only exception being the temporary use until October 1 of 100 hydro airplanes and 1,000 men in gathering mines in the north sea.

Aerial Terms.

Paris, Wednesday, March 12.—Germany must deliver all airplanes to the allies and must prohibit the construction of other airplanes until the conclusion of peace, the supreme war council decided today in adopting the aerial terms to be imposed on Germany in the preliminary peace. The terms do not decide the future fate of the airplanes, which may either be destroyed or divided among the allies. The British and American delegates brought up the question of a distinction between commercial aerial navigation, which will be authorized for Germany after conclusion of peace under certain guarantees, and military aerial navigation, which will be prohibited. The council decided to send an aeronautics committee to Germany to investigate the question of commercial aerial navigation. Deputy Aubigny of France's chamber, will be chairman.

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COMMERCIAL WITH SOUTH AMERICA

Shipping Board Plans For Regular Freight and Passenger Ships

Washington, March 13.—Plans of the Shipping Board for the establishment in the near future of regular passenger and freight steamship service between the United States and South and Central American countries through the use of twenty-two 12,000 ton vessels now under construction were disclosed by Chairman Hurley today in an address at a meeting at the Pan-American Union of government officials interested in Latin-American trade.

"These ships," said Mr. Hurley, "will make weekly trips to the ports of Central and South America. Accommodations on these ships will be as fine as any trans-Atlantic liner. They must be made so because of the increasing trade between North and South America."

Chairman Hurley referring to the necessity of inaugurating the steamship service at the earliest possible moment said the ports of Buenaventura, Guayaquil, Callao, Iquique, Valparaiso, Buenos Aires, Montevideo, Rio and Languaira must be included in the service. Many of these ports, he said, had port facilities far superior to those in the United States. New plans for cable and radio service with Latin-America were referred to by Mr. Hurley, who said he would "not be surprised if within a few years American concerns would be able to place orders in South America by wireless telephone.

William P. G. Harding, Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, another speaker, said the board was doing all in its power to foster relations between the two continents and had authorized a number of banks to establish branches in Central and South America.

Under the provisions of the Victory Loan bill authorizing a billion-dollar extension of credit for the purpose of promoting foreign trade, Governor Harding said it was the duty of the United States to aid the industries of Latin-America as well as those of Europe.

WAGE INCREASE FOR THE POLICE FORCE

Some 7,000 Patrolmen and 1,000 Lieutenants On E. R. Force Beneficiaries

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, March 13.—Wage increases for approximately 7,000 patrolmen and 1,000 lieutenants and sergeants comprising the railroad police force were announced tonight by Director General Hires. The increases are retroactive to last January 1, and were said to be in keeping with advances given other railroad employees.

The Director General's order provides a minimum hourly rate of 45 cents an hour and a minimum of 55 cents an hour for patrolmen who are assigned to a restricted territory with a minimum of eight hours per day and over time at the pro rata for the ninth and tenth hours and time and one-half thereafter. These men formerly received monthly wages ranging from \$60.00 to \$110.00. Under the new rate they receive from \$85.00 to \$112.00 a month on an eight-hour day basis.

Proportionate increases, but on a monthly basis, are provided for lieutenants and for sergeants whose duties require traveling and whose hours cannot be regulated. The regional director will have authority to apply the monthly wages according to the responsibility of the individual positions.

SOVIETS EXECUTE NUMBER OF RUSSIAN OFFICERS.

Stockholm, March 13.—All the relatives of officers of the 86th Russian regiment which went over to the White Guards against the Soviet government have been executed, according to a dispatch from Petrograd, the executions were ordered by the military revolutionary committee of Petrograd.

A number of well-known Russian officers, it is added, also have been executed after being convicted on charges of having spread false rumors regarding the Soviet government.

THE OPPONENTS AN PROPAGANDA

Need, Borah and Others Form Non-Partisan National Organization

HENRY WATTERSON TO BE PRESIDENT OF COMPANY

Statement Outlining Purposes of Organization To Be Issued Soon

Washington, March 13.—Preliminary plans for the formation of a national non-partisan organization designed to keep the American people better informed as to events at the peace conference and to oppose acceptance of the constitution of the league of nations as now drawn were made at a conference today between Senators Reed of Missouri, Democrat, and Borah of Idaho and Peindexter of Washington, Republican, and George Wharton Pepper, a lawyer, of Philadelphia.

After the conference it was announced Henry Watterston, former publisher of the Louisville Courier-Journal, would be president of the organization with Mr. Pepper as directing supervisor. Both have been active in opposition to support the organization.

Senator Reed announced a statement outlining the purposes of the organization would be issued within a few days. One purpose it was explained would be issued within a few days. One purpose was explained, would be the coordination of various local bodies that have been formed over the country in opposition to the league. President plans call for establishment of a speakers' bureau and the conducting of an intensive campaign of publicity throughout the country. Senators said the organization would be supported by voluntary contributions and headquarters would probably be established at New York.

Suggestions were made at the conference today that representatives sent to Paris while the peace negotiations are in progress, but no agreement as reached.

CAROLINA PLAYMAKERS TO STAGE PRODUCTION FRIDAY

Chapel Hill, March 13.—The first production of "The Carolina Playmakers," an organization under the direction of Professor Frederick H. Koch, the prime purpose of which will be the production of original plays dealing with North Carolina life and people and the promotion of such playmaking in North Carolina, will be staged here Friday night repeated again Saturday night.

The performances are being anticipated with the keenest interest, since they introduce a novel experiment in playmaking not only in Chapel Hill but in North Carolina and the South. Practically every seat in the spacious graded school auditorium has been reserved for the first performance.

The performance will be given in the form of three short plays by members of Professor Koch's dramatic composition classes.

DEPUTY EXPLAINS FRENCH FINANCES

Statement That Country Had Become Richer Since The War Absurd

MINISTER OF FINANCE ANNOUNCES THE BUDGET

Deficit Will Be Over Twenty-One Billion Francs, Luois Klotz States

(By the Associated Press.)
Paris, March 13.—Louis Klotz, the Minister of Finance, began his eagerly awaited speech in the Chamber of Deputies today on the financial situation by saying he had made the statement France had become richer since the war. From the fiscal point of view there had been more resources created the Minister conceded, but it would be absurd to say any country with departments in such a condition as the invaded departments of France had become richer.

The yearly budget, M. Klotz announced, would be three or four times greater than before the war, the deficit to meet being 21,500,000,000 francs.

M. Klotz gave some striking figures of war expenditures. He said more than thirty-nine billion francs was spent for artillery and eleven billion francs for the pay of troops. The total expenditures of the ministry of war were one hundred and nineteen billion francs, while the army department spent only six billion francs.

According to M. Klotz it would be relatively easy to meet the 10,000,000 franc deficit of 1919 by an increase in direct taxes, an income tax, receipts from the liquidation of war stocks and a revision of the law governing the transportation of troops over French railroads by charging the allies for transportation as the French are charged. The railroad deficit, the minister said, would be 4,000,000,000 francs.

Tax on Capital Proposition.

Concerning the tax on capital proposition M. Klotz said the French capitalist tax payer would not be called on to pay one cent of additional taxes until Germany's indemnity figures to France were settled upon and guaranteed. But even so Germany pay completely for damages and the restoration of the devastated provinces, M. Klotz said this would not balance future budgets after 1919. The tax on capital, the minister asserted, was destined to reach war profits.

Amount Demanded From Germany.

M. Klotz did not heed numerous interpellations from all sides of the chamber asking him to name the amount which would be demanded from Germany. Victor Dalbize, Radical Socialist, created some excitement by shouting "Long Live Callaux," referring to former Premier Joseph Callaux, who is under arrest charged with having had dealings with the enemy. The chamber was filled with officers and soldiers, who loudly hissed Dalbize. One officer shook his fist at the deputy and shouted a challenge to a duel.

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GEN. LIMAN VON SANDERS

Sanders is first of the German commanders to be seized for trial for violation of the rules of warfare. And he's going to be tried in Constantinople, too. Sanders was in command of the Turkish forces which were operating under direction of Berlin. He is known to have sanctioned Turkish atrocities, such as the massacre of Armenians.

WOMEN WANT TO STICK TO JOBS

Arguments Made in Appeal From Decision of War Labor Board

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NEW G. O. P. PILOT IN CONGRESS

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Vessel Bringing Overseas Tar Heels and Others Will Land at Newport News

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CHEER UP, LADIES MANN IS ON JOB

Washington, March 13.—Efforts to add four members to the Republican Steering Committee of the next House, which in directing the general course of legislation in the next Congress is regarded by leaders as influencing the party platform of 1920, were defeated today at the final meeting of the committee on committees which framed the House organization. The proposal was voted down, 155 to 26, but it was said an attempt might be made to reject the committee's action at the party conference which will be held just before Congress reconvenes.

After the action of the committee, Representatives Longworth of Ohio, and Johnson of South Dakota, issued protests, the Ohio member charging the net result of all the work of the committee was "the most complete sort of a triumph for reactionism." And the South Dakota representative declaring the failure to increase the membership of the steering committee was "a serious mistake." Both intimated they would carry the fight to the party conference.

Discussion in Council.

The motion to increase the membership of the steering committee was presented by Representative Johnson. He nominated as additional members Representatives Anderson, of Minnesota; Nolan, California; Slomp, Virginia, and Reavis, Nebraska, and said such action "would secure representation of the progressive sentiment of the West," and also give labor a voice on the committee. His motion was opposed by Representative Moore, of Pennsylvania; Mann, Illinois, and Mondell, Wyoming, who said that the committee on committees was limited to the selection of five men and the West had been given fair representation throughout the House organization.

Mann Will Be on Woman Job.

At today's meeting final approval was given the assignment of members to the standing House committees. Mr. Mann was selected as chairman of the Committee on Woman Suffrage. The Illinois Representative announced later he would introduce the Susan B. Anthony constitutional amendment in the next House, "on the first day it meets," and would urge its speedy adoption. Republican membership of the Suffrage committee, as selected today, showed a majority in favor of the amendment.

The Republican membership of the merchant marine committee which will have charge of the legislation dealing with the policy of operating the American fleet also was selected today.

Representative Johnson, in his statement said he believed the committee had been fair in its selection of men for the standing house committee. He however, attacked its action in refusing to increase the steering committee. The liberal sentiment of the country, he added should control the steering committee because it "is the legislative committee of the House" and "on the legislative record we win or lose in 1920."

Longworth's Green Eyes.

Representative Longworth, in his statement, said the result of the committee's work "was to make James H. Mann the dominating figure of the next House."

"If it had been deliberately planned to restore the conditions existing in the House ten years ago, as a result of which the Republican majority became a minority," declared his statement, "the plan could not have been more successfully consummated."

RAILWAY REVENUES CONTINUE TO DROP

Summary Shows Operating Revenues Declined 10.5 Per Cent From December

Washington, March 13.—Although operating expenses of the principal railroads of the country showed a decrease in January, gross and net operating revenues continued to decline, the net revenue, after deduction of taxes, falling about \$54,000,000 short of the government's monthly rental obligation of approximately \$75,000,000.

A summary of revenues and expenses for 181 roads with annual revenue in excess of \$1,000,000, made public today by the Interstate Commerce Commission, showed gross operating revenues in January declined more than \$43,000,000, or about 10.5 per cent, from the December figure of \$440,100,165. Net operating revenue fell off \$8,744,882, or 5.1 per cent, from the December total of \$145,065,003, while operating expenses were \$60,465,815, a decrease of \$34,568,747.

Deduction of taxes and uncollectible revenues from net operating revenues for January leaves an actual operating income of \$20,936,000, a decrease of \$10,000,000 from December.

The Railroad Administration explained tonight the standard government return to the railroads applicable to last January was \$55,331,031. Consequently the net loss for the month would be about \$36,500,000, the net income being \$18,730,702. This net income was an increase of \$22,880,819 over January, 1918, when the road faced a net deficit of \$4,097,117.

Compared with the same month the year before gross operating revenues for January increased \$111,457,000 or about 33 per cent, net operating revenues \$22,481,970 or 160 per cent and operating expenses \$88,944,000 or 32 per cent.

GERMAN SUSPECTS ARE INTERNED

New York, March 13.—Seven Germans regarded as dangerous propagandists left here today in custody of Federal officers for Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., where they will be interned. Among them was Baron Paul Von Zlatinzki, a New York broker and son of a German general who was arrested yesterday after being under suspicion for a year. It was reported he had made attempts to smuggle munitions into Mexico.

SUGGEST SOLDIERS IN PLACE STRIKERS

Efforts Making at Atlanta To Replace Terminal Station and Other Employes

Atlanta, Ga., March 13.—Efforts were being made here tonight to replace 125 employes at the terminal station, the Union depot and up-town consolidated ticket offices who joined the walk-out of the clerks of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis Railway. J. A. Baldwin, superintendent of the Atlanta division of the Western Atlantic, the leased road through which the N. C. and St. Louis enters Atlanta, said conferences were being held to determine upon the advisability of using soldiers from camp Gordon to replace men who went out today.

The walk-out of ticket men, gatemen, train callers, baggage men and others at the two depots here three passenger traffic into confusion. The situation was relieved somewhat by railroad officials who took over the various duties. E. L. Winchell, regional director, announced the walkout today resulted from the railroad administration refusing demands of the clerks that on tickets be sold, baggage checked or even station gates opened for N. C. and St. L. trains.

Mr. Winchell stated the railroad administration would "take the steps necessary to resume operation" and to "replace the ticket clerks at the consolidated United States railroad ticket offices who have advised us of their intention to retire from service."

The freight line up the N. C. and St. L. remained virtually complete here today and all indications were there had been no let up throughout the system of teh road, while 1,200 clerks walked out yesterday demanding removal of A. O. Ottarson, Federal auditor.

Final judgment in the cases of the other six aliens was withheld pending action on the admission of certain evidence. It was announced that some of the six might be released.

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