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Members of Commons See Premier After Labor Leader Talks for Miners

OWNERS ASK LABOR LEADERS TO CONFER

Workers Will Unite To Fight What Think Is Conspiracy To Force Down Wages

(By The Associated Press) London, April 14.—The deputation of members of the house of commons left the premier's residence at 12:50 o'clock this morning. They declined to talk, but many of them are reported to have displayed "an obvious air of relief."

Strong Efforts Made. London, April 14.—Determined efforts are being made to reopen the negotiations between the miners and mine owners for a settlement of the coal strike. A deputation from the house of commons visited Premier Lloyd George about midnight, after Frank Hodges, secretary of the miners' union, had addressed members of the house and explained the miners' point of view. The mine owners also decided to invite the miners' leaders to continue the discussion.

Even Williams, president of the mining association, announced at a meeting of the mine owners to extend another invitation to the representatives of the miners to deliberate both nationally and in the various districts with the object of ascertaining the reasons why they improve the lot of the lower paid miners. The owners then again visited Downing street in response to a summons from the prime minister. Mr. Hodges, secretary of the miners' union, in his speech to a meeting of the members of parliament said among other things: "We are hopeful that the wage problem will be settled satisfactorily and as permanently as possible. Mr. Hodges had a friendly reception, according to the press association. The large committee room of the house was filled with unionists, cottonists and laborites. The conservative member, John A. R. Marriot, presided. Mr. Hodges exhaustively reviewed the situation and on some points gained the sympathy of his audience.

Regarding his offer, the press association says that it is not without promise of a peaceful agreement, and will be conveyed to the premier by Mr. Marriot. The whole labor movement is aligning itself solidly with the miners against the government. The workers seem to believe that the strike has struck for final struggle against what they rightly or wrongly suspect to be an organized plan on the part of the employers to force down wages.

SELL HIGHWAY BONDS.

(By The Associated Press) Spartanburg, S. C., April 14.—Spartanburg county sold an issue of 5 per cent highway bonds here today, amounting to \$455,000 to the Security Trust Company, of this city, on a 6 per cent basis. The issue is of serial bonds maturing in one to 20 years. Bids submitted early in the day by A. M. Law and Company, of Chicago, were rejected.

U.S. Winning Way in Foreign Negotiations

France Yields in Yap Contentions and Signs Point to Similar Action on Part of Japan, England and Other Countries; Hughes Uses Rare Tact; Well Satisfied With Progress in Dealing With the Other Powers; Note From France Is the First Triumph.

(By DAVID LAWRENCE) Special Correspondent Winston-Salem Journal. Copyright, 1921. Washington, April 14.—The United States is slowly winning its way in negotiations with foreign governments. France has acceded to the American viewpoint on the status of the island of Yap and there are indications that Japan and Great Britain and the other allies will fall in line and agree to dispose of the controversy by internationalizing the island. The significance of what is happening, however, does not lie merely in the Yap question itself. Something broader is involved. It is the expressed willingness of France to be the chief negotiator for the American in shaping a new foreign policy. Great Britain has on more than one occasion since the war manifested a desire to work hand in hand with America on matters of world politics and the Harding message to congress is known to have provoked informal approval among the diplomats generally. Secretary Hughes is handling the delicate negotiations with splendid tact and perseverance. Although he is not being quoted in the newspapers every day and is careful about the comments that are authorized for publication he is giving his suggestions and a rare example of frankness in dealing with the press. Mr. Hughes prefaces his remarks usually with the injunction that he is not to be quoted but he discusses questions with amazing freedom and with a clarity that leaves no room for misunderstanding. Just the other day somebody asked him to comment on a note that had been received by the United States government. The communication itself was obviously agreeable to our government but Mr.

TAYLOR REPIES TO DANIELS' SLAP

Defends Duke in Power Hearing Argument

SHARP COUNSEL TILTS

Charlotte Advocate Says Observer Editor Yields Himself Too Much to Grudges

(By JULE B. WARREN) The Winston-Salem Journal. Copyright, 1921. Raleigh, April 14.—Zeb Taylor's reply to attacks made by Joseph Daniels' paper on James B. Duke brought the four-day argument of the case of the petition of the Southern Power company before the corporation commission to a dramatic end today. The whole hearing has been punctuated by sharp clashes of council. The most threatening of these occurred today when W. S. Lee, associate attorney for the company, ridiculed the arguments of his opponents, answering interjected questions and taking care of himself and his cause in such a manner that it brought smiles to the countenances of the associates. James B. Duke himself was moved from his usual solemnity by some of the things made by Taylor. He chuckled at his negro stories and delighted in the rapid lathes at the opposition. In concluding his speech, Mr. Taylor declared that he had not intended saying anything about the founder of the Southern Power company, but references had been made to him and he felt that he should conclude until he had said something in reply. He briefly sketched the life of the man from the time he peddled tobacco in Durham county until the time when as manager of the water power development in North Carolina. "Some of the things said about him, some of the attacks made against him in the press are unfair because he cannot reply to them. Even this morning there were veiled threats

REPUBLICAN SENATORS DISAGREE SHARPLY ON QUESTION OF PAYING COLOMBIA SUM NAMED IN TREATY

(By The Associated Press) Washington, April 14.—Payment to Colombia of \$25,000,000 as provided in the Colombian treaty was advocated in the senate today as a measure of justice and a moral obligation, and attacked as without justification. Senator Pomeroy, of Ohio, opening the fight for ratification from the Democratic side, declared justice demanded that Colombia be compensated for the loss of Panama through a course of events in which the participation by the United States, he asserted, could not be defended "either in the sight of God or of man." Ratification of the pact was urged by Senator Knox, Republican, of Pennsylvania, on the other hand, because the United States was "morally bound to compensate Colombia, not what she lost but for what we gained."

NATIONAL GUARD SUMMER CAMP AT MOREHEAD CITY

Twenty-One Units of Organization Will Train for Fifteen Days in Coast Town

POWER COMPANY HEARING FINISHED

No Word from Governor Who Has Gone To New York on Bond Selling Mission

(By JULE B. WARREN) The Winston-Salem Journal. Copyright, 1921. Raleigh, April 14.—Major Gordon Smith, assistant adjutant general, will go to Morehead City on Friday, where he will make an inspection of improvements under way at Camp Glenn in preparation for the annual encampment of the national guard in July. A great many changes and improvements have been found necessary on account of the larger number of guardsmen who will go to the summer training camp this summer. Major Smith and General Metts are expecting to take 21 units of the guard into the summer instruction camp for 15 days. In addition to these two officers and eight enlisted men from each company assigned to Camp Glenn will go there four days ahead of the rest of the units. The purpose of instruction, which will prepare them to assist in the work of instruction during the 15 days the whole organization is here.

SCORE OF BLACKS POSSIBLY KILLED

Number of Deaths on Williams Farm Grows

WILL PROBE PEONAGE

Negroes Talk More Since Indictments of Sons of Convicted Man and Manning

(By The Associated Press) Atlanta, Ga., April 14.—Announcement that indications pointed to 18 or 20 negroes in all having been killed on the John S. Williams farm in Jasper county through a period extending as far back as 1910, and of their intention to widen the scope of their investigations into alleged peonage in Jasper and other Georgia counties was made here today by agents of the department of justice. Names of three negroes alleged to have been killed were made public.

BIG PROFITS FOR SHOE COMPANY

Twenty-Five Per Cent Common Stock Dividend; Will Double Capital

(By The Associated Press) Lynchburg, Va., April 14.—Directors of the Craddock-Terry Company, operating four shoe factories in Lynchburg and two in St. Louis, Mo., declared a 25 per cent common stock dividend, paying from the present surplus to stockholders of record as of April 15. The company stock is valued at \$1,000,000 to \$1,000,000 to expand present facilities.

CAN'T FIND EVIDENCE

(By The Associated Press) Moultrie, Ga., April 14.—The Colquitt county grand jury called here this week in special session to investigate what Judge W. E. Thomas said were "rumors to the effect that Johnny B. Bailey, negro, was put to death by a party of men last fall," recessed late today after being unable to find "sufficient evidence" that Bailey is dead.

HARVEY, HERRICK ARE NOMINATED

Harding Sends Formal Appointments As Ambassadors For Senatorial Approval

(By The Associated Press) Washington, April 14.—Nominations of George Harvey to be ambassador to Great Britain and Myron T. Herrick to be ambassador to France, sent to the senate today by President Harding, will be taken up tomorrow by the foreign relations committee with prompt favorable action predicted but some intimations of Democratic opposition in the senate.

NATIONAL RULES FOR RAIL MEN ABOLISHED

FRENCH REPLY TO NOTE FROM HUGHES FAVORS HIS STAND

Full Response After Consideration of Mandates by Premiers of Powers Addressed

WILL EXAMINE WITH CARE THE YAP CASE

Document Confirms U. S. Contentions That Wilson Filed Reservation As To Islands

(By The Associated Press) Washington, April 14.—The French reply to Secretary Hughes' note regarding mandates, the only one thus far received from any of the four great powers addressed, was made public simultaneously today in Washington and Paris. It is in the form of a letter from Premier Briand to Ambassador Wallace and is a preliminary nature. M. Briand stating that a "full response could not be made until after an understanding has been reached between the governments of the four great powers at the next meeting of the supreme council of the allies."

The reply was issued by the state department without comment, but administration officials approached the examination thereof with the greatest desire to find a solution which will give every satisfaction to the United States.

M. Briand reminds Ambassador Wallace that the French republic "has already done all in its power to lend its aid to the American government in this matter," and refers to a previous expression by the French government of the hope that the American and Japanese governments.

Reference is also made to an unpublished French note to the United States regarding Yap in which France

MOVE TO PROBE CATTS' CONDUCT

Senate Would Investigate Charges Made Against Ex-State Executive of Florida

(By The Associated Press) Tallahassee, April 14.—A concurrent resolution ordering a legislative investigation of the conduct of Sidney J. Catts, while governor, had accepted today by the senate. The resolution, which was introduced by Governor Catts' former secretary, would be to ascertain whether the rumors were true or false and "if such rumors proved to be without foundation in fact, that the said ex-governor Sidney J. Catts be exonerated by the legislature."

URGENT VIRGINIA MAN FOR PRITCHARD'S PLACE

(By The Associated Press) Lynchburg, Va., April 14.—Friends of Federal Judge Henry C. McDowell of Lynchburg will ask President Harding to appoint him to the court of appeals of the fourth circuit to succeed the late Judge John C. Pritchard of Asheville, N. C. A meeting of the Lynchburg Bar Association has been called for five o'clock tomorrow afternoon to endorse Judge McDowell. Similar action will be taken by members of other cities of the district, his friends declare.

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PRESIDENT PINS MEDAL ON DISTINGUISHED HERO

(By The Associated Press) Washington, April 14.—Robert Edward Cox of Belmont, Pennsylvania, a chief gunner in the navy, enjoyed the distinction of having the president of the United States personally pin on his breast the highest award for valor—the Congressional Medal of Honor. The ceremony took place in the east room of the White House on the seventeenth anniversary of the day on which Gunner Cox saved the battleship Missouri from destruction by flooding her magazines after an explosion in the turret had set the ship on fire.

VIRGINIA TRACK VICTOR

(By The Associated Press) Charlottesville, Va., April 14.—In a dual track meeting here today the University of Virginia defeated Delaware College eighty-four to forty-two points. One Virginia record was broken when Glenn J. Hines threw the javelin 155 feet and three inches. Pittman of Delaware, won the century dash in 12 1/2 seconds.

SOUTHSIDE VOTERS FAVOR T. E. JOHNSON

A unanimous decision to support T. E. Johnson of Southside for alderman on the election ward was reached at a largely attended meeting of voters in the Southside section of the city held at the Central Terrace school building last night. The decision was reached provided Mr. Johnson will agree to let his name be used. A number of other interesting matters were considered at the meeting.

OTHER MEN SEEK JOB BLAIR WANTS

Candidates from Three Other States Enter

SOUTHERNERS ARE ACTIVE

Sam L. Rogers Resigns as Director of Census; Announces No Plans for Future

(By FRANK W. LEWIS) The Winston-Salem Journal. Copyright, 1921. Washington, April 14.—David H. Blair is at grips with powerful adversaries from Illinois, West Virginia, Tennessee, seeking appointment as commissioner of internal revenue. A bitter fight is being waged between the friends of Edward Clifford, of Chicago, and those of Joseph McDermott, of West Virginia, and it was strongly urged today that neither should be appointed, but that a compromise man should be selected. The Hooper of Tennessee, seeing the opportunity, urged the applicants from North Carolina and Tennessee as a solution of the problem.

It is the expressed opinion here that if the Illinois and West Virginia candidates should be eliminated at one of several candidates may be selected. It may be Blair or it may be Hooper. Marion Butler said today that he had not been asked to endorse Blair for the position and that he was not interested in those things in which he was not concerned. He said he was taking no part in the contest, as he knew nothing about it.

Sam Rogers today resigned as director of the census. He said that for the present he would remain in Washington, where his children attend school and that he had no definite plans for the future to be announced at this time.

EMPLOYERS IN DRIVE TO BRING DOWN WAGES

(By The Associated Press) Washington, April 14.—The financial interests are getting rid of the older men and demanding the younger applicants "underbid the other fellow" and place themselves entirely in their hands, James J. Norman, president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, said today in an address before the People's Reconstruction League Conference. "The present drive on the part of the big employers to lower wages," he said, "is worthy of the deepest thought and the most serious consideration of all who have the welfare of the country at heart."

EX-SOLDIER ON TRIAL

(By The Associated Press) Fayetteville, April 14.—When Thomas R. Clayton, former soldier at Camp Bragg, went on trial today for the killing of Deputy Sheriff M. E. Blue, last January, Miss Lena Lindsay, friend of the prisoner, took her place beside him in the court room. Mrs. Lindsay's father swore out the warrant for Clayton's arrest and it was when the deputy was sent to Blue's place beside him that Blue was killed.

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INDIVIDUAL ROADS TO FIX CONDITIONS WITH EMPLOYEES

U. S. Labor Board Sets Aside Agreements Made on Basis of All the Lines

SIXTEEN PRINCIPLES TO GUIDE SETTLEMENTS

Effect of Decision Is Place Determination of Disputes in Joint Conferences

(By The Associated Press) Chicago, Ill., April 14.—National agreements defining working conditions for employees on all American railroads formerly under the railroad administration were today ordered abrogated, effective July 1, 1921, by the United States Railroad Labor board.

The board called upon the officers and system organization of employees of each railroad to select representatives "to confer and to decide" as much of the rules controversy as possible. "Such conferences shall begin at the earliest possible date," the decision said.

While the decision did not specifically say so, members of the board said that all disputes as to rules and working conditions negotiatively were referred back to individual conferences between each individual and its employees. This method of procedure had been sought by the railroads, whereas the labor side had favored a national conference between representatives of all roads and all unions.

The decision affected all railroad employees except those in train service who are under separate agreements between the individual railroads and four big brotherhoods.

In connection with the conference negotiations the board laid down a set of sixteen principles to serve as a foundation for the individual conferences which may be agreed to in the conference. The present general rules hearing before the labor board, which has been in progress since January 10, will continue until both sides have completed their testimony, following which the board "will promulgate such rules as it determines just and reasonable as soon after July 1, 1921, as is reasonably possible and will make them effective as of January 1, 1921."

The sixteen principles outlined by the board were drawn up by Henry T. Hunt of the public group and upheld the right of the employees to organize for lawful purposes, the right to negotiate through representatives of their choosing, the right of seniority and the principle of the eight hour day. It was specified that no railroad work must be given for eight hours pay. Espionage should not be practiced by either side, the decision said, and employees' representatives should have the right to make an agreement applying to all employees in the craft or class of the representatives.

The sixteen principles outlined were as follows: 1. An obligation rests upon management and upon organization of employees and upon each employee to render honest, efficient and economical service.

2. The spirit of co-operation between management and employing both essential to efficient operation, both parties will so conduct themselves as to promote this spirit.

3. Management having the responsibility for safe, efficient and economical operation, the rules will not be subversive of necessary discipline.

4. The right of railway employees to organize for lawful objects not be denied, interfered with or obstructed.

5. The right of such lawful organization to act toward lawful objects through representatives of its own choice, whether employees of a particular carrier or otherwise, shall be agreed to by management.

6. No discrimination shall be practiced by management as between members and non-members of organizations as between members of different organizations, nor shall members of organizations discriminate against non-members or use other methods than lawful persuasion to secure their membership.

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"I apprehend," Mr. Cockran said, "that when those lines do form, as they surely will, they will not stand in silent submission as they have done before. I apprehend something more menacing, more dangerous to civilization, to our government and to us."

Mr. Fordney, the chairman of the ways and means, complains that too much is coming in from the products of other lands. "I'd praise God if there were more."