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ITALY HAS CALLED
UPON ALLIES TO
CLEAR OUT FIUME

Insurgent Forces Under
D'Annunzio Must be Driven
From the Adriatic City of
Fiume.

ITALIAN UNITS NOT
TO PARTICIPATE

American Troops May Take
Part in the Affair if the
Italian Request is Grant-

(By Associated Press)
Rome, Sept. 23.—Tomasso Pittono,

Italian foreign minister, has resigned
because of the Fiume incident, ac-

ording to announcement by a Rome
newspaper.

Italy Calls on Allies.

London, Sept. 23.—Italy, which was
given a free hand to handle problems
arising out of the seizure of Fiume
by Captain Gabriel D'Annunzio as a
domestic affair, is said in reports
current here to have made an appeal
to the allied powers to take the matter
off her hands and send a force to
Fiume to expell the insurgent troops
from the city. It is claimed that Italy
stipulates that if a force is sent to
the Adriatic city it must not include
Italian units. It is probable, according
to reports, that American troops will
participate.

American Authorities Decline Assis-

tance.
London, Sept. 22.—The Italian govern-

ment has appealed to the allied
powers to send an allied force, exclu-

sive of Italians, to drive D'Annunzio
out of Fiume, according to a report
here tonight, which is considered re-

liable.
It is understood the American naval
authorities here, who control the op-

eration in the Adriatic have declined
any assistance whatsoever, pending
the final decision from Washington or
the peace conference in Paris.

The Italian government, it is re-
ported, has pointed out in its appeal
it would be difficult for Italy to han-

dle the situation in view of D'Annun-
zio's popularity with the Italian peo-

ple, and also because of the fact that
the Fiume decision has been a thorn
in the side of the Italians.
It is understood the Italian govern-

ment declared it deplored the situa-

tion and did not wish to make the
slightest move against the decision of
the peace conference, but pointedly
inferred if D'Annunzio's hold on
Fiume was to be weakened it must be
done by other than Italian troops.

The Associated Press learns even-
should the appeal be favorably re-

ceived no United States troops are
available and, pending instructions
from high authority, the United
States naval vessels would stay out-

side the three-mile limit.

FEW DISABLED MEN REMAIN

Soldiers Formerly Seen in Berlin
Streets Now Have Jobs.

Berlin, Sept. 22.—One of the most
interesting contrasts between the
present and six months ago is the
disappearance from the streets of
wounded and broken men. Last win-

ter the streets were thickly dotted
with the victims of the war. Today
you see practically none.

A special effort was made on their
behalf by the employers throughout
the country with the result that the
great bulk of them has been absor-

bed in the returning industry. It was
not done through bureau or any-

thing of that sort, but by the mutual
understanding among employers that
wherever crippled men could possibly
be used they were to be given the first
chance.

OPPOSE PROHIBITION
CAMPAIGN IN EUROPE

American State Department Said to
Be Inclined to Check Activities of
Anti-Saloon League Abroad.

(By Associated Press)
London, Sept. 23.—The American
state department is taking measures
to check the extension of the anti-

saloon league prohibition campaign in
Europe according to the Daily Mail
which says two agents of the league
who recently sought passport facilities
in Paris for the purpose of visiting
England were unable to obtain them.

"The American state department,"
the newspaper continues, "is fully
alive to the detrimental effects the
extension of the anti-saloon league
activities to Europe might have on
international relations, especially at
the present time and it is said to be
resolved to avoid possible misunder-

standing.
There are practically 100,000 mem-

bers of the various Christian church-
es in Japan and many of these mem-
bers occupy positions of great in-

fluence in educational, business and

CHICAGO P. O.
CLERK HELD
FOR LARCENY

Believed to Have Been Implicated in
the Stealing of \$240,000—Money
May Be Buried on Farm.

Chicago, Sept. 23.—Three men, one
of them John Wejda, a clerk in the
Chicago postoffice, who is said to have
planned the robbery was arrested here
early today charged with stealing
\$240,000 of a shipment of \$415,000 last
Thursday from the Federal reserve
bank here to the Standard Oil Com-

pany of Indiana at Whiting, Ind. Of
the stolen funds \$96,620 were recov-

ered. The remainder, according to
an alleged confession of two men, was
abandoned on the outskirts of Chicago
when the automobile in which they
were returning from Whiting broke
down.
A fourth man said to be the owner
of a small farm near Chicago is being
sought. The police say they believe
most of the money is buried on his
property. He was said to have been
at Whiting with two of the alleged
robbers.

CARPENTERS GO ON
STRIKE AT CHARLOTTE

Charlotte, Sept. 22.—Carpenters
went on strike here today some 400
out of 500 in the city failing to re-
port for work. Recognition of the
union is the demand which caused the
strike. Contractors last week met the
demand for increased pay and shorter
hours. The local is affiliated with the
American Federation of Labor.

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UNUSUAL RIOT AT
DRUMRIGHT, OKLA.

Resignation of City Officials De-
manded and Telephone and Tele-
graph Wires Are Cut, Hindering
Communication.

(By The Associated Press)
Oklahoma City, Okla., Sept. 23.—

All efforts to reach Drumright, Okla.,
where a riot was reported last night
in a telephone message to this city,
failed early today for lack of tele-
phone and telegraph facilities.

The telephone and telegraph com-
panies assert that the fires were
either taken over or cut by a mob
which demanded the resignation of
the city officials, according to
last night's telephone reports.

A telephone message from Oilton
today stated that the chief of police
of Oilton had started for Drumright
with several deputies following a re-
port that the mob was shooting reck-

lessly in the streets.

EVERY PLANT IS WORKING
AS USUAL IN BIRMINGHAM

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 22.—The
end of the first day of the steel strike
in the Birmingham district found
every plant operating as usual, with
practically normal forces, it being es-

timated less than 500 men failed to
report this morning.
Labor leaders had little to say re-
garding the situation. While admit-

ting they were disappointed in the
small number of men responding to
the strike call, they claim more men
will quit their posts from day to day
as the strike progresses.

At a meeting of steel workers in
Ensley today, Local Secretary E. S.
Ingram stated that "this is only the
beginning but by the end of the week
every union man in the 24 allied
trades here will be out."

PRESIDENT RECEIVES NO
ADVISE ABOUT THE STRIKE
AND WILL NOT TAKE
ANY ACTION

On Board President Wilson's Special
Train, Sept. 22.—President Wil-
son was without official advices to-
day regarding the strike of steel
workers and it was indicated that for
the present he did not propose to
interfere directly.

He was represented as feeling he
had done everything possible to pre-
vent the strike, and that the best
that could be accomplished now was
to maintain order while the situation
worked itself out.

Much interest was expressed by
White House officials, however, in
the progress of events as reported in
the newspapers.

Fatal Railroad Wreck.

(By Associated Press)
McConnellsville, Pa., Sept. 23.—
The Pittsburgh-New York night ex-
press on the Baltimore & Ohio rail-
road leaving Pittsburgh at 12:20 this
morning was derailed near Tonfou-
ence, Pa., and the fireman of one of
the two locomotives hauling the train
was killed. No passengers were in-
jured railroad officials said. An en-
gineer was badly scalded.

Ship Still Unheard From.

New Orleans, Sept. 22.—The steam-
ship Preston, a Norwegian vessel op-
erated by the United Fruit company,
was still unheard from tonight at the
company offices here although the
ship is nine days overdue at Havana
and sailed during the tropical hurri-
cane. The J. W. Hammond company
here was notified late today that the
Munida and the Corsicana were prob-

ably lost in the storm. They sailed
from Mobile.

STATE RESTS ITS
CASE AGAINST RITCH
AT ALBEMARLE

The State Rested at This
Morning at 11:35 and Ad-
journd Court Till 2 This
Evening.

EGGS MOST VIOLENT
METHODS RITCH URGED

Defendants Motion for Non
Suit Was Dismissed by
Judge Ingram This Morn-

(Special to The Post)
Albemarle, Sept. 23.—The state

rested its case against Marvin Ritch
and J. H. Graham here this morning
at 11:35 and the defendants asked
for a non-suit which was denied. The
court then adjourned till 2 o'clock.

The state's first witness this morn-
ing testifying to the meeting on Fri-
day night before the trouble at the
mills, stated that Ritch advocated the
use of no violence, but the use of the
"right hand smackers" and stated
that there were rough necks in Char-

lotte who could be brought in need-
ed.
Evidence was to effect that the
plans agreed to were to put the women
first and let the men back them up.

C. E. Hendrix was put on the stand
to corroborate his son's evidence, and
the conflict in the evidence of the two
Hendrix led Attorney Maness to ask
the elder Hendrix's testimony be
thrown out. Judge Ingram in response
to this said that he would read the
testimony and decide.

Four or five witnesses for the state
said that eggs were the most violent
measures advocated by Ritch.
Miss Effie Turner, who works in
the office of the Wicassetts mills stated
that she heard Ritch urge the use of
rotten eggs. Miss Turner was nervous
and showed clearly that she was
prejudiced against the union.

R. W. Russell, city clerk, said that
Ritch advised against the use of the
"smoke stick," but said to keep the
men from going to work. Mr. Russell
was questioned about some sawed off
axe handles that disappeared from the
mayor's office about the time the first
effort was made to prevent an organi-

zation of a union at the home of Bar-
ber, the president of the union.

State Rests Its Case This Morning

(By The Associated Press)
Albemarle, Sept. 23.—The State
rested its case at 11:45 this morning
in the preliminary hearing of Marvin
L. Ritch and J. H. Graham, charged
with conspiracy in connection with
the rioting at the Wicassetts mills
here last week in which two men were
shot and seriously injured.

The defendant entered a motion for
non-suit but this was overruled by
Judge Ingram.

Scott Hendricks, son of an overseer
in the Wicassetts mills and a member
of the textile union, was the only wit-
ness introduced by the state who had
attended the meeting of the local union
at which plans are said to have been
made for picketing the mills. Hendricks
made a vote was taken at
this meeting to form a picket line
Monday, September 15th, and en-
deavor to persuade non-union men
from going to work. Ritch advised
at this meeting, according to Hen-

dricks, to put the women in front and
let the men back them up; to leave
their guns at home and try to prevent
trouble.

Hendricks told of relating this to
his father who does not belong to the
union and when the father was put on
the stand to corroborate him his testi-
mony conflicted to such an extent
that Judge Ingram ended the wrangle
by promising to scrutinize the record
with the object to determine whether
the evidence of the father be taken
from the record.

Court then adjourned until 2 p. m.

LITTLE EVIDENCE
THE FIRST DAY

(Special to The Post)
Albemarle, Sept. 22.—That Marvin
Ritch advocated the use of rotten eggs
against scabs and that picketers drag
them through the fence around the
mill was the strongest evidence the
state brought out here today in the
preliminary hearing against the labor
attorney in the charge of conspiracy
against him. And every state witness
who so testified, also testified that
Ritch warned them not to carry any
firearms while picketing or use any
methods of violence. No evidence was
brought out against Graham who is
arraigned with Ritch, except that he
advocated picketing.

The state witnesses included union,
non-union, deputies and disinterested
citizens. After Mr. Flowers for Ritch
had asked for a bill of particulars
Sheriff Blalock was put on the stand
or rather carried to the front of the
court and created quite a sensation.

The court house was crowded to its
capacity and the sheriff was contin-
ually driving back the crowd. All of
the twenty-seven men who are charg-

ed with Ritch of conspiracy and have
been indicted.

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THE GREAT STEEL
STRIKE GAINING
MOMENTUM DAILY

Union Leaders Report New
Recruits to Ranks and
Shut Down of Mills Sub-
stantiate This.

RIOTING OCCURS AT
SEVERAL PLACES

Greatest Walkout is in the
Pittsburgh District But
Number of Others are Ex-

(By Associated Press)
The second day of the great strike

between labor and the United States
Steel Corporation with the question as
to the extent to which the industry is
affected by the strike is confused by
the conflicting claims of leaders on
either side.

That the industry is crippled in the
great centers of Pittsburgh, Chicago,
and Youngstown is certain and re-
ports today re-ordered several gains for
the strikers. In the Pittsburgh dis-

trict several of the Carnegie Steel
Company plants are closed and at
Bradford and Rankin the plants of the
American Steel and Wire Company,
both of which attempted to continue
operations yesterday, were shut down
today. These two employ approxi-

mately 10,000 men.
In the Chicago district similar con-
ditions prevailed today. Nearly all
plants in that region, including Gary
and Hammond were either closed or
operated at greatly reduced capacity.

Strike leaders claim that 75 per cent
of the 90,000 men are out, in Gary the
percentage is 95 per cent. Steel com-
pany officials refused to concede high-

er than 20 per cent.
In the Mahoning Valley district of
which Homestead is the heart all re-
ports agreed that the strike was a
marked success. Strike leaders claim
35,400 men quit work and their claims
are supported by the fact that many
large plants are closed, three in par-

ticular which employ 16,000 men.
"Practically no progress was made
in attempts to extend the strike to
the Birmingham, Ala. district.

The possibility of the spread of the
strike to as yet unaffected plants was
more threatening today.

At Bethlehem the works of the Beth-
lehem Steel Corporation union leaders
announced that no reply for a request
for a conference with company offi-

cial had been received and prepara-
tions were being completed for call-
ing out workers.

At Buffalo switchmen of the South
Buffalo Railway quit work when or-
dered to remove cars to the Lackawan-
na Steel Company plant.

Rioting which broke out at the close
of the first day of the strike was re-
sumed at different points this morn-
ing. The known casualties are one
dead, three wounded who are expected
to die and scores more or less seriously
wounded. The fatality occurred in
the Pittsburgh district.

Every mill in Farrell was closed
this morning but this did not prevent
a renewal of the rioting in which 11
persons were wounded. Simultane-

ously with the outbreak of the rioting
at Farrell a pitched battle between
military guards and strikers took
place at New Castle in which eleven
persons are known to have been
wounded, two of them are women.

Three of the injured men may die.
The situation throughout the Pitts-
burgh district today was regarded as
so menacing that reinforcements for
the State troops were sent from other
parts of the State.

At Buffalo where the independent
plants of the Lackawanna Steel Com-
pany was forced to suspend opera-
tions, according to the police reports,
rioting occurred last night. It was
reduced this morning and the disorder
is apparently not so serious as in
Pennsylvania.

The Donnor Steel Company, a sister
plant of the Lackawanna, announced
that operations would cease tomor-

row.
More Rioting at Farrell.
Farrell, Pa., Sept. 23.—More rioting
occurred today in Farrell where a
man was shot last night and sev-

eral others injured. Many shots were
fired in the new disturbance. The po-
lice say at least 11 persons were struck
by bullets. All of the steel and wire
mills in this vicinity are closed today
and not a whistle blew anywhere.

New Castle, Pa., Sept. 22.—Seven
persons were shot, one probably fat-
ally, in rioting which broke out at
the Carnegie Steel company's plant
here late today.

The trouble started when a crowd
of about 400 persons attempted to
prevent mill workers from entering
the plant. About 20 workmen were
being assaulted when the mill guards,
consisting of deputy sheriffs, came to
their rescue.

The mill guards were met with a
volley of bricks, stones and clubs.
They drew their revolvers and at-
tempted to hold the mob at bay, but
the shower of missiles continued, and
the crowd refused to disperse.

When the situation appeared to be

ORGANIZE LABOR
FIGHTS ANTI-STRIKE
PROVISIONS OF BILL

Glen E. Plum Appears Be-
fore Senate Inter-State
Commerce Committee in
Interest of Labor.

ADMITTS R. R. TIEUP
BRING STARVATION

Says Provisions of Railroad
Reorganization Bill Are
Directed Solely Against
Labor.

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Sept. 23.—Organized

labor is fighting against "the anti-
labor organization bill" today before
the Senate inter-State commerce com-
mittee.

Glen E. Plum, general counsel for
the railroad brotherhoods and author
of the plan for tripartite control of
the railroads, said the provisions were
a guarantee of industrial revolution.

"The provisions destroys the right
of collective bargaining," said Mr.
Plum. "They are directed solely
against the wage earner. The right to
strike is inheritant and recognized by
innumerable decisions. Strikes are
symptoms of social disorders, not
causes. You propose to treat the
cause and let the social fever rage.

There is a change coming in the
nature which this committee does
not recognize. Formerly strikes were
carried on only to secure for labor a
larger share of the profit. Hereafter
it will be to compel a reduction of
profits and protect the interests of labor
on the consuming side. Labor must
retain the right to strike to lower the
cost of living," said Mr. Plum.

In answer to a question by Senator
Pomerene, Democrat, of Ohio, Mr.
Plum conceded that two weeks tieup
of transportation would mean disas-
ter and starvation for the people of all
the cities.

"But the way to prevent that is not
to let the owners of capital keep 11
utilities of public service from being
used for the public service," said Mr.
Plum.

OVERMAN SAYS
N. C. FOR LEAGUE

Finds Only Few Men Opposed to Wil-
son's Plan.

Washington, Sept. 22.—Senator
Overman returned today from Salis-
bury where he had been to see Mrs.
Overman, who was sick. He brought
back encouraging reports.

"North Carolina," said he, "is for
the league of nations. Here and
there you find men opposed to it, but
most of these conveying their views to
Congress are republicans, who hope to
make trouble. I found no serious
opposition to it among the people I saw."

"The talk of democrats leaving
their party for the republican party
in North Carolina is folderol. This
one time when our people in the state
are standing together.

"A number of labor leaders have
appealed to me to oppose the Madden
bill to do away with the Jim Crow
car law. I shall do my best on that
score."

GERMAN PRISONERS HERE

Two Train Loads of Germans Held
by United States En Route to Their
Native Country.

Two special trains of 15 cars each
passed through Salisbury this morn-
ing at 3:25 and 5:05 o'clock having on
board German prisoners who have
been held by the United States since
this country entered the war and who
were former members of the crews of
interned German ships and were held
not as combatant prisoners of war but
as alien enemies. These men were
from Fort McPherson, Ga., and were
on their way to a northern port to be
returned to Germany.

The men attracted interest by train-
men and others at the station during
the brief stop of the trains here. One
noticeable thing about the men is said
to have been their cleanliness and
general presentable appearance and
all seemed to be in a happy frame,
this probably being due to the fact
that they were again en route to their
native land after a confinement of a
year and a half in United States de-
tention camps.

Similar meetings are to be held in
Greensboro, Raleigh, Rocky Mount,
Wilmington, New Bern, Hamlet,
Charlotte and Asheville.

At the close of the conference the
ladies of the First Methodist church
served a delicious luncheon to all
present and this was one of the most
enjoyable features of the evening.

ROYALTY ON THE WAY.

King Albert, Queen Elizabeth and
Crown Prince Leopold Sail For the
United States.

Ostend, Belgium, Sept. 23.—King
Albert, Queen Elizabeth and Crown
Prince Leopold of Belgium are today
on the high seas on their voyage to
the United States. The steamer
George Washington left her moorings
yesterday afternoon shortly after the
royal couple went on board from a
United States destroyer which took
the mout of Ostend shortly before
noon.

Trade unions of carriage and auto-
mobile workers and electrical work-
ers of Winston-Salem, N. C., have
been organized.

SALISBURY TO BE
STATE LUTHERAN
HEADQUARTERS

President J. L. Morgan of the N. C.
Synod to Move Here From Raleigh.
Rev. Mr. Lingle Secretary and Mr.
James D. Heilig Treasurer of the
Synod.

Archives of Former Austro-
Hungarian Ministry Planned
THE WORLD WAR

Archives of Former Austro-
Hungarian Government
Show Plot Was Led by
Count Berchtold.

COUNT PIZA WAS
OPPOSED TO WAR

But Germany "Was Ready"
and in 1914 Was the Time
to Strike the Opening
Blow.

(By Associated Press)
Vienna, Saturday, Sept. 20.—There
was made public today from the
archives of the former Austro-Hun-
garian government minutes of the
meeting of the privy council July 7,

1914 at which it was virtually decided
to begin war on Serbia.
According to this publication the
ministry of Austria-Hungary, espe-
cially Count Leopold von Berchtold,
foreign minister, was solely responsi-
ble for the outbreaks of hostilities.
The minutes show the meeting to
have been opened by Count von
Berchtold who pleaded for immediate
resort to arms against Serbia, stating
that Italy and Rumania "could be
compensated afterward for not hav-

ing been consulted before hand."
Count Stephen Piza, then Hunga-
rian premier, opposed war, demand-
ing that diplomatic action be taken
first and then that an ultimatum of ac-
countable nature be sent. Only in case
both failed should he have resorted to
arms.

Count von Berchtold thereupon
said: "Now is the right moment be-
cause Germany is ready to assist."

MAY BE RESORED
TO AMERICAN MOTHER

Father Took Lad to Germany in 1914
and Soldiers Adopted Him as Mas-
cot.

Paris, Aug. 31.—(By Mail.)—Joseph
Fringer, a 13-year-old Chicago
boy who was taken to Germany by his
father in 1914 may be restored to his
mother in the Illinois city, as result
of his adoption as a mascot by one of
the American units at Coblenz. The
boy's mother is Mrs. Emma Fringer
of 38 Dearborn street, South Chicago.

For a time the boy made his
home with relatives in Berlin and
then drifted to Coblenz where he at-
tached himself to one of the regi-
ments. The doughboys helped him in
writing a letter to his mother who re-
sponded immediately urging him to
come back to her at once.

"When the regiment left for Ameri-
ca several unsuccessful efforts were
made by his soldier friends to smug-
gle the boy aboard the transport, but
each time he was detected and sent
ashore. Finally he was sent back to
Paris. The Red Cross took up the
boy's case with the American pass-
port bureau and has secured proofs
of identity that will enable the boy
to start for home and mother shortly.

Strikes, lockouts and industrial
controversies, directly and indirectly
now affect more than 100,000 work-
men and their families.

CONGRESS TO PROBE
BIG STEEL STRIKE

Senate Labor Committee Will Sum-
mon Witnesses and Probe Into the
Big Industrial Tie-Up Now Going
On.

(By Associated Press)
Washington, Sept. 23.—Investiga-
tion of the steel strike by the senate
labor committee was ordered today by
the resolution.

A resolution by Senator Kenyon,
Republican, of Iowa, providing for the
inquiry and authorizing reports as to
whether any remedial federal action
could be taken was adopted without
roll call.

Senator Kenyon said it was pro-
posed to call leading representatives
of the employers and employees in
Washington in an effort to determine
the cause of the strike. Visits by
the committee to the steel centers were
not planned, he said.

Senator Kenyon announced later
that the investigation would begin
Thursday and the first witnesses
would be Chairman Gary of the United
States Steel corporation and John
Fitzgerald chairman of the national
committee organizing steel and iron
workers.

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