

THE WEATHER: Fair and slightly warmer Tuesday except rain in extreme west.

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LETTERS ON FUNDS EXPENDED AIDED IN NEWBERRY'S TRIAL

Correspondence Regarding the Gold Star Club Is Introduced. HAMILTON CALLED TO WITNESS STAND

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 9.—Senator Truman H. Newberry's correspondence regarding the Gold Star club, said to have organized by Thomas J. O'Brien, former ambassador to Japan, and other citizens of Grand Rapids, was introduced as evidence today in the trial of the senator and 122 others on charges of conspiracy in the 1918 election.

The letters which mentioned Ambassador O'Brien were introduced while Claude P. Hamilton, vice-president of the Michigan Trust company and chairman of the Kent County republican committee was on the stand. The defense tried vainly to exclude them because they were written in September, 1918, more than a year after the election involved in the conspiracy charge.

Hamilton's preliminary questioning by Frank C. Daley, assistant attorney-general, brought that Hamilton had been informed of the expenses connected with sending 10,000 Newberry form letters to members of the club. He said on cross-examination that Ambassador O'Brien prepared this circular letter.

The first letter, mailed to Washington, by Hamilton, September 13, 1918, said that the county committee budget had been exceeded in the campaign of the year before and that Hamilton "had to put up for the deficit."

MOTHER TELLS OF KILLING HER SLEEPING DAUGHTER NEW YORK Feb. 9.—Mrs. May Favre sat for two days beside the body of her 13 year old daughter, Margaret, whom she shot through the heart Saturday morning as she lay asleep in her apartment in the Ashton hotel, she confessed to the police today after her arrest on a charge of homicide.

HOUSE DEMOCRATS OPPOSE UNIVERSAL TRAINING PROGRAM

Wilson Asks Party's Stand Be Left to National Convention. CAUCUS REJECTS THE PRESIDENT'S ADVICE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Rejecting President Wilson's advice, house democrats in caucus tonight went on record as opposed to universal military training by a vote of 106 to 17. The president in letters to democratic leaders earlier in the day asked that action be withheld so the party's stand might be left to its national convention.

The rejection of the president's appeal was double in its scope, for before declaring against military training, the caucus rejected 88 to 37 a proposal that action on the question be deferred "at this time." This vote, cast on the motion of Representative Doremus Michigan, came after a three-hour discussion behind closed doors, and immediately afterward on the straight question universal training advocates dwindled to 17.

"It is the sense of this caucus," declared the resolution adopted by the democrats, "that no measure should be passed by this congress providing for universal compulsory military service or training."

LEGION BEHIND BILL INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 9.—The Wadsworth army reorganization bill, carrying a provision for universal military training, will be supported by the American legion, with modifications, it was announced this evening at the close of a conference of state commanders of the legion from all parts of the country.

father and when these failed to arrive last week she wrote to Mr. Jackson at the company's New York office threatening to kill herself if the money was not forthcoming at once. The mails were delayed by the storm and Jackson did not get the letter until today.

FIVE SLAIN IN LEXINGTON, KY., RIOTING

Feedin' Time By Billy Borne



TREATY IS BROUGHT INTO OPEN SENATE

Is Put Aside For a Period of Waiting. Parliamentary Barriers to Its Consideration Are Removed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The peace treaty was formally brought into the open senate today but as soon as parliamentary barriers to its consideration had been removed it was put aside again for a period of waiting which the leaders said would last at least a week.

UNFORTUNATE ACTION President Wilson in his letter, which was presented at the caucus declared a party that would make the proposal a party issue would be "unfortunate."

GOES TO COMMITTEE By acclamation, and again on the motion of the republican leader, the senate then ordered reconsideration of its previous roll call on ratification of the treaty.

SPENT \$3,534.46 TO DEFEND W. C. HALL RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 9.—Prohibition Commission J. Sidney Peters spent \$3,534.46 to defend W. C. Hall, a prohibition agent in his two trials for murder, according to a report filed today in the senate in compliance with a demand for an accounting by Senator Walter T. Oliver, of Fairfax.

SHOPMEN'S STRIKE TO BEGIN FEB. 17

Unless Government Grants Wage Demands. Orders For Strike Are Sent Out By Brotherhood Head.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 9.—Orders directing 300,000 members of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and Railway Shop laborers to suspend work at 7 a. m. Tuesday, February 17, were going out tonight to the various locals of the organization.

OPTIMISTIC VIEW "The railroads are soon to be turned over to private ownership and we feel that this wage controversy which is with the federal railroad administration should be adjusted before they are released."

VIOLATION OF AGREEMENT WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Action of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and Railway Shop Laborers in calling a strike of the membership was declared by railroad administration officials to be a violation of the union's war agreement.

DECOURSEY NAMED RED CROSS OFFICER WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Appointment of Thomas Decoursey Ruth of Baltimore as manager of the Potomac division of the American Red Cross, was announced today. The Potomac division is composed of the states of Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia and the District of Columbia.

ATTACK ON LABOR MADE BY BLANTON

Urges People to Defeat Gompers' Selections. Federation Head Replies to Address of Speaker Gillett.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The first reaction in congress to plans of organized labor for intervention in the coming political campaign today in the house. Attacking the labor announcement as "a pronouncement against congress," Representative Blanton, democrat, Texas, said it was "the greatest menace ever sounded in this country."

GOMPER'S STATEMENT WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—In a statement today commenting on the assertion of Speaker Gillett yesterday in an address at Springfield, Mass., that the nation faced a new problem in dealing with combinations of the employed, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, hotly denied that labor was a menace to the country.

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SOLDIERS FIRE WHEN MOB, SEEKING NEGRO, STORMS COURT HALL

Martial Law is Declared in City Upon Arrival of Federal Troops From Camp Taylor—Negro Murderer of Child Tried and Sentenced—Militiamen Fire Into Mob, Killing Five and Wounding Fifteen—Rioters Loot Pawnshops and Stores to Get Firearms—City Quiet at Night.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 9.—Martial law prevails here tonight. Six hundred federal and state troops are patrolling the streets to prevent further rioting which during the day exacted a toll of five dead and 15 wounded. The city was quiet early tonight, but authorities fear a recurrence of violence. Five hundred additional United States troops are enroute from Camp Taylor, Kentucky.

Arrested Tuesday Lockett, arrested last Tuesday night and held in the state penitentiary at Frankfort for safekeeping, was indicted last week and was brought here on a special train this morning for trial. He was heavily guarded.

Four Men Fell Four men fell at the first volley. The mob which had surged half way up the steps pressed back and a heavy party of police, with the authorities got the negro out of the building.

Body Was Mutilated The little Hardman girl's body was found mutilated in a corn field last Tuesday morning, soon after she had left her home for school. Her head had been crushed in with a stone and her body partially covered with corn stalks.

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PRACTICALLY ALL BRITISH LEFT THE CITY OF ODESSA

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Virtually all the British escaped from Odessa, according to a message despatched by Consul London Friday evening from that city. The consul hoped to get the remainder out safely while the British military mission was endeavoring to rescue a few Russians whom it was feared the bolsheviks would massacre.

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EFFECT OF CREDIT SITUATION ON U. S. EXPORT TRADE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Indications that England's inability to purchase American cotton because of the exchange situation may mean a virtual cutting in half of the United States export trade in cotton are shown in statistics issued today by the department of commerce.

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SOCIETY PLANS TO EXTEND ACTIVITIES

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Extension of the activities of the Pan-American society by the establishment this year of a council in each of the large cities of the United States was decided upon at the eighth annual meeting of the organization here today. It is proposed to increase the usefulness of the society and to obtain a more general distribution of data on Latin-American affairs by means of these councils.

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