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UNION LABOR IS HOT AFTER CUMMINS BILL

NO STRIKES, NO RIGHTS

Officials of Railroad Brotherhoods Attack Clause in Bill Forbidding Strikes as a Return to Slavery in Industry — Makes Serfs Out of Men.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 24.—Sections of the Cummins railroad reorganization bill, which would forbid strikes by railway employes, continued to draw fire today before the Senate Interstate Committee.

Officials of the railroad brotherhoods attacked the proposals as a return to slavery in industry.

"These proposals take away rights of citizenship from railroad men," P. J. McNamara, vice-president of the Brotherhood of Firemen and Engine-men, said. "It makes serfs out of men."

W. N. Doak, vice-president of the Trainmen's Brotherhood, classed this section "as the most bold attempt at bondage since the Civil War."

"They strike down the last vestige of civil rights we possess," he said. "They destroy all policies and principle which labor has secured from the government in the past. The railroad organizations might as well go out of business."

Machinery provided in the bill for adjusting wages, he said, constituted "the meanest form of compulsory arbitration."

ATTORNEY GENERAL ON PROHIBITION

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 30.—Although the War Department declared in a statement today that the "exigencies of war and the process of demobilization are at an end," wartime Prohibition cannot be lifted until after the ratification of the Peace Treaty, in the opinion of Attorney General Palmer. The Prohibition law provides that it shall remain in force until after the termination of the war, and the demobilization of the army. Mr. Palmer has held that the state of war does not end until the Peace Treaty has been ratified. President Wilson took a similar position in asking Congress early in the year to repeal the wartime Prohibition law insofar as it affected light wines and beer. The War Department's statement as to the end of demobilization was made in connection with an announcement that officers of the regular army were to be returned to their normal peace time rank, and that the ten thousand emergency officers still in the service must be discharged in order to reduce the commissioned personnel to the 18,000 authorized by a recent act of Congress.

American Marines Keeping Order in Spalato, Dalmatia

Rome, Sept. 30.—American marines and bluejackets are maintaining order in the City of Spalato, Dalmatia, where Rear Admiral Phillip Andrew is stationed with his flagship, the Pittsburg, according to reports reaching this city. It is indicated in reports that feeling is running high in Spalato and that the Americans have been forced to intervene between the Italians and Jugo-Slavs.

Paris, Sept. 30.—Landing of American forces at Trau by Rear Admiral Andrews was not directed by the Supreme Council here, according to the American Peace delegation. It was explained that when the party of Italians occupied Trau and it was feared that a clash might occur between the Italians and Serbians, the Italian Admiral on the scene appealed to the American admiral to intervene for the maintenance of peace. This it was added, Rear Admiral Andrews did as part of his regular duties of policing the Adriatic, and without any instructions from Paris.

KNOXVILLE SCENE ANOTHER OUTRAGE

BRUTE INVADES A HOME

Mrs. Dacie Ward, White Woman, Victim of Attempted Assault by a Negro—She Is Shot, Perhaps Fatally.

(By The Associated Press) Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 25.—Mrs. Dacie Ward, a white woman, was the victim of an attempted assault by a negro who invaded her home about 3 o'clock this morning. She offered resistance and the negro shot her, perhaps fatally. He made his escape.

Mrs. Ward's husband was not at home, being at work on a night shift. She was sleeping with her 1-year-old child, who escaped injury. Her sister-in-law, in another room, was aroused by the shooting and saw the negro as he fled. Mrs. Ward states that the negro attempted to assault her and warned her that if she screamed he would shoot her as he did a boy a week ago.

On the night of August 29 Mrs. Bertie Lindsey, a white woman residing in another section of the city, was similarly attacked by a negro and was shot and killed. Maurice Mayes, a well known negro, was arrested and charged with the murder, and is now in jail at Chattanooga.

Before the attack of Mrs. Ward became known this morning, Sheriff Cates and two deputies left in an automobile for Chattanooga, intending to bring Mayes to Knoxville tomorrow to await his trial, which is set for next Monday.

Mayes has protested his innocence from the moment of his arrest. A mob attacked the Knox County jail on the night of August 30 in a proposed attempt to "get" Mayes.

STILL FIGHTING MR. WILSON AND TREATY

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 27.—With Senator Johnson, Republican, of California, en route to the Pacific coast to continue his speeches against the League of Nations Covenant, Senator Reed, Democrat of Missouri, left today for a week's campaign in the Middle West in criticism of the League. Senator Smith, Democrat of Georgia, said today that he plans next Monday to present to the Senate a set of reservations to the treaty he will advocate. They are said to be similar to those of the "mild" Republican reservationists. It is understood that the reservation Senator Smith will propose to article X of the Treaty would provide that American forces cannot be used in furtherance of a territorial guarantee without sanction of Congress.

The Republicans Criticize Action in Regard to Fiume

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 30.—After further sharp criticism by Republicans of the Senate and House today of the landing of American sailors at Trau after Italian forces had taken possession of the port, the Senate adopted a resolution by Senator New, Republican of Indiana, requesting President Wilson to transmit a report of the incident to the Senate. Although not opposed by Democrats, the resolution caused a lively row in which Senator Hitchcock, Democrat of Nebraska, charged the Republicans with "heckling" the President, and also with deliberately filibustering to delay action on the Peace Treaty. Republican leader Lodge denied that there had been any filibustering on the treaty, and said there would be done.

CHICKEN LIVERS.
An old hen has a much larger liver than you in proportion to weight or food eaten. Then it follows that they get bigger just like you do. They are bronchy, cross, unhappy. Start they will lay eggs all winter. Come and get a package of B. A. Thomas' Poult Powder. Feed it occasionally. See your hens perk up—hear them sing—look for eggs. Your money back if it fails. A. S. Huske.—Advt.

PROFITS OF PACKERS UNREASONABLY HIGH

REPORT TO PRESIDENT

Federal Trade Commission Says that Maximum Profits of Five Largest Packers During the War Far Exceeded Those in Pre-War Years.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 24.—Maximum profits of the five largest packers under limitations prescribed by the Food Administrator during the war "were unreasonably high," and from two and one-fourth to three times as great as those in pre-war years, according to a report made to President Wilson by the Federal Trade Commission on June 28, 1918, but withheld from the public at the request of Food Administrator Hoover.

A copy of the report, together with letters sent by Mr. Hoover and the commission to the President, were transmitted to the Senate today by the Commission in response to a resolution by Senator Norris, Republican of Nebraska.

Recommendations made by the commission include: "That net worth (actual invested capital represented by stock issued and surplus) as of November 1st, 1917, be the basis upon which the allowed rate of profits be computed for all packers, large and small.

"That the normal rate for the five chief packers be seven per cent on net worth, with one-half per cent increased allowance for every ten per cent increase in weight slaughtered, and one half per cent decrease in rate for every ten per cent decrease in weight slaughtered, the maximum profit allowed not to go above nine per cent.

"That the maximum profits allowed the smaller packers be nine per cent, increasing on a sliding scale to eleven per cent, but without a decreasing scale.

"That profits in excess of the prescribed rates be applied against further Government purchases."

The 30th Division Favors Ratification of Peace Treaty

(By The Associated Press) Greenville, S. C., Sept. 30.—The 30th Division Association, having a membership of 18,000, mostly from Tennessee and the Carolinas, today at the closing session of its first annual reunion adopted a resolution favoring the immediate ratification of the treaty of peace with Germany in its present form without amendment or reservation.

Virginia Law on Automobile Numbers Is Put into Effect

(By The Associated Press) Richmond, Va., Sept. 30.—A first step toward putting into effect the new Virginia law requiring registration of factory numbers of all automobiles, and making it a crime to change or efface a number, was taken today when six cars and their drivers were captured by detectives here. The cars were believed to be on their way to North Carolina.

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OFFICERS HONORED WITH DECORATIONS

BESTOWED BY ROYALTY

King Albert of Belgium Today Decorated Three Ranking American Naval Officers on the Steamship George Washington.

(By The Associated Press) On Board U. S. S. George Washington, Wednesday, September 24.—(By Wireless to the Associated Press.)—King Albert of Belgium, whose voyage to the United States is proceeding uneventfully, bestowed decorations today upon three ranking naval officers of the ship which is bringing him across the Atlantic.

Rear Admiral Andrew T. Long, who is acting as escort to the royal party, was made a grand officer of the Order of Leopold.

Captain E. McCauley, Jr., commander of the George Washington, was made an officer of Order of Leopold, commander F. M. Perkins, executive officer of the George Washington, an officer of the Order of the Crown.

The ceremony took place on the deck in the presence of Queen Elizabeth and Crown Prince Leopold, together with all the officers of the King's suite.

The Clemenceau Government Received Vote Confidence

(By The Associated Press) Paris, Sept. 30.—The Clemenceau Government was sustained on a question of confidence in the Chamber of Deputies today. The Premier's demand for postponement of discussion of a motion of a deputy instructing the Government to seek the adding of a rider to the Versailles treaty for a further disarmament of Germany was agreed to by a vote of 262 to 188.

PHOTOGRAPHS ARE ASKED.

Pictures of Cumberland County Men in World War Are Sought. The state collector of war records, who is compiling a history of North Carolina in the world war, wishes photographs of all Cumberland County men who were in service. Send them as soon as possible to Mrs. John H. Anderson, Fayetteville, who will forward them to Raleigh. Please state the command, date of enlistment and time of service and any special mention. Paton's Studio will give a photograph to any Cumberland man who received the Distinguished Service Cross. Relatives of men who died or were killed in service or received citations are asked to send two photographs so that one may be placed in the Cumberland County World War Museum.

THREE TEXAS SOLDIERS SUCCEEDED.

Disabled Soldiers Trained Under Vocational Board Get Good Jobs. (Special to The Observer) Washington, Sept. 30.—After spending eight weeks in the tractor and gas engine training school, following it by placement training with a tractor company, a young Texan, who lost his left arm in service has been offered \$5 a day and his board to operate a tractor on a farm.

Another farmer boy lost his leg from wounds received in service. While taking a course in bookkeeping and accounting he spent his spare time in a bank in a Texas city, working without pay. The bank has offered him a position as soon as his course is completed.

Losing an eye in the service, another Texas boy studied gas engines and tractors, and then entered his supplementary placement training. His work was so satisfactory that the manager of the plant at which he was placed commended him, and gave him a \$40 bonus check for the month. These three Texas boys prove the efficiency of the training given them and other disabled service men by the government under the direction of the Federal Board for Vocational Education.

CROSS-FIRE WORDS BETWEEN 2 STATES

ABOUT AUTO NUMBERS

North Carolina and Virginia Are Having a Tilt Over Charges of Wrong-doing Tar Heel Auto Drivers Within Virginia Lines—The Matter Grows Interesting.

(By The Associated Press) Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 26.—Secretary of State J. Bryan Grimes was today awaiting the next step on the part of Virginia authorities in connection with the threat contained in a letter from O. B. James, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to prohibit the use of North Carolina licenses over roads in Virginia if the alleged practice of effacing and changing factory numbers of cars passing through that state by North Carolinians is not discontinued.

In replying to Mr. James yesterday, Secretary Grimes expressed surprise at the nature of the Virginian's letter and added:

"I hope the officers of the law in your State will be a little more vigilant and you will not find it necessary to punish thousands of law-abiding North Carolinians in the place of a few of your culprits."

Richmond, Va., Sept. 26.—Both Governor Davis and Attorney General Saunders were out of the city today, and no statement could be obtained from them concerning the controversy between Virginia and North Carolina in regard to barring from the highways of this state the use of North Carolina automobile licenses on cars on which the factory numbers have been effaced. It is pointed out by legal experts, however, that Virginia cannot keep such automobiles from passing through the State, but could seize them if they failed to continue on their way to North Carolina or another state.

PRESIDENT SHOWS FURTHER IMPROVEMENT.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 30.—President Wilson arose early this morning and appeared to be refreshed by a night of rest. Secretary Tumulty announced today.

Washington, Sept. 30.—President Wilson, after two days of quiet and rest at the White House, showed further improvement today. Rear Admiral Carey T. Grayson, his personal physician, issued the following bulletin at 11 this morning:

"The President had a good night's rest and is improving."

Although the president's condition precludes his taking any active part in directing the peace treaty fight in the Senate, he has shown much interest, and received a report on the situation from Secretary Tumulty late last night.

Senators directing the administration fight for ratification of the treaty, without amendment or reservation, advised the President through Mr. Tumulty that the treaty would not be amended, and that no reservations which would require its resubmission would be adopted.

REVIVAL AT BEAVER DAM CHURCH.

(Special to The Observer) Roseboro, Sept. 30.—On Monday, September 29, the revival meeting began at Beaver Dam. The services are being conducted by the Rev. Roland Hedgepeth of Lumberton, assisted by the pastor, Rev. A. H. Porter of Rebert. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

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MARVIN RITCH MAY RUN FOR CONGRESS

IF WEBB IS MADE JUDGE

Charlotte Attorney Now Under Bond to Appear at Stanley Court on Charges of Inciting to Riot Aspires to Congressional Honors.

(By The Associated Press) Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 25.—Announcement is being made today that Marvin Ritch, now under bond to answer in the Stanley County Superior Court on charges of inciting to riot, and who has been prominently active in the organization of textile labor in North Carolina for the past ten weeks, will be a candidate for Congress to succeed Congressman Yates Webb from the Ninth North Carolina District in the event Webb is appointed federal judge.

CLEMENCEAU STRONG FOR PEACE TREATY

(By The Associated Press) Paris, Sept. 26.—Premier Clemenceau's remarkable address in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday, in which he asked for ratification of the Peace Treaty with Germany, was made on his 78th birthday. If there was an impression that his words on the previous day during his colloquy with M. Barthour were a slight on America, the way he spoke of the "admirable impetuosity" with which America flung men into the battlefield, showed that no slight was intended.

Applause rang through the Chamber when the Premier said: "Would you know my complete thoughts? Should there be no written treaty I would count on America all the same. I can say we are firmly on the adoption of the treaty over there."

"I have seen young Americans at the front," he continued, "and not one of them, whether his origin was German, Italian or Pole, wavered in the right."

When asked why they were there, they replied: "For Liberty."

The Premier recalled how at one crisis the Allies had to decide whether to defend Calais or Paris. "A few days later," he continued, "Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain asked me what I had decided. I replied 'France made Paris. Paris made France. I would burn Paris to save France.'"

Storm Warnings Displayed Along the Atlantic Coast

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 30.—Northeast storm warnings were ordered displayed today on the Atlantic coast from Norfolk to Savannah. Reports to the Weather Bureau indicated a disturbance of unknown intensity, with an apparent northward movement, about 200 miles off the Georgia coast. Reports from vessels indicated strong winds in the vicinity of the storm.

APPRAISERS HERE TO CONSIDER CAMP CLAIMS.

(Raleigh News and Observer) People having claims against the government growing out of the location of Camp Polk at Raleigh, will be given a hearing Friday of this week by the Board of Appraisers. Major Lewis W. Colfelt, chairman of the board, will be in charge of the hearing. It will start at 9 o'clock Friday in the assembly room of the Chamber of Commerce.

There are many claims held by different property owners and business men of the city, and the hearing was arranged through the Chamber of Commerce. The Board of Appraisers has been expected in the city for some time, but it was only a few days ago that the date of the hearing was announced from Washington. The Chamber of Commerce yesterday sent out letters to the different claimants informing them of the hearing and the time.

THE 30TH DIVISION AT GREENVILLE, S. C.

FIRST ANNUAL REUNION

Final Arrangements Completed for a Grand Get-together of the "Old Hickory" Division Association in the Hospitable South Carolina City—Plans to Accommodate 10,000 Soldier-Delegates.

(By The Associated Press) Greenville, S. C., Sept. 27.—Final plans were completed today, the revised programme announced, and other important details attended to for the first annual reunion of the "Old Hickory" (30th) Division Association, which will be opened here Monday morning, with former soldiers in attendance from all sections of Tennessee, North and South Carolina.

Preparations have been made by the city and the Association Committee to accommodate 10,000 members at this convention. Soldiers will be entertained in private homes, halls and all the city school buildings, where army cots and equipment secured from Camp Sevier have been placed. The people from the country-side contributed food stuffs valued at \$10,000, and the city purchased an equal amount to furnish free meals. The convention will formally open Monday morning, and will continue through Tuesday. Major General E. M. Lewis, who commanded the 30th overseas, and Major General John F. O'Ryan, commander of the 27th New York Division, will speak.

Other addresses will be delivered by Governors Cooper of South Carolina, Bickett of North Carolina, Roberts of Tennessee, Col. John K. Herr, U. S. Army, Brigadier General S. L. Faison, U. S. Army, Col. Albert L. Cox of Raleigh and Sergeant Robert L. Fulton of South Carolina.

Greenville, S. C., Sept. 29.—Commemorating the first anniversary of the beginning of the drive against the famous German Hindenburg Line, the 30th (Old Hickory) Division of the United States Army, which, brigaded with the 27th New York Division, was the first to pierce the vaunted German bulwark, began a two-day annual reunion here today, with many of the division's veterans in attendance. The men are from practically all parts of the country, but the majority are from Tennessee, North and South Carolina.

Hawaiian Volcano in State of Eruption Last Night

(By The Associated Press) Honolulu, Sept. 30.—Mount Mauna Loa, on Hilo Island, burst into new eruption late last night and a wide stream of lava began pouring down the Kona side, destroying many homes. Residents on the Kona side are reported fleeing to the sea, which is thirty miles distant.

NOTHING TO THE CLAIM.

(Correspondence Associated Press) Honolulu, T. H., Sept. 4.—Charges that Porto Rican laborers on Hawaiian plantations were oppressed and denied equal justice, made in a communication signed by a number of Porto Ricans and placed before the Porto Rican Legislature on March 5, 1919, are declared by R. D. Mead, secretary of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association, to be without the slightest foundation.

Mr. Mead said there is no discrimination against Porto Ricans, that their living conditions on the plantation are not as described in the protest and that, in his opinion, "the whole thing was gotten up by agitators in Honolulu headed by a disgruntled ex-plantation laborer." The Porto Rican Legislature demanded an investigation, and it has been made under the direction of Attorney General Harry Irwin of Hawaii, with the assistance of the territorial health board. A report will soon be made to Governor C. J. McCarthy for communication to Porto Rico.