

RAILROAD WORKERS DETERMIN'D TO QUIT IF DEMAND FOR HUNDRED MILLIONS PER ANNUM ADDITIONAL IS NOT MET BY R. R.'S

Strike Ballot Announcement Tomorrow at Meeting of Representatives of Trainmen, Enginemen, Conductors and Firemen and Railroads—Great Labor Battle Would Paralyze Traffic All Over Country and Have Very Far-Reaching Effects on Other Lines of Industry—Men Today Are Prepared to Walk Out Unless Something Transpires to Change Decision—Acquiescence Tremendously Expensive to Employers

(By the United Press)

New York, Aug. 7.—Grimly determined, the railroad brotherhoods are today prepared for the strike which unless heroic efforts avail, will paralyze 250,000 miles of railway lines.

Announcement of the result of the strike ballot will be made tomorrow at a meeting of the officials of the brotherhoods and railroads.

Unless the roads grant the men's demands, the most disastrous and far-reaching industrial battle in the Nation's history is likely. The railroads say acquiescence means one hundred millions of dollars additional a year.

HUGHES BEGINS HIS WORK KEEPS YOUNG CAMPAIGN; MAKES A FOLKS OUT OF JAIL, PLEA AMERICANISM OVERMAN' DECLARES

(By the United Press)

Detroit, Aug. 7.—Republican Nominee Hughes' first appeal for votes on his tour of speaking for the presidency here was a plea for Americanism. An expression of hope of a getting-together spirit between capital and labor, and endorsement of the national movement for the welfare of African workers.

GOOD OLD DRAGON TO CHASE DESPAIR AND GLOOM INTO THE SEA

Feast of Lanterns at Wrightsville Will Be Novel and Spectacular—Brilliant Illumination of Beach Resort Town on August 18 and 19

(Special to The Free Press)

Wrightsville Beach, Aug. 7.—Letters received here indicate that many persons from as far away as Alabama will attend the Feast of Lanterns on Wrightsville Beach August 17th and 18th.

This event has developed into an annual celebration of large proportions and its varied attractions, together with the spirit of unreserved gaiety and fun which characterizes it, is each year drawing larger crowds. The Feast of Lanterns this year will be far eclipse all former attempts.

The tremendous parade of lanterns in the wake of the monstrous illuminated dragon, which will chase Gloom and Despair the entire length of the beach and forever banish them, will end when those in the procession disband to witness the most spectacular pyrotechnic display ever given in North Carolina, which exhibition will continue the allegorical idea of the parade in celebrating the enthroning of the ten beautiful queens of Happiness.

Other features will be illuminated boat parades, canoe-racing, shooting the breakers, May-pole dance, children's parade, concerts, dancing, banquet of mayors, acrobatic stunts and many other features. There will be something interesting every minute of the two days.

The railroads have given exceptionally low rates and the people of North Carolina, and other Southern States, are expected here by the thousands.

FRENCH SOCIALISTS WON'T JOIN GERMAN

Paris, Aug. 7.—By a big vote today the French Congress of Socialists decided not to resume relations with the German Socialists.

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TWO DEATHS SUNDAY AT CAMP GLENN, ONE OF THEM A SUICIDE

Private Bacon of Third Infantry Shoots Himself Through Head—Cook of Second Regiment Dies of Pulmonary Trouble

(Special to The Free Press)

Morehead City, Aug. 7.—Lydall Bacon, a private of the Third Infantry from Henderson, suicided at Camp Glenn yesterday by shooting himself with a rifle. Bacon probably had secured the cartridges on the rifle range. The regulation army weapon was used. The tragedy occurred in a tent in the company street of C Company. The bullet went through the head. Bacon was 32 years old. He was morose over his inability to get out of the service. The man was well-connected, and a cousin of his company commander, Captain Jenkins. The remains were sent to Wilson for interment.

Dock Head, a cook of Company D Second infantry, whose home is at Goldsboro, died Sunday morning from a hemorrhage of the lungs. Head was 32 years old and was serving in his second enlistment. The remains, accompanied by a detail to act as a funeral escort, were sent to Goldsboro.

SOLDIER PEGGED OUT BY HIGHWAYMEN, SAID

E. M. Jarvis, a private of the Second Infantry, who was found in a road between Morehead City and Camp Glenn Saturday, having laid for five hours, it is said, following an attack upon him by negroes, was here for several months some time ago. Jarvis, a member of a company from Raeford and having residence in Washington, was here with a uniformed band of relief workers. He changed his uniform for the soldier's olive drab when the National Guard asked for recruits. The assailants of Jarvis are thought to have been highwaymen.

DEATH MRS. GEO. W. KNOTT SUNDAY NIGHT

Widow of Well-Known Tobaccoist Passes Away at Home—Was Forty-Seven Years of Age and Native of Granville County—Extensive Family Connections

(Daily Free Press—7th)

Mrs. Sallie Hobgood Knott, widow of the late George W. Knott, died at her home in North Kinston Sunday night about 10 o'clock of Bright's disease. She was 47 years of age. Mrs. Knott was very well known in the city.

Mrs. Knott was born in Granville county in 1868, a daughter of the late Alfred Hobgood, a pioneer tobaccoist, and Sophia Hobgood. She was reared in the town of Oxford and educated at Oxford College. She was married to the late Mr. Knott, a tobaccoist, at Oxford, in 1890. Five children survive the union; four of these were born at Oxford and one in Kinston. They are Allan, Thomas, George, Fred, and Miss Sophia Knott, all of this city. Mrs. Knott came to this city with her husband about 19 years ago.

The following well-known persons are brothers and sisters of Mrs. Knott: Mrs. T. B. Jeffress and Miss Scotia Hobgood of Kinston, Mrs. Thomas Ozlin of Kenbridge, Va.; Messrs. A. B. Kenbridge; S. H. Henderson; A. E., Smithfield; O. R. Camp Glenn; C. B. Reidville, and A. L. Hobgood, Henderson.

The funeral will be held from the home Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by Rev. C. W. Blanchard of the First Baptist church, of which Mrs. Knott was a member. Interment in Maplewood cemetery will follow.

TWO THOUSAND FOR NAVAL TRAINING CRUISE

Washington, Aug. 4.—More than 2,000 civilians have enrolled for the Atlantic naval training cruise which will start Aug. 15, and continue nearly a month. Secretary Daniels announced today. The number exceeded the department's expectations and indicates that the plan will be continued in future years, he said.

BRITISH ONE STEP NEARER TO VICTORY IN BIG OFFENSIVE

Colonials On High Ground Overlooking Bapeume, Objective Point

FORTIFY GROUND GAINED

German Resistance Melts Under Stream of Fire From Allied Guns—Stiff Fighting In Eastern Theater, Reported

Berlin, Aug. 7.—By successful counter attacks the Germans have regained a portion of the Pozieres trenches, it is officially stated.

London, Aug. 7.—The important ridge west of Martinpuich is now firmly in British hands. The English have entrenched on the newly-won heights. The Australians now overlook a slope rolling away to the city of Bapeume, immediate objective of the offensive, less than seven miles away.

Strong defenses of the village of Courcletto are being pulverized by terrific fire from the British guns. Martinpuich has been under a systematic fire since Saturday, when the British began bathing three miles of the German front with a stream of fire.

The Teutons are attempting to resume the initiative from Volhynia to Bukovina, with Von Hindenburg in supreme command. Despite counters, the Slavs crossed streams and took six villages. The Austrians again countered, however, and the outcome still is doubtful.

The Turks have been driven back eighteen miles east of the Suez. German Counters Checked.

Paris, Aug. 7.—Two violent German attacks northeast of Verdun were checked today. The Germans were repulsed in the sectors of Thiaumont, Vaux and Chapitre, it is officially declared. Intense artillery fighting is in progress on the Somme front. Six German aeroplanes and two balloons were brought down today.

NUMBER INFANTILE PARALYSIS DEATHS REACH BIG FIGURE

More Than 1,100 Now, or About One out of Every Five Cases—Philadelphia Alarmed; Closes Moving Picture Shows

New York, Aug. 7.—There were 145 new cases of infantile paralysis today, making the total over 5,000, and the deaths over eleven hundred.

New York, Aug. 6.—Thirty-three deaths were caused by infantile paralysis here during the 24-hour period ending at 10 a. m. today, a decrease of eight from the record of the previous day. New cases of the disease reported numbered 192, an increase of 24 over the previous period. Philadelphia Uneasy.

Philadelphia, Aug. 7.—Infantile paralysis is growing here at an alarming rate. The movies are closed to children under sixteen.

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