

RAILROAD WORKERS DETERMINED 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 18

(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 at 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. By far eclipse all former attempts. The Feast of Lanterns this year will be 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.

KANSAS NOMINATES WOMAN FOR SEAT IN CONGRESS, THOUGHT

(By the United Press)
Topeka, Kan., Aug. 7.—Unofficial returns today indicate that Dr. Eva Harding has been nominated by the Kansas Democrats for Congress. She is the first woman in history to be named for Congress.

SPEEDERS HELD UP BY POLICE DESTINED FOR A BIG ROBBERY

(By the United Press)
Baltimore, Aug. 7.—With over \$2,000 on his person, Joseph Adams, who claims to be cashier of the Chesapeake & Ohio, at Charlottesville, Va., is held here for the Charlottesville authorities.

FRENCH SOCIALISTS WON'T JOIN GERMAN

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

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.—Lydell 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.

REAL LIVE MODELS IN FALL BATHING SUITS

(By the United Press)
Chicago, Aug. 7.—Live models—the liveliest of whom wore bathing suits and were exhibited in a special fountain, characterized the fall style show of the Chicago Garment Manufacturers' Association which opened today and will continue all week. Wholesalers' invitations to buyers to attend the show at Bismarck gardens dwelt particularly upon the group of feminine swimmers in up-to-the-minute bathing costumes. Why no one knew and none seemed to care the bathing suit display for fall wear it was a great attraction.

MAN SUES FRATERNAL ORDER FOR HURT HE SUSTAINED IN LODGE

(By the United Press)
G. V. Cowper, Esq., will leave tonight for Plymouth, Washington county, to try a novel personal injury suit in which a man named Ange is the plaintiff and the Sovereign Camp of the Woodmen of the World defendant. The suit, Mr. Cowper believes, is the first of the kind ever instituted in the State. Ange declares he was permanently injured in an initiation in which an electrical appliance was used. The nature of the appliance is not stipulated. He asks \$3,000. The order is a foreign corporation, and hence cannot be sued for a greater sum in the State courts. If injury resulted to Ange, the defendant is understood to contend, it was from misuse of the initiation device by the local camp at Plymouth and the instructions of the Sovereign Camp for its employment were not followed closely.

BRITISH ONE STEP NEARER TO VICTORY

Colonials On High Ground Overlooking Bepeume, Objective Point FORTIFY GROUND GAINED German Resistance Melts Under Stream of Fire From Allied Guns—Stiff Fighting In Eastern Theater, Reported

(By the United Press)
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 Bepeume, immediate objective of the offensive, less than seven miles away.

Strong defenses of the village of Courcolette 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 Velsynia 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.

WANT TO SEE IF THE PEOPLE LINE LOWERING INCOME EXEMPTIONS

Washington, Aug. 6.—Democrats of the Senate Finance Committee who voted yesterday to lower the income tax exemptions in the revenue bill are anxiously waiting to hear from the country on the recommendation which will be submitted to a party caucus sometime this week for approval. Protests against it already have been heard within the party. Its proponents will use as one argument a suggestion from President Wilson in his annual message to the Sixty-fourth Congress for a reduction in the exemption. The amendment would lower the exemption for persons with families from \$4,000 to \$3,000 and for single persons from \$3,000 to \$2,000.

PHILADELPHIA CAR STRIKE BECOMES A THREATENING AFFAIR

(By the United Press)
Philadelphia, Aug. 7.—Five hundred charmen will be on strike here by 3 o'clock, and at least one thousand, a third of the entire force, is expected to quit. The men demand an increase of wages and recognition of the union. New York Strike Seems About to End. New York, Aug. 7.—The end of the street car strike is in sight. One of the companies has agreed to recognize the union and increase wages. The others, it is believed, will follow. All employees of the subway and elevated roads were increased one dollar a day beginning yesterday.

FAMOUS LONDON CHURCH CALLS IOWA MINISTER

London, Aug. 6.—Dr. Joseph F. Newport, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., has been asked to accept the ministry of the

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

(By the United Press)
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, Aug. 7.—Infantile paralysis is growing here at an alarming rate. The movies are closed to children under sixteen.

MORE HARVARD STUDES JOIN AVIATION SQUAD

(By the United Press)
Mineola, N. Y., August 7.—Seven more Harvard students joined the aviation squad at the Thomas and Wright flying schools at Mineola and Ithaca, today. The recruits were chosen by the Harvard undergraduates' aero training fund committee.

HOSPITALITY HAIR CUT AND NO BARBER IN IT

(By the United Press)
Houston, Tex., Aug. 7.—Houston today claims the long distance hospitality championship. A company of New York militia was passing a fire station during an exercise stroll while firemen were shooing a horse with electric clippers. One of the Guardsmen, whose head was hot beneath a heavy thatch, broke ranks and asked for a haircut. Not only was he accommodated but also a score of his fellow militiamen—and it didn't cost 'em a cent.

HERE'S TO THE PORK CHOP; LONG MAY IT WAVE; BUTCHERS MEET

(By the United Press)
Omaha, Neb., Aug. 7.—That the days of the beefsteak shall be long in the land and the festive porkchop wave forever was the plea today of the United Master Butchers' Association of America, which began its annual convention here this afternoon. Contending that desiccated beans or petrified corn-cobs never can take the place of meat, the organization members planned today to continue a quiet, thorough-going fight against vegetarianism. The convention will close August 11.

HUGHES' AR LOOKED OVER BY A SOLDIER

(By the United Press)
Niagara Falls, N. Y., Aug. 6.—Chas. E. Hughes, westward bound on the first trip of his presidential campaign, spent today at Niagara Falls. Mr. Hughes and his wife went for a long motor ride in Canada this afternoon. During the automobile ride in Canada, at a lonely spot, a Canadian soldier with fixed bayonet ordered the driver to halt, and searched the car for explosives. The soldier, when told of Mr. Hughes' identity, replied with a grin that he was sorry, but military rules made no exception. City Temple, after filling the pulpit of the famous church in a manner highly gratifying to his congregations during the first two Sundays of the month.

KINSTON BAPTISTS PRESENT CALL REV. W. MARSHALL CRAIG

Ask Well Known South Carolina Young Minister to Take Pastorate of First Church Here—Action Is Harmonious

The congregation of the First Baptist church here Sunday unanimously voted to call to the pastorate Rev. W. Marshall Craig of Anderson, S. C., as successor to Rev. C. W. Blanchard, resigned. The call was forwarded by telegraph, with letters to follow. No word has been had from Mr. Craig to indicate whether or not he will accept. Rev. Marshall Craig is a young minister, in his twenties, it is understood. He was until recently assistant to the pastor of the First Baptist church at Wilmington. "If he develops to be only one-quarter as good as he is reported to be, we would be satisfied with him," one member of the local church said today. The church here would afford quite an important pastorate for the young South Carolinian. The local congregation is one of the most influential in North Carolina.

ALLIED DIPLOMATS LOSE HOPE WINNING ROUMANIA, R'EPRT'D

Failure of Enemies at Bucharest and Fact That British Are "Not Gaining" Give Berlin Populace New Confidence

(By the United Press)
Berlin, Aug. 7.—Failure of the British to make any important headway in the great Somme offensive, and the defeat of the Allied diplomats in Roumania, inspired the public to fresh confidence today. Reports from Bucharest and Vienna indicate that the Balkan situation is favorable to the Central powers. The Allies are said now to have practically discontinued their efforts in Roumania.

HOSPITAL FOR CRIPPLED AND SENILE CATS, ETC

(By the United Press)
Cleveland, O., Aug. 7.—Crippled and senile cats and dogs will soon have a home here. The Cleveland Animal Protective Association, having just raised \$5,000, is spending it for a home for domestic animal waifs. There will be a hospital, an ambulance to chase after cat and dog victims, and an electric chair to end the miseries of the incurable. The hospital will be kept open night and day.

BRITISH EXPECTED SOME REVERSES IN BIG DRIVE; BEGINNING ONLY, SAYS A WAR EXPERT; OFFENSIVE IS SLOW, BUT SURE

By JOHN BUCHAN, England's Foremost Writer on Military Affairs. (Written for the United Press)
London, Aug. 7.—When the bombardment ceased on the morning of July 1st, and the Allied troops left their trenches in the big push on a 25-mile front, they did not expect an even and steady advance. A rigid line of German fortifications stretches from Nieport to the Alps. There are no gaps. The defense has its first position, consisting of several trench lines; an intermediate position, and a second and final position some way back of the same type as the first. The labors of 18 months have made each position a miracle of human ingenuity—a labyrinth of trenches and a subterranean city of dug-outs. No such feat can be broken at the first attempt. We are only at the beginning of the

THIRD STATE HIGH SCHOOL FOR LENOIR TO BE AT MOSS HILL

Consolidation of Several Rural Schools Is Practically Certain—Brick Building To Be Erected; May Cost \$5,000

The County Board of Education today discussed plans for a new State high school at Moss Hill to replace the group center school there. The high school is virtually assured; funds enough to secure the State's aid have been provided by the county, members of the board said today. Consolidation of several schools will be effected. No public transportation system is contemplated yet. The building, probably of brick, will cost about \$5,000. Four or five teachers will be employed. The Moss Hill school has long been one of the most enterprising in the county. It will be the site of the third State high school in Lenoir. Such institutions are now located at LaGrange and Pink Hill. The county is allowed four.

BAKER BEGINS FIGHT ON HAY AMENDMENT

Washington, Aug. 4.—Secretary Baker, with the support, it is understood, of President Wilson, has urgently requested the Senate and House conferees on the army appropriation bill to reconsider their decision accepting Representative Hay's amendment to the revised articles of war, which would exempt from the military criminal code officers and enlisted men on the retired list.

U. S. INVESTIGATING LETIMBRO'S SINKING

Washington, Aug. 4.—American consuls in Italy were directed today to report on the circumstances under which the Italian mail steamer Letimbro was shelled and sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean. Dispatches from London yesterday said the submarine continued firing after the liner had stopped, and that many members of the passengers and crew were believed to have lost their lives.