

STAGE ALL SET FOR NATIONWIDE WALK-OUT OF STEEL WORKERS MONDAY; GARY CAN'T BE FOUND; FITZPATRICK TO WEST

Women to Help Officials Keep Up Morale of Strikers' Wives and Daughters—Birmingham Workers to Stage Demonstration Before United States Steel Corporation Plant Monday—Numerically Weak, Plan to Make Up for It in Noise—Mass Meetings in Many Towns and Villages Sunday—Lackawanna Company Plans to Operate in Face of Strike—Buffalo Mayor Asks County and State Officials Take Precautions

(By the United Press)

Washington, Sept. 20.—Women will be relied upon to help win the nationwide strike against the United States Steel Corporation scheduled to begin Monday, according to Chief Organizer John Fitzpatrick.

Women investigators will be sent into homes of strikers to see what help can be given by the union organizations and keep up the morale of the wives and daughters of strikers, said Fitzpatrick today. Fitzpatrick is en route to Chicago following his conference here yesterday with President Gompers.

That the American Federation of Labor does not feel strongly inclined to back up the strike was the conclusion drawn here today from Fitzpatrick's attitude following his conference with Gompers.

Gary Gone. New York, Sept. 20.—Judge Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation, is not at his office here and will not be there during the day. His secretaries refused to say where Gary had gone.

Birmingham Prepares.

Birmingham, Sept. 20.—Members of the steel workers' union here are ready to walk out Monday morning, according to announcement by E. S. Ingram, the secretary. A demonstration is being planned to start at 6 o'clock Monday morning at the Ensley plant of the United States Steel Corporation. Union officials admit they are numerically weak in this territory, but have called meetings for Sunday afternoon and night in the hope of bolstering up their organization.

To Ignore Strike.

Buffalo, Sept. 20.—The Lackawanna Steel Company today decided to continue its plant in operation in the face of the strike scheduled for midnight Sunday. Mayor Toomey applied to Sheriff Brundley of Erie County and Governor Smith for help in the case it should be needed to preserve order.

Mass Meetings All Over Country.

Pittsburgh, Sept. 20.—Mass meetings will be held at villages and towns of the country Sunday at which organizers and union leaders will address the workers on the eve of the scheduled steel strike.

Telegrams and telephone calls went out from the national headquarters to various district headquarters today arranging for speakers for the meetings. The steel workers and members of the 24 affiliated unions will be urged to strike to the last man.

KNIGHTS OF THE BATH LITERALLY, PRESUMED

Modern Health Crusade to Be Launched Again by Millions School Children—11 Chores Day for 15 Weeks.

(By the United Press)

New York, Sept. 19.—With the announcement made by the National Tuberculosis Association that the second annual tournament of the "modern health crusade" for school children will begin immediately after the opening of the school terms this fall, a further statement was made that the National Education Association, which includes 400,000 teachers in the country, has endorsed the crusade in a formal resolution.

There will be approximately 3,000,000 entries in the crusade this coming year. All children who won the title of page, squire, knight or knight banner last year are eligible again to try for promotions in "the field of the cloth of gold" and now entries may take the jousting field at any time.

The "modern health crusade" is based on the performance of 11 chores to be done each day for 15 consecutive weeks. By completing 75 per cent. of the chores each week during the 15 weeks, the entrant becomes a knight banner and the lesser titles are graded according to the number of chores done.

CORN MARKET.

At Chicago Friday September closed at 1.47, December at 1.23 3/4.

WAS GOOD WEEK ON M'LONDON MEETING TOBACCO MARKET; A OPENS SUNDAY AT 3 GOOD PRICE GAIN WITH ALL PREPARED

Market Stronger Than Ever Before — Breaks of Right Proportions — Farmers' Policy Sensible One, Shown

Tobacco prices increased handsomely during the past week, while sales for the week brought the season's total up to 6,000,000 pounds or more. Many estimates placed the price increase at more than 10 per cent. Certainly the week has grown in value that much within 10 days, if not within the week.

The gain was not confined to best-quality weed. The lower grades showed steady improvement.

Kinston at the end of three weeks has marketed almost one-fourth of the 25,000,000 pounds predicted by tobaccoists to be the season's total. The breaks of the five days ending with Friday were uniform and at no time of block proportions.

Consistent marketing is helping the cause of prices greatly, although for that matter the market was unexpectedly strong from the very first.

FIND NO ROOM FOR POOR SAINT GEORGE

Canon Charles Doesn't Give Tolerance About His Bones—Shortage of Burial Space at Westminster Abbey.

London, Sept. 19.—Famous Britisners will have to hurry up and die if they want to be buried in the national Valhalla, Westminster Abbey. There is absolutely no room for six more, and they will have to be cremated first, according to Rev. Canon R. H. Charles, who is in charge of abbey graves and interments.

The suggestion cabled from Australia, that the abbey should be the last resting-place of a casket of bones alleged to be those of England's patron saint, St. George of Cappadocia, which were excavated by Australian troops in Palestine, finds little favor with Canon Charles. "I have no room for his bones," he declared emphatically.

"Anyway, there is only room for the remains of six more famous people in the abbey. I am trying to secure additional ground for interments; there are some old houses behind one of our Norman walls which will have to come down some day. I want the space reserved for the interment of the famous men. There are so many great men, nowadays, and there will be so many in the years to come, that space for six seems inadequate. If we get this space we might have room for St. George."

H. C. L. HITS JAPAN AND WAGES TAKE RISE

Servants Demand More, Rents Soar, Fuel Increases, Passenger Fares Up and Poor Tourist Gets it in Neck Generally.

By RALPH H. TURNER

(United Press Staff Correspondent) New York, Sept. 19.—Out in Japan, the time was—and no so long ago, either—when the foreign resident could live like a food profiteer on an income that wouldn't maintain parlor, bedroom and bath in the "States."

A clap of the hands speedily brought forth a retinue of servants whose aggregate salary would scarcely supply Coney Island money for a New York "domestic."

But now—! Japan, like every other civilized land, has been struck head-on by the high cost of existing.

Servants are now demanding nearly twice their former pay.

House rents have gone up from one-third to one-half.

Coal is about \$14 a ton, kerosene is 50 cents a gallon and gasoline is about a dollar a gallon.

Custom-made silk shirts now cost from \$7 to \$10.

And no longer will a coolie pull you all over town for half a dollar.

Laundry is the only remaining item of cheapness in Japan.

Preliminaries Completed and Kinston Awaits First Gun

BIG EVANGELISTIC DRIVE

All Hands Entirely Present Save Fred Seibert and Seibert Mostly So—Unique Methods, Odd-Looking Pulpit

(By D. T. EDWARDS)

Unless all signs fail one of the largest congregations that ever assembled in Kinston will greet "Cyclone Mack" Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the big tent at Gordon and McLeenan.

The finishing touches were put on at a rehearsal Friday night in the newly erected tent. Prof. Carroll was there. Mrs. Scheidley was there. Mr. Marshall was there. And Fred Seibert was there—all in good shape except Fred was minus part of a thumb which was an unwilling sacrifice made in the erection of the tent.

Preliminaries Out of the Way.

Besides these four of the McLendon party several of the ushers met for preliminary instructions, the choir practiced some choruses and the executive committee conferred as to ways and means of making the evangelistic campaign a huge success; and plans were developed for carrying the work through in keeping with the pace that Lenoir County for the last several years has set for herself. And that means a drive that will not let up till Mack leads us "over the top."

Organization of the executive committee was further completed by making Mr. D. F. Wooten vice-chairman.

What He Looks Like.

One of the side issues that one can hear discussed as one goes about is what Mack looks like. One man will say he looks like a cowboy from the wild and woolly and another will tell you he looks like a Mexican bandit and you expect to find a small-sized arsenal upon further examination.

But what Mack looks like is an insignificant proposition when compared to what Mack is.

He is a man discovered of God and is a mighty force in his Master's service in these degenerate days of isms, cults, theories, heresies, blind indifference, pleasure worship and slavery to mammon.

By the help and guidance of God and with the sustaining power of all the good influences in this community he is going to enter upon a campaign which has for its end "Lenoir County for Christ."

In his own unique—perhaps sometimes picturesque and even shocking—way he will go about the work—and get results.

No matter what man says about him God accepts his efforts and places upon them the seal of his blessing—and that's all Mack is looking for.



Rev. F. H. McLendon, "Cyclone Mack," in one of his characteristic attitudes. Mack begins a series of meetings in Kinston on Sunday afternoon next at 3 o'clock. His tent is on the vacant lot next to the Gordon Street Christian Church.

WILL CARRY FIGHT ON TUBERCULOSIS ABROAD

Jewish Relief Committee in Cooperation With National Tuberculosis Association to War on Disease in Europe.

(Special to The Free Press)

New York, Sept. 20.—By an agreement between the National Tuberculosis Association and the American Jewish Relief Committee, the two organizations will cooperate this fall and winter in campaigns for funds to aid stricken people.

The drive of the American Jewish Relief Committee, which is for \$35,000,000, will be held in the fall. The National Tuberculosis Association campaign for the sale of Red Cross Christmas seals will be held in December.

Through this cooperation, the Red Cross Christmas seal, which for 10 years has stood for the battle against tuberculosis, will carry its influence across the seas, because the American Jewish Relief Committee will be called upon help stamp out tuberculosis in Poland, Serbia, France and other named countries.

Drummer Boy Who Beat Last Assembly in Va. to Attend Reb. Reunion

(By the United Press)

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 20.—The drummer boy who is said to have beat the last roll call for Gen. Robert E. Lee's army at Appomattox Court-house, Virginia, and the man who carried the wounded Stonewall Jackson from the battlefield, are planning to attend the United Confederate Veterans' reunion here October 7 to 11.

T. E. Plowder, of Dickey, Calhoun County, Ga., is the drummer.

"I had a letter today from Bluffton, S. C.," he writes, "from an old army comrade, J. J. Carson, saying he expected to try to attend the reunion. He and I both belonged to the same company, D, Twelfth Georgia Regiment."

"He drove Gen. 'Stonewall' Jackson off the battlefield the night he was wounded at Chancellorsville. He is now 73 years old."

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FRANK TAYLOR FOUND NOT GUILTY BY JURY

Iron Bridge Merchant Was Charged With Selling Whisky—Another Case Against Him—Many Witnesses to Be Summoned.

Frank Taylor, well-known Iron Bridge merchant, was found not guilty of retailing liquor by a jury in the Recorder's Court Friday afternoon. There was comparatively little evidence against the defendant. One witness, James Smith, stated that he had taken whisky from a container in the store, and left a dollar, asking for no change. It seemed to have been a one-man transaction, from the testimony.

County authorities say a stronger case is pending against Taylor. Some more or less prominent persons including professional men, are among the many witnesses to be summoned. This case will come up during next week.

Other matters disposed of Friday were: H. Martin, assault, judgment suspended; John Oliver, assault, judgment suspended; W. R. Williams, drunk, \$10 and costs; Raymond Murphy, violation of the sanitary law, judgment suspended; Walter Temer assault, transferred to the Juvenile Court; Mary Slussen, larceny, \$29 and costs.

TO SUPPRESS THE REDS IN AUSTRALIAN STATE.

Melbourne, Sept. 18.—A vigilance committee of 2,000 has been organized in the city of Brisbane for the active suppression of all disloyal movements. Orders have been issued throughout the State of Queensland to arrest all persons guilty of bolshevism. These will be deported. The recent "red" disturbances in Brisbane caused these steps to be taken.

18 FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE

Washington, Sept. 20.—More wheat should be sown this fall than was the average in pre-war years, but not so much should be sown as was sown last year. This is the outstanding fall farming recommendation of the Department of Agriculture, which is watching the changes of world supply and demand while European countries are getting back to normal in food production.

As to winter wheat, the department suggests that 42,000,000 acres be sown this fall to this crop, and that 20,000,000 acres be sown in 1920 to spring wheat, making a probable aggregate production in 1920 of 830,000,000 bushels, of which 200,000,000 bushels would be available for export after home needs are met.

This production would approximately equal the average yield of wheat in the United States for the five years 1915 to 1919 inclusive. The five-year average is thought to be a safe guide for American farmers.

WILSON HEADS EAST FROM LOS ANGELES AFTER DAY OF REST

Two Addresses, Quiet Sunday and Executive Will Quit Coast

JOHNSON LAYS OFF TRIP

Won't Go to Far West—Reno President's Next Stop—Train on Siding Overnight for Good Night's Sleep for Party

(By the United Press)

Aboard the President's Special, Sept. 20.—The President went to Los Angeles today to make possibly two speeches and take a weekend rest. Only one speech is scheduled for this evening, at the Shrine Auditorium, but it is considered likely that he will also speak at a dinner to be tendered him.

The President's special was placed on a siding last night. This was done so Mr. Wilson could get a good sleep. He left San Diego to arrive at Los Angeles at 9 o'clock this morning and spend the day as quietly as possible. Sunday has been set apart as a day of rest. Sunday night the President will leave for Reno on the outward swing.

Johnson Ends Tour.

St. Paul, Sept. 20.—Senator Hiram Johnson today announced definitely the abandonment of his stumping trip to the Pacific Coast. He planned to end his journey in opposition to the League of Nations covenant with speeches in the Twin Cities today.

Johnson's vigorous attacks on the league agreement met with a hearty response here before a joint session of the legislature, which last winter approved the Wilsonian idea.

San Diego's Whopping Audience.

San Diego, Sept. 20.—Fifty thousand persons heard the President speak in the San Diego stadium yesterday.

Car Shortage Now is Less Serious Than in Past Years, States

(By the United Press)

Washington, Sept. 19.—Walker D. Hines, director-general of railroads, today authorized the following statement relative to the freight car situation:

"Current discussion of car shortages and related questions makes it important to bring to the attention of the public the fact that, contrary to what seems to be the public assumption, conditions in this respect are substantially more favorable than they were in recent years prior to the war.

"On August 1, 1917, the total car surpluses reported throughout the country were 43,481 cars, whereas on August 1, 1919, the total car surpluses were 107,900. The total number of unfilled car requisitions on August 1, 1917, was 77,257, whereas the total number of unfilled car requisitions on August 1, 1919, was only 19,271.

"The number of freight cars in service and not withdrawn for repairs on July 1, 1917, was 1,363,000. The number of freight cars in service and not withdrawn for repairs on July 1, 1919, was 2,065,000."

SHE LEARNS WHAT HER SEX LIKES TO DISCUSS.

London, Sept. 19.—The secret's out. Miss Maud Syngé, welfare worker, says the principal things girls talk about when men aren't near are: "Blouses, boys and health."

TOBACCO.

Closing sales of the week here found the breaks apparently not so heavy as the average to date. But while receipts may not have been quite so heavy, prices were fully as good as the best yet paid. Probably 2,000,000 pounds have been sold during the week—possibly more. The season's business to date has been 6,000,000 or more.

BUY WAR-SAVING STAMPS.