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GOVERNMENT ORDERS POSTPONEMENT OF STRIKE

Electrocution of Harris Stirs Up Much Criticism

CRITICISM IN HARRIS CASE IS EXPRESSED

Many Endorse the Governor's Stand But Majority Think He Made A Mistake

PRESS COMMENTS ON THE ELECTROCUTION

Many Persons Continue To Write Governor With Regard To Harris Case

While there are unquestionably a large number of persons who endorse the action of Governor Morrison in refusing to grant a reprieve in the case of J. T. Harris, Ridgecrest merchant, convicted of the murder of F. W. Monish and executed yesterday morning at Raleigh, a storm of protest has been aroused in all sections of the state and severe criticism is being manifested through the press and other sources.

Here in New Bern the majority of those who have been heard to express themselves on the subject appear to be of the opinion that the Governor took the wrong stand in the matter. In other cities in the eastern part of the state the same feeling seems to be in evidence. Most of the newspapers today carried editorials on the situation and in practically every case the Governor's attitude was censured.

From Raleigh, however, the word that many persons have given is to the effect that Mr. Morrison acted wisely and followed the course of justice when he refused to interfere with Harris' electrocution. On the other hand, there are many at the capital who hold that a stay of sentence should have been granted.

Letters and telegrams continue to pour into the Governor's office. Many of these are said to deal with the execution of Harris, although no information has been given out concerning their contents.

"I don't care to be quoted in the matter," said a prominent New Bern lawyer this morning in commenting on the case, "but I believe that Mr. Morrison made a grave mistake in refusing to intervene. Furthermore, I believe he displayed poor judgment when he refused to receive delegations and to read communications with regard to the case. No stone should be left unturned in trying to save a man's life if there is the slightest doubt concerning his guilt. Harris killed Monish. It is true, but new details in the case have appeared of late and I think that further investigation should have been made."

WILL MANUFACTURE LIQUOR IN RUSSIA

(By Associated Press).
MOSCOW, Oct. 21.—The superior Economic Council has decided to permit the manufacture of alcoholic beverages in Soviet Russia, partly for export, with government monopoly. It was announced. Vodka and other liquors have not been manufactured in Russia for five years.

BALTIMORE TO TRAIN IN WINSTON-SALEM

(By Associated Press).
BALTIMORE, Oct. 21.—The Baltimore International League baseball club will train next spring at Winston-Salem, N. C. It was announced today. The club trained for the last two years at Goldsboro, N. C.

PACKERS PREPARING FOR RAILROAD STRIKE

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—Chicago packers today began storing fresh meat for emergency use in event of a railroad strike. Preparations are being made. It was said, to stock strategic distributing centers to the maximum.

12 DRY AGENTS TO LOSE PLACES IN PHILADELPHIA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—"The cleanup in Pennsylvania will be complete," it was announced here today by Prohibition Commissioner Haynes upon his return from investigating the enforcement of liquor laws in Pennsylvania. Haynes has recommended the dismissal of a dozen agents in Philadelphia, whose places, he said, "will be filled by trained men of unquestioned dependability."

It was indicated today that New Jersey and Maryland will be the next states to come under the official scrutiny, following the shakeups in enforcement personnel in Philadelphia and New York.

LLOYD GEORGE WILL SAIL NOVEMBER 5TH

(By Associated Press).
LONDON, Oct. 21.—Prime Minister Lloyd George has decided definitely, it was stated today, to leave for Washington November 5 on the liner Aquitania, arriving in time, it is expected, for the afternoon session of the armaments conference on its opening day, November 11.

It is expected A. J. Balfour, of the British delegation will accompany the prime minister. Mrs. Lloyd George probably will sail with her husband.

SAYS GAME WAS POORLY PLAYED

Neither State Nor University Showed Any Exceptional Form Says Mr. Dunn

"One of the poorest exhibitions of college football that I have ever seen," was the way that William Dunn, Jr., summed up the Carolina-State football game yesterday.

"Both teams showed poor form," continued Mr. Dunn. "Carolina had a good backfield but a poor line. State had a good line but a poor backfield. Neither side displayed any generalship. In fact, the players didn't seem to know what to do. They had to hold repeated conferences in mapping out their plays. From start to finish it was a mighty poor game. State won by a fluke. University outplayed them in practically every department of the game. John Jeannett could have outplayed any member of either team."

KEEN INTEREST IN CAMPAIGN IS DISPLAYED

Big Race Will Start In A Few Days.—Everybody Has Fair Chance to Get Prizes

We are agreeably surprised at the interest being shown in the drive up to the present time men, women, boys and girls are sending in their names as charter members of the drive and to share in the wonderful rewards. If you have not sent in your name do so now. An early start means a better chance for winning the big prize.

The liberal prize list offered in this drive has created widespread interest. The New Bernian and Sun Journal do not believe in doing anything by halves and having decided to launch this drive for circulation are determined to offer a list of prizes that will insure interest and that would keep this interest up to the highest pitch throughout the campaign.

Results, it appears, will justify these papers' faith in the ambition and enterprise of the people of this section, for the interest is growing every day and a larger list of acceptances to nominations were received yesterday than any day since the announcement of the undertaking.

The time to enter is now before the official start is made and the competition becomes so keen. One may enter now and begin working among their acquaintances and friends and pile up a large total of votes to begin with. Send in your name now—don't wait until the other fellow has the lead.

Mrs. David Williams of Beaufort, has been admitted to St. Luke's Hospital where she will undergo an operation within the next few days.

WAR DISABLED NEED REAL AID HARDING TOLD

Head of Veterans Bureau Denounces Training System in Report to the President

PRESENT TREATMENT CRIMINAL, HE ASSERTS

Asks That Vocational University For Ex-service Men Be Established At Once

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The government's plan for training disabled veterans of the World War has been a failure, Colonel Charles R. Forbes, director of the Veterans Bureau, reiterated in a new report transmitted to President Harding today.

Of more than 100,000 who have taken training in the three years since the armistice only 5,000 according to Colonel Forbes, "have been rehabilitated to become useful citizens."

In addition to the exploitation of the veterans under conditions described by Colonel Forbes "as criminal and amounting to slavery," the training has been so little supervised, he asserts, "that the practical effects thus far have been most discouraging."

Declaring that the government's procedure and methods are basically unsound, he says:

"Disabled soldiers and sailors are not being trained for pursuits that will fit them for a life of usefulness. They will be returned to their respective communities but little assisted by the government."

The nature of the courses pursued by the veterans is attacked by Colonel Forbes in his report as being impossible of producing satisfactory results. Reference is made to correspondence concerning subjects which he declares can never be taught by that method. He continues:

"I have noted with grave apprehension the subjects selected, which, if studied with the utmost diligence, would not return the soldier to the community as an asset and a self-supporting citizen."

"Thousands of persons are taking training for which the government has no record as to the time devoted to their studies and work nor as to the results accomplished by such training."

ANOTHER APPLICATION FOR PARDON WAS DENIED TODAY

(By Associated Press).
RALEIGH, Oct. 21.—Gov. Cameron Morrison today turned down the petition of W. Y. Westmoreland, Irredell county man, under sentence of death on November 21 for killing James H. Nance. No new evidence was presented and the governor could see no reason for interfering with the judgment of the court, especially since the judge had made no recommendations for confinement.

FOUR MEN ARE KILLED IN LOG TRAIN WRECK

HATTIESBURG, Miss., Oct. 21.—J. M. Cooper, train foreman; B. P. Hyman, field foreman; O. W. Wallace, saw foreman, and Charles Hipp, negro trainman, all employees of the Newman Lumber Company, were killed Tuesday night in a wreck of a log train of the Newman Lumber Company at Carson, near here, according to reports Wednesday. Several others were slightly injured. The wreck was caused by a section of the log train which had become unhitched, crashing into a work train bound for Carson and running behind the log train.

Crisis in Conference (By Associated Press).

LONDON, Oct. 21.—The negotiations between British officials and Irish leaders today barely escaped being definitely broken off and for a time it seemed possible that the Sinn Fein delegates would return to Dublin tonight. It was learned after the adjournment was taken. The Irish delegates still were apprehensive this afternoon that the session scheduled for Monday be the last.

Friends of little Lucille Lander Couch will be glad to learn that she is almost completely recovered from her recent illness. It had been reported that she had scarce fever but Dr. Gilmore stated today that she had no symptoms of that disease.

TODAY'S DEVELOPMENTS IN RAILROAD STRIKE SITUATION

(By Associated Press)

Following are the railroad strike developments today:
CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—The railroad labor board, having failed in its conference with the brotherhood leaders last night, sent its report to President Harding.

Eleven "standard" unions continued meeting in an effort to reach a common agreement on the stand they will take in event a strike will take place.

Managers of the western roads met to discuss plans to keep the roads in operation.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Government officials awaited official reports from the labor board before taking the next step to prevent the walk-out.

CLEVELAND, Oct. 21.—Brotherhood chiefs returned to their headquarters and continued their strike plans.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 21.—Managers of the southwestern roads met to arrange their program for operation of the roads in the event of strike.

SAN ANTONIO, Oct. 21.—Six hundred members of Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, employed on the Great Northern Railroad, prepared to walk out at noon tomorrow, the first union authorized to quit under the strike orders issued here last Saturday.

Chicago Conference Accomplished Nothing

Railroad Labor Board Submitted Proposals Which Neither the Roads Nor the Unions Were Inclined To Accept

(By Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—Lack of any provision by the unions for suspending the railroad strike called for October 30 made it impossible to accept the plan offered by the U. S. Labor Board yesterday, it was said today in union circles. The board, it was said, presented three proposals to the presidents of the Big Four Brotherhoods and the Switchmen's Union. They were:

- 1.—The railroads to make a reduction in freight rates corresponding to the wage reductions of July 1, less such reductions as have already been made since that date.
- 2.—The roads to refrain from asking the U. S. Labor Board for a further wage reduction until the last cut has been translated into rate reductions.
- 3.—The unions to suspend or withdraw their strike order.

The five union presidents were willing to accept the first two, but declared they had made no arrangements for suspending their strike and any settlement must be made before October 30, or the walk-out would automatically become effective.

The board, it was reported today, taking up the applications of the railroads before next March and that the bulk of testimony naturally expected in a case of such importance probably would be heard on the decision for another six months, making it highly improbable that the roads could get an answer before next August or September.

BELGIUM TO TAKE PART IN ARMS CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Belgium officially notified the United States today that she accepted with "thanks and appreciation" the invitation to participate in the armaments and Far Eastern Conference.

Belgium's acceptance was communicated to the state department by Ambassador Brand Whitlock and it completed the list of the acceptances from the nine nations invited.

Mrs. J. H. McMillan, of 8 Griffith street, is recovering from an operation at St. Luke's Hospital. Her friends will be pleased to know that she will soon be able to return to her home.

SEES NO MENTAL ADVANCE SINCE TIME OF PHAROHS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—The intellect of the modern average adult is identical with the intellect of the earliest Egyptians—we haven't progressed intellectually.

This is the indictment of the men and women of today, made by Miss M. Carey Thomas, president of Bryn Mawr College, one of the delegates to "Gompers' conference" on armament limitation.

Mrs. E. Swindell, of Stonewall, was admitted to St. Luke's Hospital yesterday for treatment. Her friends will learn of her condition with interest.

LABOR BOARD BACKED BY FULL AUTHORITY OF THE GOVERNMENT

Railroads Named In Wage Reduction Order And Brotherhood Chiefs Ordered To Appear Before Board Next Wednesday

DRASTIC STEPS TO FOLLOW REFUSAL

Government May Mobilize War-Time Power To Care For the Situation, In Case Compliance to Order Is Refused

(By Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—The United States Labor Board today, backed by all the authority which the government can place at its disposal, called the railroads of the country and the five big unions to appear here next week and solemnly warned the unions not to strike until the Board has heard their grievances and rendered a decision.

The Board's decision virtually means that there will be no strike October 30 unless the unions should choose to openly defy the government, for it is hardly probable that a decision will be rendered by the Board before that date.

The hearing will be open to the press and public and with more than 200 railroads and approximately 80 unions involved directly or indirectly probably will last several days.

While the Transportation Act gives the Board no power to enforce its decisions it is understood that last week's conferences between President Harding, members of the Board, Attorney General Daugherty, Secretary of War Weeks, and the Interstate Commerce Commission placed all the departments of government in accord as to what shall be done if either side moves in open defiance of the Labor Board.

Should the union refuse to abide by the board's order, it has been pointed out the Board will, under the law, issue a statement to the public to that effect and the President and his advisors can then proceed to take such action as they consider necessary.

(By Associated Press).
CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—The United States Railroad Labor Board at 1:15 this afternoon passed a resolution citing the Four Big Brotherhoods, the Switchmen's Union and all railroads named in the wage reduction order of July 1 to appear before the board next Wednesday at 10 a. m.

They were cited to appear that the Board may determine whether they have or are violating the wage reductions order.

The Board also said that insofar as the threatened strike is the result of a dispute between the carriers and their employees concerning wages and working conditions, "this Board hereby assumes jurisdiction of said disputes on the statutory grounds that it is likely substantially to interrupt commerce."

Meanwhile both parties to the disputes were warned to maintain the status quo on the properties of the carriers. The action of the Board followed a conference which began at 10 o'clock. Board members declined to say whether they had been in touch with Washington during the morning.

CLEVELAND, O., Oct. 21.—W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, had not received official notice of the above action at 1:30 p. m. When the dispatch was read to him, Mr. Lee said:

"While I am very busy here, I am perfectly here to recognize any order from the Board or any proper authority that will tend to prevent the strike, even though it keeps me continually traveling out of Cleveland."

"I have not received any order to appear before the Railroad Labor Board next week, but I will certainly be there," said President Stone of the Brotherhood of Engineers.

Mr. J. J. Martin, of Florence, Pamlico county, is getting along nicely at St. Luke's Hospital following an operation several days ago.