

EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYED CALLED TO WHITE HOUSE

FOR A CONFERENCE TOGETHER WITH THE PRESIDENT.

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(By The Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 25.—President Wilson summoned the representatives of the employers and employees involved in the threatened strike to the White House today for a conference together to discuss the proposed plan for settlement.

Arrangements have been made for the representatives of the employees to see the President at 10:30 o'clock and for the representatives of the employers later.

The four brotherhood heads remained with the President an hour and a half, but would make no statement on leaving. The President kept the Cabinet waiting an hour to continue the conference with the railroad men.

"The situation, so far as we are concerned," A. B. Garretson, spokesman for the employees, later said, "is absolutely unchanged. No concrete proposition to which the railroads will agree has been tendered us. Our position is exactly the same as it was when we accepted the plan."

"We have deviated from it in no way."

The railway strike negotiations resolved themselves today, outwardly, at least, into a more or less confused state.

Expressions of optimism from both sides were not so free as they were yesterday, and the feeling heretofore general among the managers was that the plan to include the 8-hour day would be found was not so evident. Some railway executives reverted to the prediction that it never would be conceded.

President Wilson left the Cabinet waiting one hour while he conferred with the four brotherhood heads. All parties to the conference refuse to say what was talked about.

The railroad executives conferred among themselves and it was thought they might possibly later go to the White House. From the executives this statement was issued:

"The executives are understood to be studying a form of communication had hope of a final decision being reached before tomorrow night. The opinion that the 8-hour day basis will not be conceded apparently is growing as the conference grows."

Don't Know Why They Have Been Called by President.

Washington, Aug. 25.—The four brotherhood heads said on entering the White House they did not know why they had been called by the President. It was understood that the President wanted to get their views on legislation to prevent controversies in the future.

TO CHECK SOARING PRICES OF PAPER

Senator Hitchcock Prepared Amendment to Revenue Bill.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 25.—Senator Hitchcock, Democrat, has prepared an amendment to the revenue bill, intended to check the soaring prices of news print paper. It was said today that it would be brought up in the Senate when the time was arranged for debate. Mr. Hitchcock is himself a newspaper publisher.

Paper selling at \$40 and under is not to be taxed. When paper passed \$40 a ton a tax of \$1 would prevail until \$45 a ton is reached, and then the tax would increase to \$3 and mount up to \$10 when the price reached \$100.

"My proposed amendment is designed not so much to raise revenue," said Mr. Hitchcock, "as it is to make it unprofitable for paper manufacturers to charge exorbitant prices for print paper."

"The price of news print paper has been very stable for several years until recently, selling around 2 cents a pound at mills."

PHONE US THE NEWS.

THE FARMERS' UNION AND VETERANS' PIONIER

Was a Great Success.—1500 Present.—Dr. Clarence Poe and Hon. A. H. Boyden Speak.—Big Dinner Served. Other Notes.

The Farmers' Union and Veterans' picnic at St. Johns School house yesterday, the 24th, was a grand success. It was estimated that there were at least 1500 people present. Refreshments were served from three stands and all were kept busy up to the closing hour. Music was furnished by the Plover Cornet Band.

Mr. Harry Cline, president of the Farmers' County Union, presided in his usual graceful and dignified way.

The first speaker, Hon. A. H. Boyden, of Salisbury, chairman of the Old Soldiers' Home, and never failing friend of all veterans and their families, was introduced in a few words by Dr. Cox, pastor of St. Johns Church. Mr. Boyden emphasized the fact known by all of us that, as yet, no history of the war of '61-5 gives a correct account of the part that the N. C. troops took in that great struggle, and announced that a true history is being prepared and would be published in the near future.

He then entered into some very interesting details of the experiences of company "H" of the 8th Regiment, which were greatly enjoyed by all, but especially by those of that company who were present. The only officer of company "H" still living, Lieutenant Geo. E. Ryelie and Black-welder, the color bearer were present and on the speakers platform. The whole speech was greatly enjoyed and highly appreciated.

Chairman Cline then introduced Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, who gave a most interesting address, in which he eloquently pictured what the Farmers Union can accomplish in the way of education, cooperation and community life.

At the close of this address a sumptuous dinner was served, and the rest of the day was spent in sports and social intercourse.

Altogether it was a delightful day and will be long remembered by those who were there.

Rev. Jno. B. Moore, son of G. M. Moore, is spending his vacation among home folks, and will preach at St. Johns Church Sunday, September 3, at 11 o. m.

The annual congregational meeting of St. Johns Church will be held next Saturday, August 26, at 3 p. m. Reports will be rendered by all the different organizations of the congregation. Every member of the congregation is expected to be present.

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THE INSTITUTE CLOSES.

Address by Mr. Odell.—Resolutions Adopted in Regard to Dr. Wicker and Miss Land.

The Cabarrus County Teachers' Institute closed this afternoon with special exercises by the teachers.

Hon. W. R. Odell, chairman of the County Board, was an interested visitor this morning and delivered an address to the teachers.

Dr. Wicker and Miss Land have endeared themselves to all the teachers by their sympathetic and helpful instruction.

In his opening address on the first day of the institute Dr. Wicker made joy the keynote of the institute and he has kept this idea consistently before the teachers, and has made this a most joyous occasion, as attested by this resolution that was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted by a rising vote:

"Resolved, That we, the teachers of Cabarrus County in institute assembled, express our thanks and appreciation to our able instructors for the great service they have rendered us and that we extend to them a most cordial invitation to return and hold our institute again."

THE WILLEHAD ARRIVES AT NEW LONDON, CONN.

Sailed from Boston Yesterday.—A Heavy Fog Held Her Up During Night.

(By The Associated Press) New London, Conn., Aug. 25.—The German steamer Willehad, which was interned at Boston at the outbreak of the war, and which sailed from Boston yesterday via Cape Cod canal, arrived here this morning. A heavy fog held up the steamer during the night, but the weather clearing at daybreak, the Willehad proceeded on here and came directly up the harbor to the huge state pier on which huge storage sheds have been made by E. Fardwooding Company, the American agency for a line of German submarine merchantmen.

EIGHT KILLED IN A ZEPPELIN RAID

THAT OCCURRED IN THE EARLY HOURS TODAY.

SEVERAL HOUSES ARE DAMAGED

Some of the Nine Others Injured are Mortally Hurt.—Other Damage is Declared to Be Slight.—Raid Occurred Between Midnight and 3 O'clock, a. m., on the East and Southeast Coast of England.—At Another Place on the Coast Many Bombs Were Dropped.—One Demolished Station Yard and Bombs Wrecked a Dairy Nearby.

(By The Associated Press) London, Aug. 25.—Details of the raid by hostile airships, which crossed the east and southeast coast of England between midnight and 3 o'clock, a. m., as disclosed by the war office, shows nine persons reported injured, some of them mortally. Other damage is declared to have been slight.

Three persons were killed and several injured by the Zeppelins, which dropped bombs on towns on the southeast coast of England early today, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company. Several houses were damaged. At another place on the southeast coast many bombs were dropped. One fell in the railway station yard, demolished some railings, while another bomb completely wrecked a dairy nearby.

A Later Dispatch. London, Aug. 25.—Eight persons were killed and 30 injured by a Zeppelin raid last night. One hundred bombs were dropped. One Zeppelin reached the outskirts of London.

DE. FLOWE MARRIED.

Announcement of His Marriage August 1 Just Announced.

The following from a Columbia, Tenn., paper will be of interest locally:

"Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Robinson, of Williamsport, announce the previous marriage on August 1, 1916, of their daughter, Mrs. Mary Robinson Warfield, to Dr. R. Frank Flowe, of Davidson, North Carolina. The ceremony was said at Charlotte, North Carolina, by the pastor of the Presbyterian Church of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Flowe will make their home in Kannapolis, N. C., after November the first.

"Mrs. Flowe was formerly Miss Mary Hart Robinson of Williamsport, one of the most charming young ladies of the county and during her school days at the Columbia Institute became quite a favorite in Columbia society, graduating from this institution in 1911. Mrs. Flowe has many friends in the county who will be surprised as well as pleased to hear of her new happiness.

"Doctor Flowe is a prominent young physician at Kannapolis, N. C., and is prominently connected in that State."

COTTON ADVANCES FROM 23 TO 31 POINTS TODAY

Most Active and Excited Opening This Season.

(By The Associated Press) New York, Aug. 25.—The cotton market was most active and excited during the opening of the season this morning, with first prices showing advances of 23 to 31 points over last night's closing figures. December sold at 15.55 and January at 15.57 on the call, and while realizing was heavy enough to cause a reaction of 10 or 12 points right after the opening the market held within 5 or 6 points of the best toward the end of the first hour.

Cotton futures opened feverish: August, no quotation; October, 15.28; December, 15.45; January, 15.54; March, 15.64; May, 15.73.

NO STAMP TAX ON INSURANCE POLICIES.

Senate Finance Committee Strikes This Out of Revenue Bill.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 25.—Democrats of the Senate Finance Committee today, yielding to protests from all parts of the country, struck out from the emergency revenue bill the stamp tax on insurance policies, which proposed a tax of 1-2 cent on each dollar premium on all policies issued under life insurance.

The backbone of the drought has been washed away.

MR. PHILIP SHAW TO BE BURIED IN COLUMBIA

Body to Be Taken There This Afternoon.—His Mother Arrived Early Today.

The body of Mr. Philip W. Shaw, whose death occurred yesterday afternoon at 2:50 o'clock from injuries received by being caught in a gasoline engine at the Jackson Training School, will be taken to Columbia on train No. 45, at 3:20 this afternoon for interment.

Mr. Shaw's mother, Mrs. Harold Turner, and Mr. Frank Turner, arrived this morning at 2 o'clock on delayed train No. 30, from Asheville, by way of Spartanburg. Mrs. Turner did not know that her son was dead until she arrived at Concord, having left Asheville a few minutes before his death occurred. Mr. Shaw's uncle, Dr. Shaw, of Columbia, arrived here on train No. 32 last night.

There will be a short funeral service in the Chapel of the Training School at 1 o'clock this afternoon, conducted by Revs. M. F. Moores and T. W. Smith. The boys of the school, with whom Mr. Shaw was very popular, and greatly beloved, will march to the Chapel in a body. On arrival at Columbia the funeral service will be conducted and the body interred there.

Mr. Shaw was 25 years, 7 months and 21 days old, and had been officer of the second cottage at the Training School for three years. Mr. Shaw lived in Concord while his stepfather, Rev. Harold Turner, was pastor of Central Methodist Church.

Mr. Shaw's only brother, Mr. Ralph Shaw, is with a company of soldiers on the Texas border, and a message cannot reach him for about sixty hours.

Numerous beautiful floral designs have been received, these manifesting the love and respect of those who knew Mr. Shaw.

Mrs. Turner is almost prostrated by the sudden, severe affliction, and fears are entertained that she will not survive the shock.

OVER 3,000 MEN ARE EMPLOYED ON MOUNTAIN

Huge Task Confronted Southern From Old Fort to Ridgecrest.—Had to Rebuild 11 Miles.

(Special to Greensboro News) Asheville, Aug. 24.—The story of the gigantic work which the Southern railway is doing on the Asheville division between Old Fort and Ridgecrest, in order to restore the untold damage caused by the flood of July 15, reads almost like a page from fiction. It is so unusual and out of the ordinary. This small stretch of the main line of the Asheville division just 11 miles in all, has caused the Southern more trouble, more anxiety and expense, perhaps than all the rest of the damage to the system in western North Carolina.

Rising almost sphinx-like, three town or villages, Graphiteville, Dendron and Old Fort have camps which have grown into bustling little cities, with electric lights, water and sewer systems, resident physicians and everything else that goes to make up the modern town.

Estimates place the number of men in these camps at between 2,500 and 3,500, but it seems a safe guess that there are more than 3,000 men employed on this short stretch of road. Great cooking kitchens are maintained at the three base camps, with dining rooms which resemble the modern big circus.

As an example of the great forces engaged on this job, a man who has walked from Ridgecrest to Old Fort, and back again within the past few days, says that it would take the entire military force of North Carolina, as now encamped at Camp Glenn, to fill the camps of the men on this job, were the railroad gangs to quit and the soldiers be sent in.

Despite the fact that work trains have been moved between Old Fort and Ridgecrest within the past few days, as reliable reports state, there seems to be no definite day fixed for the opening of the line to passenger travel.

It is stated by those who are in a position to know that when this line is again thrown open to the public, the road will be safer, of a more substantial nature, than it was even when first built many years ago. While the work of rebuilding the road now is being pushed, the job is being done in such a manner as to make it of the best—a monument to the men who are doing it.

Congress too Adjourn Next Week.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 25.—Administration leaders in Congress were today planning to adjourn next Friday or Saturday. Senator Simmons, chairman of the Finance Committee, said he believed it could be done unless unforeseen trouble arose.

The Russians that the Germans captured are no longer preserved in alcohol.

PHONE US THE NEWS.

CHILDREN BARRED FROM VIRGINIA

NO ONE UNDER 16 CAN ENTER THE STATE.

THIS GOES INTO EFFECT TODAY

Dr. E. G. Williams, State Health Commissioner, This Morning Sent Placards Bearing This Announcement to All Railroads and Steamship Lines in and Out of the State of Virginia.—The Traveling Public is Warned That the State Has Quarantined Against Infants Paralysis, the Quarantine Going Into Effect at 12:01 Today.

(By The Associated Press) Richmond, Aug. 25.—Dr. E. G. Williams, state health commissioner, this morning sent to the railroads and steamship lines operating in and out of Virginia numbers of placards to be posted far and near, warning "the travelling public" of this state's quarantine against infantile paralysis, which went into effect at 12:01 a. m. today.

"No person under 16 years of age," the proclamation says, "shall enter the state of Virginia or any territorial possession thereof, from the states of New York, New Jersey, or Pennsylvania, unless such persons be resident in Virginia."

"Residents of Virginia under 16 years now in the state of New York, New Jersey or Pennsylvania may return to their usual place of residence in Virginia if unafflicted, or unexposed to infantile paralysis, but will be subject to two weeks' quarantine at their destination."

ARRESTED FOR MURDER COMMITTED YEARS AGO.

Andy Wise Was Arrested for Murder in Buncombe 44 Years Ago and Escaped.—Re-arrested Yesterday.

(By The Associated Press) Asheville, Aug. 24.—The strong arm of the law reached out today and Andy Wise was arrested at Williamston, West Va., for the murder of John Rogers in this county 44 years ago.

Wise, then a young man, was arrested 44 years ago for the murder of Rogers by Levi P. Plemmons, then sheriff, and was brought to Asheville. The county courthouse then stood on Pack square and while the sheriff was hitching his horse Wise made his escape. Not a trace was found of him until a few weeks ago, when Steve Rogers, son of the murdered man, came to Sheriff Mitchell and reported that Wise had been seen in French Broad township near here. Although the sheriff was early on the scene, he found that Wise had taken a train at Alexander and escaped.

Wise is now an old man and is said to have an excellent record where he has been making his home all these years. He will be returned here at once to stand trial although Sheriff Mitchell is puzzled as to whether or not he will be able to gather any living witnesses against the man. Since Wise escaped Sheriff Plemmons, aged 82, has passed away, and many people who lived here the murder is alleged to have been committed, are dead.

BILLY SUNDAY AT OCEAN GROVE CAMP MEETING.

Principal Attraction at the Big Event That is Held Annually.

(By The Associated Press) Ocean Grove, N. J., Aug. 25.—The annual Summer Assemblies of the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association have been famous for years, but the revival which opens here tonight under the same auspices promises to far eclipse any of its predecessors in the matter of attendance, interest and enthusiasm. The secret of the extraordinary interest in this year's revival is to be found in the fact that "Billy" Sunday is announced as the principal speaker and chief attraction. The meetings will continue until Labor Day. The engagement will be one of the shortest ever filled by Sunday, but it is expected to be as full of Sunday "pep" as any of the revivals conducted by the famous evangelist in any of the larger cities.

A BIG INCREASE IN OUR FOREIGN TRADE.

Amounted in July to \$40,000,000 More Than in Same Month Last Year.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 25.—American foreign trade during July amounted to \$40,000,000 more than in the same month last year, and set a new July record. It was \$72,000,000 less than the total for June, which was a record breaker in this country's history.

THE GERMANS FAIL TO SHAKE THE FRENCH HOLD

NEW PASTOR FOR ST. JAMES.

Rev. M. L. Stirewalt, of Frankfort, Indiana, Accepts the Call Extended Him by St. James Lutheran Church of Concord.

Rev. M. L. Stirewalt, of Frankfort, Indiana, telegraphs the Council of St. James Lutheran Church of this city that he accepts the call extended him, July 30th, to become her pastor early in October. The congregation which Mr. Stirewalt is serving declined to accept his resignation; but the officials of St. James pressed the call, which it unanimously extended, and Mr. Stirewalt finally got the consent of his people to accept the work here, which affords a larger opportunity in carrying out the progressive steps undertaken by the United Synod of the South.

Mr. Stirewalt is a native of the valley of Virginia, his father and grandfather before him having been strong and influential preachers in the Lutheran church. He is thirty-four years of age, is highly educated, has fine physique, strong personality and is a forceful and eloquent speaker. His family consists of wife and four children, and they will be in addition to the forces of well-doing in the community.

Mr. Stirewalt, besides being one of the most popular ministers in his denomination with a record of great success in the ministerial field, held a professorship in Lenoir College, at Hickory, for several years, and the fact that his former pupils are enthusiastic over him shows his power of influence over the young. From all the Tribune hears of Mr. Stirewalt, it hastens to congratulate St. James upon its good fortune in securing as her pastor such a strong and influential preacher. He and his family will receive a cordial welcome in Concord.

It is of interest to note that Mr. Stirewalt's forebears, many years ago, removed from Rowan county to the valley of Virginia. He is just coming back home. There are in Concord today distant relatives of his.

WEATHER DISTURBANCE OVER SOUTHERN FLORIDA.

Will Increase Slowly and Remain Over Florida for 36 Hours.

(By The Associated Press) Washington, Aug. 25.—A slight disturbance over extreme southern Florida, reported today to the weather bureau, is expected to increase in intensity very slowly and to remain over the Florida peninsula for the next 36 hours.

The waters of southern Florida and throughout the West Indies show no indications of dangerous weather conditions.

SHOOTING IN VIRGINIA.

Whisky, as Usual, at the Bottom of the Trouble.

(By The Associated Press) Lynchburg, Va., Aug. 25.—In a battle yesterday, 8 miles from Stuart, Va., just across the North Carolina boundary, B. H. Mays was shot and probably fatally injured, and William Smith, one of the blockaders, also was shot. Jim and Fletcher Smith, nephews of the wounded man, escaped unhurt. The officers trailed the wagon of liquor, and when Smith was ordered to surrender, he opened fire and Mays was shot in the abdomen.

CONFERENCE TO SETTLE MEXICAN QUESTIONS.

Members of Mexican Commission to Leave for United States Sunday.

(By The Associated Press) Mexico City, Aug. 24.—Members of the Mexican Commission to attend the conferences of representatives of the United States and Mexico, for a settlement of inter national difficulties, tentatively agreed after a conference today, to leave for the United States on Sunday morning.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS CLAIMS DURHAM VICTIM

Three-Year-Old Child of John Wilkins Died Yesterday Morning.

(By The Associated Press) Durham, Aug. 25.—Infantile paralysis claimed its first victim in Durham this summer Thursday afternoon when the 3-year-old child of John Wilkins died at the home of its parents, about 12 miles from Durham. The child contracted the disease while at Philadelphia.

Prayer Yields to Politics.

Winsted, Conn., Aug. 24.—The Republican caucus to elect delegates to the State Convention will be held in Napaug tomorrow evening. The regular mid-week prayer meeting has been postponed to Friday evening, as the Republicans want the room where prayer is offered.

ON MAUREPAS CITY WHICH LATTER OCCUPY.

HEAVY LOSS TO GERMAN FORCES

Although German Forces Made a Heavy Attack Last Night in the Maurepas Sector They Did Not Dislodge the French Hold.—German Lines in Vicinity of Lassigny and Roze are Being Heavily Shelled.—Russians Resume Advance Along the Entire Turkish Front.—Reports of Zeppelin Raid Casualties Still Incomplete.

(By The Associated Press) Although the Germans made a heavy attack last night in the Maurepas sector, north of Somme, the French hold on Maurepas city, complete occupation of which was reported last night, has not been shaken, according to Paris.

The assault delivered on Hill No. 121, near Maure, was repulsed with heavy losses to the Germans, the statement adds.

Intimations in the press dispatches of the possible extension of the French positions south of Somme for a distance of 30 miles from Estres to Lassigny, seemed further borne out by today's official announcement of continued heavy bombardment in that sector. The German line in the vicinity of Lassigny and Roze are being heavily shelled.

A dispatch from Petrograd announces that the Russians have resumed their advance along the entire Turkish front. Their armies in southern Armenia recently showed marked recuperative power after reverses, and the re-occupation of Mush. The evacuation of Bitlis, 12 miles southeast of Lake Van, by the Turks is reported.

At least one Zeppelin in last night's raid appeared near London, according to an unofficial dispatch. The official statement says nine persons were injured, but reports of the casualties are still incomplete.

COURT CASES.

Work is Finished and the Court Will Adjourn This Afternoon.

In the Civil Court, the following cases were disposed of: Belle Hinson vs. T. D. Maness, and Annie Warren vs. Wilkinson-Widenhouse Co., were non-suited. The following were continued: J. H. McDaniel vs. Geo. C. Moore; Ella Reed vs. C. F. Fry; C. C. Faggart vs. A. M. Davis; Home Educational Co. vs. W. B. and Fred Rudisell; G. W. Patterson vs. S. Y. Bryson. Esther J. Litaker was granted a divorce from Thos. F. Litaker. The case of A. M. Davis vs. City of Concord is now in the hands of the jury. This will finish up the calendar for this term of court.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

Opened at an Advance, But the Gain Was Only a Slash.

(By The Associated Press) Chicago, Aug. 25.—The wheat market opened today 3-8 to 1-4 higher, but was only a slash. There was no fresh bullish inspiration in the Liverpool cables and the gain was lost. December opened 3-8 to 1-4 up at 152 3-4 to 152 and touched 152 7-8, and then declined to 151 1-2.

Senator J. E. Martine.

Hon. James E. Martine, Senator from New Jersey, is 66 years old today. Senator Martine was born in New York City, August 25, 1850. He is in every respect a self-made man, as the death of his father compelled him to go to work when he was but twelve years old. The brief educational advantages he enjoyed were in the public schools up to that age. Senator Martine is a Democrat in politics, and influential in the ranks of his party at Washington. He is a resident of Plainfield, N. J., where he has large farming interests. He is also interested in real estate and building. Previous to his being elected to the U. S. Senate for the term of 1911-1917, he had never held public office, having been an unsuccessful candidate for both the New Jersey Senate and House of Representatives.

Daniels to Stump in Maine.

Washington, Aug. 24.—Secretary Daniels started for Maine today to participate in the Democratic campaign. Mr. Daniels expects to make about sixteen speeches.

Senator Ben Tillman, having been convinced that the war is over, the matter may be considered as finally settled.