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(By The Associated Press) Washington, Sept. 25.—Even should the United States Steel Corporation consent to meet representatives of the men the nationwide strike of the steel workers could not now be called off, in the opinion of John Fitzpatrick, chairman of the strikers' committee as expressed today at the opening of the senate labor committee investigation of the strike.

"The 350,000 men on strike," Mr. Fitzpatrick declared, "are going to demand from the United States government, justice, decent justice." After the steel situation had been discussed at the convention last June of the American Federation of Labor, President Gompers wrote to Chairman Gary, Fitzpatrick said, adding: "That letter was ignored absolutely. There was no reply."

THE INTEREST SHIFTS NOW TO WASHINGTON

No Radical Change is Reported Today in Steel Strike Centers. (By The Associated Press.) Interest in the great struggle in the steel industry shifted today to Washington where the labor committee of the Senate opened an investigation with avowed intention of discovering "if the situation in any way can be relieved by Federal action." Meanwhile no radical change was reported in the actual strike centers. It was labor's day in court, for the first witness called was John Fitzpatrick, chairman of the steel workers committee. Employers turn will come next Wednesday when Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the United States Steel Corporation presents the case for capital.

It is the expressed hope of the committee that the investigation will lay bare the underlying causes of the struggle which is threatening the economic interests of the nation. The committee is also expected to probe the charges made on the floor of the Senate and elsewhere that more sinister motives are involved than the ostensible one of the right of the workers to organize.

Mr. Fitzpatrick declared early in his testimony that even the consent of the steel corporation officials to meet the union representatives would not now end the strike. He asserted the strikers intended to demand "decent justice" from the "United States government." So far as the actual conditions of the battle line are concerned, the most definite news came from the Chicago district, where both sides claimed specific advantages.

The state corporation officials announced that the steel and slab mills of the corporation at Gary, Indiana, would resume part operation today, with the underlying causes of the struggle which is threatening the economic interests of the nation.

EFFORT TO MEET THE EFFECTS OF STEEL STRIKE

System Inaugurated of Moving Iron Ore to Steel Mills by Permits. (By The Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 25.—In an effort

PRESIDENT WILSON AT DENVER

Obj. to Treaty, the Shantung Provision, Has Now Been Cleared Away. (By The Associated Press.) Denver, Sept. 25.—Declaring the issue in the peace treaty discussion at last had been "clearly drawn," President Wilson said in an address here today that the "question of fairly facing the nation as to whether the United States would keep promises to help guarantee the peace of the world."

He touched briefly on the voting power of the British empire in the league, saying the objections had been exploded when it became known that the British dominions have "six votes in the assembly, but the assembly does not vote."

On the final issue as it has settled down about the question of reservations, the President said, there was no organized opposition to the treaty, except among the people who tried to defeat the purpose of the government in the war.

THE COTTON MARKET.

Decline of from 3 to 15 Points, Due to Selling and Liquidation. (By The Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 25.—There was some scattered Southern selling and near month liquidation at the opening of the cotton market this morning with first prices showing a decline of 3 to 15 points. October was relatively easy selling off to 31.05 owing to the circulation of notices estimated at about 5,000 bales, but the offerings were readily absorbed by covering and trade buying, with the market soon turning firmer on report of goods dearth.

MAN AND TWO SONS INSTANTLY KILLED.

When Struck by Yard Engine at the Southern Crossing in Winston-Salem. (By The Associated Press.) Winston-Salem, Sept. 25.—J. W. Brown and two sons, of Stokes County, were instantly killed here today when the yard engine on the Southern Railway struck their automobile at the garage crossing. The bodies were horribly mangled, the undertakers being compelled to gather the remains in baskets.

Johnson and Borah to Speak in Birmingham.

(By The Associated Press.) Birmingham, Sept. 25.—Senator Hiram W. Johnson, of California, and Van E. Borah, of Idaho, will speak in Birmingham in opposition to the league of nations within the next ten days, it was announced at State Republican headquarters today.

NO CHANGES IN THE STEEL STRIKE SITUATION

Steel Officials Say Men Are Returning to Work; Union Heads Say Strike Is Spreading. (By The Associated Press.) Pittsburgh, Sept. 25.—Neither side in the steel strike made any claim of changes in the situation today. Corporation officials announced that a gradual return of the men which set in on the second day of the strike, continued.

The return, it was said, was not large, but was steady, and gratification was expressed by the steel company officials with the situation.



Hogs!

SAVINGS SOCIETY IN EVERY SCHOOL ROOM

Teaching of Thrift to Be Made a Part of the Work in Each School. Mr. H. I. Woodhouse, chairman of the Government Thrift organization for Cabarrus County, has received a copy of a letter just written by Governor Bickett in which the executive expresses the hope that the people of this state will cooperate for the establishment of a savings society in every school room.

Accompanying the Governor's letter is a communication from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction the Hon. E. C. Brooks, who not only favors the suggestion but hopes to see the teaching of thrift made a part of the regular work of every school.

"I wrote them," said Superintendent Brooks, "that the National Government has three definite aims in insisting on the teaching of thrift." 1. "To give the child a broad understanding of the specific facts and underlying principles of thrift."

2. "To train the child in the habit of conservation and the wise use of his resources." 3. "To create through the schools a public sentiment in favor of thrift and economy and through this public sentiment to cultivate the National habit of thrift."

By the thrift program the people of the Old North State, who according to official reports, rendered splendid and enduring service during the war, may derive a lasting benefit, it is declared from the lesson of economy and sacrifice learned during the war period.

GEN. TYSON HAS BEEN INVITED TO MEMPHIS.

Will Formally Invite President Wilson to Attend Thirtieth Reunion. (By The Associated Press.) Knoxville, Sept. 25.—Brig. Gen. L. D. Tyson, who commanded the 50th brigade of the 30th division, A. E. Forces, has been invited to Memphis by one of those receiving President Wilson on his visit to that city next Saturday. While there General Tyson will formally invite President Wilson to attend the reunion of the 30th Division at Greenville, S. C., next Monday, the first anniversary of the breaking of the Hindenburg line by the thirtieth forces.

Democratic National Committee in Session. Preliminary Plans for the Democratic Campaign Are Being Discussed. (By The Associated Press.) Atlantic City, Sept. 25.—The Democratic National Committee opened an executive conference here today at which the preliminary details for the Democratic National Campaign will be discussed.

DEFENSE SEEMS HAPPY OVER JUDGE'S ACTION

Justice Now Holds Ritech and Graham on All Counts—Other 27 Cases Removed. W. T. Burt in Greensboro News. Albemarle, Sept. 24.—The defense in the Albemarle riots cases, growing out of the shooting at the Wisconsin mills September 15, today swore the second section of the preliminary bearing away from Police Justice R. R. Ingram and court took a full day off.

The unexpected move took place this morning when the justice, who yesterday bound over Marvin Ritech and J. H. Graham for counselling riotists to alleged violations of the law, asked to write into his judgment matters which the defense disputed.

The two days consumed in trying the first two defendants ended by a judgment of probable cause and bond in the sum of \$1,000. Judge Ingram announced that he held the men under \$4,457 of the period. That section relates to insurrection and when the justice announced his purpose to let a jury decide whether there is evidence sufficient to convict, Attorney Harkins for the defense raised a delicate issue.

The legal contest therefore furnished all the interest that the trial had today. If the Supreme court will hold that Judge Ingram cannot amend his judgment and that the men should have been acquitted yesterday the defense will then plead former jeopardy and insist that no tribunal can investigate them again. Should the defense then advance itself so glorify it will be ready itself to fight a prosecution for insurrection and rebellion.

It does not believe a court in the nation will hold the men rioting at Wisconsin mills guilty of insurrection against the state. With only one indictment and one count in it, the defense believes it can acquit every man charged with crime at the mills.

ENTIRE CHARLOTTE POLICE WILL WALK OUT

In Case the Recall of the Three Present Commissioners is Successful. (By The Associated Press.) Charlotte, Sept. 25.—The entire police force of the city of Charlotte will walk out of office in the event that the recall of the three present commissioners is successful.

NORCOTT MILL NEWS.

Personal and Other Items of Interest Throughout Neighborhood. Mrs. Floyd Bennick, who has been on the sick list for several days, is able to be up again.

Mrs. Edna Harris, of Albemarle, spent Monday night with her sister, Mrs. R. L. Morris.

Mrs. and Mrs. Eli Furr were visitors at the home of Mrs. and Mrs. O'Neil, of Concord, made pleasant calls in our village Sunday evening.

Mrs. D. A. Burris and sister, returned to Albemarle Tuesday after visiting relatives in our village.

Messrs. Harley Wincoff, of Kannapolis, Guy White and Roland White, of Concord, made pleasant calls in our village Sunday evening.

TO COMPEL RELEASE OF REFRIGERATOR CARS

Drastic Action Taken Today By Director General Hines. (By The Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 25.—Drastic action was taken today by Director General Hines to compel the release of refrigerator cars. After receiving numerous complaints of delay in the unloading of such cars, presumably by jobbers, who preferred paying demurrage to losing a possible advance in market price of goods.

Mr. Hines ordered regional directors to place embargoes against all consignees who fail to release promptly such equipment. The situation in the West and the beginning of the Florida crop movement was said to render all reasonable measures necessary to obtain the fullest use of the refrigerator cars.

BELL WINNER.

Leslie Bell Defeated A. S. Lawrence After Three Hard Sets in Semi-Finals.

But one more match of the semi-finals for the Y. M. C. A. Tennis championship remains to be played, two matches having been played yesterday afternoon. Charlie Whiteside defeated "Dick" Gibson in two straight sets 6-1 and 6-3. During the first set Whiteside had the better of his opponent throughout, but Gibson rallied in the second set, and though the score was not close, it does not indicate the brand of the tennis played.

Leslie Bell and A. S. Lawrence played the best tennis seen on the court this year, and for the first time during the tournament Bell lost a set. Lawrence won the first set 7-5, but Bell rallied. Lawrence weakened, and the former won the next two sets 6-1 and 6-2.

Both men played a net game, and this accounts for the defeat of Bell in the first set. There were smashes, well placed lobs and accurately played shots down the side lines, with both men going at top speed.

The victory for Bell puts him in the finals, and tomorrow afternoon the finals will be played. The last game in the semi-finals will take place this afternoon at 5 o'clock when Robert Bell and Charlie Whiteside meet, and the winner of this match will play Leslie Bell for the championship tomorrow.

VICTIM OF ATTEMPTED ASSAULT BY NEGRO

Woman Offered Resistance and Negro Shot Her, Perhaps Fatally.

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 25.—Mrs. Dacie Ward, a white woman, was the victim of an attempted assault by a negro who invaded her home. She offered resistance and the negro shot her, perhaps fatally. He made his escape.

Mrs. Ward's husband was not at home, being at work on a night shift. She was sleeping with a one-year-old child who escaped injury. Her sister-in-law, in another room, was aroused by the shooting, and saw the negro as he fled. Mrs. Ward states that the negro attempted to assault her, and warned her that if she screamed he would shoot her as he did a boy a week ago.

SOFT COAL MINERS TO STRIKE NOVEMBER 1.

Want a Six-Hour Day, Five Hours a Day, and the Lord Only Knows What Else.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 25.—With a general strike of soft coal miners in the United States set tentatively for November first, operators and representatives of the men met here today in an effort to avert it by reaching an agreement on the questions of wages, working hours and working conditions.

The report of the scale committee presented at a meeting of the United Mine Workers of America at Cleveland this week includes demands for a six-hour day, five days a week, with time and a half for overtime, and double time for all work on Sundays and holidays.

SHOPMEN TRY TO DEVISE PLANS FOR WAGE INCREASE.

Movement to Be Started to Recall the Grand Lodge Officers. (By The Associated Press.) Chicago, Sept. 25.—A convention of federated railway shopmen, called by the Chicago district council of the Federated Railroad Shopcrafts, opened today for the announced purpose of devising means for obtaining increase in wages.

J. D. Saunders, secretary of the council, said the delegates would discuss the inability of their grand lodge officials to obtain more than the 4 cents an hour increase granted the railway shopmen last month by President Wilson, and he also declared a movement would be started to recall the grand lodge officials.

ANOTHER BIG OFFER EXPIRES SATURDAY

At That Time Another Opportunity to Win \$5 and to Build up Your Reserve Vote Will Have Passed.

DON'T WASTE A MOMENT'S TIME

Only Three Weeks and Three Days More of the Contest.—Some Claims Made by Contestants.

Another Gold and Vote club offer will close Saturday night, another opportunity to win a prize and build up your vote reserve will have passed. Will you be sure to meet the big bonus of fifty thousand extra votes for a club of \$25.00 in new subscriptions and also a \$5.00 gold piece, or will you allow another golden opportunity to slip through your fingers?

Winning these bonuses may determine the winner of the Overland 4, or one of the handsome Columbia Grafonolas. Do not wonder if you can do it, but go out and prove that you can. Time wasted is time thrown away and opportunity lost. Each day brings the vote nearer and each day that you increase your standing brings you just that much nearer to the desired goal.

If you are to be best make them fight and fight hard for it. Every candidate in the race has an excellent opportunity to come out ahead, do not allow anyone to tell you different, pay no attention to rumors, obstacles or discouraging comment of others. Had Fulton who built the first steamship listened to discouragement his "folly" so called would never have made a successful trial trip, and the construction of the first steamer would have been delayed probably a decade, and thousands of useful and practical inventions of other men, which have subsequently proved wonderful labor saving devices would never have been perfected had these great men listened to discouraging comment. Above all remember a winner is always a winner.

Only three weeks and three days more of the contest. Miss Margaret McEachern has combined forces and is making a dash for the goal. She has decided that while her friends are overwhelmingly for her, if she is to win she must do a little stomp work for herself.

Rev. D. F. Helms continues to bring in the new ones. New ones are the ones which count, therefore, he is on the right trail. Miss Johnnie Farnell is one of our first class workers and works with the right kind of determination.

Miss Alma Griffin is finding more time to devote to her contest work and is already showing a marked increase in votes.

Mrs. W. L. Yost, of Kannapolis, has her territory well in hand and is receiving the support of the entire city. Miss Wilma Tucker, of Mount Pleasant is holding her own, and she says that she hopes all the deserving contestants from each of the districts to receive a Columbia for she intends to win the car. What about it, Miss Linnaker? Mrs. Yost and Mr. Helms? She has evidently forgotten that Mrs. D. A. McLaurin has not only held up her average but is increasing her standing each week. Besides, Miss Maude Bigger and Miss Elsie Barbee are going to win a \$5.00 gold piece this week, and you know votes go with it. Miss Lucy Klutz has decided that if anyone is going to win that car she intends to make them hustle. Mr. Fred Murr also contends that there is a mistake somewhere for it is his intention to carry home the bacon, and again Mr. Z. Perry feels that his opportunities are as good as anyone's. That is the way things stand with the exception of Miss Rose Skidmore and Miss Annie Tucker state that not any of the others will win but they themselves have already built their garage, and then Miss Mary Clime comes along and tells them to tear it down.

The further we go the deeper we get in for Mrs. B. H. McSwain and Miss Ruby Sapp tell us to throw out all of the above and leave it to them. What shall we do about it, Miss Walton, of Kannapolis, and Miss Ballard, of Kannapolis? The Campaign Manager has decided to tell it to the Judge.

HOW GERMANY CAN RECOVER HER ECONOMIC POSITION.

Only Way is Through Large Loan Arranged by International Conference and Supported by the United States. (By The Associated Press.) Berlin, Sept. 25.—The only way that Germany can hope to recover her economic position is, through a large loan arranged by an international conference and supported by the United States, the Tagelblatt reports Mathias Erbsmager, the minister of finance, declaring in the National Assembly during a discussion of taxation proposals.