

CHARLOTTE REPORTS ARE CONTRADICTORY

The Charlotte News Finds That Majority of Striking Employees Are Anxious to Go to Work.

CHARLOTTE OBSERVER FINDS IT OTHERWISE

Efforts Are Now Being Made by Disinterested Parties to Get Mill Owners and Operators to Agree.

The Charlotte News Monday carried the following story of the strike situation: A movement was under way Monday in an effort to bring about the re-opening of the cotton mills in North Charlotte and the opinion was expressed by persons familiar with the situation that the Highland Park plants may resume operations in a few days.

Temporary relief for strikers in North Charlotte and Belmont resulted Monday from the receipt of money with which to buy a supply of food. This money is said to have been contributed by local textile centers in the Carolinas, several of them having sent small contributions in response to the appeal made to their representatives by International President McMahon during the meeting here Thursday night of last week.

But the relief is only temporary and strikers realize this. It has failed to cause a halt in the increasing tendency among the operatives to discredit McMahon and his assistants, and reports from North Charlotte Monday were to the effect that the international president is one of the most unpopular men among the operatives.

The operatives are tired of their eight weeks of loafing and their efforts to subsist without food. Only a small portion of the operatives are determined to stick it out to the last, despite apparent enthusiasm which prevails when a large gathering assembles or when announcements are being made for consumption by the public.

Corner speeches are frequent in North Charlotte and Belmont, some delivered by McMahon and those who are associated with him taking advantage of every opportunity to exhort the strikers to continue their forced starvation in the hope that the mill owners finally must give in. The announcement of last week that the mills are ready to reopen has been taken by some of the strikers as indicating a great desire on the part of the owners to begin work again.

This belief is firmly denied by mill officials, who have declared they could remain closed down indefinitely and save money. Their only reason for announcing a willingness to reopen, they said, is to convince strikers that jobs are still awaiting those who want to work and that no "lock-out" against the strikers has been planned.

The only advantage to be gained by mill owners from the reopening of the plants would be the holding of the organization of workers together, it was added. As the days pass the strikers are beginning to believe accounts of the strike situation as given for the last several days by the Charlotte News.

The few "Doubting Thomases" in the business section of this city also have come to realize that the revelations of The News in the early part of last week constituted an authentic account of conditions in North Charlotte and of the unflinching position of International President McMahon.

The Charlotte Observer Tuesday had the following: In previous stories regarding the textile strike and the condition of the workers out, The Observer has given reports of what the union men have had to say as well as what the opponents of the strike have said. Those reports were strictly partisan, very often contradictory, and agreeing in only a few particulars.

JUDGE SMITH WANTS GOVERNOR ARRESTED

Says Warrants Should Be Served on Illinois Governor, Indicted on Embezzlement Charge.

NO DIVINE RIGHT OF KINGS

Exists in the State of Illinois, the Judge Rules.—Governor Should Be Given Plenty of Time.

(By the Associated Press.) Springfield, Ill., July 26.—Judge Smith in his opinion in the question of the arrest of Governor Small for embezzlement today held that warrants should be served on the Governor, but that the executive should be permitted to make his appearance at his convention with a reasonable time.

The judge developed his opinion as follows: "That there is no such thing in Illinois as the divine right of kings, and the king has no counterpart in Illinois. That it is beyond the scope of the Governor's power to call the state troops to shield him from arrest."

"That Governor Small, despite his position as chief executive of the state, is subject to arrest and prosecution for his acts as the State Treasurer."

"That the statutes of limitation would expire through any prolonged delay in serving warrants on the Governor."

"That it is not the duty of the courts to withhold warrants for the Governor."

"That Governor Small should be permitted to voluntarily present himself before the courts."

Notification of Governor Small by telephone was the method of procedure decided upon by Sheriff Mester.

"I may go over for an interview with the Governor later, Sheriff Mester said. No attempt will be made to embarrass Governor Small. The order of the court explains how the matter will be handled."

S. A. L. ENGINEER IS KNOCKED FROM CAB

Fireman Discovers That the Engine Was Literally Burning Away.

Portsmouth, Va., July 26.—Glancing up from the fiery mouth of his engine on a Seaboard Air Line train No. 16 about three miles east of Suffolk, Va., to address a remark to his engineer, the fireman, Henry Mason, discovered that the locomotive was running without a pilot.

Hastily search convinced him that the engineer, H. H. Buckner, of this city was not on the locomotive or tender and that the train carrying passengers from Birmingham and Atlanta, was literally running away.

Hastily halting the train the fireman and the rest of the crew went back along the track about a quarter of a mile where they found the body of Buckner. His body, slightly mutilated was found alongside the track. The theory is, that he was knocked from the tender by a low bridge. The train was brought to this city by the fireman.

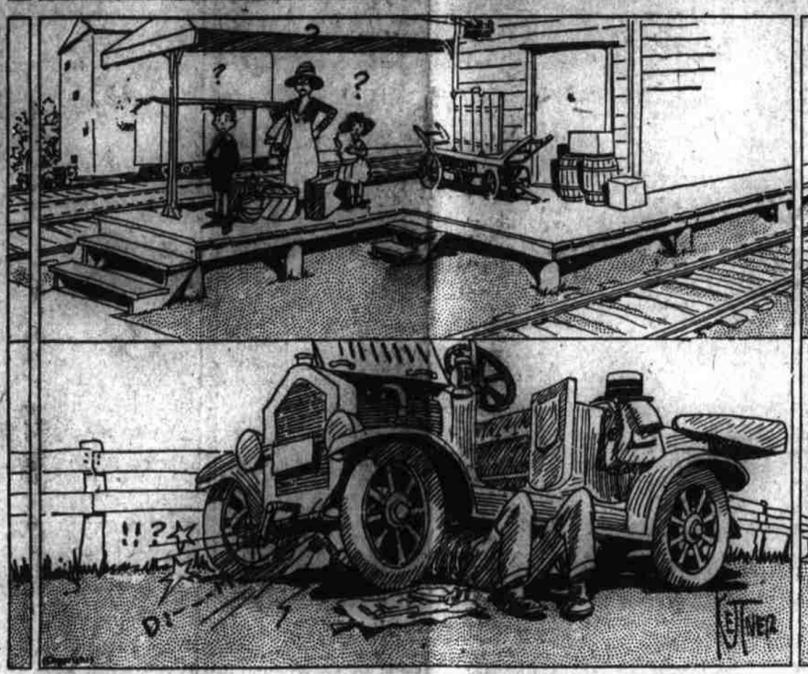
MAY RECALL OFFICERS OF PRESSMEN'S UNION

Washington Local Charges Misappropriation of the Union's Funds.

Washington, July 26.—Recall petitions against President George L. Berry, and other officials of the International Printing Pressmen's union, ordered drawn up two weeks ago by the Washington local of that body, have been confirmed today and will be circulated among other locals of the union.

Misappropriation of the union's funds are charged, and if other locals approve, a referendum will be taken to recall the officials.

The Port of Missing Men



CHAUTAQUA PROGRAM

Full Program Announced by Committee Who Has the Matter in Charge.

The full program to be given here by the Radcliffe Chautauqua next month has been announced by the committee which has this phase of the Chautauqua in hand. The program follows:

Afternoon, August 6.—Moore Musical Entertainers; Lecture by Dr. J. William Terry, D. D.

Night, August 6.—Lecture, "America's Political Ideal," by Dr. Terry; Moore Musical Entertainers.

Afternoon, August 8.—"The Chautauqua Director"—Lecture, "A Community Program," by Dr. Terry; The Bellino-Piunstead Concert Co.—Concert.

Miss Rosa Kohler.—In a program of stories for Young and Old. The opening of the Junior Citizenship Campaign.

Miss Rosa Kohler.—Playground Period.

Night.—The Chautauqua Directors.—Lecture, "America's Social Ideal," by Dr. Terry; The Bellino-Piunstead Concert Co.—Concert.

Afternoon, 9th.—"Americans-All" Detachment—Entertainment. (From the Recruit Educational Centers of the U. S. Army.) Miss Ethel Shepard—Piano-Logues.

Dr. W. T. S. Culp.—Lecture, "Community Co-operation."

Night.—Dr. W. T. S. Culp.—Lecture, "America's Industrial Ideal."

Afternoon, 10th.—"Americans-All" Detachment—Entertainment. (From the Recruit Educational Centers of the U. S. Army.) Miss Ethel Shepard—Piano-Logues.

AGREEMENT REACHED BY HOUSE COMMITTEE

Whereby No Provision in Revenue Laws Will Be Made for a Sales Tax.

Washington, July 26.—Agreement among members of the House ways and means committee that in the revision of the revenue laws no provision will be made for a sales tax, it was announced today by Chairman Fordney at the opening of the public hearings on the proposed measure.

H. C. McKendrick, tax representative of the American Farm Bureau Federation, appeared before the committee, prepared to oppose this form of tax. He was advised to proceed with arguments on other phases of the general tax question in view of the committee's attitude.

The witness did get into the records a statement that in a referendum, members of his organization had voted 87,593 to 7,221 against a sales tax; 73,266 to 9,627 in favor of a constitutional amendment to prohibit the issuing of tax-free securities; and 83,475 to 6,121 against repeal of the excess profits tax.

LEE HALLMAN CHARGED WITH CRIMINAL ASSAULT

Great Crowd at Preliminary Hearing at Monroe; Cabarrus Young Woman is Prosecuted.

Monroe, July 25.—Lee Hallman, 21, Marshallville, aged 20, charged with committing criminal assault upon a young woman of Cabarrus county, who has been teaching in Union county, was remanded to jail to be held without bail, at the conclusion of a preliminary hearing before County Recorder W. O. Lemmond here this afternoon.

Hallman will be held for the next term of criminal court, to be held some time this fall, probably in October. He was arrested Saturday on a warrant sworn out by the young woman's father, also of Cabarrus county, charging that the young man committed a criminal assault last Thursday night.

The courthouse here was packed and jammed for the hearing, and interest was apparently intense, through there has been no semblance of excitement.

The hearing was held during the afternoon, and various parts of Union county, in addition to many residents of Monroe.

A half dozen or more witnesses were heard, including the alleged victim of the assault, who testified against the young man. All spectators were excluded from the courtroom during the young woman's testimony. She is said to be 23 years of age.

SOLDIER AID DELAYED BY LACK OF MONEY

Says Surgeon General Hugh S. Cummins Before a Special Senate Committee.

Washington, July 26.—The delay in hospitalization for veterans was attributed by Surgeon General Hugh S. Cummins, of the Public Health Service today, to lack of appropriation during 1920. He told the special senate committee also that owing to the unsuitable locations many hospitals placed at his disposal by Congress in March 1920 could not be used.

"No defense can be made of the Senators and Representatives putting in such laws for political purposes, requiring the use as hospitals of places entirely unfit," exclaimed Senator Walsh, democrat, of Massachusetts.

While the Public Health Service was searching the country for hospital beds, the War Department was "scrapping" buildings which could have been used, Dr. Cummins said.

THE ALLIED SUPREME COUNCIL WILL MEET

Meeting in Paris Called for August 4th to Study Silesian Question.

London, July 26.—The allied supreme council will meet in Paris August 4, according to an official announcement this morning. It is understood the session will be brief, dealing only with the Silesian question. Lord Curzon, secretary of state for foreign affairs, and A. J. Balfour, lord president of the council, will represent Great Britain, as it is improbable Prime Minister Lloyd George will be able to leave London.

MEMBERS OF DAIL EIREANN WILL GET FREEDOM

This is Message Sent out by Belfast Newspaper Correspondent.

FIRE ON MAURETANIA FINALLY CONQUERED

The Big Cunard Liner Was Threatened by Fire for 12 Hours.

Southampton, July 26.—After a battle lasting more than 12 hours, the flames on board the Cunard liner, Mauretania, which broke out as she was lying at her pier here yesterday afternoon, were finally conquered by firemen early today, but not before the interior of the mammoth liner presented a sorry spectacle from damage by fire and water.

The damage was not so serious as at first feared, but it is serious enough that considerable time will be required to put the big Mauretania afloat. In the meantime the passengers booked to sail on the Mauretania will be transferred to other ships. No estimate in money of the damage done is given out.

THE COTTON MARKET

Weight of Southern Selling Produced Heavy Undertone in the Market.

New York, July 26.—Although the opening of the cotton market today was somewhat better than expected in view of the earlier cables, the weight of Southern selling orders soon produced heavy undertone and at the end of the first half hour, October, which had sold at 12.25, was back to 12.18, or 5 points under the previous close. The market opened steady at a decline of 2 to 10 points, but recovered its loss on Wall Street. Liverpool and trade buying only to react under Southern warehouse offerings.

Cotton futures opened steady; October, 12.21; December, 12.00; January, 12.52; March, 12.33; May, 13.00.

VERDICT OF MURDER AGAINST FOUR MEN

Found Guilty of Murder of George Lewis and Attempted Murder of Arthur Crumley.

Clinton, Tenn., July 26.—Verdicts of guilty of murder in the first degree with the death penalty, were returned today in the cases against Otto Stevens, Chas. Petree, John McClure and Tom Christmas, charged with the murder of George Lewis and the attempted murder of Arthur Crumley on May 30, last.

PARLIAMENT MAY BE ADJOURNED IN AUGUST

But Government Leader Believes It Will Be Summoned Again in Fall.

London, July 26.—Austen Chamberlain, the government leader, said in the House of Commons today that he hoped Parliament would be prorogued August 20th, but he foreshadowed the possibility of its being summoned again in November or December to pass legislation necessary to give effect to an Irish settlement.

TO BROADEN POWERS OF WAR CORPORATION

Such a Bill Introduced in the Senate by Senator Kellogg, of Minnesota.

Washington, July 26.—After the elimination of the provisions authorizing the War Finance Corporation to take charge of the railroad debt funding, the bill drafted by Secretary Hoover, of the Department of Commerce, and Director Meyer of the War Finance Corporation to broaden the Corporation's power to provide credit for agricultural exports was introduced today in the Senate by Senator Kellogg, republican, of Minnesota.

HARDING DELIVERS A SPECIAL MESSAGE

Asks Congress to Extend Authority to the War Finance Corporation to Settle With the Railroads.

THIS WOULD GET RESULTS

The President Declared and Would Not Be Securing More Money From the Government.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, July 26.—President Harding, in a special message to Congress today asked it to extend authority of the War Finance Corporation to purchase securities probably up to \$500,000,000 now in the hands of the railroad administration, so that the proceeds may be used for settlement with the railroads.

This, the President told Congress, would open the way to "early adjustment and relief of the railroad problem. There was no thought, he said, of asking Congress for additional money. Railway claims based on the "inefficiency of labor during the war, the President said, were to be waived for the present to hasten the settlement without the surrender of any rights in courts. Although the railroads owe the government large sums, the President said the government also owed the railroads large sums on previous accounts.

"No added expense," said the President, "or added investment is required. There is no added liability, no added on the part of the government, tax burdens."

"It is merely the grant of authority necessary to enable a most useful and efficient government agency to use its available funds to purchase securities for which Congress has authorized the issue, and turn them into channels of finance ready to flow from them."

"The contract covering operation provided that the railroads should be returned to the owners in as good condition as when taken over by the government, and the transportation act providing that settlement belongs to capital account provides that such sums as the railway companies owed the government for betterments and new equipment added during the government operation might be funded. There has been at no time any question about funding of such indebtedness. Indeed it has been in progress to a measurable degree ever since the return of the railroads to the owners. It has been limited, however, to such cases as those in which final settlements have been effected. The process is admittedly too slow to meet the situation which the owners of the railroads have been facing and I believe it essential to restore railroad activities and essential to the country's good fortune to hasten both the funding and settlement."

COURT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS A SUCCESS.

This is the Opinion of Governor Henry J. Allen, of Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., July 25.—After a year and a half of operation, the future of the Kansas court of industrial relations seems assured, Gov. Henry J. Allen declared in a statement today.

"Each of the twenty-eight orders and judgments of the court rendered thus far has been accepted by both sides of the controversy, excepting the last which is now pending on appeal before the state supreme court," Governor Allen said. "Employers and employees alike are coming to regard the court as an up-to-date method for settling industrial disputes."

"The result in the coal mining district has been most striking. Under conditions created by the industrial court last year, the miners were enabled to work 30 per cent more than the year before, with the resultant increase in production of fuel for the public and wages of the miners."

"Interest in the Kansas remedy for industrial war is becoming world-wide. The pressing need for similar legislation in other states has become apparent, and many are preparing to follow the lead of Kansas in providing for justice in labor troubles."

RUSSIAN SOVIETS CLAIM LARGE BANK DEPOSITS

Say \$179,000,000 Deposited by the Last Regime Now Belongs to Them.

New York, July 26.—The Russian soviet government has served notice on four New York and two Washington banks that it is owner of more than \$179,000,000 deposited in these institutions by Boris Bakmeteff, who was appointed Russian Ambassador to the United States before the soviets acquired control.

In making this announcement today the attorney for the soviet regime said the notices sent to the banks warned them that they would be held liable if they should pay the funds to anyone but an accredited representative of the soviet government.

Miss Stella Akin of Savannah, the first woman to be admitted to the Georgia bar, passed her examinations at the age of 19.

Mrs. Bertha S. Harris is the proprietor and manager of one of the leading men's tailoring establishments in Seattle.

GOVERNMENT WORKS TO CHECK PELLAGRA

Following Reports of Serious Conditions in the South President Harding Takes Speedy Action.

EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE

And President Harding Says If Necessary He Will Ask Congress to Pass Special Legislation.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, July 26.—Federal agencies, acting at President Harding's direction, were working at emergency large sections of the Southern cotton belt reported by the Public Health Service to be threatened with near state of famine, coupled with a wide spread of pellagra. Alarmed by the report of conditions, which are attributed to the plight of cotton growers resulting from the depression in the cotton market, President Harding yesterday called on the Public Service and American Red Cross to make immediate investigation to ascertain the actual conditions and to lower to a minimum applying an effective remedy. The President promised the full cooperation of all Federal agencies declaring that if it was found necessary Congress would be asked to pass special legislation to meet the situation.

NO FAMINE IN NORTH CAROLINA

St. Louis Paper Wired Governor Morrison in Regard to Famine Story.

Raleigh, July 26.—Governor Morrison today received the following telegram from a St. Louis newspaper: "Will you please telegraph what what famine and pellagra condition, if any, there is in your state needing relief contemplated by President Harding's statement to the Public Health Service and Red Cross?"

After a consultation with Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the North Carolina Board of Health, who furnished the executive office with the exact status of the situation in North Carolina he following telegram was sent to the paper: "No famine in North Carolina. Unusual prevalence of pellagra. Thirteen pellagra deaths less this year than last year for same period."

Mississippi Report

Jackson, Miss., July 26.—Although the number of pellagra cases in Mississippi has increased to 2,239 for June of this year compared with 1,022 cases for the same months in 1920, there is no grave danger of a pellagra epidemic and no serious famine condition prevails in this state at this time. It was announced today by Dr. W. S. Levers, executive officer of the state board of health discussing the letter of President Harding.

Arkansas Sends Denials

Little Rock, July 26.—There is no "semi-famine" in Arkansas and pellagra is no more prevalent than in previous years, according to Dr. C. W. Garrison, state health officer.

No Epidemic in Louisiana.

New Orleans, July 26.—There is no pellagra epidemic in Louisiana, said Dr. Oscar Dowling, president of the State Board of Health today. "On the contrary, there are fewer cases than usual this time of year."

TURKS LOSE HEAVILY IN ASIA MINOR FIGHT

Greeks Claim That at Least 75 Per Cent of Turkish Army Was Destroyed

Athens, July 26.—An announcement by the Greek official agency late yesterday said the Turkish losses in killed, wounded, prisoner and missing amount to 75 per cent of their entire fighting strength in Asia Minor.

The statement claims that the Greeks have driven a successful wedge into the Turkish Nationalist lines, that the Kemalists forces at Angora, the capital on the northern branch of Bagdad railway had been cut off from those at Koni on the main line of the railroad 150 miles to the south.

Wedding of Mrs. Honeycutt-Barnhardt and Prof. Tomkinson.

A very pretty wedding took place on Saturday night at the home of the bride on East Corbin street, the contracting parties being Mrs. Honeycutt-Barnhardt and Professor H. J. Tomkinson, of Charlotte. Rev. M. L. Kester officiating.

A beautiful dinner was served on Sunday at the home of the bride's parents, near Gold Hill. A very large and influential gathering was present to offer their many congratulations.

The groom comes from an old English family of nobility, the family being lawyers to the crown of England since the 15th century. Prof. Tomkinson holds a responsible position with the Chas. M. Stoff Piano Co., of Charlotte and Baltimore.

They will reside at the groom's home at Pine Drive, Forest Hill, Charlotte.

Mrs. S. W. Preslar and children have returned from a three weeks visit with relatives at Pappan, Columbia, and Chocoma, E. C.