

SHOP CRAFT EMPLOYEES VOTE TO SEND OUT STRIKE BALLOTS TO MEMBERS

Question Involved Is the Farming Out of Repair Work by the Railroads—Many Complaints Are Coming In.

(By The Associated Press.) CHICAGO, April 22.—The Railway Employees Department of the American Federation of Labor (shop crafts employees) has voted at its biennial convention to send out strike ballots to its 600,000 members. The question involved is the farming out of repair work by the railroads.

FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE TO ATTEMPT DRAFT OF A BONUS BILL

Experts Have Been Set to Work to Evolve a Measure That Will Put Real Dollars in the Pockets of the Soldiers Without Taking Them Out of Anyone Else's Pocket—Position of President, Soldier and Public Same.

(By C. W. Gilbert, in Greensboro News.) (Copyright 1922, by Philadelphia Public Ledger.) WASHINGTON, April 21.—The senate finance committee called in all the experts today and set them at work to evolve a bonus bill. All that the experts have to do is to construct a bill that will get by President Harding, not anger the taxpayers, and make the former service men feel that they are getting something.

PARIS SOCIETY LEADER FIRST WOMAN MEMBER OF ACADEMY OF SCIENCE



Countess de Noailles, noblest and leader of Parisian society, was recently elected a member of the Royal Academy of Science in Brussels, despite considerable opposition. She is the first woman to be so honored by that world famous society.

BENDER SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS HARD LABOR

White Man Who Entered Home of J. H. Separk on February 12, on Plea of Guilty of Second Degree Burglary, Sentenced to Penitentiary Today.

The case of Arthur Bender, young white man who was arraigned for trial in Superior Court this morning on a charge of burglary, was continued Saturday morning about 11:30 a. m. when Judge T. B. Finley pronounced the judgment of the court that the defendant should be confined in the State prison for a term of twenty years of hard labor.

Sounds Warning Against Evils Of Speculation As Business Conditions Begin To Improve

Comptroller Crissinger Tells Bankers to Be Careful About Lending Money for Speculative Purposes—Says Country Is on Road to More Prosperous Conditions—Has Turned the Curve, He Says.

(By The Associated Press.) GAINESVILLE, Fla., April 22.—A warning against a growing tendency towards speculation throughout the country as business conditions improve was sounded here today by Comptroller of the Currency Crissinger in an address before the Florida Bankers' Association. He urged the bankers to advise their clients toward sound investments and to use their influence to prevent fly by night schemes.

MUSIC MEMORY CONTEST CLOSES WITH FINE CONCERT

Large Crowd Present for Closing Concert in Music Memory Series—More Than 150 Contestants For Prizes.

The Music Memory contest which has been in progress in Gastonia for the past four weeks came to a successful conclusion Friday evening at the First Presbyterian church with a grand concert of 12 numbers was given. More than 150 contestants took part. The entire church auditorium was filled with eager contestants and interested spectators.

GASTONIA CLUB WINS TRAPSHOOTING CONTEST

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PINEHURST, April 21.—Pinehurst, N. C., was the scene of the annual trapshooting contest, which drew the attention of thousands of spectators. The contest was held on the grounds of the Pinehurst Hotel and was won by the Gastonia team, which defeated the Durham team by a comfortable margin.

GEN. PERSHING MAY BE IN CHARLOTTE MAY 20

Hornets Nest Post, American Legion Preparing For Big Day—Hanford MacNider, National Commander, To Be Present Also.

That General John A. Pershing, commander of the American forces in the world war will come to Charlotte and deliver an address on May 20, according to the signing of the Mackinac Island Declaration of Independence, is the partial assurance received by members of the Hornets Nest Post of the American Legion, says Saturday's Charlotte Observer.

CONSIDER RUSSO-GERMAN INCIDENT NOW CLOSED

LONDON, April 22.—Most London newspapers today were of the opinion that the German reply to the Allied demands at Geneva was in agreement with Mr. Lloyd George's position and contained no surprises. Some have the critics were still obsessed with the reply and opposed France's protest vigorously.

ADAMS NEGRO GIVEN TWENTY YEAR SENTENCE

In Case in Superior Court Today Judge T. B. Finley Pronounced a Sentence of 20 Years of Hard Labor in the State Prison on the Negro 'Prose' Adams who pleaded guilty to the charge of second degree burglary.

GASTONIA ONE OF CLEANEST CITIES IN UNITED STATES

Come Second, Says Dr. Krebs, Wichita, Kansas, Being Considered the First—Retail Merchants Institute Closes With Splendid Address at High School Last Night.

Wichita, Kansas, a small city in America, has no equal when it comes to cleanliness, declared Dr. Stanley L. Krebs of Chicago, at his address before the members of the Gastonia Chamber of Commerce and the Gastonia Woman's Club at the high school auditorium Friday night. His subject was "Community Organization and Sanitation."

Powers Begin Actual Work On The Reconstruction Of Russia

Heated Politics Have Been Cooled by Note Accepting Allied Formula Stating Terms of Renewal of Business Relations.

GENEVA, April 22.—Actual work on a plan for the reconstruction of Russia was started today by the representatives of the Soviet government, Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Belgium, Czechoslovakia and Holland.

THE WEATHER

North Carolina, fair tonight and Sunday, rising temperature Sunday.

HONEST ROBBER IS ACQUITTED BY JURY

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—John M. Gilroy was released today as an "honest robber."

WON DESPERATE BATTLE FOR LIFE AGAINST BIG DEVIL FISH

TACOMA, WASH., April 22.—Battling for his life fifty feet beneath the surface of Puget Sound, Walter McCray, a diver known in marine circles from Alaska to California, came out victorious here yesterday over a giant devil fish.

MISSOURI IS FALLING

ST. LOUIS, April 22.—Apparently ending its rampage, the Missouri river today was reported to be falling gradually from St. Louis to Cairo, Ill., leaving in its wake more than 2 1/2 square miles of inundated farm land in Southern Illinois, causing a loss of over \$2,000,000 in crops, property and live stock, and depriving approximately 1,000 persons of their homes.