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## WESTERN RAILROAD STRIKE FALLS BEFORE HINES WARNING

Director General Advises That Unless the Men Return to Work Saturday Government Will Operate Roads

## STARVING FOR WATER AND FOOD

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 29.—A tie-up of all roads continues, although the companies offered to give the railroad workers their jobs back and union officials renewed their efforts to break the strike.

San Francisco, Aug. 29.—The strike of the railroad men is crumbling today following the warning of Director General Hines that if they did not return to work by 7 o'clock Saturday morning the Railroad Administration would operate the trains. Desert towns who are dependent upon rail transportation for water and food, are reported to be hard hit by the strike and sneezing is acute.

Mails are also delayed and the postal authorities have been forced to use motor truck transportation.

Washington, Aug. 29.—Director General Hines is preparing plans to operate the railroads in the event the union men refuse to return to work.

If the government takes over the operation of the roads anyone interfering with transportation will be prosecuted on charges of committing an offense against the United States.

Los Angeles, Aug. 29.—Action bearing on the future of the great railway strike that grips California, Nevada and Arizona resulted from a mass meeting in Los Angeles and other railway centres when the railroad engineers decided to report back for work.

Railroad officials of the Southern Pacific, Santa Fe and Salt Lake appears confident that if the brotherhood leaders could obtain control of the situation trains would be running again within twenty-four hours.

## WAS PLUESKOW KILLING A VENGEANCE TRAGEDY

Berlin, Aug. 29.—"Cherchez la Femme" is the watchword of the Berlin police in their investigation of the mysterious murder of Lieutenant von Plueskow, who was found hanging in his rooms at Potsdam, his feet, hands and elbows strapped. The lieutenant wore a woman's corset and long white gloves. On the table was the picture of a beautiful French woman. Friends of the victim who had visited him in his room shortly before his death say the picture had not been there before. Detectives are working on a "vengeance theory." It is believed several murderers had a hand in the tragedy.

## GOVERNORS IN CAPITAL CONFER WITH PALMER REGARDING PROFITEERS

To Devise Some Means of Hunting Down Food Hoarders

## CONSULT PRESIDENT

Washington, Aug. 29.—Governors of seven states have arrived for a conference with the attorney general to devise means of hunting down profiteers and food hoarders.

Arrangements have been made to consult with President Wilson in a campaign to reduce the cost of living.

## HEAVY BOMBARDMENT OF KRONSTADT FORT

London, Aug. 29.—A heavy bombardment, lasting two hours, was heard in Viborg, Finland, in desecration of Kronstadt fort, the Bolshevik naval base near Petrograd, according to a Helsingfors message today which said it was supposed the British naval forces were engaged.

## BOLSHEVIKI CLAIMS CAPTURE OF 2 TOWNS

London, Aug. 29.—The towns of Kupiansk and Pavlovsk, on the Don river, have been captured by the Bolsheviks, according to a statement by the Soviet government today. The statement also claimed an advance of ten miles after the capture of the towns.

## SOCIALISTS LOSE HOLD ON THE LABOR UNIONS

Paris, Aug. 29.—The recent collapse of the movement for a general strike is explained in some quarters by the saying that, while the extremists were getting control of the socialist party, they were losing their hold on the labor unions, which, 300,000 strong before the war, now have a membership of more than 1,500,000. The 300,000 were well in hand, it is said, but the 1,200,000 have brought with them a certain independence of thought and action. The consequence is that the vast majority of union men are not ready to accept such radical measures as a general political strike.

## WILSON'S SPEECHMAKING TOUR BEGINS WEDNESDAY

Speaks on Peace Treaty In 30 Cities in Swing Around Country

## WILL DISCUSS COST

Washington, Aug. 29.—President Wilson will visit thirty cities in a speech-making tour to start next Wednesday and will be absent from the capital until September 30th.

The itinerary given out at the White House today shows that the first speech is to be made at Columbus, O.

The other cities to be visited include St. Louis, Kansas City, Denver, Salt Lake City, Portland and San Francisco, where the president plans to review the Pacific fleet.

The chief object of the trip is to present to the people of the country the true purpose of the peace treaty, but the president also announced that he will discuss the high cost of living and other domestic problems.

Washington, Aug. 29.—President Wilson will leave Washington next Wednesday on a speech-making tour in the interest of the Peace Treaty, delivering his first address next Thursday at Columbus, O.

He will be accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, Admiral Grayson, the White House physician, Secretary Tumulty and a corps of secretaries and stenographers.

## WILSON MAY TAKE HAND IN STEEL CONTROVERSY

Washington, Aug. 29.—President Wilson is to be asked by steel workers to take a hand in the controversy between employees and the United States Steel Corporation following a refusal of the company to deal with the heads of their union.

## TRIBUTE TO "DEAN OF BRITISH INVENTORS"

Birmingham, Eng., Aug. 29.—Tribute to the genius of James Watt, "dean of British inventors," for his services in improving the modern steam engine, will be paid at Birmingham when, on September 16, 17, and 18, the centenary of his death will be commemorated.

## AUSTRIAN PEACE TREATY FRENCH CONSIDER THE

Paris, Aug. 29.—Parliament began its final consideration of the peace treaty.

Premier Clemenceau presented the treaty for ratification in the Chamber of Deputies this afternoon.

Paris, Aug. 29.—At Premier Clemenceau's request members of his cabinet were present when the Chamber of Deputies met to consider the Austrian peace treaty.

## COMPLIMENTARY DINNER TO THE SOLDIER BOYS

Tuesday Night in Dining Room of the Hotel

## 'HOME-COMING' PLAN

Cards, with replies attached, have been sent out by the Ladies' Committee to the soldier boys asking each one to be present on Tuesday night, September 2nd, at a dinner to be given in their honor by the town of Scotland Neck, and it anticipated that a very large gathering will be present and the nicest affair ever given publicly will be had.

The secretary has been careful to obtain all the names of the boys who went into camp; those that went overseas and those who went into the training colleges. It is assumed that every one has been thought of and personal invitations sent, but should there be any who have not received an invitation the ladies want it specially understood that every one is included, whether they get any invitation or not, and that every white boy who joined the army, or went into camp preparatory to joining the American army, is part of the honor dinner and is requested to be present.

No marching, no decorated town, no great to-do, but a hearty welcome and a home dinner will be the event of the occasion in which we want to show our heartfelt thanks for the service these boys rendered their home town and their country. We feel this is really the right way to show our appreciation and we are going to do it.

## KNOX FLAYS TREATY BEFORE U. S. SENATE

Washington, Aug. 29.—Senator Knox, in a plea for the rejection of the peace treaty by the United States, denounced the Versailles document as unjust, unfair and impossible of fulfillment by Germany. He declared that America should make a separate peace with Germany and not undertake to enforce the terms of a treaty in which she had no national interest.

He also objected to the representation of the United States on commissions of reconstruction in Europe and flayed "Manda" agreements, which he said would result in the oppression of small nations by the great powers.

## ELEVEN BOSTON POLICE AGAIN PLACED ON TRIAL

Boston, Aug. 29.—Eleven more policemen have been placed on trial for violating department rules by joining unions.

Eight have already been tried but were not fined.

It is announced that the city faced a complete tie-up if the policemen strike to enforce their claims of right to organize as other unions offered to go out in sympathy.

## DID U. S. BANKERS ENGINEER THE ADRIATIC SETTLEMENT?

This is the Question That is Asked in Italy As a Result of the Facts That Were Revealed At Paris

## QUESTIONS SINCERITY 14 POINTS

## LOUISIANA INVITES NEGROES TO RETURN TO PLANTATION WORK

Will Furnish Transportation To All Southern Negroes

## DESIRE THOSE LEFT

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 29.—Harry Wilson, the Louisiana commissioner of agriculture, with a committee of southern planters and business men is providing transportation for all negroes who want to return south.

He states that the south wants all plantation hands, who left during the war, to come back.

## FEEDING OF THE EYES ADDS TO LIVING COST

Chicago, Aug. 29.—To a considerable extent, feeding the eyes instead of the stomach is responsible for the high cost of living, according to authorities here in the milling and grain trade. They cite the fact that rye flour is \$2.55 a barrel cheaper than white flour although, except for looks, the rye flour is equally good or better as food.

Unusual cheapness of rye flour at this time is ascribed to two causes—the stoppage of whiskey distilling and the substitution of white bread for rye bread by thousands of workmen, who, until the era of high wages, used rye bread as a rule.

It is said also by the milling experts that so far as known here the United States government is purchasing only white flour for shipment to Europe notwithstanding that the bulk of the population across the Atlantic is far more accustomed to rye bread than white.

## AGITATE MARRYING OF CHINESE AND MEXICANS

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 29.—Agitation against the marrying of Chinese men and Mexican women is spreading in Sonora, Chihuahua and other west coast states of Mexico. This has long been a source of much ill-feeling against the Chinese as many have married Mexican women in the north. Villa gave this as his reason for killing many Chinese at the time of his campaign in 1917 and was credited with saying the Chinese were trying to make a "yellow race" of his people.

Rome, Aug. 29.—"Did contracts between New York bankers and the government of Czecho-Slovakia, together with plans for the economical development of Jugo-Slavia, influence President Wilson more than did his fourteen points in the settlement of the Adriatic question?" This question is now being asked today in Italy, as a result of facts just revealed at Paris. It was revealed, among other things, that the Czecho-Slovak government has granted a railroad concession of great importance to the Commercial Corporation of America, now being formed at Prague with a capital of 10,000,000 crowns, divided into 500-crown shares which four Prague banks have fully subscribed at 550 crowns each. This Prague company is to be a branch of the Commercial Corporation of America, with headquarters at New York and a capital of \$5,000,000.

American railroad engineers appointed by the Serbia government already are on the ground tracing the new road. A group of American bankers is financing the enterprise, while another group has obtained control of the shipping interests on the Danube formerly belonging to Serbia and Croatia. This latter transaction is taken in Italy to foreshadow the economic development of Jugo-Slavia by American capitalists, while the contracts with Czecho-Slovakia are cited as showing America's direct interest in the finances of that new Republic.

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## MEXICAN SENATE WILL NOT REDUCE NUMBERS

Mexico City, Aug. 29.—The Mexican Senate has rejected an initiative submitted by President Carranza making a sharp reduction in the number of members of the national congress as well as in the various state legislatures.

COTTON MARKET	
October	31.56
December	31.86
January	31.82
March	32.90
May	32.05
Local Market NOMINAL	