

THE GOVERNMENT WILL AID

THE DEPENDENT OF THE DEPORTED RADICALS, BUT NOT BECAUSE IT IS UNDER ANY OBLIGATIONS TO THEM. MERELY FOR THE GROUNDS OF HUMANITY

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9.—The government has definitely decided to render aid to the dependents of the alien radicals whom it is deporting, according to announcement of Assistant Attorney Garvan, it was stated today. The government is not doing this because it is under obligations to these dependents, but merely as a humanitarian measure.

Cotton Market

New York, Jan. 9.—Increased uncertainty as to the prospects for early action on the peace treaty and lower Liverpool cables had its influence on the cotton market at the opening today. First prices were barely steady with December 10 points higher, but the active months were from 9 to 55 points lower with March selling off to 36.25 and July 32.90. The market firmed up shortly after the opening with March selling off to 36.25 and July last night's closing figures.

The cotton market barely steady with January 38.05, March 36.40, May 34.80, July 33.00, Oct. 30.45. The market at noon was as follows: Jan. 38.00, Mar. 36.60, May 35.02, July 33.34, Oct. 30.74. Spots Wilson market, middling 33c. The market closed at 3 p. m. as follows: Jan. 38.25, Mar. 36.75, May 35.15, July 33.42, Oct. 30.93.

STOCKS

New York, Jan. 9.—The irregular range of prices at the opening of today's stock market continued to express the uncertainty of the traders. Several of the high price oils were steady while those of less pronounced value recorded moderate reactions. This was followed by the motors and their accessories which also weakened. United States rubber were slightly lower at the outset but soon strengthened on the 12-1-2 per cent dividend declared yesterday. The steels and equipments moved in a limited area and the rails were only occasionally quoted.

GINNINGS OF COTTON

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9.—The cotton ginned prior to January 1st were 10,017,089 running bales including 110,371 round bales, 33,147 bales of American Egyptian and 6,710 bales of Sea Island cotton the census bureau announced today. The ginnings by states include North Carolina, 789,053, South Carolina 1,403,592, and Virginia, 21,50.

WAGON WOULD HOLD ALL DIAMONDS

Chicago, Jan. 8.—If all the diamonds mined in history and existing today as cut and polished gems were gathered from the ends of the earth they would form a pile about as large as a wagon load of coal dumped on the sidewalk, says a Chicago statistical expert. The pile would contain 45,355,474 carats and the gems would weigh 10-12 tons. If the pile were in the form of a cone, it would have a base diameter of eight feet and a height of five feet. Reckoning the diamonds at \$300 a carat, it would have a value of \$13,906,642,200. It would contain 719-1-3 gallons worth \$5,539,023 a gallon or 761-3 bushels valued at \$51,557,023 a bushel. All the world's diamonds could be packed in an ordinary clothes closet or a kitchen pantry.

BRYAN TAKES ISSUE WITH WILSON ON THE PEACE TREATY

President Wants the Decision of the People and Bryan a Compromise

Washington, Jan. 9.—A split between President Wilson and William Jennings Bryan over whether the League of Nations should be made an issue at the coming election topped off the Jackson Day celebrations of the Democratic party chiefs.

It came at the Jackson Dinner as the climax of a day in which San Francisco had been chosen as the meeting place of the Democratic National Convention on June 28, and it charged the air with political electricity.

President Wilson, in his message read to the diners, assembled in two separate halls, declared that the "clear and single way out" was to submit the question to the voters as "a great and solemn referendum."

Mr. Bryan showing all the old time vigor with which he led the fight for the President's nomination at Baltimore in 1912, declared that the Democratic party could not go before the country on the issue, because it involved a delay of fourteen months, and meant success only if the Democrats captured a two-thirds majority of the Senate.

The party, Mr. Bryan declared, "must secure such compromises as may be possible."

The disagreement between the President and his former Secretary of state, the first in public view since Mr. Bryan left the Cabinet because he did not agree with the President's course in the diplomatic negotiations with Germany, was thus disclosed as a fact, although it has been rumored and reported in the underground currents of national politics. In the opinion of the political leaders it crystallized an issue.

President Wilson in his message, said nothing whatever about a third term for himself and neither did he make any formal announcement of his intended retirement to private life, as some had forecast he would. Mr. Bryan, in his prepared address said nothing bearing on any ambition toward a fourth presidential nomination, but before reading his manuscript he said he had nothing to ask, and that, therefore the diners would not listen to him with the thought that they were listening to a candidate.

There were a dozen or more other speakers at the dinners and their views on whether the league should be made a campaign issue were either divided in favor of the President's stand or r. Bryan's or else they did not touch on the subject at all.

The gist of their speeches might easily be epitomized in this fashion: Senator Pomerene: Ratify the treaty with or without reservations. Former Secretary McAdoo: An arraignment of Republican administration but no expression about the league.

Secretary Daniels: Mr. Bryan is entitled to credit for the League of Nations treaty because his peace investigation conventions were the ground work for it.

Senator Hitchcock: Honorable compromise on the league question or a finish fight.

Senator Owen: Immediate ratification and proceeded with reconstruction legislation.

Chairman Cummins: "Inevitable impulses" are carrying the Democratic party "each day nearer to victory."

Governor Cornwell, of West Virginia: American institutions are in danger of being overthrown by the unchecked growth of a "labor autocracy."

Vice-chairman Kremer: We accept the gauge of battle.

Governor Cox of Ohio: The Old Guard is in control of the party (Republican) which is well nigh wrecked by its greed.

Attorney General Palmer: The war will not be over in fact until the issues raised are passed upon by the people. (Continued on page 6.)

THE STEEL STRIKE IS CALLED

367,000 Workingmen Affected by the Result. Officers of Organization Admit Their Defeat

Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 8.—The strike in the steel mills and furnaces called September 22, and which it is expected involved 367,000 men, was officially called off here tonight by the national committee after an all-day meeting.

Announcement that the national committee had decided to proceed no further was contained in a telegram sent to headquarters of the American Federation of Labor in Washington, to the heads of all international unions interested and to the organizers and field men in all strike districts.

"The Steel corporation," the telegram said, "with the active assistance of the press, the courts, the Federal troops, State police and many public officials, have denied steel workers their rights of free speech, free assembly and the right to organize and by this arbitrary and ruthless misuse of power, have brought about a condition which has compelled the national committee for organizing iron and steel workers to vote that the active strike phase of the steel campaign now at an end. A vigorous campaign of education and reorganization will be immediately begun and will not cease until industrial justice in the steel industry has been achieved. All steel workers are now at liberty to return to work, pending preparation for the next big organization movement."

The telegram was signed by Jno. Fitzpatrick, chairman; D. J. Davis, vice-president of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers; Edward J. Evans, International Union of Machinists; and Wm. Z. Foster, secretary of the committee.

The offices of the committee here will be maintained for a month, while the business of the strike is being wound up, and the commissary department will continue to look after needy former strikers and their families until the men have obtained employment. Steel company executives said they were not surprised that the strike had been called off, as the strikers had been drifting back to their work for several months. Many mills, it was added, have long ago been able to operate full time with full forces.

William Z. Foster later announced his resignation as secretary-treasurer of the strike committee and said he would be succeeded by J. G. Brown, of Everett, Wash., former president of the Timber Workers International Union, and one of his chief assistants during the steel strike. Brown is to assume office February 1st.

State Exposition in Raleigh. A state industrial exposition at Raleigh in the near future was endorsed yesterday by the industrial department of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce and the proposition will be submitted today to the directors for their consideration.

Herrmann Resigns From Baseball Commission. Cincinnati, O., Jan. 8.—August Herrmann, for more than sixteen years chairman of the National Baseball Commission, tendered his resignation at the annual meeting of the commission here today.

Herrmann's resignation is to take effect at as early a period as possible, but with the distinct understanding that he cannot serve any longer after the joint meeting of the National and American Leagues fixed for February 11, at Chicago.

COLD WAVE COMING. For North Carolina: Cloudy and colder tonight with rain in the eastern portion and a cold wave; on Saturday, probably fair and much colder with fresh west and north-west winds.

ROADS TO BE RETURNED

SEVEN TOWNS ARE OVERWHELMED

By Earthquake in Mexico and a Great Lake is Covering Their Remains

34 BODIES ARE RECOVERED

Mexico City, Jan. 9.—Seven towns near Toluca, south of Jalapa, have been overwhelmed by the earthquake destruction which visited that section recently and a great lake is covering the former site according to dispatches from Toluca. Thirty-four bodies have been recovered.

Revolution in Bulgaria.

Geneva, Jan. 9.—The revolutionary spirit has broken out in Bulgaria, according to advices received from Belgrade in this city. King Boris and the royal family are said to be hiding in the royal palace under heavy guard.

IN MEMORY OF EPHRAIM WILLIFORD

Tonight another widowed mother is grieving and weeping over the loss of a faithful son. The writer knew this man all the days of his life, and knew him to be a straightforward, industrious sober man. He possessed the elements that constitute a man, a citizen and a Christian—for he was fair and square with his fellow man. He was not possessed with an abundance of the treasures of this world that fade and decay, rust and corrode. What he had was on the other side when thieves don't break in and cyclones and earthquakes don't destroy.

To you his mother that nursed him in his infancy and with patience and love watched him in his manhood. Look beyond the temporal things of this world and lift your head to the things on high and rejoice in thought and the promise, for it is written that you will meet again, never to separate, and enjoy forever the luxury of the Home of Eternal Rest.

Listen, as the days go by and the pendulum of time swings to and fro, place a fragrant flower on his grave. The dew drops from heaven will water its petals and the radiant stars that stud the glorious heaven the handy world for the great Divine, will illumine the dome of his earthly home beneath the clay. D. D. N.

Transfers of Real Estate

J. R. Coleman sold to Jesse Deans tract of land located in Old Fields township, leading from Stephen Farmer's Cross Roads to Flowers Mill for \$6,750.

Benjamin E. Thompson to Dorice L. Thompson, tract of land, Taylor's road containing 15 acres. Also lot in Rocky Mount, Nash county East side Church St.

Deed made by J. R. Thompson and wife, Minnie E. Thompson, J. S. Winstead and wife, Annie Winstead, Clyde Thompson and Miss Dorice L. Thompson, to C. M. Fleming and R. G. Briggs, lot No. 4 in the Alfred Thompson land on Wilson and Nashville road for \$3,000.

E. W. Sherin and wife, Fannie Sherin, to Mary Barnes Wallace, 1 lot in Elm City, between Main street and Wilson street, adjoining Jno. L. Barley land for \$7,500.

J. C. Holderly to Jacob Tomlinson and Kirby Woodard, 1 lot on Kenan street, the N. R. Strickland and Moyer corner, for \$4,000. Same lot Mr. J. C. Eagles sold to J. C. Holderly.

C. E. Moore and wife, Fannie L. Moore to A. L. Galloway, tract of land on Barnes Mill road, adjoining E. J. Dew's line for \$12,500.

WITHIN SIX MONTHS AGREED ON BETWEEN THE HOUSE AND SENATE CONFERRERS ACCORDING TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ESCH BILL, THE CUMMINS MEASURE ADVOCATING A RETURN IN FOUR MONTHS.

Washington, W. C., Jan. 9.—Consideration of the return of the railroads to their owners within six months after the termination of Federal control was agreed to by the House and Senate conferees on railroad legislation today. This agreement was reached on the basis of the Esch bill, the Cummins measure would have returned them within a period of four months.

Favorable Action on Army Bill

Washington, Jan. 9.—Favorable action was ordered today by the Senate Military committee on the bill of the war department recommending an army of 275,000 men for the current fiscal year in order to furnish troops for Europe and Siberia.

Love and Jealousy

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 9.—Alleged actors in a tragic triangle where love and revenge played an important part James Odell and his wife Pearl today were charged with murder in the first degree. The victim is a man by the name of Knief, whose body was found under a culvert and stabbed with many wounds on a road near here. The police say they have the confession of Odell and his wife, who state that the crime was committed on account of alleged relations between the young woman and Knief some two years ago in this city before her marriage to Odell.

Lowell Asks Democrats to Swallow Reservations

Washington, Jan. 9.—A letter from President Lowell of Harvard requesting the Democrats not to be too firmly determined in their course not to accept reservations, especially the one aimed at Article Ten was made public today by Senator Walsh Democrat of Massachusetts.

Mr. G. S. Tucker of Raleigh, was in the city today.

Mr. Oettinger Talks to Fayetteville Merchants.

(Fayetteville Correspondent of the News and Observer.)

Fayetteville, Jan. 8.—An organization campaign of the North Carolina Merchants' Association designed to combat legislation to control profits, was opened here with the formation of the Fayetteville Merchants and Manufacturers Association as an auxiliary of the State body. Elmer R. Oettinger, of Wilson, president of the State Merchants' Association, and J. Paul Leonard, Statesville, State secretary of the Association, were present and performed the work of organization.

Mr. Oettinger in addressing the local merchants stated that it was important for them to organize on account of the various forms of legislation intended to control profits, and told of several conferences he had with Henry A. Page, in charge in North Carolina of the federal government's efforts to control the high cost of living. Mr. Leonard described the advantages of membership in the merchant's association, among which were monthly bulletins on the subject of legislation of interest to its members.

All the executive officers and directors were elected are retailers, though it was decided not to limit the membership in the local body to retail dealers or merchants, manufacturers being included in the name of the organization.