

Chautauqua tickets go on sale on Saturday, June the 7th. Chautauqua begins June 13th and last seven joyous days.

The Daily Advance

Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday, gentle variable winds.

SEAPLANE NC-4 REACHED PLYMOUTH AT 2:23 THIS AFTERNOON FROM SPAIN

And Credit of First Trans-Atlantic Flight Belongs Without Question to American Navy

Plymouth, England, May 31.—The American Navy seaplane NC-4 completed its trans-Atlantic flight at 2:23 this afternoon when it arrived here from Ferrol, Spain.

GREAT CROWD GREET AMERICANS

The arrival of the NC-4 was the signal for cheers from the large crowds assembled to greet the Americans, and salves from the steamcraft in the harbor.

The trip from Ferrol took six hours and fifty nine minutes, at the rate of 72 miles an hour.

A formal reception was held by the mayor of Plymouth on the Mayflower pier at four p. m.

The Royal Air Force entertains the Americans tonight.

NAVY RECEIVES NEWS WITH JOY

Washington, May 31.—The American naval trans-Atlantic flight which began at Rockaway Beach, New York on May the 8th, was successfully completed today with the arrival of the NC-4 at Plymouth, England, after a 500 mile jump from Ferrol, Spain.

The announcement that Lieutenant Commander Read's plane, the sole survivor of the squadron of three, had reached England was received with joy at the Navy Department today.

LEFT AT SIX-FORTY THIS MORNING

London, May 31.—The American Navy seaplane NC-4 left Ferrol, Spain for Plymouth, England, at 6:40 this morning, passed the destroyer Barney in the Bay of Biscay at 7:43, and the destroyer Hazelwood, station 4, at 9:03.

There was heavy rain falling over the English Channel and the upper Bay of Biscay route followed by NC-4.

At ten the seaplane was fifty miles southwest of Brest.

The skies suddenly cleared at Plymouth after the rain, the sun shone and the wind abated, making flying conditions ideal.

SWISS SEND NOTE TO ALLIES

(By Associated Press)

Berne, May 31.—The Swiss Federal Council in a statement complained that Switzerland has been unable to obtain from the Allies modifications of the blockade of Germany, the maintenance of which is putting Switzerland in a more untenable position.

A note has been sent to the Allies, formally demanding that the blockade be raised so far as it concerns Switzerland.

DECORATE GRAVES IN FLANDERS FIELD

(By Associated Press)

Brussels, May 31.—The graves of the American soldiers who fell in the last ten days desperate fighting of the war in eastern Flanders were beautifully decorated with flowers yesterday and American flags in Oudenarde cemetery.

FREDERICK KEPEL WITH RED CROSS

(By Associated Press)

Washington, May 31.—Frederick Kepel, third assistant secretary of war has resigned to become director of foreign operations of the American Red Cross on July 1st.

RIGHT TO INDEMNITY

Paris, April 18. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—Every French soldier or sailor who has been called to the colors has a right to an indemnity on being demobilized, or released from service. This indemnity has been fixed by a law at \$50 for every man who has served for at least three months between August 2, 1914, and the date of the signature of peace. In addition to this fixed sum, \$3 will be paid for each month's service.

FOREIGNERS FEAR MEXICAN VIOLENCE

(By Associated Press)

Agaprieta, Mexico, May 31.—Passengers arriving from the interior report that Villa followers are concentrating in that neighborhood tonight and all foreigners are leaving that section, fearing violence.

WHO AND WHAT I AM

- I am your friend.
- I am the friend of labor.
- I am the friend of capital.
- I am the guiding hand of modern business.
- I am the foundation of success.
- I am the reason for increased demand.
- I am the cause of increased sales and net profits.
- I am the reason for increased stock turnover.
- I am the cause of reduced overhead expenses.
- I am the key to the rise in your profit curve.
- I am the why and wherefore of your growth and expansion.
- I am the creator of good will, satisfied customers, and repeat sales.
- I am the guiding hand which tells the people who, what, and where you are.
- I am ADVERTISING — a truthful, concise presentation in word or picture of the merits of things you have to sell.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
W. B. Wilson, Secretary
Roger W. Babson,
Director General Information
and Education Service.

AMERICAN GIRLS REACH SIBERIA

Tomsk, Siberia, April 3. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—The refugees at Tomsk, the great university center of Siberia, who are mostly from European Russia, are estimated to number 150,000.

Into this district of hardship and suffering the American Red Cross has come energetically and successfully. When four American girls reached Tomsk an organized Red Cross work here, typhus fever was spreading rapidly and all of the places where the refugees massed were points of infection and dissemination. It was useless to distribute clothing or attempt feeding unless means were first devised to stop the spread of the deadly epidemic.

The Red Cross now has taken over eighteen barracks into which they refugees have herded, and each of these barracks will be cleaned and disinfected in turn, their inhabitants meanwhile being housed at a clearing-station. This station is provided with baths and disinfecting apparatus for clothes and has dispensary and simple hospital facilities.

Under the direction of the Red Cross unit, there has been established a sewing room where refugee women are given employment. The city gave rent free, a large well-lighted and well-warmed room and a number of sewing machines—American made. The Red Cross has accepted the offer of the Tomsk University medical school to turn over its clinical hospital. American doctors will come in later.

All the Red Cross work focuses on providing immediate relief to meet the emergency until the refugees can become self-supporting. Employment is difficult to obtain. However, plans are being developed to provide employment for the women and get the children to school. It is expected that this spring a large proportion of the idle men can find work either on the farms or on the Trans-Siberian railroad. Tomsk has a number of factories, but owing to the breakdown in railway transportation, many are closed because they cannot get material with which to operate.

MRS. FEARING ATTENDS CLUB MEETINGS

Mrs. J. G. Fearing left Friday to attend the General Federation of Clubs at Asheville. She will then go to Hendersonville to attend the State Federation.

All the ladies of the Safety First League department of Fire Prevention will attend these meetings and an earnest effort will be made to impress upon all clubs the importance of this work.

ON HONOR ROLL

Earl Sutton, Joseph Spence, Graham Hedrick and Joseph Pool are on The Advance carrier's honor roll this week.

FORD-TRIBUNE CASE OPENS IN EARNEST

First Witnesses On the Stand Monday of This Week Confute Tribune's Assertions

Mt. Clemens, Mich., May 30.—Henry Ford's million dollar suit for libel against the Chicago Tribune began full blast Monday morning. There are so many "exhibits" that the customary method of marking them alphabetically was abandoned and numbers were substituted.

The documentary foundations of the trial were laid in the reading of the Tribune editorial calling Mr. Ford an anarchist and Henry Ford's subsequent letter demanding a retraction.

The first witness, John J. Henkel, superintendent of the employment department of the Ford Motor Co., was called to the stand and examined by Harry Helfman, of counsel for Mr. Ford. Henkel was in charge of the employment department at the time the Tribune said that Ford employees who belonged to the militia were being penalized by losing their jobs and their standing because they answered the mobilization call to the Mexican border.

Henkel stated that it was the uniform rule and definite policy of the Ford company to reinstate any man who had been away from his job for any reason beyond his control, such as sickness, death in the family, military service, jury duty, or other causes.

Military duty had always been regarded as such a cause, said Henkel, and cited the summer encampments as occasions when the policy had been practiced.

The witness testified to the procedure followed by men who quit the Ford company for any cause. They stated their reasons for wishing to leave, received a pay-off slip and a clearance slip, which they took to the employment department. Here again they were questioned regarding their reasons for leaving, and in cases where the cause was beyond their control, such as military service, and their return to work was probable they were made eligible to reinstatement in good standing.

Men Insured Reinstatement

At the time of the mobilization of the militia for service on the Mexican border, Henkel personally supplied the soldier-employees with disks bearing the initials of the Michigan National Guard and the employees' individual shop numbers, thus insuring them reinstatement without delay upon their immediate application. The same rule was applied to those who left too hurriedly to report their departure. The witness said that it was the uniform practice of the company in such cases.

The reinstatement meant more than a return to work, witness stated. It meant that men who had not finished the six months' probationary period which is required before employees are admitted to share in the profits, would have the period of their absence credited on that period. "Reinstated men were given as nearly the same work as they left as was possible for us to do, and if better jobs were open they were given them," said Henkel.

"How many years have you seen this reinstatement policy in practice?" asked Attorney Helfman.

"As long as I have been with the Ford—ten years."

"Was there any change in the policy during that time?"

Denies Discrimination

"Was there at any time, either directly or indirectly, any discrimination against, or any penalty meted out to, any man because he was in the military service or about to enter the military service?"

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"What do you mean by that?"

"It gives a man discipline and steadiness and teaches him how to obey orders."

"Military experience or affiliation was not penalized by the Ford Motor Co. then?"

"No. Quite the contrary."

"How many men did your department have on record in June, 1916?"

"About 26,000."

Previous to June 23, the date of the Tribune editorial, about 40 men

M. F. WALLACE DEAD

Mr. M. F. Wallace died at his home on West Burgess street Friday afternoon at about five o'clock. He had been in failing health for several months and confined to his bed for five weeks. He was fifty-five years old and is survived by his wife. He had been in the insurance business here for a number of years.

The funeral will be conducted by Rev. J. W. Bradley Sunday afternoon at five o'clock from City Road Methodist Church, of which he was a member. Interment will be made in Hollywood.

CITY HIGH SCHOOL VS. COLUMBIA FRIDAY

The Elizabeth City High School closes its baseball season here Friday, June 6th, meeting the team from Columbia, N. C. Come out and help the home boys to win their last game. Game will be played on the school diamond at 4:00 o'clock. Admission 15c. Grandstand 10c.

TO INVESTIGATE RECONSTRUCTION WORK

Paris, April 20.—The Commission on Industrial Inquiry of the National Civic Federation, of America, has arrived in Paris to investigate industrial reconstruction work in France as it has been doing for the past two months in Great Britain.

The commission is composed of: Charles Mayer, counsel for the National Farmer's Union of America; James W. Sullivan, representing the American Federation of Labor; A. F. Bemis, a manufacturer of Boston; A. Parker Neven, former counsel for the National Association of Manufacturers, and E. A. Quarles, Secretary.

had departed for the border, witness said. The total number involved was about 90.

Upon cross-examination by Weymouth Kirkland, of counsel for the Tribune, witness testified that the educational department of the Ford Motor Co. kept complete records of employees, the condition of their families and their habits with reference to keeping bank accounts.

"When these men went away did the records show how much money they had in the bank?" asked the Ford attorney.

"Yes, the amount they had at the time of the last previous investigation of their condition."

H. S. Sommers, assistant manager of the employment department, testified to the system by which men were reinstated in their jobs. He also said that he thought military service made better men, physically and morally. There was no reason why men in militia service should be discriminated against; in fact, they were not.

"You say that foremen in the Ford Motor Co. had no power to discharge a man?" asked Attorney Kirkland, for the Tribune.

"No power to hire, discharge or reinstate."

"But suppose a foreman says a man isn't doing his work properly?"

"Then he sends the man to the employment department."

"What is done with him there?"

"He is given another job."

"Well, if his second foreman says he does not work properly, what do you then?"

"Give him another job."

"And if he doesn't give satisfaction there?"

"Try him on still another job and under another foreman."

"But if complaint is made about him there also?"

"Then we assume that something is wrong."

Guardsman Testifies

Norman M. Baker, a foreman, was next called and stated that he was a member of Co. D, 31st regiment, Michigan National Guard, had been employed at Ford's for seven years, had attended the annual militia encampments, had once done service at the copper mine strike in the upper peninsula of Michigan, and had been called to service on the Mexican border. He was reinstated without question after each period of absence on military duty.

"Have you ever observed any discrimination against yourself by reason of your connection with military organizations?" he was asked.

"No."

Swat the fly for Baby's sake.

CALLS TERMS DEATH SENTENCE

Count Bernstorff, One Time Ambassador to Washington, Wants 'em Made in Germany

Berlin, May 31.—"No German can be found who would attach his name to a document equivalent to a death sentence to the fatherland," said Count Von Bernstorff, former ambassador of Washington.

"If our opponents sincerely wish peace, there is only one way to get it,— by amending the unacceptable and unfulfillable stipulations of the treaty."

NO MODIFICATION

Paris, May 31.—The greater part of the objections raised in the German counter proposals have, in the opinion of French diplomatic circles, already been set forth in separate German notes and duly answered by the Allies.

Consequently, it is said that there can be no modification of the terms and no necessity for verbal discussion.

Premier Clemenceau as President of the Peace Conference today replied to the last two German notes. Official statements on the replies have not been issued.

Indications are that the presentation of terms to the Austrian delegation will be postponed beyond Monday. A plenary session of the peace conference this afternoon will decide the question.

VESSEL CARRIED LARGEST CARGO

Galveston, Tex., May 21.—The distinction of carrying the largest cargo ever contained in the holds of a vessel is claimed by shipping men for the British steamship Indore, which left here for Liverpool with 28,386 square bales of cotton. This was accomplished by a method of scientifically compressing the bales until they occupied minimum space. The closest approach to the record was made by the Russian Steamship Omsk which in December, 1917 carried 27,130 square bales from Galveston to Liverpool. A strict news censorship would not permit mention of that record.

REASSURES JAPANESE ABOUT SIBERIAN RAILWAY

Tokio, April 17. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—Matsudaira, chief of the Japanese political department at Vladivostok, who has returned to consult with his home government is quoted by the Asahi, as asserting that the cost of operation of the Siberian railway is to be borne equally by the Allies, not by the United States alone.

The railway, he said, forms the backbone of Siberia and its destruction would mean the starvation of the troops stationed at Omsk, Irkutsk and other places and also of the Russian population throughout Siberia. British troops, about a battalion strong, and the French troops, are stationed at Omsk to guard the Omsk government, he said, and they will not withdraw from that place for some time.

"Various reports are in circulation regarding the alleged activities or ambition of American capitalists in Siberia, but nothing exists that should give concern, to the Japanese," declared Mr. Matsudaira.

SAVINGS BANK TO GIVE UNIQUE FAVORS

The Savings Bank and Trust Company has on display two varieties of attractive savings banks which will be given away a little later on for the purpose of encouraging thrifty habits.

The exhibit has already attracted much attention and the idea of thrift is being readily promoted by the ambition to possess one of these banks.