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RAILROAD STRIKE CRISIS DISCUSSED

GOVERNMENT IS WAITING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION BY ITS FIELD AGENTS.

NO RESPONSIBILITY SHIRKED

Many Official Reports Indicate That the W. W. is Very Active in Fomentation of Trouble.

Washington.—Determination of the government's course in the railroad strike crisis awaited further information from field agents of the department of justice.

Attorney General Palmer, after numerous conferences with government officials, said that the "government would not shirk responsibility." Many official reports from strike centers have indicated activity of the Industrial Workers of the World in connection with the railway situation and officials said it was proposed to determine definitely whether this or any other organization was carrying out a program that would bring it within reach of the federal statutes. Not only, it was said, would such activity be dealt with summarily, but steps would be taken to prevent extension of unrest to any other industry.

Coal Confiscated and Diverted

By Mayor Schreiber of Toledo.
Toledo.—To avert a general industrial shutdown and suspension of the street car service here during the strike of immigrant railroad workers, Mayor Schreiber ordered the confiscation of coal on the Pennsylvania railroad tracks and its diversion to the Toledo Gas and Light Company.

Salvation Army Spends Much Money in Hospitals and Rescue Homes

New York.—The annual report of the Salvation Army shows that \$7,055,334 of the \$14,197,593 contributed to the 1919 home service fund was devoted to the purchase and erection of hospitals and rescue homes.

French Denounce False Reports of the Position Taken by U. S.

Frankfort.—A proclamation issued by the French authorities asserts that agitators are spreading false reports in an endeavor to arouse the populace. It brands as absolutely false reports that the United States is demanding withdrawal of the French troops from the occupied area.

Government Offering a Record Interest Rate for Short-Term

Washington.—A high record for interest rates on war or post-war government securities was disclosed by Houston in announcing two new issues of treasury certificates of indebtedness maturing in three and six months and bearing interest at 5 per cent and 5 1/4 per cent, respectively.

PEACE RESOLUTION PASSES THE HOUSE

DEMOCRATIC SUBSTITUTE WAS VOTED DOWN BY A RATHER LARGE MAJORITY.

FINALLY PASSED 242 TO 150

Twenty-Two Democrats Join With the Republican Majority in Favor of and Two Republicans Against.

Washington.—The republican joint resolution declaring the state of war with Germany at an end and repealing most of the wartime legislation was adopted by the house. It now goes to the senate.

Before adopting the resolution the house voted down a motion by Representative Flood, of Virginia, the ranking democrat of the foreign affairs committee, to send the resolution back to that committee with instructions to report out a substitute repealing all war-time acts. The vote on that motion was 171 for and 223 against.

The vote on the passage of the peace resolution was 242 to 150, present 170.

Twenty-two democrats joined with the republican majority in supporting the resolution and two republicans voted against its adoption. On the democratic substitute, offered as a motion to recommmit, the only vote other than that of adoption of the resolution permitted under the rule, three democrats lined up with the republicans, while two republicans joined the minority. The greater break in the democratic ranks came on the final vote.

Possible Rupture of Italy and Austrian Chamber Conference

Rome.—Premier Nitti and Chancellor Renner of the Austrian republic, conferred on questions of finance, re-territorialing and raw materials.

Lancashire Interests to Consider Large Venture in Cotton Growing

London.—A large venture in cotton growing, requiring capital of many millions of pounds, shortly is to be put before the Lancashire cotton interests, says a dispatch to The London Times from Manchester.

Railroad Operating Expenses Are Considerably Above the Revenues

Washington.—Railroad operating revenues for February, the last month of federal control, fell \$5,554,000 below operating expenses and thereby increased the government's deficit in operation.

Congress of Salvador Propose an Alliance Excluding United States

Washington.—After receiving the state department's interpretation of the Monroe doctrine, the congress of Salvador adopted a decree proposing a Latin-American alliance with the United States excluded.

CREEL THREATENED WITH PROSECUTION

SMOOT AND KIESS WANT LEGAL ACTION TAKEN IN PUBLICITY MAN'S CASE.

STOUTLY DENIES ALLEGATION

"This is One Lie of Senator Smoot's Says Creel, 'and No One Better Than He Knows It to Be a Lie.'"

Washington.—Legal proceedings by the government against George Creel, former chairman of the committee on public information; Roger W. Babson, of Wellesley Hills, Mass., and others concerned in the transfer of the committee's war publication, The Official Bulletin, to Babson are recommended in a report made public by Senator Smoot, Utah, chairman, and Representative Kieess, vice chairman, of the joint congressional printing committee.

New York.—George Creel, former chairman of the committee on public information, branded as "lies" the allegations contained in a report made public by Senator Smoot in connection with the transfer of the official bulletin to Roger W. Babson.

"This is one of Senator Smoot's lies," Creel declared, "and no one knows better than Senator Smoot that it is a lie." "The whole incident is merely an excuse for Smoot to revenge himself for my share in the Morgan exposure," he said.

People of Paris Send a Message of Thanks for Mars' Monument

Paris.—On behalf of the people of the French capital, Adrien Dauvin, president of the Paris Municipal Council, sent a message of thanks to the American committee for Mars' monument.

Vienna Papers Are Pleased Over the Franco-English Discussion

Vienna.—Satisfaction over dispatches telling of discussion between Great Britain and France relative to the action of the latter in sending troops in German cities east of the Rhine is not concealed by the Vienna newspapers, which express the hope that France will be isolated. France is credited with designs which may provoke further bloodshed and invites the entente to intervene "more than reflexly to prevent hostilities."

Union Leaders Still Hope to be Able to Control Rebellious Men

Washington.—Should the strike of railroad employes threaten a paralysis of transportation the federal government would have to intervene, it was said by high administration officials. The strike is not regarded as having reached that stage, and government officers who are keeping in close touch with the situation are of the opinion that the authorized leaders of the unions will be able to control without government interference.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION MEETS

COLONEL COOK AND W. A. BELF MADE DELEGATES AT LARGE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

PLATFORM ENDORSES WILSON

Senator Cook Selected as State's Favorite for the Presidential Nomination at San Francisco

The presidential electors also met at the Col. Albert L. Cox and W. A. Belf. The delegates at large to the national convention are J. O. Cook, of Wilmington; Wade H. Harris, of Raleigh; J. B. Warren, of New Bern; and Julian S. Gray, of Durham. Other delegates are A. B. McEachern, of Charlotte; Joseph H. Brown, of Raleigh; and W. H. Coker, of Raleigh, who was elected as an honorary delegate.

The platform endorses Wilson's administration and the returns that have come from the democratic vote; also, re-valuation of the budget system, and pending reforms in North Carolina taxation.

There is a good roads plank which deals in specifics, but one on which the platform committee will take up the question of a program that is being carried out.

Senator J. M. Simmons was selected as the state's favorite for the presidential nomination. North Carolina's favorite name for the vice president will be entered in the primary.

March Revenue Collections

Internal revenue collections in the North Carolina district in March totaled \$16,797,831.86. Nearly ten millions came from tobacco. Income taxes amounted to \$9,237,531.10.

Cotton Association to Sue

Atlanta, Ga. (Special)—Permission for the American Cotton association and the 12 individuals to join with J. J. Brown, Georgia commissioner of agriculture and others in a suit against George McFadden and Brothers and other large cotton buying concerns in this section was granted in federal district court here.

The new intervenors declared in a petition that they also were damaged by the alleged conspiracy charge in the original suit to depress the price of low grade cotton.

Several Warehousing Propositions

"We have secured subscriptions to stock that will enable us to go ahead and build a \$50,000 warehouse for our cotton and other farm crops," W. G. Newby, of Hartford, one of the officials of the Perquimmons County Cotton association writes Secretary Treasurer S. G. Robinson of the North Carolina organization.

The cotton association is at work on warehousing propositions in a number of other cotton counties. Johnston, Granville, Union and other counties have already begun the organization of the warehouse companies. Sampson county has sold its stock and is ready to begin the erection of the warehouse in the near future.

Mecklenburg county, which will put on an extensive campaign for members beginning April 9, will also work on a warehouse proposition. Mecklenburg county did not make its campaign at the time the general state campaign was conducted because of other work in the county at that time which made it impossible to make the canvass.

Judge Lindsey on Lecture Tour

Judge Ben E. Lindsey, judge of the juvenile court of Denver, Colo., will spend most of Easter week lecturing before the clubs of North Carolina. Among the clubs fortunate enough to secure engagements with the great jurist of the Northwest are the Raleigh Woman's club and the Sorosis of Wilmington.

Two Conditional Pardons Issued

Conditional clemency was extended by Governor T. W. Bickett to M. G. Stator, Lenoir county, serving a life sentence for having liquor in his possession and to Frank Tart, Wilson county, serving eight years for second degree murder. Both prisoners are required to observe good behavior and remain law abiding citizens.

To Reduce Clerk Hire

Washington.—(Special)—A party measure, passed by the House,

for a patent on a piece of machinery that may revolutionize the mercantile business so far as it relates to home supplies. The "Liberty" self-service corporation would operate the device in a system of chain stores.

The purpose of the proposition is to reduce the high cost of living by substituting machinery for clerks.

Dissolution of Corporation

Articles of dissolution were filed with the Secretary of State by the Hope Mills Manufacturing Co., of Hope Mills. The company operated four large cotton mills on Rockfish creek in and near Hope Mills. One of the factories was the first cotton mill ever erected in the State. Several years ago the company was taken over by Northern capitalists, who have recently disposed of their holdings.

Shipman Has Sold Out

M. L. Shipman, State commissioner of labor and printing, has disposed of his last newspaper in Western North Carolina. The Brevard News, Mr. Shipman, a native of Henderson county, formerly owned The Hendersonville News and The Brevard News.

FARM LANDS HERE SUFFERED HEAVILY

ON ACCOUNT OF HEAVY RAINS RUNCOMBE COUNTY IS IN VERY BAD CONDITION

THE FIRST TELEPHONE LINE

Extension into Mountain Regions is Expected to Especially Benefit Hunters and Tourists

Asheville.—Farm lands in Rutherford county have suffered the worst damage in 15 years as the result of the recent heavy rains. Hundreds of acres of wheat have been inundated by the heavy wash from hillsides and it is likely farmers will lose many thousands of dollars this summer on account of poor grain crops.

W. D. Weaver, county home demonstrator, who has made a survey of conditions, said that wheat fields practically without exception have suffered from the abnormal rainfall.

The first telephone line into the heart of the Blue Ridge mountains, into the East Cays and Chimney Rock section, is being built and these famous places will have connections with the outside world for the first time. The line is being built by the Southern Bell Telephone company at a cost of \$11,000 and will be nearly 20 miles long, it taking 1000 posts to carry the heavy copper wire. The line will be operated from the Hendersonville exchange and will be especially beneficial to the hunters and tourists.

Charlotte, A 29-year-old gambler having gone clear through his head and the pistol still in his hand, arrested and on his own bed, Robert S. Harris, vice president of the Charlotte hardware company, was found dead and

Raleigh.—Dr. James S. Western, from the Panama Canal Zone and lately first lieutenant, United States Army Medical Corps, from which he was discharged a few days ago, passed through the city, accompanied by his brother, Dr. Vernon Western, on their way to their home at Chillicothe, Ohio. Both Dr. Westerns and his brother formerly lived here.

Dunn, Farmers of Sampson and Harnett Counties and Businessmen of Dunn and Other Towns Along the Route of the Proposed Roanoke and Salemburg Railroad Have Practically Completed Tentative Plans for the Project and Will Certainly Build the Road, According to Granville M. Tighman, of the Tighman Lumber Company.

Thirteen States of Mexico Have Joined Senora in Her Secession.

Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mexico, General J. M. Fine, Commanding First Divisional Army of the State of Sonora, Has Announced He Had Received Semi-Official Information That 13 Additional States of the Republic Had Voted to Follow the Example of the State of Sonora in Seceding.

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