



1—The French liner Venezia burning in mid-Atlantic. 2—President C. M. Selph of the National Association of Postmasters and the floral piece he presented to President Wilson with best wishes for his recovery. 3—President Poincare of France laying a wreath on foundation stone of big monument to be erected at St. Mihel in honor of the American victory there.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Labor's Withdrawal From the Industrial Conference in Washington.

PUBLIC GROUP ONLY STAYS

Coal Miners Reject Offer and Prepare to Strike—Senate Committee Adopts Strong Reservations to the Peace Treaty.

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After two weeks of discussion and negotiation, the industrial conference at Washington was almost disrupted Wednesday by the withdrawal of the labor delegation. Mr. Gompers led his bloc out of the conference because its resolution on collective bargaining was rejected. As he departed he declared the employers' group was adopting exactly the position assumed by the I. W. W.—that workers should not enter into agreements with employers—and that he had nothing further to submit. "You have defeated labor in its declaration here," he added, "but we will meet you again in conference, and when we do meet you there you will be glad to talk collective bargaining."

Spokesmen for the capital group denied the employers were opposed to collective bargaining, but said the resolution submitted, if adopted, "would go out to the world as a concession on the part of the employers' group that they recognize the necessity of the unionization of all the industrial establishments in the country and the kind of collective bargaining that the labor unions insist upon as distinguished from other kinds."

The group representing the public approved the resolution, and it was beaten in the employers' group by only one vote, but the rules of the conference require a unanimous vote for the passage of any resolution. L. E. Shepard of the railroad conductors charged that political motives inspired the action of some of the delegates, and to others it was apparent that the steel strike issues really were responsible for the attitude taken by the majority of the capital group.

President Wilson, on his sick bed, had dictated and signed a letter to the members of the conference pleading for continuance of the sessions until a solution of industrial relations was reached, and this was read by Chairman Lane, but it did not have the desired effect on Gompers and his colleagues. At first it was thought their withdrawal meant the breaking up of the conference, but the members of the public group said they would keep on with their work, and President Wilson sent another letter asking that this course be followed.

The failure, so far, of the industrial conference to accomplish anything is disappointing enough, but public attention is centered just now on another labor trouble that is imminent—the threatened strike of soft coal miners which is set for November 1. Secretary of Labor Wilson has been working desperately to avert this, and made a proposal that would grant the miners an increased wage, but that ignored their demand for a 36-hour week. The miners' committee formally rejected this offer, though it was thought the operators would agree to it, and the leaders of the miners left Washington at once to prepare for the struggle. The territory involved is the "central competitive district," including western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.

Secretary Wilson and the other government officials directly involved in this matter did not announce their plans for the future, but they have intimated that if necessary, in order to insure a supply of coal to consumers, the mines will be kept open and operated by the government, with troops on guard. Congress also may intervene if the efforts of the government fail. Already in both house and sen-

ate measures are being framed that would declare it a crime to incite a strike in coal mines. Senator Frelinghuysen was especially severe in his comment on the miners' demands, and took the occasion to denounce trade unionism under its present leadership as a "new autocracy" tending toward bolshevism.

On the surface there is little change in the steel strike situation, but the American Federation of Labor and some state labor associations, notably that of Illinois, came out strong for unlimited support of the strikers, both morally and financially. In the convention of the Illinois Federation of Labor a general strike was advocated in order to "stop the wheels of industry and bring Gary to his knees." The labor leaders are planning to spread the strike in various directions and rejoice at the action of the officials of the railway brotherhoods giving the workers permission to take such action as they may find necessary in each district. This may mean the men operating the lines into steel plants will quit work.

Last Wednesday was the last day on which steel strikers could return to their jobs and save their seniority and pension rights, and many of them did go back to the mills.

The railroad workers of the country, who are demanding increased wages, time and a half overtime, the eight-hour day, and changes in working conditions, are preparing for a finish fight with the railroad administration, according to what Timothy Shea, chief of the firemen, told the administration's board of working conditions, which Shea's data and claims were strongly combated by A. O. Wharton, who left the presidency of the railway employees, department of the American Federation of Labor to become a member of the board.

Director General Hines put a sudden end to the strike of express drivers in New York by threatening to fill their places with troops, but efforts to settle the longshoremen's strike there were futile and the food shortage in the metropolis grew worse daily with prices soaring. In order that there should be no further delay in government work on transports and other vessels, Secretary of War Baker sent a large number of troops to the port to take the places of strikers, and the latter were warned that interference with the soldiers would be met with bullets. The troops, it was declared by the army officials, would do only government work. Although some of the longshoremen's locals have voted to abandon the strike and it is disapproved by their international officers, most of the men refuse to return to work unless they are given \$1 an hour and \$2 an hour for overtime.

The senate committee on foreign relations prepared the ground for the final battle over the treaty with Germany by adopting 14 reservations and a preamble to the resolution of ratification providing that America's ratification of the pact shall not be effective until the reservations have been accepted by three of the four chief allied nations, Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan.

The reservations, which Senator Lodge said will be supported by a majority in the senate, are framed to accomplish the following:

To give the United States unqualified right of withdrawal from the league upon notice by congress.

To relieve the United States of any obligation to preserve the territorial integrity or political independence of any country under article X or to go to war under any article unless congress so decides by act or joint resolution.

To provide that no mandate may be accepted by the United States except by express authorization of congress.

To protect the sovereignty of the United States over domestic questions.

To guard the Monroe doctrine by declaring it outside the jurisdiction of the league.

To remove the United States from any obligation to contribute to the league's expenses unless congress authorizes such appropriation.

To reserve the right of the United States to decide for itself the size of its armament.

To reserve the right of the United States to refrain from entering into the economic boycott provided for in article 16 of the league covenant.

To invalidate any act of the league in so far as it affects the United States, unless the American representative on the league council or assembly has been confirmed by the senate.

To protect the rights of American citizens under the articles of the treaty dealing with debts and property. To relieve the United States of any obligation to assume trusteeship for any of the German overseas possessions surrendered to the allied and associated powers.

To reserve the right of the United States to refuse to submit to the league any question affecting the vital interests and national honor of the United States.

Senator Hitchcock, speaking for the proponents of the treaty as it stands, said the reservations were utterly obnoxious and that 40 Democrats would vote against ratification with such conditions. The preamble he considered especially objectionable.

Bringing up unexpected strength to the defense of Petrograd, the bolsheviks succeeded in postponing the fall of that city, though their officials moved to Moscow with all their records. At latest reports, the troops of the Russian northwest army were but a few miles from Petrograd and the fighting was severe. It is known that General Yudenitch's men are not well equipped, and they are not numerous; therefore the Finns are expecting that he will reconsider his refusal to accept the help they offered him some time ago. In the Volga region General Denikin claimed to have defeated the bolsheviks near Kamshin, but the soviet government announced that Denikin's advance on Moscow from the south had been definitely stopped.

According to the British admiralty, the story of the bombardment and capture of Kronstadt by British naval forces was untrue; but last week a message from Helsingfors said French warships had been shelling the fortress for several days. Two bolshevik torpedo boat destroyers attacked British and Estonian vessels in the Gulf of Finland and were promptly sunk.

The Letts continued their struggle for the possession of Riga with the Germans, who are under the command of Col. Avaloff-Bermond since Von der Goltz quit. The Germans claim to be carrying on their campaign against the bolsheviks and to have offered an armistice to the Letts. They have been joined by an entire regiment that had been stationed at Thorn to guard the Germano-Polish frontier.

The American mission to Armenia under Major General Harbord arrived at Constantinople after a strenuous trip in the course of which the members, except Harbord, were captured by Kurds and held prisoners for several hours. Correspondents who have interviewed the commissioners say most of them are opposed to America's accepting a mandate for Armenia or any other part of the former Turkish empire unless the other powers first pledge themselves to a policy of hands off.

Premier Lloyd George found himself up against another "crisis" almost immediately after the opening of parliament. By an unexpected shift of the line-up the government was defeated on a minor amendment to a pending measure. But because only about half the members were present it was believed the cabinet would not consider it necessary to resign, as is customary when it finds itself outvoted.

The French military authorities have unearthed a great conspiracy in Alsace-Lorraine having for its object the establishment of an autonomous republic. The leader has confessed it was financed by Germans and that a relative of Bethmann-Hollweg was the intermediary between the Berlin foreign office and the conspirators.

CORNHUSKER ITEMS

News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points Throughout Nebraska.

OF INTEREST TO ALL READERS

A most tragical suicide occurred near Tecumseh the other day when Oscar Stutz, farmer, poured gasoline over the hay in the mow of his barn, set fire to the inflammable fuel, tied a wire around his neck and to a rafter and swung off the support on which he stood. The body was badly burned. A team of horses belonging to Stutz, thirty-five head of hogs belonging to Tecumseh men, the barn belonging to Lawrence Bischoff, and hay tools and other farm equipment, were burned. The loss is very heavy.

Mrs. John Staker of Hastings was elected president of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs at the annual convention of the organization at Fairbury. Others chosen are: Vice president, Mrs. E. B. Penny, Fullerton; recording secretary, Mrs. S. M. Dewey, Fairmont; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Paul Perryman; treasurer, Mrs. E. G. Drake, Beatrice; auditor, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Chadron; state and national director, Mrs. A. E. Sheldon, Lincoln.

Elmer O. Snell and Miss Nettie English of Juniata; Arthur Stewart of Illinois; Leslie Laudon and Mrs. Emmeline Potter of Hastings and Herman Knedler of Curtis were killed and Miss Anna Kellman of Hastings was injured when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by a fast Burlington passenger train near Hastings. The party was en route to a country dance when the fatal accident occurred.

Figures compiled by the Omaha Chamber of Commerce show that Nebraska stands fifth in the union in beet sugar production. This state will produce 650,000 tons of sugar this year. The leading states are Colorado, Michigan, Utah and California. The five states for the year will produce 5,989,000 tons of sugar.

The first recorded incident in Nebraska whereby a county superintendent of schools declined to permit pupils to pay tribute to a great American citizen occurred in Dundy county when the children of the county should take no part in the observance of the birthday of Theodore Roosevelt.

Richardson county, which leads in Sunday school work in the state, won the state banner with an attendance of 750 at the annual county Sunday school convention, held in Verdon, for the largest attendance at a single session of any convention held in the state so far this year.

Through the vigilance of fifty county farm bureaus, the state is practically free from hog cholera, according to the college of agriculture. The usual loss runs into millions, but this year it is only a few hundred thousand dollars.

A barbecue and celebration will be held at Superior on Armistice day, November 11, in honor of the Neokolls county, Nebraska, and Jewell county, Kansas, soldiers and sailors.

Six Lincoln boy scouts are to be presented with honor awards by the government as an acknowledgment of their efforts in obtaining subscriptions in the Victory Loan campaign.

An elaborate program has been formulated for the annual convention of the Nebraska Potato Improvement association, which is to be held at Rushville, November 12 to 14.

Miss Ellen Harn, 91, pioneer woman suffrage leader of Kenesaw, made an airplane flight with Aviator Burgess Creeth. She is believed to be the oldest Nebraska woman to fly.

The blanket permit system on grain shipments from country stations to the Omaha market was cancelled October 25. Individual permits are now required.

Over \$200,000 has been raised of the fund of \$350,000 the Nebraska Lutheran synod plans to secure for a new university, to be founded in Fremont.

Fremont, it is said, is short more than 100 rental homes to house new residents who have moved into the city in the past few weeks.

Hog prices are moving skyward again on the South Omaha market, some high grades going as high as \$15.00 a hundred.

Ulysses is making preparation to add a number of extensions to her sewer system.

About 450 students, representing virtually every county in the state, have enrolled for farming engineering courses at the State Agricultural college at Lincoln. New registrations are being added each Monday.

Water users in the irrigated districts of western Nebraska are raising such a cry for congress to appropriate more money for developing purposes it is being heard at Washington and action is looked for.

The city council of Alliance has voted to purchase two square blocks in the business district for parking purposes.

The Buffalo County Live Stock association plans to expend \$15,000 for the erection of a sales pavilion at Kearney.

Walter Briggs, Seward county boy, who raised a \$5,000 litter of pigs under the direction of the State college of agriculture, added \$632 to his profits when he captured thirteen ribbons at the national swine show at Des Moines.

A terrible tragedy occurred near Kearney when a Union Pacific passenger train, running more than an hour late and at terrific speed, crashed into a Ford touring car containing Charles Kimmery of Colorado, his wife and four children, killing all the occupants of the car. The family resided in Shurgon, Colo., and was en route home from the east. All curtains on the car were fastened down because of a heavy mist, and it is presumed the driver failed to see or hear the train.

Following a meeting of the joint legislative committee, at Lincoln, appointed at the extra session to look into the matter of profiteering in Nebraska, it became known that it was the consensus of opinion at the gathering that the time has come to handle the profiteers in this state without gloves, and the only problem is that of going after it in a way that will count. To this end the committee, which is composed of Senators Cooper of Douglas, Taylor of Custer, Neal of Nemaha and Representatives Purcell of Broken Bow, McLaughlin of Grand Island and Harlin of Harlan county, will look thoroughly into the matter, and will hold another meeting later.

The 7 to 7 tie football game between the Nebraska University and the Oklahoma state teams at Omaha is looked upon by lovers of the sport in this state as a defeat for the Cornhuskers, as the Nebraska squad has been conceded all along as the stronger of the two aggregations.

At the pure-bred Duroc sale of J. H. Proett and son at the Thayer county fair at Deshler, a sow, Milady Orion, sold to Proett Bros. of Alexander, for \$1,010, the highest price a sow of any breed ever sold for in Thayer county.

A corporation with a capital stock of \$100,000 has been organized at Alliance for the purpose of building new homes in the city to care for the increased population. The city is short now, it is claimed, over 300 houses.

Mrs. A. E. Davison, pioneer in woman's club work in Nebraska, and for the past eight years leader of the woman's section of the State College of Agriculture Extension Service, has resigned her position.

During a scuffle over a loaded revolver at Kearney, Art Meyers was shot and instantly killed. Witnesses say the victim was under the influence of liquor and had attempted to run amuck.

Only returned service men who are members of the Buffalo county post of the American Legion will be permitted to attend a big banquet and celebration at Kearney Armistice Day, November 11.

The boy scouts of Wahoo whose organization became demoralized during the war because of the enlistments of its scoutmasters, has recently been reorganized with a membership of fifty to begin with.

A baby international stock show will be held at the State Farm, Lincoln, the evening of Nov. 14. Following the exhibit the stock will be sent to Chicago for the big international show.

Nebraska ranks third for the best condition of all crops to September 1, 1919, according to a report issued by the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, Oklahoma and Texas outranked Nebraska.

Suit instituted by the state against two Lincoln wholesale houses for alleged violation of the state anti-trust law has been dismissed by Judge Heild of the Lancaster county court.

Twenty-five discharged soldiers, mostly Nebraskans, disabled during the war, are enrolled in the University of Agricultural training under federal aid at the State Farm, Lincoln.

Deshler suffered the greatest conflagration in the history of the city a few days ago when fire destroyed the big Deshler coffee mill, entailing a loss of several thousand dollars.

A drop in the price of \$1 per hundred for hogs on stock markets means a loss of about \$8,000,000 to Nebraska raisers if applied to the annual production of hogs in this state.

The Salem Lutheran church at its October meeting decided to erect a new church on a site nearer Midland college, work on the new structure to begin in the spring.

At a big meeting of advertising men at Omaha the other day it was predicted that prices of clothing and shoes will greatly advance in the next few months.

J. D. French, assistant State Superintendent of Public Instructions, has resigned because of ill health.

Washington reports are to the effect that Omaha will have air mail service by next spring.

John Blazka, Cherry county farmer, was found guilty of second degree murder, for the killing of his wife, by a jury at Valentine.

It is rumored that J. E. Miller, mayor of Lincoln, is strongly considering the matter of entering the democratic primaries for the democratic nomination for governor.

Articles of incorporation for the Consolidated Electric company, capitalized at \$10,000, have been adopted by business men and farmers of Virginia, Rockford and Holmesville, Gage county.

A twenty-acre patch of potatoes on the Peter Jensen farm, near Morrill, averaged 500 bushels to the acre.

Jefferson county has the distinction of having a woman deputy sheriff, said to be the only one in Nebraska. Mrs. Mary Griger has been appointed by Sheriff Tippla and has accepted the position which she is now holding.

Time lost in putting down paving at Wahoo, necessitated because of lack of material, was made up when a number of husky business men of the city volunteered their services to help the work along.

Eases Colds. At once! Relief with "Pape's Cold Compound"

The first dose eases your cold! Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! A dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" taken every two hours until three doses are taken usually breaks up a severe cold and ends all grippe misery.

Relief awaits you! Open your clogged-up nostrils and the air passages of your head; stop nose running; relieve the headache, dullness, feverishness, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

"Pape's Cold Compound" is the quickest, surest relief known and costs only a few cents at drug stores. It acts without assistance. Tastes nice. Contains no quinine. Insist on Pape's—Adv.

Weighty Subject. They had been discussing art, and the young man was getting slightly tired of the subject.

"I remember one picture that brought tears to my eyes, however," he continued.

"Ah, it was some pathetic subject," murmured the damsel, who took herself seriously.

"As a matter of fact I don't know what the subject was, but I happened to be sitting under a pretty heavy picture when the cord broke and it came down on my head."

TOO SHORT TO DO UP AND STILL FALLING

A little "Danderine" stops your hair coming out and doubles its beauty.



To stop falling hair at once and rid the scalp of every particle of dandruff, get a small bottle of delightful "Danderine" at any drug or toilet counter for a few cents, pour a little in your hand and rub it into the scalp. After several applications the hair usually stops coming out and you can't find any dandruff. Help your hair to grow strong, thick and long and become soft, glossy and twice as beautiful and abundant.—Adv.

Unnecessarily Worried. He—I may as well tell you, before you hear it in some other way, that I kissed another man's wife last night.

The Missus—I'll get a divorce, but who was the horrid thing? He—I wish you wouldn't speak that way of my mother.

If You Need a Medicine You Should Have the Best

Have you ever stopped to reason why it is that so many products that are extensively advertised, all at once drop out of sight and are soon forgotten? The reason is plain—the article did not fulfill the promises of the manufacturer. This applies more particularly to a medicine. A medicinal preparation that has real curative value almost sells itself, as like an endless chain system the remedy is recommended by those who have been benefited, to those who are in need of it. A prominent druggist says "Take for example Dr. Kilmey's Swamp-Root, a preparation I have sold for many years and never hesitate to recommend, for in almost every case it shows excellent results, as many of my customers testify. No other kidney remedy has so large a sale."

According to sworn statements and verified testimony of thousands who have used the preparation, the success of Dr. Kilmey's Swamp-Root is due to the fact, so many people claim, that it fulfills almost every wish in overcoming kidney, liver and bladder ailments; corrects urinary troubles and neutralizes the uric acid which causes rheumatism. You may receive a sample bottle of Swamp-Root by Parcel Post. Address Dr. Kilmey & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., and enclose ten cents; also mention this paper. Large and medium size bottles for sale at all drug stores.—Adv.

Waste of Breath. "I want a word with you." "What's up?" "Are you the idiot who told the stage manager I was a liar?" "Certainly not, I thought he knew." —Mullane Brothers.

There is nothing more satisfactory after a day of hard work than a line full of snowy white clothes. For such results use Red Cross Ball Blue.

Aviation has added 200 words to the language, including such words, of course.—Rochester Herald.