

500 HOMELESS IN BERKELEY FIRE

Call More Troops in Oklahoma

Situation in Sooner Capital Is Tense Over Martial Law—Guards Ready for Mobilization.

State House Is Watched

By Universal Service. Oklahoma City, Sept. 17.—Gov. J. C. Walton made the power of martial law felt in Oklahoma today. While the governor was speaking at Henrietta today, charging the Ku Klux Klan with anarchy and rebellion, the military court of inquiry here began its official investigation. "The fight on the Klan is no longer a religious affair," the governor said in his speech. "The organization is trying to control the government of the entire state. It is in open anarchy and rebellion and must be put down."

Armed guards stand at the great doors of the chambers of the senate and house of representatives, on each side of the entrance. No one is allowed to pass. That is to prevent, physically if necessary, an extraordinary session of the legislature in an attempt to impeach the governor.

Guard Numbers Increased. Reinforcements of National guardsmen are being brought in. No reason was given for this at military headquarters. But the military shows indications of uneasiness over the tenacity of feeling here, growing out of martial law.

Machine guns command the streets, bristling from public buildings. During guard mounts there was some jeering from spectators. Plans for emergency mobilization at any point in the city were drawn up today. Guardsmen are stationed, night and day, at the siren of the local gas corporation. Five blasts of the whistle will be the signal for all units to mobilize at central points and war that trouble has broken out. An artillery unit of the national guard, stationed at Enid, was ordered mobilized today and will entrain tonight for Oklahoma City. These troops will be stationed at Capitol hill and the big guns will guard the state house. Full pressure of martial law was being felt in the city tonight. Regular street car service was ordered to stop at 11:30 p. m. Main roads entering the city are being patrolled.

Klan Records Removed. Reports reached military headquarters today that the Ku Klux Klan scored a coup in getting records of the organization out of the state. According to the report, records and secret files were loaded on an airplane and carried outside the state. The military court of inquiry, it is said, expected to seize these records.

The military court, at its opening session, interrogated Campbell Russell, former chairman of the State Corporation commission, and enemy of Governor Walton. Russell, it was said, precipitated the first physical clash since the troops came to the capitol. He was circulating handbills, picturing the governor as a man drunk with power an arbitrary ruler. He was knocked down by A. R. Clark, son of a former police chief here. It was understood that he was brought before the court to ascertain whether his circular would intend to incite riot and inflame public opinion.

Governor Walton is under protection of special guards, hretars having been made against his life. Tonight Company of national guards, located at Frederick, was being mobilized under orders from the governor to be ready to move on 10 minutes' notice. (Copyright, 1923.)

Supreme Judge Aldrich Too Ill to Attend Court

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Lincoln, Sept. 17.—The fall term of the Nebraska supreme court opened today. Judge Chester H. Aldrich was absent. The judge is reported ill at the home of his son at Superior.

Several weeks ago a report was circulated that Judge Aldrich would be forced to resign because of ill health. Since that time he has received numerous letters from friends urging him to remain on the bench.

Gaston Glass' Second Trial Is Resumed in Los Angeles

Los Angeles, Sept. 17.—The second trial of Gaston Glass, motion picture actor, charged with social vagrancy, was resumed in the police court today when Police Sgt. J. W. Nelson took the stand to testify that he saw the actor, Mrs. Helen McCleskey, actress, on the night of June 2, last. Glass, Louis Glasnier, motion picture director, Mrs. McCleskey and Miss Alma Rhoades were in the house at the time, Nelson said.

Des Moines Publisher, 36, to Study at Harvard for Year

Chicago, Sept. 17.—Clifford De Puy, publisher of Des Moines, who for many years was too busy building up his business to spare the time to go to college, was in Chicago today on his way to Harvard university where he will spend at least one year in the study of business administration. He is 36.

Resume Silk Trading

New York, Sept. 17.—Trading in Japanese silk in the New York market, which has been suspended since the earthquake in Japan, will be resumed tomorrow.

Nebraska Novelist Poses at Paris



Willa Cather, Nebraska novelist, is shown posing for a portrait by Leon Bakst, famous Russian painter, in his Paris studio. The picture, when completed, will be hung in the Omaha public library building.

Surplus of Labor in Nebraska, U.S. Report Shows

Temporary Condition Result of Influx of Men From Harvest Fields of Northwest.

By Associated Press. Lincoln, Sept. 17.—There is a temporary labor surplus in Nebraska, caused by the influx of men from the harvest fields of the northwest, the August report of the United States Department of Labor, made public here today by Richard T. Jones, fourth district director, states. The report, however, states that road construction, railroad work and other activities in the state are drawing heavily on this surplus.

Moisture retarded building and road work somewhat, the report brings out, but operations under way and contemplated, it continues, promise adequate employment for skilled and semiskilled labor until cold weather. General farm help is in good call and major industries, according to Mr. Jones' report, are all on a normal employment basis.

The government, as given by cities, follows: Omaha—Men returning from harvest fields have created a temporary surplus of common labor. These, however, are being rapidly absorbed in other lines. Skilled labor may find plenty of employment on projects under construction and this condition will continue for some time. Road construction in city and county continues to draw heavily on semiskilled workers. General farm help is in good demand with acute shortage of this class of labor existing. Domestic and clerical, also salesmen, are in fair demand.

Lincoln—A slight surplus of common labor is seen, due to the fact that heavy rains have interrupted the building program and paving work. Building operations under way and contemplated for the next two months indicate adequate employment for all local skilled workmen during the present season. There is a good call for general farm labor.

Hastings—There is a continued good call for general farm labor, with a shortage obtaining. Skilled and semiskilled workers well employed.

300 Priests Imprisoned

Copenhagen, Sept. 17.—Dispatches from Helsinki state that the bolsheviks have banished 400 priests from Archangel and interned 300 others in the Cheka prisons. The churchmen are charged with plotting a counter revolution.

Delighted--Lots for Work

Carpenter at work now is what Mrs. A. L. Downs, 3604 State St., says in regard to the results obtained from her "Want" ad in The Omaha Bee. Mrs. Downs ordered the following "Want" ad: TWO choice residence lots, 51st and Charles, will swap for expert carpenter work as first payment. Call KE. 4665. for three days but closed the deal a short while after the ad appeared. Mrs. Downs says she always calls The Omaha Bee to get articles and always gets results. Try an Omaha Bee "Want" ad and be convinced.

Legion Men Assemble in Hastings

City Gaily Decorated in Honor of Annual Convention of Nebraska Ex-Service Men.

Big Program Scheduled

Hastings, Neb., Sept. 17.—The state convention of the American Legion opened here today. Governor Bryan arrived at 11 o'clock to attend the convention and was taken to the Clark hotel, registration headquarters, in an ancient hack, followed by officers of the legion in another similar vehicle.

More than a thousand delegates expected to arrive before evening, when retreat ceremonies were to be held. A boxing bout is on the evening program, to be followed by a joint reception for the legion and auxiliary delegates at 9:30.

Hundreds of flags are flying in the downtown section, in welcome to the ex-service men. Chas. P. Plummer, Casper, Wyo., national vice commander of the legion, under Commander Alvin N. Owsley, is expected to attend the convention.

May Discuss Bonus. State Adjutant Frank O'Connell of the legion declared today that the state soldiers' bonus situation would probably be one of the matters discussed during the legion's sessions. Recommendations may be made to the state by the convention if legionaires choose to bring the subject up, he stated. The selection of next year's national commander will also probably be discussed, informally, it was said.

A reunion of the Three Hundred and Fifty-fifth infantry will be held in connection with the convention, and the "Eighth Chevaux and Forty Hommes" have promised "something special" in the way of entertaining their members.

Golf, tennis, swimming and other athletic meets have been planned by the Hastings post, and many legionaires are preparing to take back to their posts over the state prizes in these events.

Big Parade Tuesday. Tuesday a parade will be the feature of the day. This will be held after the convention's session in the afternoon. It is planned that all posts shall carry their post colors and the American flag. Several bands will be in the parade.

One of the features of the convention will be the military ball, in honor of the Nebraska army nurses, which will be held Tuesday night. Only those wearing full uniform or full dress are admitted. Nurses will wear their white uniforms under a blue cape, and citizens attending the ball will be in full dress.

"Stunts" are to be staged by the various posts and Hastings post will award a prize for the best. Six posts have entered contestants in the drum and bugle corps contest, the winners of which will be awarded a cup by the state department of the legion. Band concerts will be held at various times during the convention.

French Loan Money to Munitions Buyers

By Universal Service. Paris, Sept. 17.—New loans in the amount of 800,000,000 francs, in addition to 200,000,000 already granted, will be accorded the countries of the little entente by France for the purchase of munitions and other material for national defense.

The loans will be divided between Poland, Jugo-Slavia and Rumania, and will, in all likelihood, be expended in France for the purchase of munitions. Services for Quake Victims. Tokio, Sept. 17.—An impressive memorial service was held yesterday morning on the site of the British consulate at Yokohama in honor of the memory of approximately 40 Americans and 54 British citizens and other foreigners who lost their lives in the Japanese earthquake disaster two weeks ago.

Bishop Healett of the Anglican church conducted the services, being assisted by a Catholic priest and Rev. P. P. Zeimann, pastor of the American Union church. Representatives of the American embassy attended, an American destroyer carrying a group from Tokio for the purpose of honoring the foreigners who lost their lives.

Holiday Absence of British Cabinet Heads Makes Editor Nervous

London, Sept. 17.—The Sunday Times in an editorial condemns the absence of cabinet members during the present European crisis. It says: "Our ministers are on a holiday as though the present and the future were wrapped in impenetrable tranquility. There is a country-wide feeling that Prime Minister Baldwin should be in England at this time."

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Waiting (?) for Sunrise on the Opening Day of the Hunting Season



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Former Omahan Now in California Says Many Nebraskans There.

G. S. Foxworthy, formerly Omaha manager of the Western Newspaper Union, now director of the company's plant in San Francisco, is visiting in Omaha this week.

"I love California and its wonderful climate and people, but I could not resist coming back to Nebraska to visit," he declared.

Mr. Foxworthy has the reputation of having the largest number of acquaintances among newspaper men in the cities and towns of this state than any other man. He was associated with newspapers and the Western Newspaper Union in Nebraska for many years. He established the plant for his company in San Francisco.

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Anthracite Miners Vote to Resume Work

Seranton, Pa., Sept. 17.—The anthracite mine workers, in convention late today ratified the new wage agreement entered into between representatives of the United Mine Workers and the coal operators, and voted to return work Wednesday morning. Anthracite mining has been suspended since September 1, when the old wage contract expired.

Cowboys Greet Lord Renfrew

High River, Alberta, Canada, Sept. 17.—The prince of Wales, otherwise Lord Renfrew, today was at the end of the long railway journey from the Atlantic seaboard to his ranch near High River. He reached here late yesterday, greeted by a throng of Indians, cowboys and other citizens.

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Commission to Probe Salaries of Telephone Co.

Platte Valley Officers Ordered to Show Cause Why Readjustment Should Not Take Place.

Lincoln, Sept. 17.—Officers of the Platte Valley Telephone company, with headquarters at Scottsbluff, have been ordered to appear before the Nebraska railway commission on October 2 to show cause why there shouldn't be a readjustment of their salaries.

The report of the company shows that it pays to the president and general manager combined, the secretary, treasurer, auditor, plant superintendent and commercial superintendent a total annual salary of \$27,707, against a plant with only 3,688 subscribers. The officers cited to appear are Eben D. Warner, W. H. Isenberger, sr.; R. C. Patterson, Otto Fuest and H. H. Carman.

Delayed Frost Will Help Corn

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The barley crop is the largest on record, while the oats crop is the second largest. Hay and forage crops are heavy. The spring wheat crop is reduced. Pastures have been exceptionally good. The report follows, in part: "The condition of corn is generally satisfactory throughout the state. The crop has probably never been excelled in western Nebraska. Part of the crop has matured sufficiently to withstand a frost, but late corn would be seriously injured. Corn improved during August and the condition of 90 per cent forecasts a crop of 237,418,000 bushels, as compared to 182,400,000 bushels last year and the five-year average of 190,536,000 bushels.

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U. S. Grain Exports

Washington, Sept. 17.—Grain exports from the United States last week totaled 3,930,000 bushels, as compared to 6,898,000 for the week previous.

Earthquake Survivors Get Fancy Prices for Stories and Pictures

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 17.—Newspaper men of the Pacific coast did their share of relieving the financial difficulties of some of the destitute survivors of the Japanese earthquake who arrived here yesterday. Photographs of scenes connected with disaster sold at a high premium and eye witness stories of survivors some times brought as high as \$100.

Kansas Pioneer Dies

Wymore, Neb., Sept. 17.—Mrs. Margaret Hule, 55, pioneer settler of Oketo, Kan., near here, died at a Beatrice hospital Friday, where she had been taken a week ago for treatment. The husband and several grown children survive, all living near Oketo.

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"The condition of oats at the time of harvest was 88 per cent, indicating a crop of 86,977,000 bushels, the second in size on record. Last year the crop was 56,106,000 bushels.

"Spring wheat shows a further marked decrease. Part of the crop in western Nebraska was not harvested. The condition of 50 per cent at the time of harvest should produce a crop of 3,560,000 bushels. The estimate for all wheat is 31,332,000 bushels, against 59,838,000 bushels last year. The production of rye is 1,650,000 bushels, as compared to 2,108,000 bushels last year.

"The condition of barley was 87 per cent at the time of harvest, which forecasts a crop of 9,585,000 bushels, as compared to 4,356,000 bushels last year. The present crop is the largest on record, and is accounted for by the increased acreage and good yields.

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"The condition of potatoes is 89 per cent, which forecasts a crop of 9,312,000 bushels, as compared to 11,676,000 bushels last year. The early Kearney crop fell below expectations.

"The hay crops are very heavy. The sand hills and western Nebraska have exceptionally large yields of wild hay. The present condition of tame hay is 92 per cent and indicates a crop of 3,252,000 tons, compared to 3,232,000 tons last year. The condition of wild hay at the time of harvest was 98 per cent, which forecasts 2,857,000 tons, compared to 1,877,000 tons last year.

"Sugar beets improved and are rated at 86 per cent. The condition of apples was reduced to 53 per cent. Flax is estimated at 36,000 bushels.

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Dynamite Is Used by Firemen

University Buildings Saved—Children in Panic as Flames Sweep Residential Section.

U. S. Soldiers on Guard

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 17.—Two hundred soldiers were hurried late today from Fort Scott here to Sonoma county to assist in battling fires.

Col. Harrison Hall, ninth corps area adjutant, and Col. William P. Burnham ordered a battalion organized at the Presidio as quickly as possible for duty at Berkeley. The battalion will include a demolition party.

By Universal Service. Berkeley, Cal., Sept. 17.—Scores of residences were destroyed by fire late today, which for a time threatened to engulf the University of California. Dynamite was resorted to, and this, with a change in the direction of the wind, saved the great institution and the greater part of the business district of the college city.

At least 25 persons were seriously burned and two are reported killed. Thousands of children became last in the panic which gripped the residents in the path of the flames, and many had been unaccounted for at a late hour.

The property damage will, it is believed, exceed \$2,000,000. A refugee camp has been established in a secluded spot back of the University of California, where everything possible is being done to alleviate the sufferings of the homeless.

All available fire fighting apparatus was rushed from Oakland and San Francisco to the fire zone, but inadequate water supply greatly hampered the efforts of the firemen.

At 6 o'clock tonight the police said the fire line covers an area of one mile wide by four miles in length. They estimated that 1,000 homes had been consumed.

All efforts are now being made to stop the spread of the flames, permitting the buildings already ablaze to continue to their destruction.

It is now believed that 5,000 persons have been made homeless.

No Car Shortage in Middle West

Denver, Colo., Sept. 17.—The car service division of the Central Western Regional advisory board, American Railway association, convened here today in its second formal session this year. About 100 representatives of railroads serving Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho and Colorado and of shippers' associations of those states took part in discussing means to avoid congestion of perishable freight or grain in the peak of traffic anticipated in October.

According to reports made, there is no shortage of cars in any of the states represented, but a decision was reached to appoint commodity committees whose members should be charged with responsibility to supply cars for potatoes, fruit, vegetables and other western products about to come on to the market in quantity.

H. G. Taylor of Lincoln, chairman of the Nebraska State Railway commission who presided today, said that these committees will not be named immediately because it is desired to ascertain railroad and shipping representatives who will serve in any anticipated emergency of crop movement. All of the commodity committees will be named within two weeks, it was said.

Town Criers Urge

Paris, Sept. 17.—M. Emile Devaux, a Paris alderman, demands that the "town crier" of old be re-established in the public markets, that prices may be kept down.

Monsieur Devaux claims that if official prices are cried throughout the market all buyers and sellers will have to be guided by the price quoted. Profiteers will thereby be nipped in the bud and the fair sellers will get in on the ground floor.

Hylan Much Better

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Sept. 17.—So much better has been the improvement of Mayor John F. Hylan of New York City, in the last 48 hours that members of his family are making new plans to have the mayor take a long rest at Atlantic City after October 1.

The Weather

Table with 2 columns: Temperature, Relative Humidity, Percentage, Precipitation, Inches and Hundredths. Rows for various locations and dates.