

Thermometer Readings: 3 A. M. 29.1 P. M. 35.0; 6 A. M. 29.2 P. M. 35.0; 9 A. M. 30.3 P. M. 35.0; 12 M. 30.4 P. M. 35.0; 3 P. M. 30.5 P. M. 35.0; 6 P. M. 31.6 P. M. 35.0; 9 P. M. 31.8 P. M. 35.0; 11 A. M. 31.8 P. M. 35.0; 11 P. M. 31.8 P. M. 35.0

PERSHING'S NAME GIVEN TO SQUARE IN NEW YORK.

New York, Dec. 6.—Mayor Hylan today signed an ordinance designating the space in front of the Grand Central terminal, looking south on Park avenue, as Pershing square.

WOMAN LAWYER IN NEW FIELD OF ACTIVITY.

Denver, Dec. 6.—The first woman to be appointed special agent in the federal general land office is Miss Felice Cohn of Carson City, Nev. She reported today to M. D. McHenry, chief of the field division of the general land office in Denver, and began her duties.

Besides being the first woman special agent, Miss Cohn also is the first woman lawyer to be a hearing agent for the government. She will handle land hearings in Colorado and Nevada.

FLU MASKS AGAIN—VOGUE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

San Francisco, Dec. 6.—San Franciscans again will be asked to don flu masks until there is a marked decrease in the number of new cases within the next 48 hours, Dr. William C. Hasler, city health officer announced tonight.

TROPICAL HURRICANE SWEEPS OAHU ISLAND.

Honolulu, Dec. 6.—The island of Oahu, on which Honolulu is situated, and adjacent islands are recovering today from the worst tropical hurricane that ever visited the Hawaiian group.

Thousands of trees were blown down, all wires were prostrated and many wooden houses wrecked. Fruit trees in bearing were stripped. The sugar cane crop on the island of Oahu was said to have suffered damage conservatively estimated at \$250,000.

RECORD PRICES PAID FOR FANCY LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—Record prices paid for stock of the quality of this year's show surpassing all previous exhibitions according to stock men, has marked the International live stock exposition which will close tomorrow night.

IOWA BOYS WEALTHY; BUY HOGS INSTEAD OF BIKE.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—The case of Johnny and Billy Turner of De Witt, Ia., illustrates the importance to which the hog industry has recently grown in the middle west. Johnny is 16 years old and Billy 13, and the style of their firm is Turner Brothers.

Four years ago their father gave them \$25 to buy a bicycle, but they bought a sow and went in the hog raising business instead. Today they have 600 in their herd of Hampshire sows valued at \$25,000. They are exhibiting a prize sow at the International Live Stock show, for which they refused an offer of \$2,000. The firm has won 83 prizes, including three blue ribbons.

Women's Trade Unions Proposed as Means of Gaining Equal Rights.

New York, Dec. 6.—Organization of women's trade unions as the first step toward obtaining equal pay with men for the same class of work in the post-war labor adjustment was proposed here today by Miss Mary Van Kleck, director of the women in industry service, United States labor department, in an address before the Academy of Political Science.

Pioneer Iowa Attorney Victim of Pneumonia.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge George H. Carr, former jurist, law-maker and attorney and former member of legislature and four years counsel for the Great Western railroad, died at his home here today after a short illness of pneumonia. He began his law practice in Iowa at Emmetsburg.

Rhineland Citizens Decide to Form Independent Republic.

Copenhagen, Dec. 6.—At a meeting of leading citizens of the Rhineland in Cologne on Wednesday it was resolved to proclaim at the earliest possible moment an independent republic "under the German empire." The republic would include the countries of the Rhine and Westphalia.

Allies Worried About China.

Peking, Dec. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—The American, British, Italian and Japanese ministers today had an audience with President Hsu Shih-Chang and presented him with a memorandum expressing the grave concern of the associated governments in witnessing the continued civil strife in China and their wish to encourage the efforts of both sides for reconciliation.

UNION BAR TO AGREEMENT

PEACE CONGRESS WILL OPEN FIRST WEEK IN JANUARY

Final Action Expected to be Reached Early in May; Interallied Conference Will Assemble December 16 or 17; Wilson Informed by Wireless of Plans Made by Colonel House.

Paris, Dec. 6.—The opening of the peace congress at Paris has been set for the first week in January. It is expected here that the peace deliberations will last about four months. Unless unforeseen obstacles arise the belief prevails in well-informed quarters that final action will be reached toward the early part of May.

President Wilson will be informed by wireless of the plans for the assembling of the inter-allied conference and the meeting of the peace congress. He will also be advised concerning the recent gathering of the supreme war council at London. In the meantime, reports that the president has approved of anything done at the supreme council are premature, as the steps taken at that meeting have not been made known to him until today.

Plans Formed at Conference. The plans concerning the peace meetings are the results of Col. Edward House's long talk with Premier Clemenceau, following a conference with Baron Sonnino, the Italian foreign minister, and the Earl of Derby, the British ambassador to France. It was the desire of the Americans to begin at the earliest possible moment.

The interallied conference will assemble December 16 or 17. The meetings will be at the foreign office in the Quai D'Orsay, and not at Versailles. David Lloyd George, British premier, and A. J. Balfour, foreign minister, expect to come here at that time to meet President Wilson and attend the conference. The interallied conference will be held in the Grand Hotel, which is a part of the British empire, and it is believed that the British may not permit them to remain more than two or three days.

British Delegates Named. The names of the French delegates to the peace conference have not yet been announced, but it is said there will be three members of the government and possibly a fourth member. The British delegates will be Premier Lloyd George, Foreign Minister Balfour, Chancellor of the Exchequer Andrew Bonar Law, George Nicoll Barnes, labor member of the war cabinet, and a fifth delegate not yet selected.

Republicans Get Order Relieving Big Potash Plants

Washington Bureau of Omaha Bee. Washington, Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram.)—What Senator Hitchcock failed to accomplish in relieving the potash industry of Nebraska from serious if not irreparable loss because of political fealty to his party's principles, two republican members of congress from the Prairie state effected today in obtaining the promise of Vance McCormick, chairman of the war trade board to issue a notice to the country that the embargo on German potash, growing out of the war, was still effective and would continue so until the promulgation of peace.

Nonpartisan League Increases President Townley's Salary

St. Paul, Dec. 6.—The annual convention of the National Nonpartisan league, which adjourned today, adopted a resolution increasing the salary of President A. C. Townley from \$3,600 to \$5,000 a year. The audit showed that Mr. Townley during the 43 months that the league has been in existence drew for salary and expenses a total of \$26,081.

Hospital Ship Comfort Safe.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Anxiety over the delayed arrival of the hospital ship Comfort, several days overdue from Europe with wounded American soldiers aboard, was relieved late today by a navy department announcement that the ship put in at the Azores to escape a heavy storm, and should reach New York tomorrow or Sunday.

My Darling Jim: Big, swift, silent, brave ship, carry this word across the stormy ocean. I am waiting, Jim, to share life's pleasures and anything else that life holds with you, dear. The one thing

ELECTED HEAD OF OMAHA RED CROSS CHAPTER



ROBERT COWELL. At the meeting of the executive committee of the Omaha chapter of the American Red Cross yesterday, Robert Cowell was unanimously elected president to succeed Gould Dietz, who resigned.

CROWN PRINCE RENOUNCES HIS RIGHT TO THRONE

U. S. Government Still Standing Aloof from Controversy Over Extradition of Former Emperor.

Paris, Dec. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm has renounced his right to the German throne.

Immunity Privilege Canceled.

Berlin, Dec. 6.—The Prussian government has formally withdrawn the privilege heretofore held by the members of the Hohenzollern family of immunity from law.

United States Aloof.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The United States government is still standing aloof from the controversy in Europe over the possible extradition of the former German emperor for trial. It was said at the State department today that this question had not been considered in Washington and that the American government had expressed no opinion on the subject whatever.

Secretary Wilson Appeals to Workers To Abandon Strike

Washington, Dec. 6.—An appeal to the workers of the country not to engage in a nation-wide strike as a protest in the case of Thomas J. Mooney, convicted of murder in connection with the preparedness day bomb explosion in San Francisco, was issued today by Secretary of Labor Wilson.

Many Killed and Injured in Train Wreck in France

Orleans, France, Dec. 6.—An express train from Orleans last night crashed into and telescoped another train headed with American marines near Meung-sur-Loire, 11 miles southwest of this city. Twelve bodies have been removed from the wreck and identified. Other dead still remain in the debris. Twenty-five persons were injured. Four of the railroad cars were smashed to bits.

British Ships Go to Aid of Russian Port of Revel. Paris, Dec. 6.—(Havas.)—British warships have entered the Russian seaport of Revel, according to the Petit Journal. In answer to an urgent request from the government of Esthonia. Similar action will be taken, the newspaper adds, if any other of the small Baltic nations ask allied protection.

YANKS IN MAINZ, BIG HUN FORT

Belgians Occupy Dusseldorf; All Intercourse With Country East of River Forbidden.

Amsterdam, Dec. 6.—(By Associated Press.)—American troops on Wednesday entered Mainz, capital of the province of Rhenish Hesse and one of the principal fortresses of Germany, on the left bank of the River Rhine, according to the semi-official Wolff news bureau of Berlin.

Firearms Taken Over. With the American Army of Occupation, Dec. 6.—While the marching forces are bringing more villages under American control, Gen. Brown, military governor at Treves, and Gen. Smith, in charge of civil affairs are completing plans for their temporary government.

Belgians Continue Advance. Amsterdam, Dec. 6.—Two Belgian cavalry detachments, 300 men strong, today entered Dusseldorf on the left bank of the Rhine, 21 miles northwest of Cologne. All intercourse with the other bank of the river has been forbidden. The cavalry will proceed to Cleves, 23 miles northwest of Wesel, being relieved at Dusseldorf by infantry.

March Toward Cologne.

London, Dec. 6.—The official report from Field Marshal Haig on the movements of the army of occupation issued by the war office tonight says the British troops yesterday continued their march toward Cologne and the Rhine.

Unionists Take Kiev After Severe Battle; Ukraine Hetman Slain

Geneva, Dec. 6.—General Skoropadski, hetman of the Ukraine, has been killed and all power in that country is now in the hands of the unionists.

Private James Babb Killed in Overseas Fighting

M. A. Babb, 6109 South Twentieth street, received word of the death of his son, Private James Babb, 26 years of age, Friday. Private Babb was called in the June draft and received his training at Camp Funston. He was killed in action with the Eighty-eighth division in France. A widow and three year old son survive him.

Senate Confirms Glass as Secretary of the Treasury

Washington, Dec. 6.—The nomination of Representative Carter Glass to be secretary of the treasury to succeed William G. McAdoo was confirmed tonight by the senate without objection.

Nugent Seated in Senate.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Senator Nugent of Idaho, democrat, was sworn in today. His seating will make the republicans in the next senate number 49 and the democrats 47.

STRIKE CONFERENCE FAILS OVER CARMEN'S DEMAND FOR RECOGNITION BY COMPANY

Those Who Took Part in Conference Upon Street Railway Strike

Those who took part in the street railway strike conference last evening comprised the following: Ben Short and J. H. McMillan of the carmen's union. T. P. Reynolds, president of Central Labor union. Gordon W. Wattles and Frank H. Hamilton of the street railway company. H. G. Edwards of Swift & Co. Randall Brown of the Chamber of Commerce. R. A. Wilson of the carpenters' union. John Hansen of the painters' union. Robert Cowell. Rev. Titus Lowe. John T. Smith of the United States Department of Labor.

Interested Parties Meet in Mayor's Office With Federal Conciliator; Workers Firm Throughout That Organization Be Dealt With, While Company Refuses to Yield; Meet This Morning.

Representatives of the Omaha and Council Bluffs Street Railway company and the carmen's union failed to agree at a conference called by Mayor Smith and held in the city hall yesterday afternoon. The hitch was over recognition of the carmen's union. The general situation remains practically unchanged, although some of the conferees appear hopeful that continued meetings may result in an amicable settlement of differences.

DELAYS SERVICE RESUMPTION.

The subject of resumption of street car service was not a feature of the meeting, which was confined to an exchange of contentions and opinions. It is understood, although not officially announced, that the company will not attempt to run cars until after this morning's conference.

CENTRAL LABOR WOULD BUY CITY TRACTION LINES

Meeting Authorizes Circulation of Petition for Ordinance; Carmen Leaders Talk Over Strike.

Calling its action "a flank movement" the Central Labor union in its meeting last night voted to empower its executive board with authority to prepare petitions to be circulated by the union to initiate ordinance whereby the city can buy the street railway properties, and at the same time to circulate a petition for the purchase of the property.

Attorney A. H. Bigelow in a speech suggested this "flank movement" which also was endorsed by Representative-elect G. C. Porter. The executive committee was also given full power to act in the present street car strike in whatever way it should find for the best interests of union labor, and give support to the street car men. The union also expressed resentment at the advertisement placed in the daily papers by the street car company asking for soldiers to operate cars during the strike.

Wattles Fears Civil War If Street Cars Started

President Wattles of the street car company announced that he does not want to "start a civil war" by sending cars out under present conditions. He would not explain details, but hinted that traffic would be resumed "soon."

Aviator from Nebraska Meets Death in Tail Spin

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 6.—Falling into a tail spin this afternoon, three miles from Brooks Field Second Lieut. L. W. Bird, of 221 South Vine street, North Platte, Neb., was instantly killed. Bird reported for duty as a student aviator at Brooks Field, November 18 last.

Germany as Reparation Will Arbitrate.

Lima, Peru, Dec. 6.—The Peruvian Chamber of Deputies has adopted a law authorizing the president to send the matters in controversy with the Petroleum company to an international arbitration board for settlement. The bill now goes to the senate.

British Warship Blown Up.

London, Dec. 6.—Eleven men are missing as a result of the British warship Cassandra coming in contact with a mine in the Baltic sea last Wednesday night.

Saratoga School Dismissed on Report Strikebreakers Come

Teachers of the Saratoga school, Twenty-fourth street and Ames avenue, dismissed their pupils yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock on the strength of a report that 300 strike-breakers were due to arrive at the car barn across the street.

DECISION SOON IN OMAHA CASE FOR 7-CENT FARE

Railway Commissioner Thomas Hall Tells Bee Board Expects to Make Ruling in "Day or So."

A persistent rumor last night was that the street car company was using the strike as an emergency to obtain a favorable ruling from the state railway commission on its petition for a seven-cent fare, and in the event such a ruling was made might accede to some of the demands made by the striking employees.

Chairman Tom Hall, of the railroad commission, was called over the long-distance telephone, late at night, and questioned in regard to the rumor. He said: "The Omaha traction officials have made no plea to that effect and we would not consider such a proposal in the event it were made, for it would have no merit or bearing."

On account of a press of other business, which has occupied the time of the commission, no ruling has yet been reached but we hope to give a decision within a day or so."

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Expect Attempt to Operate. Numerous reports were in circulation during the day that the company had imported strike-breakers with whom it would begin operation of cars but during the day nothing developed to corroborate them.

It appeared quite certain at night however, that an effort to start the cars was being made today. President Wattles admitted that the response from the men to return to work was disappointing and hence the prevailing belief is that the traffic will be attempted today under police protection.

President Wattles' criticism of the protection given by police Thursday was resented by city authorities who insisted they were ready to protect train crews whenever the company saw fit to send them out on the lines.

Police reserves were sent to the barns last night who, heretofore, have been kept at central station, lending color to the belief that operation of the system soon will be attempted.

Recognition of the union by the company, was the sticking point at the conference held yesterday. Representatives of the strikers being firm in their demand for this, and the company's officials indicating no sign of breaking their determination not to yield either on the "closed" or "open" shop basis.

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President Short of the union asserted that nothing occurred in the conference to change the determination of the union to demand union recognition.

Union Recognition Bar. T. P. Reynolds, president of the Central Labor union, offered the following resume of the meeting: "The union insists on recognition of its organization as the means through which it believes it can obtain justice. It was one of the best get-together meetings I ever attended. Everybody spoke freely and sensibly. Mr. Wattles said that there were any unpleasant conditions of work, he would do all he could to remedy them. The one thing that stands in the way of settlement is the refusal of the company to recognize the union."

ALL THE WORLD STILL LOVES A LOVER--SOME OF THE ANSWERS ALREADY IN--SEND US YOURS

Good prizes for the best answers to the soldier in France who has written that he wants Dorothy to wait for him. Contest open till December 9. Not over 200 words. Address Contest Editor, The Bee.

No. 1. Dearest: I am the proudest, happiest girl in all America since your wonderful letter came last night, for Soldier Boy, I want you to know that those few evenings we spent together have come to mean more to me than all else beside. Before I met you, I had cared only for friends of my own choosing, and did not realize what a selfish, self-centered existence I was leading until that memorable day you sailed for France. Then love came, and it has made this world such a big, friendly place! Little children smile at me on the streets, and even dogs stop for a friendly pat. Although I did not dream you cared for me, I would not for worlds have missed

the experience of loving you, so enriched my life. Since your dear letter came, the whole world seems a-throw with music. "He loves me!" the wind whistles as I feel asleep last night. "He loves me!" was the message borne on a golden shaft of light as I opened my eyes this morning. Oh, Lad of Mine, "Somewhere in France," I shall try to be worthy of that love! Ever yours, DOROTHY.

No. 2. Dearest: Because of you, out there, fighting for the world's freedom, I feel a courage unknown to me before. And because I am waiting, I am still dreaming, hoping for the realization of those ideals

since we have met? I hope you are in the full enjoyment of the blessing of good health and find many interesting and profitable enterprises to engage your time and attention. This does time make its marks and it writes upon all living the sad, sad words—passing away. But I said I would be brief. Please write me again and tell me all the items of interest. With many kind thoughts, I remain, Yours, DOROTHY.

No. 3. It no doubt will be a great surprise to you to receive a letter from a distant friend, who has been silent so long. I will venture to try to experiment, hoping you will recover from the shock in season to make an early reply. How has the world prospered you in those long months

in life that I am most thankful for is that God has sent me meet. May He keep you safe and bring you back to me. Oh, to feel your strong arms about me, to feel the kisses of your brave lips, to look into your deep, earnest grey eyes. Well, I don't know how I'll STAND so much happiness. Jim, I have a little way that makes me feel near you. I look up at the "big dipper" in the evening sometimes and say to myself, "Jim can't see that same 'big dipper' where he is."

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