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THE WEATHER:

Partly cloudy and somewhat unsettled Wednesday and Thursday; thunder showers and slightly warmer Wednesday.

Hourly temperatures: 4 a.m., 48; 5 a.m., 48; 6 a.m., 49; 7 a.m., 50; 8 a.m., 51; 9 a.m., 52; 10 a.m., 53; 11 a.m., 54; 12 noon, 55; 1 p.m., 56; 2 p.m., 57; 3 p.m., 58; 4 p.m., 59; 5 p.m., 59; 6 p.m., 58; 7 p.m., 57; 8 p.m., 56; 9 p.m., 55; 10 p.m., 54; 11 p.m., 53; 12 noon, 52.

BRIEF BRIGHT BREEZY BITS OF NEWS

PREACHERS MAY LET COUNTRY GO TO HELL.

New York, Aug. 26.—Only a sense of duty, altruism and service prevents the preachers of America from forming a union, calling a strike and letting the country go to hell," said the Rev. John Roach Straton in a sermon in Calvary Baptist church.

Everybody in the world almost has gone on strike except the undertakers and preachers," he added. "I suppose we will be next in line. Certainly the preachers have grievances enough on the score of under-pay and if we are to move in line with the spirit now prevailing in the world we will have to get together soon in a joint convention."

DENIES LOVE SET DETERMINED DESTINY.

Philadelphia, Aug. 26.—Molla Bjurstedt, former holder of the women's national tennis championship, is engaged to marry Franklin C. Mallory, a New York broker, residing at Rye, N. Y.

Mr. Mallory confirmed the report of the engagement.

"I met Miss Bjurstedt at Palm Beach two years ago," he said, "but not at a game of tennis. I am not in her class as a player."

No date has been set for the wedding.

FIFTY-FIFTY, LADIES; FIFTY-FIFTY, GENTS.

New York, Aug. 26.—Modesty and respectability will prevail in dancing from now on, according to the official forecast at the convention of the American National Association of Masters of Dancing, Fenton Bott, president of the association, voiced the prediction.

"The old waltz coming back—is already back," he said, "and there will be no new dances, only a few modifications. For instance, ladies who have been pushed backward over the ball room floor too much will go forward on a fifty-fifty basis with the men."

"GANGWAY FOR STOKERS AND BILLIONAIRES."

New York, Aug. 26.—J. P. Morgan sailed with his wife Tuesday on the White Star liner Lapland for Southampton on the first vacation he has had in six years. His vacation began the moment he boarded the ship, he said, and he would not think of finance or business for a month. He will spend his time shooting in Scotland and visiting.

"I have a lot of friends in England and France that I want to see," the financier declared, "and I'll be pretty busy if I make all the visits I want to. This trip has no public or business significance whatever."

Mr. Morgan and his party reached the pier on his yacht, the Corsair. They went aboard from a lower deck gangplank placed especially for them.

As the head of the famous banking house approached he was hailed by a grimy stoker standing at the foot of the plank. "Come ahead, Mr. Morgan," he called out cheerily. "This gangway is for stokers and billionaires."

Mr. Morgan smiled and shook hands with the stoker as he went aboard.

STAR ATHLETES ASK RAISE IN ALLOWANCE.

Chicago, Aug. 26.—Five dollars a day is much to little for a star athlete to subsist on, according to a round robin filed by Josie Ray, jr., and other Central A. A. athletes, with Everett C. Brown, national committeeman.

Several of the crack men of the central district will compete in the Canadian championships at Toronto September 6, and they agreed the high cost of living had clutched them. They said they were unable to meet the necessary traveling and living expenses with the association allowance.

UKULELES CHEER SECRETARY OF NAVY.

U. S. S. New York, at Sea, Aug. 26.—En route from Hawaii to Monterey, Cal., to join the main Pacific fleet, the dreadnaught New York, with Secretary Daniels on board, has been making 17 knots hourly since leaving Honolulu Monday.

The whole ship is sounding with Hawaiian music, as scores of ukuleles were brought aboard by the men. Captain Pratt, commander, hopes to form a native Hawaiian band on board, which would be the first outfit of the kind in the navy. There are many native singers and dancers in the 200 recruits who joined from the Hawaiian islands.

SWIM 25 HOURS IN BOILING SEA.

Pago Pago, American Samoa, Aug. 26.—Eighteen men were believed to have lost their lives when the motor ship Loline overturned in the rough sea while on a voyage from Apsa to the Island of Savaii. Eighteen were saved.

The rescue was effected after three men swam from the ship to the shore, taking 25 hours, according to their reports to the authorities. These men took empty cases to protect themselves, but one of the men drove out and in 15 hours he was held by one of the others who swam to the shore with him.

The seas were running high all of the time the men were in the water. They were picked up at the western end of Upolu island and word sent to Apia, whence a steamer went to the scene of the wreck.

OFFICIALS AROUSED BY SALES OF LIQUOR.

Chicago, Aug. 26.—Sales of liquor and saloon fights in which three men were shot, two fatally, have aroused Federal and state officials. Since Federal agents began a drive on saloons Monday, 29 arrests have been made. Fifteen brewers were put under investigation by the district attorney's office.

The Law and Order league has filed numerous complaints with the police. Chief of Police Garrity said he supposed about 90 per cent of the saloons were violating the law, but that judges were dismissing all cases the police began.

SHOPMEN BALLOT ON STRIKE

GROGER ON STAND AT FOOD PROBE

John S. Brady Is Wearing Old Clothes in Endeavor to Assist in Reducing High Cost of Living, He Declares.

BELIEVES SITUATION WILL REGULATE ITSELF

Consumer Must Stop Buying Unless Absolutely Necessary and End Craze to Buy Everything in Sight.

John S. Brady, vice president of McCord-Brady company, wholesale grocer, testified yesterday before state officials holding a high cost of living investigation in the court house that one of the ways in which he is personally fighting prices is by wearing his old suit of clothes and shoes.

"My tailor asked \$125 for a new suit of clothes, and I told him I would wear this \$60 suit another season. My shoe dealer asked 12 for a new pair of shoes and I told him that I would wear these \$6 shoes for a while longer," Mr. Brady said.

"Have you any suggestions or remedies, or can you tell us when this high cost of living will end?" Attorney Mungler asked the witness.

"Can't Force Change. "This situation will regulate itself," he replied, "when the supply is equal to the demand. We can't force any sudden change. If the summer would stop buying unless absolutely necessary high prices would be reduced. If women would stop buying \$18 shoes, shoes would be cheaper. There is a craze to buy everything in sight and the manufacturers cannot supply the demand. My impression is that if the consumer would stop buying luxuries the situation would tend to right itself."

"There seems to be no difficulty in selling these high-priced lines of goods. Never in the history of the cigar business has there been such a demand for high-priced goods. This demand for expensive cigars extends even into the rural communities. The day of the 5-cent cigar seems to have gone."

He referred in connection with food products to a general demand for a 20-ounce package of preserves selling at \$1 per package.

Farmers Particular, Too. In the matter of foodstuffs and other commodities he stated that the farmers are just as particular in their demands these days as the city people.

"It would be possible to reduce the high cost of living if people would use the lower grade of goods," the examining attorney asked.

"I think it would be possible. Take, for instance, peas and beans. If people would buy the dried varieties, take them home and soak them, they would be much cheaper than buying them in cans," he replied.

Blames Producer. He explained that the great demand for high-priced goods was markedly increased after the war, and he insisted that the higher profits are being made by those who are dealing in clothes and shoes.

During a discussion of the profits on foodstuffs he expressed his belief that the big profits may be traced back to the producer this year. He stated that prunes which cost the wholesaler 6 cents a pound three years ago cost him today 20 cents a pound.

Dried fruits, he admitted, have generally been advanced 100 per cent.

"There are associations of grow-

Forecast Precludes Prompt Ratification of Treaty by French

Paris, Aug. 26.—The result of the first day's debate on the ratification of the peace treaty by the French chamber of deputies caused optimistic forecasts of prompt ratification to vanish.

Only three speakers of the 31 scheduled to address the chamber were heard. Each spoke for more than an hour. If the present speed continues the treaty will not be ratified before September 6, and perhaps later, as other orators are likely to be enrolled.

The government seemed anxious to hurry the proceedings. Interpellations on Hungarian affairs and the high cost of living were postponed at the request of Foreign Minister Pichon and Minister of Provisions Nougens until the treaty has been ratified. Premier Clemenceau and all the ministers remained on the bench throughout the session.

MISSING YANK AIRMEN BEING ESCORTED HOME

Found Alive in Lower California by Mexican Cavalry Under Capt. Trujillo.

El Centro, Cal., Aug. 26.—Mexican cavalry under the command of Captain Trujillo late Tuesday were reported to be escorting to the international boundary Lieuts. Frederick Waterhouse and Cecil H. Connelly, American aviators, who have been missing from Rockwell field since last Wednesday.

Captain Trujillo reported by courier to Col. Hipolito Baranca, chief of the military forces of Lower California, who has directed a search for the men for the past five days, that he had found them alive in Lower California, about 200 miles southeast of San Diego, Cal. No further word has been received. The country where the men were found is mountainous and inaccessible.

It is expected the men will be brought to Ensenada, the capital of Lower California, or to Mexicali, whence they will be taken into the United States.

From Earnest to Jest

Marfa, Tex., Aug. 26.—For six days the headquarters of the punitive expedition into Mexico, Marfa, suddenly became the objective of a mimic battle between a blue and a brown army of Fifth and Eighth cavalry troops, working out a military problem.

The troops marching home from Ruidoso under Maj. James P. Yancey are the attacking force, and Maj. C. C. Smith, in command of the Third squadron, is in charge of the defense of the town.

Aviators reported the attacking party encamped at Dow's ranch, and a reconnoitering column was sent out from Marfa. The "enemy" is expected here Wednesday.

With the departure for El Paso of Lieutenants Davis and Peterson, whose capture by bandits in Mexico precipitated the punitive expedition, the fourth expedition into Mexico was considered closed. Davis and Peterson will be discharged from the army September 30, as the rank is temporary.

SAN FRANCISCO TRAINS TIED UP DUE TO STRIKE

Hines Issues Appeal to Brotherhood Heads to Go Back to Work.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—Railroad administration officials announced tonight that as a result of the strike of the yardmen in Oakland and San Francisco, no trains would be moved from San Francisco Wednesday unless conditions changed.

Director General Hines of the railroad administration has appealed to members of the four railroad brotherhoods, whose strike virtually has paralyzed steam transportation in southern California, to return to work.

The appeal was made in a statement given out here, in which the director general declared the government was powerless to act in the dispute between the Pacific electric lines and their employees, out of which the strike of steam employees grew.

Individual strikers, as they gathered for a meeting Tuesday night, declared they had left their work in sympathy with the striking employees of the Pacific Electric company at Los Angeles, and that their action was taken without the sanction of the international brotherhood officials. They said more than 1,000 men in the San Francisco yards had quit work.

Three Trains Fail to Leave. Oakland, Cal., Aug. 26.—Three Southern Pacific trains failed to leave Oakland pier Tuesday night on account of the trainmen's strike. They were bound for northern and eastern points. Southern Pacific officials said they did not know whether any steam trains would be moved from the pier Wednesday although electric suburban trains would continue to operate.

Still Being Held. Albuquerque, N. M., Aug. 26.—The Santa Fe's California limited train No. 3, which arrived here at noon Tuesday from the east was still being held here at a late night hour due to the strike in California and other places west of here. No. 9, which left here at 2:30 a. m., was tied up at Winslow, Ariz., in the afternoon. No information was obtainable as to when the trains would move. Only one train arrived here from the west Tuesday. This was No. 2, which left San Francisco Sunday night. No train has reached here from Los Angeles since Sunday night. Two stub trains are being sent east from here.

No Service at All. Advances from Williams, Ariz., are to the effect that there was no train service into or out of that point except on the Santa Fe's Grand Canyon branch.

Many tourists are tied up, both at Williams and the Grand Canyon. The Williams Electric light plant, which burns oil in its boilers, has only a 10-day's supply of fuel on hand and will have to close down unless traffic is resumed by that time.

SAY JAPAN WILL HOLD SHANTUNG

Mikado's Insistence on Exclusion of Manchuria and Mongolia From Loans to Chinese Open Eyes of Diplomats.

POSITION CONTRARY TO OPEN DOOR PRINCIPLE

Believed in Official Circles That at Early Date Japan Will Assert All Rights and Title to Captured Province.

Washington, Aug. 26.—(By Universal Service.)—Japan's insistence on the exclusion of Manchuria and Mongolia from the loans to China by the United States, Great Britain and France has opened the eyes of diplomats here as to Japan's real intentions toward Shantung.

The position assumed by Japan is construed here as meaning that it is already the owner of Manchuria and Mongolia, which geographically are a part of China, and that it, Japan, will manage its affairs. According to the prewar theory and practice of the open door, the principle applied to Manchuria and Mongolia as well as to any other part of China.

Division of Spoils. Within the last 10 years, however, Russia and Japan entered into a secret treaty by which the former assumed a suzerainty over southern Mongolia and Japan of inner-Mongolia. Japan is now evidently standing on that division of the spoils of China.

There is not the slightest doubt in diplomatic circles here that at a very early date Japan will assert all rights and title to Shantung. Such an act, it was said, would impair the open door in Shantung. In this event, it was pointed out, it would be the duty of this government to take the initiative and maintain the principle.

Accepted Open Door Policy.

The American initiative, it is indicated, would be based on the fact that Japan, itself, and all other great nations, at the suggestion of the United States, agreed to the open door policy for China.

It is thought unlikely that France would be the first of the nations to sustain this demand, but it is not expected that until there is some breach between Japan and England the latter will concern itself seriously in Japan's domination in the Far East.

HOME COMING FOR SERVICE MEN AT KRUG PARK TODAY

Public Buildings and Many Private Businesses Close to Honor Heroes.

Public buildings and many private places of business will be closed this afternoon in honor of the home-coming celebration in Krug park for returned soldiers, sailors and marines.

Thousands of official buttons have been distributed from the city clerk's office and the hut on the court house lawn, and may be obtained at the Krug park entrance.

Everything at the park will be free to the service men and their wives and sweethearts. A barbecue will be served, a band and orchestra will be in attendance and dancing will be one of the evening features.

A program of entertainment features has been arranged. The committee in charge has endeavored to outline a program that will be enjoyed by the men who wore the uniform.

Many Employers Meet Engineers' Demands to Avoid Strike Move

In an effort to prevent a strike of the organized stationary firemen and engineers, which would greatly hamper the city and probably cause great financial losses, many employers have granted the increased wages to members of the two locals, it was announced last night by C. L. Shamp, international secretary-treasurer of the firemen.

Refusal of the remaining employers affected by the strike threat to negotiate a settlement will probably result in the issuance of a strike order this morning, Mr. Shamp declared.

Only those concerns which have not settled with the union will be affected by the lockout order, if it is issued.

A committee of five engineers and five firemen met behind closed doors at Eagles' hall last night. The result of the conference was not made public.

Uncle Sam:—"Well,—I Guess They are Sawing Wood!"



GARY REFUSES AUDIENCE TO LABOR HEADS

Chairman of U. S. Steel Corporation Won't Discuss Plans to Avert Strike of 2,000,000 Employees.

New York, Aug. 26.—Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of the United States Steel corporation, declined late Tuesday to meet personally John Fitzpatrick and other representatives of the American Federation of Labor, who constitute a committee appointed to organize the workers in the iron and steel industry.

Mr. Gary sent word to the committee that if it had any statement it wished to make it should be reduced to writing and then it would be considered by the corporation.

Gary's Statement. "When informed by my secretary that a committee of a labor organization, consisting of John Fitzpatrick, William Z. Foster and D. J. Davis, had requested to see me, I sent word to them through my secretary that I did not care to have a personal interview, but if they had any statement to make and would wish to reduce it to a written letter it would be received and considered by our officials, who would then determine what, if any, answer to make. Nothing further has passed between us."

"I think it is better for those gentlemen and for me to leave no chance for misunderstanding in regard to what has been and shall be said. I have intended no personal discourtesy."

First Development. The refusal of Mr. Gary to see the committee was the first definite development here in the controversy which may result in a strike of 2,000,000 workers to enforce union recognition and better working conditions.

The efforts to arrange a conference with Gary came a few hours after the hurried return from Europe of Samuel Gompers, who announced before he sailed that his presence home was more imperative than abroad. It had been expected he would attend the conference with Mr. Gary if one were arranged. He made no comment on his return on the situation in the iron and steel industry.

The committee headed by Mr. Fitzpatrick has been authorized to call a strike August 30 if it fails to obtain the concessions desired.

Five Million Germans Planning to Emigrate

Berlin, Aug. 26.—Five million Germans have filed with the central bureau of immigration and its 64 substations, applications for permission to leave the country. The majority of the intending emigrants are turning their eyes toward South America. A large number also have indicated their desire to settle in Palestine.

European Maw Anticipates Golden Feast at Banquet Provided by Rich Yankees

Landlords Prepared for American Tourists; "If You Haven't Any Money Don't Come Around, But if You Have Lots of it You Are Welcome," Seems to be the Attitude on Other Side of the Pond.

By Harvah Brandon. Universal Service Staff Correspondent. "Rome, Aug. 26.—If you haven't any money don't come around. But if you have lots of it you are welcome to a trip to Europe."

There are plenty of emotions to be felt in the old continent just now. You can thrill with pride and sadness at the site of the battlefields. You can be horror-stricken when you find yourself the latest victim of the invasion of the "cooties." You can gasp at the sight of the stockless women in the paddocks of Milan, Rome, Paris and Dauville. You can view the inside of the vatican and the private gardens of his holiness Benedict XV, from an airplane.

You can do anything—if you have the money to pay for it. And the foremost emotion will be that of being "stung." Stung is the word. Stung everywhere, on every occasion.

"For the Love of Mike." You will be asked \$8 for a room you would refuse in New York at one-third the price. You will pay \$7 for a nasty cocktail made with a "white petrol" here named gin. You will pay cheerfully \$1 a mile for an automobile ride; \$125 for an ordinary—very ordinary—business suit; \$300 for a gown which you will find later in New York for \$100. You will delight in open air meals at between stand in the corridor of a railway \$8 and \$15 a person. You will lunch in Paris and dine in London.

All you really need is a lot of money and the faculty of spending it without counting. Poor travelers are a nuisance and they would bet they would not cross the ocean. In the minds of European business men Americans have all the money in the world and they must be encouraged to spend it in Europe.

New Plans Are Laid. Therefore, Paris and Rome are planning to replace the soldiers with civilians, who, it is expected, will be even more generous than the khaki-clad boys.

Money is needed badly, for neither the Italians nor the French will pay the present prices. So Americans are wanted, and the richer the better. No, you will have no trouble with passports, visa, etc. Everything will be made easy and comfortable. Even now it is possible to lunch in Paris and dine in London.

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Pacific Coast Trip of President Wilson Said to Be Imminent

Washington, Aug. 26.—President Wilson's proposed trip to the Pacific coast in the interest of the peace treaty is "more imminent than it has been in the past few weeks" in the view of administration officials.

Secretary Tumulty is expected Wednesday to discuss with the president the feasibility of making "the swing around the circle" even at the expense of being unable to greet General Pershing or to review the First division.

It is considered probable that the president will decide to leave Washington in time to review the Pacific fleet at San Francisco the middle of September.

DECISION IS DEMANDED INSTANTER

Letter From Committee of 100 Representing Railroad Body Informs Hines Award of Monday Unacceptable.

EACH LOCAL ADVISED BY EXECUTIVE HEADS

Secret Vote Being Taken and Wishes of Constitutional Majority of Membership to Govern Future Actions.

Washington, Aug. 26.—(By The Associated Press.)—Railroad shopmen throughout the United States will begin voting immediately on whether they will accept the wage proposals made by President Wilson and Director General Hines, or go out on a strike to enforce their demands for a general advance in pay.

On the outcome of the balloting hinges industrial peace on the government controlled railroads. If the 500,000 shopmen decide to accept to President Wilson's decision that there shall be no general wage advances until the government shows what can be done to control the rising cost of living, sufficient time to effect some changes in price levels probably will elapse before other unions press their demands for more money.

What action the government may be expected to take in the event of a vote by the shopmen to strike for an immediate increase in wages, which President Wilson has said would have a disastrous effect on the efforts to bring down prices, has not been disclosed, if indeed it has been considered.

To Consider Demands. Indicative of the determination of Director General Hines and the railroad administration to deal fairly with all classes of employees, the director general instructed the board of railway wages to consider promptly any demands that might be made and to report recommendations for correcting any inequalities found to exist though general advances for any class will not be made until it has been proved that the present level of prices is permanent. In that case, both the president and Mr. Hines have given assurances that railroad workers would receive early readjustment of their wages.

The taking of a strike vote ordinarily requires about three weeks. In the present instance, however, it is believed the vote may be completed earlier, as instructions were given by the international officers of the union to arrange meetings if necessary and to telegraph the result of the balloting.

Letter Sent to Locals. Announcing that they had refused the proposal of the director general, the committee of 100, representing the shopmen, made public a letter sent to the various locals calling for a strike vote. The committee was in session several hours, debate becoming bitter at times, it was said, and the more radical of the members demanding a strike to compel more money. In the letter, however, was seen a suggestion that some of the committee were were inclined to give the government a chance to make good in the campaign against high prices.

Asking "very serious consideration" of the question, the committee told the unions that any additional railroad increase in the wages of railroad employees, virtually all of whom are on strike, would be a disaster.

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Prince of Wales Locked Out of Toronto Varsity

Toronto, Aug. 26.—The Prince of Wales enjoyed the novel experience of being "locked out" of Toronto university when the royal party drove up to the building, where a degree of doctor of literature and law was to be conferred upon him.

Members of the official party were at considerable discomfort, but the prince seemed thoroughly to enjoy the experience, and laughed heartily when attendants of the building explained that in their excited efforts to keep the huge crowd from entering, they had forgotten to request the prince to use one of the inconspicuous side entrances, which had been first unlocked.

The last event Tuesday was a series of visits to military and children's hospitals, where the prince laughed and talked with the little sufferers, and produced shilling after shilling to purchase toys for them.

After luncheon the degree was conferred, the prince replying to several addresses.

Following the ceremony the prince attended another social and dance at the Royal Canadian Yacht club, given by officers of the garrison of Toronto.

Ansell Criticizes Baker in Testimony Before the Senate

Washington, Aug. 26.—Charges that Secretary Baker, Maj. Gen. Enoch H. Crowder, judge advocate general, and Col. John H. Wigmore "established a propaganda bureau to discredit critics of the existing military justice system and to defend the system" were made today by Samuel T. Ansell, formerly acting judge advocate general.

Ansell said several officers and about 14 clerks were regularly assigned to duty in the bureau to issue statements to the press and to congress. He also charged that officers who criticized the system were "menaced, threatened and disciplined," while those who defended it were promoted.