

THE WEATHER: Cloudy and somewhat unsettled Sunday and Monday; cooler in east and south portions. Hourly temperatures: 5 a. m. 72, 6 a. m. 71, 7 a. m. 70, 8 a. m. 69, 9 a. m. 68, 10 a. m. 67, 11 a. m. 66, 12 noon 65, 1 p. m. 64, 2 p. m. 63, 3 p. m. 62, 4 p. m. 61, 5 p. m. 60, 6 p. m. 59, 7 p. m. 58, 8 p. m. 57, 9 p. m. 56, 10 p. m. 55, 11 p. m. 54, 12 noon 53.

BANK ROBBERS ARE CORNERED

BOTH SIDES READY FOR BIG STRIKE

Steel Workers Walk Out Monday and Corporations Say Men Will Be Unable to Tie Up Plants.

FINAL ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED SATURDAY

Whistles to Blow as Usual Monday Morning and Mills Will Keep Running Until Forced to Close.

Pittsburgh, Sept. 20.—The eve of the nation-wide strike in the steel industry finds both sides in the contest apparently prepared for the battle. Final arrangements were rushed today, the corporations paying much attention to plans for guarding their property and the union leaders continuing their extensive campaign to unionize unorganized men and urging others to stand with the workers.

They frankly admit they will do their best and if sufficient men do not report, which they do not concede, they will shut down until such time as they can command enough men to make it worth while to start up again.

There is no talk of bringing strike-breakers into this district in the event the unions cripple or close down the plants. It is said the larger corporations prefer to remain closed than cause unnecessary turmoil that sometimes follows the bringing of strike-breakers into a community.

The strike order affects approximately 200,000 iron and steel workers in the inner and outer Pittsburgh district between Johnstown, Pa. on the east and Youngstown, O. on the west. Union leaders claim these men will follow a request of the steel workers national committee and refuse to go to work Monday.

They assert that not only union men will be in the walkout, but that they will be joined by thousands who are not affiliated with any labor organization.

Municipal and borough officials in many parts of the Pittsburgh district today also prepared to meet the situation and have taken precautions to maintain law and order in their communities.

WOMAN SPONSORS WILSON AT LAST COAST MEETING

President Completes Week of Speech Making in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Sept. 20.—President Wilson completed his week of speech making on the Pacific coast tonight with a monster mass meeting here at which thousands shrieked approval of his plea for early ratification of the peace treaty.

When he entered the Auditorium for his night speech he was cheered for more than two minutes by a crowd estimated by the police at 6,000. The hall was jammed and outside were crowds who could not get in.

Some had been waiting since early morning for the doors to open. At the Auditorium meeting Mr. Wilson was introduced by Mrs. Josiah Evans Cowles, national president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, who told the crowd that the league of nations "must and will become the bulwark of a weary world for all time."

Nonpartisan Meeting. The meeting had been advertised as one of the strictly nonpartisan character and many of the state's prominent republicans were seated on the platform. Among them were Henry W. Wright, speaker of the California assembly, and Marshall Stinson, who was campaign manager in southern California for Senator Hiram W. Johnson in 1910.

Mr. Wilson alluded to an address made by President McKinley on the day before his assassination and asserted the martyr's own words about conquered and arbitration seemed to show he had a prophetic vision on the eve of his death.

Referring to objections that the league would involve the United States "in entangling alliances," Mr. Wilson said the league was in fact a proposal for disengagement.

"What Washington had in mind was exactly what these gentlemen want to lead us back to do," he said. "The day of alliances is behind us."

When Mr. Wilson declared it was a matter of amazement that some men were now opposing the league, someone in the crowd shouted "shame on them," and many others took up the cry. There were more cheers a moment later when he declared the treaty was founded on the rights of the weak rather than the power of the strong.

He said the treaty was a people's treaty, he said, not a statesman's treaty. The peoples of the world, said the president, were tired of the old system of autocratic domination and they would overthrow it "one way or another."

LAST CALL



DEMOCRATS SEND OUT S. O. S. FOR VICE PRESIDENT

At the Same Time They Deny Republican Vote Is Sufficient to Amend League.

Washington, Sept. 20.—Democratic leaders in the senate challenged the claim of republican opponents of the league of nations covenant that enough votes had been obtained to secure adoption of Senator Johnson's amendment designed to equalize British and American voting power in the league assembly.

Both sides were expecting help from this group, but there was no certainty as to how the majority would line up. Democratic leaders in predicting 50 votes against the Johnson amendment out of a total of 96 counted on the support of many of this group, in view of the general belief that five democrats would be found with the republicans in the lineup on the amendment.

Senator Hitchcock said today that every effort would be made to hasten consideration of the treaty because of the "insistent demand" from business people for final settlement. There was no indication, however, as to how soon a vote might be called for on the Johnson amendment.

Airship Mail Letter Burned and Torn Is Finally Delivered

A letter, burned about the edges, and torn, was received by the publicity bureau of the Chamber of Commerce Friday, with a note that it had been mailed out July 1, 1918. The letter, which had been in the hands of the Navy department, was requested today to make search for it. The Lake Conway carried a crew of 31.

All Ready! Gorgeous Fete of Ak-Sar-Ben Will Start in Grand Blare of Music

Everything Favors a Big Time—Weather Man Promises Good Behavior for 10 Days—Twenty Pretentious "Love Story" Floats in Electrical Pageant—Long List of Attractions at Con T. Kennedy Shows.

"Omaha invites you to Samson's silver anniversary." Electrical pageant, Wednesday, 8 p. m., October 1. Floral automobile parade, Thursday, 2 p. m., October 2. Annual Ak-Sar-Ben ball, Friday night, October 3. Location of carnival grounds: Fifteenth street and Capitol avenue. Carnival open from Wednesday, 1 p. m., September 24, to Saturday night, October 4.

Con T. Kennedy shows will appear at carnival grounds. Ak-Sar-Ben information bureau, 1410 Douglas street. Theme of electrical pageant, "Famous Love Stories." Route of electrical pageant: Start from Sixteenth and Cumings; south on Sixteenth to Douglas; east on Douglas to Tenth; south on Tenth to Farnam; west on Farnam to Nineteenth; south on Nineteenth to Harney; east on Harney to Sixteenth; south on Sixteenth to Howard; east on Howard to Fourteenth; north on Fourteenth to Douglas; west on Douglas to Fifteenth; north on Fifteenth to Capitol avenue and disband.

The 25th annual Ak-Sar-Ben fall festival and carnival will begin Wednesday afternoon, precisely at 1, when the Ak-Sar-Ben band, stationed over the main entrance of the carnival grounds, Fifteenth street and Capitol avenue, will fill the air with a grand burst of music as a signal to start the festivities.

Steel Workers at Pueblo Are Bound to Quit Jobs

Pueblo, Colo., Sept. 20.—After a long night session, a statement was issued today by the steel workers' committee stating their case in connection with the strike of steel workers called here for Monday, next.

The statement declared the strike in Pueblo was not a sympathetic strike, but was one to compel the Colorado Fuel and Iron company to recognize the employees' right to collective bargaining under a system controlled by the employees instead of through a system fostered and patronized by the company.

DRIVER OF TAXI THAT CARRIED BANDITS TO RALSTON IS ARRESTED

Two Score Automobiles, Carrying Officers From Many Cities and Counties, Wait for Daybreak to Close in on Gunmen Who Looted Bank Near Omaha of Over \$4,000—Airplanes Aid in Man Hunt.

Nearly 40 automobiles, carrying state and county officers and city detectives, armed with shotguns and revolvers, were waiting at midnight near Greenwood, Neb., for daybreak, to close in on the three bandits who yesterday noon held up the Citizens State bank at Ralston, 10 miles southwest of Omaha, and robbed it of more than \$4,000 in currency and silver.

Bandits Overlook \$30,000. The bandits overlooked \$30,000. Greenwood is about 16 miles north and east of Lincoln and eight miles south and west of Ashland.

Harry Denson, taxi driver, 415 Sweetwood avenue, Omaha, who drove the bandits in his car to the bank and after the robbery raced across country with them until his machine broke down outside of Ashland, was arrested and held for investigation. After being detained in jail at Central police station he was released on \$500 bond, signed by F. L. Fretz, manager of the Service Taxi Co.

Two airplanes, one from Omaha and one from Fremont, Neb., aided in the search for the bandits yesterday afternoon. The two planes flew over the country between Ashland and Lincoln, Neb., where the bandits were last seen after abandoning the wrecked taxicab. E. J. Robbins, Fremont attorney, piloted the Fremont plane and Lloyd Sterner acted as lookout.

Two men entered the bank at 11:50. Cashier John Mannhalter was standing at the teller's window. David J. Shanahan, a nephew of T. J. Shanahan, president of the bank, was sitting inside the cashier's cage with his back to Mr. Mannhalter.

The younger of the two bandits, a frail-looking youth, stepped up to the window and greeted Mr. Mannhalter with, "How are you?" "Will you cash a check?" he queried.

"Probably," said Mr. Mannhalter. As the bandit pretended to reach for a check he whipped out an automatic revolver and covered the cashier.

The second bandit then stepped up to the window and covered Mr. Mannhalter while No. 1 went around behind the cage and covered Mr. Shanahan.

No. 1 lined Mr. Shanahan and Mr. Mannhalter up against the wall while No. 2 came around behind the cage. Joe Bruce of the Crown Tire and Rubber company of Ralston entered the bank at this juncture.

As Mr. Bruce appeared at the teller's window one of the bandits leveled his revolver at him and ordered him to step behind the cage. Mr. Bruce asserts that the man who gave him the orders is A. T. King, employe of the Crown Tire and Rubber company up until six weeks ago.

Bandits Order Victims Into Vault After Looting Bank

Monte Meadows, a pool hall proprietor at Ralston, passed the window at the time of the robbery. Mr. Bruce tried to wave his hand at Meadows to attract Meadows' attention. Meadows peered in the window, but he says he did not see anything out of the ordinary going on.

"King" ordered Mr. Mannhalter to unlock the safe inside the vault. When Mannhalter obeyed "King" seized two stacks of currency in the safe and started toward the front of the bank. Mr. Mannhalter says there were \$4,000 in the two stacks.

T. J. Shanahan, president of the bank, who arrived later, pointed to \$30,000 in gold and currency in the safe that the bandits overlooked. The bandits also took \$200 from the cash drawer.

Puts Currency in Pocket. "King" gathered the currency into his pocket and rejoined his companion, who had held Mr. Bruce and Mr. Shanahan at his command in the cage. The bandits ordered the three victims into the vault and then locked it.

Mr. Mannhalter unscrewed the combination from the instance. When the three men liberated themselves six men were in the bank waiting to transact business not knowing the bank had been robbed.

KAISER'S KITCHEN U. S. WAR TROPHY.

Washington, Sept. 20.—To the collection of war trophies which the Smithsonian Institution is now gathering will be added shortly the field kitchen of William Hohenzollern, late Kaiser of Germany.

German prisoners of war this week loaded the kitchen—which is said to be a most elaborate affair of the kind—aboard a transport at St. Nazaire, France, and it is on its way to Washington. The kitchen followed the Kaiser all over Europe during the war, but shows no signs of damage, which is taken to indicate that it kept as far to the rear as did its imperial owner.

The institution, among other trophies, has been given the great war map, on which General Pershing and his staff worked out the strategic problems which the American armies carried through. It will be housed within the same chamber that it occupied during the war—floor, wall, table and chairs having been secured for it.

"DETAIN" REAR ADMIRAL WHO WENT TO FIUME. Rome, Sept. 20.—The government in an official communication admits that Rear Admiral Canova, who landed at Fiume in an attempt to effect pacification, was "detained."

All the carabinieri at Fiume, the communication adds, have returned under the armistice conditions.

STEALS SON'S COASTER, AND SELLS IT FOR \$2. Kansas City, Sept. 20.—William T. Julian, a track laborer for the street railways company, admitted in the north side court here today that he stole a coaster wagon from his own 5-year-old son and sold it to another boy for \$2.

"Did your father steal your coaster?" quipped the justice. The son with a sidelong glance at his parent, peeped: "Yes, he sure looked it."

Julian was assessed a fine of \$100.

QUEER FISH HAS HORNS, LEGS, GILLS. Osceola, Ia., Sept. 20.—Some very peculiar fish have been caught in a pool on the Conley farm, near here, and one of them is now on display in a jar in a window here. Despite the fact that hundreds have examined the fish, no one can identify it.

It is four inches long, and in color and shape resembles a catfish. It has gills, and fins on the top of its tail. It also had horns on its head, and four legs similar to a frog.

"PECULIAR" DISCOVERY MADE BY JURIST. Chicago, Sept. 20.—Judge Keneaw M. Landis, presiding in the United States district court today made the "interesting discovery" that beer, stronger than the law allows, is being sold in Chicago. The information was gleaned from witnesses who appeared in the case of nine motor truck drivers, charged with smuggling illicit beverages from Wisconsin breweries to Illinois.

In the course of the examination Judge Landis asked: "Do men drink all this beer?" "Yes," replied the witness.

"Are the saloons still running in Chicago?" Mr. Clark called up the chief of police and invite him here and send some more deputy marshals and tell the federal court clerks not to close at noon. We will probably have some more work for them."

When Chief of Police Garrity entered soon afterwards, Judge Landis said: "I have just stumbled on to a very interesting thing, chief, and I think you ought to know about it. That is the importation of beer into Chicago."

LOVE LETTER IN HUSBAND'S POCKET, BRIDE KILLS SELF. Frederick, Okl., Sept. 20.—Mrs. Jack Powers, bride of but one month, ended her life by drinking poison at her home, following her discovery of a letter in her husband's pocket from a former sweetheart, who had not heard of his marriage. Mrs. Powers met her husband as he came home from work, told him that she had just done and died in his arms in a few minutes. A note written before the deed said she did not wish to stand in the way of his happiness.

PLACES \$625 A MONTH VALUE ON TOOTHACHE. Cleveland, O., Sept. 20.—How much per month is a toothache worth? A jury will have to decide this question in a suit brought in common pleas court here by Anton Smolic against a St. Clair avenue dentist.

Smolic puts it at \$625 a month. He asks \$5,000 damages, claiming that he visited the dentist last January and had the tooth treated. Despite the dentist's assurance to the contrary it continues to ache.

LATE FOR FUNERAL, GETS THERE IN PLANE. St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 20.—Unable to make a train from Marshfield, Tex. that would get him here in time for the funeral of his brother-in-law, Isaac Marcus hired an airplane and an aviator and flew 154 miles to Little Rock, Ark., where he boarded a train for St. Louis, arriving before the service.

The flight was made in one hour and 20 minutes.

Special Officers Sworn in to Help In Case of Disorders

Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 20.—With all chances of averting the steel strike gone and with plants all over the Pittsburgh district shutting down for the week-end, police authorities in many communities where steel mills are situated, prepared today to handle the situation as it develops with the coming of the walkout on Monday.

The United States Steel Corporation officers in charge of its plants, were busily engaged in preparing for the strike. A request was made of loyal employes to assist the corporation to guard its property against injury. A large number of men, it was declared responded and were sworn in as guards to assist the regular company police.

Checks Will Be Cancelled if Children Do Not Call

Six children, Irene Adrian, Hazel Hamer, Helen Altschuler, Warren Peterson, Bernice Kubjensky and Gerne Robinson, have checks for \$1 each at the Omaha real estate board's office, 308 South Eighteenth street.

These children were among about 50 to win prizes in the board's "own your home contest," conducted in the spring of last year. The checks were mailed out July 1, 1918. The treasurer, L. D. Spalding, has not been able to find these six. Their checks will be held two weeks longer. If not called for then they will be cancelled.

Marine Firemen Put Off Strike Until Next Week. Detroit, Mich., Sept. 20.—The proposed strike of the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watermen and Coal Passers' union of the Great Lakes, in sympathy with that of the Iron and Steel Workers, called for Monday morning, will be postponed until Wednesday or Thursday because of delays in tabulating the referendum vote in the upper lake districts, according to union officials this morning.

Coal Vessel Missing.

Washington, Sept. 20.—The shipping board steamer Lake Conway, which sailed from Philadelphia September 2 for Havana, coal-laden, has not been heard from since its departure. The Navy department was requested today to make search for it. The Lake Conway carried a crew of 31.

Fremont Woman Takes Own Life by Jumping From Hospital Window

Mrs. Mary Sinarark of Fremont took her own life at the Birchmont hospital Friday by jumping from a fourth-story window. She has been a patient of the hospital since April 29 suffering from melancholia.

Physicians and attendants at the hospital say she apparently was greatly improved in health and the day of her death was in especially good humor. A few minutes before she killed herself she was visiting with Misses Cass and Olmquist, nurses. They were called to another room for a few minutes and when they returned Mrs. Sinarark was gone from the room. Investigation disclosed that the screen window was out where the woman had jumped.

The county attorney will not hold an inquest. The body was taken to Fremont for burial.

Maj. Gen. Wood Will Speak at Beatrice Homecoming

Beatrice, Neb., Sept. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Maj. Gen. Leonard Wood today wired his acceptance of the invitation to speak at the homecoming celebration here, October 1.

Chicago, Sept. 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Miss Flora Buck of Omaha was maid of honor at Miss Margaret Ames' fashionable wedding in the Church of the Redeemer to-night.

Omaha Girl Maid of Honor at Fashionable Chicago Wedding.