

BRIEF DRIGHT DREEZY BITS OF NEWS

PRINCE OF WALES WINS IN DIVING CONTEST.

White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., Nov. 15.—The prince of Wales spent the first of his three days of rest here by walking ten miles, spending an hour in a swimming pool, golfing three hours and dancing for three more.

The prince won his golfing match, played with Sir Godfrey Thomas, his private secretary, and again proved his title as an athlete when he turned a somersault from a platform 12 feet high into seven feet of water in the swimming pool.

The desire of the royal visitor for three days' rest incognito was only fulfilled partially. The whole population of this little mountain resort was at the railroad station when the special train arrived, but the news of his intended visit had been kept carefully enough so that only a handful of strangers were present.

The Marjory hotel where the prince was lodged in the same suite occupied by President Wilson on his honeymoon there were scarcely 100 guests, and through the day the prince was able to move about with the freedom of a private individual.

HAZARDOUS FLIGHTS FOR SUSPECTED CRIMINALS.

Oakland, Cal., Nov. 15.—Suspected criminals in Alameda county will be taken on perilous flights in order to obtain confessions from them, said Frank Barnett, sheriff, in explaining the appointment of four men on an aerial patrol for the county.

HINDENBURG REFUSES APOLOGIES FOR WAR.

Berlin, Nov. 16.—"I have no apologies to offer," said Field Marshal von Hindenburg on the witness stand before the parliamentary committee investigating the war.

"If I had to fight the war all over again with the same knowledge of the world situation, I would take the same measures."

The field marshal paid tribute to the military genius of his amanuensis, Ludendorff, who was in the room. He insisted, however, that he, Hindenburg himself, was in the last analysis responsible for all decisions taken.

DRY HEADS PLANNING "VICTORY" CELEBRATION.

St. Louis, Nov. 15.—Plans for a nation-wide "victory" celebration when constitutional prohibition goes into effect next January were authorized at the forty-fifth annual convention of the National Women's Christian Temperance Union.

The celebration program will start Sunday, January 11, 1920, when special temperance services will be held in churches throughout the country. On the night of January 15, there will be "watch night" services in the churches at midnight, and the festival day, Jan. 16, will be ushered in with the ringing of church bells and the singing of songs of victory.

GIVEN CHOICE OF ONE OF TWO WIVES.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Max Spiegel, an insurance broker, was given his choice of two wives—the one he left in New York 16 years ago, mother of two children, or the other, mother of three. That Spiegel had prospered financially and also had acquired another family was learned by his daughter, Ethel, a lace clerk, and her mother, a New York scrub woman, from a traveling salesman, Judge Frye gave Spiegel until Monday to disentangle the marriage coils or go to jail for non-support of his first wife and children.

COMMERCIAL AIRPLANE SERVICE INAUGURATED.

Havana, Nov. 15.—Three hydro-airplanes piloted by American aviators and carrying seven passengers arrived here from Key West Saturday night. The flight occupied one hour and 20 minutes. These planes are the advance guard of a commercial service.

NEW DEATH BATTALION IS CREATED IN RUSSIA.

Washington, Nov. 15.—A new "battalion of death" has been created in Russia. The bolshevik minister of war, Leon Trotsky, has ordered a battalion of bolshevik soldiers in the rear of the red army for the express purpose of shooting in their tracks any red soldier who attempts to fall back, according to advices reaching official quarters here.

Which of the red armies this battalion had been placed behind was not made known in the official advices, but it is assumed that it is the red army operating against the anti-bolshevik forces of General Yudenich in northwest Russia.

There is very little enthusiasm in Moscow over the various recent forward movements of the bolsheviks, according to the official advices.

LADY ASTOR WAGERS SHE'LL WIN ELECTION.

Plymouth, Nov. 15.—All three candidates in the parliamentary campaign stated after the polls closed at 8 o'clock Saturday that they believed they had won but that they would wait until Nov. 25, before the result is announced.

Lady Astor believed she had won by a majority of 5,000. The laborites claimed the election for their candidate, W. T. Gay, by 4,000. The Liberals expressed the opinion that Isaac Foot would prove to be the dark horse winner.

They based this on the fact that numerous conservatives did not vote for Lady Astor on account of her sex and American birth and also that a certain element of the laborites switched because of Mr. Gay's espousal of the extremist policy.

Lady Astor spent the day driving in an open carriage through all parts of the constituency. She was received by applauding crowds with two exceptions. One of these was at the Wharfedale, where a group of 50 dock men "boomed" the carriage, and a laborer smoking a pipe approached the unionist candidate at the same time pulling out some money.

"I bet you a shilling you will be defeated," he said. Lady Astor stood up, and called immediately, "I'll take you."

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FIVE CENTS.

THE WEATHER: Fair and warmer Sunday; fair, moderate temperature Monday, probably Tuesday. Hourly temperatures: 3 a.m. 28, 4 p.m. 48, 7 a.m. 32, 10 a.m. 38, 1 p.m. 42, 4 p.m. 45, 7 p.m. 40, 10 a.m. 38, 1 p.m. 42, 4 p.m. 45, 7 p.m. 40, 11 a.m. 40, 7 p.m. 47.

GRAND JURY FOREMAN GIVES \$80 TO FAMILY OF WITNESS

ARRESTS IN COAL STRIKE ARE LIKELY

Promised in Connection With Government Injunction Proceedings Against United Mine Workers of America.

FEDERAL AGENTS BUSY COLLECTING EVIDENCE

Indianapolis, Nov. 15.—Probability of arrests in connection with the government's injunction proceedings against the United Mine Workers of America and the assurance of drastic orders by the Indiana Public Service Commission for the curtailment of fuel consumption in the state, were the outstanding features in the coal situation here today.

In connection with the probable arrests it was learned that federal agents are gathering evidence of reported violation of the injunction with a view to preferring charges of contempt of court against members of the United Mine Workers of America. According to information received by these agents, meetings have been held in different sections of the country at which the miners voted not to return to work even though the strike order had been rescinded by international officials of the union.

VIOLATION OF LEVER ACT.

This action, it was pointed out, constitutes a violation of the Lever act, for, as interpreted by federal Judge A. B. Anderson, any two miners who agree not to return to work would be guilty of conspiracy to curtail production of fuel. It also was reported that some of the leaders covering the mines in the central competitive field of western Pennsylvania, Indiana, Ohio and Illinois.

Can't Get Together.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Coal miners and operators meeting today could not unite upon the proposal of Secretary Wilson to negotiate a nation-wide agreement, but did unite upon a plan to negotiate an agreement covering the mines in the central competitive field of western Pennsylvania, Indiana, Ohio and Illinois.

One Stormy Session.

The decision came after a stormy morning of the joint session of operators and miners representatives called by Secretary Wilson in which John L. Wilson, acting president of the mine workers, exchanged charges of bad faith with several spokesmen for the operators. F. W. Lukins, speaking for the operators, in outlining fields, presented their refusal to comply with Secretary Wilson's proposal for a national agreement on the ground that its negotiation would take time that could not be granted in view of the need for coal.

Conference Breaks Up.

Representatives of miners in the outlining fields contending they were entitled to representation in any negotiations regarding the central field, since this would be used inevitably as a basis for their contracts and the operators at Secretary Wilson's request agreed to consider a possible course and the joint conference broke up.

Banker Higginson Dies.

Boston, Nov. 15.—Maj. Henry L. Higginson, banker and founder of the Boston Symphony orchestra, died last night.

EX-SERVICE MEN AND I. W. W. AGAIN CLASH IN BATTLE

Meet Near Centralia and Reds Rout Posse, One Member of Which Reported Missing.

Tacoma, Nov. 15.—A posse of ex-service men and I. W. W. clashed tonight in Hanford Valley about 12 miles northeast of Centralia, and the posse was routed, a telephone message to the Ledger from Centralia stated at 10:15 tonight.

John Haney, Thurston county game warden, is missing and is believed to have been killed. A new posse is forming at Centralia and will return to the valley tonight.

I. W. W. Confesses Plot.

Centralia, Wash., Nov. 15.—Industrial Workers of the World planned the Centralia shooting three weeks before Armistice day, according to an alleged confession made by L. Roberts, confessed I. W. W. who surrendered himself to the officers following Tuesday's shooting in which bullets from the guns of the radicals killed four former American soldiers marching in the holiday parade.

WAGE INCREASE IS DEMANDED BY STREET CAR MEN

Will Ask Showing of Profits Made Under Seven Cent Fare.

A demand for a wage increase of 5 cents an hour will be made by the union trainmen of the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway company, according to Ben F. Short, president of the carmen's union. The threatened strike of carmen last summer was averted by an increased wage, resulting from the railway commission's grant of a 7-cent fare. The union accepted the grant on the condition that the question of a further increase to gain compliance with demands made at that time should be made within 90 days. The union proposes to ask the company to make a showing as to its earnings since the 7-cent fare went into effect, according to Short.

MAYOR ADMITS HE HAS HAD ENOUGH OF PUBLIC LIFE

Will Return to Law Practice When His First Term as Public Official Ends.

Mayor Smith will return to his practice of law as soon as his present and first term as a public official of the city shall have been concluded. He averred that there are no strings on this announcement and he added that he is through with politics insofar as public office is concerned.

Omahans Examine Stone.

At last he submitted the stone to Rev. William E. Riggs, Creighton university scientist, and Joseph P. Frenzer, jeweler. Both assured him (Continued on Page Two, Column One).

Prepare to Adjourn Session of Congress

Washington, Nov. 15.—Tentative plans for sine die adjournment of the present session of congress were made Saturday by senate and house republican leaders. By resolutions in the two bodies, it is proposed that the house shall be permitted to adjourn upon passage of the pending railroad bill—expected next week—and the senate upon the disposition of the peace treaty.

The Passing Show



LARGEST RUBY IN THE WORLD FOUND BY POOR OMAHAN

Laborer Had Stone Worth \$100,000 in His Possession for Years, Thinking It Worthless.

John Mihok, laborer, 1943 South Twentieth street, was yesterday informed by an expert lapidist that he possessed what is probably the largest flawless pigeon blood ruby in the world. The stone weighs 23.9 carats and is valued at more than \$100,000.

When Mihok left Austria-Hungary for America in 1903 he brought with him what he thought was a pretty piece of granite as a "good luck" stone. His father had found the stone on the boundary line between Europe and Asia, near Moson Tarsa, state of Nagyar Orsag.

Family Was Poor.

Until a month ago he performed manual labor to support his large family. His home was a two-roomed shack; his wife took in washing to help make both ends meet, and his older children left school at an early age to help support the rest of the family. During these trying years Mihok carried his "good luck" stone in his pocket without apparent result.

Notorious Bandit Escapes.

Rawlins, Wyo., Nov. 15.—W. W. Carlisle, notorious train bandit, sentenced to life imprisonment in 1916 for robbery of three Union Pacific passenger trains, escaped from the state prison here, hidden in a box of shirts shipped from the prison shirt factory. Posses are searching for him.

Governor McKelvie Demands Thorough Investigation of Omaha Police Department

Whitewash Will Be Guarded Against—Chief State Executive Wants Personal Representatives to Examine the Witnesses—Captain Haze Not to Be Forgotten in Exhaustive Probe.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 15.—(Special.)—A thorough and exhaustive investigation of the failures and misdeeds of members of the Omaha police department during the court house riot of September 28, is to be launched immediately, provided the plans of Governor McKelvie are carried out as suggested in a communication sent today by the state's chief executive to Mayor Smith and the Omaha city commissioners.

Following wholesale charges recently made against the heads and numerous members of the department, including incompetency, cowardice, neglect and the failure to exercise ordinary judgment, the governor has asked the Omaha city officials to institute an investigation and permit his personal representative, Ralph P. Wilson to participate in the hearings.

Spent Week in Omaha.

Mr. Wilson was delegated several weeks ago to undertake this probe, and spent a week in Omaha. The investigator sent a preliminary report to Governor McKelvie, suggesting the undertaking be deferred until after the grand jury adjourned.

Text of Governor's Letter.

The governor's letter reads as follows: "Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 14, 1919.—To the Honorable Mayor and Commissioners, City of Omaha: "Following the riot and lynching which occurred in your city on September 28, 1919, I appointed Mr. Ralph P. Wilson of Lincoln to conduct an investigation for the purpose of determining, if possible, whether those who were charged with the enforcement of the law had been derelict in their duty, and thus satisfied in my own mind whether the state should take further action in this matter. On October 21 Mr. Wilson submitted to me the following report: "Pursuant to your request, I have taken up the matter of an investigation of the conduct of the law enforcement officers of Omaha

WOMEN TELL OF VISIT OF JOHN W. TOWLE AND HIS PROMISE OF A PARDON

Head of Grand Jury Investigating Charge Against Police Captain Haze Visits Mother and Aged Grandmother of Harold Thorp, Who Repudiated Statement Incriminating Bee Reporter, and Impresses on Them Importance of Boy and His Companion Standing By Their Original Story, Women Declare.

When the grand jury in a brief special report made late Friday afternoon exonerated Police Captain Henry P. Haze on a charge of criminal conspiracy and subornation of perjury, in connection with the indictment recently returned against J. Harry Moore, or John H. Moore, as the indictment reads, a Bee reporter, for alleged complicity in the riot of September 28, some of the details not mentioned in this report, signed by John W. Towle, foreman, are:

Visit to Boy's Grandmother. That John W. Towle, the foreman of the grand jury and the man who signed the special report exonerating Captain Haze, on the night of November 7, the day following the indictment of Mr. Moore (and the very day The Bee published its first expose of the methods the police used in securing an indictment against The Bee reporter, who had made the enemy of the police department heads through his exposure through The Bee of rottenness in the department) visited the home of Mrs. Edna Warner, mother of Harold Thorp, one of the two boys, who charged that Haze and another member of the police department promised them their freedom if they would identify Mr. Moore as one of the rioters.

Gives Money to Grandmother. That during this night visit of Mr. Towle to the humble little home of Mrs. Warner he was accompanied by Mrs. Towle, and impressed upon Mrs. Sarah Chase, the aged and invalid grandmother of young Thorp, the importance of both Thorp and his companion, Ernest Morris, also accused of conspiring with the police against Mr. Moore, standing by their original statement, which incriminated the reporter. Mr. Towle then inquired as to their financial circumstances and before leaving took a sum of money from his pocket, and handed it to Mrs. Towle, who in turn, gave it to Mrs. Chase, the amount being \$40. Mrs. Warner was not present on this occasion.

Gives More Money to Mother. That the following morning Mrs. Towle returned to the Warner home, which consists of two rooms on the second floor of a frame house at 2904 Farnam street, and had a talk with both Mrs. Warner, the mother, and Mrs. Chase, the grandmother, and again impressed the point Mr. Towle had made the previous night about the boys sticking to their original story, and that if they did, Mr. Towle would be able to get them a pardon from Governor McKelvie, as he had promised, and, before leaving, Mrs. Towle gave Mrs. Warner an additional \$40 with the statement that Mr. Towle was greatly interested in them and they would see they did not want for money as long as their son was in jail.

Report of the Grand Jury Exonerating Captain Haze

The report made by the grand jury exonerating Captain Haze and signed by Mr. Towle merely read: TO THE HONORABLE THE JUDGES OF THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN AND FOR DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA. Attention of HIS HONOR. Judge W. A. Redick, Presiding. The grand jury, duly called and having taken oath as such, on the 8th day of October, 1919, and having been specially charged among other duties, to investigate, ascertain and take action with respect to the following charges: beg leave to submit herewith a SPECIAL REPORT upon such your special instructions, which were as follows: "That a certain indictment found by this body against John H. Moore was procured by perjured testimony. Whether the crime of perjury had been committed and if so to present the person or persons found guilty thereof. And if the crime of subornation of perjury had been committed that we should present the offenders.

County Attorney Shotwell interrogated each witness and upon the conclusion of his examination of each such person, afforded an opportunity for any member of the grand jury to ask the witness such questions. During the time when such questions were being asked by any member of the grand jury Mr. Shotwell, the county attorney was present.

Further the said county attorney advised this body concerning the law applicable to these charges, but offered no suggestions whatsoever as to whether or not an indictment should be presented against any person or persons.

Therefore, in consideration of the charges submitted, and the evidence and facts secured and in accordance with the law explained as aforesaid we find that:

The charge, "that a certain indictment found by this body against John H. Moore was procured by perjured testimony," is false. That the charge, "that there was subornation of perjury offering immunity to witness upon whose evidence an indictment was returned against John H. Moore," is false.

There was, no indictment found against Capt. H. P. Haze and that we entirely exonerate him from all such charges.

Respectfully submitted, The Grand Jury. By JOHN E. TOWLE, Foreman Omaha, Neb., November 14, 1919.

Two Women Tell of Towle's Visit and Interest in Boy

But the visit of Mr. Towle and Mrs. Towle to the Warner home and their decided interest in Thorp and Morris, the boys who have repudiated their statement against The Bee reporter in signed affidavits, admitting that they testified against Mr. Moore at the instance of Captain Haze and another police officer they did not know on the promise they would not have to serve the