

Reduction Of Rates on Grain Urged

Readjustment of Export Charges Recommended by Commerce Commission in Letter to Railroads.

Four Cents Largest Cut

By The Associated Press. Washington, April 4.—Readjustment of export rates on grain and grain products carrying a reduction of 3 cents east of Chicago, was recommended to the railroads today, by the interstate commerce commission.

The commission's recommendations covered a general readjustment of grain and grain products rates and were outlined in a letter sent representatives of the roads by W. V. Hardie, director of traffic.

After consideration of the situation and with the approval of Chairman Clark of the Interstate Commerce commission, Mr. Hardie stated there was no objection to a readjustment of rates as follows:

A reduction of 3 cents east of Chicago in the all rail export rates on grain and grain products.

Reduction from Sioux City. A reduction of 1 cent on grain and grain products on export traffic only, from Missouri river points, including Sioux City, to Chicago and Chicago rate points.

A reduction of 4 cents in export rates east of St. Louis on grain and grain products.

Changes from Peoria and other related markets corresponding to those from St. Louis and Chicago, to preserve existing equilibrium.

No reduction to be made west of St. Louis.

The existing "at and east" rates on export grain, now scheduled to expire April 15, to be continued, indefinitely, but with no further reductions at present.

Four Rates Included. The "at and east" domestic rates on grain, April 15, to revert to the rates in effect August 25, 1920, plus 40 per cent to be applied on the net rates.

Lake and rail rates on flour export from Chicago, Duluth and Minneapolis to be reduced in the same amounts as the all-rail rates east of Chicago.

No reduction in the rates on grain or grain products from Minneapolis to Chicago.

Soviet Pledges Support to Turks. Agreement to Remit Debt to Russia Also Included in Recent Treaty.

Washington, April 4.—Soviet Russia pledges military support to Turkey, should the latter government be attacked by the Allied powers or by Greece, according to a summary of the treaty concluded March 16, received in official circles today.

Turkey promises to refrain from propaganda among the Mohammedans in territory under bolshevik control and each country agrees to forbid passage of any forces hostile to the other through its territory.

Brother Won't Go With Trio That Saws Way From Nebraska Jail

Grand Island, April 4.—(Special)—Bloodhounds have been put on the trail of three jailbreakers here who saved their way through their cage and then the windows of the county jail building Sunday night and escaped.

They are Albert Roper, Elmer Eldridge and Harry Hostetter, held on robbery and burglary counts.

Elmer Roper, Albert's brother, refused to flee with them. He won't talk.

The trio had been confined in the cage after making threats to crack the jailer over the head and saw their way out.

Officers believe an automobile was waiting outside to carry them off, made ready by friends who may have slipped the saw through the bars to them.

Germany Bound To Pay Claims, Note of U. S. Says

American Reply to Recent Appeal Ignores Proposal to Consolidate all Debts Under One Obligation.

Washington, April 4.—Paraphrases of the informal exchanges between the German and American governments on reparations in which the United States holds Germany "morally bound" to make reparations so far as may be possible, were made public today.

Describing the German communication as an unequivocal expression of the recognition of that obligation, the American reply expresses the hope that renewed negotiations which Germany says it plans to initiate "may lead to a prompt settlement, which will satisfy the just claims of the allies and permit Germany to renew its productive activities."

The German communication suggests that the only solution of the reparations problem is in an international loan in favor of which the allied and associated powers would waive the general mortgage on German assets created by the treaty of Versailles. Germany says it "would not be unwilling to assume the obligation of the interest of the foreign debts of the allied and associated powers, within their capacity."

Ready to Meet Plans. Germany says she stands ready to meet any proposals which appear feasible "for the solution of the economic and financial problems of Europe."

The American reply makes no reference either to the proposed consolidation of allied debts as a German obligation or the suggestion for the determination by unbiased experts, of the ability of Germany to pay.

Another consideration on reparations presented by Germany is rehabilitation of devastated regions. The German government says it stands ready to offer to France, good offices and resources. It asserts that it has "repeatedly proffered labor, technical advice and material assistance" but that these offers have not been accepted.

Rehabilitation Delayed. Germany declares there exists in France, only a limited degree of rehabilitation of the devastated regions, because advanced indemnities have been given former occupants who have settled in other parts of France and the work of clearing the war areas "has been undertaken by influential groups of promoters who are making no effort to expedite their content."

The German communication is in the form of a memorandum of Dr. Walter Simons, minister for foreign affairs, dated March 23. The American reply is officially termed a "statement" sent to Commissioner Dreisel for communication to Dr. Simons.

Germanists Still Hopeful. Berlin, April 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—The German note sent by Dr. Simons, foreign minister, discussing reparations and suggesting Germany is willing to assume her debts to the Allies, and the reply of the American government, delivered to the German foreign office March 31, by the American high commissioner, Loring Dreisel, was published tonight.

While the American note is brief, the German official reply is lengthy and the mere fact that the United States answered at all is looked on as a hopeful sign that the American government may exert its good offices concerning the reparations problem.

Dr. Simons is still in Switzerland on vacation, consequently a further communication to the United States is not expected immediately.

Mrs. Leeds To Fight to Protect Son

Inamorata of Million Banker Retains Control And May Intervene in Divorce Suit.

"Love Nest" Described

Miami, Fla., April 4.—At least one occupant of the luxurious little "love nest" of James A. Stillman and Mrs. Florence Lawlor "Leeds" made no effort to conceal the relationship of the banker and the former chorus girl.

Almost daily, when the portly, partly bald and dignified master millionaire visited the aristocratic villa-cottage near the Flamingo hotel sturdy, 31 months old little "Jay Ward Leeds" rushed towards him threw his arms about his neck and cried: "Daddy, Daddy."

Incidents, such as these, together with the whole story of "Mrs. Leeds' recent pathetic flight, were told today by Mrs. Carolyn R. Fitch, who for two months was maid and tutor of baby "Jay Leeds," alleged son of Stillman and "Flo" Lawlor.

Maid Kept Baby. Mrs. Fitch, it was with whom "Mrs. Leeds" left her son when she began her recent flight from the "love nest" and the public relations that have linked her name pitilessly with the great Stillman drama.

Mrs. Fitch is prepared to fly to the support of Mrs. Stillman in her counter suit to the divorce brought by her banker husband. Mrs. Fitch up until the present, has carefully avoided publicity by concealing her whereabouts.

"There was not a thing to arouse my suspicions at the beginning, but with the arrival of Mrs. Stillman I was naturally curious," said Mrs. Fitch. "But I was unable to find out any information. The jail seemed to know all that was going on. In fact, he was gathering some kind of evidence all the time, and I know that he had in his possession letters which he did not belong to him."

Carried Presents for Baby. "On the first visit of Mr. Stillman, Mrs. Leeds told me to dress Jay nice to catch herself and later referred to Mr. Stillman as the father of Jay. But when Mr. Stillman reached the house the youngster approached him and, throwing his arms about his neck, called him 'daddy.' After that the youngster always looked for the arrival of his 'daddy,' because Mr. (Turn to Page Two, Column Two.)

Harding Hears Views From Labor Leaders On Railway Problems

Washington, April 4.—President Harding, in continuing his inquiry into the present situation, heard the views of labor, which were presented by A. B. Garretson, former head of the Order of Railway Conductors, and B. M. Jewell, president of the railway department of the American Federation of Labor.

Both requests who came at the president's request, said they had discussed the situation generally, but had received no indication from the president as to his attitude.

Mr. Jewell is understood to have pressed his contentions expressed to the president last week in a telegram. That the wartime wage agreement had not been automatically abrogated by the return of the roads to private control.

Mr. Garretson said he had also discussed the wage question in connection with a review of the transportation question.

The White House today as to whether other railroad leaders would be asked here.

Congressman Evans Given Appointment On Appropriations

Washington, April 4.—Assignment of republican members to some of the 50 or more standing committees of the house was made today by the committee on committees subject to the approval of the republican caucus Saturday. By reason of the big party majority, the republican representation will be increased. Some of the new members of the more important committees as assigned are:

Emergency Tariff Bill to Be Rushed

Washington, D. C., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee said today that the emergency tariff bill will be considered for consideration by the house next and that it will be introduced as the first of the re-legislation to be inaugurated by the new administration.

"We are certain that we need a tariff bill," said the veteran chairman of the committee, "and we are divided over tax revision. Some of our members want a general sales tax, some want a luxury tax and some want to get together it occurs to the members of the ways and means committee that the timely thing to do is to inaugurate tariff legislation which will give us time to thresh out tax legislation."

Mother and Girl Rivals in Fight For Train Bandit

Aged Woman Urges Plea of Guilty While Sweetheart Says He Must Battle for Freedom.

St. Paul, Minn., April 4.—Two women, one old and heart-broken, the other young, pretty and ambitious, today are fighting against one another in an effort to win Delbert Smith, a 22-year-old self-confessed mail train bandit, who arrived here Sunday from Salt Lake City, Utah, where he was captured last week after a long chase through middle west cities by a small army of secret service operatives, including a number from Kansas City.

During the chase Smith stopped for two days in the Pfister hotel, Milwaukee, and for a week in Omaha, just before going to Salt Lake City.

Meets Her Boy. The old and broken-hearted woman is Smith's mother, who met her son as he stepped from the train in the custody of two United States marshals.

The other is Mrs. Grace McDonald, 22-year-old divorcee, whom Smith blames for a betrayal to federal authorities of his hiding place but who has insisted she was as faithful to him as she could be.

"Don't let them send you to jail," is the advice of Mrs. McDonald, who is one of four women arrested as Smith's accomplices. "Fight!" "If you have done wrong, do not try to evade punishment," answers his mother. "You must plead guilty."

"No, no," is the retort of Mrs. McDonald. "I am sure he did not do it alone. I know there is a way out for him. He must fight for his freedom."

Won't Hire Attorney. "If he fights," answers the mother, "he does it without my help. I will not hire an attorney for him. I suppose he must have done this thing. The papers say he has confessed."

When Smith was being pursued by the federal agents, as he constantly went word to them, through an intermediary, that he would be willing to surrender if Mrs. McDonald were freed, he persisted in maintaining he was simply the tool of the real bandit, who, incidentally, shot Zachary E. Strong, Minneapolis mail clerk, on the North Coast Limited mail car of the Northern Pacific railroad the night of Friday, February 12, at St. Cloud, Minn.

His offer to surrender was refused and when finally he was arrested in Salt Lake City Mrs. McDonald, red-haired and blue-eyed, charged with hiding \$40,000 of the loot, became hysterical, fainted and was ill for several days.

American Radical, Arrested in Mexico, Has Been Deported

Mexico City, April 4.—Linn A. E. Gale, an American radical, who was arrested here Friday night, has been deported from Mexico by the way of Vera Cruz, it is said by newspapers of this city. There is a general impression in this city, however, that he has been taken to Laredo to be turned over to United States authorities.

The authorities are silent as to the whereabouts of Gale. President Oregon has issued a formal statement asserting that, Gale has been deported because of his activities against the present Mexican administration, and classing him as a "pernicious foreigner."

It is understood that two other radicals who have been active soviet propagandists will be deported in a few days.

He Can Do It Himself



Jap Exclusion League Outlines Protection Plan

California Organization Will Urge Restriction on Immigration by New Administration.

San Francisco, April 4.—The Japanese exclusion league of California has outlined a policy for protection of American interests in connection with the subject of Japanese immigration and will urge action by the new federal administration in accordance with such a policy, it was announced here today.

The four points of the league's policy, absolute exclusion for the future of all Japanese immigration not only male, but female, and not only laborers, skilled and unskilled, but "farmers" and men of small trades and professions, as recommended by Theodore Roosevelt.

Second—Such exclusion to be enforced by United States officials, under United States laws and regulations, as is done with immigration control, admitted or excluded from all other countries, and not, as at present, under an arrangement whereby control and regulation is surrendered to Japan.

Third—Compliance on the part of all departments of the federal government with the constitution and the abandonment of the threat or attempt to take advantage of certain phrases of that document as to treaties, which, it is claimed, gives the treaty-making power authority to violate plain provisions of the constitution in the following matters:

(a) To nullify state rights and state rights for control of lands and property, so plainly within the state's jurisdiction.

(b) To grant American citizenship to races of yellow color, which are made ineligible for such citizenship.

Fourth—For the Japanese legally admitted to reside in California, fair treatment, protection in property rights legally acquired and the privilege of engaging in any business desired except such as may be now or hereafter denied by law to all aliens or to aliens ineligible to citizenship provided, particularly that they may not hereafter buy or lease agricultural lands.

Men Held as Draft Deserters Released to Civil Authorities

San Antonio, Tex., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Fort and Louisiana militiamen who have been held by military authorities since December on charges of draft desertion, were turned over to civil authorities today on a writ of habeas corpus issued by United States Judge West.

Judge West's decision is regarded as of big importance, because if upheld by higher courts, it may become the basis for transfer of thousands of alleged draft deserters from military to civil jurisdiction.

Irish Republican Army Very Active

Flying Columns Reported to Be Operating in Many Districts.

Dublin, April 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—Flying columns of the Irish republican army are officially reported to be operating in Fermanagh, Armagh, Tyrone, Kildare and Queens counties. There has been much destruction of roads and in many cases intimidation has been resorted to.

A fight occurred last night in the hills near Dundrum, four miles south of Dublin. Crown forces had proceeded to the hills in lorries to investigate reports of firing. They found 20 armed men, some of whom, after firing at the military, mingled with women and children who were picnicking, for which reason the crown forces refrained from using their machine guns.

They pursued the others, however, who were escaping to another hill, and shot two. The remainder got into the shrubbery on the hillside and escaped in the smoke screen.

Masked Bandits Slug Bisbee, Ariz., Postmaster; Escape With \$50,000

Douglas, Ariz., April 4.—While Postmaster L. R. Bailey of Bisbee, Ariz., was working in his office last night, two masked Mexicans entered and at the point of revolvers, forced him to open the postoffice vault. They escaped with about \$50,000, according to information received here.

\$40,000 of which is said to have been in cash.

Postmaster Bailey was found this morning bound and gagged, having been beaten over the head. Bailey said that shortly after 10 last night some one knocked on the door of his office in the postoffice building and that when he got up and opened the door, two men, apparently Mexicans, and masked, held guns on him. They ordered him to open the vault and before leaving assaulted him.

No clue to the bandits has been found. The robbery was the largest of the three losses sustained by the government through the postoffice here during the term of L. R. Bailey as postmaster, a position he has held for eight years.

Legion Warned Against Endorsing Memorials

Indianapolis, Ind., April 4.—Posts and departments of the American Legion are warned by the national committee on memorials against endorsement of memorial projects fostered by commercial interests. A resolution adopted by the commission advises that requests for endorsement of memorial projects be referred to the national headquarters for investigation.

Former Emperor Charles Does Not Want to Be Exile

Tells Members of Suite If He Cannot Remain as King He Would Settle in Country as Private Citizen.

Budapest, April 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—Former Emperor Charles told the members of his suite at Steinaamanger today that he was unwilling to leave Hungary. If he could not remain as king he would settle in the country as a private citizen, he declared.

London, April 4.—Confirmation of reports that the "Little Entente" has threatened military measures against Hungary if former Emperor Charles does not leave that country before Thursday is given in advices to Reuters, Limited. It is stated that an ultimatum to this effect has been sent to Hungary by Czechoslovakia, Roumania and Jugoslavia. A Vienna dispatch to the Central News states the Swiss legation at the former capital has announced that Emperor Charles will return to Switzerland today.

Paris, April 4.—Resolutions demanding the arrest of Count Andrassy, a supporter of former Emperor Charles, and General Lehar, governor of West Hungary, have been adopted by the Hungarian national assembly, it is reported to newspapers here.

A Vienna dispatch says the Hungarian government has fixed August 20 as the date upon which a king will be elected.

Negotiations for the departure of former Emperor Charles from Hungary are still continuing, it is said in dispatches to the French foreign office from Budapest. There is confirmation of reports that Charles is ill.

Chicago Democratic Political Chief Dies

Chicago, April 4.—John F. O'Malley, leader in city and state democratic politics for the last 25 years, died late Sunday in Grant hospital. He was 62 years old.

O'Malley, became severely ill several weeks ago while on a vacation. He was rushed to Chicago and an emergency operation performed immediately after his arrival. March 28. Friday a second operation was deemed necessary. It failed to save his life.

At the time of his death he had attained the height of his political power, sharing with George E. Brennan, control of the democratic organization left them as heritage by Roger C. Sullivan, of whom O'Malley was one of the principal lieutenants.

Jennie Scardino, 17 years of age, daughter of defendants, was found not guilty of the charge of manslaughter in connection with the case by the jury last Thursday.

U. S. Stand On Peace Is Made Clear

Plans Made for Pushing the Knox Resolution Through Congress at Early Date.

To Protect Civilization

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING, Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, April 4.—As a result of a further clarification of the situation today, it is now possible to outline the course the administration contemplates pursuing in terminating the state of war with Germany and dealing with world peace questions. This course may be summarized thus:

1. Complete rejection of the Versailles treaty, including the league of nations covenant.

2. Adoption of the Knox resolution declaring peace with Germany.

3. Negotiations of a separate treaty with Germany, settling war-damage claims and other questions growing out of the war.

4. Declaration in the Knox resolution, of American intention to cooperate with the chief co-belligerents for mutual defense if the peace of Europe should be threatened by any power or combination of powers.

5. Adoption of a separate resolution declaring that the United States stands with the allied powers in holding Germany responsible for the war and bound to make reparations to the full extent of its ability.

6. Negotiation with Great Britain and Japan of an agreement for the reduction of naval armament.

7. Submission to the other powers of suggestions as to the association of nations for the promotion of world peace which the United States would be willing to join in conformity with its traditional policy of non-entanglement in the affairs of Europe and the preservation of independence of action.

Following a series of extended conferences between President Harding, Senator Knox, Senator Lodge, Rene Viviani, envoy of the French government and others, it has become definitely settled that the Knox peace resolution will be introduced in the senate immediately upon the reconvening of congress and will be (Turn to Page Two, Column Four.)

Denby Still Firm For Large Navy

Inspection Trip Strengthens Secretary's Belief in Building Program of 1916.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, April 4.—With worthy sea legs, worthy enough for a tossing, plunging destroyer, a sun-browned countenance and a sailor's cap tilted jauntily on his head, Secretary of Navy Denby returned to Washington today from his first inspection of the Atlantic fleet.

The secretary came all the way from San Domingo to the navy-yard dock at Washington aboard the destroyer, a non-stop run of 1,600 miles at an average rate of 25 knots an hour.

"It was some trip," said the secretary as he landed at the dock. "You can't help admiring the destroyer after such a trip as I have had through some pretty stiff weather, too. Sixteen hundred miles and no stops and going an average rate of 25 knots. I guess that won't be beaten for some time. I'm a pretty good sailor, you can see, to stand that kind of a trip on a destroyer."

The navy secretary had nothing but words of praise for the officers and men of the fleet which he inspected at Guantanamo and his trip has left him firm in the conviction that the United States should have a big navy.

"I still insist that we should go ahead to carry out the 1916 building program," he said.

"Have you made up your mind what should be done about the fleet policy; whether it should be continued in the Atlantic or Pacific, or be re-united into one fleet?" the secretary was asked.

"I have decided that yet," he replied. "We'll get to that later."

Man and Wife Charged With Murder Will Go on Trial

Ogden, Utah, April 4.—Trial of John and Josephine Scardino, charged with murder in the first degree in connection with the fatal shooting of Mike Termain in the Scardino home February 20, 1920, will begin Tuesday morning.

Jennie Scardino, 17 years of age, daughter of defendants, was found not guilty of the charge of manslaughter in connection with the case by the jury last Thursday.

French Favor Appointment Of Herick as Ambassador

Paris, April 4.—Approval of the appointment of Myron T. Herick as United States ambassador to France has not been officially signified by the French government. Entire satisfaction with reports that he is to be the next ambassador from America were expressed at the foreign office however, and formal notification that he is persona grata will go forward in due time, it is declared.

Sugar Firm Passes Dividend

New York, April 4.—Directors of the American Beet Sugar company today passed the regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent on common stock due at this time. High production costs were given as the reason.

The Weather. Forecast. Fair and cool Tuesday. Hourly Temperatures. 5 a. m. 62, 10 a. m. 64, 2 p. m. 66, 5 p. m. 64, 8 p. m. 62, 11 a. m. 60, 1 p. m. 58, 3 p. m. 56, 6 p. m. 54, 9 p. m. 52, 11 p. m. 50, 1 a. m. 48, 3 a. m. 46, 5 a. m. 44, 7 a. m. 42, 9 a. m. 40, 11 a. m. 38, 1 p. m. 36, 3 p. m. 34, 5 p. m. 32, 7 p. m. 30, 9 p. m. 28, 11 p. m. 26, 1 a. m. 24, 3 a. m. 22, 5 a. m. 20, 7 a. m. 18, 9 a. m. 16, 11 a. m. 14, 1 p. m. 12, 3 p. m. 10, 5 p. m. 8, 7 p. m. 6, 9 p. m. 4, 11 p. m. 2, 1 a. m. 0, 3 a. m. -2, 5 a. m. -4, 7 a. m. -6, 9 a. m. -8, 11 a. m. -10, 1 p. m. -12, 3 p. m. -14, 5 p. m. -16, 7 p. m. -18, 9 p. m. -20, 11 p. m. -22, 1 a. m. -24, 3 a. m. -26, 5 a. m. -28, 7 a. m. -30, 9 a. m. -32, 11 a. m. -34, 1 p. m. -36, 3 p. m. -38, 5 p. m. -40, 7 p. m. -42, 9 p. m. -44, 11 p. m. -46, 1 a. m. -48, 3 a. m. -50, 5 a. m. -52, 7 a. m. -54, 9 a. m. -56, 11 a. m. -58, 1 p. m. -60, 3 p. m. -62, 5 p. m. -64, 7 p. m. -66, 9 p. m. -68, 11 p. m. -70, 1 a. m. -72, 3 a. m. -74, 5 a. m. -76, 7 a. m. -78, 9 a. m. -80, 11 a. m. -82, 1 p. m. -84, 3 p. m. -86, 5 p. m. -88, 7 p. m. -90, 9 p. m. -92, 11 p. m. -94, 1 a. m. -96, 3 a. m. -98, 5 a. m. -100.