

STOCK SHOW IS BIGGEST EVER

HOPE HELD FOR EARLY DECISION

BUT DELAY IS EXPECTED BEFORE PEACE TREATY IS AGAIN SUBMITTED.

NO MANDATE FOR THE FORMER HUN COLONIES

Austrian Chancellor Complains of the Harshness of the Terms—Hungarian Soviet Government Promises to Cease Hostilities on Czech-Slovakia, Though Latter Is Blamed.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

Hope is officially expressed that a decision will be reached shortly on the reply to Germany. There may be considerable delay before the treaty is again submitted, however. France is standing out against immediate admission of Germany to the league of nations, and French circles indicate the treaty will be changed less than generally expected.

The Austrian chancellor, Karl Renner, has sent a letter to the peace conference complaining of the harshness of the terms. Bela Kun, foreign minister of the soviet government of Hungary, has telegraphed Premier Clemenceau agreeing to stop hostilities against Czech-Slovakia, though he blames the latter for causing the recent severe fighting along the frontier.

NO MANDATE ALLOWED

PARIS, June 11.—The reply to Germany agreed upon by the peace conference heads refuses the German request for a mandate for former German colonies.

STRONG CALL FROM MERCHANT MARINE

Shipping Board's Engineering School at Berkeley Can Accommodate About 35 More Students.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—A call has been sent out by officials of the United States Shipping Board urging young men immediately to avail themselves of the opportunities offered for instruction, which will qualify them for positions in the American merchant marine. In this connection, G. W. Saunders, one of the officials, said:

"The Shipping Board's marine engineering school at Berkeley can accommodate about 35 more students. It is of the utmost importance that these classes be filled to their capacity, as every graduate is needed to fill a place on some merchant ship. Vessels on the east coast are in need of officers to man them and, unless the situation of June, 1917, when the recruiting service of the shipping board was organized because more vessels were in dock than at sea almost, due to the fact that we had no men to man them, it is to be paralleled, every qualified man must prepare for his officer's ticket."

The regulations last passed by the Steamboat Inspection Service open an entirely new recruiting field among naval men commissioned as engineers after having the intensive training course offered by the navy, and with four months of sea service to his credit.

"The above applies also to our navigation class which could take care of at least twenty more men, who have had the requisite sea service. The steamboat inspectors have recently decided that a graduate of a regularly established high school course up to a recommendation of the master engineer is eligible for the master's service. The new regulations will allow a man to take the examination for the master's service after having completed a course of instruction in the navy, and with four months of sea service to his credit."

SENATE PASSES BILL TO WREST WIRES FROM FEDERAL CONTROL

WASHINGTON, June 11.—On the eve of the nation-wide telegraphers' strike, both houses of congress Tuesday acted to end government control of the country's wire system. The senate passed unanimously the bill for repeal "forthwith" of the law authorizing federal jurisdiction over telegraph, telephone, cable and radio lines, while the house interstate commerce committee agreed to report legislation ending government wire control June 30 next.

No move was made Tuesday by the postoffice department touching the situation and officials said that none would be made, the return of wire operation having left the situation to the handling of private management. At the same time, officials later responsible for the conductance of the telegraph system were inclined to discount the possibility that communications would be seriously hampered by the strike of telegraph operators. The threatened withdrawal of electrical workers was said to have more serious possibilities.

PREPARATIONS FOR PIONEER REUNION

Sons and Daughters of Pioneers and officers of the Union county Pioneer association are making great preparations for the annual convention to be held at Riverside Park June 19th.

The program will begin at 10 in the morning, lasting all afternoon and an entertainment program in the evening.

Free transportation will be supplied by the Ad club for the pioneers who come in by train in the morning. They will be taken to the park and returned at a given hour. However, the main portion of the pioneer delegation will come direct to the park by automobile.

President Brooks is elated over prospects for a fine attendance.

GRAIN DEALERS TO MEET

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

LEWISTOWN, Mont., June 11.—Representatives of the United States department of agriculture are to attend a meeting to be held here July 18 and 19, when the Northwestern Grain Dealers' association will be in session, and will explain and demonstrate federal grain grading to the delegates. Later they will visit the principal grain points of the state, for the same demonstration.

A large attendance is expected at the meeting of the grain men, which will be attended by farmers and men of affairs as well as grain dealers.

ELIHU ROOT IS WITNESS

GIVES VOLUNTARY TESTIMONY ON LEAK.

Told Senate Foreign Relations Committee That He Had Seen Copy of Covenant Weeks Ago.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—Elihu Root has voluntarily appeared before the senate foreign relations committee and stated that he had had, for several weeks, a copy of the treaty given him by H. P. Davidson, of the Morgan Banking house.

Chairman Lodge said he saw the copy shown him by Root.

Mr. Davidson then took the stand and said he brought the treaty to America, but it had never been seen by anyone except himself and Mr. Root.

JUNIOR Y BOYS ON AN OUTING

Melvin Bule, physical director at the Y. M. C. A. life, this morning with a party of junior boys, of the Y. for upper middle where they will spend a week in an outing. The group will be accompanied by a professional guide.

RAILROAD FUND IS APPROVED

HOUSE AUTHORIZES \$750,000,000 APPROPRIATION.

Measure Is Adopted by the Substantial Vote of 305 to 1—Makes Total Billion and a Quarter.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—By a vote of 305 to 1, the house yesterday passed the bill authorizing an appropriation of \$750,000,000 for the railroad administration's revolving fund. Democratic members urged a larger amount, but did not press any amendment for an increase, while Republicans declared the fund would be sufficient until later in the year when future needs would be known. The measure now goes to the senate where leaders plan early action.

Votes against the appropriation were cast by Representatives Anthony, Kansas; Ramseyer, Iowa; Woodward, West Virginia; Republican; and Thomas, Kentucky, Democrat. None of them urged his objections to the bill during the debate, which was marked by the injection of considerable discussion.

Chairman Good, of the appropriations committee, in charge of the bill, explained that reduction from the \$1,200,000,000 request of Director General Hines, was decided on by the committee because it was admitted that exact needs of the future were problematical. The new fund, he said, would make a total of \$1,250,000,000 granted the administration since the rail lines were taken over by the government.

In the senate, debate proceeded on the Cummins bill to restore to the Illinois Central company immediately its power of supervision over interstate railroad rates. Senator Nelson, Republican, of Minnesota, protested against insertion of an amendment to limit the restoration of supervision to interstate rates. The amendment, he said, would leave interstate tariffs to the mercy of the railroad administration.

ESTHONIANS CAPTURE IMPORTANT POSITIONS

COPENHAGEN, June 11.—Kiev, Burg and Jakhstad, important cities southeast of Riga, have been occupied by Estonian forces, while farther south Lithuanian troops are approaching Drinsk, according to an official statement.

SLIPPER AIRPLANE-BUILT BY LITHUANIAN

KLM Northern European June 11.—An airplane, designed by a Lithuanian, built in the Lithuanian capital, Kaunas, has been flown for the first time. The machine, which is a single-engine biplane, was built by a Lithuanian, who is now in the United States. The machine is a single-engine biplane, which is a very simple design, but it is a very good one. It is a very good one, and it is a very good one.

FEATURES OF THE 4TH DECIDED ON

IN ORDER TO MAIN THE SCHEDULE THERE WILL BE NO PARADE

BILLY SUNDAY'S ADDRESS WILL BEGIN AT 10:30

Free Coffee and Cream Will Be Provided for a Crowd of 10,000—Race Track Program Is to Begin at 1:30 in the Afternoon and Will Go Off on the Dot

Long strides toward complete arrangements for the July 4th celebration in La Grande were made at a meeting of committee from the Ad club last evening at the City hall. Several important matters were brought to a final vote and others that are still pending received deliberation. It was an enthusiastic meeting from all points of view and much was done. General Chairman E. P. Moegman presided.

Parade Matter Settled
Perhaps the most important decision reached was that concerning a parade. At first a big parade had been considered, but after a liberal allowance had been made for parade prizes, it was discovered that a parade is wholly impractical.

In order to maintain a schedule that will permit all that is already decided on, a parade would have to start by 8 o'clock at least, and that is, of course, an entirely impossible hour. Furthermore, a parade that is all that it should be, has in it hundreds of people, and all who might participate in the parade would, on the very face of things, be denied the enjoyment of hearing Billy Sunday, who commences to speak at 10:30. The address must begin at that hour in order to be over by noon. Thus, after prolonged discussion it was the unanimous decision of the 20 members present that there be no parade, and instead recommended the following course:

HOW AUSTRIANS WERE DECEIVED

Five Thousand Americans Made Themselves Look Like Half a Million Men.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

BILLINGS, Mont., June 11.—How American forces in Italy, at the cost of incessant marching and counter-marching, gave the Austrians the impression of a hundred times their actual number, was described by Rev. F. O. Kelley, chaplain of the 32nd infantry upon his return home here yesterday.

MRS. GRADY AT THE BASEBALL DANCE

Harold Grady, well known Portland athletic agent, has consented to give a donation of \$500 to the Red Cross fund. Mrs. Grady is exceptionally gifted and is a very good person. She is a very good person, and she is a very good person.

LARGEST DISPLAY OF SHORTHORNS EVER ASSEMBLED IN THE STATE

UNION, June 11.—(Special.)—The Union stock show, opened today in a blaze of glory, with elegant weather and a big attendance. There was nothing to mar the performance which began promptly on time and went through with a bang from start to finish. As a first-day crowd, and a first-day performance, there was nothing to be desired that wasn't on taps. Performers and those who follow the stock that is on exhibition began coming in yesterday, and this morning the town was well filled. By the noon hour the influx of visitors had reached almost the congestion stage. True to the trend of the times, there was a predominance of fat and dairy stock over horses. The display was unusually fine as there has been a marked increase in the herds of purebred cattle the past year, and the very sleekest and fattest of the lot—combed, brushed and groomed—passed before the reviewing stand this afternoon when the show opened. There is a general opinion that the stock far exceeds anything in the past. The special features of the show are very good, too. With good weather promised, in spite of a slight chill in the wind, Union is confident of a big show this year. Tomorrow is La Grande day, and things will be at their best for everybody.

COURT TO STOP FOR ONE DAY

RECESS DECLARED ON ACCOUNT OF STOCK SHOW.

The First Case Called, That of Stowell vs. Walsh and Olson, Is Not Yet Concluded.

Holding that tomorrow properly belongs in the class of legal holidays, on account of the Union Stock Show, and that it is in reality a non-judicial day, Judge Knowles will declare a recess in the June term of circuit court for the one day only. It will give all court attendants and litigants a chance to go to Union and see the show.

First Case Drags
The case of Stowell vs. Welch and Olson, which was the first one called, has not yet been finished. Originally there were two separate cases but the issues were so nearly the same that the two defendants were combined in the one action. It is likely the case will be ready for the jury this afternoon.

WILL KEEP UP WHEAT PRICES

GUARANTEE OF \$2.25 PER BUSHEL.

ILL. SECURITIES

John Barnes Says Heavy Crop Will Force Prices Back to Guaranty Level—No Speculation.

NEW YORK, June 11.—Maintenance of the government guaranteed price of \$2.25 a bushel in the wheat market is a problem to which the government is now turning its attention. It was declared today by John Barnes, United States wheat director, presiding at a conference of 350 representatives of all the grain industries of this country, called by him to discuss handling of the 1919 wheat crop. The conference will continue sessions Wednesday.

"It is evident, with the size of the crop now in sight, that the pressure for marketing will shortly force wheat prices in this country back to the government guarantee level," Mr. Barnes said, "and that buying of wheat in large quantities by the government will be necessary to maintain the price at the guarantee level. It is our policy to maintain the price at the guarantee level, and we will do so."

Those who would restore the firm price of last year of depression in this crop of increased prices for wheat, however, and the supplies that farmers require, would throw the largest part of the industry of American into confusion and disorganization, that would be beyond the confines of the government's control.

TELEGRAPH OPERATORS ON STRIKE

WALKOUT IS REPORTED TO BE RATHER TAME FOR THE FIRST DAY.

ONE OFFICIAL SAYS IT IS A FAILURE

President Koenenkamp, of the Telegraphers' Union, Says That Several Days' Time Will Be Required For the Walkout to Be Complete—One Fatality Reported.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

NEW YORK, June 11.—Only 161 persons, including 21 operators, out of a total of 40,000 Western Union employees in the country, were absent from work at noon today when the figures of the nation-wide strike inaugurated this morning went into effect. These figures are given out by President Newcomb Carlton. He termed the strike a complete failure.

PORTLAND LITTLE AFFECTED

PORTLAND, June 11.—Practically the entire force of the Postal Telegraph company operators and messengers went on strike here today. Only two Western Union employees went out. These were women operators in branch offices. Ten or twelve Western Union operators have reported that they will strike tonight. Throughout the northwest few Western Union men are out, but there are some Postal men.

FIRST BLOOD SPILLED

DALLAS, Tex., June 11.—A. J. Fisher, a non-union lineman, was shot and killed in a clash between strikers and non-union men.

BURLESON EXPRESSES HIMSELF

WASHINGTON, June 11.—Director General Burleson has announced that no amount of pressure would avail to make the government wire control board "extend or go beyond rules and regulations of the War Labor board, which has been strictly observed since the government took control of the telephone and telegraph properties." He declared the strike was wholly without justification and declared that in his opinion the telegraphic traffic had not been delayed today, and would not be.

NOT COMPLETE YET

CHICAGO, June 11.—President Koenenkamp, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' union, stated today it would take several days for the walkout to be completed.

EARLY SERVICE NORMAL

WASHINGTON, June 11.—Early reports show that many Postal Telegraph company employees went out on strike in some cities, while fewer Western Union men walked out. In some places none responded to the call.

B. OF L. F. & E. SUPPORT DEBS AND MOONEY

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

DENVER, Colo., June 11.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers have adopted resolutions favoring Eugene V. Debs and James P. Mooney.

ATTEMPT TO RECOVER

PITTSBURGH, June 11.—The people of Pittsburgh through A. B. Anderson, an attorney, filed a suit in equity in court. Late Tuesday morning the Amalgamated Association of Street & Electric Railway Employees, in which the union is asked to pay damages of \$2,025,000 which sum, it is claimed, was lost by the people as a result of the recent street car strike.