

STOCKYARD STRIKE IS UNDER WAY

LABOR COUNCIL CALLED WALK-OUT WHEN TROOPS WERE NOT WITHDRAWN

EMPLOYMENT OF NEGROES MADE BASIS OF STRIKE

Leaders Say It Is Not Race Hatred But the Employment of Non-Union Negroes the Cause of Dissatisfaction—Many Colored Men Refuse to Join Union.

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—A general strike of 33,000 employes of packing plants in the stock yards has begun. The stock yards labor council called a walk out because state troops and police guards were not withdrawn from the plants when 5000 negroes returned to work. The leaders say the dispute is over the employment of non-union labor rather than race hatred. They say that many of the negroes refused to join the union and the labor leaders are taking advantage of the present situation to compel the packers to employ union labor.

Troops Will Be Recalled.

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—Troops will be recalled from the stockyards district.

PLUCKY BOY HAS HIS OWN WAY

BELGRADE, Serbia, July 8.—The professional bad boy of a local orphanage a lad of twelve years saw the automobile of Prince Regent Alexander standing in front of the Serbian Military Hospital the other day. When the Prince appeared the boy told him:

"I'm an orphan, but I don't want to stay at the orphanage. I don't get enough to eat, and besides I don't want to be a shoemaker." The Prince asked the boy to come to the palace. The next morning just after breakfast the boy stole away from the class in shoe-making and went to the royal office. He demanded and was given an audience.

In the afternoon the Minister of the Court reported to the director of the orphanage that the boy had gained the royal favor and would be sent to the officers' training school.

RED CROSS MEMBERS ARE DECORATED

CETTINJE, Montenegro, July 10.—The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Jugo-Slavia has conferred high military decorations on several members of the American Red Cross unit in Montenegro, says advices from Belgrade. Other members have been awarded lesser orders. The director of the unit, Major Henry Rushton Fairclough, formerly professor at Stanford University, is given the order of the White Eagle, fourth class. Captains Chelsea C. Pratt and Joseph F. Jaros receive the fifth class decoration of the same order.

About fifty Americans have been engaged recently in relief and medical work in Montenegro. Four hospitals were operated in addition to numerous dispensaries and canteens and a general program to improve health and sanitation was conducted. The American Red Cross work is now supplemented by that of a unit representing the International Red Cross at Geneva.

TO DISCUSS ROAD BONDS

YAKIMA, Wash., Aug. 8.—Plans are being made by Yakima residents for the 1919 convention of the Washington Good Roads Association to be held here September 1 and 2. The convention will give a great deal of time to discussions of a \$30,000,000 road bond issue to be submitted to the voters of the state next November.

Among the speakers will be Samuel Hill, president of the Pacific Highway Association, N. B. Coffman, Chehalis, president of the state association and R. M. Dyer, president of the Automobile Association of Western Washington.

SEATTLE POLICE SCHOOLS

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 8.—Seattle police are soon to be engaged in criminal law, the rules of testimony and other points connected with their work.

TROPHIES SUGGESTED FOR NAVAL CONTESTS

(By Associated Press to The Observer) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8.—Local sportsmen and naval admirers in civilian life are sponsors for a suggestion that western cities donate trophies to be competed for by men and ships of the Pacific fleet.

Many vessels of the fleet bear names of western states and cities. It is proposed that citizens of these cities and states donate trophies for competition among men on ships bearing similar names and that plans be worked out to have trophies for fleet championships.

Practically every battleship and cruiser, besides many destroyers have baseball teams. There also are many football, tennis, track and other athletic teams among the fleet.

NATIONAL BODY MUST SAY WORD

C-W. SHOPMEN WILL NOT UNDERFAKE LOCAL STRIKE

Statement is Issued by Heads of Local Bodies Offsetting All Rumors of Local Troubles

Promptly taking exception to the circulation of rumors among local shopmen and in other parts of the city, the heads of the local bodies of men employed by the O-W. R. & N. Co., the machinists, sheet metal workers and car men, have prepared the following statement which they today gave to the Observer, denying that there was being contemplated or that there is even a possibility of any strike action such as has resulted in other cities independent of the national organization:

"To all union men and the public generally:

"We the undersigned officers of our local labor unions wish to announce that in this present critical labor crisis our action will be governed by our national officers only, and that nothing shall be done except on advice from them. We wish to quote ourselves as one hundred percent loyal to any order we may receive from them, seal attached. We wish our membership and the public to be governed accordingly.

(Signed) Machinists, C. S. Shultz, Pres. 1233.

Blacksmiths, F. R. Wright, Pres. 496.

Boilermakers, Carl W. Cook, Sec'y 553.

Sheet Metal Workers, O. W. Gerber, Pres. 642.

Car Men, Charles A. Logue, Pres. 1093.

BIG WRESTLERS TO MEET NEXT FRIDAY

John Freberg, the big Chicago grappler, and Mike Howard, who is spending the summer in La Grande, yesterday agreed to meet in La Grande, at the Star Theatre, Friday night, August 15. The match will bring together two of the leading heavyweights of the entire country, and is the result of Freberg's challenge to Howard which was published in the Observer of last Tuesday. Great interest is shown by local followers of wrestling and, no doubt the enthusiasts will be out in great numbers.

SENSATIONAL BREAK OCCURS IN MARKET

All Classes of Stocks Fall in Tremendous Selling Drive of the Last Hour.

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—The stock market suffered its greatest reversal of the year in the final hour of yesterday's trading. Prices of leading shares showed extreme declines of from five to almost twenty points from their early and intermediate quotation.

There were no news developments to account for the break other than rumors that the administration contemplated drastic action against profiteers, together with other developments before the interstate commerce committee Thursday.

All classes of stocks fell in the tremendous selling of the last hour, which exceeded 700,000 shares. Steels, equipments and many of the industrial, regarded as peacetime shares, suffered most in the setback, the extent of which took trade so completely by surprise.

Chief among the day's spectacular features was United States Rubber, which broke from 137 of the morning to 118 1/4.

PRESIDENT ADDRESSES CONGRESS ON THE TRIALS OF THE HOUR

ACTORS WILL STRIKE TO ENFORCE DEMANDS

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—A strike which, it was declared, would loose many popular Broadway theatrical productions, was called by the Actors' Equity association Thursday night, following the rejection by the Producing Managers' Protective association of an ultimatum demanding immediate action on the actors' demands for altered working conditions.

ARCHDUKE NOT TO BE A KING

JOSEPH DECLARES THAT HE IS A TRUE DEMOCRAT

Will Carry on Hungarian Government Until Elections Are Held And Parliament Acts.

VIENNA, Aug. 8.—There is no intention of making Archduke Joseph King of Hungary, Budapest advices say. His office is merely that of president. Although surrounded by the old monarchist influences the Archduke declared that he would attempt to work along the same lines as Count Michael Karolyi. He said: "I am a true democrat. I will carry on the government until elections are held, and then parliament shall decide matters."

NEWSBOY SOLDIER IS DECORATED

DES MOINES, Aug. 8.—Pat Ryan, a news boy, has returned to his old corner after an absence of many months overseas. He wears the Croix de Guerre.

"How did I get it? Oh, the big chief gave me some papers to deliver to another fellow," he said. The records show that Corporal Ryan, Company B, 168th Infantry, went deliberately through German barbed wire and machine gun fire to deliver important orders and that his conduct was an inspiration to his comrades.

Ryan also introduced American newspaper enterprise in Paris where in a single day he sold 20,000 copies of the Stars and Stripes.

Then he was made Paris circulation manager of the paper. Now Pat is back at his old corner here.

ENGLAND MOVES TO PUNISH PROFITEERS

LONDON, Aug. 8.—The government's bill providing prosecution and penalties for persons found guilty of profiteering passed the first reading in the house of commons on Thursday.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—When leaders presented a resolution in the house proposing a joint session to hear the President's message this afternoon, Representative Blanton, of Texas, Democrat, made the point of no quorum. A roll call was then ordered.

The roll call developed that a quorum was present. The house then adopted the resolution for a joint session at 4 o'clock.

Vicious Practices Are Apparent.

President Wilson told congress that existing laws are inadequate and that high prices are not justified by a shortage of supplies, either present or prospective, but were created in many cases "artificially and deliberately" by "vicious practices."

He recommended that the food control act be extended to peace time operation and that congress exclude from interstate and intrastate shipment, goods not complying with its provisions. He also recommended a substantial penalty for profiteering and a law limiting the time on cold storage, and providing that goods released from storage be marked with the price prevailing when they went into storage.

The President also recommended a federal licensing system for corporations engaging in intrastate commerce, to insure competitive selling.

Strikes Will Not Help.

The President said that the strikes undertaken now will only make matters worse. He had confidence in laboring men to realize it, saying, "No remedy is possible while the men are in temper. There can be no settlement not having the general interest as a motive.

He urged prompt passage of the law pending to control security issues. He appealed for ratification of the peace treaty to turn the country from a war basis. He said, there can be no peace prices while the whole financial and economic system is on a war basis.

He appealed to merchants to deal fairly and urged housewives to exercise greater vigilance and more thoughtful economy. He said he thought the labor leaders would presently think and act like Americans, like the great mass of their associates.

"There is little doubt that retailers are in part responsible for the exorbitant prices," the President said. "The public should have information from governmental agencies to enable it to judge what profits should be. The world must pay for the vast wastage of war. The crisis is for all mankind, and America must prove her metal."

Peace Must Be Ratified.

"Some of the methods by which the high prices were produced are already illegal and some criminal, and those who employ them will be energetically proceeded against, but others have not yet been brought under the law and should be dealt with by legislation."

"Hoards in private hands must be forced out. The government will sell its surplus. There's no chance for permanent relief so long as there is any chance of the peace terms being changed. It must be ratified," the President said in conclusion.

BIG ROBBERY IN BAY CITY

GEMS TO THE VALUE OF \$50,000 ARE STOLEN.

Theft Was Committed in Broad Daylight By Three Bandits, Who Made Their Escape.

(By Associated Press to The Observer) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8.—Three bandits escaped today with gems valued at \$50,000, from the Morgan Jewelry company in the downtown section. The robbery was boldly executed in broad daylight.

SHIPPING BOARD TAKES OVER MORE ARMY SHIPS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Return by the army to the shipping board of a total of 2,912,000 tons of shipping was announced Thursday by the war department.

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SPAIN TO JOIN THE LEAGUE

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DANCING PARTY ON BATTLESHIPS

(By Associated Press to The Observer) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 8.—A great dancing party on the decks of the six battleships and dreadnaughts of the Pacific fleet at one time with girl partners for every "gob" is among the many entertainment features planned for the visit here of the fleet. Hundreds of girls have expressed their desire to dance with the sailors.

MORE TRAINS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED

(By Associated Press to The Observer) CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—Forty additional trains were cancelled as a result of the shopmen's strike. The curtailment of passenger service on many large railroads is forecast by some officials. Freight traffic is hampered also.

FISH HATCHERY SITE LOCATED

CATHERINE CREEK SELECTED BY THE STATE BOARD.

Elk in Wallowa County May Be Distributed to Parks—Main Herd to Be Divided.

At the meeting of the state fish and game commission held in Portland yesterday, Catherine creek was selected as the place for one of the three trout and salmon hatcheries.

There was considerable discussion as to the disposition of 140 head of elk that have been pastured in Wallowa county. One decision was that city parks over the state which can afford to pay the traveling expenses may have a pair of the elk if they so desire.

The board has practically decided to divide the herd in three parts, one to go to the Bear creek watershed, another to Wallowa lake and the remainder in their present park. In addition 12 pairs may be sent out to towns in the state requesting them.

BRITISH DESTROYERS SINK BOLSHIEV 'SUB'

LONDON, Aug. 8.—A Bolsheviki submarine was sunk in the Baltic sea by the British torpedo boat destroyers Valorous and Vancouver, according to an official statement issued by the admiralty on Thursday evening.

BIG TRADING COMPANY ORGANIZED

LONDON, July 14.—Organization of The Levant Company with a capital of \$5,000,000 for developing trade between Great Britain and the near eastern countries has been announced here.

The American Chamber of Commerce in London compares this company to the \$20,000,000 American Foreign Trade Corporation, organized to develop American trade in the near East and which is establishing headquarters in Constantinople, Smyrna, Syria and on the Black Sea and suggests that interesting competition will result.

SETTLEMENT ON ITS MERITS

HINES NOTIFIED TO ADJUST WAGE QUESTION.

Waiting to Hear That Strikers Have Returned Before Undertaking to Carry Out Instructions.

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WEATHER FORECAST

PORTLAND, Aug. 8.—For Oregon, fair, cooler tonight on the extreme eastern portion; gentle westerly winds.

AN OREGON EDITOR IN OPPOSITION

HEAD OF STATE EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION AGAINST RAILROAD CONTROL PLAN

WILL URGE HIS VIEWS ON ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Says the Proposition is "Soviet Rule of Railroads," is Unfair as the Workers would Have Profits but Would Not Assume Share of Possible Loss.

PORTLAND, Aug. 8.—The Oregon state editorial association convened today. President C. E. Ingalls, of Corvallis, declared he would urge members of the association to go on record strongly opposing the railroad unions' proposals to congress for what he termed the "soviet rule of railroads" by tri-partite control. He said the proposal is unfair, as the workers would share the profits but not the possible losses.

The members of the national editorial association will be in Portland tonight.

ENEMIES MAY MEET ONCE MORE

Belgian Attorney Has Chance to See the Former German Governor of His Country In Court.

(By Associated Press to The Observer) BRUSSELS, Aug. 1.—(Associated Press Correspondence.)—If Baron von der Lancken-Wilkenitz, civil governor and regarded by many as the real ruler of Belgium during the German occupation, is brought to trial at the Old Bailey in London, there will be present an accuser whom Lancken tried to send to the firing squad at the Tir National. That man is Gaston de Leval, a Belgian attorney, legal counsellor of the American legation and special aid to the American ambassador, Brand Whitlock, and Hugh Gibson, secretary of the American legation, during those dark days of the German occupation in Belgium.

There is bitter hatred between Baron Lancken and the Belgian attorney who risked his life in his attempt to save Miss Edith Cavell, the British nurse, from execution. Had it not been for the intervention of Ambassador Whitlock and Mr. Gibson a firing squad might have entertained de Leval on the morning of October 21, 1915.

De Leval accompanied Mr. Gibson when, on October 11, the American secretary went to protest to von der Lancken against execution of the death sentence upon Miss Cavell. While the Spanish minister, the Marquis of Vallabrar, was arguing with von der Lancken who refused to intervene, the German caught sight of de Leval and exclaimed, "There is an enemy subject; what is he doing here?" Marquis Vallabrar and Mr. Gibson immediately recognized that Lancken was attempting to create a diversion and requested de Leval to withdraw. The latter refused, saying, "I shall live to prosecute you at your trial." Lancken asked Gibson to dismiss de Leval from the service of the American legation. Gibson refused.

A few days later Lancken came again to the American legation, bearing a copy of an English paper with the story of the execution of Miss Cavell, including Mr. Whitlock's report to the state department, Gibson's narrative of the events and de Leval's legal conclusions.

"This man de Leval will have to be removed from the American legation," said Lancken. "Under military law he should be tried by court-martial; I would recommend that the most severe penalty be visited upon him." On October 21, 1915, Lancken returned to the legation and demanded that de Leval be given up. Mr. Whitlock refused. De Leval went to London where he remained throughout the war.

Lancken's parting sally to de Leval was: "We shall meet again." De Leval retorted: "I am sure the pleasure will be all mine." And now they may meet at the Old Bailey.

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