

LODGE, KNOX ARE SET ON AMENDMENT

REPUBLICANS DETERMINED TO RESIST ATTEMPTS AT UNRESERVED RATIFICATION.

McNARY CLAIMS DEMOCRATS FAVOR HIS PROGRAM

Administration Expected to Center Efforts On Bringing Treaty Out of Committee, Leaving Negotiations For Final Ratification Temporarily In the Background.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—As a sequel to the white house conference yesterday between President Wilson and Senator Hitchcock, administration leader in the senate treaty fight, it became apparent today that the administration forces would center their present efforts on bringing the treaty out of committee and defeating any textual amendments, leaving in the background any negotiations relative to final ratification with reservations.

In the meantime, Republicans declared that one result of the negotiations of the last few days and of Senator Hitchcock's statement after he left the President, had been to stiffen resistance to any attempt at unreserved ratification and to increase the determination of those who want the treaty amended outright. They asserted yesterday's poll had shown opposition to the Shantung provision, growing stronger in the face of the explanatory statement from Tokio and from the white house.

Trend of Fight Indicated.

The reported position of the President that any textual amendment would send the treaty back for negotiations with Germany, without any military force to compel acceptance of the American demands, was taken as largely forecasting the trend of the amendment fight. It was understood that certain features would be emphasized by Senator Hitchcock in a speech to be made next week in the senate.

The fact that Senator Hitchcock did not quote the President as standing uncompromisingly against reservations for the same reason was pointed out as significant by some of the group of Republicans, who, under the leadership of Senator McNary, Republican of Oregon, have agreed on a set of reservations. They declared all the elements of the situation bore out their claim of Wednesday, that they had information insuring Democratic assent to their program.

Favor Lodge Program.

Among the group there was some favorable comment on the new set of reservations shown to Republican senators by Republican Leader Lodge. In the same quarter it was pointed out that should he definitely give his support to a reservation program acceptable to a large number of senators, the logical outcome might be a draft of reservations by him which would become the rallying point of the Republican advocates of reservations.

It was known that Mr. Lodge had been studying a number of drafts, including those drawn up by the McNary group and those suggested by Elihu Root, William H. Taft and Charles E. Hughes. He is understood not to have stood sponsor for the draft he showed the Republican senators, however, but to have merely submitted it to them for consideration.

Democrats Maintain Stand.

Republicans asserted the only possible outcome if reservations are to be adopted in place of textual amendments will be agreement on the draft drawn by Mr. Lodge or some other senator which must be accepted by the Democrats. The only question they declare, is how drastic the reservations are to be.

The Democratic leaders maintain there has been no change in their stand for unreserved ratification and in some quarters the outcome of the conference of the President and Senator Hitchcock was interpreted to mean Wilson would fight uncompromisingly against both amendments and reservations. It was inferred by some senators in this connection that the President had refused to counteract the negotiations looking to reservations which have been conducted by some Democrats.

The McNary group of Republicans do not accept the view of the situation, however, pointing out the Hitchcock

LABOR DAY WILL SEE BIG DOINGS

CELEBRATION IS BUT TWO WEEKS FROM MONDAY.

Aero Circus Announces Sky "Hop, Skip and Jump," As Feature of Daily Exhibitions.

September 1, Labor Day, organized labor's special holiday, will be here just two weeks after today, bringing to the town one of the greatest celebrations which has ever featured a similar holiday here. All the laborers in the city are behind the committee from the Central Labor Council which is handling the plans and the couple of thousand of them who are represented by the Central Labor Council have put up their money for a big day and they have the assurance of their committee that they will have something worth while.

Aero Circus Is Feature.

The feature of the day is expected to be the Watkins-Warner Aero Circus. The airman will bring their famous Blue Bird machine, a two-passenger bus of the J. N. 4 Curtis type, a regular army plane, and capable of a speed of 130 miles an hour. The airman's special stunt will be a sky "hop, skip and jump," which will be featured on each of the six days of their exhibitions here. This thriller will be executed by Lieut. Richard Hoyt and Sergeant E. Hadaden, both formerly of the United States air service and regarded as the best performers in their line in this section of the country.

Walks Plank In the Air.

While in the air the fliers will do all the famous loop-the-loops, maple leafs, tail spins, nose dives, figure work and all the sensational stunts known to aviators. From a height of several thousand feet Sergt. Cadden will walk the plank and make a spectacular parachute drop back to Mother Earth. Invitations to spectators to go up for a few thrills are extended by the airman, and a list has already been started of names of those anxious to bump the clouds around for awhile.

It is expected that before the week's stay is ended many local people can boast of having had a ride above the clouds. Being somewhat superstitious, R. J. Cotner, member of the Labor Day Celebration executive committee of the Central Labor Council has already claimed ride No. 13 in the passenger-carrying flights, while Dan Brown, secretary, and J. C. Murphy, president, are scrapping for No. 23.

Street Carnival Coming.

The Babcock & Ryan Greater Carnival attractions, will be here during the whole of the week also, and will provide entertainment continuously from the opening attraction Monday night. They will spend the week here under the auspices of the Central Labor Council.

Fuller particulars of the program for the Labor Day celebration will be made shortly. There is to be a full-grown program of athletic events at the fair grounds, with special attention to the young folks who will be in attendance, and other attractions will help all to thoroughly enjoy and appreciate the celebration.

FIRES WORST IN LAST TEN YEARS

SITUATION SERIOUS IN SELWAY NATIONAL FOREST.

Ten Fires Are Burning Over Large Acreage and Hopes Now Rest On Weather Change.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

LEWISTON, Idaho, Aug. 16.—Forest fires in the Selway national forest have gone beyond control. Tonight headquarters at Koonika reported that a dense fog limited vision to half a mile and that it was impossible to reveal the exact condition in the various zones. The Lockman Creek fire is now 30 miles long by 10 miles wide. The Fish Creek fire has burned over 10,000 acres. The Indian Peak fire is burning in Federal Cretes to the south of a fire which has burned over from 12,000 to 14,000 acres.

A total of 104 fires are burning now on the Selway reserve. The situation is undoubtedly the worst since 1910, and hopes now rest on a radical change in weather conditions.

The supervisor of the Nez Perce reserve stated tonight that to date 40,000 acres have been burned over on the reserve.

"JOE THE TURK" SPEAKS TONIGHT

BIG MEETING WILL BE HELD IN SALVATION ARMY HALL.

Tomorrow Night Noted S. A. Worker Will Address Meeting in M. E. Church South.

Staff Captain Joseph Garabed, of the Salvation Army, known all over the country as "Joe the Turk," arrived in La Grande yesterday morning from Boise, Idaho, where he has been working the past week in the interests of the Army. Captain Garabed addressed a well attended meeting in the M. E. Church South last night and this evening will give a special talk at the Salvation Army Hall on First Street, tomorrow, Monday, evening there will be another meeting in the Methodist Church South at which he will speak again. Captain Garabed is also furnishing:



STAFF CAPTAIN GARABED.

most of the music for his meetings here. He is talented in this respect, and his repertoire contains strange suggestions of the street songs of Constantinople, with some of the old Salvation Army street songs, such as, "I'm Glad Salvation's Free," and then sometimes a popular patriotic air. Most of his music is played on the saxophone.

Supreme Court Released Him.

Joe spent many weary days in a Wisconsin jail for preaching too vigorously on the streets of a Wisconsin town. He carried the case to the supreme court and he takes pleasure in showing the people a copy of the supreme court decision—No. 84—given in 1893 which freed him of any suspicion and told him to go his way throughout the Badger state preaching his story of Christianity. That is only one of his jail experiences for he has been fifty two times imprisoned as a fighting salvationist.

Was a Shoemaker.

More than 20 years ago Joe was a shoemaker on one of the wickedest streets of San Francisco. His fighting blood spurred him to follow a little group of Salvation Army workers and help them out when the crowds jeered or even hurled mud or anything they could find at the speakers. For months, without being a salvationist himself, he daily marched to the meetings hoping that he would have a chance to fight for the cause and then one night he himself became a member of the army. For 20 years and more he has been going from one end of the country to the other and he has become known as one of the most notable workers of the Salvation Army in the United States.

Captain Garabed tells of many interesting experiences. Once a judge gave him fifteen days extra for saying "Praise the Lord" in the court room and it never even dampened his enthusiasm. He has become so well known that mail addressed to "Joe the Turk," America—nothing else—has been reaching him.

RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S BASEBALL GAMES

- National League: Cincinnati 5, Brooklyn 6; New York 5, Chicago 4; St. Louis 4, Boston 2; Pittsburgh 6, Philadelphia 6. American League: Boston 6, Chicago 7; New York 2, Detroit 3; Philadelphia 7, St. Louis 4; Washington-Cleveland, 7-7. Pacific Coast League: Sacramento 5, San Francisco 2; Salt Lake 3, Los Angeles 2; Vernon 7, Seattle 9; Oakland 3-1, Portland 3-1.

CHICAGO IS IN WAR ON PROFITEERS

FIRST ORDERS IN FIGHT ISSUED YESTERDAY AND WHOLESALESALEERS ARRESTED.

ARMY FOOD SURPLUS TO BE SOLD MONDAY

John F. Campbell, President, and John E. Bunker, Vice-President and Manager of the John F. Campbell Co., Are Accused of Realizing 40 Per Cent Profit—Prices Fluctuate.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—The first orders in the Chicago campaign against hoarders and food profiteers were issued today. John F. Campbell, president, and John E. Bunker, vice-president and manager of the John F. Campbell Company, wholesale sugar dealers, were charged with violation of the law and accused of having realized a profit of 40 per cent on sugar sales.

The resumption of the sale of army surplus food stocks will begin here Monday, according to Lieut.-Col. Castleton, in charge of the distribution of food, who said that stocks will be given to several large stores early Monday morning. Food prices fluctuated today, as compared with yesterday. Potatoes were up 25 cents a hundred, while cabbage were down that amount. Onions were higher and tomatoes 25 cents higher for 25 pounds.

CLAIM FOOD IS SPOILED IN CAR

TIME LIMIT OF 24 HOURS FOR UNLOADING URGED.

Governor of Ohio Sends Request to Hines to Remedy Great Waste of Food Shipments.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Aug. 16.—Informed by state inspectors that carloads of perishable foodstuffs in some Ohio cities are being held as long as ten days before unloading, resulting in great waste by decay, Governor Cox today asked Director-General Hines to fix a time limit of 24 hours, or other "proper and reasonable time" within which such time cars must be unloaded.

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF WESTERN WOOL RATES

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PORTLAND, Aug. 16.—Word was received that Congressman Sinnott has induced the railroad administration to suspend the new wool rate to Pacific Northwest points, until a hearing can be held in Washington with northwest wool men present.

NEW YORK FACES ANOTHER STRIKE

11,000 MEN WILL QUIT SUBWAYS ELEVATED ROADS.

Strike Situation Will Completely Tie Up Manhattan, the Bronx and Part of Brooklyn.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Strike orders calling out 14,000 men belonging to 52 organizations of the Brotherhood of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company were issued at 5:25 tonight by P. J. Connolly, acting president of the organization. The order will go into effect at 4:00 a. m. tomorrow, completely tying up subway and elevated service in Manhattan, the Bronx and part of Brooklyn as well.

HOWARD WINNER OF BOUT FRIDAY

PLAYED OFFENSIVE IN MARSH CAP MATCH WITH FRIEBERG.

Local Man Lost First Fall in 51 Minutes, But Dismayed Frieburg Six Minutes Later.

John Frieburg, Chicago heavy weight wrestler, failed at the St. Joe theatre Friday night to make good in his undertaking to throw Mike Howard, of La Grande, twice in one hour and a half of wrestling time. The match lasted less than an hour Howard putting an arm scissor and a hammerlock on his heavy opponent that Frieburg had no chance of breaking and though Howard could not he could with ease have held the challenger helpless for an hour, if necessary. Frieburg suffered a severely strained arm before he gave in, but realizing that an effort to get free of the hold would be likely to bring him only a broken arm he pounded the floor with his free hand as a signal to the referee that he would concede the fall.

The match was a good one all the way through. Both men swapped positions so often and so fast that now and then those most familiar with the game could see all the holds that were used. Thirty pounds heavier than Howard, Frieburg had a great advantage in weight, but Howard was faster than the big Chicagoan, sufficiently so to offset this disadvantage.

First Fall in 51 Minutes.

Though most of the spectators expected to see Howard play a strong defensive in an endeavor to stay up before Frieburg for the ninety minutes allowed him, what happened was just the opposite. He went after Frieburg with his spunk up and his Swedish persistency fairly striking out all over his face from the minute they first clasped hands. He was hardly able to pay Frieburg back in kind for the tumbles he got, but he gave the big man quite a few at that and it was fifty-one minutes from the time they started that Frieburg finally got a body scissor and half nelson on Howard that forced his reluctant shoulders flat on the mat. When they came back again after a brief rest both men followed even a faster pace than they had in the first period, reversing positions so quickly that when the crafty Howard locked Frieburg's arm with an unbreakable scissor and hammerlock hold there were few who knew at once what he had accomplished.

Howard Takes Money

Howard claimed the decision as soon as Frieburg had conceded the fall, and though Frieburg at first maintained that he should have the balance of the hour and a half in which to try for his second fall, he finally admitted the correctness of Howard's claim that according to wrestling rules Howard had won the match by getting the fall. Howard accordingly received the \$200 purse, \$100 of which was Frieburg's money and the gate receipts, which amounted to somewhat over another hundred.

Opens Good

As a preliminary Colonel King Stanley, Maxwell "Desert Rat," provided about half an hour of good entertainment by means of sleight of hand tricks, Indian magic, etc. The Old Scout was in fine humor and was heartily enjoyed by the crowd.

Following this "Red" Hill and Orville Scott, two local men, wrestled in a brief preliminary that was fast and pleased the crowd. Scott exhausted himself trying to down the heavier Hill and failed just as he reached the dressing room on leaving the mat. He was out nearly half an hour before a doctor succeeded in reviving him.

Return Match Wanted.

The Frieburg-Howard go has awakened keen interest in these two and local fans would like greatly to see them go in a finish match. Frieburg, who gave Howard the handicap after the latter had refused to accept his challenge to a straight two out of three match at this time, is anxious to meet Howard on the straight basis and it is likely that they will come together here again sometime during the next few months. Frieburg left today for San Francisco where he is to wrestle Ed Lewis on the 20th, and he will return to Boise for a match there on the 26th with the giant Jugo-Slav, Martin Plestich, who is reckoned about the best bet in the wrestling game today.

BELIEVE CLOTHING FOUND IS THAT OF CONVICTS

SALEM, Aug. 16.—Clothing believed to have been discarded by the convicted Brichoux and Southwick as they fled south in an automobile, has been discovered by a farmer near Jefferson.

AMERICANS ARE GRIPPED BY SPENDING INTOXICATION.

MERCHANTS HAVE BOOSTED PRICES, AFTER OBSERVING HOW EASY PEOPLE PART WITH MONEY.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—No solution of the high cost of living can be reached until the people of the United States shake off their present spending intoxication, according to William Lewis, in a statement here today. Mr. Lewis said that to lower the cost of living everyone must begin and watch to curtail expenditures for luxuries now selling at exorbitant prices. He declared the people themselves are to blame, because merchants have observed the absolute carelessness with which people part with their money. Millions of persons are not spending from their earnings but from their savings of the past two years, said Mr. Lewis.

O. W. EMPLOYEES PICNIC AT PARK

FIELD MEET PROVES INTERESTING EVENT.

The fifth annual picnic given by the O. W. R. & N. for their employees and families was held at the park yesterday afternoon and proved a success beyond the expectation of those in charge.

Beginning at two o'clock, the sports committee started the afternoon off with a small boy's race. From then on until about seven-thirty, the order of events was carried out as arranged by the sports program.

The ladies races as a whole, especially the "Over the Top" race open to married ladies only, and also the "Fat Man's Race" and the "Three Legged Race," had a different side as much as their athletic. In the "Over the Top" race, the ladies were blindfolded and had to run the 50 yards.

During the afternoon the Salvation Army served the free ice cream and lemonade provided by the O. W. R. & N. company. Everyone took their lunches and with the coffee boiler holding seventy five gallons of a most delicious beverage, which added materially to the supper.

Dancing, which formed a large part of the afternoon's entertainment, began promptly at three o'clock with Lindsay's popular jazz orchestra furnishing the music. The O. W. R. & N. band, as usual, pleased everyone with several delightful numbers which were well received.

The various events in the athletic program and the winners will be published in Monday's issue.

HARRY S. ALLAN IS ELKS' HEAD

COLON R. EBARHARD, OF LA GRANDE, ELECTED TRUSTEE.

Salem Chosen As Next Convention City, With Marshfield As the Mecca in 1921.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Aug. 16.—Henry S. Allan, of Portland, was elected today president of the Oregon Association of Elks. Salem was chosen as the next convention city and Marshfield was endorsed unanimously as the place for the 1921 convention.

Other officers elected today were R. Alexander, Pendleton, first vice-president; Thos. F. Harvey, Marshfield, second vice-president; George W. Owen, Ashland, third vice-president; W. E. Olson, Oregon City, secretary; C. A. Hayden, Klamath Falls, treasurer. The trustees elected were E. J. Spence, Roseburg; Pat McCaffrey, Bend; and Colon R. Eberhard, La Grande.

After a speech by I. B. Pining, of Medford, the delegates went on record unanimously as favoring telegraphing Senators McNary and Chamberlain in behalf of 600 Americans held in military prisons in the United States.

FEAR WORSE CONDITIONS NEXT YEAR

FARMERS' REPRESENTATIVES SOUND NOTE OF WARNING AT WASHINGTON.

MUST HAVE RELIEF NOW FROM LIVING COSTS

Seizure of Foodstuffs Continue Throughout Country.—Sale of Surplus Army Food Stocks Will Be Resumed Monday, With Deliveries by Parcel Post System.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Warning was given today by representatives of farmers' organizations testifying before the house and senate agricultural committees that unless present disturbed conditions resulting from profiteering are relieved the country would face far worse situation in high cost of living next year than at present.

Farmers, they said, were preparing now for next year's crop and under present conditions could not estimate what markets would be. Fear was expressed that there would be decreased production both on this account and on account of President Wilson's statements in his message vetoing the repeal of the daylight saving law, placing industrial production ahead of far mount.

The house and senate committees are considering amendments to the food control act designed to enable the Department of Justice to wage a more active campaign to prevent hoarding and profiteering and a joint session was held to hear the farmers' representatives. The committee hopes to act finally on the amendment next week.

Seizure of food stuffs held in cold storage was continued today by federal agents in several cities. Further seizures will be made under libel order next week and jurors summoned in several states to hear evidence in cases of alleged hoarding.

Goods taken over today by the government include 16,500,000 eggs at St. Louis, 7,500,000 eggs and 200,000 pounds of butter at Detroit and large quantities of food at San Diego.

Announcement made by the post office that postage rates on surplus army food, sale of which will begin Monday would be the same to persons living beyond the first zone from the supply center as to those in the first zone. It will serve to equalize the postage to all purchasers and the difference will be made up by the war department deducting extra postage from the sale price and turning it over to the post office department.

Surplus army food sold to municipalities now totals 3,500,000 pounds but huge stocks still remain on hand and these will be sold to postmasters.

Rev. N. Sherman Hawk Will Preach Tonight at the Union Park Service

Rev. N. Sherman Hawk, pastor of the First M. E. Church of this city, will be the preacher at the union services to be held this evening at the Riverside Park pavilion. Mr. Hawk announces as his subject, "The Bread Theory of Life." This is the second meeting from the end of the series, which was started last month, and after next Sunday evening the various congregations uniting will return to their respective churches for their regular worship. The same arrangements regarding transportation to the park which have been carried out on previous occasions will prevail again tonight, and all who wait at the churches will be sure of a means of getting to the service. The music will be conducted again by the Community Chorus, and they have selected a fine composition, "Native Land," as the special number they will sing.

DR. LANDIS TO ARRIVE

Dr. R. P. Landis, formerly chief surgeon in the United States navy hospital at Bremerton, Washington, and who is to locate in La Grande in the very near future, is now at the Mayo Brothers Clinic at Rochester, Minn., where he is doing some special work along the line of surgery. Dr. Landis has been studying for the last few months in several of the different cities in the middle west, having been with Dr. Oechner in Chicago for some time and with large hospitals in both Cleveland and Detroit.