

DRASTIC CHECK TO MEET I. W. W. ACTS

Federal Government Will Not Suffer War Industries to Be Interrupted.

ATTORNEYS TOLD TO WATCH

Department of Justice Believes Movement in Northwest Is Political—Secret Service Agents Report Actions.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Grave menace to industries whose continuation at high speed is deemed vital to the prosecution of the war, is seen by officials here in the growing activities of industrial workers of the world leaders on the Pacific Coast and in the far Northwest.

The movement is apparently nearing its maximum and the full scope of its possibilities is not minimized here. A preliminary investigation of the situation, looking into the general disturbances over seven states, or about one-fourth of the area of the country has been brought to the attention of the department of justice by scores of expert field investigators now in the affected territory.

Drastic Action Promised.
Swift and drastic action to check the movement, industrial workers of the world leaders, is being planned by the department of justice. Prosecution of strike leaders, where justified in the opinion of the department, on charges of conspiracy or under the espionage act, is contemplated in specific cases, but no general prosecution of industrial workers of the world leaders is expected.

The entire movement, culminating yesterday in the declaration at Spokane of James Rowan, district secretary of the organization, that a general strike would be called August 29, in Washington, Oregon, Montana and Idaho, unless certain demands were complied with, is regarded by many officials as being political and not a labor movement.

District Attorneys in the four states affected, as well as in California, Arizona and New Mexico, have been instructed to devote unceasing attention to the situation and to institute prosecutions promptly.

Groups Must Be Harassed.
Officials here were much interested today in Rowan's demand for a ten-hour day in the harvest fields. Any organized movement, it was said, tending to prevent or delay the harvesting of the country's crops in any section would come clearly within the class of subjects with which the President was authorized by Congress in the war resolution to deal with summarily.

Another industry which has already been affected is the lumber industry. Activities traceable to industrial workers of the world sympathizers is spruce logging in Washington. At one stage of the labor disturbance, the President's great programme of aircraft production appeared to be menaced, but the situation in this industry has been restored to normal within the past few days.

A third industry which might be seriously affected by general industrial workers of the world strikes, it is said, is copper mining in Montana. The government is following this situation closely.

New Laws Asked.
The President's personal investigator, Chief Justice Covington, of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, may visit the Northwest and the Pacific Coast to study the situation there.

Senators who want legislation to deal with the industrial workers of the world situation conferred today and agreed to join in drafting a bill for introduction by Senator Hollis, designed to curb improper activities without incurring interest organized labor.

Another bill aimed to reach activities of members of the industrial workers of the world was introduced today by Senator King. It provides for the punishment of persons who bring about a breaking of contracts made by the United States for the manufacture and transportation of things needed by the government.

DEPORTATION IS ADVOCATED

Senator Brady Confers With Secretary on I. W. W. Threats.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 16.—Senator Brady today, in conference with the Secretary of Labor, urged that his department put into force that provision of the law which gives the Commissioner of Immigration authority to deport without court trial any alien who preaches sedition, destruction of property or other evil doctrines, such as are openly espoused by the industrial workers of the world.

The Senator told Secretary Wilson that fully 50 per cent of I. W. W. are aliens and can be deported under this law without resort to long and tedious legal delays. He urged that all alien I. W. W. leaders who are perniciously active be deported. The Secretary intimated that some action might be taken, but he is still waiting for "full information."

I. W. W. PICKETS GAIN IN FORCE

Hogquam Mills Experience No Difficulty in Operating.

HOGQUAM, Wash., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Industrial workers doing picketing on mills in this city were in

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PEACE PROPOSALS AROUSE NO ARDOR

Washington Officialdom Sees Firm Intent to Win in Lloyd George's Speech.

MR. LANSING KEEPS SILENT

Senator King, Author of Recent Resolutions, Says United States Should Be Preparing to Send More Guns to Beat Germany.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Premier Lloyd George's optimistic speech in the British Parliament today was interpreted here as a preliminary indication of the attitude the allied nations may be expected to adopt toward any discussion of peace on a basis which might permit Germany, as a conqueror, to dictate terms.

News of the Premier's speech came while the State Department was receiving by cable from the British Foreign Office the text of Pope Benedict's message to the leaders of all belligerent nations proposing a basis for peace negotiations which would permit Germany, as a conqueror, to dictate terms.

In "entente diplomatica" quarters and among government officials Mr. Lloyd George's announcement of improvement in food conditions, removing the danger of England being starved into submission, his assurance that losses through submarine attacks would be decreased and his declaration that there would be sufficient tonnage for 1918 and for 1919, if necessary, were hailed yesterday as a sign of Great Britain's safe position and firm attitude.

The Pope's message was laid before President Wilson by Secretary Lansing. Important conferences would precede a reply will begin shortly, but necessarily some time must elapse before the response goes forward.

Lansing's Views Unknown Yet.
While there already have been many informal conferences among officials and diplomats regarding the Pope's proposals, it may be stated on Secretary Lansing's authority that the Secretary so far has not discussed the subject with the President and also has refrained from communicating his views regarding the character of the reply which should be made to any of the many diplomatic callers he has had since the first press notice of the dispatch of the Pope's communication.

Mr. Lansing has felt that it would be improper to indicate even in a personal way what he thought of the communication, and he has also deprecated any attempt by the newspapers to forecast the action of the Government in this matter as likely to prove very embarrassing.

Among other officials and the diplomats, however, there is no such reticence. While battles have increased in number and intensity and the slaughter has continued in the most distressful manner, it is pointed out there has been no such change in general conditions as would warrant a different reception for peace proposals from any quarter than would have been accorded to those made a year ago. Attention is directed to the fact that any such changes as may have occurred in the military situation have been the result of the advantage of the Central Powers to endeavor to make peace now.

Germans Cling to Demands.
Notwithstanding the different and conflicting statements made by German and Austrian ministers as to a basis of peace negotiations, it is declared by some of the diplomats who have closely studied the situation that nowhere has there been any real evidence of an abandonment of the German demand for a peace based "on the map" which would insure the Central Powers' actual military, if not political, control of the world.

The Germans, in possession of most of the world's food and raw materials, were quite willing a year ago to make peace. But with the Russians in possession of some of their best eastern provinces, and the Austrians in possession of a large part of their territory, they are not of a like mind. Now, it is pointed out by the entente diplomats, as a result of the collapse of the German offensive and the clearing of Galicia of Russian troops, the Austrian government also is willing and anxious for peace.

It is inconceivable that the Vatican should have been influenced by any of these military considerations, but it is insisted that they must be taken into account by the foreign powers who are expected to meet when they pass upon the Pope's appeal.

ALLIES TO BE SOULED.

In addition to consulting with President Wilson, Secretary Lansing will brook now to ascertain the views of entente governments regarding the Pope's message. Although no party to a formal alliance, the United States, having the strongest force of the entente allies in the supreme struggle for democratic ideals, the necessity and propriety of consulting with them as peace measures looking to peace is obvious.

It is probable that before the formal replies are made, statements in the various entente countries will in a way test out public sentiment by individual statements. It is believed in Washington that this was one of the purposes of Lloyd George's speech in Parliament.

Action to put into effect plans of leaders to forestall any attempt at peace, however, is not believed to be imminent when that body convened today. Present plans call for executive sessions to consider closing the doors for peace debate. Senators of the so-called pacifist group were expected to oppose the secret session program.

Senator King, author of one of the peace resolutions recently introduced in the Senate, talked with President Wilson for a half an hour today about peace.

Afterward, while declining to discuss the President's attitude, the Utah Senator said that in speaking for himself, he believed the Senate should finish the revenue bill now before it and then take up and decide on the resolution of Senator La Follette proposing a statement of the war aims of the United States and her allies. He had no doubt, he declared, that the La Follette resolution would be beaten by an overwhelming vote, which would make it clear to Germany and the rest of the world how the United States feels toward the further prosecution of the war.

This is not the time to talk peace," said the Senator. "It is the time to beat Germany. Instead of talking peace we should be preparing to send more

guns and money to France and to loan more money to the allies."

GERMANY FAVORED, IS VIEW

Argentine Newspapers Dislike Proposal of Pope.

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 16.—Comment on the peace proposals of the Pope is generally pessimistic. The leading Argentine newspapers recognize that certain points are coincident with the ideas of President Wilson, but that the conditions and propositions of the Pope will not be accepted.

Certain newspapers believe that despite the good intentions of the Pope, his propositions are injurious to the allies, favoring those responsible for the war.

NOTE IS THOUGHT INSPIRED

London Papers Say Pope Is Unable to Appreciate Matter at Issue.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—The text of the papal peace note does not remove the adverse impression produced here by the publication of its summary. On the contrary, it strengthens the conviction that the note is inspired by the central powers and the opinion is that its proposals are impossible.

The article expresses much respect for the Pope and his profession of perfect impartiality, but regard him unable to appreciate the matter at issue.

AVIATORS RAID VENICE

FOUR TONS OF BOMBS DROPPED ON MARITIME ARSENALS.

Several Conflagrations Started and Italian Destroyers Put to Flight, Says Vienna.

VIENNA, via London, Aug. 16.—Four tons of bombs were dropped by airplanes Tuesday morning on the maritime arsenal at Venice, causing a number of conflagrations, according to the official statement of the Austrian War Office.

The announcement follows: "In the Italian theater numerous air encounters occurred over the Isonzo Tuesday. Five enemy aviators were brought down. As a reprisal for the last aerial attack on Pola, a large number of airplanes attacked the maritime arsenal at Venice early Tuesday morning.

"Notwithstanding weather conditions, strong gunfire and the enemy's defending aircraft, ours met with very good success. We observed from a low altitude good hits by heavy and light bombs, of which four tons were dropped. Conflagrations were observed. Three of our airplanes are missing. The enemy torpedo unit retreated before our flotilla, which covered the aviators, and enemy bombs were dropped unsuccessfully on this flotilla and on a seaport of Austria-Hungary (in Istrië)."

MAJOR IS FOUND SHOT

Death of Officer Is Believed to Have Been Accidental.

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 16.—Major Charles Billingslea, U. S. A., chief of the sanitation work at Camp Meade, was found dead today in his tent at the camp from a bullet from an Army service pistol. A committee of five officers, headed by Colonel Klein, of the Tenth New York Infantry, examined the body and the shooting was accidental.

It was said that Major Billingslea had been examining a pistol with a spring trigger.

Major Billingslea was a native of Westminster, Md., and had been in the United States Army nearly 15 years. Part of it he had spent in the Philippines and more recently he had been assigned to Fort Myer, Va. He is survived by a widow and three children.

CHINESE LEAGUE FOR WAR

Only Method of Declaring Hostilities Is Opposed.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—The Chinese Nationalist League, which yesterday issued a statement denouncing the government and political control of the United States, asserting its declaration of war on Germany was illegal, supplemented the statement today by explaining that the constitutional parties of China, which the league represents, were in favor of a declaration of war, but held that war should have been declared by a legally chosen government.

A representative of the league said he did not wish the impression to be created that the constitutional parties are pro-German.

Accused Man Escapes.

ROSEBURG, Or., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—T. A. Mathews, who was arrested here charged with attempting to evade payment of rent for the Clarke Hotel at Glendale, left town Monday after Sheriff Quinn had allowed him to consult an attorney. The Sheriff telegraphed to the office at Seaside that Mr. Mathews was arrested there, but extradition is unlikely.

Flags Lowered for Woman.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Flags are flying at half mast here today in tribute to the memory of Mrs. Benn, wife of Samuel Benn, founder of Aberdeen, and whose funeral will be held tomorrow. Scores of telegrams of condolence with floral bouquets are being sent to the old Benn homestead.

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THREAT IS RENEWED

I. W. W. Declare They Are All Ready for General Strike.

JAIL OPENINGS DEMANDED

No Replies Received From Four Governors—Organization Plans to Let Harvest and Fruit Go to Waste on Farms.

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 16.—The general strike of the industrial workers of the world, called for next Monday, is certain to become effective unless the organization's demands are granted and industrial workers of the world, who are being held in jails in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, are released, according to James Rowan, district secretary of the organization, today.

Rowan denied that the threatened general strike has any political significance. He said it was simply a labor movement for the betterment of the workers. In speaking of the bill introduced in the United States Senate

yesterday by Senator Myers making the utterance of disloyal language a felony, Rowan declared that the industrial workers of the world instruct their speakers to devote their remarks to industrial organization.

"If a soap-boxer should use disloyal language or ridicule the President or the flag," said Rowan, "we would can him."

No replies have been received from the Governors of the four states to whom Rowan sent demands for the release of I. W. W. prisoners. He charges, as held in jail illegally according to Rowan, but many replies have been received from organizers and members that they are ready to strike.

At the local headquarters of the industrial workers it was stated that hundreds of members are being held in jails in the four states without charges being preferred. The release from jail in North Yakima this week of men, who brought habeas corpus proceedings, a few hours before a federal judge was to pass upon the habeas corpus petition, was cited as an instance of how industrial workers of the world are being held in jail.

The demands the I. W. W. have made on employers in addition to the release of prisoners were made public here. The principal one is eight hours' work for construction, sawmill and lumber workers, and 16 hours for agricultural workers. The call for the strike advises the construction workers to lay down their tools in protest, and for the harvesters to let the harvest go to waste and fruit rot on the ground.

Hungarian Premier to Quit.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 16.—Count Moritz Esterhazy, who since last June has been Premier of Hungary, is expected to resign on account of ill health, according to a Vienna telegram printed in the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin.

Mrs. Pankhurst Is Arrested.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Melbourne says that Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the suffragette, while attempting to make a speech at Adelaide, fought the police and was arrested. Assemblies in Parliament precincts are prohibited.

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