RELIEF SOUGHT AS PAPER COST RISES

Investigation Into News Print Prices by Congress Asked by Publisher.

NO. END TO INCREASE SEEN

Representative Bailey Points Out Paper Cost Is 50 to 500 Per Cent Greater Than It Was, and Makers Threaten Increase.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6 .- Representative W. W. Bailey, of Pennsylvania, owner of the Johnstown (Pa.) Democrat, has introduced in the House of Representatives a resolution which in

Representatives a resolution which in no uncertain terms states the causes of the high cost of print paper.

After setting forth in vigorous language what he believes to be the unprecedented price of paper, he asks that a select committee, composed of five members of the House, be empowered to make a thorough and exhaustive incurry into the paper situation. quiry into the paper situation.

Situation Is Acute.

The preamble of his resolution reads:
"Whereas, the print paper situation is
daily becoming more acute, prices advancing toward higher and higher levels; the supply becoming more and
more uncertain, and general conditions more uncertain, and general conditions such as to bring serious embarrassment to the publishers of the country; and, "Whereas, the belief widely prevails that there is no adequate reason for the scarcity and the high prices, these be-ing, in fact, due to arbitrary manipu-lation, monopoly control of production, to an unlawful conspiracy against the consumers of print and other mapers.

"Whereas, the American Publishers' Association and numerous other organizations representing the consumers of news print and other papers have made serious charges regarding the manner in which the paper market has been brought under control and competition throttled; and

consumers of print and other papers;

Price Manipulation Charged.

"Whereas, the publishers of the United States are facing a most disturbing situation as a result of the alleged combination of papermakers, who have forced up prices from 50 to 500 per centum and who are threatening still further increases; and "Whereas, the American Publishers' Association and other organizations representing the consumers of paper have adopted resolutions calling on

have adopted resolutions calling on Congress to investigate the situation with a view to ascertaining all the facts and affording greatly needed re-lief: Therefore, be it resolved, that a committee of five members," etc.

PAPER IS FORCED TO CUT SIZE

Supply of News Print Stock Ex-

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 6.—Owing to the shortage of white paper, the Birmingham Age-Herald appears in six-page form. In explaining the paper situation, E. W. Barrett, of the Age-Herald, said:

"The Age-Herald for the past 17 years has been buying paper from one mill and paying \$1.90 a hundred at the mill, plus freight to Birmingham, for its paper supply. A month ago the Age-Herald was notified that the price would be \$3.75 a hundred, but when shipments came, the price was made \$5.50 a hundred at the mill. The mill had been bought over night by another concern and an arbitrary price of \$5.50 mads, and, even at that price, only about 100 tons, or a month's green.

New York Times Forced to Increase

T. W. LAWSON SUMMONED made, and, even at that price, only about 100 tons, or a month's supply, was shipped.

Subscription Rates.

For ten days past the writer has been in New York and has bought a supply of paper for the next year, de-liveries beginning March 15.

this increase were less than a score." CANADIANS FUSS OVER PRICE

News Print at 3 Cents at Mill, Is Turned Down; Better Price Asked.

TORONTO, Jan. 6.—Important con-ferences between the Minister of Finance, Sir Thomas White, and the representatives of the paper manufac-turers and newspaper publishers of the Dominion took place at Ottawa. The deadlock still continues, neither party being willing to concede enough to bring about a settlement of the price difficulty. Representatives of the pubdifficulty. Representatives of the pub-lishers advised Sir Thomas that they were prepared to pay \$5 a ton more for their paper, but when the paper manufacturers were apprised of this, they refused to accept so small an ad-vance. The Minister endeavored to bring about a reconciliation of the conflicting interests, but so far without avail, and it is expected that govern-mental action will be necessary to compel the paper manufacturers to

reduce their prices.

Pending the settlement of the question at issue the manufacturers have

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LIBRARY TABLE

NEW YORK, Jan. 6 .- The New York Times will pay \$2000 a day more for news print in 1917 than it paid last "For the supply from January 15, year. While the Times had a contract when our stock on hand will be ex-hausted, the Age-Herald has been un-in order to assure itself for the com-

Baruch, Telegraph Company Man-

agers and Others Subpensed to Testify About Advance Infor-



-Photo by Bain News Service. THOMAS W, LAWSON AND HIS DAUGHTER, MARIE,

News Reports Significant.

peace manifesto issued by President Wilson," the New York Evening Sun

peace proposals,

peace proposals."
"Where did the Sun get this advance information?" asked Mr. Gardner. "I think that I see indications of a leak. But the absolutely definite visible watermark of a leak is contained in the ticker record of Dow Jones & Co.

Ticker Record Studied.

when our stock on hand will be exhausted, the Age-Herald has been unable to buy at any price a supply to last for the months intervening, but is promised bad paper at a very high price.

"Paper on which this issue is printed costs, laid down in the Age-Herald ofcots, laid down in the Age-Herald office, something more than 6 cents a pound. These papers are sold to distributors, who handle a thousand or more, as low as 2 cents each, and to the newboys at 2½ cents each. This can be made to the sunday sisue will cost as a pound, and the white paper alone in it costs the Age-Herald a fraction over 5 cents.

"The only increase the Times has made in subscription rates, as a respondent of the new price of print paper, is in its mail subscriptions, which has been advanced for the daily and Sunday from \$8.50 to \$10 a year. The day from \$8.50 to \$10 a year. The daily without the Sunday sisue will cost \$8 a year, by mail, in the future, while the paper alone in it costs the Age-Herald office, something more than 6 cents a pound. These papers are sold to distance in the memorandum in the newboys at 2½ cents each. This cost as a year, by mail, in the future, while the Sunday only will cost \$3 a year, by mail, in the future, while the paper alone in it costs the Age-Herald office, something more than 6 cents are sold to distance in the memorandum in the first of the newboys at 2½ cents each. This cost as a year, by mail, in the future, while the Sunday only will cost \$3 a year, by mail, in the future, while the Sunday only will cost \$3 a year, by mail, in the future, while the sunday down the paper alone in it of the new price of print paper, is in its mail subscription price of the age unineness of his informant. Secretary Tumulty's statement denying an assertion in the memorandum that he and Mr. Baruch conferred in New York prior to publication of the note. "On December 21 to pened at 10%, of the note." "On December 21 to pened at 10%, of the note." "On December 21 to pened at 10%, of the note." "On December 21 to pened at

you a complete comparison of the course of prices on the New York Stock Exchange side by side with a statement of the news and rumors from ment of the news and rumors from Washington. This comparison presents a chain of events which beyond peradventure of doubt proves the existence of a leak.

"If you find a prima facie case that there was a leak, you cannot take the position that you will do nothing at all about it until someone informs you as to the names of those who profited by the leak or the names of those responsible for the leak.

Course Is Suggested.

"It seems to me that the right way to go about the matter is to find out from the President whom he talked this peace note over with and then summon them and find out whether there was any way in which they might inadvertently have let the cat out of the bag. Next, I should get a list of those employes of the White House and the State Department and of our embassies abroad who handled this particular peace note. I think you will find that list quite formidable in length."

"Have you any evidence that would "Have you any evidence that would

connect anyone at the White House with the leak?" asked Chairman Henry. "None whatever," said Mr. Gardner. "Have you any evidence that would connect anyone at the State Depart-"No, nor anyone else." Gardner re-

New York and Chicago Stock Exchange piled. "I have no evidence that I conto preserve all their brokerage slips sider worth the paper it's written on." from December 10 to 23.

Baruch to Be at Capital. In his statement to the committee, Representative Gardner also said that while the Wall-Street Journal on December 20 stated "there will be no lesses manifeste issued by President manifeste issued by President Monday.

on that date reported rumors and hints of the sending of such a note in the following terms:

T. W. LAWSON SUMMONED may address foreign powers on the to Legislators Asking Aid.

Carlos W. Huntington, representing a committee appointed by the lawyers' auxiliary of the Oregon Naval Militia, reported at a luncheon at the Hazle-wood yesterday that steps had been taken to obtain an adequate appropriation for the state's naval forces.

Mr. Huntington said that letters were being sent to legislators explaining the needs of the Naval Militia. The plans to get a torpedo-boat for week-end



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And Paid-up Participating

runs and a larger vessel for the more petition calling for a special election elaborate drills are explained, he said. May 7, to vote on a franchise for the The desire for men from the regular Kene Power Company has begun. The service as instructors is also set forth.

Franchise Petition Is Out. KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 6.— Special.)—Circulation of an initiative

petition is addressed to Police Judge A. L. Leavitt, and directs him to place the franchise measure on the ballot.

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