

RAIL TELEGRAPHERS REJECT WAGE AWARD

Calling of Nation-Wide Strike Vote Is Authorized.

MEN ARE NOT SATISFIED

McAdoo Advances Allowed Declared to Have Disallowed Important Features of Demands.

Railroad telegraphers and agents of the O. W. R. & N. lines, through action of their general committee convened in Portland yesterday, rejected the wage award working award announced November 14 by Director-General McAdoo and authorized the calling of a Nation-wide strike vote, if necessary, to obtain their demands. In general, the demands are for wage increases.

The committee, which acted for all Order of Railroad Telegrapher members of the O. W. R. & N. declared itself vested with full authority to take action looking toward a strike. J. V. Mitchell, of Portland, presided at the session, by virtue of the fact that he is general chairman.

Spokane Division Not Represented. L. Mead, of Meador, Or., local chairman for division No. 1; L. V. Vermillion, of Baker, Or., local chairman for division No. 2; and W. T. Mansell, of Wallula, Wash., local chairman for division No. 3, were the other members at the conference. L. L. Graul, of Spokane, was unable to be present to represent division No. 4.

The union leaders issued a statement outlining their action and throwing some light on their rejection of the McAdoo award, known and referred to as "supplement No. 10." Part of the statement follows: "The general committee representing agents and telegraphers of the O. W. R. & N. lines of the United States Railroad Administration, at a meeting in Portland today, rejected the award to reject supplement No. 10 to general order No. 27, issued November 16, 1918, by W. G. McAdoo.

Features Most Desired Denied. "This supplement carried the award granted the afore-mentioned employees pursuant to their petition placed before the wage board early in August. It is also the result of negotiations started by the employes with the local officials of the O. W. R. & N. Company about a year ago, looking toward a betterment of their conditions.

"Supplement No. 10, while granting a few of the demands, denies the features most desired. The men say they have not been adequately compensated, compared with other railroad employes. The weekly month and vacation with pay does not obtain throughout the supplement and makes it impossible of acceptance.

"A telegram was sent to the general chairman, who convene in Washington December 2, apprising them of the course taken and also that the men have asked the president of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers to issue a Nation-wide strike vote, if necessary to secure their demands.

Increases Juggled Out, He Said. Supplement No. 10, it is explained, changes the basis of pay for the telegraphers from a monthly plan to an hourly rate and it is alleged that in making the change, the increase was juggled for have largely been juggled out. On this point the statement says: "The statement which has been made that supplement No. 10 grants an average increase of \$30 per month is incorrect in respect to employees of the O. W. R. & N. The fact is, the maximum increase is about \$12 and it goes down to no increase. A great number of employes go no increase at all.

On December 2 leaders of the telegraphers union will convene in Washington. They met the past week in Chicago and voted unanimously to reject the wage supplement, and adjourned for the Washington session, when the matter of issuing a general strike vote will be decided.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—A telegram calling attention to the failure of railroad telegraphers to present their complaints of insufficient wages formally to the Board of Railroad Wages and Working Conditions has been sent by Director-General McAdoo to H. B. Perham, president of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers. A strike of telegraphers is threatened on December 5.

PRICE AIDS CONSERVATION

Eggs at 60 Apiece Reduce Demand for Poultry Product.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 30.—(Special.)—That one woman of Clackamas county is doing her "bit" in conservation of food was illustrated this morning at one of the grocery stores of this city. She smilingly walked up to the counter, inquired of the clerk the price of eggs, and when informed that they were still 70 cents per dozen she looked amazed, and said: "Well, I'll take one." "One dozen?" asked the clerk. "Oh, no, one egg."

RUSS WITHDRAW IN ORDER

American, Returning From Front, Tells of Boche Operations.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY OF OCCUPATION, Nov. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—An American who has just returned from a trip which extended as far as Frankfurt, Germany, says that the withdrawal of the German troops is being conducted in a most orderly manner everywhere. Reports to the contrary are untrue, he says.

FRENCH BOUND TO SIBERIA

Contingent Arrives in San Francisco on Way to Far East.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 30.—Thirty-five French officers and 450 enlisted men, representing the aviation, tank and armed automobile sections of the French army, arrived here today on their way to Siberia, where they will join the allied forces operating against the Bolsheviks.

Two trainloads of equipment will follow them.

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"The meeting of this responsibility by the highways transport committee through its 11 regional chairmen, its state committees, its district and county committees and community organizations, means that the best effort of this force down to the last man is to be put behind this programme," says Julius L. Meier, regional chairman for the Northwest.

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A Peace Christmas

At no previous Christmas have the hearts of men been so full of gratefulness and happiness. With the world at peace and our brothers across the seas entering the new era of freedom, we can give free vent to the happiness that is within us. The well-chosen gift is the direct means of spreading our joy and making others happy. For the right gift the big gift store is pre-eminently the Christmas store.

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PEOPLE HELD RESPONSIBLE
GERMANS WILLINGLY LED, DUE TO FALSE PHILOSOPHY.
United States Declared to Be Logical Nation to Push Matter of International League.

OXFORD, Ohio, Nov. 30.—Former President W. H. Taft, speaking before an audience tonight at Miami University on "The League of Nations," said the German people were as much responsible for the war as the Hohenzollerns in that they reason of their faulty education and the false philosophy they had been taught for years, they were willingly led.

Mr. Taft said President Wilson had once announced himself as favorable to the establishment of the league of nations, but had since grown lukewarm. However, it was hoped, he said, that when the President got on the other side he would change his attitude.

He said that the United States on account of its dominance, was a world power and that the logical nation to push the matter of the international league and that this country cannot draw back into its shell, and its people live into themselves.

Commenting on the objection offered by some people that a league of nations would be unconstitutional, Mr. Taft said such objections were not only illogical but ridiculous. They reminded him, he said, of many lawyers who, having lost cases on perfectly valid statutes, would then as a last resort, attack the constitutionality of the statutes and lose again.

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