

BURLESON CHARGES PROPAGANDA DRIVE

Telegraphers' Wage Rise Held Equal to Revenues.

USERS' RIGHTS PROTECTED

Postmaster-General Bares Letter Urging "Constant" Agitation at Nation's Capital.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—In announcing today that wage increases for telegraph operators, in addition to the increase effective January 1, would necessitate a prohibitive charge on users of telegraph, Postmaster-General Burleson disclosed an effort being made by the Commercial Telegraphers' Union to arouse dissatisfaction with the increases already granted by the Post-office Department.

The Postmaster-General made public a confidential communication sent out December 26, by S. J. Kunenkamp, of Chicago, international president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union, charging "constant agitation" in Washington against the Burleson wire administration and declaring that the Postmaster-General's failure to keep his word to reinstate the telegraph workers may prove to be a serious mistake for him.

Propaganda is Charged. "Confidential communications," says the Postmaster-General's statement, "urging a propaganda of protest, have been sent out by certain leaders in the movement, and meetings of telegraph employees have been held in various parts of the country for the purpose of passing resolutions of protest before the facts were known against which the Postmaster-General's statement was made."

"A call has been sent out to the telegraph and telephone workers to meet Sunday, January 12, for the purpose of discussing the Postmaster-General's statement, which particularly concerns each and every worker in the United States." The text of President Kunenkamp's "confidential" letter to "officers and subordinate units," as given out, was in part as follows:

"I wish you would read this with the understanding that certain plans are now under consideration whereby the telegraphers may lead a fight in which they will not be alone. It is too early to discuss the idea, but it is not too early to start working upon the elements."

Constant Agitation Urged. "The failure of Mr. Burleson to keep his word to reinstate the telegraphers may prove to be a serious mistake for him. His attitude on the wage question is merely secondary to the United States Government, Mr. Burleson has not so far been as good as his word. Wages and reinstatement will be asked for the coming year and the Government must make good."

"With this in mind I wish to suggest that you make your preparations now for what may come."

"Keep up a constant agitation not only with the wire administration, but with all other agencies in Washington. Do not threaten anything, but insist strongly as you know how on justice. I anticipate that justice will be ignored, but it is a preparation for our next step."

"Do these things with the knowledge that they are part of a general movement which, before it ends, will spell success for the campaign started in 1918 and which will successfully end before the end of the year 1919. Yours fraternally, S. J. KUNENKAMP, International President."

Recent Increase Explained. "The order of the Postmaster-General making a general increase in the wage scale of telegraph employees which went into effect on January 1, while not providing for as high a scale as asked for, granted as great an increase as could be borne by the revenues," said Mr. Burleson, commenting on the situation.

"When this increase was issued the armistice had been signed, entirely changing conditions from those existing at the time the larger wage scale was suggested. It is inadvisable to make such an increase in wages. The interests of the users of the telegraph, as well as those of the employees, had to be considered, and the large increase of the wage scale demanded could not have been made without a corresponding increase in the charges for service of the public."

Users Rights Protected. "The increases that went into effect on January 1 aggregate about \$3,500,000, which is added to the annual operating cost of the service. A further increase such as would meet the demands of those seeking to inspire a protest on the part of the employees would necessitate a much higher charge upon the users of the telegraph, whose right to services at a reasonable cost cannot be ignored, however well disclosed it may be toward allowing liberal compensation to the employees."

COMMISSION'S WORK DONE

Summary of Assessment Rolls Completed Shows Segregations.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 11.—(Special.)—A summary of the assessment rolls as completed by the State Tax Commission and just announced by State Tax Commissioner Galloway shows the following segregations equalized by the county boards of equalization:

Tillable lands, 10,662,237 acres, value \$20,418,168; timber lands, 4,240,515 acres, value \$68,861,617; non-tillable lands, 9,814,422 acres, value \$76,369,951; improvements on wooded or patented lands, 27,143,397; town and city lots, \$218,553,662; improvements on town and city lots, \$90,565,134; improvements on lands not wooded or patented, \$1,314,990; railroads under construction, logging roads and rolling stock, \$1,092,000; steamboats, etc., \$1,827,471; merchandise and stock in trade, \$23,894,880; farming implements, etc., \$16,398,079; money, notes and accounts, \$23,552,549; shares of stock, \$12,842,098; hotel and office furniture, \$2,100,000; horses and mules, 222,980, value, \$12,380,423; cattle, 669,878, value, \$21,737,147; sheep and goats, 1,310,833, value \$15,460,014; swine, 122,845, value \$1,117,612; dogs, 15,394, value, \$123,948; miscellaneous, \$1,369,268. Total, \$663,285,732.

Segregations of public service corporations and utilities assessed by the State Tax Commission are as follows:

Railroad companies, union station and depot companies, assessed value, \$123,504,964; appraised value, \$28,323,894; sleeping-car companies, assessed value, \$672,808, appraised value, \$188,330; electric and street-car companies, assessed value, \$42,536,818, appraised value, \$10,933,548; appraised value, \$663,042, appraised value, \$460,119; refrigerator-car companies, tank-line companies, assessed value, \$241,540, appraised value, \$168,993; telegraph companies, assessed value, \$975,749, appraised value, \$242,448; telephone companies, assessed value, \$8,534,939, appraised value, \$2,509,922. Total assessed value, \$176,766,902, total appraised value, \$122,248,154.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Twelve states—California, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon and Utah—reported a surplus of common labor to the Department of Labor this week, as compared with seven the week previous.

10 TRANSPORTS SAIL FROM FRENCH PORTS

Two Battleships and Hospital Ship on Way Home.

7500 MEN ON VESSELS

Thirty-Seventh Engineers, Consisting of Picked Experts From All States, Ordered to America.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Bringing home 7500 men, ten transports, the battleships Louisiana and New Hampshire and the hospital ship Mercy have sailed from French ports. The transports, the War Department announced today, are the Pueblo, Wilhelmina, General Goethals, Hampden, Ice King, Suriname, Sierra, Godesteer, Westgate and DeKalb.

The battleships are due at Newport News January 21. The Louisiana carries the headquarters and supply companies and Batteries A, B and C of the 59th Coast Artillery Regiment, and a few casuals. The New Hampshire has on board the Headquarters detachment and Batteries D, E and F of the 59th Coast Artillery, and a small number of casuals.

The transports will arrive at Newport News as follows: The DeKalb, January 19, with 1138th Sanitary Train, designated for Camp Taylor; Headquarters Company, Second Army, Artillery Unit, routed to Camp Meade, and a number of casuals, sick and wounded.

The Sierra, January 20, with following units from 84th Division: Headquarters Company, 418, both routed to C, D and E, 337th Field Artillery, and about 300 casuals, sick and wounded.

Fortieth Engineers Abroad. The Godesteer, date of arrival not announced, with Headquarters and First Battalion Headquarters and Companies A, B, I and K, 40th Engineers; Battery F, 66th Regiment; Coast Artillery, and casual Company 418, both routed to Camp Meade; 162d Trench Mortar Battery (27th New York National Guard Division), to Camp Upton. The ship also carries one officer and 44 men as casuals for Camp Upton; 19 officers and 57 men, Camp Upton; scattered, 20 officers, 21 men, and for the regular Army, 25 men.

The Westgate (date of arrival not given), with small number French soldiers. The Pueblo and Wilhelmina, January 17; Hampden and General Goethals, January 21; Ice King, January 24, and the Mercy, January 20.

On the Pueblo are six casual companies, two officers and 150 men each and 15 officers and 607 men in headquarters, and Companies A, B, C and D of the 52d Ammunition Train. The casual companies are Nos. 416, Washingtonians; 421 and 426, Ohioans; 422, Marylanders, and 428, Texans.

Many Troops on Goethals. The General Goethals carries two divisional training cadres or skeleton organizations. There are eight officers and 84 men from the divisional headquarters and train, 67th and 68th Infantry Brigades; 125th, 126th, 127th Machine Gun Battalions; 134d, 134th, 135th, 136th Infantry Regiments; 109th Infantry Train Headquarters, and the military police of the 34th Division, assigned to Camp Grant for demobilization.

From the 84th there are 27 officers and 285 men from the Divisional Headquarters, 309th Headquarters Detachment and Train; 325th, 326th, 327th Machine Gun Battalions; 334d, 334th, 335th, 336th Infantry Regiments; 309th Sanitary Train and Headquarters; Field Hospitals 334 and 336, and Ambulance Companies 334 and 336, assigned to Camp Taylor.

The Goethals also carries the 11th Sanitary Train, 19 officers and 439 men going to Camp Grant, the units included being Ambulance Companies 341, 342 and 343 and Field Hospitals 341, 342 and 344.

The Ice King carries two air service officers.

The Hampden carries Casual Company No. 12, South Dakota, and a few sick and wounded.

Field Hospitals Returning. The Wilhelmina is bringing detachments from Sanitary Train No. 109 of the 34th Division, including Field Hospitals 123, 134, 135 and 136, and the corresponding Ambulance Companies, routed to Camp Grant, and another cadre from the 84th Division, composed of two officers and 69 men from the 331st, 332d, 333d and 324th Machine Gun Battalions and the 341st, 342d, 343d and 344th Infantry Regiments, assigned to Camp Grant. Headquarters 159th Field Artillery, 10 officers and 61 men, ordered to Camp Taylor, complete the Wilhelmina list.

On board the Mercy are 400 sick and wounded to be sent to various hospitals.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—More American troops arrived here today, homecoming on the British steamship Tolosa—152 men of the 491st Aero Squadron, 693 of the Fifth Battalion, Trench Artillery, and 170 casuals.

The American vessel Themisto arrived from Cete, France, with 71 naval men, including sailors who were on the cruiser Buffalo and on mine sweepers.

COBLENZ, Thursday, Jan. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—The 37th Engineers, consisting of 1600 picked electrical and mechanical experts from every state of the Union and commanded by

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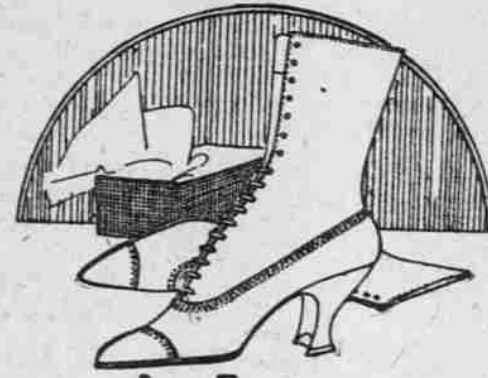
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Colonel Albert Pierce, of Eau Claire, Wis., has been ordered back to America. The 3th is the first regiment in the Third Army to be ordered home. Company E of the 37th claims to be the first force of Americans to cross the Rhine. Its members crossed at Coblenz, December 7.

O. A. C. EQUIPS HOSPITAL

Fraternity Houses Quarantined, Holding 100 From Classes.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Jan. 11.—(Special.)—A general hospital for students of O. A. C. has been equipped by the college in Shepherd hall, formerly Y. M. C. A. building on the campus. All influenza patients will be sent to the hospital where two nurses and a physician will be in attendance.

BELL FUNERAL MILITARY

Full Honors Are Accorded Late Major-General.

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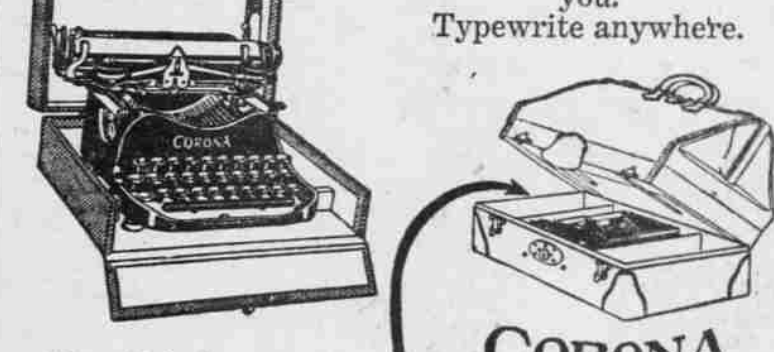
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ISAAC STAPLES IS BANKER

Portland Man Becomes Associated in Reedsport Institution.

REEDSFORT, Or., Jan. 11.—(Special.)—The First Bank of Reedsport was organized here this week. The incorporation is in the sum of \$25,000 capital stock, fully subscribed and paid. Isaac E. Staples, of Portland, associated with Mr. Johnson, also of Portland, are the prime movers in the enterprise, local residents subscribing liberally.

The bank expects to be open for business on or about January 15 in temporary quarters. Property has been purchased and contract let for the erection of a permanent home for the institution.

Twelve States Report Labor Surplus

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Urgent Post-War Reconstruction Work Precipitates

(More Tomorrow)