

CONGRESS IS FAR BEHIND IN MUCH IMPORTANT WORK

Consideration of Peace Treaty Has Occupied Senators to the Exclusion of Everything Else.

SESSION RESULTS SMALL

Many Matters of Import Held Up, Chief of Which Is Bill To Return Railroads to Owners.

Washington, Oct. 11.—(I. N. S.)—Congress today, at the end of 21 weeks of the first session of the Sixty-sixth congress, found itself in the midst of a legislative tangle with little actual work accomplished. The peace treaty is responsible for the lack of action in this session, and leaders such as Senator Penrose and Representative Mondell declared that congress is following the set purpose—the peace treaty under discussion in the senate and the house formulating laws for the regular session which begins in December.

NET RESULT SMALL
Eleven appropriation bills, the woman suffrage amendment and a prohibition enforcement bill are the net result of the work of the present congress as far as legislation goes. The appropriation bills were large holdover bills which should have been passed during the last session.

Starting congress in the face are most important measures which may be taken up after the peace treaty is disposed of. Chief among these proposed laws is the bill providing for the return of the railroads to their former owners. Senator Cummins of Iowa, chairman of the interstate commerce committee of the senate, in charge of this legislation, stated today that the bill would be before the senate next week, but there is no possibility for action until after the peace treaty is out of the way. The bill will bring lengthy debate and there is slight chance of its being passed before the next session.

IMPORTANT BILLS ON LIST
Other important legislation to be up includes a waterpower bill, tariff and revenue revision bills, soldiers' and sailors' settlement bills, army reorganization measures, bills providing a definite policy for the future of the American merchant marine, and much other legislation providing for readjustment of war time conditions.

Little hope is held out by the leaders of congress that there will be any large legislative matters disposed of this session with the peace treaty scheduled to take up at the end of the month of October and probably part of November. Members of congress are anxious for a brief recess before the regular session in December and have hopes that there may be one of at least two weeks before the end of November.

Campbell Twins, Oldest in State, Enter 87th Year

Dallas, Oct. 11.—James and Thomas Campbell, the oldest twins in Oregon, celebrated their eighty-sixth birthday anniversary Wednesday. The Campbell brothers have lived in Dallas for more than 60 years and were pioneer carpenters and building contractors, having erected some of the first houses in the town.

CONSUMERS HURL VOLLEY OF QUERIES

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Farrell discovered that the distributors were selling the same milk which they delivered to homes at 15 cents a quart, at 17 cents over the counter. Their object was to avoid competition with their grocer-customers, authorized to sell milk at 17 cents.

"It doesn't seem absolutely right to allow them to do this," said Farrell. "If we object, they'll simply close their retail stations," suggested J. P. Green of the committee.

"All the better—let the small grocers have that profit," said Farrell. "Reduction in price when goods are sold on a cash and carry basis should always be encouraged. This question of delivery and that of credit are two big bugbears of the whole cost of living question."

DELIVERIES ARE FACTORS
Mrs. Williams reported further investigation on the matter of sales by Portland bakers to retailers at Bend at a price less than that charged Portland retailers. Newell told the committee a week ago that delivery in Bend was cheaper than local delivery.

"How can that be?" asked Mrs. Williams. "It costs \$1.50 a hundred pounds to deliver in the city. Expressage to Bend and return of baskets costs \$1.15 for the same amount. Surely transportation to and from the station and loading and unloading is enough to eat up the difference."

Letters were read by Farrell from the secretary of the Grocers & Merchants association denying that retailers profit and that the association maintains a price list, and from the Seattle fair price committee complimenting Portland on the "questionnaire" idea which, according to the Seattle committee, is original in Portland.

QUESTIONS ARE ASKED
The questionnaire forms were originated and sent out by Mrs. Williams and C. E. Spence. Almost all the complaints in Seattle were about rents, the letter said. Investigation by Farrell of a recent complaint that Jefferson high school mechanical drawing pupils were compelled to buy drawing tools costing from \$20 to \$40 disclosed that the tools could be bought as low as \$4, but that any tools costing less than \$15 were of foreign make and undesirable. Report that sale of these tools was limited to one firm was erroneous, Farrell said.

Mrs. H. B. Torrey, secretary of the committee, to whom the public is requested to address complaints, asked for further investigation of retail shoe merchants.

SHIPPING IS TIED UP IN NEW YORK BY HUGE STRIKE

Men and Women Knocked Down in Wild Rush of People for Tube Trains New York Bound.

70,000 MEN ARE IDLE

Perishable Foods Piled on Docks And Danger of Shortage Is Seen; Strike May Spread Out.

Washington, Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—Soldiers will be used to unload government property from incoming steamers during the New York longshoremen's strike, Secretary Baker announced today.

New York, Oct. 11.—(I. N. S.)—Traffic in the harbor was completely paralyzed today by the worst marine strike in the history of the city. The longshoremen's strike spread suddenly and unexpectedly overnight to the workers on ferry boats, tugs and lighters, and all were tied up.

Strike leaders declared that the movement would extend to the whole Atlantic coast, from Maine to Florida. Thousands of New Jersey commuters literally fought to get into the Hudson tube trains to get to work in New York city. Men and women were knocked down and trampled in the Jersey City stations and the jam became so great and the menace to life so dangerous that police reserves were rushed to the scene to keep order.

LOCALS TO TAKE VOTE

At a meeting of leaders of the striking longshoremen and representatives of the national adjustment commission today, the union delegates agreed to put the question of continuing the strike should return to work up to a vote of the local unions. The vote will be taken by the various locals at once.

T. V. O'Connor, president of the Longshoremen's association, in a speech to the strikers, reiterated his declaration that the strike was their responsibility for the strike. He pleaded with the men to return to work.

There is danger of a food shortage and great stores of provisions lying on the docks are in danger of spoiling. There were some ferries operated by the Lackawanna railroad, running during the early morning hours, but the boats of the Erie, Jersey Central, West Shore and Pennsylvania railroads were all tied up.

Thousands of vehicles were marooned in Jersey City, including scores of trucks with the city's morning milk supply. Arthur Williams, federal food administrator for New York, appealed to the strikers to handle 5000 cartons of food-stuffs that are lying upon the piers, but they made no move to do so.

"If this food is not moved soon, it will not be fit to eat," declared Mr. Williams. "The shortage caused by the damage to this supply would affect the families of strikers as well as others."

United States mails were carried across the Hudson on a single boat.

70,000 MEN ARE IDLE

There are approximately 70,000 men idle in all branches of marine work. The strike was begun by the longshoremen, who demanded more money, and then spread to the workers on the boats.

Fourteen other ship trips that were scheduled to leave port were held up by the strike. The national adjustment commission has been holding hearings in this city and William Z. Foster, director of the organization, planned to meet a committee of strikers this afternoon to make another effort to induce them to return to work.

Strike Extends to Boston

Boston, Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—About 200 longshoremen were on strike here today. They refused to unload the steamship Selinda, which they claim was diverted here because of the strike of longshoremen in New York. Steamship officials denied this.

Forgery Suspect Much Wedded, Is Police Assertion

Chehalis, Wash., Oct. 11.—That the bridegroom held on charges of forgery who gave the name of Claude E. Stewart, is Henry Runt, and that two, and probably three, women are involved in his life, is alleged as the result of investigations made by the police. He is said to have married, under the name of Long, a pretty Spokane girl, who entrusted her savings to him, a month ago. Two weeks ago he married Amy Bishop here.

The police assert that at the time of his arrest he was living with another woman, Mrs. Laura J. Smith, a Seattle telephone operator, as her husband. His Chehalis bride was with him in Seattle when he was arrested.

Stewart is alleged to have given a worthless check for jewelry, to have paid the jeweler later with money secured on another bad check with which he paid at a restaurant for an elaborate wedding breakfast, and to have given another to an automobile man who took him and his bride to Seattle.

Auto Driver Arrested

Driving an automobile while intoxicated, it is alleged, caused the arrest of Harry McNabb, proprietor of a pool hall at 14th Third street, this morning. McNabb was driving at Third and Stark streets and failed to heed the signal of Policeman Wood, who attempted to hail him. Wood, believing McNabb was intoxicated, summoned Captain Harms, who arrested the man. McNabb was released on bail. The trial is set for next Wednesday.

Wreck Rumor Discredited

New York, Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—No confirmation is given today in London, Washington or here of a widely circulated rumor of a disaster to an unidentified British ship, with loss of 2000 lives, off the coast of Norway. The rumor was discredited in official circles.

Stevens to Stage Oregon Drive for Fire Prevention

Salem, Oct. 11.—An intensive fire prevention campaign is to be conducted in Oregon during November under the personal supervision of Jay W. Stevens of San Francisco, manager of the Fire Prevention bureau of the Pacific. Stevens, who was formerly city fire marshal at Portland, is coming into Oregon at the request of Governor Olcott as soon as he completes his campaign in Washington, which will be about November 1. Mayors and fire chiefs of many Oregon cities and towns are already bidding for a visit by Stevens, whose itinerary will be arranged by A. C. Barber, state fire marshal.

MAYNARD IS FIRST ON WEST END

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LIEUTENANT WALES' BODY IS TAKEN TO CHEYENNE, WYO. Cheyenne, Wyo., Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—Captain J. O. Donaldson, westbound flyer, arrived here at 9:30 a. m. today and left for Rawlins at 10 o'clock.

Lieutenant A. Pearson, westbound, arrived at 10:30 and was to leave in half an hour. The body of Lieutenant E. V. Wales, accompanied by Lieutenant Goldsborough, arrived today. Goldsborough, who miraculously escaped death in the crash on Elk mountain, stated that they could not see 20 feet ahead in the snowstorm when the plane hit the jagged granite side of the mountain.

By a weird fate, the mountain was the only elevation of more than 100 feet in an area of over 200 square miles and the unlucky Wales also missed by only a few feet the Crest Pass which splits the mountain and through which he might have passed safely.

SPATE OVERTAKES SMITH IN CONTEST EASTWARD

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 11.—(I. N. S.)—Captain L. H. Smith, pace maker among the flyers in the transcontinental air derby from west to east, lost that honor this morning, when Major Spatz, in No. 51, took the lead. Major Spatz arrived from Bryan, Ohio, at 8:15 and followed by Lieutenant E. C. Kiel, in No. 62, at 8:34. Both planes had difficulty in landing at the local field, but made it safely. Smith left Bryan about the same time as the other machines. Major Spatz reported, but so far he has not been heard from.

Spatz and Kiel will take off for the East as soon as possible.

AIR DERRY LIKELY TO BE MADE ROUND TRIP

San Francisco, Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—The air derby probably will be a round trip. This statement was made to the United Press today by Major General Charles J. Menoher, director of air service, U. S. War Department. However, he made no definite decision had been made and that he would consult with Colonel Arnold, director of air service, western department, before making a positive announcement.

Major General Menoher arrived here today from the south.

Arrive at Rock Island
Rock Island, Ill., Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—Lieutenant Newman, No. 108, westbound, arrived at Rock Island at 9:23 a. m. Lieutenant T. E. Steves, No. 23, westbound, arrived at Rock Island at 9:57:10. Lieutenant Queens, No. 52, eastbound, arrived at 9:58:31. Newman, in plane No. 108, left for Des Moines at 10:09:34 a. m.

To Safeguard Flyers

Washington, Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—Flyers in the transcontinental race will be held at their coast terminals until Monday, October 20. Major General Menoher, chief of air service, made this announcement this afternoon. This will be done as a precaution against further accidents. The rest will allow the planes to be thoroughly overhauled and clear the air lanes so the slower flyers will not interfere at the landing fields with the faster ones.

Flying Time Was 25 Hours

Washington, Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—Maynard's total flying time from New York to San Francisco will be 24 hours 59 minutes 48 seconds, the war department announced today. This is an average of about 105 1/2 miles an hour, it was stated. The air distance was 3701 miles.

DECK HAND STRIKE NEARING CLOSE

Transportation Companies Agree On Recognition of Union But Not on Wage Increase.

Prospects are favorable that the strike of deck hands on river steamers, as affecting two of the transportation companies, will be settled before nightfall, as a result of the meeting of the steamboat men's union at noon today.

The Western Transportation company and the Harkins Transportation company, the strikers say, have offered to recognize the union, and to improve living conditions on the boats, in regard to sleeping accommodations. The operators have refused to grant the 10 per cent increase in wages asked for.

The deckhands say they are willing to accept these conditions, but before voting to end the strike, are conferring with the operators this afternoon in regard to reinstatement of two engineers who struck with the deckhands. The latter desire to be sure that the engineers get their positions back. Should these negotiations result favorably, then another meeting will be held late this afternoon to vote on the question of returning to work.

Deck hands are concerned in this development of the strike, four of which are operated by the Harkins company and four by the Western.

SENATORS AMAZED BY IGNORANCE

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days citizens of the town drilled and were given guns, and the "riff-raff" were called in to attack the strikers, he said.

"When we attempted to hold a meeting on a vacant lot these deputies, armed with rifles and shotguns, marched down on our men with eight returned soldiers boys in uniform and an American flag in front and 500 men behind," Feeney declared.

Feeney said he ordered the men to go back.

STAGE SET FOR MURDER

It pictured how the stage was set to murder them with 500 deputies there craving for the blood of those people. The state constabulary rode up to our men seated on the grass. They said: 'Get up or we'll ride the horses over you. I ordered the men to move. We went down the hill.'

"In the town one of our men wearing a soldier's uniform was talking to an aged man when a state trooper rode up," Feeney continued. "The trooper rode up and clubbed the old man who had two sons abroad. They ordered the man to take off his uniform, although he had a perfect right to wear it."

"Will you please stick to the facts," Senator Kenyon requested as Feeney launched a bitter verbal attack on the authorities.

"You feel as strongly about this as I do if you had seen men and even women clubbed," Feeney retorted. Feeney asserted that strikers were being imprisoned on "trumped up" charges.

When asked if witnesses were present to corroborate this statement, Attorney Rubin said he did not know the committee would require it.

FINEST GIVES TESTIMONY

The new witness was Father Kaznic, Roman Catholic priest of Braddock. He declared worshippers were attacked by state troopers as they were leaving the church on September 24. He said the only excuse the troopers could offer was that they "were told to keep the crowd moving."

Kaznic said he was told of this incident by two sisters. They were not present at the hearing.

He said his congregation was largely Slavic and over 50 per cent uneducated. "But 100 per cent bought Liberty bonds," he added.

Kaznic said he personally makes efforts to naturalize his parishioners. He said housing conditions were terrible, "wages and hours impossible, and the men get disgusted and want to go back to the old country. There is no hope of saving money."

"We are neutral on this strike," Mayor E. V. Babcock of Pittsburgh told the senate investigating committee.

STRIKERS' CONDUCT GOOD

Lack of violence has been due largely to the conduct of the strikers themselves, he added. Residents appealed to the

\$11,000 TAKEN IN DAYLIGHT ROBBERY

Moneybags Grabbed From Payroll Clerk After He Is Blinded With Red Pepper.

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 11.—(I. N. S.)—Automobile bandits pulled off a bold payroll robbery in Euclid avenue today, getting away with \$11,000.

Senate Measure to Curb H. C. L. Passed

Washington, Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—Legislation aimed at the high cost of living was passed by the senate today. It adopted the conference report in the bill which amends the food control act, inserting a penalty for profiteering and extending the law's provisions to cover clothing. The bill now goes to the house for final action.

Three Die in Gun Fight

Bogeman, Mont., Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—Deputy Sheriff Frank Curtis and Perrygro Vreeland were killed and Harvey Blumley, ranchman, wounded in gun battles with Buford Webb, farm hand, who resisted a posse of 300 for three hours before he was ridden with bullets. Webb wounded Blumley, his employer, in an argument over wages.

Germans Demand Equality

Berlin, Oct. 11.—(U. P.)—German delegates will enter the international labor congress at Washington only if on an equal footing. Foreign Minister Muller declared in addressing the Reichstag.

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The robbery occurred shortly after 3 o'clock in front of a building at 1800 Euclid avenue, in which building is located the offices of the S. W. Emerson company, contractors. Ralph E. Laubauer and Albert Chaloup, employees of the Emerson company, were leaving the building with the money in a satchel to pay off the employes of the contracting firm. Six men were in front of the building as they came out. Two dashed pepper in the eyes of the payroll clerk while the others grabbed the money. The motors of two automobiles were running nearby. The payroll bandits leaped into the machines and were out of sight before pursuit could be started. Blinded by the pepper, the payroll clerks called for aid and the police were summoned.



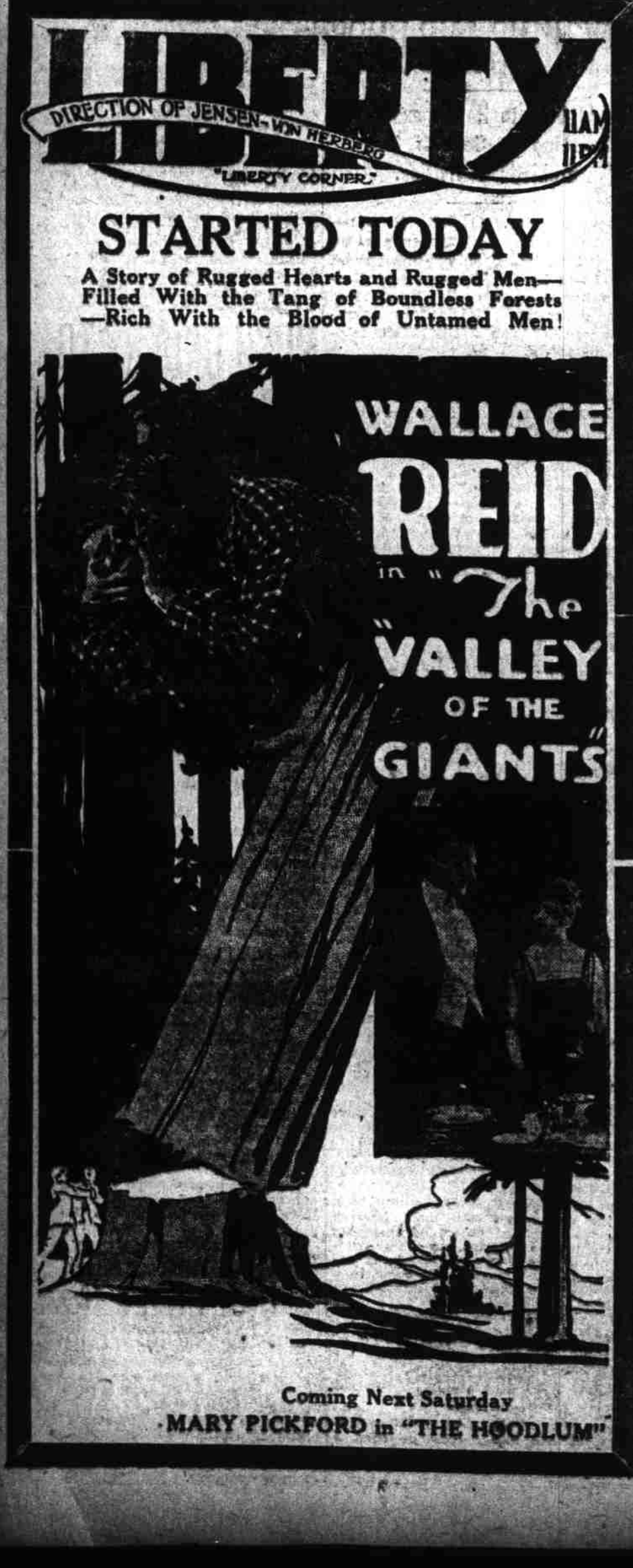
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