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It's All Here and It's All True... THE WEATHER—Tonight and Sunday, fair; not so cold; winds mostly westerly. Minimum Temperatures Friday: Portland, 47; New Orleans, 62; Billings, 27; New York, 28; Los Angeles, 50; St. Paul, 18.

COAL STRIKE SOLUTION NOW SEEMS CLOSE

That Strike Will Have Been Settled Before Next Saturday, Is Opinion of Those in Touch.

Conferences Between Operators and Miners in Ohio and Pennsylvania Are Now Scheduled.

Chicago, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Confidence that the coal strike will end before next Saturday was expressed here today by men in close touch with the big operators of the central competitive field.

Negotiations between miners and operators—if any are being conducted—are strictly sub rosa. Operators and officials of the operators' associations here refused today to comment on rumors that an attempt had been made to "feel out" the miners.

Dubois, Pa., Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—A settlement of the coal strike in the Central Pennsylvania fields was believed near when it was announced today that the representatives of the operators and miners will meet in conference here either tomorrow or Monday. Both the employers and the union leaders said the outlook seemed good.

OHIO IS EXPECTED TO SET PACE FOR WHOLE NATION

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—An early settlement of the coal strike in Ohio seemed probable today.

Despite the fact that all of the parties to the conference of yesterday—Governor Cox, the operators and the miners—preserved silence, an unmistakable air of optimism reigned in all quarters. The conference will be resumed Monday. At that time Governor Cox is expected to press for a final settlement. While the terms of the settlement are unknown, it is generally believed that a wage increase of 25 per cent will form the basis of the proposed compromise. And belief was also expressed here today that the Ohio settlement if it becomes a reality, will form the basis of a national settlement. A report was current today that the mines until Monday was taken in order to give the miners time to secure if possible sanction from the international officers for the present negotiations.

Situation Is Improving

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—In reviewing the coal situation throughout the country, Dr. Garfield stated that he sees signs of improvement. In many localities small groups of miners are beginning to return to work and the production of coal is showing a slight increase daily over the latter part of last week.

More Mines Reopen

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Governor Gardner today announced that work has been started in approximately 100 Missouri coal mines during the last 24 hours and that the fuel situation over the state has been greatly improved.

Reward of \$500 Is Offered for Return of Stolen Diamonds

A reward of \$500 was posted this morning for the return of jewelry stolen on Friday morning in the daylight robbery of the G. Grossman jewelry store, 149 Third street. Holman Brothers of the Pacific Loan company, brothers to Mrs. Grossman, posted the reward. "Value of the loot secured by the light handlets dropped to approximately \$5000 in an estimate made by police inspectors today. Previously the loss had been placed at from \$10,000 to \$15,000, an offering to pay \$400 reward. Holman Brothers said nothing about the capture of the robbers and it is understood that the payment is dependent upon the return of the jewelry.

Government Seizes 2640 Tons of Sugar Held in Washington

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Seizure of 2640 tons of sugar, alleged to be held in warehouses of the Utah-Idaho Sugar company at Yakima and Toppenish, Wash., is asked in libels filed this afternoon by District Attorney Garrecht. The government claims that the sugar was being held "for the purpose of unreasonably increasing the price." The action is taken under the Lever act.

JUDGE ROSSMAN ON AUTO ACCIDENTS

Of 10,311 accidents to pedestrians in New York city in 1915 an investigation showed that in 8861 cases pedestrians were at fault, while only 700 accidents were chargeable to automobile drivers. These and other important facts concerning automobile accidents are brought out in an article by Municipal Judge Rossman in The Journal's editorial page today.

Oregon University Football Team Is Selected to Meet Harvard's Cracks

Effort Being Made to Obtain Coach Bezdek to Whip Local Team Into Shape.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—The Los Angeles Evening Herald published the following today: "Oregon university's football machine, which met only one defeat this year, was selected today to represent the West against Harvard at the annual football classic at Tournament park, Pasadena, on New Year's day.

"Oregon and Washington were the two western schools under consideration by the committee and today it was decided that Oregon was the logical team to meet Harvard.

"Efforts are being made by University of Oregon officials to have Hugo Bezdek, former Oregon coach, to help Coach 'Big' Huntington whip the team into condition to meet Harvard's play.

"Bezdek, who has been coaching in the east, is familiar with the Harvard style of play.

"Dispatches from Cambridge say the football team that will represent Harvard at the Tournament of Roses was today awaiting word from the United States fuel administration sanctioning the trip."

JENKINS HELD FOR TRIAL BY MEXICANS

American Consul, Out of Jail, Is in Court Custody for Alleged Conspiracy.

By Ralph M. Turner
Mexico City, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—William O. Jenkins, American consular agent, freed from the Puebla jail last night, after payment of his \$500 bail by a friend, declared tonight he would not acknowledge his release because he was not given "absolute liberty."

The American, it appears, is still technically in custody of the court and must present himself for trial when so ordered.

Eliario Medina, acting secretary of state, said tonight that the latest American note regarding Jenkins probably would be answered next week.

MYSTERY SHROUDS RELEASE OF U. S. CONSULAR AGENT

By William Philip Simms
Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—The release of Consular Agent William O. Jenkins by the Mexican authorities is shrouded in mystery and the state department today began a thorough investigation into the matter in which he was liberated from the Puebla prison. By whom the \$500 bail was furnished, upon whose authority the amount was paid, and the motives underlying these actions are today unknown here. Not alone is the state department absolutely in the dark as to the facts in the case, but Jenkins himself, it is said, does not know how or why he was turned loose.

A report from Mexico City stated that the money had been put up by Salter Hansen, a Danish-American banker newly arrived in Mexico, and an impression got abroad that perhaps there had been a change of attitude on the part of the United States government.

"It is absolutely false," Secretary of State Robert Lansing announced today. "The state department never for a moment thought of changing the policy of Jenkins in refusing bail."

Jenkins has reported to the state department that he was released at midnight, December 5, but this is not to be taken as a final report regarding the reasons for his release.

Embargo Placed on Fuel Oil Shipments; Eases Road Traffic

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—The railroad administration today placed an embargo on all shipments of fuel oil, effective December 8, from western states to points east of Chicago and St. Louis, except for export and industrial plants when the use of oil prior to November 1.

Necessity for the embargo, the railroad administrators explained, arose from the fact that the coal shortage had caused thousands of plants in the east to change their power from coal to oil, which has resulted in increased freight traffic.

Christmas Mails May Be Late; Strike Hampers Service

Washington, Dec. 6.—The postmaster general has issued a bulletin urging that Christmas parcels be mailed early "to avoid disappointment."

MAN TRAINS CANCELLED TO SAVE IN COAL

North Coast Limited Between Portland and Chicago and Others Eliminated for the Present.

O-W. R. & N. Officials Announce Reduction in Service of 37 Local Trains in Oregon Service.

The North Coast limited between Portland and Chicago will be eliminated after Sunday.

Cancellation of at least one of the through trains to Omaha over the Union Pacific system is anticipated.

Over a dozen local trains operating on the branches and main lines of the O-W. R. & N. are to be eliminated after Sunday.

Scores of passenger train service reductions are to be made effective and motor cars will be substituted for steam trains in some instances on lines in Oregon.

Orders for curtailment of these are some of the effects of the railroad administration train curtailment orders to Portland and districts in Oregon and Washington served by railroads centering in this city. Cutting of passenger service is being made as a fuel conservation measure.

Special arrangements have been made by the S. F. & S. officials to accommodate Central Oregon passengers formerly connecting with the Oregon (Continued on Page Two, Column Five)

MACHINERY BOUGHT FOR NEW STEAMER

Government Sells Equipment for Vessel Being Built at the St. Helens Yards.

Negotiations were completed today at San Francisco whereby the Charles R. McCormick company purchased the supplies and sales division of the Emergency Fleet corporation machinery and other equipment for a new twin screw steam schooner underway at the yards of the St. Helens Shipbuilding company.

Coincident with this announcement it was given out that the name of the vessel is to be the City of Everett. Present plans are for her operation between Everett, Wash., and San Pedro. She will be launched about December 20 and it is hoped to have her ready for service by February 1.

A contract has been closed with the Willamette Iron & Steel works for the installation of machinery on the schooner. After launch the hull will be towed to the Portland dock of the company for outfitting. The City of Everett will have a lumber capacity of 1,600,000 feet and the largest wooden schooner yet built on the Pacific coast.

Equipment sold by the government for the vessel is assembled at the St. Johns concentration warehouse.

Attorney Is Fined \$100 for Violation of Traffic Measure

His accelerator was sticking but he wasn't going 45 miles an hour. Morris Goldstein, attorney, told Municipal Judge Rossman today when he pleaded not guilty to a charge of speeding.

Rossman fined Goldstein \$100 after Motorcycle Officer Anderson testified he had chased the attorney for 15 miles on Willamette boulevard, Friday. Goldstein gave notice of appeal.

Agreement Fails On Fall Resolution

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—A conference of Republican members of the senate foreign relations committee called to decide on a course in regard to the Fall resolution on relations with Mexico, was unable to reach an agreement today in a two hour discussion.

Mexican Is Arrested For Killing American

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—The Mexican soldier who shot and killed the American, James Wallace, near Tampico, a fortnight ago, has been arrested by the Mexican authorities, according to information received at the state department this afternoon.

FIRST SPRING CHINOOK FISH MAKES DEBUT

SPRING is here! At least, that is the way the fishermen and fish trade are figuring.

The first spring chinook salmon has entered the Columbia river—and has been caught at Cathlamet. It weighed 30 pounds and sold to an Alder street market at 40 cents a pound. It was received by the Portland Fish company.

The arrival of the first spring chinook salmon has revived interest among rivermen as to whether the winter will be hard or soft; or really come at all.

As a rule, the chinook salmon do not enter the river until after the arrival of the smelt, but no smelt have thus far been caught. Chinook feed on smelt.

MILITARY TRAINING OUT OF ARMY BILL

House Military Affairs Committee Working on Plans; Pershing Idea Followed.

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Universal military training will not be included in the new army plan being worked out by the house military affairs committee.

This announcement was made today by Representative Anthony of Kansas, acting chairman of the committee.

The committee is working on amendments to the national defense act in preparing its new army plan and following closely the recommendations made by General Pershing, chief of the army officers as to the size of the job. The American army is mere or less shattered. Demobilization has been precipitate. Congress has cut appropriations right and left. The American air service has gone to pieces. The regular army is strategically distributed to

Armenian Troops Decisively Defeat Army of Tartars

New York, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—The decisive defeat of a Tartar force commanded by Turkish officers that attacked Armenian troops at Zangazur was reported here today by the American committee for the independence of Armenia.

The news of resumption of warfare in the Near East was contained in cablegram from Arivan, capital of the republic of Armenia, to the American committee, as follows: "A Tartar force commanded by Turkish officers attacked Armenians at Zangazur, which was made into a neutral zone by Colonel Haakeli, American high commissioner to the Armenian republic. They were decisively defeated after the day's battle, leaving over 500 dead and wounded on the field of battle and several hundred prisoners, 14 machine guns and considerable ammunition and provisions."

Large Burlington Tract, in New Hands, Is to Be Developed

Negotiations were closed this morning for the transfer of 600 lots at Burlington and 400 acres adjoining that townsite from the Ruth Realty company to Wakefield, Fries & Co. Consideration was not named.

The land purchased lies along the St. Helens road from Ban station at Cornelius pass road, a distance of two miles. The townsite of Burlington is about 12 miles from Portland on the United Railways electric line. The tract will be developed by the new owners.

Woman Criticises School Officials in Walkout of Pupils

Containing that if the petition of pupils of the Vernon school, asking for the retention of Mrs. H. O. Frazier until the end of the term, had been given dignified consideration by Principal William Parker, Superintendent D. A. Grout and members of the school board, Mrs. Frazier would not have been so disappointed and the school would never have been closed.

Mrs. Frazier is president of the Vernon Parent-Teacher association. Mrs. Works contends that the children were thwarted in the preparation of their petition by upper grade teachers and that the school was never reached their destination. She also states that the children would never have struck had they been helped and encouraged to do the best thing of sending petitions to the school board.

Rains and Snows Are Forecast for Oregon Districts

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—The weather bureau today issued the following forecast for next week: "Pacific States—During the period eighth to thirteenth, the weather will be unsettled, with occasional rains in California and rains and snows in Washington and Oregon. Temperatures will be somewhat below normal in Washington and Oregon and normal in California.

President Reported As Getting on Fine

Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—The president is doing fine," Dr. F. Z. Decum stated today, after making his regular weekly examination of Woodrow Wilson.

U. S. IS NOT GOING TO WAR WITH MEXICO

Prospects of Taking Up Arms Against Carranza Government Dim, Declares David Lawrence.

Congress May Hesitate to Sever Relations if the President Puts Question Up to the Lawmakers.

By David Lawrence
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Washington, Dec. 6.—There isn't going to be any armed intervention in Mexico. Congress may pass resolutions asking for severance of diplomatic relations and even authorize the use of military and naval forces but under the constitution of the United States it remains for the president to determine how the interests of the country would be served in dealing with foreign affairs.

Directly apart from the personal conference with the president demanded by the senate for two of its members in order that Wilson might have the views of the senate in the question of entering upon a new war at this time. What Senator Fall of New Mexico may think about the president's attitude or what other political opponents may say is one thing, but what is actually going to happen is another. The fact is that there is more concern in executive matters over the shutting down of American industries, and the throwing out of employment of thousands of men because of the coal strike than there is over embarking on a new campaign of bloodshed against 15,000,000 helpless people below the Rio Grande.

Efforts to make the public believe that it will take a handful of men to "clean up" Mexico are not deceiving the army officers as to the size of the job. The American army is mere or less shattered. Demobilization has been precipitate. Congress has cut appropriations right and left. The American air service has gone to pieces. The regular army is strategically distributed to

NATION CALMED IN WILSON COMEBACK

Fall Praised for Expressing Confidence in President's Ability to Handle Crisis.

By William Philip Simms
Washington, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—President Woodrow Wilson's "comeback," as the dramatic sickroom coup at the White House has come to be called here, will go a long way to calm the industrial and social unrest raging and on the increase throughout the country during the past few months.

This is the belief of the thinking men of all parties here, expressed in a single paragraph.

The president, by his action in granting an immediate interview to the senatorial committee appointed to wait on him and hear his opinion of certain topics, has at a blow, it is believed, killed all rumors and reports as to his condition.

Statesmen here generally praise Senator Fall for his admission of his old political enemy to handle, not only the Mexican crisis, but any other situation which might be brought to his attention. The senator's pronouncement that the president, though physically weak, as the result of his long illness, was surprisingly perfectly alert mentally, was a finishing stroke in the restoration of public confidence in the domestic situation, and even his sharpest critics are forced to credit him with that.

Howard Newman Crushed to Death

Truck Load of Hardwood Slips and Falls on the Unfortunate Man.

Howard Newman, 35, otherwise unidentified by police, was almost instantly killed at 10:30 this morning when a truck load of hardwood slipped and fell upon him at the Emerson Hardwood Co. Twentieth and North Front streets.

Deputy Coroner Goetsch, after a cursory examination, believed Newman's skull was crushed under the weight of the load. Newman was working near the truck when it slipped. Police are seeking to further identify Newman.

Noted French Dancer In Critical Condition From an Operation

Paris, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—Gaby Deslys, famous French dancer, who was recently operated on, has taken a sudden turn for the worse and is in a serious condition.

It was stated today that gripe, accompanied by high fever, has followed the operation. The original trouble was abscess of the throat.

Famous Naturalist Rests in Sanitarium

Battle Creek, Mich., Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—John Burroughs, famous naturalist, arrived here today, accompanied by Henry Ford and Mrs. Ford, for a short rest at a local sanitarium. Mr. Burroughs is not ill, but has exercised himself considerably lately and thinks a short stay here will benefit him.

Portland Puts in Bid for Dempsey And Carpenter; \$100,000 Is Sent

Offer Made as Starter to Bring Famous Pugilists to Portland Next June.

Portland is in the field for the world's championship heavyweight contest between Jack Dempsey, titleholder, and Georges Carpentier, the famous French battler.

An offer of \$100,000 was telegraphed to Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager, today by a group of Portland business men for a 10-round contest during Rose Festival week, when the national convention of Shriners will be in session here. The committee has offered to post a cash deposit of \$20,000 as soon as terms are accepted.

It is the plan to erect a temporary stadium on Multnomah field capable of seating 75,000 people.

Charles W. Ackerson, representing the committee, said: "We want to get this bout for Portland. Our present offer is only a starter and if Kearns shows any inclination to accept the offer we may be able to go stronger.

"It is our opinion that Dempsey does not like a long fight, and for that reason would be willing to consider our proposition seriously. We expect an immediate answer from Kearns regarding Portland's chances of landing the contest.

"This would be a great thing for Portland. It would put us on the athletic map and would bring people from all parts of the world."

Portland's bid is below others, asserts Kearns
Los Angeles, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—"It sounds like fine publicity for Portland."

Such was the first comment of Jack Kearns, manager of Jack Dempsey, world's heavyweight champion, when informed by the International News Service today that the Portland (Or.) Chamber of Commerce had offered \$100,000 for a ten-round contest between Dempsey and Georges Carpentier, European title holder.

"I can't see how Portland expects me to consider its offer seriously, when Dempsey already has a book full of offers from Denmark, Toronto, etc. New Orleans is guaranteeing him \$150,000 for his share, and also has a second offer from Cochran offering \$175,000 flat for his share to fight in Europe.

"As I see it, Portland only holds out \$100,000 as a purse. Why, Carpentier would want that much to appear himself. The Frenchman drew down over \$80,000 for fighting Beckett. I am already in receipt of half a dozen offers better than that.

"However, I will be glad to let Portland's offer away with the rest. That's the way all big purses start, by bidding, you know.

Kearns said if the purse were attractive he would just as soon stage the fight in Portland as any place else, preferring America to Europe anyway.

"Dempsey referred the matter to Kearns, saying: 'I don't care where I fight just so I fight. That's the main thing with me. As for 10 rounds, that's enough.'"

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Public Safety Committee Finds Plan Will Relieve Congestion and Minimize Accidents.

One way traffic on Portland streets was indorsed by the traffic committee of the public safety council Friday and its adoption recommended to the city council. The plan will relieve congestion and aid in accident prevention, the committee believes.

Under the proposed ordinance the following streets would be one way thoroughfares: Taylor, Yamhill, Alder, Stark, Oak, Front, First, Second, Park and West Park.

SHARP NOTE, DEMANDING FULL COMPLIANCE WITH TREATY, DRAWN BY ALLIES

Near-Ultimatum Is Notice to Germans That Allies Will Not Longer Stand For Further Delay in Meeting Pact.

Marshal Foch Standing Ready to Strike Blow in Case Huns Refuse to Sign Up; Soldiers and Artillery Cross Rhine.

PARIS, Dec. 6.—(I. N. S.)—The French have moved many pieces of heavy artillery to the right bank of the Rhine in order to be prepared for any eventuality in case Germany rejects the peace treaty ratification protocol, the Matin stated today.

The supreme council today approved a stern note to Germany stating that the complete conditions of the peace treaty and protocol of ratification must be carried out.

It is expected that the note will be sent either tomorrow or Monday.

While the note is not a definite ultimatum, it is a plain spoken warning that the allies will not tolerate any dilatory tactics on the part of Germany. In the meantime active military measures are being taken to enforce the terms upon Germany in case the German delegation rejects the ratification protocol, according to press dispatches.

Both heavy artillery and troops have been moved across the Rhine in the zone of allied occupation.

Marshal Foch and Field Marshal Sir Henry Wilson of the British army attended the meeting of the supreme council.

FOCH PRIMED FOR TRIPLE ATTACK AGAINST GERMANY

By Henry Wood
Paris, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—The allies today were prepared to start a new triple invasion of Germany if she refuses to sign the protocol to the peace treaty, in the opinion of well-informed persons here.

Press and public alike were confident a virtual ultimatum will be dispatched to the German government within 24 hours.

Preparations for a decisive military blow also are under way. Under armistice terms the allies can renew their advance before ratification of the peace treaty is made. However, they probably will give Germany another chance to sign the protocol.

Following conferences between Field Marshal Wilson of Great Britain and Marshal Foch of France, military plans to enforce the terms of the armistice have been formulated. These substantially are the same as those made last June, when it was uncertain whether Germany would accept the treaty of Versailles, it was learned.

Foch at the time prepared a plan of invasion of Germany by British and French armies, by way of E. on and Munster toward Berlin. American and French armies from Frankfurt up the valley of the Main, completely separating Northern and Southern Germany and by French armies in Lorraine toward Ulm.

MAY OWE AIRMAN

Owing to Germany's attitude, the French government is considering mobilization of all aviation sections and as recalling the younger classes of demobilized infantry, it was rumored today. If further occupation of Germany is necessary, these steps probably will be taken soon, it was said.

Dispatches from Germany announcing heavy movements of allied troops, and French armaments, and the forces for the drive should the situation demand it.

Meantime, the attitude of the German delegation in Paris, headed by Baron Kurr of Brinow, has changed from one of bluff to one of alarm.

SENATE'S REJECTION BLAMED

The French press today unanimously pointed out the general attitude of the Germans was brought on largely by the failure of the American senate to ratify the peace treaty. Germany, in the opinion of the newspapers, sees in the American senate's action an opportunity to secure revision of the terms.

The Matin reports an important movement of French heavy artillery on the right bank of the Rhine already in order.

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