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CONCILIATORS AVERT PAPER MILL STRIKE

Disputes Settled by War Labor Board—Telegraphers and Freight Handlers Also Considered

MAY 1 FINDS NATION'S WORK UNDISTURBED

Mooney Walkouts All Called Off by Councils—Public Opinion Aids

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The war labor board today averted the strike of the pulp and paper workers called for May 1, in the plants of the International Paper company which manufactures sixty per cent of the American consumption, and started toward conciliation of difficulties involving commercial telegraphers and New York harbor freight handlers.

On eight-hour and an increased scale of pay demanded by the paper workers were taken under consideration by the board, upon an agreement between union officials and employers, that the board's adjustment would be made before July 1, and that wage increases, if granted, would date from May 1. In the meantime the Federal Trade commission will consider the awards in fixing prices for paper.

President Newcomb Carlton, of the Western Union Telegraph company, and Edward Reynolds, general manager of the Postal Telegraph company, agreed to come before the board Saturday to respond to a complaint presented by representatives of the Commercial Telegraphers' union that operators are being dismissed by the companies all over the United States for joining the union.

S. J. Koenekamp, of Chicago, president of the union, told the board that authority to call a strike was in

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Fire Alarms Terrorizing Lewistown—School Burns

LEWISTOWN, Mont., April 30.—Flames which broke out in the Ferguson county high school building late tonight while the fire department was fighting two fires in two other parts of town, completely wrecked the structure. While the school building was burning, a fourth fire was reported.

Firemen who arrived first at the high school building found a five-gallon can half full of what they declared was a mixture of gasoline and kerosene on a landing of the stairway and the stairway was ablaze. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

Citizens, armed with rifles, were patrolling the city late tonight. Several weeks ago German textbooks were taken from the high school building by a crowd of citizens and burned in the public square.

Trotsky Urges Decree for Compulsory Service

MOSCOW, Tuesday, April 23.—Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik minister of war and marine, speaking at a meeting of the central executive last night, urged the issuance of a decree for compulsory military service.

"Fearing destruction, Russia must have an army," he said. "We don't know the hour when we will be openly challenged by the imperialistic enemy threatening us in the east."

The central executive adopted a resolution providing for the training of workmen, peasants and unemployed from 18 to 40 years of age for eight consecutive weeks, at least twelve hours weekly.

Boys from 16 to 18 will be trained in similar manner. Woman may volunteer. The enlistment will be for a minimum of six months and desertion will be punishable by imprisonment and loss of citizenship.

Minnesota Non-Partisan League Holds Convention

ST. PAUL, Minn., April 30.—The Non-Partisan league held a secret state convention here this afternoon and after the meeting it was announced that candidates were chosen for attorney general, secretary of state and state treasurer. It was stated that the names of the candidates would be made public from headquarters.

The meeting was "harmonious," it was said.

QUAKE AGAIN VISITS CITIES IN CALIFORNIA

Shock Felt Throughout Imperial Valley as Far East as Phoenix and Yuma, Arizona—El Centro Center

BUILDINGS DAMAGED IN ADJACENT TOWNS

Crowd at Chautauqua Thrown Into Panic—People Escape From Hotel

LOS ANGELES, April 30.—A single earth tremor lasting forty seconds was felt throughout the Imperial valley in Southern California and in Western Arizona at 9:30 tonight. Only slight damage at various points have been reported late tonight.

The shock appeared to have been most severe at El Centro, which is across the San Jacinto mountain range from San Jacinto and Hemet, which were seriously damaged by an earthquake April 21 and which has experienced recurring shocks of slighter intensity almost daily since. Reports from San Jacinto and Hemet tonight indicated no shocks were felt there.

At El Centro a crowd attending a chautauqua lecture in a large tent was thrown into a near-panic and guests at the leading hotel rushed out of the building, some escaping in night clothing by way of fire escapes. No property damage was reported.

At Calexico plate glass windows in a building under construction were cracked and goods were jarred from shelves in a grocery store.

At Yuma, Ariz., and throughout the Yuma valley, houses were shaken and people awakened from their sleep but no damage was reported there. Brawley and Imperial, in the Imperial valley, were slightly shaken but no damage was done.

LASTS FEW SECONDS.

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 30.—Yuma, Ariz., felt an earthquake shock which lasted for a few seconds at 9:33 o'clock tonight. The quake was felt all over the Yuma valley but was not severe enough to do damage though it aroused people who were in bed from their sleep.

PEOPLE FLEE FOR SAFETY.

EL CENTRO, Cal., April 30.—A heavy earthquake shock lasting about thirty seconds was felt here at 9:35 o'clock tonight. Doors and windows rattled and people fled from their homes to the open for safety. Early reports indicated no damage was done.

PLATEGLASS BROKEN.

CALEXICO, Cal., April 30.—An earthquake shock felt here shortly after 9 o'clock tonight broke plate-glass windows in a store building under construction and jarred merchandise from shelves in a grocery store. No further damage was reported.

Smart Youngsters on Horns of Unpleasant Species of Dilemma

Some of the smart juvenile population of Salem are on the horns of a particularly unpleasant dilemma. They must either lose some perfectly good bicycles or go to the police station and answer for disturbing a house party in the 1400-block on North Summer street last night.

Several boys on bicycles, it seems, invaded the premises and created a disturbance by knocking down the doors and otherwise making themselves obnoxious. Someone called the police, and in their hurry to get away the boys left their bicycles behind. Two of the bicycles were brought to the police station, while others were hidden where only the police know where to find them.

REVOLUTION IN AUSTRIA NEAR

Plebiscite Now Being Held Favors Union With Serbs and Montenegrins

LONDON, April 30.—A dispatch sent out today by Reuter's Limited says:

"It has been learned from Serbian sources that unmistakable signs of an approaching revolution in Austria-Hungary are becoming daily more evident. A plebiscite is being held among the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes in favor of their union with Serbia and Montenegro in one national independent state under the sceptre of King Peter of Serbia. The prime archbishop of Carthola is at the head of this movement."

"Demonstrations of a very serious character are taking place in the Jugo-Slav provinces. Now comes news that at the request of the Austrian government, and with the sanction of the pope, the nuncio at Vienna has opened a disciplinary inquiry against the archbishop of Carthola for placing himself at the head of this revolutionary movement. Great developments are expected."

TWENTY-NINE CONSPIRATORS GET SENTENCE

Hengstler Only One Not to Escape Term in Federal Prison

HINDU CASE IS ENDED

Bopp and Von Schack Given Maximum Penalty—Total Fines \$64,000

SAN FRANCISCO, April 30.—Trial of the world-wide Hindu conspiracy case, which was punctuated with sensational exposes of German secret diplomacy and the killing of two defendants in the court room, ended here today with the sentencing of twenty-nine of the conspirators. Various fines and prison terms were imposed by United States District Judge William C. Van Fleet, who heard the case. The total of the prison terms was twenty-three and two-thirds years and the fines \$64,000.

Louis T. Hengstler, San Francisco attorney, was the only defendant to escape a prison sentence. Judge Van Fleet had imposed a county jail term of four months on Hengstler, but remitted it after Hengstler made a plea to the court protesting his Americanism and denouncing German imperialism. A fine of \$5000 remained against him, however.

German System Blamed.

The blame for the conspiracy was placed squarely up to the German supreme command. Judge Van Fleet characterized the Hindu conspirators as mere catpaws of the "Prussian military system," and told them that had their revolution succeeded and they had been placed under such a system they would spare no effort to throw it off.

The German foreign office, embassy at Washington and consulate at San Francisco were the nerve centers of the world-flung plot to wrest India rule from England, Judge Van Fleet said in sentencing Frank Bopp, Wilhelm von Brincken and E. von Schack, the heads of the consulate. Bopp and von Schack were given the maximum sentences provided by the violated neutrality laws, two years imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine. Von Brincken was sentenced to serve two years, this sentence to run concurrently with a similar judgment hanging over him as a result of his alleged participation in bomb and dynamiting plots against the government of Canada.

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GERMAN HOPES ARE OUTLINED

Soldiers Are Told What Prussians Would Have If They Made Peace Terms

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Dominion of the coast of Flanders, colonization of Courland, Lithuania and a large part of Poland and possession of the coal and iron mines in France and Russia, would be the fruits of "the true German peace" as outlined in a political catechism which has been delivered to the German soldiers on the western front.

An official dispatch today from France said that when the catechism was read before the reichstag by Deputy Noake, the minister of war said he was ignorant of it, whereupon Deputy Erzberger replied that he had delivered a copy of this pamphlet to the minister several weeks ago.

"The catechism which was distributed with the approbation of the military authorities," the dispatch said, "contains such sentences as these:

"Democracy is the worst of all regimes. The democratic parties of the reichstag wanted to force us by means of strikes and seditions to sign a shameful peace. Money is the main spring of democratic regime. The motto liberty, equity, fraternity, cloaks an association of international brigands. Parliament is a shop for gossips. The true German peace will give us for colonization the lands of Courland, Lithuania and a large part of Poland as well as the coal and iron mines in the west and in the east. This peace will assure us the domination of the coast of Flanders."

ALLIED LINES HOLD AGAINST HUN GENERAL

Von Armin Makes Futile Smashes in Flanders—No Change in Positions—Flanks Hold Brilliantly

LOCRE RECAPTURED IN COUNTER-DRIVE

French Make Dashing Attack on Point—German Artillery in Great Duel

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, April 30.—Further desperate smashes by Von Armin's army against the allied lines on the Flanders battlefield yesterday afternoon and evening met with no more success than the enemy's futile and costly attempts earlier in the day to break through and capture the hill positions west of Kemmel.

Not only did the British and French maintain their positions at virtually all parts in the face of furious onslaughts, but during the night they re-claimed several bits of territory on which the enemy had succeeded in getting a hold.

Locre had again fallen into German hands late yesterday, but the French once more made a dashing counter-drive and thrust the enemy out of this important place.

Same As Monday.

The allied lines in Flanders this morning were to all intents the same as when the Germans surged forward yesterday and in front of the defending positions gray uniforms men lay in great numbers, representing the awful price paid by the Germans.

North of Kemmel the British and French, countering in conjunction, also pushed forward somewhat during the night and bettered their positions. At one time yesterday the Germans actually had some men on the lower slopes of both Mont Rouge and the Scherpenberg, after they succeeded in driving a small wedge into the French line between these two elevations.

Pierce fighting continued about Locre all day, and the enemy sacrificed great numbers of men in an attempt to push through here.

Flanks Hold Well.

In the mean time the flanks were holding brilliantly against successive shocks. Particularly bitter battle was waged astride the Kemmel-La Clytte highway, near the junction of the French and British. Here the enemy tried his favorite trick of trying to divide the two forces, but he found no weak spots.

At Ridgewood, west of Voormezele, heavy fighting also continued throughout the day, the Germans losing great numbers of men, both killed and wounded.

It is impossible to say how many attacks the enemy made at this point during the course of the day; they came forward in waves throughout long hours. There was no cessation of the terrible battle. The wonder is that the allied troops were able to hold in the face of such onslaughts

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SEVEN MEN TO GO THURSDAY

More Drafted Men Leave Salem to Report for Military Service

Another group of seven selected men have received their final classifications from the local exemption board and will be sent to Portland to report for duty Thursday morning. The names are as follows:

Harl O. Clancy, Des Moines, Ia. Hollis C. Ingels, Salem. Charles E. Wood, Cascade Locks. Ivan Darby, Silverton. Edmund C. Warner, Silverton. Ferdinand E. Barnick, Salem. Ralph W. Miller, Salem.

These men will be called to the court house Thursday morning and escorted to the depot by members of the G. A. R. and other citizens.

Some conception of the amount of clerical work that has been done in the local office of the exemption board may be derived from the following figures by Chairman W. I. Needham:

There have passed through the hands of the board and been accepted for military service 297 men. There have been listed fourteen delinquents, thirty for the emergency fleet and fifty-five for limited military service; reminded group B, twenty-one. Total number of men inducted since December 15, 1917, sixty; number of men called but not inducted, eight. Seven Class I cases are still unfinished, and thirty-eight Class J men are not yet examined. As all men listed require the filling out of several formidable blanks and record cards, the total requires an interminable amount of clerical work.

What Next? They Want Governor's Shirt Now

HELENA, Mont., April 30.—Governor Sam V. Stewart today received a request from Miss Eugenia A. Stuart, of the Des Moines, Ia., Red Cross, for his shirt, which is to be auctioned off for Red Cross aprons. Miss Stuart explains that the governor of every state is asked to donate a similar article of apparel. As the governor's proportions are generous he answered that he hoped his shirt would make a half dozen aprons.

Plans for Increasing Army to Be Submitted

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Plans for increasing the war army to keep pace with the accelerated movement of American soldiers to the battle front in France, will be laid before the house military committee by Secretary Baker within a day or two. Mr. Baker said today after a prolonged session of the cabinet that he would be ready to submit his estimates in that time.

What increases are to be asked has not been disclosed but the report most widely circulated is that an additional million men will be provided for the appropriation bills submitted, bringing the army up to more than 3,000,000 men.

The accelerated movement of the troops to Europe is proceeding very smoothly and officials are much encouraged by the showing of the transportation service.

Droath Hits Michigan; Amendment in Effect

DETROIT, April 30.—Michigan joined the ranks of the "dry" states at midnight tonight. At that hour the constitutional amendment adopted by the voters 18 months ago became operative and affected 225 saloons in the state.

ARGUMENT OF FULLERTON IS OBJECTED TO

Olcott Erases Statement in Pamphlet That is Considered Libelous

BROWN GIVES OPINION

Telephone Altercation With Eugene Candidate Precedes Action

Because of statements appearing in the argument of James Fullerton of Eugene, Republican candidate for the legislature, which Secretary of State Olcott considered libelous against the University of Oregon, publication of the Lane county election pamphlet was held up yesterday until Olcott could ascertain through an opinion from the attorney general whether he had the right to eliminate the objectionable passages.

Attorney General Brown issued his opinion late yesterday, holding that the law imposes upon the secretary of state the responsibility of editing the matter published in the campaign pamphlets and that he has a right to make the eliminations.

Claims School is Immoral.

One of the objectionable statements reads as follows:

"He has worked to do away with the immoral conditions at the university, so the parents might feel safe to send their sons and daughters there, and if elected will introduce a bill remedying the present awful conditions."

Another statement read:

"If given a chance he will make the University of Oregon a fit place to send the youth of our state and do away with the graft and rottenness that now exist."

Fullerton's argument is signed by W. J. Williams, Sam Spores, Mary A. Woods and E. B. Parks. Upon observing the statements which he considered objectionable, Secretary Olcott called Fullerton by telephone and asked him if he would object to the elimination of those parts of the argument. Fullerton is said to have objected angrily whereupon Olcott requested him to ask the opinion of the signers of the argument. Fullerton called Olcott later and informed the secretary that he had seen three of the signers and that they objected to the elimination and would "stand pat."

Brown Makes Ruling.

Referring to the statement presented in Fullerton's behalf, Attorney General Brown says:

"You ask whether or not you have the authority to edit the same by eliminating what you deem objectionable matter before you deliver the statement to the state printer."

The law has imposed upon you the responsibility of editing the matter published in the state campaign pamphlet, and has vested you with power and discretion to omit the following paragraphs if you deem them contrary to public policy and to the welfare of the state."

This part of the opinion is followed by a quotation of the paragraphs objected to by the secretary of state.

PAUSE COMES ON FLANDERS BATTLEFIELD

Efforts to Break Allied Lines Fruitless; Capture of Locre Only Success in Three Days—British and French Hold

SNAP GONE FROM HUN FIGHTING MANEUVERS

Austrians Again Make Peace Moves—Italy Object of Attention.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY.

Again there has come a pause in the battle of Flanders, where the ground everywhere is covered with the gray-clad bodies of German dead, and the British and French are holding securely to all their positions.

From Saturday until well into Monday night General von Armin's forces continued their efforts to break the British lines on the Ypres salient and to press back the British and French from the high ground to the southwest, but everywhere their efforts were fruitless. True, they gained their objective and again captured Locre, but a counter-thrust forced them out again and at last accounts the French were holding the village.

Enemy Pushed Back.

In the hilly region just to the north of Locre, the British also pushed back the enemy at several points, notably between Kemmel and La Clytte.

Much of the snap of the German attacking forces has been absent from the maneuvers they have been carrying out in Flanders under the stiffened line of the entente troops which has been apparent since last Sunday.

To the south, near Amiens, and to the east, around Noyon, the enemy likewise has failed in all his attempts to push further forward. The British, east of Villiers-Bretonneux, which lies directly east of Amiens, have advanced their front and in the Noyon sector, the French have re-established their lines which the Germans previously had captured from them.

Allied Gun Answer.

The Germans on various sectors of the line are still hurling tons of steel against the British and French positions, but the allied guns are everywhere answering them in kind. It is not improbable that at a meeting of the inter-allied war council in Paris Wednesday, which will be attended by the American, British, French and Italian representatives, measures having in view the turning of the tide of battle will be uppermost in the discussions.

Austria Uneasy.

The emperor of Austria-Hungary is again reported in Swiss advices to be holding out the olive branch of peace—this time in the direction of Italy. He is said to have appealed to Italy to consider the proffer in her own interests.

German and Austrian newspapers are beginning to express their fear concerning the entry of the United States into the war, which they previously had referred to with scorn. "We must hurry and obtain a solid victory by arms before the American forces arrive, is the tenor of their plea to their peoples."

Lines Re-established.

PARIS, April 30.—In the sector of Noyon the Germans in attacks today made gains in advanced French trench elements, but later were driven out and the French have re-established their lines, according to the official communication issued by the war office tonight.

In the region of Hangard there has been a violent bombardment.

ONLY LOCAL FIGHTING.

LONDON, April 30.—Except for local fighting at different points, there has been no infantry action today, says Field Marshal Haig's report from British headquarters in France tonight.

"In a successful counter-attack last night at Loere the French troops captured 94 prisoners."

"Further reports confirm the fact that the enemy's losses were very heavy in his unsuccessful attack yesterday."

"South of the Somme our patrols brought in a few prisoners. Beyond the usual artillery activity on both sides there is nothing further to report."

ENGAGEMENTS IN FLANDERS.

BERLIN, via London, April 30.—The official statement from general headquarters today says:

"Infantry engagements developed on isolated sectors on the Flanders battlefield. North of Voormezele and Vierstraat, we captured several English trenches. Strong detachments, which were penetrating the enemy's lines near Loere came in

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THE WEATHER. Fair; moderate westerly winds.

A Word On Assortment

If you are interested in a line of merchandise—say Silks—is it not a pleasure to buy where your choosing need not be confined to a very, very limited assortment? No matter what they are wearing in London, New York or any where else, and no matter what such and such a person is wearing, the fact remains that truly correct style means suiting the personality of the wearer. This requires an ASSORTMENT SUFFICIENTLY LARGE to allow ample latitude for personal preferences after all other considerations are covered. Now look at our assortment of shades and colors in just one quality of

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