

NUMEROUS STRIKES AFFECT ARGENTINA H.C.L. THE CAUSE

Buenos Aires, Jan. 2.—Argentina has been the scene of numerous strikes in the past few months. In general these are attributed to the high cost of living, particularly prohibitive rents for poor families. One economist declares that wages here are 66 per cent higher than in England while the cost of living is 82 per cent greater.

Twelve thousand employees in various trades including shipyard workers and harbor workers have been on strike in Buenos Aires. There have been predictions of a general strike in this city and the police have made preparations to deal with violence. It is reported that 25 motor cars fitted for machine guns have been ordered from the United States.

Some of the strikes have been attended by violence. Two workmen who failed to join the strike of shipyard workers were murdered.

General strikes have taken place in Mendoza and Cordova. In Mendoza a city of 60,000 inhabitants, business was paralyzed for a week by a strike which grew out of the discharge of several school teachers alleged to be anarchists in their teachings. It has been charged that the police transported some of the agitators into an arid and uninhabited section of the province and left them there without food or shelter. This caused a fierce debate in congress resulting in the appointment of a congressional committee to investigate the Mendoza situation. President Irigoyen was criticized by socialists and opponents of the administration in refusal to remove officials alleged to have given ground to the strike.

A general strike in Cordoba, a city of 135,000 was caused by a wage dispute between a tramway company and its employees. There was some shooting and rioting. The garbage collectors went on strike and the refuse littered the streets making the city a fearsome place. The strike ended when the tramway company made concessions.

Victor Point News.

Victor Point, Feb. 4.—A. N. Doerfler took a truckload of fine Durum to Salem Monday, preparatory to the big sale to be held at the fair grounds. Mrs. Arthur Schreiber and Mrs. Bon Hofstetter and children have been visiting at the Darby home the past few weeks. Roy Verbeck spent the week-end with the Millers. Mr. and Mrs. James Darby, Jr., returned Sunday from a short sojourn at the beach. Mrs. Lilliland, who has been away for a visit the past few days, is now home again. Mr. and Mrs. Karl Hanneman are the proud parents of an eight-pound son, born February 1. He will be named Douglas Joseph. Lawrence Klossch of Washington, who has been a guest at the Doerfler home for the past month, returned home Monday. Miss Anna Doerfler accompanied him as far as Portland.

Annulment Proceedings Are Reviewed By Bingham

Circuit Judge George G. Bingham, reviewed the annulment suit of Lloyd S. McIntyre against Mabel C. McIntyre. The suit was instituted by McIntyre's mother and guardian, who claims that Lloyd was only 17 years of age when he and Mabel West were married at Vancouver, Washington, June 21, 1919. According to the guardian's complaint, the couple lived together only a short time, the complaint being filed November 8, 1919. Mrs. McIntyre has filed no demurrer to the complaint filed by her husband's guardian. After considering a portion of the evidence in the case, Judge Bingham postponed the matter until further evidence could be submitted.

AGREEMENT REACHED UPON RAIL MEASURE

Washington, Feb. 4.—Senate and house conferees reached a virtual agreement today upon the railroad bill, with the settlement of differences growing out of amendments by both houses to the so called rate making powers and the labor privileges.

The compromise reached provides for elimination of the senate anti-strike clause and substitution therefor of provisions whereby wage disputes will be settled by wage boards composed of an equal number of employees and railroad officials. In case of a disagreement appeal would be taken to another board upon which the public would be represented.

The conferees retained the senate provision in the rate making section providing for a return of five and one half percent to the railroads. The provision would be effective either for a period of one and a half years or for two years after the termination of government control, the exact period to be definitely determined later by the conferees.

DEATH CALLS WOMAN 96 YEARS OLD HERE

Death claimed one of the oldest persons in Salem Tuesday when Mrs. Mary A. Crist, 96, died at the home of her son, Franklin P. Crist, 2615 Brooks avenue. Mrs. Crist was the mother of ten children, six of which now survive her.

The funeral will be held at the Terwilliger Home, 776 Chemoketa street, at two o'clock Thursday afternoon, burial following in the Odd Fellows cemetery. Rev. Gillespie will have charge.

Mrs. Crist leaves the following children: Mrs. E. A. Dayton, Philadelphia Pa.; Mrs. W. E. Dodge, Minneapolis; Mrs. Flora B. Elwell, Freeport, Kan.; Miss Mary L. Crist, Oakland, Cal.; Charles W. Crist, Chicago, and Franklin P. Crist, this city.

"SMOKELESS SUMMER" SOUGHT BY CHAMBER

Portland, Or., Feb. 4.—The committee of the Portland chamber of commerce on scenic highway protection today accepted an invitation from the natural parks association of Seattle to join in a state-wide campaign of education during the week of May 23-28 in an effort to prevent forest fires during the season of 1920. The movement will be directed to education of the public in having tourists and campers avoid marring scenery by carelessness. The fire prevention work will be heralded by the slogan adopted by the Seattle association: "Let's have a smokeless summer."

Citizens Of Two Countries Apply For U. S. Citizenship

Two naturalization applications were received in County Clerk Boyer's office, Wednesday. One of the applicants a former citizen was a native of France and the other a native of Russia. Paul Falquet, 43, a farmer residing at St. Paul, Oregon, was born at St. Pierre, Miquelon Island, France. He arrived in the United States November 15, 1916, and immediately applied for naturalization papers. Mr. Falquet eventually received these papers and recently when he supposed that it was time for completion of naturalization, he submitted them only to find that he had underestimated the seven year period by one month, making it necessary to secure new papers. The second application was filed by Alexander Matthias Schmidt, 35, a fireman, now residing at Salem. Mr. Schmidt was born in Mariethal, Russia, and first immigrated to Canada, being naturalized there. He came to the United States from Canada October 3, 1915.

INTEREST GROWS AS DEPORTATION CASES IN ARIZONA PROCEED

Tombstone, Ariz., Feb. 4.—A statement by County Attorney Robert N. French published in a local newspaper that "I have not an I. W. W. on my list of witnesses, nor will I prosecute any one for deporting one from Biebee on July 13, 1917," was the chief topic of conversation as court reconvened today for the trial of Harry E. Wootton, hardware merchant of Biebee, accused of kidnaping in connection with the deportations.

Wootton is one of 210 defendants accused of participating in the deportation of 1185 men from Biebee.

French's statement is part of a statement published last Saturday it was stated this would be the first time that an I. W. W. would be arraigned on the prosecuting side the history of courts. This is decidedly wrong, since I positively have not on the prosecution's side one man that is an I. W. W. or affiliated with that organization in any manner, who will testify in these cases. Furthermore, this will not be a defendant prosecuted for deporting an I. W. W. and what is more I am the man responsible for breaking up of the I. W. W. organization in Cochise county.

Prospective jurors of a new venire of 100 drawn late yesterday were reporting to court this morning. Meanwhile, examination of the previous venire continued with nine passed by both sides subject to peremptory challenge.

Twelve jurors had been passed by both sides when court recessed at noon. When 12 more have been selected the prosecution and defense will peremptorily half the total number, leaving twelve to try the first case.

All the jurors selected today were cattlemen.

Thirty veniremen were examined during the morning session. About half were excused because they were employees of the PhelpsDodge corporation.

Questioning of prospective jurors developed nothing during the morning except routine answers.

YANKEE OFFICIALS AIDED SOVIETS IS MARTENS' CHARGE

Washington, Feb. 4.—"Officials of the United States" co-operated actively with the Russian soviet government in conducting propaganda designed to undermine the imperial German government, Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, representative of soviet Russia in this country, declared today before the senate investigating committee. In response to questions by Chairman Moses, Martens named Raymond Robins, formerly of the Red Cross organization in Russia, and "agents" of the committee on public information. "At a time when a branch of the United States government during 1918 was preparing the issuance of alleged documents on the basis of which it was implied that officials of the soviet government were paid agents of the imperial German government," Martens said, "my government was actively co-operating with agents of that branch of the soviet government in circulating among the German army appeals to overthrow the German government."

"Mr. Greel's bureau of public information," Martens said, "was the government branch, and the 'so-called Sisson documents' was the propaganda under preparation."

Former Senator Hardwick of Georgia, counsel for Martens, gave notice that Robins would be called to testify regarding the assertions of the soviet representative.

"So Greel was working with you on one hand and attacking it on the other," said Senator Moses. "Yes," Martens said.

A mild form of influenza has invaded Canby. The high school and the grammar school have been closed.

FORMER WASHINGTON EDITOR PASSES TODAY

Spokane, Wash., Feb. 4.—Charles B. Hopkins, a pioneer telephone man of the northwest and former United States marshal for Washington died in a hospital at Rochester, Minn. today following an operation, according to word received here.

Mr. Hopkins established the Palouse Wash. Gazette in 1877 and was interested in the ownership of the Spokane Chronicle in 1888. He took over the military telegraph line between Colfax and Almo, Wash., in 1883 and converted it into a telephone system. In 1889 he became president of the Inland Telephone company here.

Mr. Hopkins was aged 65 years and is survived by his widow and one daughter.

FAMINE, CRIME AND DISEASE REIGN IN PETROGRAD, CLAIM

London, Jan. 27.—Petrograd is described as a city suffering from famine, cold, disease and robbery in a report just made by Professor Zeldner, president of the Russian Red Cross society.

"Owing to the want of fuel the capital is becoming a desert," he says. "In a few houses only there are still some inhabitants and even these generally live in their kitchens. Famine conditions in this city are terrible. If the population had not already accustomed itself to feeding on whatever people in normal circumstances never eat at all, they would have no food whatever. Spotted typhus and Spanish influenza with various complications have put an end to the sufferings of many unfortunate people."

"The authorities are powerless to guard public safety. Gangs of robbers are at work in the deserted quarters of the city carrying off all that may have been left after the searches made by the red army."

PRIORITY TO GRAIN SHIPMENT ORDERED

Washington, Feb. 4.—To remedy congested condition of grain elevators throughout the middle west, Director General Hines today issued general orders to railroads serving the grain producing areas which, in effect, turn all available box car equipment into the grain transportation service to the exclusion of practically all other traffic. The orders provide for the special movement of grain during the ten day period beginning February 8.

Railroads affected serve the states of Illinois, Minnesota, Montana, Missouri, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Colorado, Wisconsin, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas and New Mexico.

Prohibition Caused Sale Of Former German Ships

Washington, Feb. 4.—Sale of the former German passenger liners seized at the outbreak of the war was forced on the shipping board by the operation of the national prohibition law, Chairman Payne is understood to have told President Wilson. Mr. Payne was said to have written the president that the government could not operate the liners on which intoxicants were not sold in competition with privately owned ships on which wine and other liquors were served.

Illness Of Juror Further Delays Trial Of Radicals

Montesano, Wash., Feb. 4.—Because of the illness of John Lamb, one of the eleven alleged I. W. W. on trial here for the murder of Warren O. Grimm, victim of the Armistice Day shooting at Centralia, court did not resume at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. Pending determination of the malady, court announced a recess until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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CHAMBERLAIN SAYS MYERS MAY LAND IN JAIL FOR REFUSAL

Portland, Or., Feb. 4.—A special dispatch from Washington received here today quoted Senator Chamberlain as saying that if Frank S. Myers, dismissed by the president as postmaster at Portland, persists in opposing the order he "will be treated as any other private citizen who tried to obstruct public business and will land in jail." The senator is quoted as declaring Myers will not find any friends in the senate to take up his case, should he carry out his announced intention of appealing to that body to retain his position here.

Myers, upon being advised of the senator's statement said: "I am well aware that for the past six years Senator Chamberlain has been trying to have me removed but I do not believe the United States senate will deny me a fair hearing." Myers claims his removal was for political reasons.

State Treasurer's Objection To Valuation Is Dismissed

After considering the appeal of State Treasurer O. P. Hoff in the matter of the proper appraisal of the Maurice Klingler estate for inheritance tax valuation, Circuit Judge George G. Bingham has dismissed the state treasurer's objection to the appraisal.

In findings of the case, the upper court sustains County Judge W. M. Bushby who returned the appraisal and returned negative findings to the state treasurer's objections.

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Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 3.—Gas masks, such as were used by the American army in France, are to be supplied men of the United Verde Mining company at Jerome, Arizona, to overcome sulphur fumes while they make the last dash to put out the fire which has been raging in the mine, for under-

HUGH M. STRETHORN DIES

Spokane, Wash., Feb. 4.—Hugh M. Stretborn, for 35 years president of the Post Falls Lumber and Manufacturing company at Post Falls, Idaho, died in a hospital here today after an illness of two months.

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