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## HARD EFFORT IS MADE TO END STRIKES

MAYOR, GOVERNOR, EX-GOVERNOR JOIN IN TRYING TO SETTLE SHIPYARD TROUBLE

## APPEAL IS MADE TO GOMPERS

Labor Leader Expects Federal Negotiation Will Effect Settlement for All Shipyards on Coast

Portland, Sept. 25.—3 p. m.—The shipyard strike stands at a deadlock. Mayor Baker and Governor Withycombe have conferred and decided that the anti-picketing law should be enforced at the yards.

Ex-Governor Oswald West has consented to help toward a settlement.

The strikers assure Mayor Baker that they are ready to confer with the yard owners, but the owners say the matter is in the hands of the federal government.

Portland, Sept. 25.—In answer to a telegram sent by Mayor George Baker to Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, a reply was received today declaring that all strikes in Pacific coast shipyards would be settled on the basis of the agreement being worked out in San Francisco, and under which the striking shipyard employees there were preparing to return to their positions.

While no official word had been received tonight either by shipyard owners or strikers confirming Mr. Gompers' telegram, its receipt by the mayor gave a more hopeful outlook to the situation. In the view of all concerned, than any development of the day.

In the absence of details concerning the terms of the San Francisco agreement, strike leaders declined to say whether or not it would be accepted here. They reiterated that the closed union shop is among the chief of their demands and that any proposal for settlement which did not include provision for this would not be accepted.

## HIGH VALUE IS PUT ON NORMAL SCHOOLS

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 25.—The state board of education, in session here yesterday, districted the state as to the spheres over which each of Washington's three normal schools should have jurisdiction.

Seattle will be in the district of the Bellingham normal, the Elsieburg normal will take care of 13 counties in the southern part of the state, and the northeastern counties will be in the Cheney normal district.

Reports from every section of the state show a strong sentiment in favor of ample support of all the normal schools, the friends of the grade and rural schools uniting in working for the normals as the means of maintaining high standards in the common schools through the furnishing of a sufficient supply of well-trained teachers.

## PRESIDENT ORDERS MOONEY CASE PROBE

Washington, Sept. 25.—The president has asked Attorney General Gregory to investigate the case of Thomas Mooney of San Francisco convicted of murder in connection with a preparedness day bomb plot. Labor leaders say that Mooney is being persecuted.

## BANKER GIVES COUNTRY HELP

George Vanderlip of National City Bank to Devote Entire Time to American War Efforts

Washington, Sept. 25.—Frank A. Vanderlip who, as president of the National City Bank of New York, heads the largest financial institution in America, has severed his connection with that institution and all others with which he is connected for the period of the war, to assist Secretary McAdoo in financing the liberty bond issue.

Vanderlip has started on a 16-hour-a-day schedule with the duties of chairman of the war saving certificate commission which will virtually handle the details of floating the \$2,000,000,000 war saving certificates issue which was recently authorized by congress.

He is to receive a salary of one dollar per annum. Four of the managers of the National City bank are to perform the duties Vanderlip lays down during his absence.

## SOUTH DAKOTA HAS FOREST FIRE FIGHT

Sioux Falls, S. D., Sept. 25.—Fifty men fought a forest fire 10 miles east of Deadwood all last night. It is believed the fire has been brought under control. Help was rushed by a special train from Nemo.

It is reported that the fire was started by lightning. A valuable stand of timber was endangered had the fire not been controlled.

## EXPLOSION WRECKS FRISCO OIL TANKER

Richmond, Cal., Sept. 25.—An explosion tore out the forward works and superstructure of the Standard Oil tanker, J. A. Moffit, as it lay at its pier here.

The explosion killed two men: Ernest Rutter, a quartermaster, and A. R. Juliferat, a sailor.

According to J. F. Brooks, superintendent for the Standard Oil company of this city, the explosion was probably accidental, and caused by the ignition of gas while men were cleaning the hold, possibly through someone carelessly lighting a match.

Over 60,000 gallons of oil in the hold of the vessel escaped. Windows were broken and houses rocked throughout the city of Richmond.

## ARGENTINE IS ON THE EDGE OF WAR

Buenos Aires, Sept. 25.—(Late Dispatch)—The chamber of deputies voted 53 to 18 in favor of a rupture with Germany.

Argentina is mobilizing her navy and there is much military activity in the republic. Ostensibly this action is due to the general strike of Argentine railroad men, but it is reported the general staff is preparing for other probable eventualities. The legislative bodies of Argentina do not consider the question of diplomatic relations with Germany as being closed, but no action has yet been taken.

The authorities have been advised that the strike at Santa Fe for the past month has been fomented by German propaganda. It is feared that the strike may assume national proportions, hence the government is withholding the formation of a policy until four hundred messages sent by the Swedish legation here have been translated.

## LARGE QUOTA TO TRAIN AT CAMP LEWIS

WAR DEPARTMENT INCREASES NUMBER TO TRAIN AT CAMP LEWIS NEAR TACOMA

## STADIUM FOR SOLDIERS' USE

Athletic Contests Are Arranged, More Kitchens and Hospitals Are Ordered

Camp Lewis, Tacoma, Sept. 25.—The big Tacoma stadium is to be placed at the disposal of the recruits of this camp without cost. Army officers are already making plans for an inter-regiment relay race from Camp Lewis to the stadium on Thanksgiving day. On November 17 football teams representing the army and the navy will probably play.

A medical aid station is to be established at Tacoma for the use of selected men. Fifteen field ovens are to be built in addition to the post bakery.

Orders received from the war department today raised the number of troops to be trained at Camp Lewis to 50,000 men and cancels recent orders to move a considerable number of men from Camp Lewis to Camp Fremont, at Palo Alto, Cal.

There are now 18,694 men in camp here. The full second draft will have arrived by Thursday, making a total of 21,874.

## FAMOUS FRENCH AIRMAN IS BELIEVED TO BE LOST

Paris, Sept. 25.—Captain George Guynemer, the famous French aviator is believed to have been lost in an air battle.

Salem, Sept. 25.—Paid admissions to the state fair yesterday, the opening day, were \$1,193, nearly double those of the first day last year. Rain fell during part of the day.

## FIREWORKS EXPECTED WHEN GERMAN REICHSTAG MEETS AGAIN TOMORROW

New York, Sept. 25.—There may be some fireworks of the German brand, when the reichstag meets in Berlin tomorrow.

It will be the first session of the German parliament since Chancellor George Michaelis was inducted into office, in July. The centerists and members of the left party combined at that time in demands that the government state its position on the reichstag formula of peace "without annexations" and also that equal suffrage be granted. The upshot was the tumbling from power of Chancellor von Bethmann Hollweg.

Michaelis was appointed, made a non-committal address to the reichstag outlining his policies, and the reichstag sitting adjourned.

Since that time considerable opposition has developed against Michaelis according to word which has just leaked out of Germany. Certain of the extreme radical elements in Germany have not hesitated to declare that Michaelis is even more representative of the militarists than Hollweg. His refusal to date clearly to outline his policies have made even the near-radicals distrustful of him. Dr. Matthias Erzberger, the clerical (Catholic) leader who assumed leadership of the "revolvers" in the July session of the reichstag, has been quoted recently as severely critical of Michaelis.

Erzberger, a Catholic, is undoubtedly anxious that Germany go the limit in voicing acceptance of Pope Benedict's recent peace suggestions. He may seek to force Michaelis' hand on this matter.

## SCORE KILLED IN AIR RAID UPON LONDON

HOMES OF POORER PEOPLE ATTACKED WITH PURPOSE OF WANTON SLAUGHTER

## LONDONERS TAKE IT CALMLY

Underground Railway Stations Are Crowded With People All Classes Seeking Place of Safety

London, Sept. 25.—German airplanes and Zeppelins raided England last night. The airplanes succeeded in dropping bombs on the city of London, killing 15 and injuring 70. Only two of the planes succeeded in penetrating as far as London, according to an official statement, because of the gun fire from British airplane defense stations.

The Zeppelins crossed the Lincolnshire and Yorkshire coasts. Their bombs injured three women, but the British gun fire prevented them from penetrating any further inland.

The Daily Mail says that the British would view these air attack with indifference if they knew that, for every attack, British airplanes would drop twice the weight of bombs dropped here, in bombs dropped on German towns.

The purpose of the Germans apparently was the indiscriminate slaughter of the civilian population. The Germans did not attack any point of military importance, but dropped their bombs on the residential districts, mostly on the dwellings of the poorer classes.

The German planes appeared over the southeastern district of London soon after 8 o'clock and the engagement lasted until nearly 9:30 o'clock. The raiders were scattered and did not come in compact formation. Many star shells were used by the defense guns, giving the appearance of spectacular fireworks. The scream of the torpedoes used by

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## CONGRESS ACTS FOR SUFFRAGE

Congressional Committee on Suffrage Created, Which Means Question Will Come Up for Action

Washington, Sept. 25.—By a vote of 181 to 107 the house of representatives today created a committee on woman suffrage, the personnel of which is to be named by the ways and means committee.

Creation of the committee for which the suffragists long have contended, assures a fight on the Susan B. Anthony suffrage amendment at the next session of congress. Both suffragists and anti-suffragists say they are anxious that the bill be reported as they are confident of victory on the floor.

Miss Rankin and Representative Poo, chairman of the rules committee who reported the resolution, made the principal speeches for it. Mr. Poo declared that President Wilson had written him urging the naming of the committee and when Mr. Webb said he did not think the president ever had made such a statement, Mr. Poo produced the letter. It was not read.

## UNNATURALIZED ALIENS CAUGHT SALMON FISHING

Astoria, Sept. 25.—Federal authorities have discovered that a number of salmon fishers in the Columbia have not been naturalized, a violation of a state law. Steps will be taken to put a stop to the practice.

## AGREEMENT REDUCES ALL STEEL PRICES

Washington, Sept. 25.—Pursuant to a voluntary agreement made between producers of steel and the war department, President Wilson today approved a scale of steel prices, materially reducing the present cost.

The general public, as well as the American and allied governments, will share in the reductions, which go into immediate effect and the agreement provides that producers shall not reduce wages.

The prices will obtain until January 1, 1918, to be revised then if investigation shows they are inequitable.

The entire output of American steel plants will be distributed under supervision of the war board.

## DEWEY PREDICTED WAR AS HAPPENED

Washington, Sept. 25.—Senator Lewis called the attention of the senate today to the fact that Admiral Dewey predicted 20 years ago that "about 15 years hence Germany will make a war for the conquest of the world." Senator Lewis quoted a report from Admiral Dewey to the navy department of a conversation between the admiral and Captain von Goetz of the German navy, which took place in Manila bay.

## KERENSKY BLAMES LVOFF FOR REVOLT

Washington, Sept. 25.—The Russian embassy here last night issued an official explanation of the Korniloff revolution. The explanation puts most of the blame for the revolt upon ex-Premier Lvoff. Since the revolt was put down, according to the embassy, a thorough reorganization has become necessary, because the troops lacked confidence in their commanders and changes are being made in administrative and army positions, which will result in the greatest benefit.

## ANOTHER LOT OF SOLDIERS PASS THROUGH

BOYS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ARE GIVEN BREAKFAST BY RED CROSS

## THE AFFAIR IS WELL HANDLED

Heavy Troop Movement Causes Traffic Relief, Plan Payment for Meals Simple and Prompt

What was probably the last contingent of recruits to pass through this city for some time, were breakfasted at 6:45 this morning. The same arrangements as had prevailed the first two mornings were carried out and everything moved off like clockwork. The local committee was complimented by officials of the Southern Pacific with the statement that the organization was all that could be desired and the best of any point along the line.

Prior to the arrival of the trains, the recruits had been assigned to squads and each squad numbered. Groups of uniformed Boy Scouts with placards bearing the respective numbers, were ready at the station and marched their respective companies to the seven dining rooms promptly and without a suspicion of confusion.

The contingent this morning was from Shasta and Siskiyou counties, Cal., and numbered 386.

The hearty thanks of the community, and particularly of the Red Cross chapter, are due the women who have so willingly and capably handled this affair. They have worked hard, early and late, and at considerable personal sacrifice. As a result of that work, Grants Pass has an added mark to its credit and a splendid reputation among the several thousand army boys who have passed through.

The Boy Scouts, too, deserve a word of praise. They did what was asked of them in first class manner.

The heavy movement of drafted troops through the city for American Lake, is practically at an end, and by tonight it is thought that the last of the special military trains will have passed. These many military trains have greatly disorganized the passenger and freight service of the Southern Pacific for several days. Nearly all passenger trains have been delayed.

Several long trainloads of drafted men from California and Nevada passed through the city yesterday. Every coach bearing the soldiers was chocked with humorous allusions of various kinds pertaining to the war and the Kaiser.

Many people wonder just how Uncle Sam had arranged to pay for the meals served to his men here at the various eating houses—whether it was a cash proposition or had

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## NATION-WIDE REVOLT WAS PLANNED IN JULY

Enid, Okla., Sept. 25.—Witnesses in the anti-draft hearing before the federal court here today testified that a general uprising in all states of the union had been planned for the same time that the anti-draft riots occurred in Oklahoma.

Forty-eight organizations, the witnesses testified, they were told to join under the head of the I. W. W., in a nation-wide revolution, in which was included plans to seize small towns, attack cities, loot banks, burn bridges and cut telegraph wires.

The uprising was set for July 27, witnesses declared. The anti-draft rioters in Seminole, Hughes and Pontotoc counties began their raids August 2nd.