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FAMOUS FIRST DIVISION GETS STRIKE ORDER

FOUR BATTALIONS AND MACHINE GUNNERS AT CAMP ZACHARY TAYLOR READY FOR RIOT

COAL MINERS ARMING RANKS

Governor of West Virginia Says Workmen Planning Attack; May Shoot Public Officials

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 24.—Orders have been received at Camp Zachary Taylor from the war department to hold four provisional battalions of infantry and machine gunners from the famous First Division ready for an expected riot, to go on strike duty.

Charleston, W. Va., Oct. 24.—Governor John Corawell today telegraphed John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, that the second armed invasion of the Guyan Valley coal district is being planned by miners of the Cabin Creek coal section.

It is also charged that arms and ammunition have been distributed among the miners and there has been much talk of shooting the public officials and taking control of the government.

SPAULDING MILL IS CLOSED AT SALEM

Salem, Ore., Oct. 24.—The Charles K. Spaulding mill has been closed due to labor difficulties. The timber workers are trying to organize a union.

SAYS THE PEOPLE WILL ROAST THE COMMISSION

"People will certainly howl at the highway commission this winter," predicted Commissioner R. A. Booth, who was at the Imperial yesterday. "The complaints will be on account of the mud when the winter rains come. It is surprising how few people stop to think that the highways cannot be built without first being graded. However, a year from now every community will have a taste of completed roads and they will all be road boosters. John Hampshire, who has the contract for 14 miles of the Coos Bay-Roseburg road, is preparing to move in equipment he has on the Pacific highway to Camas valley, and he will ship a steam shovel and other equipment by water to Coos Bay and get it up to Roseburg. His plan is to work from both ends toward the middle." Mr. Booth will make a trip from Salem to the California line next week over the Pacific highway to observe conditions and the progress being made by the contractors. It will probably be his last inspection of that section before the end of the year.—Oregonian.

FRANCE EXECUTES ANOTHER TRAITOR

Paris, Oct. 24.—Pierre Lenoir, convicted of having held intercourse with the enemy during the war, was executed at Sante prison this morning. Boio Pasha and M. Duval were previously executed, due to charges arising from attempts made by German agents to conduct a "defeatist" campaign in France during the war. Lenoir handled money for the Germans.

WHEELER COUNTY FIRST IN DRIVE

Five Counties Over Top in Roosevelt Memorial Drive; Aim to Inculcate Love in High Ideals

Portland, Ore., Oct. 24.—Five counties have gone over the top in the Roosevelt memorial drive. Wheeler was first, Clackamas second and Crook, Sheridan and Wasco followed shortly afterwards. Wheeler raised \$100, Clackamas, \$570, Crook \$170, Sherman \$170 and Wasco \$600.

Enthusiasm is rising all over the state as the people realize that the Roosevelt memorial association is not a partisan organization, but a patriotic national society which will lead in the Americanization movement and the battles of the future against the unseen enemies of the republic.

Men of all parties and all faiths are uniting in this campaign to inculcate love of America and high ideals of citizenship in the rising general.

FAIRBANKS DISTRICT RICH IN GOLD DEPOSITS

Fairbanks, Alaska, Oct. 23.—Gold-bearing ground in the Fairbanks district suitable for dredging purposes shows a total of 218,900,000 cubic yards with gold content estimated at \$100,200,000. This is the gist of a report made by a committee composed of mining engineers and practical mine operators to the Alaska chapter of the American Mining congress.

THE AMERICAN LEGION TEAM COMING TO FRONT

Football prospects for the American Legion team are growing constantly brighter as more men of experience are being signed up for the squad by Fred Collins, the football manager.

A telegram was sent to Stanford university offering to play the eleven of that college a practice game on its way north to meet O. A. C. Saturday. The team went through this morning, however, being unable to stop here, for lack of time. It is possible though, that they can make the stop on their return trip.

Several good American Legion teams are being organized in the Willamette valley, and games between all these posts will be arranged within the next two weeks.

If interest in the local team holds up and the brand of football warrants it, a game will be sought with the Multnomah Club of Portland.

KAISER SCORN'S WILSON PEACE OFFER IN 1917

Berlin, Oct. 24.—President Wilson's peace offer was a matter of little concern to the German emperor, according to the evidence presented before the sub-committee investigating the war. Furthermore, the intervention of the United States apparently was not very seriously considered by the emperor.

The development caused a sensation during the examination of Count von Bernstorff, former ambassador at Washington. The socialist deputy, Herr Sinsheimer, turned toward Von Bernstorff and said:

"The kaiser's telegram, to which you refer, dated January 16, 1917, and addressed to Herr Zimmerman (former secretary) says literally: 'His majesty instructs me to thank you for your communication. His majesty does not care a bit about President Wilson's offer. If a breach with America cannot be prevented, it cannot be helped. Events are developing.'"

There was much excitement at the hearing when the message was read. Dr. Karl Helfferich, former vice-chancellor, whispered "nonsense."

INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE IS ALL BUT BROKEN UP

Special Effort Being Made to Avert Coal Miners' Strike November 1—Gary's Stand Indorsed—Illinois Labor Wants to Fight Steel Employers to Finish

Washington, Oct. 24.—A final appeal was made direct to the president to prevent the strike of half a million soft coal miners on November 1, after the miners' and operators' meeting jointly with Secretary Wilson had turned down two propositions to negotiate a new wage agreement.

While on the point of breaking up, two groups agreed to return this afternoon to receive a message the secretary hoped to bring from the president, who continues to slowly gain strength.

Washington, Oct. 24.—A conference of officials of the international unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor will be held in Washington soon to consider industrial disputes now progressing or impending, President Gompers disclosed today.

New York, Oct. 24.—Over 1,500 members of the American Iron and Steel Institute unanimously adopted a resolution indorsing the stand taken by Elbert H. Gary at the national industrial conference. The resolution was carried after a speech by Judge Gary, and an ovation lasting several minutes followed.

Peoria, Ill., Oct. 24.—The Illinois

federation of labor in a message to Samuel Gompers, declares that "too long has labor permitted the steel tyrants to keep labor on the defensive." The federation proposes the levying of an assessment on every organized worker in the United States and Canada, of not less than one-fourth his net earnings and upon every officer of organized labor of not less than 50 per cent of his salary until the objects of union labor are attained. They urge that union labor fight the steel employers to a finish.

Washington, Oct. 24.—The immediate dissolution of the public group, the only remaining element of the national industrial conference, is proposed in a recommendation of the committee of five which will be made to the group this afternoon. If adopted, the conference will end tonight.

Washington, Oct. 24.—Lieutenant D. C. Van Buren, of the army intelligence service, today told the senate committee investigating the steel strike that the Russians in Gary, Ind., started a movement last summer to organize a "Red Guard," in preparation for the revolution they believed coming. They wanted to get all former soldiers into the group and drill and equip them.

PLAN TO CONNECT NOME AND SIBERIA BY WIRE

Nome, Alaska, Sept. 15.—Establishment of direct mail and telegraphic communication between Nome and Anadyr, Siberia, is now under investigation by two inspectors of the postoffice department.

The proposition, if carried out, bears large possibilities for this once wealthy gold camp. In Northeast Siberia there are approximately 50,000 people who must provide the bulk of their supplies either from Nome, 100 miles away, or from Petropavlovsk, nearly 1,000 miles distant. Nome, it is argued by officials interested in the government's inquiry, should be the logical market for all of the vast area lying north of Kamchatka peninsula.

By the close of this year's navigation period, it is estimated, nearly \$500,000 worth of American goods will have been carried from Nome to the Siberian coast, and that with only a few small vessels engaged in the trade.

NEW COURTHOUSE ASKED BY JACKSON COUNTY

Medford, Ore., Oct. 24.—The grand jury adjourned today with a recommendation that a new courthouse be built in Jackson county at the earliest possible moment.

According to the report county records which could never be replaced, worth hundreds of thousands of dollars have no vault room and many are being stored in the courthouse woodshed because there is no other place to put them.

RECOMMEND THAT VICTOR BERGER BE NOT SEATED

Washington, Oct. 24.—Denial of a seat in the house of representatives to Victor Berger was recommended by a special house committee. Representative Rodenburg, Illinois republican, filed a minority report, recommending a delay.

"BUSINESS SURGEONS" HOLDING CONFERENCE

Atlantic City, N. J., Oct. 23.—Hundreds of the world's greatest business "surgeons"—men high in affairs in the United States, Great Britain, France, Italy and Belgium—met here today at the opening session of a three day's "clinic" to diagnose international trade ills and prescribe for their cure. The first day was spent largely in the organization of committees and other preliminary work.

The international trade conference, as it is called, is being held under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Among the notables who are invited to speak are King Albert of Belgium, Herbert Hoover, A. C. Bedford, chairman of the board of directors of the Standard Oil Company; Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, M. P., of England; Eugene Schneider, head of the Creusot works, the "steef king of France, Florimonde Hankar of Brussels, director of the National Bank of Belgium and Fernando Quartieri, formerly head of the Italian delegation to the Interallied Munitions council.

DROUTH RELIEF BONDS POPULAR IN MONTANA

Great Falls, Mont., Oct. 24.—Drought relief bonds in the sum of \$250,000 will be voted on next Saturday by citizens of Cascade county at a special election called by the county commissioners. It is understood that only such part of the bonds as are required will be sold, if the proposition carries, and that none will be put on the market until the money is actually needed.

The money, when loaned out, is to be used to assist victims of the drouth of this year in buying seed grain and feed. Several score applications for assistance are said to have been received.

48 NEW SHIPS ARE LYING AT SEATTLE

\$12,000,000 Worth Unfinished War-Built Hulls, Not Needed to Help Finish the Germans

Seattle, Oct. 24.—A gray fleet of 48 war-built, uncompleted, wooden cargo vessels tugs idly at its moorings in Lake Union, near the heart of Seattle. The boats, some of them barely more than hulls, are owned by the United States Shipping Board and are worth \$12,000,000. It has been estimated. Most of them are ready to receive their engines.

"Ships that didn't get a chance" they have been called, the war which rushed them onto the ways and into the water, ended before they reached the seas to do their share in forming a part of "Pershing's Bridge" to carry American men and supplies across the Atlantic to France.

Side by side the ships lie, most of them in a long row near one of Seattle's lake boulevards. After being launched at various northwest yards, several at formal exercises, the ships, one by one, were towed to Lake Union to wait the day when they will be completed and set to sail the seven seas.

There is talk of American, Swedish, British and other buyers for the "gray company" of vessels. Some of them have been advertised for sale but as yet none have been sold. Sixty watchmen are on duty at the ships day and night and fire tugs ply around the fleet. On fair days they play their hoses on the decks drenching them as fire protection.

FLYING PARSON FAILS TO LAND RACE PRIZE

Washington, Oct. 24.—Although Lieutenant B. W. Maynard was the first to complete the transcontinental air race, Captain J. O. Donaldson made the flight in about ten hours less flying time, according to the latest calculations, the war department announced today. The war department's comparison of the two aviators' flying time follows:

Donaldson, from New York to San Francisco, 31 hours 37 minutes 19 seconds; San Francisco to New York, 25 hours 56 minutes 35 seconds; total, 57 hours 33 minutes 57 seconds.

Maynard, from New York to San Francisco, 25 hours 11 minutes 8 1/2 seconds; San Francisco to New York 41 hours 52 minutes 32 seconds; total, 67 hours 3 minutes 40 1/2 seconds.

Under the rules of the contest no more flyers will start the second lap from San Francisco. Of the 62 starters, 27 made the first crossing and 17 started the second lap. Of the 17, five have finished and four have dropped out.

OKLAHOMA'S OIL FIELDS BELIEVED TO BE FAILING

Oklahoma City, Oct. 24.—Oklahoma's oil fields are failing, operators think.

Since 1917 production has shown a steady decline ranging from 5,000 to 7,000 barrels a day, and now, with the continuing decrease operators are confidently expecting price increases for the raw products. A discovery of new fields is the only alternative, they say.

Thirty-one out of Oklahoma's 37 counties yield either oil or gas and comprise the richest deposits in America. Their contribution now is about 218,000 barrels daily, according to figures offered by the state auditor, who collects a 3 per cent tax on gross production.

VISCOUNTESS ASTOR URGED AS CANDIDATE

Plymouth, Oct. 24.—The conservatives have invited Viscountess Astor to become the coalition unionist candidate to succeed her husband as a member of the house of commons. His accession to peerage caused his seat to become vacant.

RUMOR LENINE CAPTURED BY THE ANTI-REDS

MESSAGES PICKED UP BY JAPANESE SHIP TENYO MARU, IN HONOLULU BAY

BOLSHEVIKS CLAIM BIG GAINS

Give Out Report That They Have Recaptured Pavlovsk by Dashing Attack, Taking Prisoners

Honolulu, Oct. 24.—Nikolai Lenine has been captured by anti-bolshevik forces, according to a wireless message picked up by the Japanese ship Tenyo Maru, in the harbor here. The message gave no further details.

London, Oct. 24.—A bolshevik official report claims that their troops recaptured Pavlovsk and Tarko-Selo, south of Petrograd by a dashing attack, taking many prisoners. The advance continues. They also claim to have recaptured Tobolok, on the Siberian front from Kolchak.

GRONNA SAYS LEAGUE IS "UNHOLY ALLIANCE"

Washington, Oct. 24.—Senator Gronna, of North Dakota, republican, assailed the treaty today as a violation of the president's 14 points and an "unholy alliance."

PORTUGAL GIVES CONCESSION TO THE UNITED STATES

London, Oct. 24.—A Lisbon dispatch reports that Portugal has granted the United States a concession in the Azores, for a naval station.

FEELING OUT A NEW ROUTE TO CRESCENT

"Surveyors are starting out to go over the Grants Pass-Crescent City route, from Grants Pass to the California line," stated State Engineer Herbert Nunn, yesterday. "This survey, which has been ordered by the commission, will be about eight miles. The California state highway commission has agreed on the Smith river route to Crescent City and on the Elk creek route over the divide. This latter route is the one which Chairman S. Benson of the Oregon commission has favored, as it will shorten the distance on the Oregon side. The Californians have informed the Oregon commission that they have \$400,000 available for improvement of the California end of this road. The Elk creek location will give us about a 3 per cent grade. 'If the weather continues behaving Mr. Nunn says that the paving plants now operating on Oregon contracts will be working until the middle of November.—Oregonian.

YUKON PROVING TO BE GOOD FARMING COUNTRY

Dawson, Y. T., Sept. 15.—(By mail).—Harvesting of Yukon crops now is on full blast, and hundreds of tons of native products are being garnered. The growth of Yukon Territory agriculturally may be better understood when it is stated that scarcely an outside potato is ever shipped into the territory. Familiar crops in the district include beets, turnips, carrots, rutabagas, cabbage, cauliflower, peas and beans. Bromo-grass, red-top, timothy, wheat and oats also have been produced in large quantities.