

UHLAN'S THRUST IN FRAY CURED LIVER TROUBLE

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The chief of a battalion of colonial infantry tells of this remarkable incident:

"Before the war broke out I suffered from an abscess of the liver that was so placed that the doctors said an operation would be too dangerous. I had before me the little, comforting thought that I should have to live with that abscess as long as it would let me. With this prospect in view, it did not cost me any effort at all to summon the courage to wade into the Germans.

"One day we fell upon a band of Uhlans; we landed every one of them, but, in the melee, the point of a lance put me on my back with a wound that I thought would finally end my sufferings. They carried me to the ambulance and a surgeon began to investigate the wound. 'What was that you had inside of you, anyway?' he asked. 'Whatever it was, that Uhlans has burst it.' The lance had pierced the abscess and roughly performed, with success, the operation that the surgeon dreaded, and now I am almost ready to go back to the front."

RUSSIAN ADVANCE HUNGARY HALTS

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Dec. 8. via London, 3:35 p. m.—An official communication issued here today stated that the Russian forces which invaded northern Hungary had been repulsed. The statement follows:

"The enemy, who entered the counties of Saros and Mienplin are everywhere in full retreat. Our troops are already in Galician territory at several points. Only two or three communities in Hungarian territory are in the hands of the enemy."

INDICT MURDERER OF GIRL OF TEN

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 8.—David Fountain, janitor, confessed murderer of ten year old Margaret Milling, whose body was found Saturday in the basement of the German Lutheran church, was indicted today on a charge of murder.

Fountain has yet failed to tell the officers why he killed the child. He says he does not remember killing her and neither does he remember tying a rope around her neck and by which she was strangled.

The cost of school books is to be investigated and an effort made to reduce cost to the people 50 per cent.

Nine Cardinal Reasons for Wave of Industrial Unrest

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Nine cardinal causes of industrial unrest, most generally agreed upon by employers and employees alike, were presented to congress today by the commission on Industrial Relations in its preliminary report as follows:

"Largely a world-wide movement arising from a laudable desire for better living conditions. Advanced by representatives of labor, socialists and employers and generally endorsed.

"A protest against low wages, long hours and improper working conditions in many industries. Advanced by practically all labor representatives and assented to by many employers.

"A desire on the part of the workers for a voice in the determination of conditions under which they labor, and a revolt against arbitrary treatment of individual workers and a suppression of organization. This was almost uniformly approved by labor witnesses.

"Unemployment and the insecurity of employment. Generally advanced by witnesses from every standpoint.

"Unjust distribution of the products of industry. Advanced by most labor representatives and agreed to by most employers.

"Misunderstanding and prejudice. Agreed to by employers and employees.

"Agitation and agitators. Generally advanced by employers, but defended by labor representatives and others as a necessary means of education.

"The rapid rise in prices as compared with wages.

"The rapidly growing feeling that redress for injuries and oppression cannot be secured through existing institutions.

"In addition," says the report, "it has been stated by many witnesses that the tremendous immigration of the last quarter century, while not itself a direct cause of unrest, has served to accentuate the conditions arising from other causes, by creating an over supply of labor unfamiliar with American customs, language and conditions."

While it presents no conclusions, leaving those for later work, the commission, after more than a year's investigation covering all phases of industry throughout the country in which more than 500 witnesses representing all relations of capital and labor were examined, presents the question:

"Is there need for changes, improvements and adaptations or must entirely new legal machinery be devised for the control of industry?"

The final report and conclusions of the commission will be submitted next August when its mission is concluded.

These nine agreed causes were the result of the examination of 514 witnesses divided in interest as follows: Affiliated with employers, 181; affiliated with labor, 183; not affiliated with either group, 150. The witnesses included seven members of the Industrial Workers of the World and six representatives of the Socialist party.

Under the caption "What Employers Say" the report presents the following summary of causes of unrest:

"Normal and healthy desire for better living conditions.

"Misunderstanding and prejudice. Lack of conception that interests of both labor and capital are identical.

"Agitation by politicians and irresponsible agitators.

"Unemployment.

"Unreasonable demands arising from strength of organization.

"Labor leaders who stir up trouble to keep themselves in office and to graft on employers.

"Inefficiency of workers, resulting in ever increasing cost of living.

"Rapidly increasing complexity of industry.

"Sudden transition of a large number of foreigners from repression to freedom, which makes them an easy prey to labor agitators.

"Universal craze to get rich quick.

"Decay of old ideas of honesty and thrift.

"Misinformation in newspapers.

"Too much organization for combative purposes instead of for co-operation.

"Violence in labor troubles.

"Sympathetic strikes and jurisdictional disputes."

NORTHWEST AUTHORITY FISH LAWS DEAD

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 8.—Chas. W. Dorr, an attorney, who had been a member of the state senate and who for years had been regarded as the principal authority on Pacific coast salmon fishing, died here today, aged 58 years. He came to Bellingham from Des Moines, Iowa, more than 25 years ago. From 1901 to 1909 he was a resident of San Francisco, as secretary, vice-president and manager of the Alaska Packers' association.

Mandot-Kilbane Battle to a Draw

AKRON, Ohio, Dec. 7.—Joe Mandot of New Orleans, a lightweight, and Johnny Kilbane of Cleveland, champion featherweight, fought a twelve round match here tonight. The bout was a clever one and while no decision was given, the newspaper writers said it was even.

Mandot was unmarked at the end of the fighting. In the first two rounds Kilbane landed oftener, but in the other ten, with the possible exception of the eighth, Mandot landed as often if not oftener than the featherweight champion. In a clinch in the tenth round, Kilbane received a bad cut over the right eye and his face was very bloody until the end of the fight.

The last two rounds were very fast, but Kilbane's swings often went wild. The twelfth was rough. Both men fell to the floor several times in clinches. Mandot appeared the fresher at the end of the bout.

Not once during the fight did Mandot manage to land his famous right swing, although he tried to repeatedly.

MINING CONGRESS PRAISED; FOUND "SAFETY FIRST"

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 7.—Credit for the important part played by the American mining congress, in the inauguration of the federal Bureau of Mines and the national Safety First movement, was extended today to that organization in a letter of greeting from President Woodrow Wilson, read at the seventeenth annual session which opened here today. An opportunity for further endeavor to cut down the toll of death and injury in mines exists, the president suggested, and assurances of the fullest co-operation of all the proper governmental agencies in further work along this line is extended.

The president's letter follows: "To the Members of the American Mining Congress: I regret exceedingly that, owing to the press of circumstances, it will be impossible for me to greet you in person at the 17th annual session of the American Mining Congress at Phoenix.

"I am well aware of the important part played by your great organization in the creation of our Bureau of Mines, and am sure that the good work of that bureau in attempting better to safeguard the lives of the two million men employed in the hazardous mining and metallurgical industries will continue to redound to your credit, as well as to the credit of the bureau itself. It will always be a tribute to your foresight and energy that this new federal organization, in the short period of its existence, with the kindly co-operation of states and their agencies, has been

able by persistent and intelligent effort, to turn an isolated local movement for greater safety into a great national movement for 'safety first' and has already gone beyond the mining industry into every industry of the country. I venture to say that thousands of lives have been saved by that movement and that many thousands more will be saved in the future.

"Gratifying as the results of this life saving campaign may have been however, there is still vigorous work for United States congress to do. I am informed that during the last year, more than 3000 men were killed and 100,000 injured in the mining and metallurgical industries of the country. At the same time those in authority tell me that, from their observation and experiences, one-half of such deaths and three-fourths of such injuries may be regarded as easily preventable.

"I suggest this situation as an opportunity for further endeavor on your part to cut down this excessive toll of death and of injury. I can assure you of the fullest co-operation of all the proper governmental agencies, also of my earnest desire for your active and continued assistance.

"There is one other problem connected with the mining industry in which the federal government is vitally interested, and that is, proper conservation and proper use of the mineral resources of the nation. I realize that, you, too, are interested in this problem, and I wish merely to call it to your attention because of its fundamental importance to the present and future prosperity of the nation. I am happy to say that the profligacy of the past in the use of these resources is not being continued on so large a scale. There is, however, great opportunity for further reform along these lines and in this your organization can be of invaluable service.

"Sincerely yours,
(signed) "WOODROW WILSON."

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