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UNITED RAILWAYS REFUSE MEDIATIONS WITH STRIKERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—Formal refusal of the United Railroads to arbitrate differences which led to a walkout of 1789 employees, was dispatched to the San Francisco board of supervisors by President Jesse W. Lillenthal today, coincident with the first operation of steam trains by the city administration, in an effort to relieve inconvenience caused by the strike.

"There is no controversy to arbitrate," said President Lillenthal's message to the supervisors. "Certain of our employees, without giving any notice, or making any complaint, abandoned their cars. We have proceeded to fill their places. With adequate police protection, or if permitted to provide open armed guards ourselves, we are prepared to operate every car on a normal schedule."

The steam trains were operated from a large industrial district to make transfer connections with various municipal car lines. Only one fare was charged. Immediate operation of auto bus lines by the city was ordered by the supervisors, who appropriated \$5000 for this purpose. The motor buses will start as soon as possible, probably within two days.

Scattered cases of violence were reported during the day.

TRYING TO FORM NEW BRITISH PARTY

LONDON, Aug. 30.—The birth of an attempt to establish a new political party in Great Britain was announced today in a long manifesto signed by 27 persons, members of the house of commons, who have seceded from the unionist party to take independent action, "in which national consideration will be the sole concern."

The signers of the manifesto have all been associated with the unionist party government, but although they are highly respected men, they are not generally regarded as leading statesmen.

The new party's aim, judged by the manifesto, is to speed up war and promote good administration and good social conditions.

The newspapers, with the exception of the Tory Morning Post, do not give prominence to the manifesto. Some of the papers do not even print it.

CZAR KNEW OF GERMAN INTENTIONS

PETROGRAD, Aug. 30.—Germany's military preparation was known to the Russian war ministry and it was also aware that Germany contemplated a declaration of war in 1909 and again in 1912, according to testimony given yesterday by General Michelson at the trial of General Soukhomiloff, former minister of war, for high treason. The witness was the military attaché of the Russian embassy in Berlin from 1906 to 1911. He swore that he had reported Germany's military activity to the Russian war office.

The president of the court asked General Michelson with what power Germany proposed to ally herself in 1912 against Russia. The witness asked permission to reply to the president only, and the request was granted.

BLAMING ENGLAND.

IT IS PART and parcel of the German peace propaganda in America to abuse England and blame the war upon Great Britain—to assert that British desire to grab German commerce was the cause of the war. Those pacifists who still pretend they do not know what the United States is fighting for, in spite of the president's crystalline summaries, pretend to know all about what wicked England is fighting for.

Why is England fighting? Lloyd George has repeatedly told us. England is fighting for the same reason America is fighting—for democracy, humanity and civilization—for an enduring peace based upon justice.

England was the last of the seven original belligerents to declare war and all unprepared for such a struggle, she entered the combat only when Germany violated and repudiated every article of their joint treaty and invaded Belgium in an attempt to conquer Europe.

England wants Germany to get out of Belgium, Serbia, and France, and other conquered territory. England wants the suppression, exploitation and enslavement of small nations stopped.

England wants Germany to respect the freedom of the seas and stop piracy. She wants Germany to cease the building of a great fleet, for the announced purpose of disrupting the British empire. Years ago England proposed that both powers quit building unlimited navies—and the proposal was rejected.

England wants Germany to adopt arbitration instead of war for settling disputes, proposed it many times, and Germany always refused.

Britain sought no commercial privileges from Germany. She permitted unrestricted free trade. Her ports and her colonies were open to world trade—and Germany traded in and exploited them freely, while refusing to let England trade in German colonies and discriminated against England by protective tariffs in Germany. Does this look like British jealousy of German trade?

The difference between British and German ideals are contrasted by their respective colonies. We see Canada, New Zealand, Australia and South African armies fighting in France for democracies—a globe circle of free commonwealths, self governed democracies, bound to England only by the sentiment of common origin and fair treatment. German colonies have been hell holes for the natives, who were systematically murdered and slaughtered and exploited along lines of German frightfulness, slurred by the German people, whom even subsidies will not induce to settle under German rule.

Pacifists are doing the kaiser's dirty work in America. They are seeking to perpetuate the reign of terror that follows German domination, whether it be in Poland, or Belgium, or Africa. They are seeking to divide the American people, to alienate our allies, to give aid and comfort to the enemy. A very few of these pacifists may attain the fame of Benedict Arnold and Aaron Burr but most of them will pass into oblivion along with the copperheads of the civil war—too inconsequential to even make treason memorable.

DAKOTANS OPPOSE PEACE MEETING

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 30.—Representatives of the People's Council of America for Democracy and Peace are in Fargo, N. D., today, making tentative arrangements for their national peace conference which was to have been held in Minneapolis beginning September 1, and which was barred by executive order of Governor Burnquist. Reports early today from points in North Dakota indicate that there is sharp opposition generally to the proposed peace meeting, despite the invitation of Governor Frazer.

ASK TO CURTAIL USE OF COAL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—An appeal to coal users to endeavor to reduce consumption as a war-time measure was issued today by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States through its committee which is co-operating with the Council of National Defense. "Today coal is a sinew of war," says the appeal, "and he who unnecessarily reduces the country's available stock of coal may curtail the nation's energy in the great industrial conflict."

BRITISH STANDARDIZED STEAMERS COMPLETED

LONDON, Aug. 30.—The first of the British government standardized merchant steamers to replace tonnage lost through submarines, it is announced, has been commissioned, after completing most successful trials. The hull was laid down in February and the hull was launched in June. It is understood that six different types of vessels, varying in size from 5000 tons downward, are being built. Many hundreds of such ships will be constructed.

ARTILLERYMEN REPLACE INFANTRY

PARIS, Aug. 30.—The number of artillerymen employed in the recent operations in the Verdun region was greater than the number of infantrymen put into the battle line.

The surprising fact is explained by the correspondent of the Temps at Verdun as being due to the difficulty of the gunners' task in addition to the immense number of cannon. Heavy shells had to be carried to the guns for hours at a stretch by men who were compelled to wear masks, which rendered breathing difficult and obstructed their vision.

The correspondent adds that the object of the artillery now is less directed to destroying enemy guns than to forcing the German gunners to suspend service and seek shelter. For this purpose, he says, gas shells are employed largely.

MICHAELIS STUDIES CONDITIONS IN BELGIUM

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 30.—The arrival in Brussels of the German chancellor, Dr. Georg Michaelis, for the purpose of gathering information regarding conditions in Belgium, is reported. The chancellor received members of the Council of Flanders.

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