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NATION WIDE RAID ON I. W. W. QUARTERS

DOCUMENTS SEIZED BY UNCLE SAM

Action Taken Under Direction of Attorney General in Connection With Grand Jury Investigation Now in Progress in Illinois—Secretary Haywood Among the Arrested—Few Arrests Made but All Books, Papers and Paraphernalia Seized.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—National-wide seizure of documentary evidence of the I. W. W. was conducted today under direction of Attorney General Gregory. Every headquarters in the country was raided and literature, books and documents seized.

This action was taken under the direction of the attorney-general, says a statement issued at the department of justice, and in connection with a grand jury investigation which is in progress in the United States court in the northern district of Illinois.

Many Charges Filed.
The investigation was begun by the grand jury at Chicago as a result of the great accumulation of charges of all sorts, mostly violation of the espionage law, decreed against the Industrial Workers of the World and its leaders.

The seizure of the organization's papers was timed for 2 p. m., central time, and was conducted simultaneously in towns and cities throughout the country where Industrial Workers of the World headquarters have been maintained.

Seizure at Same Hour.
The government at 2 p. m. today, Chicago time, the department statement says, "took possession under appropriate legal process of such documentary evidence, check books, correspondence, etc., of the Industrial Workers of the World in all parts of the United States as is desired or needed by the United States in connection with the indictment and prosecution of certain individual offenders who have utilized the name of that organization in connection with violations of the federal law."

The exact nature of the alleged offenses was not disclosed. It was said that would be determined by the federal grand jury at Chicago. The investigation was begun secretly a short time ago, and until today's drastic action was known only to the officials concerned.

Haywood Arrested.
CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—Federal agents and city police this afternoon raided headquarters of the socialist party and of the I. W. W., as a part of a co-ordinated plan stretching across the country.

William D. Haywood, national secretary of the I. W. W., and former head of the Western Federation of Miners, was taken into custody during the raid.

The federal grand jury which was sworn in yesterday by Judge Evan Evans met late this afternoon and began what is believed to be a sweeping inquiry into the activities of the I. W. W., the socialists and other organizations and individuals in connection with anti-war propaganda. Several secret service operatives of

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SIXTY DAYS IN JAIL FOR WOMEN PICKETS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Eleven of the militants of the National Woman's party arrested yesterday while picketing the president's reviewing stand at the parade of national army men, were sentenced today to sixty days in the workhouse. They did not appeal and began serving the time.

AIRSHIPS RAID LONDON KILLING 11, INJURING 62

Second Attack Made on Metropolis—One Raider Reported Brought Down—Wreckage Litters Streets—Scarborough Again Attacked—Planes So High Can't be Seen.

LONDON, Sept. 5.—Eleven persons were killed and 62 injured in last night's aerial raid. One raider is reported to have been brought down off Sheerness, it is announced officially. The first moonlight airship raid over the London district occurred about midnight last night and resulted in the dropping of bombs, one of which fell just outside a hospital, another smashed through a theater and still another hit a retail store in which a number of girls were sleeping.

Reports received today from southern coast towns show that last night's raid was carried out by a very large number of airplanes, only a small percentage of which reached the London district. In a few cases heavy bombs were dropped, such as are remembered to have fallen during the Zeppelin raids, but on the whole the projectiles were smaller.

Raiders Invisible.
Notwithstanding the moonlight, nothing could be seen of the raiders, although their engines could be heard overhead. That they were invisible was perhaps due to a slight haze, which, however, was insufficient to obscure the moon. The raiders were constantly shelled by anti-aircraft guns and several British machines took to the air to attack the invaders.

The streets were practically deserted at the time of the raid, it being long after theater hours. The few late street cars that were running either put out their lights or stopped. A message from a southeastern district says that apparently the invaders crossed the North sea in three successive groups and that all were severely shelled, both arriving and returning.

German Offensive?
"Has Germany got her great air offensive ready before ours?" is a question asked by a morning paper apropos of the invasion of England on three successive nights, and Field Marshal Haig's over-night report of aggressive enemy aircraft. Another paper which frequently warns of Germany's intention to invade England with aircraft in very large fleets says:

"The enemy seems to be getting on rather fast with invasion plans. The German aircraft came, bombed and departed. Our guns fired and our aircraft went up, but without result, according to the latest official reports. This is the ninth serious raid this summer, and of 127 machines which have crossed our coast, Germany admits the loss of only seven."

The paper refers to the growing casualty list and the relative immunity of the invaders, and adds: "It cannot be said that we are getting on with our invasion plans faster than the enemy."

Official Announcement.
The official announcement follows: (Continued on page six.)

DUNNE ASKS WEBB TO OXMAN TRIAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 5.—Superior Judge Frank H. Dunne announced in court here today that he will invite Attorney General Webb of California to sit on the bench with him to hear testimony in the trial of Frank C. Oxman, charged with attempting to induce F. E. Rigby to give false testimony against Thomas J. Mooney, under sentence of death for one of the bomb attacks here last summer. Oxman, who was a material witness against Mooney, was to be brought to trial next Wednesday.

A POOR DISGUISE



RADICALS LOSE AGAIN IN RAISING WAR PROFIT TAX

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—An amendment by Senator Hollis proposing to raise \$100,000,000 more from war profits than the war revenue bill provides by substituting higher rates graduated from 20 to 70 percent was rejected by the senate, 55 to 24.

Support of the committee amendment was announced by Senator Poindexter, republican, who said he believed it raised sufficient revenues. All war industries of the country that are legitimate, he said, should be encouraged by the government in every legal manner consistent to just taxation. The Washington senator said he believed a large proportion of the revenues the government should have come from taxation, but not all ought to be raised this year.

In supporting the bill as drafted, Senator Lewis of Illinois said he saw a prospect of peace and thought drastic taxes, therefore, might not be necessary. Senator Lewis said the issue had become a contest "as to who should be king of the radicals, Senator Johnson of California, the Fierlitz of the Pacific, or Senator La Follette, the avenging Greek of the west."

PRICE OF COAST WHEAT UNFIXED

PORTLAND, Sept. 5.—No definite conclusions regarding wheat prices on the Pacific coast have yet been reached by the food administration. Federal Grain Commissioner Max H. Houser announced here today. "The trade is at liberty to buy wheat on the Chicago basis price for the various grades," the announcement read. "Full instructions, as much as is possible to do so at this time, will be given out late today."

ARREST GRAND DUKES OF RUSSIA FOR CONSPIRACY

Grand Duke Michael, Brother of ex-Czar, and Wife, Countess Pahlen, Grand Duke Paul and Morganatic Wife, and Grand Duke Dmitri-Paulovitch Taken Into Custody.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 5.—In addition to the arrest of Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, brother of the former emperor, and his wife, the Countess Pahlen and the Grand Duke Paul and his morganatic wife have also been taken into custody.

Result of Plots.
The reported arrest of Grand Duke Dmitri-Paulovitch is as yet unconfirmed. The arrests are the result of suspected complicity in the counter-revolutionary conspiracy concerning which the provisional government obtained evidence during the Moscow conference.

Last night the assistant commander of the Petrograd district, with a detachment of picked soldiers, arrived at Tsarskoe-Seje and read the order for arrest in Grand Duke Paul, who submitted, merely asking the reason. The assistant commander stated that it was by order of Premier Kerensky. Later the same officer visited Gatchina and arrested Grand Duke Michael and his wife. It appears that several days ago a search was made of the residence of the Grand Duke Michael in Finland, which was occupied by him during his presence there. A Colonel Dietz was also arrested at Gatchina.

Reason a Secret.
The ministry of justice refuses for the present to give out any facts concerning the arrests. According to some of the newspapers, however, the headquarters of the monarchist conspiracy is in Crimea, where the grand dukes and duchesses and the dowager empress reside under surveillance. In Crimea, according to the newspapers, there has been recently founded a society under the name of "Forward for the Czar and Holy Russia," which was detected organizing and training "czarist" propagandists with the design of sending them to the front to revive monarchism in the army.

RUSSIANS RETIRE ALONG COAST OF GULF OF RIGA

PETROGRAD, Sept. 5.—The Russians, continuing their retreat along the coast of the Gulf of Riga toward the northeast, have crossed the Lithuanian river Aa, the war office announces.

The Russian forces operating in an easterly direction from Riga have retired to Segevoit, Lemburg and Detschubrayd.

The announcement states that the hostile ships which have been shelling the Riga coast were submarines.

SERBIANS ROBBED OF THEIR HARVESTS

LONDON, Sept. 5.—Economic conditions in Serbia are deplorable and daily growing worse, according to a statement issued today by the Serbian press bureau in London. The Germans, Austrians and Bulgarians are said to have carried off all this year's harvest, which was abundant. The inhabitants are deprived of food-stuffs and most families have but one loaf of bread a week. Meat, lard, butter and spices are unobtainable. There is virtually no milk and children are dying by thousands. A great number of families whose men folk perished in the war, are doomed to starve. Interned Serbians and prisoners of war in Austria-Hungary and Bulgaria are dying from hunger and various diseases. According to private information, 80,000 have perished in Austria and Hungary.

Mrs. Horace Peiton of Gold Hill, accompanied by her friend, Mrs. Frank Nair of Portland, shopped in Medford Wednesday.

CHICAGO MAYOR CALLED SLACKER HANGED IN EFFIGY

"Sic Semper Big Billus" Is Legend on Dummy—Menacing Demonstration as Party Leaves for Kankakee Fair—Crowd Hold Noses As If In Presence of a Stench.

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—A demonstration of soldiers against fifty automobile parties constituting a delegation of the William Hale Thompson republican club, bound for a county fair and political rally at Kankakee, was avoided today by the mayor. The soldiers mistook one of his supporters for the mayor and stripped a banner giving the name of the club from the machine in which they thought he was riding, as a protest against his anti-war attitude.

The demonstrators were members of the Second Illinois field hospital corps, encamped in Camp Grant, on the lake front. Civilians joined in cries of "slacker" hurled at the mayor and his followers, while passing automobilists halted, some ostensibly holding their noses as if in the presence of a stench.

The banner stripped from the mayor's car bore the legend "William Hale Thompson, Republican Club."

Called a Slacker.
The automobiles were standing in Michigan boulevard, which bounds Grant park on the west, when the soldiers began to gather. "Slacker," they cried, and used other epithets.

A crowd of hundreds collected in almost no time and the demonstration was extended all along the line of automobiles, which contained about 100 supporters of the mayor.

It was all over in a few minutes, the provost guard having acted promptly. The jam of regular automobile traffic was straightened out and the mayorality procession, considerably disheveled, moved down the streets.

The Kankakee meeting is annually the scene of a political rally and recent gossip has had it that the mayor's adherents intended to utilize it with reference to his future political fortunes as an anti-war leader. The city council yesterday, by a vote of 12 to 6, gave the mayor an indirect slap by commending the stand of Governor Lowden for energetic suppression of all anti-war agitation and propaganda.

Hanged in Effigy.
Traffic was blocked last night on Michigan boulevard by a large crowd and scores of automobiles which gathered around an effigy of Mayor William Hale Thompson, hanged to a lamp post on an island of safety at the Randolph street crossing of the thoroughfare. A placard pinned to the manikin bore the inscription: "Sic Semper Big Billus."

"Veterans of Foreign Wars." The effigy apparently was strung up by members of the military organization, who passed in an automobile. The police on duty did not discover the effigy until a large crowd gathered and blocked the street. A police wagon full of policemen was then called. The effigy was carted to an ash heap and the street was cleared for traffic. No arrests were made.

Action against Mayor Thompson was asked of state and federal authorities in resolutions adopted at a meeting today of a sub-committee of the executive committee of the National Security League.

CONTROL OF SUGAR WITH FOOD BOARD

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Control of the sugar industry in the United States was placed voluntarily in the hands of the food administration today by refiners' representatives, who agreed to import all raw sugar through a committee to be named by Herbert Hoover.

ITALIANS WIN STRONGHOLD OF GABRIELE

Austrians Lose Last Fortress—Italians Possess Entire Chain of Mountains Dominating Gorizia—Immense Booty Seized—Germans Preparing to Evacuate Large Strip of Belgium as British Prepare to Advance.

LONDON, Sept. 5.—A dispatch received in London confirms the capture by the Italians of Mone San Gabriele together with 950 prisoners. The Italians now possess the entire chain of mountains which dominate Gorizia.

Italy's long years of preparation and General Cardona's strategy and ability as commander, continue to bear fruit in the great offensive the Italian armies are now waging for Trieste. Monte San Gabriele is the last of the Austrian strongholds in the Gorizia district.

Now that his troops have taken this peak, the way seems cleared for General Cardona to complete his complete domination of the Bainsizza plateau and push on into the Chiavonno valley, driving a wedge in between the Austrian northern and southern armies on the Isonzo front.

Big Booty Secured.
UDINE, Italy, Sept. 5.—It is impossible thus far to give even an approximate idea of the immense quantity of booty which has fallen into the hands of the Italians since the beginning of their advance. The materials captured show the precipitation with which to Austrians fled all along the line of attack. On the Bainsizza plateau near Santo Spirito and Laska, whole convoys of arms and munitions were abandoned in such haste that there was no time to destroy them. At one point thousands of boxes of projectiles, hand grenades, rockets, shoes, rifles and helmets were strewn everywhere. Some of the canisters are still packed with Austrian dead.

Mule paths and the adjacent side hills are littered with unexploded projectiles which the fugitives threw away, together with daggers, swords, and iron-studded mace used for dispatching the wounded. On Hill 652 the Italians captured three 105 millimeter rammets. Two of them the Italians turned on the fleeing enemy, firing 1900 shots.

In an armored dugout near Ravenna the Italians discovered the entire equipment of an Austrian brigade.

Evacuating Belgium.
On the Franco-British front the British hail of shells being dropped upon the German lines in Flanders is causing the Germans to contemplate abandoning a wide expanse of territory there now being swept by

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WAR COMMITTEE MEETS DEFEAT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—House republicans lost their fight today to amend the war bond certificate bill so as to provide for a congressional war expenditures committee. Representative Johnson of Kentucky, chairman of the committee of the whole, sustained points of order made by Democratic Leader Kitchin against two different proposals offered by Representative Gillett of Massachusetts and Representative Moore of Pennsylvania.

House debate on the \$11,528,945,469 war bond and certificate bill continued today, with prospects of a final vote being reached before night. As no serious opposition to the bill has so far developed, its passage in virtually the form reported to the house appeared certain.