

# WILSON PLANS EARLY RETURN TO CONFERENCE

Evidence of President's Intention Not to Abandon Peace Meeting Shown By Arrangements for Return to Paris By March 15—Week to See Draft for Society of Nation.

PARIS, Feb. 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Evidence of President Wilson's intention not to abandon the peace conference upon the ratification of the society of nations plan is found in the disclosure today that he plans to return from Washington to Paris by March 15. This involves so brief a stay at Washington as to permit only the signing of bills during the closing hours of congress. It is understood that Mr. Wilson intends to give personal attention in Paris to the work of the supreme executive council which promises to be the most important feature of the peace conference after the disposal of the society of nations.

**To Form Economic Council**  
Interesting developments in the work of the supreme council of the peace conference are expected today. The draft of the plan for a society of nations will be before the commission for a second reading and it is probable that it will be prepared for action by a plenary session of the conference late in the week. Unanimity continues to prevail that the commission's report will be adopted.

The supreme war council, although hearing the claims of Belgian delegates in support of the French view that their country should be protected until on the same footing as Germany, is expected to refer this matter to an economic committee.

The supreme economic council which is about to be organized, is expected to consider French and Belgian proposals that Essen and other German industrial towns should be occupied to prevent the manufacture of munitions and arms. This is a question which bears on the ability of Germany to pay heavy indemnities through products of industry and it is the American view that the suppression of Germany's munition production can be as well assured by a system of authorized inspection by entente agents.

**To Recoup Losses**  
The French and Belgian idea that they should be permitted to recoup their enormous losses by the destruction of industrial plants through the stoppage of German industries until France and Belgium have been rehabilitated is met by the American view which is shared by the British, that such losses should be reimbursed by cash indemnities from Germany within a reasonable time. The supreme economic council can regulate the distribution of raw materials between countries so as to insure France and Belgium of a proper advantage over Germany and prevent the latter from gaining the world's markets.

It is believed certain that American troops will not be employed as permanent garrisons in the Rhine country longer than is necessary for military purposes or to insure the carrying out of the commercial conditions of the armistice.

# TEXTILE WORKERS RETURNING TO JOBS

LAWRENCE, Mass., Feb. 11.—While leaders in the textile workers' strike for 48 hours work with 54 hours pay asserted there was no increase in the number who returned to work today. Mill officials say more employes were at work than at any time since the strike started a week ago.

The Lawrence Central Labor Council sent a statement to Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, saying that while negotiations were going on, "a group of Bolsheviks and I. W. W. propagandists" arrived and became active among the non-organized textile workers, "making rash promises and giving un-American advice."

The statement adds that on the advice of the Central Labor Union a majority of the workers went back into the mills, but at present it is unable to meet with any success in its efforts for the textile workers "because of the trouble and unrest caused by these Bolsheviks and I. W. W. representatives."

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# MINES AT BUTTE CLOSED BUT ORDER RULES COMMUNITY

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 11.—The situation is well in hand and only minor disturbances are reported. The above is the combined opinion of municipal, county and military authorities in Butte today, where members of the Metal Mine Workers' Union (independent) and of Metal Mine Workers Industrial Union No. 800 of the I. W. W. are on strike for abolition of the "rustling card" system at the Butte mines and as a protest against the recent reduction in miners' wages of \$1 a day.

Some hope is held out that the situation might find relief after a meeting called for late today at which the cost of living will be discussed by merchants and city and county officials. In calling the meeting Mayor W. H. Maloney said he thought that the living cost was probably responsible for all of the dissatisfaction in this city. The same subject was discussed last night at a meeting of business men of the city.

Interest now centers in possible action by other labor organizations in connection with the strike. Hoisting engineers union will take no action until other unions have been consulted, it was decided last night. Several metal trades unions have been asked by the strikers to vote sympathetic strikes but action is being withheld, it is understood, pending a report from union representatives who participated in the Washington conference recently between the department of labor, mine operators and union officials.

Notification by the Anaconda Copper Mining company to independent shippers that customs ore would not be received at the company's smelters at Anaconda or Great Falls, is taken by shippers as an indication that the Anaconda company is preparing to close its smelters until demands for copper again necessitates quantitative production. Several thousand men at Anaconda and Great Falls will be made idle through the closing of the smelters.

A heavy snowfall today made picket duty uncomfortable, but notwithstanding, strikers' pickets were active, but not to the degree noticeable yesterday morning when soldiers were compelled to disperse them with bayonets.

# STATE TO REGULATE TROLLEY FARES

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 11.—After many attempts to kill the measure by amendments, the house late yesterday sent to third reading a senate bill putting the regulation of passenger fares of municipally owned street car lines under control of municipalities and those of privately owned street railways under the public service commission.

Automobile dealers, truck owners, stage managers, and representatives of various other organizations allied with the automobile industry, bitterly opposed a senate bill sharply increasing annual license fees to be paid by all classes of car owners. Speakers declared in the hearing last night before the joint senate and house roads and bridges committee that the proposed license act would raise fees as high as 300 per cent in some cases. The bill also requires salaried chauffeurs to obtain a license. Of increased receipts to be raised by the measure \$800,000 would be provided for road maintenance and the remainder for new construction.

# 2000 TROOPS LAND AT NEWPORT NEWS

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Feb. 11.—The transport Princess Matoika arrived here today from France with more than 2000 troops, half of whom were reported as sick or wounded. The ship also brought casual companies for Montana; the 66th base hospital unit and a number of casual officers.

The President Grant, due February 20, carries the 164th infantry, complete, the supply company and company K of the 162nd infantry, both of the 41st division, routed to Camp Dix. About 4000 officers and men in addition to a number of casual officers and more than 700 sick and wounded are aboard, with Brigadier General Albert H. Blanding, commanding the 184th infantry brigade. Among troops on the Northland, due February 19, is the remainder of Company D, 162nd infantry, for Camp Dix.

The cruiser St. Louis will reach New York February 20, with companies E, F and G, 161st infantry, 41st division, for Camp Dix. The Canopus is due February 17 with companies A, B, C and part of company D, staff headquarters and machine gun company and medical detachment of the 162nd infantry of the 41st division, composed of 34 officers and 1201 men routed to Camp Dix for demobilization. There are in addition about 175 casuals, mostly officers.

# LABOR STRIKES CANCEL CONTRACTS FOR SHIPBUILDING

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 11.—Belief that the strike situation in the northwest and the San Francisco bay region would be speedily composed, was expressed here today by Dr. L. C. Marshall, member of the federal shipbuilding labor adjustment board, and assistant on industrial relations to Director General Charles Piez of the Emergency Fleet corporation. "There may be further disturbances, but the situation is very hopeful," Dr. Marshall said.

Complete withdrawal of the government as a mediation agency in shipbuilding labor disputes and the formation of national or regional peace adjustment boards to be composed of representatives of the men and the employers only, was forecast by Dr. Marshall.

"The demand has been made for a board to succeed the present shipbuilding labor adjustment board when it ceases its activities," Dr. Marshall said. "The Bethlehem Shipbuilding corporation already has started with a board of five union men and five representatives of the owners."

From twenty-five to thirty percent of the ways now in the country could take care of the country's normal shipbuilding program, Dr. Marshall said. He admitted that labor disturbances were prompting cancellations of ship contracts, but said that efforts were being made to so adjust shipbuilding conditions that there will be no general unemployment of workers.

# RECEPTION GIVEN OVERSEAS VETERANS

A large portion of Medford including the public school children gathered at the depot this afternoon to do honor to 113 overseas veterans enroute to San Francisco from Camp Lewis. The soldiers were in two special cars attached to the regular south bound passenger train, and the demonstration was hastily arranged this forenoon on receipt of word from the railroad that they were coming.

The high school band discoursed patriotic airs during the train stop, and the Red Cross furnished the boys with apples. The Mothers, Wives and Next of Kin assisted in making the hastily arranged demonstration.

# PICKETS DISCARD ARMY UNIFORMS

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 11.—Major A. M. Jones, in command of United States troops in Butte, today issued an order that all discharged soldiers immediately discard their uniforms. Provisions will be made, it is understood to provide clothing for those unable to purchase civilian suits. The fact that many of those engaged in picketing have been wearing the army uniform caused the order, Major Jones explained.

He issued the following notice to discharged soldiers:

"The attention of all discharged soldiers is invited to the fact that they are only authorized to wear their uniforms while enroute to their homes and no longer; further, that all discharged soldiers must wear the scarlet chevron to indicate the fact that they have been released from the military service and are enroute to their homes."

# FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT OFFICE PLACES WORKERS

The Federal Employment Service with its 750 offices throughout the United States has already placed more than 100,000 returning soldiers in employment and is placing an average of 100,000 persons a week in various industries. The week of January 11th, 44 states reported placements of 99,077, and the week ending January 18, 42 states reported the placing of 91,290 men.

Between the signing of the armistice on November 11 and December 31 last year the employment service placed a total of 725,293 men, and in the last six months of 1918 placed more than 2,300,000 persons, chiefly in war industries.

# RIVERSIDE RIPPLES

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wahl were transacting business and calling on friends in Medford the first of the week.

Mrs. M. Jacobs and Miss Lyndall Jacobs and George Jacobs were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Alden.

Bert Pratt who was in our midst for a few days has again returned to Grants Pass.

W. H. Striker made a business trip to Grants Pass, returning Thursday. Frank Isaacs completed his work at the El Ora ranch and returned to his home in Medford Thursday.

Mrs. Rose Gay drove to Ashland Saturday to visit her mother, Mrs. H. D. Jones accompanying her.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. P. Champlin entertained a few friends Wednesday evening at their home, the occasion being their sixth wedding anniversary. The evening was delightfully spent with music and "500", a delicious lunch being served by Mrs. Champlin at the midnight hour.

Richard Engel was afflicted with a peculiar illness the past week. He had a spell of hiccoughs which could not be checked until medical aid had been secured.

C. W. McDwald was down from Medford Sunday raking surveys for irrigation on his land.

The funeral services of Mrs. Dinwiddle were held in Gold Hill Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hittle and Mrs. Effie Martin left on the evening train for Salem with the remains, where interment was had.

Mrs. Dinwiddle, mother of Mrs. Hittle, has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Hittle the past year and by her sweet and friendly nature, endeared herself to all who knew her. The end came peacefully and she has gone to her reward. Mrs. Effie Martin arrived from Los Angeles Sunday morning. Other children of Mrs. Dinwiddle were unable to be here.

Miss Bertha Wolverton who has been making a two weeks visit with friends in Phoenix returned to her home on Friday and left Saturday for Ruch where she has been engaged as teacher for the remainder of the school year.

Al Wolverton drove to Medford Saturday returning on Sunday.

Merritt Hittle is staying with Mrs. Striker and Lucile Hittle with Mrs. Engel in the absence of their parents in Salem.

Mrs. Abbie Champlin is quite ill at her home with a nervous affection. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery. A meeting of the Recreation club which was to have been held at the Champlin home on Thursday has been indefinitely postponed.

The Riverside Recreation club is making plans to attend the meeting in Gold Hill, Feb. 14, for the organization of the Farm Bureau.

The Community club held one of their usual successful parties at the club house Saturday evening. Part of the evening was devoted to the annual business meeting. The following officers being elected: President, H. D. Jones, Sr.; vice president, W. W. Hittle; secretary, Geo. W. Ja-

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cohs; treasurer, Grant Mathews. Board of directors elected were: H. D. Jones, Chas. P. Champlin and C. R. Boyd. Dancing was enjoyed and the ladies furnished sandwiches, cake and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wahl of Medford were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wahl and attended the party at the club house Saturday evening.

PARIS, Feb. 11.—(Havas). The allied governments have ordered the Poles and the Germans to cease hostilities, according to newspaper reports received here today from Berlin by way of Copenhagen.

When we recognized Poland's independence we didn't mean that she should be too darned independent.—Greenville Piedmont.

# Half of French Army Lost

1,500,000 killed in battle and an equal number seriously wounded is the enormous sacrifice of France in the world war. This constituted about half of the men she put into the field—a larger ratio of her 36,000,000 population than any other nation gave. America owes France a large debt of gratitude for this heroic outpouring of her life's blood that liberty might live, and also to the peasants of France who discovered a perfect remedy for stomach, liver and intestinal ailments which is reported to have relieved incalculable suffering, prevented many surgical operations and saved thousands of lives. Geo. H. Mayr, a leading Chicago chemist, imports the ingredients and sells this remedy in America under the name of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. For sale by druggists everywhere. Adv.

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