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UPPER SILESIA IS VISITED BY HUN BARBARITY

Repetition Of Polish Torture Are Reported From Poland.

WHOLESALE MASSACRES AND DEPORTATIONS ON

Organized Effort Made To Insure Plebiscite Favorable To Germany.

London, Aug. 26.—(United Press.)—Charging that the Germans are guilty of the same practices in upper Silesia as in Belgium, in 1914, the Times and Morning Post correspondents in Poland cabled a combined appeal to Great Britain to come to the aid of the Poles.

The dispatches, which appear in today's papers, accuse the Germans of massacres and wholesale deportations of able-bodied men for work in the devastated areas of France and Belgium. There also have been systematic efforts, the correspondents charged, to disorganize the Poles and drive them out of Silesia, thus insuring a plebiscite favorable to Germany.

The Morning Post comments on what it describes as "organized crime" committed under the nose of the victorious allies, who are to be held responsible for the massacres—particularly President Wilson and Lloyd George. The latter, according to the Post, imposed the plebiscite policy on Upper Silesia.

"They ought to have known," the paper declares, "that such a policy would provide the Germans with temptation and incentive to crime. It is a hellish conspiracy. We regret to say we believe several of the allied statesmen have fallen too easy prey to German cunning. The plebiscite is now a mockery of justice. The situation demands prompt action and punishment."

"The Poles should be empowered to take possession of Upper Silesia and the Germans informed that they have forfeited all claim to the territory."

"What does Wilson think—who boasted in Boston that the Poles were his special care? What does he think of the manner in which the Germans have shown contempt for his democratic institutions?"

The correspondents give the details of five shootings at Mestowitz, forty executions at Grossblawowka and forty at Wodzislaw.

The Times in an editorial, asserts the Germans have acted exactly as any body familiar with their history and character would have foreseen.

"The Silesian men was in accordance with the best traditions of the Wilhelmstrasse," the Times said today. "Thert, Bauer and Erzberger have no more scruples than the Machiavellian statesmen of old."

A New Agency dispatch from Copenhagen reports that the Poles suffered heavy losses Sunday night in fighting at Glewitz, in the Silesian district.

Rain Needed To End Linn County Fires

Albany, Or., Aug. 26.—Only rain can stop the forest fire on Crabtree creek, east of Linn, which has already swept through 350,000,000 feet of fine timber.

Men have arrived here from Portland in large numbers to fight the flames. Nearly 300 are now trying to check the fire.

Eugene, Or., Aug. 26.—The forest-fire situation in the McKenzie river district is more serious today, according to Supervisor E. S. Wallace.

Several new blazes have started and are out of control.

Albany, Or., Aug. 26.—A new forest fire in the Santiam national forest, which was discovered yesterday, is reported to be under control today.

ROGUE RIVER YOUTH FACING TRIAL TODAY

Hugh Moore Charged With Complicity In Murder Of Watchman.

San Luis Obispo, Cal., Aug. 26.—(United Press.)—Hugh Moore, 19-year-old farmer son of Rogue River, Or., faced trial here today on a charge of complicity in the murder of David Morehouse, night watchman at Paso Robles.

His parents are here from Jackson county, Oregon, for the trial, and they have implicit faith in their ability to show that their son was merely the victim of bad companionship.

Moore was arrested with Seth Burt, alias Edward Langdon, 22, after Morehouse had been shot by the two men he found burglarizing a Paso Robles store. Burt, insisted from the time of his arrest that he shot Morehouse, and that Moore while with him in the robbery venture, fired no shots.

A defense of mental deficiency will be entered, it being contended that Moore was a good boy, working on his father's farm until he suffered an injury in a runaway. After that, he ran away to Medford, met Burt, who was known in Medford as Langdon, and got into trouble through his companion, a youth regarded by authorities as a brazen criminal.

Court Supports Managers Against Striking Actors

New York, Aug. 26.—In the case of the Producing Managers' association against the striking Actors' Equity association, Justice Peter A. Hendrick of the state supreme court late this afternoon gave verbal decision supporting the managers.

He said he would hand down a decision Wednesday afternoon, restraining the actors from breaking existing contracts. He urged both factions to get together and settle their differences out of court before that time.

He upheld the rights of the actors to join any association they desired, or enter into any contracts in the future.

Gompers Returns From Europe Facing Complex and Serious Situation Throughout Country

By Fred S. Ferguson
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
New York, Aug. 26.—Samuel Gompers returns home today from Europe to face the most serious and complex situation that has arisen during his entire regime as president of the American Federation of Labor.

Gompers was aboard the transport George Washington, the "president's ship" which has already played its part in American history. But in landing Gompers on American soil the famous ship played its part in a drama, the consequences of which are considered second only to the peace conference.

The George Washington was due to dock this afternoon.

Gompers was the first many down the gangplank when the George Washington docked at Hoboken about 12:30.

A crowd, assembled at the pier cheered wildly as the labor leader came ashore. One man shouted, "three cheers for the smartest man in America."

A group of local leaders surrounded Gompers at once to welcome him home. With them was his son. Movie men and photographers were ready and Gompers

SENATE AGAIN CHANGES TEXT OF PEACE PACT

Foreign Relations Committee Adopts Resolution Proposed By Fall.

WILSON LEADING FIGHT ON SHANTUNG AMENDMENT

President Views Action Of Opposition As Dangerous To Early Peace.

By L. C. Martin
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Washington, Aug. 26.—The foreign relations committee today again amended the peace treaty, by adopting Senator Fall's proposal to eliminate the United States from membership on the international commission to trace the boundary between Belgium and Germany.

By a vote of 9 to 7 the committee struck out of article 35 of the treaty the words "and associated." This article creates a boundary commission of seven, five members of which are to be appointed by "the principal allied and associated powers." Elimination of the words "and associated" removes the United States, which during the war and the peace negotiations was known as an "associate" and not an ally of the entente powers.

All the democratic members of the committee voted against the amendment.

The committee quickly adopted other "Fall amendments of the same character by the same vote."

While these amendments were being adopted, President Wilson summoned Senator Hitchcock, administration leader to the White House for a conference at 3 p. m. The committee also voted to give an hour to reports on India protesting against inclusion of that nation in the league of nations. The committee's

PRODUCTION OF SPRUCE A SIDE ISSUE, CHARGE

Offer Of Washington Loggers To Fill Big Contract Was Ignored.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 26.—The logging industry of Washington was threatened with extinction unless it accepted subcontractors from the favored Siemens-Carey-Kerbaugh corporation in the production of airplane spruce through labor differential and prohibitive wages to government employes, according to William C. Butler, of Everett, one of the biggest operators in the state, who appeared before the congressional investigating committee this morning.

Butler is a brother of Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University. Aside from extensive logging holdings, Butler is president of the First National Bank of Everett, president of the Lyman Timber company and is a director in numerous other corporations.

The congressional committee as well as a large audience of lumbermen was visibly impressed by Butler's testimony.

"The loggers of Washington were in a position to produce 10,000,000 feet of spruce a month when war loomed," Butler told the committee. "We were in a position to supply a very substantial amount of equipment. Our employes were enthusiastic and anxious to aid the government in its effort to aid the aircraft program."

"On February 17, 1918, the loggers of this state made a distinct proposal to Lieutenant Colonel Disque, head of the spruce division, to produce 80,000 spruce cants a day for \$85 a thousand. To this day that proposal, sent in the form of a letter to Disque has not been acknowledged."

"Charles Cobb, one of the Nestors of the logging industry in the northwest, told me personally after no acknowledgment of the letter had been made, that he believed Disque did not want to produce spruce. Whereupon Cobb packed his grip and went to southern California."

"Humiliating to the logging industry of this state as well as to the nation, a year and seven months passed after the entry of the United States into the

SUGAR SHORTAGE ON COAST IS IMMINENT

Diversion Of 200,000 Bags To Eastern Market Means Scarcity In West.

Whatever other ills may befall her, the Salem housewife has congratulated herself that she has done with war substitutes and war rationing of the necessities of life. But here in the midst of the struggle with the high cost of everything comes the prospect that the old county food administration may resume operations and dole out sugar to the householder in two pound lots as in the war times.

It develops that there is a serious shortage of sugar in the eastern states, and to meet it the sugar equalization board has ordered the diversion of 200,000 bags of sugar from the coast country to the east.

It is estimated that raw material will not be available for this section until after the first of January; and furthermore, the packers and canners of the northwest will be taken care of by the wholesalers first. Consequently a situation akin to war days is expected to exist in the west as it has in the east for some time, but the card system probably will not be brought into vogue for the reason, as one dealer expressed it, "that there will be no use for a card system if there is no sugar."

Announcement of the critical condition of the sugar market came as a clap of thunder from a clear sky to refiners and wholesalers, who had no intimation of the impending diversion of

Armour Declares People To Protest Over Kenyon Bill

Chicago, Aug. 26.—(United Press.)—The whole country will protest against the passage of the Kenyon bill for regulation of the packing industry, when "the people understand what the bill really holds," said J. Ogden Armour, president of Armour & company, packers, here today, commenting on reports that numerous protests have been wired to congressmen in opposition to the bill.

Armour denied any employe of his company "is engaged in wiring in protests against the bill and signing other people's names."

WHAT PRESIDENT WILSON'S 'TRUCE PLEA' MEANS

A truce in the contests over wages and working conditions called for by President Wilson to help the government cut living costs, would mean the temporary abandonment of demands by:

- 500,000 railroad shopmen demanding 25 per cent additional.
- 187,000 trainmen seeking increases averaging 40 per cent.
- 112,000 railroad firemen planning wage demands.
- 35,000 conductors asking 35 per cent additional.
- 500,000 workers in steel and allied industries.
- 200,000 workers, some of whom now are on strike in general trades, including builders, machinists, sailors, fishermen, cigarmakers, streetcar workers, butchers and meat packing employes and shoemakers.
- \$5,000,000 is being slashed daily from the American production by strikes and lockouts, according to estimates based on reports to various government departments.

"The primary step," said the president, "is to increase production and facilitate transportation so as to make up for the destruction wrought by the war, the terrible scarcities it created as soon as possible relieve our people of the cruel burden of high prices. The railways are the very center of the process."

RAIL WORKERS DEMANDS FAIL OF APPROVAL

All Government Concessions To Follow Example Made To Shopmen.

HINES OUTLINES PLAN IN LETTER TO WHARTON

Whole Nation Waits Answer Of Labor To Compromise Offer Of President.

Washington, Aug. 26.—A new strike vote by 500,000 railway shopmen on President Wilson's proposition for wage increases of four cents an hour was ordered today by President Bert M. Jewell, of the railway employes department of American Federation of Labor.

Washington, Aug. 26.—(United Press.)—The government's concessions to other railroad unions will be the same as that given the shopmen, Director General Hines clearly indicated today in a letter to M. O. Wharton, chairman of the board of railroad wages and working conditions.

Demands already before the railroad administration include requests for a 40 per cent increase for 187,000 trainmen and for a 35 per cent increase for 25,000 conductors. Other railroad brotherhoods also are ready to submit demands. Trainmen say they are expecting Hines to answer them by September.

Hines letter to Wharton says:

"The position of the government is that, in view of its campaign to reduce the cost of living and of the strong prospects that substantial relief will be achieved, it is not proper now to make general increases in wages on the assumption that the present cost of living efforts of the government to bring down the cost of living, the highest cost of living ought not to be accepted as a permanent basis of wage and adjustment."

"It is recognized, however, that if the efforts of the government to bring down the cost of living should fail, railroad wages should be readjusted in the light of any permanent higher living costs which would thereby have to be recognized."

ABE MARTIN

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 26.—Transportation by rail had practically ceased in southern California today as a result of strikes of steam road men in sympathy with the Pacific Electric interurban strikers.

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Whereas the national officers of the rail men have refused to sanction the strike, the strikers have the wholeheart-

Innocent Boy Is Killed In Illinois Riot

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 26.—A fifteen-year-old boy was shot through the head and instantly killed and a man was shot in the leg during a pitched battle at a mine near here today between insurgent coal miners and miners wanting to return to work.

The boy was watching the fighting. Not until the youth fell dead did the battle in which revolver shots, bricks and clubs were used, subside.

The death frightened conservatives and they returned to their homes without further attempt to go back to work.

Two men were arrested and held pending investigation.

At the insurgents recent convention here it was voted to call a strike unless operators remitted fines assessed against strikers. A conservative group refused to abide by the vote.

COUNTERFEITER AND WIFE GIVEN HEARING

Location Of Riley Trial To Be Decided In Portland Today.

Portland, Or., Aug. 26.—(United Press.)—A hearing which is being conducted here today by United States Commissioner Drake will determine whether Joseph E. Riley and his attractive 18-year-old bride, Dorothy Tidd Riley, shall be tried in Portland or San Francisco on a charge of counterfeiting.

Riley, 32, was arrested here with his wife early in the month by secret service agents. A counterfeiting outfit and a quantity of gold and silver bullion were found in their rooms at the time they were taken into custody, the government operators reported.

The federal authorities claim that Riley is the head of "America's most dangerous band of counterfeiters," who have been operating on the Pacific coast, particularly California, for several years.

Like Fagan in Dickens novel; Riley is alleged to have trained young men in the counterfeiting game, regulating their operations as a chief would his tribe.

Secret service agents say that seven of Riley's pupils were captured in San Francisco in 1916, being sent to prison for 18 months. The present Mrs. Riley is said to have been taken at the same time and sent to a reform school. Following her release, the alleged head of the colony of counterfeiters married her and brought her to Portland.

The government agents also charge Riley with being a bigamist and a deserter from the army. They claim Riley's gang contemplated an early "clean-up" along the whole Pacific coast. Two of the alleged members of the ring, Frank O'Toole and his wife, Isabella, were recently arrested in Sacramento, and are now awaiting trial in San Francisco on a charge of passing spurious money.

According to information which was sent here from San Francisco, members of Riley's gang charge him with deserting Laura Riley, his companion of years, when he became infatuated with Dorothy Tidd, daughter of Mrs. W. H. LaPorte. The latter and her husband have served time for counterfeiting, the federal authorities assert.

Ptomaine Poisoning Ends Life Of Argonne Veteran

Alliance, Ohio, Aug. 26.—Ptomaine poisoning, it was believed, resulted in the death here today of Colonel C. C. Weibrecht, world war veteran, his wife, two family friends and a waiter. It was believed that olives served at a private dinner party last Friday were the cause.

The chef who prepared the dinner was also stricken and is believed dying.

Colonel Weibrecht commanded the 146th infantry of the 37th division in the Argonne drive. He was formerly adjutant general of Ohio.

ARMY SUPPLIES NOW AVAILABLE TO SALEM FOLK

Local Office Placed Upon Par With Other Points By Postal Rates.

DISTRIBUTION WILL BE MADE OUT OF PORTLAND

Orders To Be Taken Here Until Allotment Sold Or Ordered Closed.

Surplus army food stocks are now within the reach of the people of Salem and vicinity.

Today an order was received by Postmaster Hackstein to the effect that supplies will be shipped from Portland and that, regardless of location, purchasers will be given a parcel post rate of five cents a pound with one cent added for each additional pound. The limit of one package is to be 125 pounds.

And not only is Salem and vicinity now on a par with other localities, but orders have been received at the post office whereby the sale is to be continued until the allotment is sold out or until the post office department at Washington orders the sale stopped.

Heretofore Salem has been barred out on this sale of army stocks due to the fourth class zone rates to San Francisco, and also due to the first order received to sell the food for only two days. Orders received today change everything and throw the surplus army stocks, to be stored at Portland, open to the public.

Included in the list of supplies that may be sold at Salem are 2000 twelve pound cans of bacon. The government's price for the 12 pounds is \$4.30. To this total be added 21 cents for postage, total \$4.56 cents, or about 35 cents a pound.

Baked beans are packed in one, two or three pound cans. There is allotted to Salem, as a postoffice of the first class 4750 cans of 1 1/2 pound each, besides a fair allotment of the two and

Daniels And Party Leave On Return Trip To Coast

By M. D. Tracy
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)
* Aboard U. S. S. New York.
* Aug. 25.—(Delayed).—Secretary H. T. aboard the dreadnaught U. S. S. New York for Monterey, Cal., at 10 a. m. today. He expects the New York to make fifteen to seventeen knots, arriving at Monterey on the morning of August 31.

* Daniels will catch a train that afternoon for San Francisco.
* Secretary and Mrs. Daniels and their party spent Sunday visiting Kilauea volcano near Hilo.

Southern California Railway Service Is Practically Halted By Sympathy Strike of Labor

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"I'm glad we bought Lincolnshire when we did," said Mrs. L. F. Bud, today, when she discovered she didn't have enough money by 40 cents to buy a dozen russet cars. The Elite Drug Store is advertising 8-year-old Kendall's Spavin Cure.

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