

STRIKES SWEEP GERMANY; SOCIALISTS UNITE IN FIGHT

100,000 Quit Work in Berlin, and Movement Extends to Other Cities—Labor Meetings Sternly Barred

Scheidemann Joins With Minority Leaders in Directing Workmen's Council of 500—'Action Commission' to Be Organized by Activators

LONDON, Jan. 30.
IN AN interview with the Berlin correspondent of the Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant, Admiral von Tirpitz demands the military occupation of Belgium and submarine bases in that country.

Von Tirpitz pictured a world divided into opposing camps, comprising Continental Europe on the one hand, England and America on the other.

Serious strikes are reported to be in progress throughout Germany. In Berlin and suburban towns 90,000 workers are said to have quit work.

Various large manufacturing concerns engaged in the manufacture of war supplies, especially airplanes, are affected. Independent Socialists are reported to have taken an active part in the calling of the strike.

The German Government has decided to order the arrest of six leaders of this party.

BERNE, Jan. 29.
One hundred thousand workmen were striking in Berlin Monday, according to copies of the Frankfurter Zeitung which arrived here today. The newspaper declared there were no processions, no demonstrations and the city was orderly and quiet.

Rumors were circulated here today that German soldiers on the east front had shot some of their officers. It was also reported that there were disturbances among sailors of the German fleet at Kiel. No direct confirmation was obtainable.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 30.
Berlin's strike is growing hourly. The movement is spreading to provincial towns. Danzig and Hamburg are now affected. In Berlin a workmen's council of 500 has been formed.

This information came today in dispatches filed late last night in Berlin.

A demand has been presented to the Imperial Government by the German trade unions for the following concessions:

First. An answer by the German Government to the speech made by Premier Lloyd George to British trade unions.

Second. A statement on German war aims in the west.

Third. Direct representation of the working class interests in the peace negotiations in proportion to the representation of capitalistic interests.

Fourth. No further postponement of Prussian franchise reforms.

The workmen's Council, the dispatches reported, is to be represented by an "action commission" composed of ten men and women.

Doctor Haase, Ledebour, Dittmann, Philip Scheidemann, Doctor Ebert and Doctor Braun, all Socialists of varying degrees, have joined the council.

German Under Secretary for the Interior von Wallroff, formally prohibited all labor meetings and announced he would not negotiate with strikers. He declared, however, that he would receive a delegation of Reichstag members of the Socialist parties.

Philip Scheidemann, majority Socialist party leader, with Doctor Haase, leader of the independent Socialists, and two workmen, formally led Wallroff of the formation of the Workmen's Council and demanded that all negotiations relative to the strike be held in the presence of the workmen.

Berlin reported that "it was not known whether Wallroff would agree to this."

One dispatch passed by the German censor estimated the number of Berlin's strikers at 40,000. Another, apparently filed early this morning, set the total number then out at 75,000. The first message declared hundreds were joining every hour.

It is of tremendous significance that Philip Scheidemann, the German majority Socialist leader, has joined with the German Minority Leaders Haase, Ledebour and Dittmann. For the first time it appears that the German Socialist parties are united. Heretofore Scheidemann's subservience to the German Government's policy has been so marked as to raise the suspicion that he was merely a tool of the Government.

It was Scheidemann who conceived the idea of a Stockholm conference of Socialists of the world to discuss peace—a conference which was exposed at the outset as a scheme to twist Socialist sentiment into support of Germany by "planting" a majority of German Socialists in the convention.

Scheidemann, as late as last summer, was named by the Kaiser to head the Reichstag committee considering constitutional reforms, indicating the government relied upon him as "safe."

Last week, however, Scheidemann apparently experienced a violent change of heart. Dispatches quoted him as making a bitter assault on Chancellor Hertling for the conduct of the Brest-Litovsk peace negotiations.

The German majority Socialists have consistently supported the German government although professing radical beliefs. The minority Socialists have as consistently opposed every move of the Junkers. It was their persistence that precipitated the Cabinet crisis over Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg.

KAISER'S GOVERNMENT ALARMED AS INDUSTRIAL UNREST SPREADS

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 30.
Nothing industrial and political unrest throughout Germany, which is now marked by a rapid growth of the national strike movement, is causing the Imperial Government genuine alarm.

Advices received here today from the German frontiers estimated that nearly 300,000 workers were idle in Germany. The walkout spread to factories engaged in war work, and the supply of munitions and airplanes is seriously being affected.

Many women went out with the men. Numerous strike leaders have been arrested, and the Berlin police issued warrants against street agitators and secret assemblies. It is reported that Adolph Hoffmann, editor of Vorwaerts, chief organ of the German Socialists and working class paper, has been seized by a long suspension unless it ceases its attacks on the army leaders.

Other telegrams from a German source reported the arrest of some of the leaders of the Independent Socialist party, while arrangements were served upon others. Leaders of the Pan-German element are opposing the labor agitation, and the Pan-Germanists want the Government to stop the agitation.

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SPIRIT OF REVOLUTION IN GERMANY SEEN AS FRUIT OF BOLSHIEVİK SEED

By J. W. T. MASON
NEW YORK, Jan. 30.

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Tirpitz Would Keep Grip Upon Belgium

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ITALIAN AIRMEN AID BIG PLUNGE

Twelve Enemy Fliers Downed, While Infantry Pierces Foe's Line

1500 TEUTONS TAKEN

LONDON, Jan. 30. (Continued from page 1)

FINN ANARCHISTS WARN U. S. ENVOY

Threaten to Hold Francis Responsible for Berkman's "Life and Liberty"

GERMANS LOSE EIGHT PLANES TO BRITISH

Heavy Aerial Fighting on War Front and Repulse of Trench Raid Reported

FISHING BOAT DRIVEN HOME

Blizzard and Hurricane Damage Schooner on Profitless Trip

Ship Companies in New Building

The Pennsylvania and New Jersey Shipbuilding Companies, at Gloucester City, have taken possession of their new office building, a three-story concrete structure opposite the entrance of the old race track and between the plants of the two companies.



CITY WINS ITS FIGHT TO HAVE U. S. USE PORT



Director Webster Is Told Facilities Here Will Be Utilized

HOME FOR NEW FLEET

Shipping Board Man Agrees to Take Advantage of Wharves

U. S. Now Plans to Use Port of Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA port wins recognition. Facilities will be fully utilized during war. Will serve United States troops in France and allies. Plans now being pushed. Will be home port of hundreds of ships. This means brighter future, both during and after the war.



Philadelphia has won its battle for recognition as a world port. Its exceptional facilities for handling supplies and loading them on ships is to be utilized to the fullest extent to overseas traffic, to meet the needs of the American army in France, the Allied armies and the peoples of the Allied nations.

Following the conference of Director George N. Webster, of the Department of Wharves, Locks and Piers, in Washington with Edward E. Carry, director of operations of the United States Shipping Board, comes the announcement today that arrangements looking toward this end were satisfactorily entered into.

As a result of this conference, Philadelphia will be the home port of hundreds of ships now being constructed at the Emergency Fleet Corporation yards. This promise was given by the Shipping Board.

Director Webster laid before the officials of the Shipping Board the unusual facilities possessed by the port of Philadelphia for a much greater use than is now made of it. The importance of utilizing these facilities was particularly pressed in view of the congestion and confusion which has followed an excessive diversion of supplies to New York, incidentally, it developed that all of the Gulf and Atlantic ports, from New Orleans to Boston, are to come into service to a much larger extent than heretofore.

"I met Mr. Carry and his assistants Mr. Ewing, by appointment," said Mr. Webster, "and laid before them the facts regarding the shipping facilities of Philadelphia. Figures were presented by me, showing that these facilities were not being used to the extent of which they were capable. In fact, only about 50 per cent of the capacity of the port of Philadelphia is now being drawn upon, whereas the port of New York, with its ninety miles of Philadelphia, is congested with vessels which are being compelled to wait, under heavy demurrage penalties, as long as several weeks before they can be loaded.

"The Philadelphia port is perhaps better prepared than any other at the present time to receive this congestion."

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QUICK NEWS

WILL MOVE FUEL ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

Coal distribution offices will be moved early next week to the Medical Arts Building, 1001 Walnut street, it was announced today. The State fuel administration and the Federal Trade Commission, together with railroad, bituminous and anthracite operators' representatives, will occupy quarters on the seventh floor. The Philadelphia County coal committee's offices will be on the third floor.

ROMANIAN PREMIER STEPS DOWN

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 30.—Resignation of Rumanian Premier Bratianu was reported in Berlin dispatches today. General Avancescu succeeds him.

VICTORY LOAF TIME EXTENDED TO FEBRUARY 3

Philadelphia bakers have been notified by the United States Food Administration that the time for putting on sale the new Victory Loaf—to be made of an admixture of wheat flour and cereals—has been extended to February 3 to give time in which to prepare the ingredients that go into the new bread.

AIR FOES STRIVE TO REACH LONDON

German Fliers Buck Capital's Defenses in Second Raid

BOMBS IN OUTSKIRTS

LONDON, Jan. 30. The second German air attack against England in twenty-four hours began last night and early today the aerial invaders were still trying to fight their way through the London defenses to reach the city.

Following the double aerial drive against London on Monday night, the second attack did not surprise the city and the guards along the coast had redoubled their vigilance.

The hostile machines were sighted over Essex and Kent shortly before 10 o'clock. It was officially announced by the commander in house defenses. This indicated that the Germans were again using their new plan of sending their bombing planes out in groups in loops of misleading the defenders. The batteries of high-angle guns along the southeastern coast began to bark and a big fleet of British aeroplanes immediately went aloft to attack and drive back the Germans.

When the alarm was sounded here the people quietly took underground shelters and there was no excitement.

Bombs were dropped in the outskirts of the city.

The War Office report, issued at midnight, said:

"Hostile airplanes crossed the coast of Essex and Kent about 9:30 p. m. Some machines attempted to penetrate into London about an hour later."

SEE COAL RELIEF IN POOLING PLAN

Garfield Announces Arrangement After Visit From Congressmen

OPERATORS AGREE TO IT

Several new developments in the Philadelphia coal situation, which is still at a most acute stage, give promise that domestic consumers and industries will soon receive relief through greatly increased shipments.

After hearing strenuous pleas for relief from a delegation of Pennsylvania Congressmen, headed by J. Hampton Moore, who called on National Fuel Administrator Garfield at the request of State Controller William Potter, Doctor Garfield announced that large anthracite producers had a meeting and promised to exert special efforts to supply Philadelphia with coal. He also announced the diversion to Mr. Potter's office of 200 cars from congestion on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad for movement via the Philadelphia and Reading.

In addition to these 200 cars, Mr. Potter this week seized 200 carloads in transit without the approval of Doctor Garfield.

With evidence of an understanding between Washington and himself, Mr. Potter apparently continued plans for seizure of coal not consigned to points in Pennsylvania.

The output of fifty-six collieries not included in priority orders may be diverted exclusively for the relief of Philadelphia and its suburbs. This additional hoped-for relief is expected to appear as soon as an anthracite pooling system, agreed upon here at a conference of coal operators and railroad officials, is put into effect.

PLAN TO HELP CITY

The pooling agreement, it is said, is to be put into effect immediately, and to be shipped from the Lanesboro, Tamaqua, Pottsville, Shenandoah, Mt. Carmel and Shamokin mines, which are producing 150,000 tons of coal weekly.

These shipments, coming after the big success of Monday, which caused considerable delay on all railroads throughout the eastern section of the country, caused optimism in the offices of the Philadelphia fuel committee. Belief was expressed that these shipments would continue, and soon be exceeded. If this tonnage keeps up, Philadelphia will soon be in a fair position as to coal.

Orders to coal dealers not to deliver coal outside of the city were issued today by Francis A. Lewis, chairman.

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ICE STORM EXPECTED, WITH GLAZED STREETS

Rain to Freeze as It Falls, Forecast by Weather Man for Tonight

Unsettled weather today, with a slowly rising temperature, will bring either more snow or an ice storm tonight, the Philadelphia forecaster warned.

The mercury will not rise to any great extent, being expected to hover slightly below the freezing point. It is this that causes the weatherman to hold to the possibility of an ice storm—rainfall that freezes as it hits the streets.

As the precipitation will be at least an inch, a coating of snow or ice is due to greet the eyes of Philadelphians when they awake tomorrow morning.

The storm will be accompanied by northeast winds, which is expected to attain a velocity that may cause some damage.

The daily average temperature for today will remain below 32 degrees, making a total of forty-four such days this season, a record in the history of the Philadelphia weather bureau. The lowest point touched by the mercury was 21 degrees at 5 o'clock this morning. By noon it had risen to 26 degrees. It will go higher this afternoon and fall to about 25 degrees during the night.

The official forecast for eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey is as follows: Snow north, snow or ice storm south, portion tonight and Thursday. Little change in temperature; northeast winds.

U. S. SENATOR HUGHES, OF NEW JERSEY, DIES

Long Illness Terminates Fatally to State's Senior Representative in Upper House

TRENTON, Jan. 30.—Hughes, senior Senator from New Jersey, died in Mercer Hospital here today after a long illness.

Senator Hughes has served in the Senate for more than twenty years. He was one of the so-called "labor group," being himself a "union card man," through his former employment as a weaver. He has always been a staunch Democrat and was one of the most popular in Congress with his colleagues of both parties.

Hughes served in the Spanish-American war as a member of the Second New Jersey Volunteers.

SKATING ON ALL LAKES

THERE is skating today on all the lakes in Fairmount Park, on the lake in Hunting Park and on the Wissahickon Creek.

DOUBLE COST OF HOG ISLAND STIRS SENATE

Committee Learns Shipyard Building Is Away Above A. I. S. C. Estimate

FLEET CORPORATION'S COUNSEL SUMMONED

Reports Show Increase of 57.4 Per Cent for Driv-ing Piles

COMMISSION CONTRACT

Company Is to Get \$6,000,000 Profit for Construction of Seventy Vessels

Actual Costs Vastly More Than Estimates

COMPARISONS of the costs estimated by the American International Shipbuilding Corporation and the actual costs, as figured by Chairman Piez, of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, are shown below:

Estimated total cost of Hog Island yards by A. I. S. C.	\$1,000,000.00
Commission to A. I. S. C.	\$500,000.00
Profit to be built for actual cost to December 31 of second group of vessels	286,732.78
Estimated by corpora-tion	215,143.00
Actual cost of piles to December 31	513,163.00
Estimated by corpora-tion	80,386.00
This an increase of 57.4 per cent	
Trading costs	970,856.13
Estimated by corpora-tion	51,000.00
Temporary made cost	238,871.48
Estimated cost by corpora-tion	100,000.00
Originally invested in site by corporation	2,000,000.00
Corporation's estimated cost of 30 7500-ton Corporation's estimated cost of 8000-ton ships	35,000,000.00
Plus cost of 8000-ton ships	112,500,000.00
Plus cost of 855,000 each on the fifty auxiliaries and 885,500 on twenty larger ships.	

HELD FOR CHILD'S DEATH

Believe Freight Train on Delaware Avenue Cut Boy in Two

John Davis, of Fifth and Ritter streets, conductor of a freight train, which is supposed to have killed Joseph Duch, twelve years old, of 112 Christian street, on Delaware avenue, last night, was today held by Magistrate Coward in the Seventh and Carpenter streets police station, to await the action of the coroner.

The boy was reported missing by his father yesterday. Last night, the crew of Davis' train found the boy's sweater and hat on Delaware avenue between Wharton and Federal streets. A search revealed a portion of his body near Federal street and the rest near Morris street. He had been cut in two.

How the accident occurred is a mystery to the police and train crew. None of the crew had seen the child in the vicinity of the train and his sweater when it was found was frozen stiff.

ENGINEER HURT IN FALL

Lay All Night With Broken Leg at Foot of Stairs

When Thomas Moran, a helper at the General Fire Extinguisher Company at 1132 Race street, came to work this morning he found the night engineer, Ernest Double, fifty-three years old, of 2560 Sergeant street, at the foot of the stairs leading from the cellar to the boiler room. His leg was broken, and he was suffering internal injuries as well.

He said that while going down the stairs late last night he slipped and fell. He says he read an account of the Hainemann Hospital in a patrol from the Eleventh and Winter streets station. His condition is serious.

GIRL HAD EIGHT HUSBANDS

At Thirty-three, Mother of Eighteen-Year-Old Boy Is Held for Bigamy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Eight husbands since she was fourteen years old is the record of Mrs. Cora Ellen "Woods" or "Barnes," at thirty-three the mother of an eighteen-year-old boy. And because two of the eight husbands are living she finds herself today in a Washington police cell on a charge of bigamy.

Walter Barnes, the "husband before last," Mrs. "Woods" says, deserted her a year ago, two months after their marriage. She says she read an account of his death a short time later and then married Arthur B. Woods, a Washington Navy Yard employee.

FATHER INJURED SLIGHTLY IN ATTEMPT-ING TO SAVE GIRL

Four-year-old Jennie Colich is dead in the Polyclinic Hospital, from burns received late yesterday afternoon when her dress caught fire as she played about the kitchen stove.

The child's father, who was in the next room at the time, tried to save her. He rolled her in a rug to extinguish the flames, but the little girl was burned all over the body.

The father was slightly burned about the hands and arms.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair today, snow or rain at night or tomorrow.

LENGTH OF DAY
Sun rises... 7:18 a.m. Sun sets... 5:36 p.m.

DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES

CHESTNUT STREET
High water, 3:32 a.m. High water, 3:31 p.m.
Low water, 10:23 a.m. Low water, 11:34 p.m.

TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5
25	23	23	24	25	26	26	26	26	26

Today's Installment of Governor Pennypacker's Autobiography

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