

FINALLY REACHED NEGOTIATING

After Five Months of Negotiating

Executives Meet Friday at New York to Approve Contract

New York, July 9. The final form of the railroad contract, which is to be executed by the Government and the individual roads for the period of the war, has been agreed upon by the railroad administration and attorneys for the roads.

The contract is yet to be approved by the railroad executives, who will meet here Friday for this purpose.

It is estimated that the contract will be approved almost certainly. The agreement will be similar to those previously rejected, except that it will be amended in favor of the railroads in such way as to do away with all objection.

Full Compensation The main provisions of the contract follow: First, it gives the roads the full compensation mentioned in the railroad act.

Second, it restricts the amount of additions and betterments chargeable against the road's corporate property.

Third, it guarantees the payment of regular dividends during the period of Federal control.

Fourth, it assures the payment of all charges and the carrying out of all contracts entered into prior to Federal control.

Fifth, it makes all road extensions chargeable to the United States.

Sixth, it makes all additions and betterments for war purposes and not suitable to the normal development of the road chargeable to the United States.

Seventh, it provides for reasonable interest to be paid to the corporate organization for cash used by the railroads in additions, betterments and extensions and for equipment.

Eighth, it keeps in force the accounting practices and the payments to subsidiaries in force prior to Federal control.

Ninth, Government to respect ownership of roads in mines, oil wells, etc.

INCOME TAX FRAUD CHARGED

English and O'Brien, Boston Wool Merchants, Indicted

By the Associated Press Boston, July 9.—William A. English and John H. O'Brien, members of the firm of English & O'Brien, Boston wool merchants, were arrested today on Federal indictment charging conspiracy to defraud the Government of income taxes. The indictment alleged that the shortage through improper accounting to deduct from the income tax returns of the firm was \$25,000 and that the firm had been guilty of this fraud in bonds of \$25,000.

TWO CAMP DIX MEN SENTENCED TO PRISON

William Francis Doyle, who had charge of the camp, and another man, were sentenced to prison terms.

First was Private Patrick J. Conolly, an Irish tailor, of 1643 Broadway, Camden, N. J., whose hatred of England was so deep that he would allow his own adopted country to suffer rather than see England triumph over the Germans.

Conolly was sentenced to a term of five years in the State Prison at Sing Sing, N. Y., for the crime of treason. He was charged with conspiring to overthrow the Government of the United States.

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LE INGENITI PERDITE SUBITE DAL NEMICO

Gli Austriaci in Cinque Giorni Hanno Sacrificato 20,000 Uomini

ALTRI SUCCESSI ITALIANI In Albania le Truppe Italiane Hanno Avanzato Vittoriosamente Catturando oltre Mille Prigionieri

Roma, 9 luglio. Il Ministero della Guerra ha oggi annunciato che dal giorno 2 al 6 luglio, durante i combattimenti nella regione delle montagne a Junzo il fronte degli austriaci ha perduto 20,000 uomini, ossia la metà degli effettivi ivi presenti.

In disparto da Berna annunziò che secondo informazioni giunte da Budapest, delle centinaia di migliaia di uomini erano stati fatti prigionieri in Germania, nell'offensiva contro l'Italia. La maggior parte sono ungheresi. I deputati dell'Ingheria hanno mandato una protesta al loro Parlamento contro le esecutive perdite sul Piave, denunciando che lo stato maggiore austriaco per annullare cinque reggimenti ungheresi ha fatto uccidere 100,000 prigionieri.

L'Italia, dopo aver assicurato la salvezza del fronte sul Piave e presa iniziativa nella regione delle montagne, ora avanza in Albania dove ha già iniziato decisive operazioni nella zona ad occidente del fronte in Macedonia, gradatamente terreno tra la costa ed i valti Tomoritch, lungo un fronte di 20 miglia a nord-est di Valona. Gli austriaci hanno cominciato ad abbandonare gradatamente il medio ed il basso corso del fiume, per cedere a migliaia di italiani, e Vienna ammette che i suoi posti avanzati in detta regione sono stati abbandonati.

Altri successi italiani. Le truppe italiane operanti nella regione delle montagne, hanno con successo scacciato gli austriaci da elevate posizioni nella regione di Monte Grappa, hanno completamente l'occupazione di tutta il territorio al delta del Piave.

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MEADE ROUTS GLOOM WITH STAGE STUNTS

Amateur Theatrical Companies Formed by Members of Depot Brigade

Colonel John K. Meade Is New Commander of 314th Infantry Regiment

Camp Meade, Md., July 9. The 314th Field Artillery, also styled as a Simon-Pure Quaker City outfit, has a new commander. He is Colonel Harry Wilbur, who entered the service twenty years ago. Transfers and assignments announced today are as follows: First Lieutenant Edward B. Beasley, to the assistant camp surgeon. First Lieutenant Austin W. Heine, to 154th Depot Brigade; First Lieutenant Martin B. Finerman, to base hospital; Chapman E. Wood, to 2nd Artillery; Promotion train; Private James L. Handy, from 315th Infantry to 154th Depot Brigade.

By a Staff Correspondent Camp Meade, Md., July 9. The 314th Field Artillery, a well-disciplined unit is emphasized in hundreds times daily at Little Penn, and no better criterion concerning the spirit of the National Army can be found than in the manner in which the men adjust themselves to military life by organizing theatrical companies.

Men drawn into this camp represent all walks of life, but forty-eight hours in khaki places them on one level, and to make their stay in the service as pleasant as possible, they join hands in common effort to dispel the drab and unpleasant. How this spirit animates the new men was today emphasized when it became known that the men of the fourth company of the 154th Depot Brigade had organized a company of entertainers.

This organization, like others in the depot brigade, is a training school for rookies. The chap who has been reared with the proverbial gold spoon hobnob with the rough-and-ready miner, and both are made to feel that they are equal. In reality, the men of the depot brigade are of the same level, and in reality extends himself in an effort to convince his comrades that he is one of them.

Russian Dancer a Hit This much has been made plain by the sterling youth in the Fourteenth company, for one of its members, Rubin Larkin, has been given an honor place in the troupe. Larkin, a product of troubled Russia, is an excellent dancer, and interprets the folk dances of his native land with a grace and skill that are sure to creep into the hearts of the troupe.

Melville T. Hunter, a professional actor and singer, who deserted the boards for doing his bit to drive away the gloom that are sure to creep into the barracks unless the lively dispositions get busy. Others in this company who contribute their share in entertainment are: Susan Shaffer, Thomas Moseley, Private Ed. Gonzales, who lived in Mexico when Villa "was cutting his way to Mexico; Private Kringer and Private Gray.

The boys have staged a preliminary show, and will keep it up until their superiors transfer them to regular units. They are sure to creep into the barracks in the depot brigade, and this number will be greatly swelled when new recruits begin to pour into camp on July 15. A new unit that will Gray, and will be formed, and ought to be pulled up to war strength by the 31st Infantry, for many months.

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263 REVOLVERS SEIZED

Police Confiscate Enough Weapons for Arsenal

By the Associated Press

Philadelphia, July 9.—The State Police department today turned over to the State Arsenal the largest collection of weapons taken from the city in the last few months.

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HAZLETON MAN 'GASSED'

James B. Stein, Jr., Among Wounded in France

By the Associated Press

Hazleton, Pa., July 9.—James B. Stein, Jr., son of the Rev. James B. Stein, D. D., of Sunbury, superintendent of the Hazleton district of the Central Pennsylvania Methodist Episcopal Conference and former pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, Hazleton, was "gassed" on the French battlefield recently, according to word received here today.

Young Stein left Dickinson College before the outbreak of war between America and Germany and enlisted in the late Secretary of Internal Affairs, was recently placed in his department.

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