

Table with weather forecast for Washington, Sept. 1, including temperature and wind conditions.

Evening Public Ledger

WILSON REFUSES TO YIELD TREATY-MAKING POWER; BURLERSON ASSAILED IN LETTER CARRIERS' MEETING

CONVENTION HERE STIRRED BY ATTACK OF MAILMEN HEAD

Gainor Says Postmaster General Has Assumed Hostile Attitude Toward Employes' Pleas

MEN WANT INCREASE IN WAGES OF 60 PER CENT

Also Demand Pension System for Older Men, Which Burlerison Opposed

The policy of Postmaster General Burlerison was attacked today by Edward J. Gainor, president of the National Association of Letter Carriers, which opened its convention this morning in Moose Hall, Broad and Thompson streets.

Mr. Gainor's address follows, in part: "Prior to two years ago the attitude of the postmaster general toward postal associations was such as to justify apprehension. Alive to the need of the well-defined official relations, the convention at Dallas two years ago therefore instructed the incoming board of officers to endeavor to establish, through legislation or otherwise, the means by which a properly accredited representative of this association could present the views of the membership on proposed legislation to the department.

"Developments following the Dallas convention served to emphasize the hostility toward postal associations entertained by General Burlerison. On October 3, 1917, I addressed a respectful application to the postmaster general requesting a leave of absence to care for important duties as president of the National Association of Letter Carriers. This application was denied.

"The convention of the American Federation of Labor was to convene in Buffalo, N. Y., November 12, 1917, and I again asked for leave to attend this meeting as a delegate representing this association. Again was the application denied, despite the urgent intercession of President Compers, of the American Federation of Labor. Under the circumstances my duty was plain, and accordingly under date of November 8, 1917, I tendered my resignation from the service.

Regulations Grew Harsh "Signs began to multiply indicating the bent of official mind. Regulations grew more harsh and exacting. This steadily rising feeling of antagonism took definite shape in the annual report of the postmaster general for the fiscal year 1917, released on December 6 of that year. This report devoted considerable space to a bitter and sweeping indictment of postal organizations and the injury the postal service has suffered as a result of their activities.

"Deciding the rap of the two strenuous years, regretfully I admit that at present the relations between the Postmaster General and the association are not well defined. Judging from his various reports and statements, the Postmaster General has hitherto taken this stand that postal organizations served no useful purpose and that in the matter of wages and working conditions public sentiment and the department could be depended upon to properly guard the interests of the employes. Furthermore, in reply to an application for official recognition, he declined to treat with postal employes as individuals.

Labor Policy Out of Time The labor policy of the postmaster general is out of time with modern methods. More intimate should be the relations between employer and employe. Neither is it keeping with the spirit of the times or the system now generally observed in private industry.

"We concede the wide difference between public and private employment. We contend, however, that the postal service offers a singularly inviting field for co-operation between those in authority and those who do the work. Postal organizations, in directing attention to service defects and pointing the way that progress may follow, perform a highly beneficial service.

"Squaring his actions with his words, the postmaster general thereupon recommended that the act of August 24, 1912, granting postal employes the right of organization and direct petition to Congress, be revoked.

"Certainly the day must be close at hand when official recognition will be granted postal organizations as the one indispensable means of making the principles of co-operation effective. Such an arrangement would be easily instituted and its operation would serve to soften many postal problems. This association in advocating its adoption

Tomorrow Do Your Duty! Register! Register!

Tomorrow is the second registration day. Do your duty. Don't be a vote slacker—be a citizen.

LAVIS CHARGE DENIED

Kendrick Says Grundy Did Not Finance 1916 Campaign Murdoch Kendrick, chairman of the Moore campaign committee, today denied charges that manufacturers, headed by Joseph R. Grundy, of Bristol, "financed" Congressman Moore in the congressional election of 1916.

SHIPYARD AND RAILROAD WORKERS IN PARADE

Banners Expressing Approval of Plumb Method Carried by Marchers Glenn E. Plumb, author of the Plumb plan for government ownership of the railroads, today asserted his willingness to help in an amicable settlement of the railroad workers' demands for higher wages.

SAYS VARE AIDED SLACKERS

Long Charges Political Protection in His Draft Districts That Vare politicians are responsible for all draft scandals in Philadelphia, and that Vare political influence kept men out of the war, is the declaration of George W. Long, former chairman of draft board No. 6, Twelfth and Pine streets.

GUNNER SHOTS OFF LEG

First Accident of Hunting Season Results Seriously The first accident of the fall hunting season happened today, and it cost the gunner his leg.

BANDITS BEAT MAN

Victim of Attack Suffers Fractured Skull Bandits attacked and seriously injured Ben Castal, 3529 Calowhill street, early yesterday morning, at Twentieth and Buttonwood streets. He is suffering from a fractured skull.

FURNITURE STOCK BURNS

Fire Sweeps South Street Store While Owner Visits Family A large stock of furniture was destroyed early today when fire gutted the store and dwelling of I. G. Segal, 816 South street.

COOL BLOW THE WINDS

Fair and somewhat cooler tonight; Tuesday, fair. Moderate winds will bring delight everywhere.

PLUMB OFFERS SERVICES IN R. R. WAGE DISPUTE

Author of Plan for Government Ownership Denies He Refused to Give Aid

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FUGITIVE FALLS 15 FT.; SHATTERS SHOWCASE

Alleged Shoplifter Attempts Escape in Store by Leap From Balcony With one hand held by a detective, John Williams, giving an address on Filbert street near Thirteenth, dangled over the balcony railing of a Market street store for three minutes this morning before he dropped fifteen feet into a show case.

Williams, a negro, was arrested by Detective Miles Martin and Store Detective Mary Clark, who charged him with stealing a pair of shoes. The arrest was made in Market street and the prisoner taken to the store balcony where a further investigation could be made.

AUTO DRIVE ENDS IN JAIL

Chaufeur Conducts Alleged Assaults on National Park Cell National Park, N. J., Sept. 1.—Two Philadelphia publishers reported that George J. Deveny and Frederick L. Janison, engineer of 2318 Federal street, Camden, took them to National Park yesterday.

BIG PARADE AT WILMINGTON

Upwards of 7000 in Labor Demonstration Today Wilmington, Del., Sept. 1.—Organized labor today had the biggest Labor Day demonstration Wilmington has ever known. Upwards of 7000 union men and women paraded during the morning, music being furnished by eighteen bands, and at the conclusion of the parade there was a mass-meeting, which was addressed by United States Senators Wolcott and Ashurst.

URGES HIGHER P. O. WAGES

Standards Too Low, Federation Official Declares Washington, Sept. 1.—A higher wage standard for all postal employes, time and a half for work in excess of eight hours a day, double time for Sunday and holiday hours, and a thirty-day annual sick leave were recommended today by Thomas F. Flaherty, secretary-treasurer of the National Federation of Postal Employees, at the opening session of the annual convention of the organization here.

LIQUOR TRAFFIC IN DANGER; LEAPS FROM SHIP

Engineer of Vessel Charges Firemen With Attempted Attack Samuel M. Wilson, chief engineer of a vessel at the Dock street wharf, had to jump overboard to escape from two intoxicated firemen armed with knives, according to the story he told Magistrate Imber today at the Second and Christian streets police station.

MOB LYNCHES EX-SOLDIER

Hounds Trail Negro Identified by Woman as Assailant Boaglass, La., Sept. 1.—After being trailed by bloodhounds, caught and identified by a white woman as the man who attacked her Saturday, Lucius McCarty, a discharged negro soldier, was lynched here yesterday by a mob of more than 1000 men. His body was then tied to an automobile, dragged through the principal streets of the town and finally burned in front of the home of his victim.

If You Enjoy a "Good Story,"

a novel of pure entertainment which delights without aiming to instruct, which is written with inimitable vivacity, and enlivened by a vein of Delicious Humor; you cannot fail to read Penny of Top Hill Trail by Belle K. Maniates, which begins in the Evening Public Ledger Wednesday, September 3

PERSHING SAILS FOR HOME; FOCH SAYS FAREWELL

Marshal Boards Leviathan at Brest and Addresses Expeditionary Commander

DECLARES AMERICAN DEAD BIND NATION TO FRANCE

General Bids Good-By to Ally, Her Poilus and Noble Women By the Associated Press Brest, Sept. 1.—General John J. Pershing, commander of the American expeditionary forces, sailed from here today on the transport Leviathan for the United States. The steamer left port at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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STOP STRIKES, N. Y. LABOR URGES

New York, Sept. 1.—(By A. P.)—Suspension of all strikes throughout the United States and the declaration of a labor truce on the basis of the status quo for six months or more to enable President Wilson to bring about a reduction in the cost of living is recommended in a report of a committee of the New York State Federation of Labor, made public here today.

MORNING BASEBALL SCORES—NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table showing morning baseball scores for National League games between Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Hamilton, E. Miller and Schmidt, Doak, Schupp and Clemens, American League games between Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, St. Louis, and Washington.

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