

HARDING REFUSES TO SIGN CHIEF'S PLEA

Declines to Call Conference to Consider West Virginia Troubles

HEARS APPEAL FOR TROOPS

Washington, Aug. 30.—President Harding has declined to accede to the request of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, for a conference between miners and operators to discuss the West Virginia coal troubles.

While the text of the President's reply was not made public at the White House, it was said by a White House official that the President had informed Mr. Lewis that he saw no necessity for a conference, inasmuch as a special Senate committee would meet at Williamson, W. Va., on September 19 to hear further testimony.

The sending of Federal troops into West Virginia's coal regions to restore order entered the realm of probability today when army officers were called into conference by President Harding to consider that question.

Decision as to whether Federal troops would be sent, however, will await a conference to be held at the White House at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The President and Secretary Weeks, after hearing a delegation from West Virginia, headed by Governor Mingo, who urged that Governor Mingo's request for Federal troops be granted, called into conference Major General Harbord, acting chief of staff, and Brigadier General Bandholtz, who recently visited the coal fields as the War Department's representative.

There was no intimation as to the attitude of the President, but War Department officials said only the word from President Harding was necessary for them to be led into the West Virginia fields. Plans have been made for the movement by the general staff, and it was said in the event it was ordered it would probably involve two regiments, already prepared and awaiting orders to move.

One of the regiments was said to be the Nineteenth Infantry, located at Camp Sherman, Ohio, and the other at Camp Dix, N. J.

The announcement that the final decision on the dispatch of troops would wait an afternoon conference was made by Secretary Weeks after he had spent two hours with the President. It is understood that the delay in reaching a decision was a desire to obtain additional information from the scene of the disturbances.

General Bandholtz and Secretary Weeks were asked to return to the White House, and it was expected that certain information which would have a direct bearing on the question of proclaiming martial law or dispatching troops would be available in time for consideration at the conference.

Logan, W. Va., Aug. 30.—(By A. P.)—More than 1000 men, made up of two companies of the State police, a host of Deputy Sheriffs and armed volunteers from all over Logan County, were ready today for any eventualities growing out of the fight last Sunday morning between State troops and a band of armed men on the east slope of Spruce Fork Ridge, east of here.

Captain J. R. Broekus with the troops and a large force of Logan and McDowell Deputy Sheriffs were out along the mountain overlooking the towns of Clover, Blair and Sharies. In Logan scores of armed men sent their time in the vicinity of the courthouse waiting orders to be sent to any town.

Former service men, many of whom had been in service overseas, were being formed into an emergency organization should they be needed for a defense against the hundreds of armed men who were currently reported to have gathered between the ridge and the western boundary of Boone County.

STREET BATTLES RAGE IN BELFAST

Bullets Fall Like Hail as Civilians Drive Police and Military Away

THREE DEATHS IN RIOTING

By the Associated Press. Belfast, Aug. 30.—Street fighting, which has been in progress since today, became particularly violent after 1 o'clock today, the dinner hour at ninety factories in the side streets radiating from Donegan Gardens and North Queen's Street.

One laborer was shot dead and several other persons were wounded, including one army sergeant. Civilian handbags in the middle of the streets and maintained heavy firing against the police and military, who were forced to abandon the streets. Armored cars were summoned. At one time the matter of bullets resembled a hailstorm.

Today's death makes a total of three since the rioting began at noon yesterday. Two persons were killed and six wounded last night. In the fighting this morning three were wounded, one of them being a woman.

The rioters last night ignored the curfew law, which provides that all persons not having business on the streets must be in their homes after 10:30 at night.

The engineers and firemen of the Great Northern Irish Railway, who struck last night as a result of a dispute with the management, returned to their posts this afternoon on the advice of J. H. Thomas, the general secretary of the National Union of Railway Men. Mr. Thomas advised the men to go back to work after the company had agreed to participate in the Irish railway arbitration, now in progress, for a settlement of disputes between the railways and their employees.

Dublin, Aug. 30.—The Daily Eirvan's reply to the latest letter from Prime Minister Lloyd George regarding the Irish peace proposals is expected to be dispatched to London this evening. This was being drafted today at the residence of Mr. W. V. Egan, the Irish Republican leader, who held a conference with the Daily Eirvan.

Nab Boy Forger Near Lancaster

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Winning Ways Again Won. Announcement of the escape was made in a letter to H. N. Beckner, superintendent of the institution. It is evident that Charlie's winning manner, innocent look and disarming smile have won him many friends.

All who have come in contact with him during his brief but wild career have been forced to like him. He has an easy, easy-going manner, is cheerful, and is unusually neat and polite. It is these engaging traits that have aided more than anything else in his accomplishing most of his exploits.

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SENATOR PENROSE REGISTERS



Senator Penrose prepared for the coming primary today by registering for the fortieth time in his division. The photograph shows (from left to right) Charles G. Abrey and J. J. Junker, registrars, and the Senator.

50 Heroes' Bodies Arrive Here

Continued from Page One. Many men complained to the Registration Commissioners at City Hall today that their tax receipts had not been received by registrars. When the receipts were examined by the Commissioners it was found that many electors had sought to register by producing road taxes, and some had even offered dog taxes.

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Penrose Appeals for Vares' Defeat

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA AGAINST MALFEASANCE AND MISRULE, THE EFFORT TO REPEAL THE CURFEW LAW HAS NOW REAPPEARED IN ITS UGLIER FORM.

"Hence I announce to all my friends throughout the city that I am opposed to the present effort of these malin influences to nominate a ticket of their choice at the coming primary."

"On the contrary, I shall support and shall expect my friends to support a ticket of honest, efficient and patriotic Republicans whose sole allegiance is to the Republican party and to good municipal government."

"There can be no half-hearted fealty in this matter. My friends should know I shall expect a full and unqualified endorsement of this statement of my attitude."

Franklin Spencer Eldredson, chairman of the Political Action Committee of the Voters League, and United States District Attorney George W. Coles conferred at length with Mayor Moore today on the League's choice for City Treasurer to fill the place left vacant by the withdrawal of Daix.

Two names are being considered for the League's backing, those of Arthur G. Graham, an official of the Philadelphia Savings Fund and a former Roosevelt man, and William Jamieson, a manufacturer of the Nineteenth Ward.

Both have been staunch independents in politics and are considered high-class candidates, their only handicap being that they have no strong personal followings.

The result of the conference was not revealed. There will be a meeting of the Political Action Committee late today, at which action will be taken, and a candidate selected for endorsement.

The Mayor has not seen Senator Penrose as yet, but perhaps will do so late today.

Intimation that Senator Vares knew two or three hours before it happened that Daix was about to withdraw is contained in a statement issued by the Voters League.

The announcement includes a statement from Mr. Graham. It is in that statement that the intimation is repeated that Senator Vares comes. It quotes the Senator as saying: "I am glad to withdraw from the race, and in introducing Mr. Graham to 'Tom' Watson, the combine candidate for the office, Senator Daix referred to Mr. Graham as 'your opponent.'"

Baltimore Jeweler Loses Leg. Baltimore, Md., Aug. 30.—(By A. P.)—Joseph Castellberg, head of the jewelry firm bearing his name, was seriously injured in an elevator accident at the Emersonian Apartments, Eutaw Place, late last night.

His leg, caught between the floor of the lift and the shaft of the elevator, was crushed and mangled. He was taken to Hebrew Hospital, where his leg leg was amputated.

HUNGARIANS SEIZE AUSTRIAN LAND

Insurgents Hold Burgenland Strip, Causing Great Tension Between Nations

FIGHTING ALONG FRONTIER

By the Associated Press. Vienna, Aug. 30.—Burgenland, a narrow strip of territory situated along the Hungarian border, which was awarded Austria by the Treaty of St. Germain, is apparently in possession of Hungarian insurgents, with Lieutenant Hejjas enacting the role of Adalbert Korfanti in Upper Silesia or Captain Gabriele D'Annunzio in Fiume.

The Government is not receiving any news from the insurgent white on Sunday night irregular Hungarian forces attacked Austrian gendarmes sent to occupy the district. Austrian Commissioner Dary, however, reports from the town of Mattersdorf that he narrowly escaped being killed in Odenburg.

There are unconfirmed reports that one allied officer has been killed or wounded in the fighting in Burgenland. Lieutenant Hejjas is reported to have posted placards throughout the district calling to the colors all men under forty-five years of age.

It is also said that 3000 Hungarian regular troops have arrived and are encamped near Odenburg. A detachment of 200 Austrian irregulars is reported surrounded at Gerersdorf.

An official statement issued here says that Austria is relying upon the Allies to prevent any conflicts in Burgenland and to see that the treaty of St. Germain is carried out. The statement says that military posts in numerous small towns of the district have been overpowered by Hungarian regulars and irregulars and made prisoner or wounded.

Two non-Hungarian-speaking persons have been executed in the forest of St. Margareta, a dispatch received, said.

Lieutenant Hejjas is said to be arming the German-speaking peasants of Burgenland against their will.

Paris, Aug. 30.—(By A. P.)—Official circles here do not consider the Hungarian insurrectionary movement in Burgenland a serious matter. These circles base their judgment on the latest dispatches concerning the movement, and it is expected that two or three days will see the end of the trouble.

It is considered unlikely that there will be any necessity of sending allied troops into Burgenland.

It is understood that a protest has been made to the United States, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Czecho-Slovakia are said to have taken a threatening attitude as a result of the conflict in Burgenland.

U. S.-AUSTRIAN PACT SIGNED. America Now Officially at Peace With Former Central Empire.

Budapest, Aug. 30.—(By A. P.)—The treaty of peace between the United States and Hungary was signed here yesterday afternoon by Foreign Minister Graf T. Szebeny and United States Ambassador here.

The treaty was signed in the palace occupied by the American Mission at 6 P. M. After the signatures were affixed, Mr. Smith and Minister Banffy shook hands cordially. Mr. Smith voicing the satisfaction of the United States that friendly relations had been re-established.

This treaty ends the technical state of war between America and the countries formerly constituting the central empires of Europe. On Wednesday last a treaty was signed in Vienna by representatives of the United States and Austria, and the following day a peace convention was concluded in Bayreuth between the United States and Germany.

Disputed Land



Burgenland, the shaded strip on the map, located on the Hungarian border, has been seized by Hungarian insurgents, following their attack on Austrian troops sent to occupy sections granted Austria by the Treaty of St. Germain. Great tension between Austria and Hungary has resulted.

HOLD 2 ERZBERGER MURDER SUSPECTS

German Police Also Seek Man Who Had Previously Attempted Assassination

By the Associated Press. Berlin, Aug. 30.—Two persons suspected of complicity in the assassination last week of Matthias Erzberger, former Vice Chancellor, were arrested yesterday. The police also are looking for a German seaman who is thought to have aided in the murder.

Hirschfeld was released recently for reasons of health, and since then there has been no trace of him. His parents disclaim all knowledge of his whereabouts. They have been brought to Berlin for further interrogation by the police.

Germany today is under restrictions closely approaching martial law, as a result of a decree issued late yesterday by President Ebert.

Meetings, processions, demonstrations and the issuance of publications "likely to encourage sedition" are forbidden in the decree, and warning was given that "any and every insurrection" would be suppressed with relentless severity.

Majority and Independent Socialists have made formal demand upon Chancellor Wirth that elements responsible for anti-republican activities be removed from the Government, and organized labor has informed the Chancellor that it is prepared to "defend the republic."

The decree issued by the President became effective upon publication, and its execution has been placed in the hands of the Ministry of the Interior.

Special Cable Dispatch. Copyright, 1921. Berlin, Aug. 30.—"It is a happy event for us that Germany has once more arrived at a state of peace with America," said President Ebert today, in an exclusive interview with an American correspondent on the subject of the peace treaty, which will be ratified soon by both nations.

In his interview President Ebert, who will go down in history as the first President of the German Republic, said that he was proud of the peace treaty, and expressed unquestionable confidence in the surety of the republic, but insisted the Entente had made life very hard for Germany.

"We accepted the armistice on the basis of President Wilson's fourteen points, but the peace treaty following the armistice was a great disappointment to Germans of all classes and a blow to democracy. Reaction, which for a long time was afraid to raise its head, came into the open again, taking advantage of all the difficulties placed in the path of the young republic by the peace treaty."

"The reactionaries are trying to make the present democratic government responsible for all of Germany's difficulties. Nevertheless, at the present time the great majority of people, from the workers to the middle classes, unquestionably favor the republic."

ROOT TO ADDRESS BAR ASSOCIATION

Will Open Session of Legal Education Section at National Meeting

CONSIDER AVIATION LAWS

Cincinnati, Aug. 30.—Sectional meetings of various branches of the local fraternity met today in sessions preliminary to the convening of the general session of the American Bar Association tomorrow.

Reports from city and State bar associations were to be heard by a conference of delegates to the convention and separate meetings of the judicial, public utilities, criminal law and legal education sections were on the program.

Elliott Root, former Secretary of State, was the principal speaker today. As chairman of the section of legal education, Mr. Root was to open the session with an address to be followed by reports of officers.

The conference of delegates had a number of questions before it for discussion, including activities to impress upon the public the importance of respect for the law, and promotion of the knowledge and understanding of the fundamentals of American institutions.

The part which the bar should play in the selection of Judges was the afternoon topic.

In the public utility section, the program was headed by an address by Joseph Wilby, of Cincinnati, on public utility regulation in Ohio. A discussion embracing franchises, fixing of rates by commissions, and competition of public service automobiles with railroads followed.

Legislation to govern aviation was still to be threshed out by the Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws today. The draft presented yesterday by a committee headed by John Hinkley, of Baltimore, featured lengthy discussion on the legal points, which will be straightened out before the proposed law is returned to a committee of aviators to pass upon its practical value.

Delegates pointed out that the United States was the only large nation which did not have adequate aviation laws. The uniform law presented by the Conference Committee is designed to govern intra-State flying, but its adoption by all States was proposed to facilitate inter-State traffic in the air.

BOY HUNTER DISAPPEARS

Parents Think Lad Fed Arrant for Carrying Gun

Albert Stutzman, fifteen years old, 2628 North Hollywood street, left home Saturday afternoon with a small shotgun, a partridge, and a small amount of shot.

Several boys told him he might be arrested if he carried it home, his parents say. They told police they believed he has not returned for fear of that arrest.

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