Appeal Is Made For Nation to Halt Wage Increases in Refusal to Raise Pay of Shopmen

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PROMPT ACTION ORDERED ON ALL WAGE DEMANDS

Shopmen Consider Four Cent Raise Granted Them

WILSON MAKES STATEMENT

By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 26. — The committee of one hundred representing the railroad shopmen informed Director General Hines to-day that they could not accept as a basis of settlement of their demands the rates submitted to them yesterday by President Wilson.

Results of the negotiations here were communicated to the union locals throughout the country with instructions that a strike vote should be taken immediateiy to determine whether the President's proposals should be accepted.

Pending the issuance of an official strike vote, it was urgently requested by the international officers that all men should remain on the job.

Washington, Aug. 26. — Director General Hines to-day requested the board of railway wages and working conditions to take up promptly any claims that have been made or may be made by railroad employes for readjustments that "ought to be made in order to make sure that equal treatment is done on the basis of the general principles of wage adjustment which the railroad administration has already established."

The decision announced yesterday by which shopmen will receive an increase of four cents an hour was said to have been one step in carrying out this policy, although it has been deemed contrary to the public interest to make general increases in wage levels to meet present circumstances, which are believed to be temporary. Mr. Hines explained that the advance to shopmen was to give them the full benefit of the principle of ten hours' pay for eight hours' work on which the wages of other railroad employes are computed.

Consider Increase

The committee of 100 representing the shopmen was in session all morning behind closed doors considering the decision of President Wilson and Mr. Hines on their wage demands. Members of the committee declined to say whether the consensus of opinion was for acceptance or rejection of the President's decision.

In his letter to the board, Mr. Hines said it had been "the constant endeavor since the first wage adjustments were made by the railroad administration to deal fairly and impartially with all classes of railroad employes."

Situation Complex

The situation is so complex that absolute perfection in this regard is unattainable," he said. "Nevertheless our experience up to the present time may in all probability develop that certain relative injustices may have been unintentionally done and it should be our purpose promptly to correct these injustices.

"The railroad administration has been firmly committed to the policy since last September that it cannot make wage adjustments retroactive back of a date approximating the date upon which your board makes its report, because otherwise there would be unending confusion and all effort to get a measure as to the cost of conducting the railroads at any given time in the past would be rendered hopeless. I therefore hope that your board will be able to report promptly upon any inequalities which may be found to exist, to the end that any correction which the director general may find appropriate can be made effective at the earliest justifiable date in accordance with the policy of the railroad administration."

The President announced also that it was neither wise nor feasible at this time, when the most important question before the country is a return to a normal price level, to

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TREATY IN FINAL STAGE

By Associated Press.

Paris, Aug. 26.—The French parliament to-day begins the final stages of its consideration of the peace treaty with Germany. Committees of both the Chamber and the Senate have been examining for some time the various clauses of the document and objections to some clauses of the treaty have been voiced in the discussions. The real work of considering the treaty by the Chamber of Deputies was expected to begin this afternoon when Premier Clemenceau will attend the session of that body and present the document to it for ratification.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and Vicinity: Fair tonight and Wednesday. Not much change in temperature.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair tonight and Wednesday, not much change in temperature. Moderate northwest winds.

River: The Susquehanna river and all its tributaries will fall slowly or remain stationary. A stage of about 4.0 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Wednesday morning.

BR-R-R-R!

By Associated Press.

HORNELL, N. Y., Aug. 26.— A midsummer snowstorm of five minutes' duration was the unique spectacle witnessed here to-day. The sun shone brightly during the flurry. It is the earliest snowfall ever recorded in this section.

DAYLIGHT SAVING MEASURE GAINING MANY ADHERENTS

Five Instead of Seven Months May Be Fixed by City

PETITIONS NOW READY

More Businessmen Are Signing Up With Employes For Sunshine Hour

When the ordinance which will provide for daylight saving next year goes before City Council it is probable that it will call for an extra hour of sunshine five months of the year, instead of seven as provided by the popular measure recently repealed by Congress despite protests registered for virtually every city in the United States.

Final decision on this point may hinge on the action taken by New York City, although supporters of the movement stated to-day that with a majority of Harrisburg men favoring daylight New York's action will under no circumstances rule adversely here. It was said, however, that the five-months term will answer all purposes and will eliminate virtually all legitimate criticism.

Petitions to be distributed among the shops, stores, factories and industrial plants calling on Councilmen to stand by the workingmen's desires, will be ready this afternoon for distribution to-morrow. Presidents of the West End and the Allison Hill baseball leagues and the players who this summer played before thousands of persons are appealing to all residents of the city who have enjoyed the healthful outdoor sport to lend a hand and save the national game in Harrisburg. Without the hour of daylight the futures of the two leagues is in grave doubt.

While the great majority of the men and women interested in the movement recognize that no more confusion can result from the city's going ahead with its own daylight saving, that results now. It must be understood that everything will operate as smoothly under "home rule" as under the national act. The only difference will be in the train schedules and this one fact easily can be remembered.

An increasing number of members of the Chamber of Commerce, the

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Declares Republicans by Shantung Act Are Making U. S. 'Big Bully'

Washington, Aug. 26. — Declaring the Republican majority of the Foreign Relations Committee was attempting by the Shantung amendment to the peace treaty to drive a "poisoned dagger" into the peace treaty and to place the United States in the position of a "big bully," Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, the only Republican member of the committee who voted against the amendment, asked the Senate to-day to overrule the committee's action.

The speaker said "no greater blow could be ever struck against the real interests of China," than by the committee amendment the actual purpose of which, he asserted was to kill the treaty and the League. The amendment provides that the old German rights in Shantung province shall go to China in place of Japan.

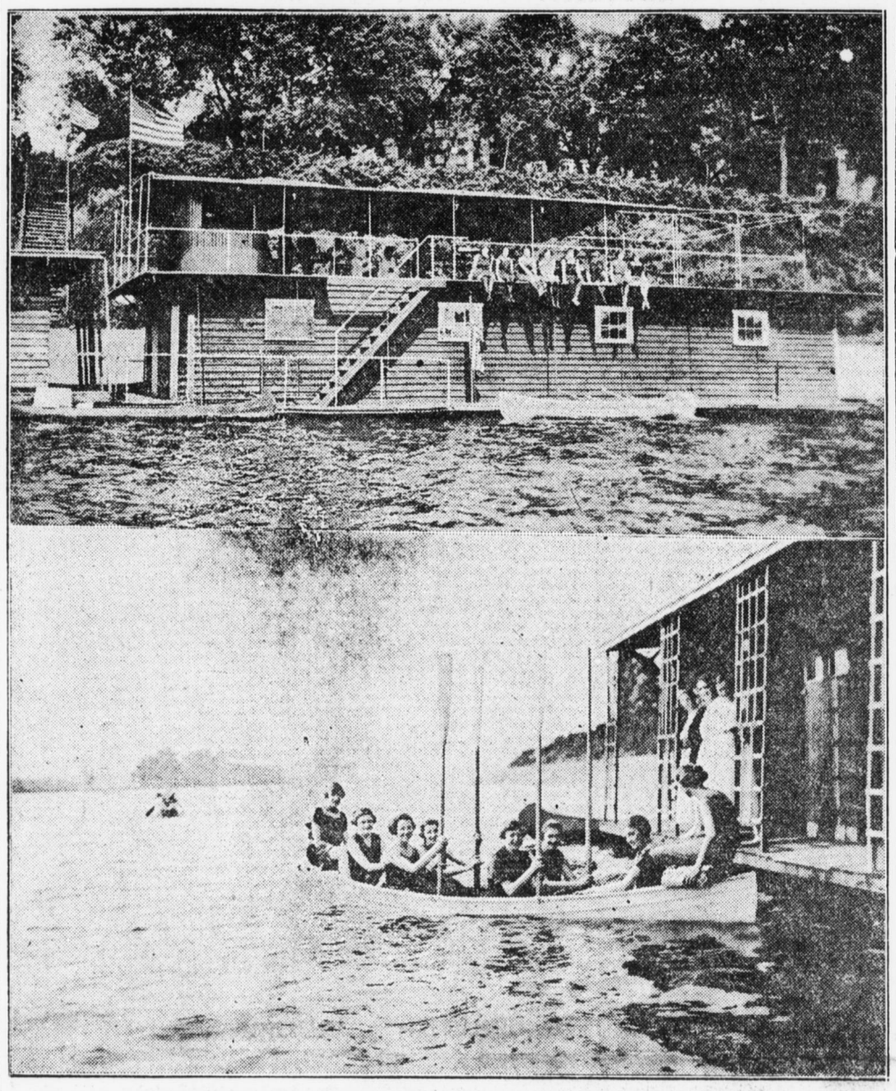
"Why did the majority of this committee pause in the midst of their hearings to make this particular amendment?" he continued, "and then proceed with the usual leisure to lay out dates for further hearings which will consume a week or more The purpose is apparent. It is to signify to the country that the Senate is hostile to this treaty It is to put Japan in a position where she cannot, without an appearance of being coerced, do what she has promised to do. It is to create trouble between this country and Japan and thereby send the first dagger thrust into the body of the treaty."

Weakest Grade in Army Is General Officer—Ansell

Washington, Aug. 26.—Most general officers of the army lack experience in handling men and their views on military justice should not be accepted morally because they are of high rank. Senate Military Committee was told to-day by Samuel T. Ansell, formerly acting judge advocate general of the army. The committee is considering the Chamberlain bill for revision of the military justice system.

"It is a well known fact," said Mr. Ansell, "that the weakest grade in the army is the general officer. Many of our generals are jokes to everybody in the world except ourselves and themselves."

AFRAID OF THE WATER? WELL HARDLY



Poor old Atlantic City will take a back seat for real aquatic attractions on Labor Day, when Harrisburg's Kipona celebration holds sway on the Susquehanna.

For Atlantic City, with all its show, never placed a real, live girl life-saving crew on the surf, and that's just what Harrisburg is going to do.

Believing that Harrisburg's fair swimmers are second to none, George Reist, proprietor of Harrisburg's big floating boathouse, has organized a life-saving crew composed entirely of girls.

Nine of the city's fairest swimmers will "girl" the big lifeboat operating from the Reist pavilion at the foot of South street, and, if there are not too many candidates for rescue, will guarantee the safety of any luckless canoeist who happens to get in front of one of Ray Stewart's steamboats or motor craft.

Miss Emily Vanderloo, seated in the bow of the lifeboat, is captain of the crew, which includes these popular girls: Gertrude McDevitt, Mary Kelly, Katherine Darby, Helen Wahl, Mary Laudenslager, Catherine Simonetti and Mary McDevitt.

FLIERS STRIKE BITTER COLD IN BIG AIR RACE

Aviators Flying in International Event Almost Freeze in Upper Altitudes

Mincola, N. Y., Aug. 26. — Col. William C. Barker, the Canadian ace, arrived here from Albany at 9.20 o'clock this morning completing the first half of the international air race from Toronto to New York and return. His machine, a captured German Fokker model, carried a bag of Canadian mail which was immediately transferred to another airplane waiting on the field and rushed off to Washington.

Five airplanes, which were unable to start from the local field yesterday for various reasons, got away just before Colonel Barker arrived. The first aviator to leave was Lieut.

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Government to Buy Mines and Turn Them Over to Men Is Latest Plan

Washington, Aug. 26.—Nationalization of the coal mines is sought by many mine workers and a bill to that end has been prepared, Harry N. Taylor, president of the National Coal Association, testified to-day before a Senate committee investigating the coal situation.

The plan is for the government to buy the mines and turn them over to the men for operation, Mr. Taylor said. Already many of the miners are demanding a six-hour day and a five-day week, he added.

HEAVY GUARD TO BE PLACED ON PITTSBURGH CARS

Hope to Prevent Recurrence of Rioting in Another Attempt to Start Trolleys

By Associated Press.

Pittsburgh, Aug. 26.—Another attempt will be made to-day by receivers of the Pittsburgh Railways Company to operate trolley cars, according to an announcement by the dispatcher of the Craft avenue barns of the company. Besides crews of strike-breakers the dispatcher said, the cars will be manned by heavy guards to prevent a recurrence of the rioting in which several cars were wrecked and a score of persons injured yes-

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Rotary International Convention to Be Held in Atlantic City 1920

The next Rotary International convention will be held in June, 1920, in Atlantic City.

This announcement was received to-day by Howard C. Fry, past district governor, who had much to do at the recent Salt Lake City convention in working up the sentiment which brought the convention to the east the coming year. Atlantic City was chosen in competition with New Orleans and Cleveland, the international board of directors making the choice.

The Harrisburg Club plans to send at least 150 to the convention, a special train being in contemplation.

SALE OF CHEAP FOOD IS BRINGING DOWN PRICES

Bacon Remaining in City Probably Will Be Distributed to Charities; Post Office Sales Not Yet Distributed

Just when army foods ordered through the Harrisburg post office will be ready for delivery, officials at the local office were unable to say to-day. The supplies have not yet been received from the depots and thus far there is no information as to when they will be received. They are expected, however, within a short time.

As a result of the huge sale of supplies of army foods at the city fire houses and through the post-office, prices of foods show a general downward tendency throughout the city. A supply of canned bacon, purchased by Mayor Keistet's committee at the New Cumberland Depot, still remains on hand. If it is not sold before nightfall, it is understood that it will be purchased by one of the committee members to be turned over to one of the city's charitable institutions.

FIFTY CHANGES IN PEACE PACT WOULD BE MADE BY AMENDMENT

Reservation Agreed to by the Foreign Relations Committee Will Eliminate Americans From International Commissions

VOTING IS ALONG STRICT PARTY LINES

Reparations Commission Only One Not Affected Because of Connection With American Shipping Interests

By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 26.—Under a blanket amendment to the Peace Treaty agreed to to-day by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, American representation would be eliminated from the various international commissions which are to supervise European reconstruction, with the exception of the reparations commission and such others as are to be appointed by the League of Nations.

The change would affect about a score of commissions and would change the language of the Treaty in more than fifty places.

The committee divided along strict party lines, with nine Republican votes cast in the affirmative and seven Democratic votes in the negative. Not all of the Democrats were present, but, by agreement, their votes were cast. Senator McCumber, of North Dakota, who voted with the Democrats in opposition to the Shantung amendment, adopted Saturday, was the only Republican absent. His vote was not cast. Although the committee acted specifically on only four of the Treaty provisions in question, there was an agreement that the votes on these separate provisions would be only perfunctory and to carry into effect the blanket proposal.

The amendments were presented by Senator Fall, Republican, New Mexico, who said he excepted the reparations commission because there were certain decisions affecting American shipping interests involved in the commission's work.

The change also has no effect on provisions like that regarding the Saar basin, where the commission is to be appointed by the League.

Two Green Regiments Are Going Overseas to Police Silesia

By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 26.—The Fifth Infantry Regiment at Camp Taylor, Ky., and the Fiftieth at Camp Dix, N. J., have been ordered to prepare to go overseas to aid in the policing of Silesia during the plebescite provided for under the peace treaty, it was announced to-day at the War Department. Orders for the actual movement of the regiments, however, have not yet been issued.

As was stated in an Associated Press dispatch last night from Coblenz the regiments will go direct to that American Army Headquarters there to receive full field equipment. Neither unit has yet had foreign service.

Colonel Just Back From Overseas Eats Turkey in Storage and Dies

Alliance, O., Aug. 26. — Colonel Charles C. Weybrecht, who returned three weeks ago from France where he commanded the 146th infantry, died here to-day as a result, physicians believe, of eating cold storage turkey at a dinner last Saturday night at the Lakeside Country Club, Canton.

Colonel Weybrecht served two terms as Attorney General of Ohio. He was 50 years old.

Mrs. Helen S. Gaheris and a negro waiter also are dead, while seven other persons including the chef, are in a serious condition.

St. Louis News Writers Get 20 Per Cent. Bonus

St. Louis, Aug. 26.—A bonus of 20 per cent. on salaries from January 1 last to August 22, was distributed yesterday by the Pulitzer Publishing Company, to editorial and other employes of the St. Louis Post Dispatch, except mechanical workers under union contracts, as an emergency measure to meet "the extraordinary increase in the present cost of living."

It was announced that another bonus of 20 per cent. dating from August 22 would be paid at the end of the present year. St. Louis newspaper writers recently organized a union.

FAVORABLE REPORT ON PROBE

Washington, Aug. 26.—Favorable report to-day ordered by the Senate Expenditures Committee on a resolution by Senator Calder, Republican, New York, proposing an investigation of the administration of the Alien property custodian's office as administered by A. Mitchell Palmer and Francis P. Garvin, the present custodian.

FATAL PROHIBITION FIGHT

Chicago, Aug. 26.—A policeman was killed, one man was fatally wounded and two seriously injured in a revolver fight in a saloon late last night which began in an argument over activity of government officials against alleged violators of the war-time prohibition law.

HERBERT TOLD HE MUST DROP DESHONG CASE

Alderman Advised He Has No Jurisdiction on Wilson's Charges

Although Alderman James B. DeShong had not been served with a warrant in the suit brought against him before Alderman George D. Herbert by W. H. Wilson, 501 Hamilton street, charging malicious prosecution, false arrest and malfeasance in office, he denied the charges and said he doubted if an alderman had jurisdiction in such a proceeding which is usually one for the Common Pleas Court.

Alderman Herbert, before whom Wilson made the information against Alderman DeShong, said this afternoon: "My personal attorney advises me I have no jurisdiction in the case. His only interest of course is to safeguard me. Mr. Rupley says I have jurisdiction and to-morrow various authorities are to be cited and then I will decide what is the right thing to do. No warrant will be issued until that time."

Wilson's Charges

According to Wilson's charges on the afternoon of August 19, following an auto accident in Logan street near Alderman DeShong's office he was taking the names of witnesses when the alderman came up to him and said that he should move on. When Wilson protested the alderman told Constable David Hodge to place him under arrest, he declares, and after being taken to Alderman DeShong's office he was committed to jail and released three hours later.

Alderman DeShong made this statement about the accident and the charges against him: "On the afternoon of August 19 I had just left the house and was walking toward Logan street, when a small auto truck entered from Fourth street, the driver sounding his horn all the time from Fourth to Logan streets in Boyd street. As he was about to cross Logan street, the other truck shot across Boyd street

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GOMPERS LANDS

By Associated Press

New York, Aug. 26.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, arrived here to-day on the transport George Washington from Brest after attending the International Trade Union Congress in Amsterdam. A delegation of labor leaders, including the national committee for organizing iron and steel workers, greeted him from the decks of a small boat down the bay.

HOUSE GOODS TO BE RETAILED IN STORES BY U. S.

Commodities Included in Surplus Stocks of War Department Will Be Placed on Sale in Big Cities Sept. 25

MAY CONTINUE PURCHASES OF NECEESSITIES TO CUT PRICES

By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 26.—Retail stores for the sale of household commodities included in the surplus stocks of the War Department will be established September 25, it was announced to-day. The stores will be located in depot centers and other large cities and they will accept and fill mail orders.

Continued purchase by the Department of certain necessities so that these stores may be continued indefinitely as a part of the Government campaign against the high cost of living is understood to be under consideration.

Prices on all commodities offered for sale will be so fixed as to prevent discrimination between the purchasers who buy over the counter and those who purchase through the mail.

Will Deliver Mail Orders

All mail orders will be delivered by parcel post, but the policy of making these sales through the Post Office Department is to be discontinued. All such orders will go directly to the stores. To expedite the mail order sales the Post Office Department has been asked to put substations in each store. Catalogs quoting prices and giving the location of all stores are being prepared and will be available at every post office in the United States.

In Fourteen Big Cities at Start

The present plan is to open stores in the fourteen zone supply cities, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Atlanta, Jeffersonville, Chicago, St. Louis, New Orleans, San Antonio, Omaha, El Paso, San Francisco and Washington. The chain will be extended to additional cities as rapidly as possible.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Cloyd L. Hearn, Altoona, and Gwenlian P. Shakespeare, Harrisburg; Raymond F. Hipple and Ruth V. Dougherty, Harrisburg; Robert E. Cocyman and Anna Gramm, Harrisburg; Charles F. Eddlitts and Julia Johnson, Harrisburg; Russell S. Sayford and Martha N. Buchner, Harrisburg.