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Weekly Review of Events

WEDNESDAY.

European diplomacy, hitherto steeped in tradition and the sacredness of precedent, has taken advantage of the topsy turvy condition in international affairs to cast off its meticulous regard for the official personality of the President of the United States, to whom ambassadors are accredited. Unable to reach Woodrow Wilson, either because of his illness or his stubborn refusal to enter into parleys with foreign governments concerning a compromise on the treaty before the American senate, European governments have sought and successfully maintained a line of communication direct from their foreign offices to the lobbies of the United States senate.

Casting aside their anti-strike provision of the Cummins bill, against which labor has leveled protests and threats, and modifying the rate making clauses of the same measure, senate and house representatives late today reached virtually a complete agreement on legislation designed to meet conditions growing out of the return of the railroads on March 1 to private control.

Ten arrests were made today in a roundup of persons supposed to be connected with the Sinn Fein movement. Among those arrested were three members of one family and Michael Carolan, who was recently elected to the Urban district council from the Shankill division of Belfast. The latter was held on a charge of "unlawful assembly."

A wireless dispatch from Odessa reports a great victory for the Russian volunteer army over the Bolshevik forces, which have been driven back over the Don river. The finest cavalry of the Russians, under command of Generals Budenny and Doumenko, are in disorderly flight, the message says.

THURSDAY.

The case of the bituminous coal industry of the southern field was laid before the coal strike settlement commission today by representatives of the operators and of the United Mine Workers' districts involved.

More than a dozen persons were slightly injured at Frankford Junction, in the northeastern part of Philadelphia today, when a Florida express on the Pennsylvania railroad struck the rear of a string of freight cars. The express was made up of sleeping and baggage cars and several of the sleepers turned over.

Officials of the railroad administration and union leaders, conferring in Washington on wage demands of the railroad employees, expressed the hope tonight that another day's discussion would bring a crystallization of argument on both sides. None would say positively that a settlement would be effected tomorrow, but all were optimistic concerning the negotiations. Both sides remained secretive regarding the conference.

Forty delegates, with half a vote each, were elected to the national Democratic convention at San Francisco, pledged to support Senator Robert L. Owen, of Oklahoma for the Democratic presidential nomination "until he is either nominated or releases them from further support," at the state Democratic convention which adjourned at Muskogee, Okla., tonight.

FRIDAY.

Appointment of Francis E. McGovern, of Milwaukee, as general counsel of the Emergency Fleet Corporation was announced today. He succeeds C. J. Patterson, of Pittsburgh, resigned.

At a meeting of the international executive board of the United Mine Workers of America today, Frank J. Hays resigned as international president of the mine union. The board advanced Vice President John L. Lewis to the office of president and Philip Murray, president of the Pittsburgh district, was chosen vice president.

American Consul Dyer, of Nogales, has been informed by Mexican officials that Lieuts. Usher and Wolfe, American aviators, detained at Nacozari since their airplane landed last Wednesday, will not be released until there has been further discussion between this government and Mexico according to word received at headquarters of the Arizona military district today. It was said the Mexican government was demanding an explanation of why the aviators were more than 80 miles south of the boundary.

The supreme economic council, which is to consider the exchange question and the general European situation and also hear reports on proposed trading with the Russian co-operative societies and consider the problem concerning raw materials and other commodities, met this afternoon and organized. M. Isaacs, French minister of commerce, was elected president. The council also considered revictualing and tonnage problems in connection with reports handed in by various commissions.

The modified Lodge reservations, agreed on tentatively by the recently abandoned bi-partisan committee, most likely will be the basis on which consideration of the peace treaty will be resumed next week in the senate. Republican leaders, after a series of conferences with their party colleagues today, decided to take the initiative on the senate floor in suggesting adoption of the bi-partisan committee's modifications of the Lodge reservations.

SATURDAY.

Definite plans for the first nationwide, aggressive political campaign by organized labor to control congress and elect friendly national and state officials have been made by a committee of the American Federation of Labor and will be announced soon. The fight, labor officials declared today, will be bi-partisan and will be launched in the coming presidential primaries.

After listening to a letter from President Wilson, reaffirming his stand against any but interpretative reservations to the peace treaty, Democratic Senators decided in conference today to proceed with their previous plan to help bring the treaty up in the senate Monday and to work for a reservation compromise.

Belief that Max H. Hoeser, of Portland, Ore., "by reason of his connection with the United States Grain Corporation, has been able to manipulate and operate" grain companies which he formerly owned "to an immense profit to himself and associates," is expressed in the findings of a United States grand jury returned here today.

The list of Germans demanded for extradition by the Allies probably will be handed without modification to the German Foreign Office this evening by the French charge d'affaires in Berlin.

The forces of Gabrielle d'Annunzio, Italian insurgent leader at Fiume, have seized the destroyer Carlo Alberto Raccchia, on its way from Brindisi to Pola.

Premier Nitti, of Italy, is under fire charged with asking American support for Italian aspirations in the Adriatic.

SUNDAY.

Premier Lloyd George does not view with pleasure the attitude of his constituents who are begging him to repudiate his campaign promise to hang the Kaiser and make Germany pay the whole of the costs of the war.

The French steamship Vancouver has lost her rudder and is drifting out of the trans-Atlantic steamship lane, about 400 miles from Halifax, a wireless message received from the Cunard liner Mauritania stated tonight. The vessel is in need of assistance.

A despatch to the Central News from Reval, Estonia, says that Gen. Yudenitch, former commander of the Russian northwest army, has been allowed to leave Estonia with several of his staff officers. Before being permitted to depart, however, he was obliged to hand over 250,000 marks to the commission formed to undertake liquidation of the northwest army.

Simultaneously with the announcement at Governors Island today that Capt. Karl W. Detzer had been acquitted by a court martial of charges of cruelty to American soldiers at Le Mans, it became known that the exonerated officer had received several threatening letters warning him not to show himself in certain middle western cities.

MONDAY.

Martial law prevails in Lexington, Ky., tonight. Six hundred Federal and State troops are patrolling the streets to prevent further rioting which, during the day, exacted a toll of four dead and 15 wounded.

Official dispatches received today said a force of 2,000 Koreans, armed principally with equipment furnished by the Bolsheviks, crossed into Northern Korea from Kirin, Manchuria, and attacked a Japanese post of 700 men at night, killed 300 of them, and routed the remainder.

Democratic members of the House meeting in party caucus tonight, refused to forego an expression of their position on universal military training in the face of an appeal from President Wilson that action be withheld so the party's stand might be left to its national convention.

James Henry Thomas, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, said today that the state of the world was such that unless something were done speedily a crash would come in which nobody would suffer more than the workers.

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