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RAIL STRIKE INTEREST NOW CENTERED IN CONFERENCE

Labor Leaders Express Strong Hopes That This Week Will See the End of the Walk-Out of Railway Shopmen—Sentiment of Railway Executives is That Seniority Rights of All Men Who Are Working Must be Preserved—Decisions Tuesday of Railway Executives and Heads of the Unions Probably Will be Reported to President Harding.

Chicago, July 30.—(By The A. P.)—With leaders of the striking railway shopmen hurrying to Chicago from all sections of the country for Tuesday's conference on President Harding's peace plan, union heads tonight expressed strong hopes that the coming week would see the end of the walk-out, which began July 1.

B. M. Jewell, head of the six striking shop craft unions, refused to comment on statements made by various railway executives that the question of the restoration of seniority rights to the shopmen might prevent a settlement. Other strike leaders, however, emphatically declared that when the men went back they would regain their former status.

"Not only justice, but the public interest, demands that in any settlement of the strike the seniority rights of all men, who are now working, shall be recognized," a statement issued by the western railway presidents' committee on public relations today declares.

L. F. Loree, chairman of the eastern railway presidents' conference, recently sent the following telegram to United States Senators Calder and Wadsworth, New York: "So far as I am advised, the president has made no effort to inform himself as to the position of the more than 175,000 shopmen now on railroad payrolls." Similar sentiment favoring the utmost consideration to men who remained at their jobs and to those hired since the strike began, were expressed by Whitford R. Cole, president of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway and H. A. Worcester, vice president of the Big Four.

R. S. Parsons, vice president of the Erie railroad sent out a telegram addressed to CChicago officials of the road, denouncing as "untrue" reports that the "strike on the Erie railroad will be settled bysome governmental authority."

"There is no strike settling power vested in any branch of the government," the telegram said, "the Erie railroad will settle with its employes whenever they are ready, without any outside interference, and that is the only way."

A member of the labor board said today that it was probable the decisions of the railway executives who meet in New York Tuesday simultaneously with the meeting of the strike leaders in Chicago, would be reported back to President Harding. He said he did not expect the labor board to figure in the disputes for some time after the actual end of the strike when questions of wages and working conditions might be referred back to it for rehearing.

The Illinois Manufacturers' association day sent a circular to all its members that they telegraph to President Harding asking him not to insist that he railroad presidents recede from their position regarding seniority.

SETTLEMENT OF RAIL STRIKE REGARDED CERTAIN

Chicago, July 30 (By the A. P.)—Peace terms have been agreed to in the country-wide railway strike and formal ratification has been assured through President Harding's efforts, it was asserted tonight by a man in close official touch with the situation.

All that now remains before the strike, which has cost the workers upward of $40,000,000 in wages, passes into history, it was asserted, was the formal indorsement of the terms of settlement by the railway executives meeting in New York and the strike leaders who will convene in Chicago at the same hour.

"The acceptance of President Harding's proposal was a foregone conclusion before T. DeWitt Cuyler * * * * issued the call for the meeting of the rail executives in New York, and Bert Jewell, head of the striking shopmen, summoned a similar meeting of union chiefs for the same date," this man, who has been in closest touch with the entire situation, declared.

"The rail executives will finally decide to yield for the good of the country, sweeping aside the seniority issue," he continued, "but their gesture will give little consolation to the men who walked out on July 1, for besides their loss in pay they will lose some of their seniority rights to the men who remained at work, see their original grievances returned to the United States railroad labor board for re-hearing, and the question of a national adjustment board and certain other points taken up by congress.

"The exact terms probably will not be known until after Tuesday's meetings, but whatever they are the objections of a minority on either side will not be sufficiently strong to obstruct or prevent their ratification by both side. The seniority issue has been raised since the beginning of the strike, it must be remembered, and it is not as great a stumbling block as it has seemed at times. When the time comes it will be disposed of with justice to all and to the satisfaction of the great majority of the workers."

GOV'T BEGINS DISTRIBUTION OF BITUMINOUS COAL TODAY

Washington, July 30.—(By the A. P.)—The government with the co-operation of the states will assume tomorrow the duties of a gigantic middle man, passing on the coal from the producing mines to the indu stries and localities, which, in the eyes of the government, need it most.

The organization of the government's emergency coal distribution agency was pronounced tonight to be nearly complete and tomorrow Henry B. Spencer, the federal fuel distributor, his committee and advisory sub-committees as designed by order of President Harding, will begin active functioning.

Just how much coal the government can count on remains a matter of speculation, the first test of the reponse to President Harding's invitation to the mine owners to open their p ropertics was revealed today in the weekly report, issued by the geological survey, which showed an estimated production of bituminous for the week ending yearday of 1,900,000 tons as compared with 3,696 tons the previous week.

"The increase is due," the report said, "partly to more men to work in Pennsylvania partly to improved car supply in southern West Virginia, and party to the heavy shipments from Alabama and t he far west. Production of anthracite remains practically zero.

Bituminous loadings on the first day of last week went up to 13,082 cars, figures assembled by the survey showed. This was 417 cars above the loadings for the preceding Monday, but 2,664 cars below the last Monday before the shopmen's strike. Loading on last Tuesday and Wednesday declined, but a slight recovery was made on Thursday. Reports for the last two days of the week have not been finally compiled.

"There is no indication of increased production in response to the invitation to re-open mines in any of the strongly organized districts," the survey commented. "More coal is coming out of the former non-union fields of Pennsylvania, and a little more from Fairmont and Kanawha districts of West Virginia, but the additional supply from t hese sources is not yet significant in comparison with the requirements of the country."

The non-union fields prior to the railroad strike, records of th e survey show, were producing as much as 5,363,000 tons a week.

The total production for the past week of 3,896,000 tons of bituminous and 27,000 tons of anthracite, is compared by the survey with a normal production at this season, including anthracite of from 2,500,000 to 12,000 tons. Normal consumption at this time of year would be 8,000,000 tons of coal a week.

FANATIC DISTURBED THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

New York, July 30.—Hundreds looked up from prayer during low mass in St. Patrick's cathedral today to see a man standing at the foot of the altar, his clothing open over his chest and a knife held as a swordsman salutes. They saw his move as the hand with the knife went downward. Two slashes, formed like a cross, appeared on his chest.

He turned and moved toward Father Patrick Daly, who only glanced aside as the congregation gasped. Sailors, who had been kneeling near the altar, vaulted the rail and caught the fanatic, still mumbling unintelligibly. The priest's chant went on as police removed the wounded man to an ambulance.

Taken to Bellevue hospital, for observation for religious mania, he gave his name as Frank Johannes Gabrielle. He said he had attended the cathedral regularly for a year.

TWO AVIATORS BURNED TO DEATH AT PORT JERVIS, N. Y.

Middletown, N. Y., July 30.—Lieutenant Tracy Lyons, O. R. C., aviation section, United States army, and Augustus Aitemeier, Jr., of Port Jervis, were burned to death at Port Jervis this afternoon when their airplane crashed to earth. Breaking a propeller was the cause of the plane making a fatal nose dive.

Explosion of the gasoline tank, coincident with the crash, enveloped both men and the plane in flames. The bodies were burned so badly the only way of identifying them was from the positions they occupnied.

The plane, the CH-4, from Mitchell Field, Mineola, L. I., had carried Lieutenant Lyons and Captain Walter Dodd, of Chester, Orange county, to their homes on Saturday. Lieutenant Lyons was starting for Chester, with Altmeier as a passenger, to pick up Captain Dodd, when the accident happened.

Lieutenant Lyons is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lyons of Port Jervis, while Altmeier is the son of Augustus Altmeier, postmaster at Port Jervis.

JAMES M. COX RECEIVED IN AUDIENCE BY THE POPE

Rome, July 30 (By the A. P.).—Pope Pius today received in audience James M. Cox, former governor of O o, and democratic candidate for president of the United States in the last campaign. The visit was of such duration that the Vatican officials called it "a private interview." Mr. Cox was accompanied by his son, James M., Jr., Judge Timothy Ansberry of Washington and Ernest Rice of Dayton.

Pope Pius inquired of Mr. Cox concerning the situation in the United States. He expressed himself as profoundly interested in the welfare and progress of the American people, who, he said, constituted such an important factor in the development of the world.

After the interview Mr. Cox said he had been greatly impressed by the extraordinary modesty and simplicity of the pontiff, his devotion to his office and his ken interest in affairs American.

FOUR PRISONERS ESCAPED ONLY TO BE RECAPTURED

Newport, R. I., July 30.—Four prisoners who escaped from the Newport county jail this morning, were recaptured late this afternoon at Portsmouth and brought back.

The prisoners are Fenneli C. Jones, 35, Newport, awaiting trial for breaking and entering; Lawrence Walker and Warren S. Weston, two artillery corps soldiers, charged with automobile themts, and Robert Smith, ex-navy man, also charged with stealing an automobile.

Boys at play saw the four men hiding among the trees in a peach orchard and notified the police. The men were planning to cross the railroad bridge to the mainland after dark.

CELEBRATED ANNIVERSARY OF BATTLE OF CHATEAU THIERRY

Coblenz, July 30 (By the A. P.).—The American forces in Germany joined today with the French forces of occupation in the celebration of the anniversary of the battle of Chateau Thierry. The ceremonies opened with an open air mass in the Clement platz, at which prayer was offered for the repose of the souls of the men killed in the battle.

The American athletes of the army participated in a boxing show held last night and today in a track and field meet. The American and allied officers held a grand ball in the Officers' club tonight.

CABLED PARAGRAPHS

To Form Cabinet in Ireland.

Warsaw, July 30 (By the A. P.)—The cabinet situation tonight was regarded as having virtually been settled when President Pilsudski, at the request of the maority of the diet, asked Dr. Nowak, rector of the University of Cracow, to accept the premiership.

Making Round the World Flight

Lahore, India, July 30.—Major W. T. Blake, British aviator, who left England on May 24 on an attempted "round the world" flight, arrived here yesterday from Quetta, Beluchistan. The next stage of the journey is across China to Japan, and thence to Alaska following the line of the Aleutian Archipelago.

LODGE TO ENCOUNTER OPPOSITION TO REELECTION

Boston, July 30.—(By the A. P.)—Six Massachusetts citizens have declared their willingness to wear the senatorial toga in Washington, in the belief that thirty years' service there is enough for Senator Henry Cabot Lodge and that he ought to be retired next March. But they have different ideas as to how this ought to be done. The matter will be submitted to the voters of this state at the primaries on September 12, and they will decide whether Senator Lodge shall make a sixth appearance as the republican nominee in the November election and which one of four democrats shall represent the opposition.

Joseph Walker, former speaker of the house of representatives, is contesting the republican nomination with Senator Lodge. He was at one time allied with the republican nomination with Senator Lodge. He was at one time allied with the progressive wing of the party. The candidates for the democratic nomination are Former Governor Eugene N. Foss, Colonel William A. Gaston, a banker, and long active in his party; Sherman L. Whipples, leading attorney; Professor Dallas Lore Sharp of Boston University and John Jackson Walsh, a former state senator. All are Boston men.

Mr. Walker bases his candidacy upon the argument that Senator Lodge has "reactionary" tendencies and does not properly represent his party. Colonel Gaston in a recent address laid particular stress on opposition to the tariff bill which he said was "being forced through an unwilling congress under the leadership of Senator Lodge." Mr. Whipple in announcing his candidacy asserted that the senior senator from Massachusetts represented "the power of organized money interests" and had been leading directly against the great wing of progressive principles." Professor Sharp includes in his platform abolition of war, industrial peace, prohibition, low tariff, the independence of the Philippines and opposition to the soldiers' bonus. Mr. Walsh has described himself as a political idealist who believes that all things can be better than they are. He has urged "liberal individual financial support" to the democratic party which he said must become "self-supporting."

As nominations for the primaries do not close until next month the lineup in the various congressional districts is not yet defined.

Governor Channing H. Cox, republican, is opposed for the nomination by Attorney J. Weston Allen. It has been the usual term, but Mr. Allen has pointed out that Governor Cox is the first Massachusetts executive to be chosen for a two-year term and asserts for this reason the precedent does not hold. The attorney general was awarded an honorary degree by Harvard university last month in recognition of his prescution of two district attorneys which resulted in their removal from office for malfeasance.

On the democratic ticket John F. Fitzgerald, a former congressman and former mayor of Boston, Joseph B. Ely of Springfield, and Mayor Peter F. Sullivan of Worcester are candidates for the nomination forf governor.

SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS BY THE IRISH FREE STATERS

Dublin, July 30 (By the A. P.)—A communication issued by General O'Duffy, commanding the national troops in the southwestern district, records substantial progress for the Free Staters, who, he says, have captured Castle Conneli, Cappamore, Pallas and Knockalong on the East and Croom and Bruree and the line along the Maigue river from the Shannon to Charleville on the west.

The communication says Killalloch is now untenable, being covered on three sides by the Free Staters, and its fall is inevitable. It is now expected that a decisive battle will be fought between Mallow and Fermoy.

General O'Duffy says their forces are superior in numbers, but not in fighting qualities.

DANIELSON MAN DROWNED WHILE BATHING AT ELMVILLE

Danielson, Conn., July 30.—Stephen Williams of this city was drowned while bathing in the river at Elmville, about two miles north of here, this afternoon. The body was recovered early this evening. Williams, who was unable to swim, stepped from a shelf of rock in shallow water into a hole about thirty feet deep. Companions who were with him were unable to effect a rescue. The medical examiner gave permission for the removal of the body.

BRISTOL BOY KILLED BY AUTO TRYING TO RECOVER COIN

Bristol, Conn., July 30.—Darting into the path of an automobile in pursuit of a coin which fell from his hand, Walter, five-year-old son of John Bunasikes, 211 Park street, was fatally injured tonight. The boy died of a fractured skull at the Bristol hospital one hour after the accident occurred. The machine was operated by Adolph Grube, this city, who is under arrest.

K. OF C. CONVENTION TO OPEN IN ATLANTIC CITY TUESDAY

Atlantic City, N. J., July 30.—Thousands of the members of the Knights of Columbus are here from all sections of the country and Canada for the fortieth annual supreme convention of that organization, which opens Tuesday.

Exhibits representing expenditures of approximately $3,000,000 by the Knights for reconstruction work among the veterans of the world war were placed on view today.

HARTFORD CANOEIST WAS DROWNED AT MOMAUGUIN

New Haven, July 30.—Thrown into the water when a canoe in which he was riding was overturned, Gustave Seckwich, of Hartford was drowned this afternoon at Momauguin Beach in full sight of several hundred bathers. The body was recovered at 10.30 o'clock tonight, seven hours after the accident, by John Enright of this city, who found it floating on the water.

Senator McLean Talks of Tariff Bill

Says Republicans Are Determined to Pass the Fordney-McCumber Bill Before Congress Adjourns.

Washington, July 30. — Announcing that ten international labor unions and over 300 individual labor organizations had petitioned congress to speed enactment of the pending tariff measure, Senator McLean, of Connecticut, a republican member of the finance committee, said today in a statement that the republican majority in the senate intended "to fight the opposition no matter how long it takes, because we are determined to pass the Fordney-McCumber bill before congress adjourns."

"The United States cannot be prosperous unless the producers have work," said Senator McLean, "and the petitions which have been received from labor shows that the working men and women of the country are aroused to the danger and demand a protective tariff. If congress legislates to make it possible for the people of this country who want work to fine profitable employment against any kind of foreign competition, every consumer will benefit by a wide distribution of prosperity."

Whether the administration tariff bill will be enacted before the November elections again has become the subject of private discussion at the capitol. There is a more or less general belief now in the senate that the measure cannot be brought to a final vote in that body before September 15, and there are those who believe the ironing out of differences between the senate and house in conference will be such a slow and tedious process that it cannot be completed before congress goes home for the fall campaign.

The move from the democratic side yesterday for an investigation of charges that some senators are financially interested in the wool and other duties voted into the bill, may operate to delay senate action. The democrats say they will press their resolution for an inquiry and further heated discussion of the matter on the floor appears to be in prospect.

While the fight over the wool schedule is about over, other committee amendments will cause sharp controversies. The outstanding subjects of dispute remaining are the proposed duty on hides and the flexible tariff provisions. After the 2,087 committee amendments are disposed of, the senate will go back over the bill, paragraph by paragraph, with rows looked for over duties on sugar and a number of other commodities.

The promised disagreement between the house and senate over the question of American valuation is not expected to materialize, leaders on both sides of the senate holding that the house will yield on this question in view of the flexible tariff provisions written into the bill by the senate committee in accord with the recommendations of President Harding.

As the fight over rates goes forward in the senate, sentiment in favor of a "scientific tariff to be built around recommendations of the tariff commission" apparently continue to increase. Senators Keyes, republican, New Hampshire, and Willis, republican, Ohio, announced their support of this plan today in statements issued through the American nonpartisan scientific tariff league.

YOUTH DROWNS IN SIGHT OF COMPANIONS

(Special to The Bulletin)

Danielson, July 30.—At Elmville Sunday afternoon about 2.30 Stephen Williams, 19 of Danielson was drowned while bathing with several companions. The body was recovered about four hours later and taken in charge by L. E. Kennedy of Danielson. There is a shallow bit of water in the river just above the dam at Killingly worsted plant where the boys went bathing. A few feet from shore the stream cuts its way through a rock gorge with about 30 foot depth of water and it appears that young Williams, who could not swim stepped off the shelf into deep water and was drowned before the eyes of his companions. Several other drownings have occurred at this point in years past and the grappling hook has brought Williams' body to the surface has previously been used to haul out other drowned persons.

Eugene Kibbe found the body of Williams while he was working with a number of others who had volunteered their services.

SOCIETY LEADERS AND ACTORS AS FIRE FIGHTERS

East Hampton, N. Y., July 30.—Society leaders and theatrical folk became volunteer firemen today to fight a fire which destroyed the Maidstone Country club, entailing a loss of $100,000.

Fear that the flames would spread to the Maidstone Inn near by recruited club guests in an impromptu department. John Drew, the actor, was a member of the bucket brigade.

Army polo players from Camp Welsh galloped on their mounts to the fire and joined the amateur fire fighters. Low water pressure handicapped the work of the regular apparatus which arrived later, and with the exception of property removed by the guests of the club from lockers and rooms, little was saved.

Defective wiring is believed to have been the cause of the fire.

KU KLUX KLAN FIGURES IN PRIMARY IN OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma City, July 30.—Sweeping into the front rank as an issue in the Oklahoma primary Aug. 1, the Ku Klux Klan held the spotlight today as the last guns were being fired in the three-cornered race for the democratic nomination for governor between J. C. WaNon, mayor of Oklahoma City, R. H. Wilson, state superintendent of public instruction, and Thomas H. Owen, former justice of the state supreme court.

Copies of a model ticket, published in papers of the state, purporting to have been drawn by the klan, were distributed today at the doors of every Protestant church in Oklahoma City at the conclusion of morning services. Wilson's name headed this list.

The klan claims a membersih in this state of approximately 100,000.

THREE MEN FIRED UPON TROOPS OF THE TEXAS N. G.

Denison, Tex., July 30.—Three men on the wagon bridge spanning the west end of Ray yards, the big freight terminal at the outskirts of Denison, tonight upon Texas National guard troops protecting that section of the railroad property. An exchange of about fifty shots, between the men and the soldiers followed. No casualties were reported. The men used pistols and the guardsmen regulation army rifles.

Weekly Review of Industrial World

Definite Set-Back to Business Revival by Strikes Not Yet a Probability—Steel Hit Worst.

New York, July 30 (By the A. P.)—Although the check to the country's business recently imposed by the strikes grew during the past week, the curtailment is not yet large and a definite setback to the industrial revival is not yet a probability. The steel industry, which has been operating at a comparatively high rate, appears to be the chief sufferer. Here the loss of production is something like ten per cent. This industry, too, has been considerably upset over the possible effects of the priorities established with regard to coal distribution.

The trade realizes that its position is not the preferred one enjoyed during the war. Second thoughts on priorities have, however, been more reassuring. It is realized that dislocations in the existing situation are not likely to be as severe as at first surmised, and that the general effect of priorities should be a reduction in congestion and a gain in coal output.

Car loading figures meanwhile have been reassuring. The total number for the week ended July 15 is 861,000, which represents a recovery of 143,000, as compared with the previous holiday week. The total is within 17,000 of the high record for the year. Exclusive of coal, loadings were close to the high record for all time. It may be seen, therefore, that general business so far has suffered relatively slightly.

Coal production, on the other hand, remains poor. The Geological Survey's estimate for the week ended July 22, amounted to only 3,600,000 tons, or practically the smallest total for any week in recent years. Railroad congestion was again the cause of the loss in output. In this connection the carriers claimed that the start of the past week showed a considerable gain in coal loadings, but pending publication of returns for the entire week it is difficult to say how important the gain may be. Some resumption of mining in the Pittsburgh district is reported, and it is intimated that actual output for the past week may come up to 2,900,000 tons. This level, however, is still some 1,250,000 tons below that reached during June and any important gain is considered doubtful until railroad congestion is materially relieved.

With regard to the strikes themselves, financial circles showed greater optimism. Chances for an early settlement in the shopmen's walk-out were considered good, while the atmosphere surrounding the coal strike negotiations was thought to be improved. It was pointed out that an agreement with the shopmen would be likely to hasten an end of the coal strike and that affairs are now reaching a stage at which all parties concerned are becoming increasingly anxious for a resumption of activity.

In the commodity markets good export buying barely held wheat prices against hedge and short-selling. Weather conditions continued favorable, and there was no appreciable change in crop prospects. Cotton prices gave away somewhat before liquidation in anticipation of the government's August 1 crop estimate, which is expected to show an increase over the previous month's estimate. The market steadied, however, before the close of the week.

With the reserve ratio of the combined federal reserve system at a new high record of 79.2 per cent, well informed observers anticipate no early change in monetary conditions. The gain in ratio is partly due to importations of British gold, but commercial demands for credit remain light and the gold imports are expected to continue. The strikes, furthermore, are acting as a curb on potential trade demands for accommodations.

THREE PRISONERS BREAK FROM MONMOUTH, N. J., COUNTY JAIL

Freehold, N. J., July 30.—Three prisoners, one charged with murder, escaped from the Monmouth county jail today. The men took advantage, it was said, of alterations being made at the jail. Their absence was not discovered until some time after the break.

The men are declared to be James Ayres, held in connection with the wounding of County Detective Jacob Rue, at Little Silver, Tuesday; Stanley Kaminske, charged with the murder of John Brannigan, of Belmar, on July 3, and Joseph Lewis, Asbury Park, serving ninety days for disorderly conduct.

BODIES OF TWO BABIES FOUND IN CARDBOARD BOX

Newark, N. J., July 30.—A cardboard box containing the bodies of two babies was found by berry-pickers today in a field near Prospect avenue, Orange, half hidden in the high grass and only a short distance from the highway. The infants had been dead about 24 hours, the police said. There were no markings on the box and no clothing on the bodies.

The highway running near the field where the box was found, is well traversed and the police said it would be easy for an automobile to stop, or people go into the field without attracting particular attention.

NO INDICATION OF VERDICT BY THE OBENCHAIN JURY

Los Angeles, July 30.—The jury in the second trial of Mrs. Madalynne Obenchain for the murder of her sweetheart, J. Belton Kennedy, a broker, had been out approximately forty-eight hours at 5 o'clock this afternoon and there still was no indication of a verdict.

Unauthenticated rumors were that the majority of the five men and seven women on the jury favored acquittal, the reports gradually changing from 8 to 4 to 9 to 3, and then 10 to 2.

RAILWAY UNIONS TO HOLD DEMONSTRATION IN MEXICO

Mexico City, July 30.—The Confederation of Railway unions on Tuesday will hold demonstrations throughout the country in sympathy with the railway strikers in the United States. The leaders in the movement have assured the authorities that all the demonstrations will be of a peaceful nature.

NO IMPROVEMENT IN THE CONDITION OF NORTHCLIFFE

London, July 30 (By the A. P.)—The physicians in attendance upon Lord Northcliffe say that the condition of their patient still is causing them anxiety. The endocarditis, they assert, is showing no noticeable signs of improvement.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS

Governor Lake's staff was held up by a state policeman for speeding just after leaving the state camp at Niantic.

The new Catholic church in Highwood, St. John the Baptist, was formally dedicated Sunday.

Congestion in British ports is beginning to threaten interference with the exportation of coal to America.

A convalescent naval man in a Brooklyn hospital earned $1,200 since last September and has just spent most of the money for aboma.

New Haven people will be interested in the venture of Andrew A. McManus and Thomas J. McCoy, both of whom are blind, who have opened a grocery store.

General Sanchez says that the entire Tampico oil field is now perfectly safe and well guarded by flying columns of federal troops.

Mrs. Betty Coffey of Mount Vernon, N. Y., has entered upon her 49th day of fasting. She is reported near death. Mrs. Coffey has refused to disclose the reason for her fast.

The Russian soviet government is said to have been for some time accumulating a platinum reserve with the purpose of establishing a coinage which will replace the gold standard.

Governor Lake and former Governor Holcomb with others prominent in state official life, attended the funeral services of the late John K. Bissland at his home in Enfield, Saturday afternoon.

A Boston despatch says that Albert Victor Searles, writer and artist, and nephew of the late Edward F. Searls, Methuen millionaire, was married to Miss Charlotte Boulister of Lowell, last November.

Richard Gamble, driver of an automobile which ran down and killed Douglass A. Bacon, 4 years old, was held in the city court in Bridgeport on a charge of manslaughter pending the coroner's finding.

Willard Walters of Stapleton, N. Y., and Ralph L. Cutter of New York city were caught in Greenwich with an automobile which was said to have been stolen at Cos Cob.

Will H. Hays, president of the Motion Picture Producers and Distributors' association of America, has failed after a close study of motion picture studios at Los Angeles to find "the horrors of Hollywood."

"Emperor of the Eats" may be the title of a new officer to be elected by the National Restaurant convention in Washington on October 9 to 13, according to the plans of the Society of Restaurateurs.

Two men were drowned in the ocean at Provincetown, Mass., Saturday in an effort to rescue Miss Alice Small of North Truro and Miss Marian Hale, a summer visitor whose home is in Connecticut.

Aloysius Drennan, aged 10, of Deep River, died in Middletown hospital, Middletown, Saturday night of injuries received earlier in the evening when he was struck by an automobile driven by George Black.

Because of the inroads made upon wages and incomes by the textile strike and the unemployment situation, Manchester, N. H., is accepting poll tax accounts on the installment plan.

J. Douglas Dowd, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Dowd, of Madison, died in the 32nd year Friday at Gaylord Farm Sanatorium, Wallingford, following an illness of five months.

Boston & Main officials said it was very probable that the railroad repair shops in Concord, N. H., closed since the beginning of the shopmen's strike, would be reopened in a few days with a force of at least 500 mechanics.

Tony Costello of Salem, Mass., was arrested charged with the murder of Henry P. McMahon, the 12 year old boy, whose body was found in a bery pasture near the outskirts of Salem on July 21.

The direct cost of the strike to the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad in furnishing protection to its employes and in combatting the activities of strikers, was $360,000 since the shopmen walked out July 1.

The 104th Infantry, Massachusetts National Guard, will be mobilized as escort to Governor Channing H. Cox on the occasion of his visit to Springfield, Mass., Thursday.

General Stillman F. Kneeland, New York, lawyer and artist, 77 years old, and Mrs. Eastman Johnson, 79, widow of a famous artist, were married in Danbury, Conn., Saturday.

Superior Judge Louis S. Cox ruled in Cambridge, Mass., that the motion for a new trial led by counsel for Rocco Scichiani, under death sentence for the murder of Patrolman Thomas J. Riley, had been filed too late.

The estate of the late Russell Hall, who died in Meriden last March, has been inventoried in the probate court there. The deceased left $691,000, mostly in stocks and mortgages, most of which goes to the son, Howard B. Hall.

Three men were drowned in South Norwalk and two others had narrow escapes from death Saturday when their automobile skidded while crossing Wall street bridge and crashed through the railing into the Norwalk river, thirty feet below.

Major General Clarence R. Edwards announced that a new order received from the war department would permit 2,200 boys who live in the First Army Corps area to attend the Citizens' Military Training camp which opens tomorrow at Camp Devens.

The New England Conservatory of Music announced that Wallingford Constantin Riegger of Drake university, Des Moines, Iowa, had been awarded the $500 prize offered by the trustees of the Paderewski Fund for American Composers for the best piece of chamber music.

In an editorial the Catholic Transcript, referring to the king kleagle of the Ku Klux Klan, says: "This king, who can do no wrong, 'don't give a damn' who knows him. And there is a fair number of American citizens who wouldn't give a damn to know him."

A search for bonds said to be valued at between $50,000 and $60,000, believed to be a part of the loot of a big robbery, was begun by the Boston police following the arrest of Bernard J. McDonald, a stock salesman as he was attempting to dispose of coupons valued at $1,000.

GREECE IS WAR-WEARY AFTER NEARLY TEN YEARS OF STRIFE

Sends Note to Allies Stating That Greek Occupation of Constantinople is the Only Means of Bringing About Peace—Entreats That the Neutralization of Constantinople be Abandoned—Greek Army in Asia Minor, Macedonia and Thrace is Costing $70,000,000 Monthly—Remitances of $50,000,000 From Greeks in America the Past Year Has Been of Immense Assistance—Greece is Hopeful That the American Government Will Release Credits to the Amount of $33,000,000.

Athens, July 30.—(By the A. P.)—A note sent by the Greek government to the allies respecting the intentions of Greece in Asia-Minor, emphasizes the view that the occupation of Constantinople is the only means of bringing about peace and says Greece has made arrangements with that purpose in view.

The note begs the allies to issue the necessary orders to the army of Brigadier General Sir Charles Harington, commander of the allied forces in Constantinople, and says it is confident difficulties will not be imposed in the way of Greece. The note adds that by the neutralization of Constantinople the allies are protecting, instead of coercing Turkey, and thus depriving Greece of means of imposing peace.

The Turkish atrocities, the note conutinues, make it vital for Greece to adopt more energetic measure against the Turks, but the Greek government is willing to discuss the matter with the allies.

General Harington's declaration that he will oppose by force any move toward Constantinople, caused deep discouragement and disappointment in Greece as newspapers had been leading the people to believe Greek occupation of Constantinople would not be resisted by the allies.

After a three-hour session of the cabinet Saturday, the government handed a supplementary note to the allied diplomates. The contents have not been disclosed.

An announcement that the Greek government is prepared to extend the war against the Turks beyond the already extensive borders, caused intense excitement on the Bourse and further aggravation of Greece's financial and commercial crisis. The drachma fell today to nearly fifty to the dollar.

The Greek army of 300,000 men in Asia Minor, Macedonia and Thrace is costing $7,000,000 monthly. It is realized that this expenditure cannot be kept up indefinitely in the present parlous state of the treasury. The remittances of $50,000,000 from Greeks in America during the last year have been of immense assistance to the government. The Greeks are still hopeful that the American government may release the balance of the $50,000,000 credits established during the regime of Premier Venizelos. This balance amounts to $33,000,000.

The steadily increasing cost of living, the continued calling to the colors of bread winners of families and the failure of the government to secure financial assistance abroad are causing disconsolation among the populace generally, who are war-weary after ten years of almost continuous strife. The feeling seems to prevail, however that the government has been driven to a desperate expedient, and a majority of the people apparently are disposed loyally to support it.

MOVEMENT OF BRITISH TROOPS IN ASIA MINOR

Constantinople, July 30 (By the A. P.)—A movement of British troops on the Asiatic side toward Tchatalja began today. The Tchatalja region is quiet, but a few shots were exchanged today between the Turkish gendarmerie and a Greek patrol, three men on each side being wounded.

Considerable importance is attached here to an interview which Brigadier General Sir Charles Harington, commander of the allied forces in Constantinople, has had at Sinekli with General Hadjanestis, commander-in-chief of the Greek army in Asia-Minor. The effect of such a military movement as that of today was lengthily discussed by the two generals.

AUTONOMY FOR SMYRNA TO BE PROCLAIMED IMMEDIATELY

London, July 30.—A Reuter despatch from Athens says autonomy for Smyrna and adjacent territory under Greek occupation is to be proclaimed immediately. Under the new regime the people will have extensive self-government.

The despatch adds that it is reported Prince Nicholas will be appointed governor of Smyrna and that elections will be held in the new state, these to be followed by application for recognition by the powers.

According to the despatch, the understanding is the Greek government's decision, outlined in Saturday's note to the allies, will not be put into execution for the present.

PLAYED PART OF GHOST FOR PURPOSE OF PHOTOGRAPH

Naples, Me., July 30.—The wraith of Ghost mountain, whose ectoplasmic outlines were photographed recently by H. Allen Lushear of Newark, N. J., was materialized for the benefit of summer boarders. Mrs. Pearlie Chapin, owner of the haunted house on top of the mountain, admitted today. There was more than ectoplasm to the Newark man's ghost picture, Mrs. Chapin said, one of her boarders having played the part of spook for the purpose of the photograph.

A party of eight persons from the New Jersey city paid a nocturnal visit to the haunted house, which has a legend preserved through passing generations of summer visitors. According to this tale, an unhappy couple lived there and when the woman died her ghost returned to haunt the husband. The nightly visitations finally drove the man insane, but the ghost continued to walk.

Lushear and his party were not disappointed. They described the vision they saw as "A cloudy, unsubstantial form, in shape not unlike the mass that gathers on the candlestick as a candle melts."

Lushear, according to the story, "snapped" the ghost and then the party went swiftly away from that place.

This is not the first time summer visitors have been entertained with spirits, Mrs. Chapin said. Each summer for a number of years "manifestations" have beeen staged, but not always with equal success.

MARILYNN MILLER BECOMES BRIDE OF JACK PICKFORD

Los Angeles, Calif., July 30.—Marilynn Miller, of the stage, became the bride of Jack Pickford, of the screen, today, at the residence of the groom's sister, Mary Packford, and brother-in-law, Douglas Fairbanks, at Beverly Hills, a suburb.

A brief Episcopal ceremony was performed by he Rev. Neal Dodd, rector of the Church of St. Mary of the Angeles, which is the "Little Church Around the Corner" to the people of the motion picture industry.

Mary Pickford acted as matron of honor.

The ceremony was witnessed by nineteen invited guests and a small army of newspaper reporters, photographers and motion picture camera men. The official guests were members of the Pickford, Fairbanks and Miller families, and Charlie Chaplin.

The bride and groom declined to say where they would pass their honeymoon.

FIVE PERSONS KILLED IN AN AUTO COLLISION NEAR DETROIT

Detroit, July 30.—Five persons were killed and one injured when an automobile occupied by the five, attempted to avoid collision with another machine and was crowded in front of a speeding Detroit and Pontiac interurban car, just north of here today. The dead are: John W. Murphy, 45, his sons, John W., Jr., six, and James F., four; Mrs. Josephine Gay, 50, all of Detroit, and Miss Marie Flagan, 17, of Owosso. Nelson Ogden, of Pontiac, the motorman, was badly cut by flying glass.

Witnesses laid the blame for the accident on the unidentified driver of the driver of the other machine, who disappeared after the collision.

OBITUARY

Ferdinand L. Parr

Los Angeles, July 30.—Ferdinand L. Parr, former president of the Coca Cola company, died today at his home here after an illness of seven months.

15 BOARDWALK CAFES IN ATLANTIC CITY RAIDED

Atlantic City, N. J., July 30.—Fifteen cafes along the board walk and in other sections of the city were raided this morning by a flying squad of prohibiting enforcement agents under the direction of E. B. Henson, assistant to John D. Appleby, chief of the New York and New Jersey division of the federal enforcement department.

Many of the places were thronged with fashionably clad men and women. Henson divided his men into five squads of five each, and five raids were made simultaneously. No arrests were made, but about ten thousand dollars worth of liquor was said to have been confiscated.

Among the places visited were the Beaux Arts, the Music Box, Martins, Le Marne, the Blackstone, and the Bal Taborin, all situated along the beach front or adjacent to it.

Henson declared tonight that those convicted would be proceeded against under a section of the Volstead law, which defines convicted places as common nunsances, and closes them for one year for all purposes. He said that warrants would be issued tomorrow, and arrests made by deputy United States marshals.

EXCURSION STEAMER ON ROCKS IN THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER

Montreal, July 30.—Four hundred passengers were forced to spend the night on the excursion steamer Rapids Prince when she went on the rocks below Lachine rapids tonight.

After shooting Lachine rapids, the steamer drifted on the rocks. A broken rudder chain is believed to have been the cause of the accident. It was at first planned to land the passengers on Heron Island, but this was later abandoned, and the passengers were informed that they would not be able to land until tomorrow. It is reported that the ship is well provisioned and that the four hundred passengers can be easily accommodated.

Three hundred and twenty-seven passengers who were on the Rapids King, a sister ship, one year ago this month, found themselves in a similar plight when the boat went on the rocks below Long Sault rapids. After spending the night on the boat, they were removed in a lifeboat drawn by a cable and windlass.

A BARN VALUED AT $35,000 BURNED NEAR WINSTED

Winsted, Conn., July 30.—Fire, supposedly due to spontaneous combustion, this afternoon totally destroyed a four-story barn at Highland Lake owned by Bestram E. Moore. The loss is estimated at $35,000, covered by approximately $10,000 insurance. The blaze started on the top oflor where forty-five tons of hay was stored. The upper part of the structure was in flames when the firemen arrived. The barn is said to be one of the largest and most modern in Litchfield county.

A CHILD KILLED WHILE PLAYING IN GARAGE DOORWAY

Milford, Conn., July 30.—Run over by an automobile which was backing out of a garage at Cedar Beach, Arline Mary Siegel, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George V. Siegel of Hartford was instantly killed this afternoon. The child was playing in the doorway of the garage and was not seen by Edward Glyn