

SAYS GENERAL STRIKE WILL BE CALLED

Pointexter Says Leaders of Labor Contemplate Action for Mooney.

MOVEMENT WILL TIE UP COUNTRY

Senator Makes Startling Assertion Without Apparent Base.

Washington, April 22—A movement by Washington labor leaders to call a general strike on May 1 as a protest against alleged persecution of Thomas Mooney and others convicted of the bomb conspiracy in San Francisco, was reported to the Senate today by Senator Pointexter of Washington, who denounced it in vehement terms as "blackmail" on the government, sedition and treason.

Senator Pointexter submitted a letter from Secretary James A. Dunne of the Seattle Labor union saying a referendum on the strike was being circulated. He also presented a resolution of a Seattle trade union declaring a "widespread suspicion" exists among workmen that the bomb plot convictions were an attempt to discredit organized labor.

The movement, Senator Pointexter declared, is in harmony with the Industrial Workers of the World, Bolshevik and other international unrest. Repudiating and denouncing leaders of the movement as not friends of labor, Senator Pointexter said:

"It is moral treason. The act itself being worse than death by an unrepentable crime, is deserving of the extreme penalty of death. The threat to commit it is a crime against the state and the government. These men should be arrested and dealt with as disloyal traitors."

Senator Pointexter said Mooney and his co-defendants had undergone the usual court processes and that the Seattle labor movement was by false representatives of labor, indicative of a general international lawless effort. The charge that the bomb plot prosecutions were designed to discredit organized labor, he asserted, "was scandalous" and based on mere suspicion.

PUBLISH LIST OF MEN CITED FOR BRAVE ACTS

Washington, April 22—An official list of the individuals and sections of the United States army ambulance service cited by French army commanders for bravery has been received at the office of Surgeon Gen. Georges, 42 separate citations being noted. In two instances entire sections were commended.

Section No. 646, commanded by Lieut. E. Brooks, was commended on two occasions and finally was given the right to wear the fourragere. It is the first American organization to receive this honor.

The other American section commended as a unit was No. 632, commanded by First Lieut. Allan H. Muhr. The citation in the official French order was as follows:

"The section rendered most valuable services to the Eighth division of infantry and showed great coolness and devotion in making certain the evacuation of the wounded with the greatest rapidity and comfort, in spite of the difficulties of the road and frequent interruptions by the enemy's bombardment."

PEACE LEAGUE GROWS MILITANT

New York, April 22—The League to Enforce Peace sent out today invitations to the "Win the War for Permanent Peace" convention in Philadelphia on May 16 and 17. William Howard Taft, president of the League to Enforce Peace, will preside at the convention. The convention will seek "to sustain the determination of our people to fight until Prussian militarism has been defeated; to confirm opposition to a permanent peace; and to focus attention on the only advantage the American people hope to gain from the war—a permanent peace guaranteed by a league of nations."

TO INTERN PURZER IN GEORGIA FORT

Boston, April 22—Orders for the internment at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., of Joseph Purzer, formerly master gunner at Fort Constitution, Portsmouth, N. H., were received here from Washington today. Purzer, a German, was arrested last month by direction of the departments of justice.

QUAKE RUINS BUSINESS DISTRICT

SALVATION ARMY GIRLS IN DUGOUT UNDER HOT FIRE

U. S. Soldiers Fed By Ladies Under Fire; Officers Order Girls Back.

TEACHEROUS GERMAN IS KILLED BY GRENADE

With the American Army in France, Sunday, April 21.—(By The Associated Press.)—Two low flying German aeroplanes were brought down Saturday by American machine gunners during the German attack in and about Selchesprey, northwest of Toul. The machine gunners who bagged the Germans had been ordered to retire, but they remained in their position and fought effectively against the enemy aviators.

During the engagement the Germans concentrated their artillery fire on the American telephone and telegraph wires which were cut many times. Couriers were forced to pass through two or three barbed wire orders to maintain communication. In the meantime men of the signal corps in face of a heavy bombardment restored the wires almost as fast as they were shot away.

A village near the front lines which the correspondent visited today tells a mite tale of Saturday's fighting. There are huge shell holes in the streets and parts of the church and other buildings have been blown off. The enemy fire became so hot here that Salvation Army girls who had been serving coffee and doughnuts to the Americans were forced to leave. The girls protested, saying that they were not afraid of the Germans, and wanted to stay in their dugout, but the officers did not want to take the responsibility. As they left the girls were cheered by soldiers returning from the front lines.

GREGORY UPHOLDS THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

New York, April 22.—There will be no Federal investigation of the official conduct of Colin H. Livingston, president of the national council of the Boy Scouts of America, and James E. West, chief scout executive. That much was made evident yesterday when officers of the Boy Scouts made public a letter written by Attorney General Gregory to John D. Gluck, commissioner at large of the United States Boy Scouts, declining over to retain in the files of the Department of Justice Gluck's petition for such an investigation. The letter of the Attorney General to Gluck administers a sharp rebuke to him for having made the complaint, which the Department of Justice should never have received. Mr. Gregory said, because it contained no traces of proof—or even an allegation—of wrongdoing by any one connected with the Boy Scouts of America organization.

When Gluck's complaint was mailed to the Department of Justice in March that fact was communicated to the newspapers and received wide publicity, together with the explanation that if the complaint was entertained the United States District Attorney here would immediately take the matter up.

"The statements contained in those news items," the Attorney General said in his letter to Gluck, "were not based upon anything derived from the Department of Justice, either directly or indirectly. It is evident that there was a plan to injure the Boy Scouts of America and to use the Department of Justice as a vehicle to accomplish this end."

HOSE KNITTERS RETURN TO WORK

Winston, April 22.—Thirty of the 50 half hose knitters of the Winston Hosiery Co. who struck last week went back to work today. They said they had been offered a wage increase. No statement is made by the company.

PREMIER GERMAN AIRMAN KILLED

London, April 22.—Capt. Von Richtofen, premier German airman, has been killed in action. His body has been found and will be buried today with military honors.

Capt. Von Richtofen was the leading German air fighter. On Feb. 28 Berlin officially credited him with his 73rd aerial victory.

50 SUFFRAGISTS FROM THIS STATE GOING TO CALL ON SEN. McLEAN

MISS HASTINGS OF STRATFORD AND MRS. S. C. SHAW AMONG NUMBER WHO WILL INFORM SENATOR OF SUFFRAGE SENTIMENT.

Hartford, April 22.—May day will be a memorable day for suffragists of Connecticut and for Senator George P. McLean. On that day a deputation of 50 or more representative women of the state will go to Washington to see Senator McLean.

They will advise him of the suffrage sentiment in the communities that they represent and to advise him of the sentiment in favor of the federal woman suffrage amendment which exists among his constituents. Senator McLean will receive Miss Caroline Kuuts-Rees, chairman, women's committee, State Council of Defense, and the others of the deputation in his office and Miss Katharine Ludington, president of the Connecticut Woman Suffrage association, will speak on behalf of the members of the association which she represents.

Some of the women who expect to go on this deputation are Miss Mary Bulkeley, Hartford; Miss Mary Wel-

NO TRACE OF MISSING FOUR YEAR OLD GIRL

Up to this afternoon the nationwide search for little Archelle Goyen, aged 4 years, of 287 East avenue, has resulted in the disappearance of the little fellow remaining as much of a mystery as ever. The child disappeared from his home March 12, but up to the present no word or trace has been found of him.

His mother, who was formerly an actress, states that it is possible that little Archelle's grandmother, Mrs. Carrie L. Jones, of 624 Beverly road, Brooklyn, N. Y., might have taken the child, but the police of New York city are unable to locate Mrs. Jones.

REFUSE FORMER SENATOR RIGHT TO MAKE SPEECH

Ellsworth, Kansas, April 20.—Former United States Senator Joseph L. Bristow of Sallina, now candidate for nomination for that office, was refused permission by the county commissioners to deliver an address here last night in the court house.

Some time ago Guy T. Helvering, representative in congress from the Fifth Kansas district, sent a telegram to Gov. Capper protesting against Mr. Bristow's attitude on the war and demanding his dismissal as chairman of the Kansas public utility commission, a position he resigned recently to become a candidate for the senatorial nomination.

GERMAN TONGUE ELIMINATED BY THE METHODISTS

New Britain, April 20.—The elimination of German publications and the gradual reduction of literature in other foreign languages were recommended to the Methodist Book commission at the New York East conference today. In the discussion of the recommendation it developed that there will probably be a recommendation to the conference that home mission support will not be granted to churches for foreign speaking people unless at least one service during the day is held in English.

The discussion developed was the most forceful of the conference. District Superintendent Dr. E. G. Richardson declared in favor of withdrawal of home mission support unless a service is held in English and the development of the Americanization of all the foreign speaking people.

"I have seen statements in German papers that we would not approve of and when German victories were reported they gloried in the victories," said Dr. Richardson.

Dr. H. H. Beatty of New Rochelle was one of the leaders in the opposition to German publications. He said he did not wish to impugn the patriotism of some of the Germans. With much vigor he expressed himself on the German national spirit. "Put the ban on anything that threatens America," he said.

The Rev. George W. Roesch of Lynbrook, L. I., took the floor in defense of his many German parishioners. He said that his father and many others had faithfully served Methodism.

Dr. Ozora S. Davis, president of Chicago theological seminary, has returned to Chicago and did not speak today as scheduled.

Los Angeles Suffers Little From Shock; But One Life Reported Lost.

BIG OFFICE BUILDINGS PUT OUT OF PLUMB

Wells and River 'Beds Dry for Years Fill With Water After Quake.

Los Angeles, Cal. April 22.—More than one-third of the business district of San Jacinto and a smaller proportion of that of Hemet, both in Riverside county, about 70 miles east of here, were in ruins today and scores of residences in the two little towns were wrecked by a series of earthquakes which caused all of southern California to tremble late yesterday afternoon.

The property damage is estimated at from \$100,000 to \$150,000 in the two places. Half a dozen other towns and cities including Los Angeles, suffered minor damage, confined mainly to plate glass windows and shattered cornices.

Hemet and San Jacinto have populations of less than 1,000 each. They are about three miles apart and in a picturesque country which was made the scene of Helen Hunt Jackson's novel "Ramona."

Only one life was known to have been lost, that of Frank E. Darnell, a retired manufacturer of this city, who was drowned when he fell off a pier in Santa Monica, a beach resort near here. Hundreds of pleasure seekers on the pier made a wild dash for solid ground when the shock came at 3:33 p. m. and Darnell was swept from his feet. Persons in scores of theaters and motion picture houses in this vicinity were frightened and many suffered slight injuries in their rush to the exits.

When night fell over the partly ruined towns of Hemet and San Jacinto order had been restored and organizations of home guards patrolled the streets. Four blocks of San Jacinto's business district were wrecked and one block in Hemet. Three distinct shocks were felt in San Jacinto. The first threw to the ground several persons and horses. At the second shock all the buildings on the south side of the main street began to collapse and the third shock brought down those on the north side.

Electricity failed immediately and within 10 minutes the breaking of the gas mains made it necessary to shut off the supply. The water mains were not much damaged.

One of the freaks of the earthquake was the sudden flows in wells. Many artesian wells, dry for years, showed a sudden free supply of water. This sudden increase of water manifested itself particularly in the San Jacinto river. Before the earthquake it was dry. Immediately after the tremor the river at a point below the town showed a flow of 12 inches in depth and 40 feet wide.

INTERNATIONAL EGG CONTEST

In the twenty-fourth week of the laying contest at Storrs, Connecticut pen of Leghorns entered by George Phillips of Seymour set a new high mark for weekly production in the present contest. Up to this time a Massachusetts pen of Rhode Island Reds held the weekly record with a yield of 56 eggs. The Connecticut pen has now set this aside and pushed the mark up to 59 eggs. Charles H. Lane's Rhode Island Reds from Southboro, Mass., were in second position for the week with a yield of 57 eggs. Albert T. Lenz's White Rocks from North Attleboro, Mass., and Deer Brook Poultry Farm's Rhode Island Reds from Short Falls, N. H., tied for third place with 54 eggs each. A pen of Barded Rocks from Massachusetts, another from New York and a pen of Leghorns from New York all tied for fourth place with 53 eggs each. The total production for all pens was 4,063, a yield of 58 per cent.

Early in February the Food Administration issued an order prohibiting the sale of live or lately killed hens and pullets. This order known as Rule 14 threw a little scare into the poultrymen of certain sections. This rule was to have been in force until the 1st of May. It is, however, now rescinded nearly two weeks earlier than at first planned. This fact, however, should not have any appreciable effect on the amount of native poultry offered for sale; the broilers are not yet ready and the hens and pullets are laying too many eggs to think of selling them, furthermore, if everyone rushed to unload the minute the rule is removed, such action would in itself tend to upset the market.

The three best pens in each of the principal varieties are as follows:

BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCKS, Jules F. Francis, West Hampton 867
Each, J. Johnson, Laurel P. O., Quebec, Canada, 818
Richard Allen, Pittsfield, Mass., 789

WHITE WYANDOTTES, Obed G. Knight, Bridgeton, R. I., 329
J. Frank Dubois, East Lynn, Mass., 785
F. W. Harris, Melrose, N. Y., 783

RHODE ISLAND REDS, Richard Allen, Pittsfield, Mass., 862
Pinecrest Orchards, Groton, Mass., 786
Charles H. Lane, Southboro, Mass., 737

WHITE LEGHORNS, J. O. LaFevre, New Paltz, N. Y., 823
E. Robinson, Calverton, N. Y., 809
Braeside Poultry Farm, Stoudsburg, Penn., 786

MISCELLANEOUS, Oregon Agricultural College (Oregon), Corvallis, Ore., 845
Cook & Porter (Buff Wyandottes), Easthompson, Mass., 837
H. P. Cloyes (Buff Wyandottes), East Hartford, Conn., 757

Suit Against Mine Workers Withdrawn

Washington, April 22.—On the motion of attorneys for the Hinchman Coal & Coke Co. of Wheeling, Pa., contempt proceedings instituted by the company against President Frank J. Hayes and nine other officials and members of the United Mine Workers of America, filed in the supreme court, were withdrawn today.

DUBLIN GUNSHOPS ARE RAIDED; ARMS REMOVED

TELEPHONE EXCHANGES, RAILWAYS SEIZED, AND POLICE PREPARED TO CONFISCATE ALL WEAPONS TO BE FOUND IN CITIES.

London, April 22.—The military authorities have taken over control of the principal Irish railways, the Post Office, and the telephone exchanges, according to the Cork correspondent of the Daily Chronicle.

It is added that the police on Saturday removed all arms and ammunition from gunsmith shops in Dublin and that similar action will be taken all over Ireland.

Field Marshal Viscount French, formerly Commander in Chief in Ireland, who resigned from the British Army shortly before the beginning of the world war because he would not use armed force to put down Sir Edward Carson's Ulster Volunteers, who were arming to oppose Home Rule, and who later, was recalled and became Commander in Chief in France of the British forces, being succeeded by Sir Douglas Haig, is now in command of the British troops in Ireland, according to a late despatch.

PRESIDENT IS OPPOSED TO COURT MARTIAL BILL

WRITES SENATOR CHAMBERLAIN HE BELIEVES IT WOULD PLACE UNITED STATES ON LEVEL WITH ENEMIES—THINKS IT UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Washington, April 22.—President Wilson came out today in opposition to the Chamberlain bill, which would try violations of the sedition laws by court martial and in a letter to Senator Overman of North Carolina declared his belief that the measure is unconstitutional.

UNNECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS ARE DEFINED

If enacted, the president declared, the bill would place the United States on a level with its enemies. The measure, he said, is opposed to the spirit and purpose of the espionage laws.

The president's letter follows: "My Dear Senator—Thank you for your letter of yesterday. I am heartily obliged to you for consulting me about the court martial bill as perhaps I may call it for short. I am wholly and unalterably opposed to such legislation and very much value the opportunity you give me to say so. I think it is not only unconstitutional but that in character it would put us nearly upon the level of the very people we are fighting and affecting to despise. It would be altogether inconsistent with the spirit and practice of America, and in view of the recent legislation, the espionage bill, the sabotage bill, and the woman spy bill, I think it is unnecessary and uncalled for."

"I take the liberty, my dear Senator, of expressing myself in this emphatic way because my feeling is very deep about the matter, as I gather your own is."

"It is admirable the way you have been handling these important bills, and I thank you with all my heart for standing by the bill which bears your name without any compromise of any kind."

"It gives me the greatest satisfaction to tell how much I have appreciated what you have been doing."

"Cordially as sincerely yours, WOODROW WILSON."

ALLIANCE IN CONNECTICUT IS DISSOLVED

Hartford, April 22.—The German-American alliance of Connecticut has dissolved and its funds will be distributed to charity. This action was taken yesterday at a meeting of the alliance in Saengerbund hall, this city. President H. P. Blume of this city presided and all the officers and a dozen of the executive committee were present.

It was decided to give \$100 of the state alliance funds to the old people's home in Southbury; \$50 to the Warburg orphan home in Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; and the balance of the funds is to be invested by the treasurer, Richard J. Mommers of Manchester, in thrift stamps and the stamps are to be distributed to charitable institutions.

JOFFE IS NAMED HUN AMBASSADOR

Moscow, Tuesday, April 16.—(By The Associated Press.)—Odolph Joffe has been named Russian ambassador to Germany and is leaving Moscow tonight with his staff. On his way to Berlin he will meet Count von Mirbach, German ambassador to Russia.

M. Joffe was chairman of the first Russian peace delegation in Brest-Litovsk. He is 34 years old and a Bolshevik Socialist. He spent a long term in exile in Siberia and at one time lived in Germany.

3,000,000 BUSHELS OF GRAIN TO BELGIANS

Washington, April 22.—Food shipments to the civilian populations of the Allied countries will be suspended for 10 days to move three million bushels of grain to the Belgians who are declared to be in desperate straits.

PASTOR RECALLED, Rockville, April 22.—The Rev. J. Howard Adams of Los Angeles, Cal., who was pastor of the Baptist church for 15 months, has been recalled and is expected to accept. He resigned his local charge in March 1917, because of ill health of Mrs. Adams.

HEIRS IN ALBANIA, An inventory of the estate of Theodore Cincuf was filed in Probate Court this morning. The estate consists of \$1 in cash and two Liberty Bonds. His wife and daughter in Albania are his only heirs.

MOVE TO CAMP MEADE, Camp Meade, Md., April 11.—The big movement of men to this camp will begin this week and will continue until the states have sent their quotas. The big movement will be completed shortly after the first of next month.