

LABOR MEN QUIT FIRE TRAP FIGHT

Resent Attack Made on Commissioner Lynch by James H. Dahm.

100 DELEGATES LEAVE DURING MEETING

Woman's Trade Union Crusade Will Receive No More Support, Say Several Leaders.

Representing an attack made by James H. Dahm, ex-president of Typographical Union No. 6, on Industrial Commissioner James M. Lynch, one hundred representatives of organized labor bolted the convention of the Joint Committee on Industrial Fire Hazard, held last night at the Woman's Trade Union League, 42 East Twenty-second Street, for the purpose of urging legislation for the prevention of a recurrence of the fatal Williamsburg factory fire. Later it was announced that organized labor would take no further part in the committee's work.

Miss Mary E. Dreier, the temporary president of the joint committee, chairman of the convention, had explained the purposes of the convention and then introduced Dahm, who appeared with a delegation from the Allied Printing Trades. Dahm launched into a bitter attack on Commissioner Lynch, basing his statements on the disclosures brought out by District Attorney Grospey at the inquest into the Diamond factory fire before Coroner Wagner.

While he was at the height of his attack, Hugh Frayne, general organizer of the American Federation of Labor, objected on the ground that the state and local labor delegation that he headed had not accepted an invitation to attend the convention to try Commissioner Lynch or any other member of the Industrial Commission, but to take part in a campaign against fire traps.

Dahm persisted, and at a given word 100 delegates left the meeting. They represented more than a half million workers, members of the New York State Federation of Labor, the American Federation of Labor, the Central Federated Union, the Brooklyn Central Labor Union, the Bronx Council, the Bronx Board of Business Agents, and the Allied Printing Trades.

"We have severed for all time our connection with the anti-fire trap cam-

PROFESSOR URGES MILITARY COURSE

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100 CRIMSON MEN ENROLL FOR DRILL

Recruits Include Roosevelt's Two Sons and Many Other University Leaders.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 2.—Military training should be a logical part of college instruction, declares Professor William E. Hocking, of the department of philosophy at Harvard, in "The Crimson" to-day.

"No man exists primarily for the sake of defending himself," says Professor Hocking. "He exists for the sake of doing things. The same is true of nations. Among the things a man may be called on to do are the helping and protecting of others. We Americans have passed our national infancy; it is no longer our chief biological function to feed, fatten and protect ourselves.

FEAR EXTINCTION OF WAR ZONE JEWS

Hebrews Here Gave \$1,300,000 to Aid Sufferers—\$1,000,000 Campaign on Soon.

Jews in America have contributed more than \$1,300,000 to relieve destitute members of their race in the war zone and in Palestine, according to a report of the Central Committee for the Relief of Jews Suffering Through the War. It is now a question of saving the Jews in the war countries from extinction, the committee says. Their plight is pictured as more acute than the suffering of the Belgians and the Serbians.

Of the money forwarded to the stricken Jews, \$215,480.75 has been contributed in small amounts, collected by rabbis, officials of the synagogues, lodges, friendly societies, ladies' auxiliaries and young men's and women's associations. The Central Committee issued self-taxation stamps in denominations of 1 cent, 10 cents and 25 cents, which netted \$38,857.84.

Contributions should be addressed to Harry Fischel, treasurer, Central Committee for the Relief of Jews Suffering Through the War, 65 Park Row, New York City. Plans for raising an additional million in ninety days will be announced in a few days.

Mischa Elman, the Russian violinist, will give his services as a benefit recital on Saturday afternoon, December 11, in Carnegie Hall, to aid the Jewish war sufferers. Among those who have subscribed for boxes are Clarence Mackay, Henry H. Flagler, David Belasco, Mrs. Samuel Wertheim, Mrs. Jefferson Seligman, Mrs. J. Wertheim, Mme. Alma Gluck, Mrs. Zimbalist and Percy Straus.

A carnival of dance will be held this afternoon at "Sardi's" Toyland, the French doll and toy exhibition at the former Knickerbocker Club, 319 Fifth Avenue, under the auspices of the Lafayette Fund. Among the solo dancers will be Casimiro A. de la Cruz, Argentine tango, and the tango, and Professor Louis Slodin. The first of a new shipment of dolls from France will be placed on exhibition to-morrow.

Miss Emily Simmons, of 7 West Ninety-second Street, a trainee of the Serbian relief party sent over last fall, will sail for Serbia to-day to continue the relief work carried on by Mrs. H. H. Jenkins, of 232 Madison Avenue.

Contributions to the Vacation War Relief Committee for the last week amounted to \$2,022.88, making a grand total of \$147,210.78.

KITCHENER'S 4,000,000 DOUBTED IN BERLIN

German Reserves Called Ample to Overcome the Allies.

Berlin, Dec. 2. (By wireless to Tuckerton, N. J.) The reported declaration of Field Marshal Kitchener that Great Britain would have 4,000,000 men under arms by next March and would be in a position to arm and provision 6,000,000 Russians is analyzed in a statement issued by the Overseas News Agency to-day.

The agency declares that German military circles do not believe the British can raise anything like the number of men mentioned and argue that the quality of the Russian troops which might be put under arms would be decidedly poor.

"Military men here cannot see where Russia will get the officers necessary for the command of 6,000,000 soldiers," says the news agency, "to say nothing of the financial question involved, billions of marks being required to support that number of troops for even a few months."

"Russia has called to arms the second class of territorials, estimated at the outside to number 180,000. It may be that these territorials will be able to obtain sufficient equipment from Japan and the United States, but it is pointed out that territorials are not first-rate soldiers."

"As to the British 4,000,000, the general opinion is that nothing like such a number of troops is obtainable."

"On the other hand, Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey are not wasting time, and their reserves, it is declared, will outnumber those of their enemies. Besides, the war has shown that moral quality and not quantity of soldiers has proved the potent factor in attaining victory."

LONDON WANTS THAT HOUR

London, Dec. 2.—London is seeing a renewal of the agitation to have daylight by putting the clocks forward one hour at midnight on December 31.

At a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce to-day of wholesale textile dealers Sir George Hargreaves introduced a resolution urging Parliament to take the necessary steps to advance all clocks, including railway clocks, throughout the United Kingdom, and requesting other bodies to join in the appeal.

SAY TROOPS KILL 200 IN BERLIN FOOD RIOT

Paris, Dec. 2.—The "Journal des Debats" publishes a Milan dispatch which says that a great demonstration of working people in Berlin, occasioned by the scarcity of food, was broken up by troops. The report, which declares the information was received from Berlin by way of Berne, adds that the troops fired on the crowd, killing two hundred persons. The "Journal" says this report should be accepted with reserve.

FIVE SHIPS SUNK; CREWS ALL SAFE

Four British and One Greek Vessel Lost, Says London.

London, Dec. 2.—The British steamship Malinche, whose crew was reported yesterday to have reached harbor in two lifeboats, has been sunk. A Reuter dispatch from Malta says the British steamer Colo was sent to the bottom by an Austrian submarine on Tuesday morning, and that apparently the submarine was the same one which sank the British steamers Malinche and Tania. The crew of thirty-two men was allowed ten minutes to abandon the ship, which was then blown up. They got away in nine boats and arrived at Malta on Wednesday afternoon. The British steamer Orange Prince was also reported sunk.

A dispatch to "The Daily Telegraph" from Athens says a British cargo steamer, the "Hesperus," was sunk by a German submarine in the Aegean Sea. The Greek steamship Zarifis has been sunk. Her crew was landed at Malta.

Reports received by the Board of Trade during the past week show that three British steamers, with a total net tonnage of 61,972, and the loss of 646 lives. In the same period the loss was reported of thirty-five British sailing vessels, of 4,977 net tonnage, and a loss of 2,269 lives. The figures show only twenty of the steamers were sunk by German warships and ten by mines, but 496 of the lives lost were on steamers sunk by German warships.

T. R. Calls for Universal Service; All Else Makeshift

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Theodore Roosevelt put the stamp of his hearty approval on the three days' cavalry ride recently undertaken by the officers of the 1st Cavalry, U. S. A., in a letter received to-day by Colonel Milton J. Fornari, its commanding officer. The ex-President reiterated his view that "we must have universal service in this country; everything else is a makeshift."

"I wish to congratulate you most heartily on the splendid work you are doing in starting such a cavalry ride for the officers of militia regiments. It does me good to hear of such an enterprise, and I am particularly glad you selected this season of the year for the ride."

"If, instead of trying to build up a rival organization to the militia in the shape of the so-called 'Continental Army,' the people at Washington would turn in and make the nation help in bringing up the militia organizations to the highest efficiency in the country, it would be something to be proud of; but, my dear sir, I hope you agree with me that we must have universal service in this country; everything else is a makeshift."

Aero to Drop 10,000 "Bombs" on Detroit as Defence Ploy

Detroit, Dec. 2.—What might happen to Detroit should hostile forces decide to sprinkle the city with bombs from an aeroplane, circling about 5,000 feet up in the air will be shown to-morrow by the Aero Club of Michigan, which will be piloted by O. E. Williams, of New York, who will drop 10,000 or more bombs on the city's homes, office buildings, streets and parks, from a height of 5,000 feet.

This is the striking way the Aero Club of Michigan has selected to impress the people of Detroit with the need of preparedness. Each of the bombs is an exact reproduction of the aerial bombs used by the Russian, British and French governments. On one side is printed: "Dropped from an aeroplane by the Aero Club of Michigan," and on the other: "This bomb has been a real bomb. Prepare!"

In the cause of preparedness the Aero Club is to purchase and maintain an aeroplane, which will be turned over to the military authorities of the State. When a corps of aviators has been trained and become expert in the use of this machine, more aeroplanes will be added.

OTHER ROADS ADOPT CENTRAL RATE BOOST

Competing Lines File Schedules in Territory Affected.

Albany, Dec. 2.—Announcement was made by the upstate Public Service Commission to-day that tariffs had been filed intended to increase the passenger fare rate on several railroads competing with the New York Central in this state. This announcement followed the announcement of the Central yesterday in filing tariffs designed to increase its rate generally from two to a two and a half cents a mile basis.

The new tariffs were filed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, the Western, the Lehigh Valley, the Erie, the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh and the West Shore. The proposed increases on these lines are not general, it was stated at the commission hearing, but are intended to apply only in localities where the Central increases affect fares.

BRITISH TO USE SEIZED HOCKING

Government Requisitions Ship Without Waiting Prize Court Trial.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Official announcement that the American steamship Hocking had been requisitioned by the British government without the formality of prize court proceedings was received by the State Department late to-day in a dispatch from Consul General Young at Halifax, where the ship has been detained since she was seized by a British warship while on the way from New York to Norfolk.

The procedure will be vigorously contested by the United States government as being illegal and in violation of recognized rights under international law. The United States, it is said, will demand that the ship be released in prize court on the charge that she is partly German owned, and that the prize court act promptly.

Officials believe that Great Britain intends to take over for its own use other vessels of the fleet owned by the American Trans-Atlantic Company, if it has not done so already. The company has informed the State Department that its ship Genesee, at St. Lucia, and another has been requisitioned for Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, in charge of a prize crew from the British cruiser Macedonia, which will be requisitioned on her arrival at Port Stanley.

Consul General Young's dispatch said that when the order allowing requisition was granted by the prize court in Halifax this afternoon it was stipulated that the Crown should pay the amount of the appraisement of the ship into the court should final adjudication in the case be against the British government. Dispatches received by Consul General Young from the State Department, Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, in charge of a prize crew from the British cruiser Macedonia, which will be requisitioned on her arrival at Port Stanley.

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U. S. FIRM ON LUSITANIA

Lansing Denies That Demand for Disavowal Has Been Withdrawn.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Secretary Lansing denied to-day published reports that the State Department had abandoned the demand that Germany disavow the destruction of the Lusitania. He declared that his conferences on the subject with Ambassador von Bernstorff were entirely confidential and that all reports concerning them were false.

The State Department has published no information about the Lusitania controversy since its note to Germany of July 21, when the demand for a disavowal was reiterated. Soon after the transmission of this note, which declared that further violation of American rights on the seas would be regarded as "deliberately unfriendly," the Lusitania was sunk and a new controversy opened. The State Department, gratified at what it believed to be a satisfactory settlement by means of informal and confidential parleys between Secretary Lansing and the German Ambassador, determined to continue the Lusitania controversy in the same way.

Count von Bernstorff is understood to believe that the demand for a disavowal was withdrawn. The Lusitania was acknowledged to have been ordered by his government.

TURKS CAPTURE ALLIES' TRENCH

Claim to Have Forced Back Cruiser Which Shelled Gallipoli Posts.

London, Dec. 2.—While the heavy artillery continues its duel the Turks on the Gallipoli Peninsula have made a new attempt at an offensive. Near Anafarta they claim to have captured trenches of the enemy.

The Allies' cruisers have bombarded the defenders' positions several times in the last few days. One warship opened fire on the Turks' right wing, but was forced back by the defenders' torpedo boats.

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ITALIANS BEATEN BACK AT GORIZIA

Fury of Battle on Isonzo Prevents Cadorna's Trip to Allied Council.

Paris, Dec. 2.—The battles for Tolmino and Gorizia bridgeheads has not slackened in fury. Vienna tells of "repeated" attacks north of Tolmino and of three attempts to storm positions at Osalava, west of Gorizia. None of these efforts succeeded, the Austrians claim.

Lieutenant General Count Cadorna, chief of the Italian General Staff, who was to have visited France for a conference with the French and British commanders and for an inspection of the western battlefield, has been compelled to forego his trip, the Paris "Matin" correspondent says, because of the intensity of the fighting in the Italian front, especially along the Isonzo.

AUSTRIAN OFFICIAL

Vienna gave out this statement: The Italians repeated their attacks against the mountain ridge north of Tolmino and the Tolmino bridgehead. Near Osalava their infantry attempted to break through under cover of fog. Detachments of our infantry Regiment No. 87 repulsed three attempts to storm the position.

SAYS ITALIAN FIRE WORKS PRIEST IN GORIZIA CHURCH

Berlin, Dec. 2. (By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—"Further details of the bombardment of Gorizia by the Italians," says the Overseas News Agency, "recount a scene in the Church of the

TURKISH OFFICIAL

The following official communication was issued at Constantinople: On the Dardanelles front our patrols have captured near Anafarta, a portion of enemy wire entanglements and trenches and taken some prisoners.

On November 30 enemy sea and land batteries opened fire in various directions, but accomplished nothing. Our artillery destroyed some enemy ammunition cars. Near Ari Burnu artillery, machine gun and hand grenade fighting continues. The enemy's attempts to rebuild trenches near Kani-Dul were frustrated by our fire.

During the afternoon an enemy cruiser opened fire against our positions on the left wing, but were compelled to retreat by our torpedo boats. Near Sedd-ul-Bahr there has been a reciprocal artillery fire. Our artillery has silenced an enemy battery which attempted to bombard the Anatolian coast.

An enemy cruiser of the Agamemnon type shelled the hospital at Kalid Bahr, and killed four and wounded twenty soldiers.

FRENCH OFFICIAL

Paris gave out this statement: November 30 and December 1 were marked by activity on the part of both armies. Our guns caused important damage to the Turkish works. The temperature, after having been rigorous for several days, has become appreciably milder.

KITCHENER AT WAR BOARD

Attends Cabinet Meeting in London—Reports on Trip.

London, Dec. 2.—Earl Kitchener, the British Secretary of War, did not visit King George to-day, having paid the customary respects of a Cabinet minister returning from a trip yesterday.

Earl Kitchener attended a meeting of the War Council and afterward was present at a Cabinet meeting, at which he doubtless made a report on his trip to the Near East and to Rome and Paris.

CHINA DENIES ALLIES MADE HER AN OFFER

Has Not Considered Any Plan to Quit Neutrality, She Says.

Peking, Dec. 2.—The Chinese government made formal denial to-night that it had considered the possibility of joining with the Entente powers or had been requested to do so.

The statement, issued by the Foreign Office, follows: "The Chinese government has never considered the possibility of abandoning neutrality and joining any belligerent or group of belligerents."

"The Chinese government has not received a proposal to that effect from any power or group of powers."

Washington, Dec. 2.—The United States government was advised last month that informal exchanges and conversations were in progress at Peking and some of the European capitals looking to the entrance of China on an equal footing with Japan to the Entente alliance.

Military participation, it was explained, was not to be expected of China, but the move was described as one of political importance to solidify the peace of the Orient. Representatives of the United States government kept in touch with the negotiations and reported extensively, although under instructions, they took no part in them.

Secretary Lansing at the time the exchanges became known declined to comment, saying that whatever information the American government had received was confidential and could not be disclosed.

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