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NEAR AGREEMENT FOR AVERTING STRIKE OF CARMEN VIRGINIA VIATOR DIES IN COAST-TO-COAST TEST CONFERENCE DEFERS VOTE ON STRIKE ARBITRATION

CONFERENCE HERE BRINGS OUT SPIRIT OF CONCILIATION

Union and Company Delegates Discuss Agreement for Six Hours.

REFUSE TO DIVULGE TERMS TAKEN UNDER ADVERTISEMENT

Report Employees Respect Profit-Sharing Plan Proposed by Hirschberg.

MEETING CONTINUES TODAY

Official Statement Is That Two Sides See Opportunity to Reach Early Settlement.

Belief that the threatened strike of employees of the Virginia Railway & Power Company in Richmond, Norfolk, Portsmouth and Petersburg, will be averted was expressed last night after a six-hour conference held here between representatives of the workers, company officials, and Holmes T. Brown and T. J. Williams, acting for the Federal Board of Mediation and Conciliation.

Although, as far as could be ascertained at the conference, definite report or agreement was achieved at the conference yesterday, there was every indication of a spirit of conciliation which those interested believed will result in a settlement of the controversy which has been up and about for traffic in four Virginia cities.

Respect Profit-Sharing Plan.

It is understood last night that the proposal of a profit-sharing plan which was submitted to the company and its employees by State Labor Commissioner Hirschberg was rejected by the union men at the conference yesterday. The meeting was held behind closed doors, and no official statement was made by representatives of either side last night, but those participating in the conference were reported to be as good as expected and a recurrence of the glandular trouble is anticipated. Only a moderate degree of recovery is looked for and indications, official and otherwise, are that the improvement announced today may be continued.

Only the following brief statement was issued by the company's representative, the president's physician, at 10:30 o'clock tonight:

"The president has had a satisfactory day."

Members of Conference.

President Wheelwright, vice-president E. H. Buchanan and General Counsel E. Randolph Williams are representing the company at the conference while the unions are represented by C. G. Donahue and H. W. Bennett, of Richmond; H. S. Saunders and Edward Hayman, of Norfolk; E. Athaway and C. A. DeKalb, of Portsmouth; D. B. White and H. D. Burkhardt, of Petersburg.

John M. Park, representative of the malpractice Association of Street and America, with which the four unions represented at the conference have been in contact, is also participating in the conference and company officials believe to deal with him.

Union Meeting Tonight.

Union men will hold their regular weekly meeting tonight at the Colombo hall and it has been announced that men who did not vote on the strike at the Sunday meeting will vote tonight.

Dispatches from Petersburg state that circulars similar to those which were distributed at the Reservoir Y. M. C. A. last Friday were handed out among the men there, requesting that the contemplated strike be deferred for at least six months. Despite this literature, it is said that seven there voted solidly to stand behind the conductor and management of the Norfolk and Petersburg railroad. The two Petersburg delegates returned to that city at night, but will be on hand today at the conference.

UMAN JUNK HEAP DISCOVERED BY DOCTORS

Operation Discloses Parts of Dog Chain, Safety Razor Blades, Nails, Screws and Glass.

BOSTON, Oct. 15.—The discovery of a man "junk heap" was announced by officers of the House of Correction at their island today. Charles W. Buzzell, janitor, serving a sentence of one year for forgery, complained of indigestion. A surgical operation resulted in the discovery of two pounds of miscellaneous articles from his stomach. The dietitian, Dr. L. C. Rockwell said, included in the list of articles a dog chain, a safety razor blade, nearly whole, a suspender buckle and 179 fragments of glass, nails and screws. Received of these substances, Buzzell has most entirely recovered, it is said. The dietitian, serving a sentence of one year for forgery, complained of indigestion.

Embargo on Freight.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 15.—An embargo on freight was placed on the New Orleans except that bound for Havana, cause of the longshoremen's strike here, it was announced at Southern headquarters of the railroad administration here today. It was expected orders for the embargo would be out today.

President Gives Wife Gift on Birthday

(By Universal Service.)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Today was Mrs. Wilson's birthday, and the President surprised her with a present of several days ago, according to Hear-Admiral Gray, T. Grayson, the President's personal physician, she had consented to have a gift for Mrs. Wilson, but she was kept in ignorance of the fact.

NEWS FROM PRESIDENT SAYS HE IS IMPROVED

Decided Atmosphere of Optimism Prevails About the White House Following Announcement.

APPETITE REPORTED GOOD

Headache From Which He Was Suffering Early in the Day Had Entirely Disappeared When 10:30 Bulletin Was Issued.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Absence of any new complication in President Wilson's illness brought from his bedside late today the assurance that he is "getting better." Elimination of the recent annoyance caused by a slightly enlarged gland has removed the only outstanding obstacle to his convalescence and about the White House there was manifested a decided atmosphere of optimism.

With the exception of the news furnished him by Mrs. Wilson, the President has learned very little of national and international developments, although he is given daily a general summary of events. He has at times expressed a keen desire for more comprehensive reports and has asked Rear-Admiral Grayson, his personal physician, for news. But Dr. Grayson has succeeded in keeping away from his patient information that might prove trying to his nerves, with the remainder anticipated. Only a moderate degree of recovery is looked for and indications, official and otherwise, are that the improvement announced today may be continued.

OMAHA WOMAN LOSES VALUABLE JEWELS IN APARTMENT ROBBERY

Returns From Week-End Trip to Find Thieves Had Broken Into Safe.

(By Universal Service.)
NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—The theft of jewelry valued at between \$100,000 and \$150,000 from the West 57th Street apartment of Mrs. Leyla Brandeis, widow of one of the most prominent merchants of Omaha, was made public today.

Mrs. Brandeis, who is a young woman, came to New York City from London two weeks ago, having spent the summer in England. Mrs. Brandeis went to Freeport, L. I., on Saturday to see her mother, and when she returned on Monday found a safe guarding the jewels broken open.

The safe, which contained a large rope of pearls, a diamond necklace, diamond pins, rings and other articles, was found broken into a closet of the apartment. The burglar or burglars pried the safe from the closet and by the use of a jimmy opened and took the contents. The safe was afterwards found in the bathroom.

SECRETARY OF LABOR WILSON WILL ASSUME JURISDICTION

Will Act as Mediator in Controversy Which Threatens Oppage of Coal Mining.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Secretary of Labor Wilson announced tonight that he had assumed jurisdiction under the law as a mediator in the controversy between the coal miners and operators of the central competitive fields, which has resulted in a call by the United States Workers of America for a strike on November 1. Secretary Wilson said that both John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers, and Thomas P. Brewer, president of the coal operators' Association had accepted his invitation to confer with him and that the conference would be held here Friday.

BREWERS PETITION WILSON

Ask President to Disapprove Prohibition Enforcement Bill Awaiting His Signature.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—The United States Brewers' Association today petitioned President Wilson to disapprove the prohibition enforcement bill which he signed on September 17. Secretary Wilson said that both John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers, and Thomas P. Brewer, president of the coal operators' Association had accepted his invitation to confer with him and that the conference would be held here Friday.

ALEXANDRIA MAN DASHES TO DEATH

His Observer, Stanley C. Miller, Also Killed in Crash on Utah Ranch.

MAYNARD ON WAY EAST

Expects to Complete Journey to Mineola Field Before Sunday.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Lieutenant French Kirby, of Alexandria, Va., pilot, and his observer, Stanley C. Miller, observer of Kirby, were dashed to death near Salt Lake City tonight.

Lieutenant B. W. Maynard, the "flying parson," continued his rush eastward from San Francisco to Mineola. Between sunrise and sunset he had traveled 742 miles, and came down for the night at Sidney, Neb.

These were the important developments in the coast-to-coast airplane test, which began nearly a week ago. Kirby and Miller were killed at Castle Rock, Utah, today, when their plane, traveling westward, fell a distance of approximately 200 feet. Lieutenant Kirby was killed instantly, according to the manager of Rigby ranch, where the accident occurred. Miller died about 6 o'clock tonight.

Engine Stops in Midair.

According to the manager of the Rigby ranch, the machine was flying high, when the engine was heard to stop. Suddenly, when the plane was in the air, the machine banked sharply and dived straight for the ground. Lieutenant Kirby was seen to retrace his hands reached the machine. Lieutenant Miller was seen to retrace his hands reached the machine. Lieutenant Miller was seen to retrace his hands reached the machine.

Machine Destroyed by Fire.

Major Carl Spatz and Captain Lowell H. Smith started from Mineola, N. Y., today at 2:38:18 and 2:31:56, respectively, on the return journey to San Francisco. Captain Smith reached Buffalo at 6:23:20 P. M., but his machine was destroyed by fire after he landed.

Norfolk Men Land.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. Reynolds and Lieutenant H. W. Sheridan, of Norfolk, Va., landed at San Francisco at 10:35 A. M. Major J. C. Bartholomew, of New York, at 5:28 P. M. Six flyers were now landed at New York, nine at San Francisco. Two other aviators are still out on the first lap.

CHAMPION BOY STOWAWAY IS TO BECOME AMERICAN

(By Universal Service.)
NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Monsieur "Mike" Gilhooley, champion boy stowaway, who has spent the last six months traveling between Europe and the United States in an effort to become an American, was a happy lad today when Commissioner of Immigration Caminetti announced that he would be permitted to become a citizen of this country.

Countess Markievicz Is Released From Prison

(By Associated Press.)
DUBLIN, Oct. 15.—Countess Georgina Markievicz, Sinn Fein member of Parliament, was released from prison today after serving a term of six months on a charge of sedition. She was released on parole for having delivered a seditious speech at a meeting in Dublin.

ISSUE MINER STRIKE ORDER

Men Are Asked to Lay Down Their Tools at Midnight

(By Associated Press.)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 15.—The order calling all union bituminous coal miners of the country to "cease production of coal at midnight on Friday, October 31, 1919," was issued from the United Mine Workers of America here at noon today. The order is signed by John L. Lewis, acting president, and William Green, secretary-treasurer of the miners.

AMERICAN NOW ABLE TO DICTATE TERMS

Senator Lodge Asserts Europe Will Never Deny Her Rights in League.

ANOTHER DAY OF DEBATE

Effort to Gain Roll Call on Treaty Pact Again Fails.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Entirely missing another seven-hour session today the Senate upset completely today the hopes of leaders on both sides of the treaty fight that a vote might be reached on the Shantung amendment, or that at least some progress might be made in the reading of the treaty text.

The formal reading of the long session arranged for today, but the amendment was not taken up at the outset, and it soon became apparent that the treaty ratifying body was off for another full day of debate.

To Continue Debate.

Still other Senators were asking for recognition when subject was taken up and they are expected to continue the debate tomorrow. There has been no formal action on the Shantung provision today, but the amendment was agreed informally that the amendment should be voted on possible before adjournment. Both sides possible before forces for the test, but when, late in the afternoon, Senator Reed, Democrat of Missouri, began another attack on the treaty, the Senate manager, George D. Bunker, announced there would be no roll call today.

Immigrants Must Learn to Abandon Idea of Force

(By Associated Press.)
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Plan Importation of Polish People to Pick Cotton Crop

Shortage of Labor Is Given as Cause for Adopting This Method.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 15.—Importation of Polish laborers for use in the cotton fields of Louisiana is being considered by the United States government to relieve the labor shortage during the picking season. The committee on immigration has recommended that a number of Polish people be imported to pick cotton during the season.

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GERMANY SELLING AIRPLANES

Reported Switzerland, Sweden and Soviet Russia Have Made Purchases of Aircraft.

(By Universal Service.)
GENEVA, Oct. 15.—Germany is selling airplanes to Switzerland, to Soviet Russia, and to Sweden, instead of saving them for the surrender to the allies stipulated by the peace treaty. Nineteen of the latest model of airplanes have arrived at Lucerne from Berlin.

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Perfects Poly Plane Capable of Flying 1,000 Miles and Carrying 80 People

operate, its twin on the opposite side of the plane also stops automatically in order to maintain a perfect balance.

Recent trials with smaller models have shown that even if six motors should stop at the same time the remaining three, by means of a supporting and propelling the huge plane with its full complement of 18,000 horsepower.

IMMIGRANTS MUST LEARN TO ABANDON IDEA OF FORCE

Attorney-General Palmer Declares Law and Order Is America's Program.

CHANGES BY LAWFUL METHODS

Cabinet Member Makes Forceful Declaration in Address at Founder's Day Exercises of Lafayette College at Easton, Va.

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EMPLOYER GROUP BEATEN IN EFFORT TO COMPEL ACTION

Committee Strikes Snag Trying to Define "Collective Bargaining."

OBJECTION RAISED TO LABOR HAVING OUTSIDE SPOKESMEN

Employers Willing to Negotiate With Workers in Their Establishments.

MORRISON IN GOMPERS' PLACE

Federation Secretary Becomes Acting Chairman of Labor Group During Leader's Illness.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Despite repeated declarations by employers' delegates that they never would accept intervention in the steel strike and insist demand from the same group that the labor arbitration proposal be disposed of definitely, the national industrial conference, voting as an assembly today, deferred action on the labor plan pending an effort by the central committee of fifteen to agree on the question of collective bargaining.

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