

## THOUSAND YOUTHS LEAVE CITY TOMORROW ON FIRST LEG OF TRIP TO EUROPE'S BATTLEFIELDS

### NO FINISH OF STRIKE IN SIGHT

American Federation of Labor Wants Whole Pacific Coast Considered as Unit—Conciliators Await Settlement of Seattle Dispute.

Chairman Hurley of U. S. Shipping Board Postpones Trip to San Francisco—Arranges Another Conference With Gompers.

Washington, Sept. 19.—Labor department officials today expressed the opinion that "there is some prospect of adjustment soon" of the shipbuilders and iron workers strike at San Francisco.

Their estimate was based largely, it was said, upon a telegram received from W. T. Boyce, assistant commissioner of immigration at San Francisco, who is acting as conciliator. Mr. Boyce reported conferences last night and that he expected to resume them today.

Urgent suggestion from the American Federation of Labor, however, that the entire Pacific coast should be considered as a unit in determining wages for shipyard employees dimmed the hope of shipping officials of settling independently the strike of iron workers at San Francisco. Consequently the shipping board devoted more attention to solution of the difficulty arising out of a Seattle opinion of the board granting high union wage demands. Chairman Hurley of the board, considered postponing his trip to the coast until he could confer with the general manager of the Seattle company, one to arrive here tomorrow. Mr. Hurley had planned to leave late today.

The suggestion of Federal conciliators that the San Francisco strikers go back to work temporarily on the basis of the Seattle award was scaled, however, increased about 10 per cent, was not received favorably by officials of the metal trades department of the American Federation of Labor. They explained that the Seattle award was based on rates in commercial plants about San Francisco and was considered too low. International officers of the federation expressed the opinion that the Seattle award would not be settled before the situation is composed.

Mr. Hurley and Samuel Gompers arranged another conference today on the problem.

### LONG CONFERENCE WITHOUT RESULTS

San Francisco, Sept. 19.—Both sides involved in the strike of 25,000 members of unions affiliated with the San Francisco Iron Trades council for a 50 per cent increase in wages marked time today awaiting the arrival of Edward N. Hurley, chairman of the United States shipping board, and William Blackman, conciliator for the department of labor, who have been ordered here by the government in an effort to settle the controversy. The strike began Monday morning, halting work on government contracts aggregating \$150,000,000.

Confidence was expressed by labor leaders and representatives of the California Metal Trades association, the employers' organization, that a way would be found by the federal mediators to settle the controversy.

A prolonged conference between joint committees of workers and employers endeavoring to find a settlement basis in the strike adjourned early today without productive results, according to A. S. Gunn, representing the employers' association.

### Metal Trades Council May Declare Strike

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 19.—The Metal Trades Council, representing 15,000 men employed in the steel shipyards of the Seattle district, voted last night to extend financial support to the workers in the wooden ship yards who are on a strike against the use of lumber produced in Washington mills operating on a ten hour basis. Decision also was reached, it was said, to declare a strike if members of the council are asked to handle ten hour lumber.

According to officers of the council their action means that unless the government succeeds in immediately effecting the adoption of the eight hour day by the lumber operators the shipyards making steel vessels will be

### SOLDIER LOVER HELD FOR DEATH OF MRS. TOBIN

New Britain Woman Discovered in Street With Throat Cut.

### LOVER'S WOUNDS ARE NOT FATAL

Murder and Attempted Suicide Is Theory of Police.

New Britain, Conn., Sept. 19.—Lying in a pool of blood with the throat cut, the lifeless body of Mrs. Anna Bacon Tobin, aged 35, was found on Pearl street this morning at 1:45 o'clock by Policeman Thomas Heelin, who had been called to the scene. A short distance away, the policeman found a man, William J. Wise, aged 25, connected with the quartermaster's department, regular army, at Fort Slocum. Wise's throat was also cut but it is expected he will recover. Wise is under guard in a hospital and is charged with murdering Mrs. Tobin. John Edward Tobin, the woman's husband, was taken to police headquarters pending an investigation, but was later released, the police being convinced that he had nothing to do with the crime.

Herbert Jahn was on his way home when he heard screams for help. Suspecting the shouting was a ruse of a highwayman, he sought Officer Heelin and both traced the screams. The woman's corpse was found in the street. Wise was lying on the sidewalk, shouting. He was removed to the hospital in the police ambulance and the victim's body was taken to the morgue. At rest at his home, a hundred yards from the scene, when the police entered, Tobin was found partly clad, walking up and down with Tobin's body in his arms. He expressed surprise at the visit of the police when informed of the killing denied any complicity.

According to the police, Wise, questioned at the hospital, said he and Mrs. Tobin, who had been out walking, had kissed each other before separating when a man whom he is unable to describe appeared on the scene and knocked him down. He alleged to have been writing his knowledge of their relationship. It is claimed by the police that Wise once gave Mrs. Tobin a beating, and Edward Linberg, brother-in-law of Mrs. Tobin, has given the police a letter, alleged to have been written by Mrs. Tobin, informing her that it would be "all over" by Wednesday. Other letters exchanged between Mrs. Tobin and Wise are reported to refer to the love existing between the two and in one the woman refers to an intention to take poison.

Wise made his home in this city before joining the regular army a month ago. He was formerly a member of Company I of this city and Company K of Hartford, when these units were in the First Connecticut regiment.

### MUST TEACH 45 YEARS IN STATE TO GET PENSIONS

### Opinion of Attorney-General Regarding Retirement.

Teachers reaching the age of 70 years, who have taught at least 45 years in the public schools, may not become members of the State Teachers' Retirement Association, thereby having the right to receive pensions from the state, unless the 45 years of service has been in the state of Connecticut. This opinion of chapter VII, of the public acts of 1917, was made public by Attorney General Geo. E. Hinman, yesterday.

### Belgian Independence Must Be Established, Vorwaerts Declares

Amsterdam, Sept. 19.—Vorwaerts, the socialist organ of Berlin, holding that the complete restoration of Belgium is corollary to the Belgian revolution, declares: "Whether the German government remains deaf thereto, it is not only a question of power or policy, but justice and conscience. No policy is truly wise that disregards the moral and legal factors in the life of nations. Despite the howling of the mailed fist politicians, we affirm that right is right and that Belgium has the right to its independence."

### Swedish Question Not Over

Diplomats in Stockholm Feel That Secretary Lansing Will Demand a Clear Statement From Swedish Government.

Think Washington Not Satisfied With Comparison of Services Rendered By Sweden to United States and to Germany.

Stockholm, Sept. 19.—It is generally believed here that the troubles of the Swedish government in connection with the German telegrams forwarded from Buenos Aires through the Swedish legation are by no means over. The question of the hour is whether the United States will rest satisfied with the tone of the Swedish communication issued last Saturday.

It would surprise no one here if Secretary Lansing, of the Washington State Department, were to call for a clear and unequivocal statement to the effect that the forward of American communications in language open to the Swedish authorities and the knowledge and consent of the governments concerned was in no wise comparable to the services rendered to Germany by Sweden.

The Entente ministers and Ira Nelson Morris, the American minister to Sweden, held one of their customary conferences on Monday afternoon when it was understood the situation created by the sending of German telegrams from Buenos Aires and Mexico City was considered.

### British Sink Two German Submarines

Copenhagen, Sept. 19.—Two German submarines have been sunk by British naval forces, reports the Bergen correspondent of the Tidens Tegn. Six men from the U boats were taken prisoner.

An armed British steamer in the North sea sank a German submarine which was shelling a neutral sailing vessel. The second submarine was sunk by a British torpedo boat destroyer while attacking an armed steamer.

### Spanish Coast No Base For Submarines

Washington, Sept. 19.—The Spanish ambassador, Juan Riano, issued an official statement today, denouncing published reports that the Mediterranean coast of Spain is serving as a base for German submarines.

"The Spanish government," said the ambassador, "has prohibited the use of its ports and the entry into its jurisdictional waters to submarines of the belligerent powers, and any belligerent submarine that enters a Spanish port is interned until the end of the war."

### Over 20,000 British Casualties in Week

London, Sept. 19.—Casualties in the British ranks reported for the week ending yesterday follow: Killed or died of wounds, 145 officers and 1,755 men. Wounded or missing, 431 officers and 21,843 men.

### British Engage In Successful Raid

London, Sept. 19.—The official statement issued today by the British war office concerning military operations on the battle front in France and Belgium says: "The successful raid against the German positions in Inverness cove, reported in last night's communication, was made by troops of the York and Lancaster regiments.

"There was nothing of special interest to report."

### MEN FROM FOUR STATES ON WAY TO CAMP DEVANS, AYER, TODAY; NUTMEG STATERS GO TOMORROW

Ayer, Mass., Sept. 19.—Camp Devans was in readiness today for the reception of 40 per cent of drafted men from New England and northern New York, whose movement toward Ayer was begun this morning. The men are to leave their homes today to begin service in the National Army were from New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island and Maine.

The men from Connecticut will come tomorrow. Massachusetts will send their quota outside of Boston, on Friday, the New York contingent will start for camp on Saturday and the Boston men will bring up the rear on Sunday.

### Take 560 Men From Ayer to Fill Ranks Of Veteran Regiments

Camp Devans, Ayer, Mass., Sept. 19.—For the purpose of bringing to their maximum strength all regiments in New England which at the present time have vacancies, 560 drafted men were sent from this camp yesterday under command of certain officers. All will reach their various destinations today and on Saturday another lot of men will also be sent from here to the former militia units.

This movement, which results from an order from the war department, means that every regiment in the New England states which was formerly militia will be ready from a manpower point of view to embark next week for France, or any time thereafter.

Of the 560 men sent from Camp Devans yesterday, 225 were Connecticut men and they were returned to the Nutmeg State to become part of the 102 regiment of infantry, now at Camp Yale, New Haven. These men were selected as follows: From the depot brigade, 80; from the 30th Infantry, 100; from the 302nd Field Ar-

### BONES OF HUMAN BODY ARE FOUND IN GARDEN PLOT

Body Buried More Than 20 Years Ago, Acting Coroner Believes.

The discovery by Thomas A. Knight a retired business man, of a skull and other bones of a human being in a flower garden in the rear of his home, 60 Hawthorne street, this morning, started residents of the exclusive Baddecky park section of Bridgeport and has furnished a mystery which the police believe impossible to solution.

The body was buried 20 years or more ago and Acting Medical Examiner Edward Fitzgerald, who was called to the scene found parts of the skeleton missing. The skull and bones unearthed were so decomposed and all so broken that efforts to determine sex or the probabilities of foul play will be impossible.

This morning Knight and his daughter, Mrs. Jennie A. Wilcox, were carrying out a little home gardening work in the rear of their residence. Armed with a shovel Knight started turning the sod and digging up the turf.

He suddenly brought to light with his spade a dark object to which the earth tenaciously clung and which to cursory observation appeared to be a piece of wood. In the next few shovels of earth other objects resembling human bones were found.

That the remains is that of a person who met death by foul play does not seem unlikely to the public. There has never been any burying ground in this section of Bridgeport to the knowledge of the police and it is improbable that any incident was ever buried there who died from natural causes.

The finding of the skeleton will go down in the police annals of this city as an unsolved mystery in all probability.

### Our Loans To Allies Now \$2,391,400,000

Washington, Sept. 19.—Loans of \$15,000,000 to Great Britain and \$20,000,000 to France were made by the government today, bringing the total thus far advanced to the Allies up to \$2,391,400,000.

### Charged With Safeguarding the World Throng of Young Citizen Soldiers Will Entertain Without Demonstration—Real Farewells Will Take Place Tonight, For Soldiers Must Report to the Division Headquarters Early Tomorrow—Police to Expedite Army Executives' Plans.

Charged with the solemn duty of taking up arms for the safeguarding of democracy for the world, Bridgeport boys, nearly 1,000 of them, will depart tomorrow for Camp Devans, Ayer, Mass., on the first leg of their journey to the battlefields of Europe.

Bridgeport's 40 per cent contribution to the National Army, many times the largest contingent thus far to leave the city, will depart without the blare of trumpet or the cheers of the populace, for the stern necessities of war have led the executives directing the troop movement to make plans for a quiet departure of the citizen soldiers.

A police guard will be on hand that there may be no interference with the army plans. The leave-takings, the farewells of wives, mothers and sweethearts, all must be over before they report to the various division headquarters begins, early tomorrow morning.

Tomorrow the men will assemble at various districts, under full police guard and will be escorted in strict military formation through the streets, through the station lines.

Capt. Charles Wheeler of the traffic bureau has made all arrangements for the gathering of the drafted men at the railroad station. To prevent confusion and congestion the railroad depot will be roped off and only those admitted within the lines, who have cards issued by the exemption boards. Each drafted man has been given two cards for the use of his relatives and friends.

The police will assemble at Water and Gold streets and the line of march of drafted men into the depot will be guarded by two squads of policemen and one squad of traffic officers. The assembly will take place at 7 o'clock sharp. Gold and Water streets will be roped off as will be the platform of the station.

None but relatives or friends of the drafted men will be allowed within the platform ropes and except the platform ropes and the platform of the station.

At those who fail to show up at 5 o'clock to-night will be assembled by the police and will be detached under guard during the night.

At 6:45 tomorrow morning all will be required to assemble for roll call. To-night will be held in the morning, the various units will march from their headquarters passing the central point at Gold and Water street where the public will be allowed to assemble freely although not in close contact with the moving body of the national army.

They will pass through the station and directly into the special train that will await them under orders from the Quartermaster's department. No good-byes will be said, though their friends will have the opportunity of viewing them as each company passes by in entraining.

The rendezvous points of the various divisions will be arranged today by each district are:

- First division, Y. M. C. A. headquarters.
- Second division, McElroy Brothers Co. building.
- Third division, new High school.
- Fourth division, Atlantic hotel dining room.
- Fifth division, office of board on East Main street.
- Sixth division, State armory.

Some boards have already announced that the buildings will be barred to visitors.

Many men, especially those from other cities who go from here, have already made their partings and are carrying away handsome presents of kit-bags, cigarettes and combatic handkerchiefs. One man showed up for duty this morning with 2,500 cigarettes under his arm, presented to him by West Hoboken admirers.

Instructions issued this morning to all men by order of the provost marshal order them to report as follows, the specified place or name of the leader varying in each district:

- By order of the provost marshal you are hereby ordered to report as follows:
- First. Report at the ••••• at 5:15 this afternoon.
- Report at the same place at 7:45 tomorrow morning, Thursday, Sept. 20th.

Third. Tomorrow morning bring with you the following articles: Soap, razor, mirror, comb, hair brush, clothes brush, tooth brush, tooth powder, heavy underwear, socks, towels, sweater, handkerchiefs, paper, pencil, post cards, etc.

Be Sure to Wear An Easy Pair of Shoes

Fourth. You may secure from the clerk two tickets which will admit two relatives or friends to the station platform tomorrow morning.

Fifth. If your home address or the spelling of your name is different from that given on your notification card, give the correct address and spelling of name to the clerk immediately.

Sixth. You must report to the clerk, immediately, whether you are to spend tonight at home or at a hotel.

Seventh. You are now in the military service of the United States and under the orders of ••••• or any other person whom he may designate to have charge of groups.

### D. G. WARNER'S IMMUNITY PLEA IS TURNED DOWN

Claimed Exemption on the Grounds That He Has Dependent Family.

DeVer C. Warner, production manager of the Warner Bros. Co., the world's greatest corset factory, which is almost entirely owned by his father, DeVer H. Warner, has been refused exemption from service in the National Army.

Warner claimed that his wife and family were dependent upon him, and he sought exemption. At the present time, however, he has a commission in the ordnance department of the United States army, as an inspector weeks ago. His claim was denied by his division board, and he appealed to the district board. This board in its announcements of local decisions today included Warner's case.

Mr. Warner's father is one of New England's largest manufacturers. He is also the chief owner of the Bridgeport Hydraulic Co., and the Bridgeport Gas Light Co., besides being heavily interested in other large public service enterprises. He is rated many times a millionaire.

Warner has been active in the Home Guard, in which he was a corporal in Co. H. This is the company recruited chiefly from the Bridgeport Rifle club.

At division headquarters today it was stated that its was understood Warner's commission in the ordnance department is temporary, and that at its conclusion he will be certified to service in one of the new army cantonments.

Among the list of names appended and passed into the service of Uncle Sam by the district board today will be found many who are prominently identified with the industrial production of this city.

The decisions of the district boards today in Bridgeport cases follow:

Industrial, Denied.

Harold F. Peterson, A. H. Nilson Machine Co., no evidence; James F. Walsh, Jr.; Samuel Nechols, no affidavits from company; Walter J. Baker, toolmaker, Singer Mfg. Co., no evidence; Martin J. Haller, no evidence; John Zillock, no evidence; Earl R. Kirk, locomotive fireman; Francis C. Gallagher, fireman; William E. Wilson, fireman; Edwin A. Robbins, no evidence; Fred Bates, no claim by company; Charles Shih; John E. Garrity, no claim by company; Gerald S. Ball, Remington Arms, no claim.

### Two Norwegian Ships Sunk By German Subs

Christiania, Norway, Sept. 19.—German submarines have sunk the Norwegian steamships, Facto of 2,372 tons gross, and Thomas Kross, of 3,569 tons gross, it was announced today at the Norwegian foreign office. Two men from each vessel lost their lives.