

LABOR PLANS TO TAKE RAILROADS FROM PRIVATE CAPITAL

Shopmen Oppose Wage Action by Congress as More Delay

IMMEDIATE PAY INCREASE DEMANDED BY PRESIDENT OR 450,000 MORE QUOTED RAILWAYS

Conference Held at White House With Wilson by Six Heads of Unions and by A. F. L. Councilors; Tell Him Congressional Action Will Be Too Slow; Hines Calls Another Meeting to Consider Problem; Leaders Want Workers to Return for Regular Call.

Washington, Aug. 4.—President Wilson was told today by B. M. Jewell, acting president of the railway division of the American Federation of Labor, that all railroad employes would oppose the appeal made to the president by Director General Hines that congress constitute a committee to pass on the question of wage increases for the men. He said this process would be too slow and because of rising cost of living speedy relief was necessary. Mr. Jewell was accompanied to the White House by heads of the

RUMANIAN ARMY IS IN BUDAPEST DESPITE ALLES

No Attention Paid Protest of Italian Representative.

COMMISSION IS ON WAY TO ARRANGE ARMISTICE

NEW CABINET QUILTS

Berlin, Aug. 4.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Piedell cabinet of Hungary has already resigned from office, according to a Vienna dispatch to the Mittag Post, because it was not granted recognition by the entente powers. The dispatch says a new ministry, composed of workmen, citizens and peasant leaders will be created, the first duty of which will be to revise all social regulations.

Budapest, Aug. 4.—Budapest was occupied today by Rumanian troops, who advanced from the River Theiss, in spite of protests made by Lieutenant Colonel Roman, the Italian representative of the allies.

ASYLUM FOR BELA KUN.

Vienna, Aug. 4.—Bela Kun, former dictator of Hungary, and his assistants have been granted asylum by Austria to avoid disturbances and possibly bloodshed in Budapest, according to an official statement, which says they will be allowed to remain in Austria under detention until Hungary is able to receive them again, but not be permitted to carry on political propaganda.

The downfall of Bela Kun, virtual dictator of the old Hungarian soviet government and the fight he made almost alone to maintain the power that had caused the allies so much trouble for months, is described in dispatches today and by Budapest refugees. National action in upsetting the communist government took place on Friday at the meeting of the central council of revolutionary workers and soldiers at Budapest.

3,472,890 PAY INCOME TAX ON \$13,652,383,207; N. Y. RESIDENTS LEAD IN TOTAL

Washington, Aug. 3.—Income tax returns were filed by 3,472,890 persons, about 3 per cent of the population for the calendar year 1917, according to final reports just completed by the bureau of internal revenue. They showed total net income of \$13,652,383,207. The increase over 1916, before the law was expanded to meet war expenses, was 5,635,854 returns and \$7,333,805,587 in net income, the former being so much greater comparatively, because the extension of the law took in small incomes previously exempt.

ALLIES PLAN HANDS OFF.

Copenhagen, Aug. 4.—Premier Clemens (Continued on Page Two.)

M'NAMARA ECHO BOMBING OF LAWLER, BELIEF

Los Angeles Determined to Solve Mystery, Offers Big Rewards.

BELATED TERRORISM IS ANOTHER THEORY

Los Angeles, Aug. 4.—Mayor M. P. Snyder has sent a message to the city council, asking it to appropriate \$10,000 as a reward for the arrest and conviction of the persons who bombed the home of Oscar Lawler here, Sunday, severely injuring Mr. and Mrs. Lawler. The request was referred to the finance committee with a recommendation from the council that it expedite favorable action if possible.

The chamber of commerce also offered a reward of \$5,000. This makes the total of rewards actually offered \$22,500, with the prospect that the city will increase it by \$10,000. Rewards aggregating \$6,500 were offered last night by local interests. The county supervisors were also expected to act, and with the arrival of Governor William D. Stephens, due here, today, it was thought that the state might take similar action.

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PREDICTS DOOM OF CIVILIZATION IN WORLD SPASM

Lucern, Switzerland, Aug. 4.—Before the winter sets in there will be "a terrible spasm of rage and despair among the peoples of Europe, in which the final remains of civilization may be totally annihilated," it was predicted by Arthur Henderson, British labor leader, at the opening session of the international socialist conference, Sunday.

SOCIALISTS CRITICIZE LEAGUE OF NATIONS PACT

The remarks of Mr. Henderson followed those of Otto Wells, of the majority element of the German socialists, who declared German workmen expected from the socialists the creation of a real league of nations. He characterized the league organized in Paris without Germany and Russia as members as a "mere pleasantry."

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CHINESE REFUSE TO JOIN IN VICTORY DAY FETES

Manila, Aug. 4.—By The Associated Press.—Chinese residents of Manila have announced their refusal to participate in the victory day celebration. Spokesmen for the Chinese organization said that the action of the peace council in awarding Shantung to Japan meant the defeat of China's aims in the war.

Several senators declared there was ample law to punish profiteering. Senator Borah of Idaho, commented that the war should be no task to find the profiteer, but that he would be "as safe the next four years as the past four years." He urged that speculation be curbed.

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Mr. Smith estimates that when complete figures are available they will show that the loss in the private and national forests of Montana and northern Idaho up to July 31 will be close to \$2,000,000 and that the total acreage burned over will amount to 400,000.

A total of \$815,000 has been spent for fighting fires in District No. 1 this year. Of this amount \$135,000 was expended in June while the remainder was spent in July. This is the most that has been spent in the history of the forest service. The total number of fires this year up to July 31 is 1,063. Of July 31 the number burning was 161.

BROTHERHOODS DEMAND THEY, PUBLIC AND MANAGEMENT BE GIVEN CONTROL OF RAILWAYS

Most Serious and Far-Reaching Proposal Country Will Have to Face Will Be Put Before Congress Wednesday; Scheme Is to Issue Bonds to Present Owners and Form Corporations to Which to Lease Lines; Excess Profits to Be Divided Between Workers in Pay, and Public in Rate Cuts.

NEW SYSTEM OF PROFITS

Washington, Aug. 4.—Organized labor came out today with the unreserved formal demand that private capital be retired from the railroads. A tri-partite control composed of the public, the operating management and the employes is demanded instead. Addressed to the American public and signed by the engineers, the firemen and the conductors and the American Federation of Labor, a formal statement was issued announcing this proposal which will be carried before congress Wednesday.

"It marks," said the statement, "the step by which organized labor passes from demands for wage increases to demands that the system of profits in industry be overhauled." The sentence sums up in a few words the proposal of which there have been hints and indications, but which is now laid before the country for the first time. Everywhere in official Washington it is recognized as the most serious and far-reaching proposition the country will be called on to face.

Characterizing the proposal as "labor's bill," it is put forth as a remedy for the high cost of living, because the railroads are the key to industry of the nation.

1,250,000 ARMY PROPOSED IN BILL TO TRAIN NATION

Active Force of 510,000 Nucleus, Rest Reserve of 19-Year-Olds.

BAKER SENDS MILITARY MEASURE TO CONGRESS

Washington, Aug. 4.—Maintenance of one field army with a war strength of 1,250,000 men is proposed in a bill establishing a permanent military policy, which was sent to congress, today, by Secretary Baker.

The active force of this would be 510,000 regulars, while the remainder would be young men who had taken a three-month's military training course, which would be compulsory for all 19-year-old youths. This reserve strength would be used to fill out the 20 infantry divisions and one cavalry division into which it is proposed to divide the regular army.

Like War Registration. The plan for registering youths of 19 years is the same, with a slight modification, as that applied during the war under the selective service act.

No change in the existing law with regard to the organization of the national guard and its relation to the regular army was suggested. Mr. Baker said it was assumed that the national defense act regarding the guard would be retained in force.

PROHIBITION BECOMES FACTOR IN RATIFICATION FIGHT ON PEACE TREATY

Washington, Aug. 4.—With the resumption of the debate for the week-end recess, there was much discussion among senators as to the possible effect of the prohibition issue on the peace treaty ratification fight. The subject became conspicuous thru an interview between a representative of the quor interests and Senator Hitchcock, democrat, Nebraska, leader of the pro-treaty forces, at which the former is said to have urged that peace be concluded so President Wilson could suspend war-time prohibition.

Senator Hitchcock said he told his caller that the only way a state of peace could be established was by ratification of the treaty, and remarked that ratification was being opposed by some senators with whom the wets had been influential.

Every since President Wilson made it clear, a month ago, that he considered

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