

THE WEATHER: Cloudy, with probably showers tonight and tomorrow. Moderate temperature. Gentle to moderate east and southeast winds. Temperature at 8 o'clock 62 degrees.

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SENATE INQUIRY INTO BRITISH GOLD FOR GOV. COX

REDS FORMING WINTER ARMY

Trotsky Preparing for Intense Counter Offensive Against Victorious Polish Forces.

DEFEAT DENIED IN MOSCOW

Berlin Hears That 40,000 French Troops Are Fighting With Soviet's Foes.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—The Russian army is pulling together, and an impenetrable wall is now rising on the battle front, said a Russian wireless dispatch today, quoting the Bolshevik newspaper Pravda at Moscow.

WARSAW, Aug. 27, via London, Aug. 28.—Fifty thousand Russians have been killed and wounded and 107,000 Russian prisoners have been captured, the Polish war office announced tonight.

The communists reported the repulse of three Russian columns that were attempting a counter-offensive east of the fortress of Brest-Litovsk.

BERLIN, Aug. 28.—Russia is preparing for a winter campaign against the Poles, it was learned at the Soviet embassy today.

Moscow denies that Russia has suffered a military defeat. Leon Trotsky, Bolshevik minister of war is assembling a new Russian army which will be used against the Poles during the winter.

FRENCH IN FIGHTING. According to an unconfirmed dispatch from Koenigsberg to the Neuer Berliner, quoting former Polish soldiers, there are 40,000 French troops, including part of the French Twenty-fourth division, fighting with the Poles against the Russians.

According to the Koenigsberg report, French negro troops were on the Polish battle line between Miava and Prasnay.

Officials of the Soviet embassy said the Russian war office has plans for a slow and systematic campaign of attrition against the Poles during the winter months.

Our peasants are idle during the winter and will be only too glad to join the Russian army, it was declared.

Severe fighting continues around Brest-Litovsk, according to Koenigsberg advices. Polish airmen reported that the Russians had concentrated all available reserves and artillery in that district for a counter thrust against the Poles.

TWO-THIRDS OF RED ARTILLERY CAPTURED

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Two-thirds of all the artillery fired across the East Prussian frontier into Germany before the Polish advance, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam today.

The dispatch said there had been no clashes between the Russians and the German frontier guards.

PARIS, Aug. 28.—The Russian peace terms to Poland were definitive; the Polish terms were merely negative, says an official peace communiqué by the Soviet government and released from Moscow today.

George Tchitcherine, the Soviet foreign minister, made the proposal in the radiogram that the Russo-Polish peace negotiations be transferred from Minsk to some neutral city.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Sixty thousand Russians had fled across the East Prussian frontier into Germany before the Polish advance, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam today.

The dispatch said there had been no clashes between the Russians and the German frontier guards.

WARSAW, Aug. 27, via London, Aug. 28.—The capture of 4,100 additional Russian prisoners was announced by the Polish general staff tonight. Of these, three thousand were taken in the Ciechanow sector.

PRINCE WANTS TO KNOW WHEN U. S. GOES DRY

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Prince Carol of Rumania, who has passed several days and nights in New York City this week, was interviewed for the newspapers at the Waldorf-Astoria.

A reporter asked the prince what he thought of prohibition in general and Mr. Volstead's justly celebrated act in particular.

"By the way, when does prohibition go into effect here?" asked the prince, quite innocently. "Nobody seemed to know, so the subject was dropped."

AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE FOR

District Commissioners

Washington Will Register Its Opinion in This Poll. Residents of the Nation's Capital, Interested in Their City, to Nominate and Vote for Heads of Municipal Government.

Balloting in The Washington Times advisory referendum for District Commissioner to succeed Louis Brownlow will begin tomorrow afternoon, when the first ballot slip will be printed in The Times.

This morning's mail brought a large new list of candidates, recommended by friends and acquaintances who believe them qualified to administer the affairs of the District.

Those which are received up to 1 o'clock, with all which have come in before, will be published in tomorrow's Times, in connection with the ballot slip. Today's list, like those which preceded it, contains many names of persons prominent in the life of the District, and others who because of their personality or activities have impressed their qualifications on their own circles.

The Times seeks to get the full expression of the public on its choice for the most important office connected with the District government.

Be ready when the full list of nominees is printed tomorrow.

J. A. Whitfield, president of the City Club, whose name was presented yesterday, has asked that it be omitted, as his business interests would prevent his accepting the commissionership should it be offered him. Among the new nominees are:

- R. H. ALCORN. GEORGE A. BENTLEY. J. A. COHN. EDWARD F. COLLADAY. DANIEL A. EDWARDS. LOUIS J. FOSSE. THOMAS GRANT. R. H. HAY. EARL V. HIGGINS. CHARLES F. HOLT. F. W. HOOVER. COL. E. LESTER JONES. MRS. MARY WRIGHT JOHNSON. W. P. M. KING. CHARLES F. KNOCKEY. J. LEWIS, JR. HENRY B. F. MACFARLAND.

The Times is assured that a solemn referendum, limited to adult residents of the District, will receive serious consideration at the White House.

Balloting will begin tomorrow, and will continue until 1 o'clock p. m., Friday, September 3. The result will be announced in The Times, Sunday, September 5.

The tabulation will be immediately certified, and presented to President Wilson for consideration.

The law requires that "Commissioners shall have been bona-fide residents of the District for at least three years next previous to appointment."

MOTHER SAVES HER SON; BOTH DIE BY HER PANIC

After Snatching Him From R. R. Track She Darts in Way of Another Train.

CAMBRIDGE, Md., Aug. 28.—Mrs. Lelia Evans and her seven-year-old son were killed by a Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic railroad train between Rhoadesdale and Reid's Grove, Dorchester county.

Mrs. Evans and her son were walking down the road, the boy in the lead. He had started to cross the railroad track when his mother heard a whistle. She seized the child and ran across the track safely. Then, greatly excited, she started back across the track. She just reached the wild chase through the engine struck her. She died instantly, and the boy in a short time.

COPS AND CROWD HUNT BEAR IN CITY STREETS

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 28.—The first bear hunt in St. Louis in ninety years—oldest inhabitants vouch for the time—was staged yesterday when a huge grizzly was loosed from its cage in Forest Park by a practical joker, to roam in the fashionable Westend residential section.

A wild chase through the residential section, in which mounted police with riot guns joined, resulted in wounding the grizzly. Men, women and children scattered to shelter as the bear approached.

Finally the bear ran into a garage. The doors and windows were barred and locked while zoo attendants figured some way to recapture Mr. Bruin alive.

RENT FIGHT IN HIGHEST COURT

New Attempt Launched to Sustain Ball Act in Block-Hirsch Case.

The fight to test the constitutionality of the Ball rent act, relating to rents in the District of Columbia, was again taken to the United States Supreme Court today by Col. Julius I. Feyzer and Jesse C. Adkins, representing the defendant in the famous Block-Hirsch case.

A petition for a writ of certiorari from the decision of the court of appeals, which declared the act unconstitutional, was filed with the clerk of the high court, and argument will be heard October 4 at the opening of the court.

Chief Justice White declined recently to issue a writ of error in the case, holding that the suit had not been finally adjudicated by the lower court. Since that decision the majority of the court of appeals has been handed down.

In the present act, counsel will seek to have the case reviewed by the entire court.

G. O. P. GAY WHEN WILSON WAS ILL

Democratic Nominee Makes Scathing Attack on "Senate Oligarchy."

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—A scathing attack upon the Senatorial oligarchy was delivered today by Governor James M. Cox, Democratic Presidential nominee, in a speech at a luncheon of the National Democratic Club at the Hotel Commodore.

The Republican Senators who opposed President Wilson's Peace program were accused by Governor Cox of "chuckling in the Senate cloak rooms" when the President was in danger of death.

"It is high time this sort of thing was exposed and it shall be my first duty, until the second day of November, to keep the Senatorial oligarchy in the view and thought of the nation," said Governor Cox.

CORK'S LORD MAYOR IN DEATH'S SHADOW

Terrence McSwiney Begins Sixteenth Day of Hunger Strike in Brixton Jail.

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Terrence McSwiney, the Irish hunger-striking lord mayor of Cork, still hovered in the shadow of death in Brixton jail today while appeals continued to pour in upon the British government.

McSwiney entered the sixteenth day of his starvation martyrdom with no signs of the weakening of his iron will. He spent a restless night, and as much weaker and more feverish than he was on Friday. It had been reported that protests had been administered in drinking water, but the chief doctor of the Brixton jail infirmary denied this.

The wife and sister of McSwiney visited him during the morning, and it was through them that the Brixton jail doctor issued this denial.

"Terrence is in terrible condition," said the sister. "If the government intends to release him, it should not be left till the last minute. If he is not to be released he should be allowed to die and not be kept lingering."

DAMAGE AT BELFAST REACHES \$2,500,000

LONDON, Aug. 28.—Damage from rioting and incendiarism in Belfast and vicinity now totals \$2,500,000, according to a Belfast dispatch to the Evening News today.

One hundred and twenty houses at Ballymacarett were gutted by fire. Soldiers are on guard at St. Matthew's Church at Ballymacarett, which was threatened.

WOMEN'S VOTE ILLEGAL, COURT IN MO. RULES

WARRENSBURG, Mo., Aug. 28.—Votes cast Tuesday by 100 women of Howard and Lone Walnut School districts, in the belief that the Tennessee ratification of the suffrage amendment gave them the ballot, were declared illegal today by the county court here.

The court ordered the ballots of the women thrown out, declaring they had anticipated the proclamation of Secretary of State Coby. The loss of the women's votes caused the defeat of a school bond issue.

STRIKE TIES UP TEN BIG LINERS

2,000 Longshoremen Quit in N. Y. in Protest to Tyranny in Ireland.

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Ten trans-Atlantic liners scheduled to sail for Europe today may be held up here by the strike of longshoremen started yesterday as a protest against the British treatment of Terence McSwiney, Lord Mayor of Cork, and the barring of Archbishop Daniel Mannix from Ireland.

Officials of the Longshoremen's Union said the men would not return to work until the British government released McSwiney, and gave Archbishop Mannix permission to visit Ireland.

RUGE SHIPS HELD UP. The Olympic and Aquitania are two of the largest liners which were scheduled to sail today.

The 2,000 longshoremen say that the walkout will be extended to every Atlantic and Gulf port. They further declare that they will not return to work until Great Britain meets their demands.

A little band of women pickets inspired the strike during the noon lunch hour yesterday. They stationed themselves outside the White Star Line pier in the morning to await the arrival of the Baltic, from which Archbishop Mannix was removed by a British naval vessel on that ship's last voyage to Ireland and England. The ship pier is the morning to await the arrival of the Baltic, from which Archbishop Mannix was removed by a British naval vessel on that ship's last voyage to Ireland and England. The ship pier is the morning to await the arrival of the Baltic, from which Archbishop Mannix was removed by a British naval vessel on that ship's last voyage to Ireland and England.

The women had McSwiney in mind, because before marching to the pier they made public the following telegram sent to Premier Lloyd George: "The sound of death in the throat of Terrence McSwiney is the death knell of your adventure in Ireland. We hear the bell tolling. The people are gathering. Oil up your tanks, polish up your guns."

The Irish sympathizers arrived in front of the Baltic pier in three large automobile trucks decorated in the Sinn Fein colors and a small American flag. In one of the trucks were women dressed in white and decorated with the Irish colors, carrying banners.

The first to go out were thirty members of the fireproof crew of the Baltic, calling for police reserves. The longshoremen who had started work on the Baltic decided not to go back.

Forming outside the White Star Line pier, inside of which were officials calling for police reserves, the strikers began a parade that swept up West street, engulfing hundreds of longshoremen at the docks of the Cunard, Anchor and other British lines, and leaving in its wake more than a dozen steamships with loading schedules badly disrupted.

Irish sympathizers working on an American, French and Belgian steamer, which quit work during the whirlwind campaign the strikers waged along the North river. Although not en masse, longshoremen of various nationalities rushed from the holds of vessels at the command of their Irish comrades. More than 200 negroes who were unloading the cargo of a Cunard liner fell into line with the speed of the historic "minutemen" and received a big ovation from the other strikers.

The throng of Irish sympathizers, (Continued on Page 2, Column 6.)

Nota Beany ON Traffic Truths

This little rule will take you far if you will only mind it—Don't dodge before a trolley car; You'll find more room behind it.

MORGUE

THERE'S ALLUS ROOM FOR ANOTHER

OBSERVE THE MAN YOUR RIGHT



If you don't like the verse Nota Beany serves today, try it yourself. Send your contribution to Nota Beany, care of The Times.

Britten Subpoenaed To Tell of \$87,500 Gift to Democrats

Republican Evidence to Back His Charges Will Be Given to Senate Committee Monday.

CHICAGO, Aug. 28.—Representative Fred A. Britten, who charged that \$87,500 appropriated by the British government had "found its way into the Democratic campaign fund," will go before the Senate subcommittee investigating campaign expenditures Monday and ask it to investigate the interest of international financiers in the candidacy of Governor Cox.

Representative Britten was subpoenaed last night to appear before the subcommittee. Following the service of the subpoena by Senator Sergeant-at-Arms Barry, Mr. Britten said that he was glad of the opportunity to appear and direct the subcommittee to a phase of the campaign that has hitherto been overlooked.

He said he believed the subcommittee will have little difficulty in learning that international bankers are deeply interested in Governor Cox's candidacy and that the committee may by exercising its inquisitorial powers determine the degree of their financial investment in the governor's candidacy.

Why Such a Sum For Geddes?

"The cable reports today that London is talking about the statement that \$87,500 appropriated for 'entertainment purposes' has gone into the Democratic campaign fund," said Representative Britten. "Yes, London and Paris, too, have been talking about the political situation in this country a long time."

"It is strange that Geddes, 'a poor man,' should be given \$87,500 for entertainment purposes. Usually a poor man is not expected to entertain lavishly."

"If the Senate subcommittee will inquire in that direction, I am convinced that it will find most if not all of this \$87,500 and 'entertainment' funds is going into newspaper and magazine publicity in favor of the League of Nations. Support of the League of Nations, of course, is support of Cox's candidacy."

"I followed carefully the proceedings in Parliament when this money was appropriated, and it struck me at the time as strange that so much money should be set aside for such a purpose. Geddes is paid \$14,000 a year, pays no rent and pays nothing for his servants. Still he is given \$87,500 for 'entertainment purposes.'"

"The answer, I feel, is that the money is intended for promotion of the League of Nations—in short, for British propaganda."

Morgan Newspaper Supporting Cox

"The Senate subcommittee can easily find out how this and other huge sums of money from abroad are to be expended during the campaign. It has the authority to subpoena witnesses, books, bank accounts and other evidences."

"When I go before the committee Monday morning I shall suggest that an evidence of British interest in the campaign is the fact that the candidacy of Governor Cox is being supported by the New York Post, which is owned by J. P. Morgan & Co., the head of the syndicate of international bankers."

"This newspaper is strong for Cox and for the League of Nations and this, in view of its ownership by this firm of international financiers, is an evidence of the desires of England."

Senator W. S. Kenyon, chairman, and other members of the subcommittee, were not in the city today.

Scandal That Borders on Treason Stirs Hays to Take Vigorous Action

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Chairman Hays, of the National Committee, impressed by the allegations of Representative Fred A. Britten and others, that the government chiefly responsible for the League of Nations covenant is getting behind Cox financially, started for Chicago last night. He will put together all the evidence Britten and others supply and may present to the Kenyon committee when he appears before it Monday morning next.

Soldiers are alleged to have started the trouble in reprisal for an attack upon the British military forces at Calmarore.

British highlanders were said to have led the pillaging. Advices from Queenstown this afternoon said that British officers had succeeded in rounding up all the turbulent troops.

On the way to Chicago Chairman Hays will consult with Senator Harding at Marion.

Britten's accusations, coupled with data since offered, have convinced the Harding managers that there is (Continued on Page Two, Col. Four.)

LEAGUE MEANS WAR—HARDING

Senate Rejection Kept American Soldiers From Polish Front, Declares Nominee.

FLAYS THE WILSON POLICY. Says "Wiggling and Wobbling" of Administration Brings U. S. Into Disrepute.

By GEORGE H. HOLMES. International News Service.

MARION, Ohio, Aug. 28.—A new world court of justice, built on the foundation of the old Hague tribunal, and brought up to date with some timbers saved from the wreckage of the League of Nations, was brought forward here today by Senator Warren G. Harding as the Republican party's international peace policy.

WOULD EXCISE THE BAD. He would take and combine, he said, all that is good and excise all that is bad from both organizations to get an effective peace instrument "with teeth in it."

Only in some such manner as this, Senator Harding asserted, can the world obtain the lasting peace for which it is crying, future wars be prevented, and America assured of maintaining her independence in foreign affairs.

In his first "wiggling speech" an international issue, delivered from his front porch today to a group of Indiana Republicans, Senator Harding declared the League of Nations at Paris has broken down utterly. It is due only to the frightened Republican Senate, he said, that American soldiers are not now fighting on the Polish-Russian front.

Senator Harding savagely attacked the Administration's entire foreign policy—from Mexico to Europe, and from Armenia to Latin-America.

"WIGGLING AND WOBBLING." "Wiggling and wobbling" was the term he frequently used to describe it.

"Let us have done with wiggling and wobbling," he concluded. "Steady America!"

Wasting but few words in introduction, the Senator devoted his remarks entirely and at once to the foreign situation. He said in part:

"Let us suppose the Senate had ratified the peace treaty containing the League Covenant, what would be the situation confronting our country today? There is but one answer. Before this day was waste been ended upon to fulfill the obligations which we had assumed under Article X, to preserve the territorial integrity of Poland 'as against external aggression.'"

"Let us assume further that the performance of the allotted task required waging war on the Russian (Continued on Page 2, Column 1.)

\$5 DROP IN COAL PRICE PREDICTED

Due to Come Down by November, Declares Director of Wholesale Dealers.

Coal will drop \$5 per ton before the fall, George Cushing, managing director of the American Wholesale Coal Dealers' Association, predicted here today. Cushing added that the sharp fall may not be expected until November.

"The wholesale dealers have been expecting a marked decline for several months. Few of them would stay in the market more than twenty-four hours with any quantity of coal. \$5 drop has been held off by the presence of book orders held by the operators and the steady demand on the local merchants," Cushing declared.

"There has been considerable competition for coal. It must be remembered, however, that manufacturing plants have laid in their supply early and the householders bought during the spring and early summer. Coal dealers have ordered from three and four sources. When they find their orders are being filled they will cancel the precautionary orders they have been making in the prospect of a shortage."

"It will be hard to estimate the amount the price will drop, but I believe it will be as much as \$5 per ton. There is and will be little scarcity of coal when the actual facts dawn upon the trade," Cushing continued.

"Wholesale dealers have been condemned for raising the price of coal. They have had but little to do with it. Competitive bidding at the mine has caused the increase. Mines are operating today and supply coal of an inferior grade that could not have operated or offered their coal to a normal market."