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"DECENT JUSTICE" IS DEMANDED OF U. S. GOVERNMENT BY STEEL STRIKERS

CONGRESS TOLD CONFERENCE WILL NOT END STRIKE

Fitzpatrick Declares on Stand Men Are Going to Press Advantage; Labor's Day; Employers' Turn When Gary Is Called

SPECIFIC ADVANTAGES ARE CLAIMED BY BOTH SIDES

With no radical change reported in the actual strike centers, interest in the great struggle in the steel industry shifted to-day to Washington, where the labor committee of the Senate opened an investigation with the avowed intention of discovering "if the situation in any way can be relieved by Federal action."

Lay Bare Causes It is the expressed hope of the committee that the investigation will lay bare the underlying causes of the struggle which is threatening the economic interests of the nation.

Mr. Fitzpatrick declared early in his testimony that even the consent of the steel corporation's officials to meet the union representatives would not now end the strike.

As far as actual conditions on the battle line were concerned the most important definite news came from the Chicago district, where both sides claimed specific and significant advantages.

Both Sides Claim Gains In the Mahoning Valley district of Ohio the complete paralysis of the industry achieved by the strikes continued and the success on the Ohio sector was emphasized by the closing of the plant of the Bar Mill Empire Rolling Company.

But the issue in the great Pittsburgh area, where both sides concede the battle must be lost or won remains uncertain.

Farrell, Pa., where the first bloodshed occurred in the sporadic rioting which marked the beginning of the struggle, was again the scene of a fatality to-day.

Washington, Sept. 25.—Even should the United States Steel Corporation consent to meet representatives of the men, the nation-wide strike of steel workers could not now be called off, in the opinion of John Fitzpatrick, chairman of the strikers' committee.

"The 350,000 on strike," Fitzpatrick declared, "are going to demand from the United States government justice—decent justice."

Fitzpatrick Late Senate investigation of the nation-wide strike of steel workers to determine whether remedial action can be taken by the Federal Government was opened to-day with John Fitzpatrick, chairman of the union committee, conducting the strike as the first witness before the Education and Labor Committee.

Fitzpatrick was late in arriving from Pittsburgh. He was accompanied by William H. Rubin, counsel for the steel strikers, who, at the outset of the hearing, asked what assurance had been given by Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of the United States Steel Corporation, that he would appear before the committee next Wednesday.

Senator Kenyon replied that Judge Gary had telephoned him that he would be present Wednesday and added that "until that time we will not question his being here."

Rubin requested that the committee place in the record correspondence between Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to the President; Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Chairman Fitzpatrick, regarding efforts to postpone the strike.

Fitzpatrick opened his statement with what he said was a brief history of labor conditions in the steel industry.

"With the creation of the steel corporations, a campaign was begun with the object of pushing organized workers out of the mills," he said. "A great sum of money, I don't know whether it was \$2,000,000 or \$20,000,000 was appropriated in recent years labor has begun to realize the tremendous importance of the steel industry and its influence on other industries."

"While we were getting the eight-hour day and better working conditions elsewhere, the steel mills still operated with very long hours and with wages below the proper line. Labor understood then the necessity of organizing the steel industry for the purpose of controlling its effects on the others, and at the last two conventions of the Federation of Labor the step was authorized."

Fitzpatrick said representatives of 24 international unions, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, met in Chicago, about a year ago and affected a campaign committee to organize the steel workers. Samuel Gompers was elected chairman and William Z. Foster, secretary. Men and money, the witness said, were assembled, but funds were so limited that the initial organization efforts were confined to the Calumet district.

Taking All the Pleasure Out of the Trip



NEW YEAR'S DAY USHERED IN BY JEWISH PEOPLE

Prepare For Yom Kippur With Services in Every Synagogue

At sundown last evening in all parts of the world began the celebration of the New Year—Rosh Hashanah—which marks the year 5680 in the Hebrew calendar.

Tishri is considered by the orthodox Jews the most important month because of the fact that Yom Kippur, or the Day of Atonement, and Succoth, the Festival of Tabernacles, also fall in its span.

Some of the Jews of liberal tendencies will celebrate only the first twenty-four hours, but services will be held at all of the synagogues.

The ten days which elapse between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are considered of importance by all Jews, both orthodox and liberal, and are observed as days of preparation for the Day of Atonement, which is considered the most sacred day in the calendar.

In the ushering in of the New Year at Ohav Shalom synagogue in North Second street, last evening, Rabbi Louis Haas preached a strong sermon.

Bomb Kills Three and Injures Four When House Is Blown to Pieces

Batavia, N. Y., Sept. 25.—A bomb killed three persons, injured four and wrecked the two-story dwelling of Carlo Trimarchi here early to-day.

The dead are Joseph Battaglini, his wife and two-year-old son. Trimarchi, his wife and two small sons, were injured.

The house was literally blown to pieces. The rear end of the house next door was wrecked and windows in the vicinity were shattered.

The neighbors claim that they heard two revolver shots. A man was seen running away from the scene shortly after the shots were heard.

TREATY ISSUE CLEARLY DRAWN, WILSON SAYS

Question Squarely Facing the Nation Is Whether U. S. Would Keep Pledges

Denver, Sept. 25.—Declaring the issue in the Peace Treaty discussion at last had been "clearly drawn," President Wilson said in an address here to-day that the question squarely facing the nation was whether the United States would keep its pledges to help guarantee the peace of the world.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Sept. 25.—Reading again the proposed Senate reservation to article ten of the League Covenant President Wilson declared in an address here to-day that should any such reservation be adopted, he would "be obliged as chief executive to regard it as a rejection of the Treaty."

The President added that rejection of the Treaty would mean negotiation of a separate peace with Germany, and asserted that such a negotiation could not change a single item of the peace settlement.

Recalling Japan's promise to return to China all sovereign rights in Shantung, the President said the only thing retained by the Tokio government would be economic rights such as other nations hold.

He said the United States had no right to doubt that promise. He characterized as "empty noise" the professions of friendship for China made by those who want the Treaty to fail.

Turning to the League Covenant, the President said the question of whether the heart of the League Covenant was to be cut out soon must come to a "show down." It would mean the violation of the whole plan, he asserted, if the nation were to adopt reservations to article ten as proposed in the Senate.

By one, said he, the other objections to the Covenant had been disposed of. To all "candid minds," he asserted, it now was apparent that the Monroe doctrine was fully protected, that there was no super-government set up and that no danger was to be feared from the British dominions in the League assembly. The withdrawal objections, he added, was another "bugaboo" that had been dispelled.

Thus, continued Mr. Wilson, the whole discussion had settled down upon article ten, under which the members agree to preserve one another's territorial integrity against aggression. He declared this cut the "tap root of war" because nearly all wars started from aggressions against those unable to defend themselves.

WAR CAMP WORK TO BE STOPPED SEPTEMBER 30

Community Service Which Did Much For Soldiers and Civilians Comes to End

The work of War Camp Community Service, which has been going on in Harrisburg since December 15, 1918, will come to an end here September 30, it was announced to-day by C. H. Jackson, the national W. C. C. S. representative in this locality.

William Jennings has been the chairman, and W. Grant Rauch, the treasurer of the local committee, and much of the success of the work has been due to the cooperation of these gentlemen. The activities of the national organization are being cut down everywhere with the passing of the emergency which led to the organization of the War Camp Community Service.

This place has been one of the centers of activity for War Camp Community Service since the local committee was formed to carry on the work.

The postmaster announced to-day that several shipments of surplus food had been received, but not a sufficient quantity to start deliveries. It is expected that by the end of the week the most of the orders will have been received, thus making it possible to begin deliveries. After to-day no further orders will be taken.

The delay in receiving this food is due to the congestion in the War Department's zone office as a result of so many orders being received, however, that his orders will be filled in so far as it is possible to do so. Every effort is being made to get the largest possible for this city.

Government Food Arrives, but Not Enough to Start Deliveries to Local Buyers

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DOCTORS INVITE PUBLIC TO HEAR FLU DISCUSSION

Prominent Physicians Suggesting Better Means of Combating Epidemic

MOVIES ARE BEING USED Sparing No Effort to Acquaint People With Forms of Dread Malady

The general public is invited to attend the two closing meetings of the State Medical Society, which will be of interest to everyone. The first one is being held this afternoon at the Penn-Harris, beginning at 2 o'clock, and the second one will begin this evening in the same place at 8 o'clock.

The meeting this afternoon was devoted to a discussion of the flu epidemic, and included various ways of combating it. Some of the best known physicians in this part of the country will discuss the question, and offer their methods of treatment. Members of the Civic Club and all who are interested at all in the practice of medicine will be present.

Dr. T. Casper Gilchrist, of the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, will be one of the speakers at this meeting. Moving pictures will illustrate parts of the addresses. Other speakers will be Thomas G. Simonton, Lawrence Litchfield and Evan William Meredith, all of Pittsburgh; Frank F. D. Record, of Harrisburg, associate chief of the base hospital in Camp Devens and among those discussing the papers will be Major George R. Moffitt, of this city.

To Show First Aid This evening at 8 o'clock in the ballroom of the Penn-Harris there will be a practical demonstration of first aid work by the team of the Bell Telephone Company in this city. Major M. J. Shields, field representative of the American Red Cross; Francis D. Patterson, Harrisburg, and others will speak.

Meetings this morning included the Section on Medicine, which met with the Section in Surgery in the ballroom of the Penn-Harris at 9 o'clock; the Section on Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat diseases in the Senate Caucus room; and the Section on Pediatrics in Parlor C of the hotel.

The meeting in the ballroom this morning was a symposium on diseases of the gastro-intestinal tract. The opening address was made by David Riesman, of Philadelphia, who spoke on the diagnosis of cholecystitis and gallstones. He was followed by Dr. Henry K. Pancoast, Philadelphia.

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Operators and Miners' Representatives Seek to Avert Strike Nov. 1

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 25.—With a general strike of soft coal miners in the United States set tentatively for November 1, operators and representatives of the miners met here to-day in an effort to avert it by reaching an agreement on questions of wages, working hours and working conditions.

The report of the scale committee, presented at the meeting of the United Mine Workers of America at Cleveland this week, includes demands for a 10 per cent increase in wages, a six-hour day, a half-day for overtime and double time for all work on Sundays and holidays.

Any agreement reached here to-day is submitted for ratification to an adjourned meeting of the United Mine Workers' convention at Indianapolis.

Man Is Acquitted of Killing Man He Saw Kissing His Wife

Sunbury, September 25.—Paul D. Bailey was this afternoon acquitted on a charge of murder. The jury was out one hour and fifteen minutes, and when the verdict was announced there were wild scenes in the court room, prolonged cheers being given the defendant. The verdict was brought in at 1:20 this afternoon.

Bailey was charged with shooting William Sassaman on May 30 last. Bailey testified that when he returned from work he met Sassaman and his wife, sitting on the front steps at the Bailey home. Sassaman, Bailey alleged had his arm around Mrs. Bailey's neck and was kissing her. The husband fired a revolver and shot Sassaman.

Memorial Bridge Bids to Be Let Next Week

Thomas M. Templeton, superintendent of Public Grounds and Building announced to-day that the bids for the new Memorial Bridge at State street would be let Monday or Tuesday and that work would be started thereafter as soon as possible.

Four storage buildings, a pattern shop and five tank cars of gasoline were destroyed in a fire at the plant of the Pittsburgh Model Engine Company, at Homewood, near here, this morning. The loss, estimated at \$200,000. The fire followed the explosion of a car of gasoline from an undetermined cause. Two alarms were turned in.

FIRE SWEEPS PLANT

MARRIAGE LICENSES

William E. Pottiger, Penbrook, and Elizabeth E. Evans, Halton; John D. Palmer and Verna E. Sutzbaugh, Elizabethville; August O. Herer, Altoona, and Sarah B. Imes, Jonata County; James F. Agnew and Clara E. Christman, Altoona; Miles F. Rockey, New Cumberland, and Pearl E. Laverty, Enola.

HONOR TO HEROIC DEAD

THE committee arranging for the welcome home to-day urged Harrisburgers to send in the names of the Harrisburg men who died in service during the World War. It now has 115 of these names, and at the memorial services, Sunday afternoon, will award posthumous medals of honor to the families of the men. Without the name of every man, and the address of his survivors, the ceremony will fail to honor all of Harrisburg's heroic dead. To-day the committee called upon every Harrisburger to send or bring to the Chamber of Commerce offices the names of the dead heroes, if they have not yet been registered.

MEDALS FOR MEN DIED IN WAR TO BE GIVEN BY CITY

Impressive Service to Be Held For Heroes Sunday Afternoon

Posthumous medals will be awarded to the families of more than 100 Harrisburg boys who died in service during the war, at the open air memorial service and welcome home demonstration on the Island next Sunday afternoon, as a part of the welcome home observances in honor of the veterans, nurses and welfare workers of the Harrisburg district.

The committee has the names of 115 of those dead heroes, and will notify their families that medals will be awarded to one member from each family, Sunday afternoon. A memorial address will be made by the Rev. Henry W. A. Hanson, followed by the lowering of the flag, sounding of taps by buglers and the singing of an appropriate selection by a double quartet.

In order that every man who died during the war might be fittingly commemorated in the program, Harrisburgers are urged once again, [Continued on Page 7.]

ASSERT BROWN MADE THREATS AGAINST THEM

Five Witnesses in Murder Trial Declare Their Lives Were Threatened

ALL TELL SAME STORY 'Nubs' Wilson and 'Spotball' Brume Tell of Events Leading Up to the Tragedy

Declaring that Lawrence Brown, colored, on trial on a charge of murdering S. Wolfe Lacob, a Steelton grocer, on the evening of January 24, had threatened their lives if they did not say that it was Love Wilson, also colored, who shot the merchant five witnesses to-day fixed the homicide on Brown.

All of them, declared in court this morning before Judge C. V. Henry, that the night before the murder Brown, Wilson and another colored man Fred Brume, alias "Spotball" had planned to rob Lacob. On Friday night, the witnesses declare that Wilson came for Brown, and that after the shooting Brown came back and said that he was in trouble and had shot Lacob.

The witnesses, all of whom resided at 353 South Fourth street at the time, the same place that Brown had a room, said that he threatened them and told them to say that Wilson had done the shooting so that he would not be convicted.

Added to their testimony was the evidence given by Theodore Martin, the youth who was with Wilson and Brown on the night that Lacob was shot, and that he saw the merchant take the stand that any testimony he would give could be used against him when he is on trial for murder in the same case, but Martin said he wanted to testify.

Start For Crap Game Martin's statement follows: "I met 'Nubs' Wilson and 'Little' Brown on that evening just about 15 yards from Riley Brown's house at 353 South Fourth street. They said 'let's go up on Ridge street to a crap game.' We started for there and when we got to the store they said they wanted some cheese and Nubs first gave some money [Continued on Page 5.]

STRIKE IS CALLED IN PIPE BENDING PLANT

HARRISBURG.—A STRIKE OF EMPLOYEES OF THE HARRISBURG PIPE AND PIPE BENDING COMPANY WAS CALLED LATE THIS AFTERNOON. THE STRIKE WILL RESULT IN CLOSING OF ALL DEPARTMENTS AND WILL AFFECT 70 MEN. THE WORKMEN'S COMMITTEE SAYS "UNFAIRNESS T ORGANIZED LABOR ON THE PART OF THE EMPLOYERS," IS ASSIGNED AS THE REASON FOR THE STRIKE. ALL DEPARTMENTS WILL BE CLOSED FROM SIX TO SIXTEEN HOURS AFTER NOON TO-DAY. THE COMMITTEE SAYS OFFICIALS OF THE COMPANY HAD NOT HEARD OF THE STRIKE ORDER AND THEREFORE HAD NOTHING TO SAY.

Paris.—A rumor was in circulation on the Bourse here to-day that Nicolai Lenin, the Russian Bolsheviki premier, had been assassinated.

BROWN DENIES CHARGES

Harrisburg.—Claiming that he had never seen S. W. Lacob, the Steelton grocer, whom he is charged with murdering, Lawrence Brown, colored, this afternoon took the witness stand in his own defense. He told the jury he had never been in Lacob's store and on the afternoon and evening of the murder was in a Steelton hotel. The case may go to the jury late to-day.

TO SUPPORT STEEL WORKERS

Buffalo.—Thomas Conway, secretary of the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Waterenders and Coal Passers Union, announced that the vote taken by 5,000 members was practically unanimous for a strike in support of the steel workers.

STEAMER RUNS AGROUND

Stamford, Conn.—The steamer Rosalind of the Red Star Line, went aground on Cow's Reef in Long Island Sound to-day. She was bound from St. Johns and [Continued on Page 7.]

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and Vicinity: Fair tonight, Friday and probably Saturday. Somewhat cooler Saturday. Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair tonight, Friday and probably Saturday. Moderate to fresh west and northwest winds. Rivers: The Susquehanna river and all its branches will fall slowly or remain stationary. A stage of about 2.5 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Friday morning.

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