

ROBINSON SEES CARL KOSITZKY IN A NEW LIGHT

Venerable League Jurist Hails Insurgent Auditor as John the Baptist

WARNS THE TOWNLEYITES

Associate Justice Says Waste, Extravagance, High Taxes Spell Doom

State Auditor Carl R. Kositzky, the most radical of the league insurgents has been called a great many names by supporters of President A. C. Townley...

"Kositzky is a second John the Baptist—the voice of one crying in the wilderness. Believing that honest confession is good for the soul, he exposes the wrong instead of cloaking and covering it up..."

"Heed, O heed, Kositzky's warning," cries the venerable jurist at the opening and close of his letter...

SATURDAY EVENING LETTER

(By Justice J. E. Robinson) November 15, 1919.

Heed, O heed Kositzky's warning. Kositzky is a second John the Baptist—the voice of one crying in the wilderness...

By excessive and illegal taxation Charles the First lost his royal head, Great Britain lost her American colonies, and the present State Administration is in great danger of losing the next general election...

The tax is the greatest of all public miseries. If a state cannot live and prosper without the levying of taxes then there must be a sad lack of wisdom and capacity in those who control the affairs of the state.

Now, in a few days the solons and wise men from the East do meet at the Capitol to correct their own errors and to restrain and curb those young thoroughbreds who despise correction and who are continually "kicking over the traces."

Under the new laws and assessments we have new boards and bureaus and new ways of making a lavish expenditure of public money. We have methods of taxation unknown to the constitution.

Then in their unbounded confidence the solons and wise men have given the Governor, his boards and bureaus authority to fix salaries and titles and to incur expenses without limit.

Another Taxpayers' Suit Against League

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BIG PLANE SETS OUT ON FLIGHT TO WINDY CITY

Trip Begun With Eight Passengers and 500 Pounds of Women's Clothing

Minneapolis, N. Y., Nov. 15.—In the face of a 20 mile northwest wind the giant Handley Page bombing plane commanded by Vice Admiral Mark Kerr started from Mitchell field here at 7 o'clock this morning in an attempted non-stop flight to Chicago...

MOSCOW SHOWING NO ENTHUSIASM FOR BOLSHEVIKI

Advance of Reds Regarded as Calamity in Ancient Muscovite Capital

RED ARMIES DISBANDED

Washington, Nov. 14.—Because of the serious lack of food in Bolsheviki Russia other economic difficulties experienced by the soviet government meet not much real enthusiasm in Moscow over the forward movement of the Bolsheviki forces...

The dispatches said that due to the lack of morale in the soviet army Trotsky recently ordered forces following up the Bolsheviki army to fire on any "red" soldiers who fell back.

BOLSHEVIKI OVERTHROWN

London, Nov. 14.—The Bolsheviki have been overthrown in Brest, Lithuania, a soviet wireless dispatch from Moscow today admits. After fighting the insurgents there for eight days the dispatch says the Bolsheviki withdrew "underground," (this expression is commonly used in Russia to indicate the temporary abandonment of an attempt to control, the defeated element scattering and abandoning open organized effort for the time being.)

Weather Scheduled To Be Warmer For Next Several Days

O. W. Roberts Believes Lignite Coal Will Not Be as Popular For a While

Warm weather, some of it has high as 50 degrees above zero, can be expected the next few days in the opinion of O. W. Roberts, head of the local weather bureau today. Mr. Roberts said he expected the mercury to climb to the half-century mark today and even go higher than that Sunday.

It is expected that the warm spell will last several days, although Mr. Roberts refused to predict the length of North Dakota's much delayed Indian summer. However, consumption of lignite coal in the state should drop considerably due to the warmth of the weather.

LAND COMMISSION POSTPONES SALES

Board Will Not Offer Stutsman County Tract at Present

The sale of 20,000 acres of university and school lands, which was scheduled to be held at Jamestown November 21, was cancelled this morning at a meeting of the land commission. There were two reasons for this action, one being that because of crop conditions school lands are not bringing within ten percent of their real market value, and the other being that the same conditions that brought down the price of land have prevented farmers who would like to pick up school tracts in their neighborhood from acquiring the necessary surplus.

The board of university and school lands has been criticised for offering lands for sale this fall. On the other hand the board has an unusual demand for farm loans, and its sole means of financing these new loans is through the sale of school lands.

Another Taxpayers' Suit Against League

Reports were received here today of a mysterious taxpayers' action, similar to that brought by the committee of 42, which is now pending in the federal courts, which has been instituted against the industrial program of the league in Judge Cole's court at Fargo by a committee of four taxpayers. The proceeding it is to be identical with that in the case of the famous "forty-two," and the league's hand in the matter is suspected. The four taxpayers who are plaintiffs in this action are E. A. Green, H. W. Voligt, N. Christianson and F. W. Woodworth. Mr. Voligt is a Burleigh county farmer.

D'ANNUNZIO IS INSURGING NOW AT A NEW SPOT

Martial Italian Poet Sails With 300 Shock Troops On Torpedo Boat

WILL AFFECT ELECTION

Balloting Sunday, in Which Fiume Is Principal Issue, to Be Concerned

Paris, Nov. 15.—Gabriel D'Annunzio the insurgent Italian commander of Fiume, is engaged in another adventure along the Dalmatian coast according to advices reaching the peace conference here. He sailed from Fiume on the Italian torpedo boat Vallo accompanied by a steamer carrying 300 shock troops the reports state.

He was said to have followed by an Italian warship which was merely observing his movements. The debarcation point on the Dalmatian coast is not known but it is thought likely here that Zara was the place.

The advices to the American peace delegation from Vice Consul O'Hara at Trieste. He forwarded the report there that D'Annunzio had left Fiume on the Vallo and had effected a landing on the Dalmatian coast line. Importance is attached in peace circles to D'Annunzio's movement because Sunday is election day in Italy with Fiume the chief issue. It is generally thought that he is seeking to carry out a spectacular operation to strengthen the Fiume party which is reported in Paris to have lost considerable ground in Italy during the past three weeks. The Italian navy was said to be wavering perceptibly in its support of D'Annunzio.

PICK JURY FOR DECEMBER TERM OF COURT HERE

Forty-five Names Are Drawn to Hear Cases Before Judge Nuesse

The petit jury of the December term of the district court consisting of 45 residents of the county was drawn yesterday. This is a larger number than usual, the increase being required by the large number of cases that will be tried.

Those who were selected for jury service were: Ed. Adams, Logan; Thomas Jacobson, Arno; A. C. Hinkley, Bismarck; Clarence H. Thoms, Bismarck; Andrew Munson, Bismarck; Frayne Baker, Bismarck; Nick Yocum, Bismarck; S. F. Hill, Estherville; Harry Homan, Bismarck; John Wray, Bismarck; R. W. Sanders, Bismarck; O. C. Brace, Florence Lake; James Tees, Florence Lake; Bels A. Olson, Wilton; Andrew Thompson, Long Lake; John Novak, Summit; Joe Elirs, Baldwin; William Kershaw, Frances; F. C. Nelson, Baldwin; E. L. Hurr, Taft; J. W. Burch, Missouri; Frank Skala, Ghylin; August W. Magnuson, Grass Lake; E. A. Copelin, Bismarck; L. H. Garfield, Bismarck; B. E. Jones, Bismarck; J. J. White, Bismarck; H. C. Peterson, Thelma; George W. Wachel, Menoken; Toney Zela, Hay Creek; Ed Hanson, Baldwin; L. Van Hook, Bismarck; G. Kikul Bismarck; Thomas Hall, Bismarck; E. E. Morris, Bismarck; E. B. Sauter, Harriet; H. E. White, Bismarck; J. B. Taylor, Painted Woods; G. H. Russ, Bismarck; Tebo Harms, Frances; L. K. Thompson, Bismarck; M. O. Gullicks, Bismarck; Albert Falk, Hay Creek; E. M. Walla, Bismarck; W. E. Rawlings, Taft.

FINLAND WILL SEND GEN. YUDENITCH 30,000 VOLUNTEERS

Helsingfors, Finland, Thursday, Nov. 13.—The Baltic states conference at Dorpat has been advised that Finland has decided to aid General Yudenitch with 30,000 volunteers in a new attempt to take Petrograd within the next few weeks.

YUDENITCH TAKES 12,000 BOLSHEVIKI

Helsingfors, Finland, Nov. 15.—General Yudenitch's forces in the recent offensive captured 12,000 Bolsheviki according to a northwestern army report today. The reports also declares that 6,000 casualties were suffered by the Bolsheviki. It is reported here that all the Bolsheviki commissioners engaged in the campaign have been executed.

Today's Weather

For twenty-four hours ending at noon, November 15th. Temperature at 7 a. m.18 Temperature at noon40 Highest yesterday23 Lowest yesterday-9 Lowest last night-14 PrecipitationNone Highest wind velocity0-SE Forecast For North Dakota: Fair tonight and Sunday; warmer tonight and the southeast portion Sunday. Lowest Temperatures Fargo4 Williston20 St. Paul8 Helena30 Chicago24 Swift Current28 Kansas City30 ORRIS W. ROBERTS Meteorologist.

DISTILLERS IN LOUISVILLE SELL WHISKEY OPENLY

Protected By Supreme Court Injunction, Juice Is Sold at \$75 the Case

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 14.—Two local distilleries sold whiskey openly in Louisville today at \$75 a case regardless of the war time prohibition law. Hundreds of orders filed before July 1 when the war time prohibition went into effect it was said were being filled by these distilleries which resumed sales following the granting of an injunction to them yesterday by Federal Judge Evans restraining the government from interfering with the sale of nearly million gallons of "floor stock" whiskey.

RAILWAY LABOR CONFERENCE IS NEARING CLOSE

All Arguments Will Have Been Completed Within 24 Hours, Says Mr. Hines

Washington, Nov. 15.—Conferees for discussion of the demand of the four railroad brotherhoods for revision of working conditions which have been in progress between the Brotherhood chiefs and Director General Hines all week appeared today to be nearing an end. Railroad administration officials believe that all arguments would have been completed within 24 hours. There was no indication however whether Mr. Hines would give an immediate answer or reserve his decision.

The principal question remaining in dispute is the demand for the brotherhoods for (time time and a half) for over time fee. The railroad men are to be the pivotal point. Mr. Hines was said to have stood steadfastly by his previous declaration that no general advance in wages could be given serious consideration owing to the imminent return of the roads to private operation.

PARIS HAS TASTE OF DAKOTA CHILL

Blizzard Covers Region of the French Capital With Snow

Paris, Nov. 15.—A blizzard struck the Paris region last night. Six to ten inches of snow fell and the storm continued today unabated. The central markets were practically deserted. Surface, tram-cars and taxi cab service were tied up and trains from the provinces were hours late. Some trains from the north were stalled, all overland telegraphic communication with Spain was interrupted. Lack of coal made matters worse.

COLD SNAP MAY MEAN LOSS TO FRUIT MEN

Pentiction, B. C., Nov. 14.—The recent cold snap, which came almost as suddenly as it struck Yukon territory may mean a loss of many thousands of dollars to fruit growers in this district—the heart of the apple belt. In some districts, late fruit was still on the trees when the cold came. Packing houses are said to be filled to capacity. Estimates of the unpickered crop place its value at \$1,000,000, but it has been pointed out that a considerable amount of this fruit probably will be saved.

Information from Vernon says that about 20 percent of the winter apple crop was unpickered when the cold wave came.

NON-UNION MEN EJECTED FROM MINE AT NOONAN AND PLACES FILLED WITH UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA

General Fraser Orders Eviction When Advised That Organized Men Would Not Work Under Open Shop Principle— Gives His Reasons

When union men at Noonan declined to return to work under the direction of Sergeant Hunter Patrick, who took over mines there in the name of the governor, unless non-union men whom Patrick found in possession were taken out or were made to agree to affiliate with the union, Adjutant General Fraser wired Patrick to eject the non-union men. Patrick advised the adjutant general that the union miners were ready to go to work for the state and that there were enough of them to operate the mines, but that they would not work the mine on an open shop principle, and that they insisted that the independent miners get out of the mines or into the union.

General Fraser wired Patrick as follows: "The present situation is not only an unusual one but a grave emergency, such an emergency as can arise only when martial law is declared. In such an emergency the individual has no rights that can be exercised in opposition to the rights of the entire state, and its citizens. All private desires or feelings must subordinate themselves to the greater, the state as a whole. For these reasons and these only, you are instructed to take the non-union men out of the mines, under your positive statement that there are plenty of union men that will operate the same. You will not take a chance on trouble in the Noonan mines which might result in a walkout throughout the state if we attempted to operate the mines there on an open shop principle," said General Fraser. "I felt it my duty to take such action as would soonest relieve the pressing need for fuel." The Wilton mines advised General Fraser on Friday evening that their production for the day was 25 cars, which is near capacity. Reports were received from other districts, indicating that the striking miners were generally resuming work under state control.

COAL CONFEREES FINALLY AGREE TO LIMIT FIELD

Negotiations as to Wage Scale Will Apply Only to Central Territory

MINERS GET BACK PAY

Eight Million Dollars Distributed in Illinois Will Relieve Strain

Washington, Nov. 15.—After a long and acrimonious wrangle today representatives of the coal operators and miners in conference here agreed to take up settlement of wage and labor conditions in the central competitive field after they had failed to agree on considering a national scale as first proposed.

Operators from districts outside the competitive field will meet at the same hour to determine whether the agreement arrived at by the wage scale committee of the central competitive field will be accepted as a basis for the contract in the outlying districts. Adjourning the general conference Secretary Wilson then summoned the wage scale committee of the central competitive field to meet at 2:30 p. m. today to negotiate a new agreement.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Acceptance without qualification by the mine workers of Secretary of Labor Wilson's proposal for negotiation of a nation-wide wage scale agreement was announced at the conference today by John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers of America. Speaking on behalf of operators outside the central competitive field F. W. Lukings, president of the Southwestern Interstate Coal Operators' association, proposed returning to the old policy of lowering the basic scale being negotiated by the operators and the miners in the central competitive field.

MINERS GET BACK PAY

Springfield, Ill., Nov. 15.—Illinois soft coal miners were encouraged to continue their strike today with the receipt of pay envelopes for two weeks' work ending November 1, held back by operators under their wage rules. Operators here estimated that the money paid to the mine workers for the first half month's period when production was speeded up in anticipation of the mine tie up would approximate \$8,000,000.

The highest pay for a digger employed by the Springfield District coal mining companies for the two weeks was \$188.45 net. Three men earned more than \$160 and pay ranged to a point below \$100.

Field reports to miners' headquarters today indicated a stand-pat attitude against any resumption of work.

NO CHANGE EXPECTED

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Virtually no increase in the number of bituminous coal miners returning to work was looked for today Saturday generally having been regarded as at least a half holiday at many of the country's mines. Aside from that the miners seemed intent to stand on their expressed determination not to return to work despite recall of the strike order last Tuesday by John L. Lewis acting president of the United Mine Workers of America until operators and miners now meeting at Washington affect an agreement on a new wage scale.

TO HELP WITH FISHERIES

Rio De Janeiro, Oct. 8.—Dr. George W. Field, who has been connected with the Department of Agriculture in Washington, has been engaged by the Brazilian government to assist in the development of Brazilian coastfisheries.

500,000 PINTS OF BEER GOES INTO THE SOIL

Amber Fluid Seized at Zion City, Ill., While On Way to Chicago

Zion City, Ill., Nov. 14.—Five hundred thousand pint bottles of beer were destroyed by local authorities here today in accordance with an order issued by Judge Edwards of Lake county.

Deputy sheriffs and policemen armed with hammers worked for several hours smashing the bottles and the beverage flowed into the city sewers. The beer was seized by local authorities under the Illinois search and seizure law several weeks ago while being transported in motor trucks from Kenosha, Wis., to Chicago.

TREATY DEBATES CHOKED OFF BY CLOTURE RULING

Senate Votes 78 to 6 in Favor of Suspension of Further Talk-Talk

FIRST TIME IN HISTORY

Action, Which Is Without Precedent, Results in Speeding Up Action

Washington, Nov. 15.—A closure to shut down debate on the peace treaty was adopted today in the senate. The vote was 78 to 6.

Republicans and democratic leaders voted together for the cloture which means that until the treaty is disposed of no senator may speak in all more than one hour. It was estimated that the step would bring final action within a week.

The action in voting cloture for the first time in the senate's history resulted in an immediate speeding up of the reservation program the next reservation on the committee's list being adopted within one minute without debate or a roll call. It related to mandates.

The text of the reservation adopted follows: "No mandate shall be accepted by the United States under article 22 part 1 or any other provision of the treaty of peace with Germany except by action of the congress of the United States."

In taking up the committee reservation relative to retention by this government of control over domestic questions the senate by a vote of 52 to 43 rejected a substitute proposed by senator Hitchcock.

INSURGENTS BREAK IN BEHIND FORCES OF RUSS GENERAL

London, Nov. 15.—The eastern coast of the Black sea from Yelzenikh to Sochy has been seized by an insurgent army of 70,000 men operating in the rear of the forces of General Denikin, the anti-Bolshevik leader on the southwest Russian front, according to a wireless dispatch from Moscow. Soviets have been formed the dispatch adds. General Demkin has allotted troops to suppress the rioting.

REAL WINTER IS NOW ON THE JOB

Stewart City, Yukon Territory, Nov. 14.—All doubts as to the arrival of winter in the Yukon have been removed. Although cold weather came without warning early in October and a brief thaw followed with a promise of Indian summer, the real Arctic brand has set in. Temperatures of 15 below zero and colder have been recorded.

The short period of warm weather, following the first freeze, was worth thousands of dollars to marine men as several boats which were frozen on the Yukon, were released and made their winter quarters. One of the few steamers which failed to break from the ice was the Nasutlin, which was caught in a jam near here.

Hunting parties which sought caribou in this region barely managed to get back to civilization before the permanent cold spell.

RED AMBASSADOR TO U. S. ARRESTED

New York, N. Y., Nov. 15.—Ludwig C. K. A. Martens, who styled himself as ambassador to the United States from the soviet government of Russia, was arrested here today by a deputy sheriff and a corporal of the state constabulary after he had been adjudged in contempt of the joint legislative committee investigating radical activities.

BIG MINNEAPOLIS MILL IS ON FIRE

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 15.—Fire which started at 12:30 p. m. today in the feed bin of the Occidental Mill of the Northwestern Occidental Milling Co. brought nearly all of the fire apparatus in the city to the scene. The blaze is threatening to spread to the Consolidated Milling Company's elevator adjacent. The fire was of unknown origin. The mill is one of the oldest in Minneapolis. It was built in 1883.

FRAZIER TODAY IN POSSESSION OF STATE MINES

Chief Executive Controls Labor of 1,500 Men and 70 Per Cent of Output

HOPES MANAGERS STICK

Military Commanders Placed in Charge of Properties Are Not Experienced

North Dakota's state coal mines shipped 23 carloads of coal to 20 different points in the state yesterday advised J. W. Deemy, Governor Frazier's state fuel director, today. These shipments are being made on a priority basis from orders which accumulated on the books of the properties which the state now is operating during the week's idleness enforced by order of the district president of the mine workers.

Adjutant General Fraser has received advice from practically all of the companies whose properties have been confiscated by order of Governor Frazier to the effect that they yield under protest and only to military force. A majority of the mines taken over by the state now are operating. The Burlington and Wallace mines at Burlington and the Red Trail mine at Medora are among the latest to report.

Capt. Underwood of Enderlin reported for duty with the state militia today and was assigned to Wilton to assist Capt. L. B. Biard. Capt. Martell of Bismarck has been sworn into the state militia and is attached to Governor Frazier's office. No bloodshed is reported to date from any of the lignite fronts.

Governor Lynn J. Frazier under his proclamation of martial law has completed seizure by military force of North Dakota's 34 organized lignite mines, and he is now in control of seventy percent of the coal production in North Dakota. The first mine to resume operation under state control was the Washburn Lignite Co.'s property at Wilton, which employs 300 union miners, who returned to work Friday morning after a week's idleness. State militiamen dispatched to other fields to seize the mines there were expected to be in possession by nightfall and it was believed that a majority of the mines would be in operation Saturday morning.

These 34 mines normally employ about 1,500 members of the United Mine Workers. Many of these miners are farmers, who avail themselves of an opportunity to make good wages during the winter months and who have been compelled to join the union. The wages of these miners range from \$5 to \$12 per day under the new wage scale made effective last January, and which, under the contract which District President Drennan set aside when he called the miners out, would have continued until Sept. 30, 1920. This contract contained a clause giving the miners of North Dakota the benefit of any increase in wages made effective in any other state.

President Drennan called these 1,500 miners out when the operators declined to consent to his demands that an increase of sixty percent in wages be allowed by the operators, and that this increase be collected as dues and assessments are collected from union miners and paid into Mr. Drennan's hands, to be used in the payment of strike benefits in other states, where the miners are out. President Drennan insisted that this increase in wages could be passed on to the consumer, and in his proclamation of martial law Governor Frazier declared he considered Drennan's demands reasonable, in view of the fact that they would involve no financial loss to the operators. The operators declined to accept this proposal when advised by M. A. Hildreth, United States district attorney, that to do so would be in violation of the federal injunction then in force, prohibiting the use of union funds for strike benefits.

Governor Frazier hopes that the present mine managements will remain at their posts and operate the mines under his direction. The men whom Governor Frazier mustered into the state militia and placed in charge of the state mines are not experienced in mining, nor, for the most part, in any executive capacity. At Wilton the Washburn mines were reopened under the direction of John Hanwell, state mine inspector, who was succeeded during the day by J. W. Deemy manager of a mining property at Kenmare in which a number of associates of President Townley are interested, and whom Governor Frazier has constituted state fuel director.

The usual avenues of distribution are to be used, the governor, announces. Maximum retail prices will be fixed, and any dealer who asks more will be given no credit. Adjutant General Fraser, de facto mine manager for the state, has been instructed by the governor to pay the operators a royalty of from ten cents to 25 cents per ton, as compared with an ordinary profit of forty cents, which has been the state average. Nothing has been said as to the disposition of the balance which presumably will accrue to the state.

North Dakota largely depends on the product of its own mines which average about 2,000,000 tons of lignite per annum. The government has fixed the price of this coal at \$2.90 per ton at the mouth of the mine, and it retails around \$3. Acceptance of President Drennan's suggestion would have added from \$1.50 to \$2 per ton (Continued on Page Four.)