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RAILROAD EXECUTIVES WARNED THAT MEN CAN'T BE RESTRAINED

REPRESENTATIVES OF BROTHERHOODS SAY MEN WILL BE RESTRAINED WITH DIFFICULTY UNLESS EXECUTIVES TAKE SOME ACTION.

Railroad Presidents Worked Steadily Yesterday Carefully Comparing Their Statement to President Wilson, but Have Not Yet Taken a Final Vote on the Reply to the President—As Outlined Unofficially, the Reply of the Railroad Executives Will Decline to Concede the Eight-Hour Day without Arbitration and an Investigation of its Application to Railroaders Although Making Some Concessions as to Collateral Issues—Brotherhood Leaders Declare that Only Unqualified Concessions by the Roads Granting Eight-Hour Day Can Prevent Big Strike.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—The railroad executives held a brief meeting this afternoon at 5 o'clock, when little was discussed the meeting adjourned until 8 o'clock tonight.

The brotherhood representatives after waiting until 5:30 for some message from the White House, adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10:30.

More than one hundred of the committee of six hundred and forty left for their homes. The executives said the situation is "absolutely unchanged."

Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—The threatened railroad strike took on added intensity today, as the railway executives continued their deliberations over a form of counter proposal to Wilson's plan, and the brotherhood leaders silently waited their next move.

The railroad executives were told by the men's leaders that they expected difficulty in restraining them after tonight.

The railroad presidents worked steadily all morning, and the forepart of the afternoon, carefully phrasing their statement to Wilson, but have not taken a final vote on it.

As outlined unofficially, they decline to concede the eight-hour day without arbitration, and an investigation of application to railroading, but make some concessions as to the collateral issues.

Among the brotherhood officials this afternoon, it was declared that only unqualified concessions by the railroads of the eight-hour day or action of congress by taking over the railroads for government operation could prevent a big strike.

Wilson Goes to Capitol. Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—President Wilson went to the capitol today, presumably in connection with the strike situation.

BRITISH VESSEL TORPEDOED. Auxiliary Vessel Sunk in North Sea With Loss of 23 Lives.

London, Aug. 26.—The torpedoing in the North Sea of a British naval auxiliary with a loss of twenty-three men, was announced officially today. Eighty-seven, including eleven officers were saved.

RAILROADS GET MORE TIME.

Readjustment of Freight Rates From Shreveport is Continued.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—The adjustment of the freight rates recently ordered by the interstate commerce commission to become effective from Shreveport to East Texas points on October 1, has been postponed until November 1, in order to allow the railroads more time.

Senator LaFollette's compromise with the reactionaries marks the end of a political career that had many admirers.

WEATHER FORECAST. New Orleans, La., Aug. 25.—The weather forecast for Oklahoma for Sunday is generally fair.

APPLICATIONS COMING IN FOR FLOOR SPACE

EXHIBITS AT THE FAIR PROMISE TO BE LARGE AND VARIED. EARLY APPLICANTS TAKING ENTHUSIASTIC INTEREST.

That the exhibits at the county fair will be fully representative is indicated by enquiries now reaching Felix West from the very remote part of the county in which men want to know exactly when they shall bring in their stock and exhibits and other particulars.

The work on the grand stand will not be commenced until the finance committee make its report. The committee do not think that any grand stand should be attempted unless it was a permanent one with all factors of safety.

The work on the big exposition building is about complete and the new graders and tractors of the county will be out there Monday to do the shaping up of the driveways and the roads in the fair grounds.

The Bass Furniture Co., Madden & Co., The City Drug Co., Miss Cecele R. West, Raines Harness and Saddlery Co., Krueger Shoe Co., Bomar Drug Co., Ardmoreite, are among the early applicants for both spaces and it is expected that a large number of booths will be taken up.

FIFTEEN HUNDRED GET BY.

Many Guardsmen Have Persons Dependent Upon Them.

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 26.—Fifteen hundred and eight guardsmen with persons dependent upon them for support have been discharged from border duty, it was announced today at Fort Sam Houston.

ENEMY LANDS' BIG ARMY ON LONG ISLAND

DEFENDING SQUADRON DESTROYED IN BIG NAVAL WAR GAME AND ARMY OF INVADERS WERE LANDED ON SHORE.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—The defending squadrons in the giant naval war game, under Admiral Helm have been "destroyed" by the hostile fleet under Admiral Mayor and this afternoon the invading army was theoretically landed on Long Island.

Now that the Board of County Commissioners has begun decorating the grounds on the north side of the court house, a suggestion is most timely that they install a fountain on the west side in the plat left for that purpose, but now used for a flower garden.

ROUMANIA'S ATTITUDE HOLDS ATTENTION OF BOTH SIDES IN EUROPEAN WAR



UPPER—CROWN PRINCE CHARLES AND PREMIER BRATIANU OF ROUMANIA. LOWER—ROUMANIAN SOLDIERS

International correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt. Roumania is preparing for war, according to Dr. Lederer, telegraphic dispatch from Dr. Lederer said: "There is ground for some uneasiness as to the attitude of Roumania. The outward life of the city is greatly changed. Gay Bukharest has become a grave city, and all like signs in public life indicate that everybody is preparing for eventualities, and that the country is getting ready for war. I still believe that Premier Bratianu is playing a game with Russia. In political negotiations at Bukharest, Von Hindenburg is now playing the foremost role." All the Paris morning newspapers commented at length on the possibility of Roumania joining in the war. The meetings that are in progress in Bukharest are taken to mean that all the various developments in the situation are being seriously considered. The statement is made on good authority that the number of Roumanian troops that can be mobilized exceeds 800,000. It was reported recently that the Teutonic power had offered territory to Roumania as a compensation for keeping out of the war. Photographs show Roumanian soldiers, Crown Prince Charles or Roumania and Bratianu.

BULGARS CAPTURE GREEK FORT OF SARTILLA AFTER KILLING GARRISON

SPIRITED RESISTANCE OFFERED BY GREEK TROOPS, BUT THEY WERE OUTNUMBERED AND OVERPOWERED BY THE BULGARIANS.

Following Heavy Bombardment Germans Friday Night Launched Infantry Attacks West of Tahure in Champagne District, Where they Penetrated French Positions but Were Later Driven Out—Repulse of Germans on Somme and Verdun Fronts Claimed by Paris—Germans Unable to Make Progress Between Fleury and Thiaumont—Greeks Hold Mass Meetings Protesting Against Bulgarian Occupation of Greek Territory—Shouts for Former Premier Venizelos—London Reports Repulse of Heavy Attacks by Prussian Guard on British Positions at Thiepval.

The Bulgarians have attacked and captured the Greek fort of Sartilla, after killing the commander and the entire garrison which offered spirited resistance, says a Saloniki dispatch to the Paris Matin. The dispatch was dated August 23, but was delayed in transmission. After an intense bombardment last night, the Germans launched an infantry attack west of Tahure in the Champagne district. They penetrated the French position there, but were subsequently expelled, according to a Paris statement. The German attacks on the Somme and Verdun fronts were repulsed. On the Verdun front, the Germans attacked between Fleury and Thiaumont, but were unable to make any advance. Heavy attacks by the Prussian guard against the British positions at Thiepval on the Somme front were repulsed by the British, London announced today. A Bulgarian official statement from Sofia says that after severe fighting on the Bulgarian right wing or the Macedonian front, the Serbians have been defeated with heavy losses and were compelled to retire. Eighteen consecutive attacks were made by the Serbians. A Berlin version of the Somme fighting says the British attacks in the Thiepval sector and the French attacks near Maurepas were repulsed. Forty-six prisoners were taken

when the French trenches were raided in Champagne.

Mass Meeting in Greece. Saloniki, Aug. 26.—A large popular mass meeting was held here last night to protest against the Bulgarian occupation of Greek territory. The meeting was accompanied by shouts for former premier Venizelos and the singing of national anthems.

NEGRO MOBBED ATTACKED WIFE OF OIL DRILLER

JESS HAMMETT TAKEN FROM JAIL AT VIVIAN, LOUISIANA, NORTH OF SHREVEPORT YESTERDAY AND LYNCHED.

Shreveport, La., Aug. 26.—Jess Hammett, a negro, accused of entering the bedroom of the wife of an oil driller and attempting to criminally assault her, was taken from the jail at Vivian, twenty miles north of here this afternoon by a mob and lynched.

Colonel Jack Passed Through. Col. Jack Love, chairman of the state corporation commission, was in the city yesterday. He had been to Madill to hear a complaint made against the ice, light and power company of that city.

SHIP WRECKED IN BEHRING SEA

CARRYING ARCTIC EXPEDITION OF JOHN BORDEN AND CAPTAIN LANE WRECKED AUG. TENTH.

ALL WERE SAVED

The Vessel Was a Total Loss, But Entire Party Landed Safely on St. Mathews Island, Where They Were Found by Guard Cutter.

On Board Coast Guard Cutter McCullough, (via wireless to Seattle), Aug. 26.—The power schooner Great Bear, carrying the Arctic expedition headed by John Borden of Chicago and Captain Lane of Seattle, was wrecked on a rock in Behring Sea on August 10.

The vessel was a total loss, but the entire party landed safely on St. Mathews Island. There they were found yesterday by the McCullough.

WHY ARDMORE CANNOT GET CONVENTIONS

AT PRESENT HAS NOTHING TO OFFER—NEXT MEETING OF FEDERATION OF LABOR GOES TO McALESTER.

"At the recent meeting of the State Federation of Labor at Tulsa, Ardmore was suggested as the place for holding the next annual meeting, but Ardmore did not succeed for two reasons. First, there is not an adequate hall in the city where a convention of this size could be held; and secondly, the hotel accommodations in this city have been notorious throughout the state, and large conventions are not likely to be held in cities where these two most essential features are lacking.

Plans are well under way for both a hotel and convention hall, but until both are erected it is idle to dream that Ardmore will be able to secure conventions of any sort. Several could have been held here the past year had the necessary accommodations been available, but were taken to other cities that possess the very things that Ardmore lacks."

The above, expressed by a prominent union labor man of this city, who attended the convention, about expresses all there is to say about the matter. Ardmore has not the essentials at present to attract conventions, but a new hotel is practically assured and the mayor, heading a committee of business men, are even now making investigations in Missouri and Kansas, and will report on their findings this week.

The funds are available for the convention hall, the site has been purchased and bonds voted, and as soon as the committee returns plans will be drawn and bids asked for. Just when work on the new hotel will begin has not been announced, but it has been reported that one or two large construction companies are ready to submit plans and bids.

Making Success on Farm.

Clifton Barnes was here yesterday from Marsden. Clifton has 41 head of hogs, but says his corn crop is rather light and he will be unable to carry all his porkers over. He has been on the farm now about three years, and is doing well, although he has been held back on account of droughts.

Remember Monday Night.

If you are a member of the Chamber of Commerce, be at the annual meeting at the club rooms Monday night. If you ought to take membership with this live organization, be on hand and subscribe your name to be by-law, pay your dues and be a member of that city.