

FRENCH GAIN ON FRONT OF FIVE MILES

Take German First Line Trenches From Barleux to Soyecourt.

PUSH FORWARD EAST FROM HARDECOURT

Capture Trenches Along Combles-Clery Railroad, North of River Somme—French Operations Now Close to Right Flank of British Advance—Bombardment of Avocourt and Chattancourt is Continuous.

Today's official statement from London shows that the British are continuing their attempt to regain the ground lost in the strong German counter attack near the Somme. Progress in the Delville wood and in Longueval is reported and the British lines also have been moved forward north of the Longueval-Basentin line.

Unofficial reports from Petrograd announce the development of a great battle in the Carpathians where the Austrians are checking the Russian advance into Hungary. The French have resumed the driving offensive on the Somme in north France. According to this afternoon's Paris bulletin the German first line trenches from Barleux to Soyecourt, south of the Somme, a distance of five miles, fell into French hands.

North of the river the French attack pushed east from Hardecourt and carried trenches along the Combles-Clery railway. The operations here are close to the right flank of the British advance, Combles being little more than three miles southeast of Longueval.

Hard fighting continues on the Austro-Italian front. Vienna says artillery engagements at many points increased activity, extending even to the Bozente front. In last night's fighting in the Verdun region, Paris says, progress was made west of the Thiaumont works north of the citadel, and reports the capture of a strong fortified German post south of Fleury.

Paris, July 20.—French attacks in the Somme region were delivered last night on both sides of the river. On the north bank trenches in the Hardecourt sector were taken, while south of the river all the German front line trenches between Barleux and Soyecourt fell into French hands.

An announcement of the French successes is made in this afternoon war office bulletin. The trenches taken on the north bank run from Hardecourt-Mamelon to the east of Hardecourt, along the railway from Combles to Clery. Four hundred prisoners were taken in this operation.

Artillery Active Near Verdun. In the Verdun sector there was a continuous bombardment of Avocourt and Chattancourt sectors on the left bank of the Meuse with a grenade engagement to the north east of Hill No. 304.

On the east bank of the Meuse the French progressed west of the Thiaumont earth works, while to the south of Fleury they took a strong fortified German post, together with 150 prisoners.

A German aeroplane was brought down in the Somme region east of Peronne.

Great Battle Developing. London, July 20.—A wireless message from Rome says it is reported from Petrograd that a great battle is developing at Jablonitz, the results of which thus far have favored the Russians. In addition to the heavy fighting in the Carpathians the message adds, the Russian offensive has been resumed before Kovel and Vladimir-Volynski and the Riga area.

Russians Occupy Kugi. Petrograd, via London, July 20.—The war office announced today that Kugi, an important point in the Caucasus, was occupied by the Russians on Tuesday.

German U-Boat Captured. London, July 20.—The first official announcement that Great Britain had taken a German submarine of the U-35 type class, was made in the house of commons today by Thomas McNamara, financial secretary of the admiralty, who said that one of these boats would be brought to London to be viewed by the public.

Aerial Raider Wrecked. London, July 20.—The Zeppelin which recently raided Riga was hit several times by Russian anti-aircraft guns and wrecked, near Pukum, according to a Central News dispatch from The Hague, quoting reports received from Cologne. The majority of the crew who saved and German engineers rescued the engine and other parts of the machinery.

Turks Claim Successes. Constantinople, via London, July 20.—Turkish victories in Persia and the Caucasus were announced today by the war office. The statement says: "East of Siah (Persia) Russian forces which attacked our men were driven off. They left behind great numbers of dead. "In the Caucasus, on our right wing, our advance posts made successful surprise attacks."

trians repulsed three strong battalion attacks near Borcolk pass, the official statement issued yesterday at Vienna says. "There was heavy artillery fighting." It adds, "At Pella Raibler we captured a machine gun. Tarvis was shelled by the enemy."

Check Allies' Attacks. Berlin, July 20.—A war office announcement says that a strong British attack north and west of Fromelles was defeated, the British being ejected by assaults wherever they entered the German trenches.

Repeated French attacks south of the Somme were repulsed by the Germans, the report announced today. The French and British artillery developed to a pitch of greatest intensity on both sides.

GERMANS AGAIN OUSTED. British Troops Again in Possession of Longueval and Delville. London, July 20.—The British troops have recaptured in the village of Longueval and Delville wood most of the ground taken by the Germans Tuesday night, according to the British official communication. Hard fighting is still in progress in this region.

The capture of these points by the Germans Tuesday night was heralded in Berlin as the greatest success for the Germans in counter attacking the British front since the allied offensive began.

With Longueval in their hands the Germans were able, not only to hold up the British advance toward Baupreme over the highway from Bray, but also could check any further advance by the French north of the Somme.

Their success, however, was destined to be short lived and once more the British command the chief route forward in General Haig's wedge-like drive into the enemy's lines.

Fight Through Night. When General Haig's afternoon report was dispatched from headquarters in France, the violent fighting, which, developing from the German counter attack, had been going on all night long, was still in progress. The German attacks on the Waterloo farm and other points were repulsed.

In his brief dispatch General Haig, in addition to reporting the recapturing of the lost ground, stated that the British fire had dispersed the Germans massing for a further attack on the Waterloo farm. These dispatches seem to confirm the opinions constantly expressed by the correspondents at the front of the dwindling strength of the German counter attacks.

The night communication says: "North of the Somme heavy fighting is still in progress in Longueval village and the Delville wood. In both places we have already regained most of the ground lost last night. "South of Delville wood this afternoon we dispersed with our fire a large body of Germans massing to attack Waterloo farm from the direction of Guellemont."

WHY EXPENSE IS GREATER. Reginald McKenna Explains Reason For Increased Expenditures. London, July 20.—Explaining the increase in the government rate of expenditure to 6,000,000 pounds daily, Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, said in the house of commons today that the figures related not only to war expenses but to total outgoings.

The unforeseen and unforeseeable causes which had raised the rate of expenditure, added the chancellor, were mainly the rate at which American securities have been sold to the government for the purpose of regulating American exchange and the rate at which advances made to allies and dominions of Great Britain were drawn upon. The concurrence of these two causes has led to the exhaustion of his borrowing powers earlier than was expected.

Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, declared in the house of commons today that he did not think there was any reason to suppose the censorship now exercised regarding press messages to the United States was as all likely to interfere with the continuation of friendly relations of the two countries. The censorship, added the lord, was established for military reasons and its abolition or modification could not be evoked upon non-military grounds.

A member had advocated abolition of the censorship to show England's confidence in the United States.

FLOOD DEATH TOLL NOW SEVENTY-THREE List of Flood Dead Constantly Increasing as Channels of Communication Are Restored—Western North Carolina Suffers Greatly. Asheville, N. C., July 20.—The list of deaths from Sunday's flood in five southeastern states, which has been growing constantly, as channels of communication were restored, stood at seventy-three today, with nine persons still missing. Most of the deaths have been in western North Carolina.

Property loss also has been heavy. This has been confined to a great extent to the Carolinas but adjacent portions of Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia also suffered. It was thought Tuesday that \$15,000,000 would cover all loss of property.

Efforts were being continued today by relief committees to care for flood sufferers. It will be weeks before all railroads will be normal again.

READY TO LAUNCH CAMPAIGN. G. O. P. Committee Members Meet to Plan Hughes Tour. New York, July 20.—William R. Wilcox, chairman of the republican national committee, called the campaign committee together here today for the first time to discuss the general features of the republican campaign which opens actively early next month with a month's tour by Charles E. Hughes thru the west.

EXPECT TO TAKE BANDIT LEADER

Capture of Francisco Villa Said to Be Momentarily Expected.

HIDING IN SMALL CHIHUAHUA TOWN

Messenger Sent to Obtain Medical Aid Discloses Hiding Place of Chief — Carranza Troops Immediately Dispatched to Seize Rebel Leader — Settlement of Differences Between United States and Mexico Near.

Galveston, Tex., July 20.—The capture of Francisco Villa by the forces of the de facto government is momentarily expected, according to a cablegram received today by Juan A. Mateos, Mexican consul here. This says that yesterday a Villa messenger was taken by Carranza troops. This messenger is said to have told where Villa was located and a force of cavalry was sent to get him. The messenger reported that Villa was ill and seeking medical aid.

The name of the small town where Villa is said to be is not given in the message to Consul Mateos. It is understood to be in the state of Chihuahua not far from Chihuahua City.

VILLA BAND NEAR AMADOR. Surrounded by Carranza Force of 4,000 Men, Mostly Cavalry. Chihuahua City, July 20.—Villa and his main band are in the vicinity of Amador, about thirty miles south of the Durango line, according to reports received from General Matias Ramos, at General Trevino's headquarters, Sunday. The message, which was relayed from Rosales, General Ramos' base, and sent at Tepic by General Laveaga, was meager because of the difficulty of communication.

General Trevino, however, said that the government troops have a band which consists of about 800 men, surrounded by Carranza's forces. Reports from the garrison at Guanacachi indicate that should the bandits attempt to push on south, the garrison at that point is prepared to reinforce General Ramos, who commands a force of about 4,000 men, largely cavalry.

Announcement was also made at the Comandancia today that Gen. Luis Calahorra, once governor of the state of Tamaulipas and more recently stationed at Mexico City, has arrived in Tampico to assume command of the fifth division of the army of the north-east, relieving General Nafarrate, ordered to the capital.

Chihuahua Shops Closed. Chihuahua City, Mexico, July 20.—Practically all the merchants closed their doors today asserting that they could no longer continue to do business at a profit at the silver exchange rate fixed by the authorities of the de facto government for the new issue of Carranza currency.

Francisco Trevino, civil governor of Chihuahua, at once called a mass meeting at which the merchants detailed their complaints and a committee was named to place the complaints before the national monetary commission in Mexico City. Pending a decision from the commission, however, the shops must remain open, the governor ordered.

SETTLEMENT IS NEAR. Joint Commission Only Lacks Approval of Executives of Countries. Washington, July 20.—Announcement that settlement of differences between the United States and Mexico will be made thru a joint commission is looked for in the near future. Only final approval by President Wilson and General Carranza is lacking, it was said.

Powers to be conferred on a commission, if one is agreed on, have formed one of the chief points of the discussion in preliminary negotiations between Acting Secretary Polk and Eliseo Arredondo, the Mexican ambassador designate. Already reports have gone to Secretary Lansing, now on a vacation, and to the Mexican government.

Henry P. Fletcher, the American ambassador designate to Mexico, will go to his post in Mexico City soon after Aug. 1, if the situation continues to clear, it is understood today.

Camp Conditions Excellent. Washington, July 20.—Major General Bliss, has reported to the war department that his inspection of the New York National Guard division now on the border found it comfortably sheltered, in excellent health and with a sick report that practically was negligible.

Regarding the food supply, he said the unanimous opinion of all officers was that rations were excellent in quality, the only criticism of the men being due to a monotony resulting from deficiency of certain components intended to give an agreeable variety. Necessities for a variety for the border climate are being supplied as rapidly as possible.

Reinforce Border Patrol. Marathon, Tex., July 20.—Company K, Tenth Pennsylvania Infantry left here today aboard motor trucks to reinforce the border patrol at Glenn Springs, ninety miles south.

Word received from Boquillas today said that the body of Private Thomas Haas, of Company M, of the Tenth Pennsylvania, who was drowned in the Rio Grande, has been found and buried there.

NEW HUNGARIAN PARTY.

Count Michael Karolyi, President of Independent Faction. Berlin, by wireless to Sayville, July 20.—Count Michael Karolyi, member of the Hungarian lower house of parliament, has been made president of a new independent party. In his opening speech, says the Overseas News Agency, he said:

"In order to avoid misunderstanding it was necessary to emphasize the fact that there is no difference of opinion in Hungary as to our sole duty, which is to defend the country without discussing reasons, inasmuch as it was attacked by the enemy."

It was reported from Budapest on July 18 that Count Karolyi had resigned the presidency of the Hungarian independent party and would form a new party which would demand immediate peace between Hungary and its enemies, with or without the consent of Germany and Austria.

ENTIRE THIRD IOWA TO ENTRAIN TODAY

Cars Provided for Transportation of Entire Regiment and Original Plans, Which Provided Only for Departure of One Battalion, Are Changed. Des Moines, July 20.—The Third Iowa infantry, under command of Col. E. R. Bennett, will entrain some time today for Brownsville, Tex., says the statement made today by Brig. Gen. Hubert A. Allen, commander of troops at the Iowa mobilization camp. He said that enough cars were here and that plans, which at first had provided only for the departure of the first battalion of the Third regiment, had been changed to include the entire regiment.

General Allen said: "I have been advised by the traffic men that enough tourist sleepers will be here to move the entire Third regiment today. I can not say when these cars will be brought to camp, nor what the hour of departure will be. In any case, the entire regiment can be moved within the next twelve or eighteen hours."

Tents were struck at camp and assembled in such a way as to make loading a matter of a few hours. It is believed that the men and equipment will be sent on the railroads as was planned at the start, but that the battalion trains will follow one another much more closely than was planned in first arrangements.

It is thought probable that there may be some delay in moving the rest of the brigade. It was said that the rest of the brigade will be moved in a few days. The men will be held here until cars of that sort are available and then shipped out a battalion at a time.

Gen. George Morgan, chief muster officer at the camp, said this afternoon that the Second Iowa infantry probably will leave here Saturday. The cavalry, artillery and engineers are to move the first of next week, he said.

It was said this afternoon that there probably would be no movement of troops before 6 o'clock tonight. Twenty-one tourist sleepers will be taken to the camp about 2:30 today and the loading of men and equipment is expected to begin as soon as the heat of the day passes.

John H. Rice, in charge of traffic arrangements, confirmed the report that the men will go by today. Each brigade will have a train to itself under the command of a colonel. Arrangements are being made to have the men's equipment on the same train on which the soldiers ride.

Each train will consist of sufficient box cars to carry the baggage, flat cars for the wagons, two kitchen cars and seven tourist sleepers.

The officers will occupy three standard Pullmans, the time of leaving of the first train was set unofficially for 7 tonight.

General Allen and his staff will remain at Camp Dodge until all troops have gone. Then he will follow.

ENTHUSIASTIC DRYS WOULD FORCE ACTION

Attempt to Effect Adoption of Platform Before Draft is Printed and Copies Distributed—Strong Anti-Preparedness Plan Inserted. St. Paul, July 20.—Efforts to effect adoption of the resolutions committee's draft of a platform without first printing and distributing copies to delegates this noon precipitated the prohibition national convention. The advocates of consideration and adoption of the platform at once receded from their position and William Shaw, who headed the effort to expedite consideration of the platform, withdrew his motion. The convention then recessed till 2 o'clock.

For ten minutes the convention was in an uproar, delegates standing on chairs and shouting, while Chairman Patton vainly pounded to restore order. The delegates evidently desired to have deliberate discussion of the various planks in the proposed platform before taking up the question of adoption. Former Governor Sulzer, of New York, did not appear before the convention as an aspirant for the prohibition nomination for president.

The proposed platform led off with strong declarations for nation-wide prohibition and woman suffrage. These were followed by anti-preparedness and peace planks. Reciprocal trade treaties with foreign nations and a federal trade commission of specialists were recommended.

Taking up the Mexican situation, the platform declared that "democratic party has blundered and the republicans evaded the responsibility."

DEPARTURE OF U-BOAT NEAR

Deutschland Expected to Slip Out of Baltimore Harbor By Night.

CAPTAIN KOENIG DONS HIS UNIFORM

Skipper Returns to Regulation Garb, Discarded on Arrival Here, Lending Color to Rumors That Submersible Will Leave America at Once—Studies Chart of Chesapeake Bay—Commander Not to Leave Vessel Again.

Baltimore, July 20.—Prepared to leave port at any time, Capt. Paul Koenig, of the Deutschland submarine steamer, put on his uniform today for the first time since he landed here, eleven days ago and for several hours this morning studied the charts of the Patuxent river and Chesapeake bay with Capt. Frederick Hansch, commander of the North German Lloyd liner Neckar.

When Captain Koenig went back on the submarine he took with him a duplicate manifest of the ship's cargo. Another copy was ready to be taken to the customs house. Captain Koenig said he would not leave his ship again and indicated an early departure but said nothing that would give an idea just when the submersible would leave. It was understood the Deutschland's engines and submerging machinery had been given a final test and were found to be in good condition.

Screened From Sight by Tugs. At dawn today a screen of tugs and barges was drawn about the Deutschland submarine, indicating that she would not leave here for some hours at least. To all appearance she was ready to go on her voyage to Germany last night. This morning just before she was hidden from view, it was observed that she was submerged to about the same depth as when she came into the harbor.

Yesterday a force of mechanics was sent on board the boat to help the crew's mechanic overhaul the engines. One of the engines was dismounted and hurried in an automobile to a local shop for finishing.

The tub Pimmins, which has been guarding the submersible since she came here, played its searchlight all thru the night over land and water, covering all approaches to the pier where the submarine is lying.

Several times in the night strange launches were seen hovering about the waters near the submarine and at once a motor boat containing a representative of the vessel's owners was put out to ascertain their identity.

INQUIRY WILL BE MADE. Charges of Mismanagement at Ellis Island to Be Investigated. New York, July 20.—A survey of conditions at the federal immigration stations at Ellis Island will be made by Representative Isaac Seigie, of New York. Seigie was asked by Frederick Burnett of the immigration committee of the house to find out whether the conditions alleged by Representative W. S. Bennett to exist at the island warranted an investigation.

Mr. Bennett's charges of immorality and mismanagement on Ellis Island are denied in a statement by Frederick C. Howe, commissioner of immigration.

"The trouble," he said, "began when I requested the department of labor to take over the private contract for the feeding of immigrants at the island. I wanted the government to do it right, and take the element of profit out of it. Mr. Bennett introduced an amendment to the sundry civil bill which denied the government that right. The contract in normal times amounts to hundreds of thousands of dollars."

DR. HARRIS MAY RECOVER. Police Endeavor to Clear Up Mystery of Death of Celia Adams. Boston, July 20.—Dr. Wilfred E. Harris, president of the Massachusetts College of Osteopathy today had a "fighting chance" to recover from the three bullet wounds inflicted Tuesday by Dr. Eldridge D. Atwood, also an osteopath. Meanwhile the police are endeavoring to clear up the mystery of the death by poison of Dr. Celia Adams, Dr. Atwood's fiancée, a few hours before the shooting of Dr. Harris.

Dr. Atwood said he left Miss Adams about 11 o'clock Monday night at the Park street subway station and that he first heard the next morning that she had been found unconscious in her office. It was said by the police that she regained consciousness for a moment and made attempts to speak to a physician who asked her if she had taken poison. She did not answer but nodded. Dr. Atwood is in jail on a charge of intent to kill.

Temporary insanity will be the defense of Dr. Atwood when he is brought to trial unless present plans are changed. It was intimated today, a pro disposition to insanity probably will be established if this is possible.

BUY BASEBALL OUTFITS. Iowa Guardsmen Purchase Equipment With Convention Fund. Des Moines, July 20.—The Iowa national guards are not only equipped for war—they are completely equipped for the national pastime. Yesterday evening an immense shipment of baseball paraphernalia was delivered at brigade headquarters.

It was the gift of the republican and democratic conventions to the Iowa troops, the money coming from collections taken at the two conventions. There are brand new baseball suits

NEWS OF THE DAY

T.-R. BULLETIN.

The Weather. Sun rises July 21 at 4:46; sets at 7:26. Iowa—Fair tonight and Friday; somewhat warmer Friday.

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Telegraphic News: French Gain On Front of Five Miles. Occupy German First Line Trenches. Departure of U-Boat Expected Today. Mexicans Expect to Take Bandit Leader. Villa Hiding in Chihuahua Village. Fix New Rates on Pedigreed Stock. PAGES TWO, THREE, FOUR, FIVE

lowa News: Wilson's Friends Threaten to Bolt Harding. Platform Adopted by Iowa Republicans. Insane Murderer Arrested at Clinton. Severe Storm at Cedar Rapids; One Dead. Iowa Troops to Depart For Mexican Border Today. Wounded Soldier Tells of Border Raid. Wells Engineer of Reclamation Project.

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Editorial: The Republican Convention. A Vanished Hat. The Attorney Generalship. Topics of the Times. Iowa Opinion and Notes. PAGES SEVEN, EIGHT, NINE, TEN, ELEVEN.

City News: Train Victim Probably Another in List of "Unknown Dead." Ansons Take Double Bill From Dodgers. Former Marshalltown Boy to Naval Academy. Mrs. E. B. Willim Dead. General and Brief City News.

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Markets and General: Black Rust Damage Makes Wheat Firmer. Corn Advance in Sympathy With Wheat. Strange Changes in Political Germany. Hog Trade is Unsettled. Cattle Market is Weak.

for teams from every unit. The suits are gray, with the name of the different organizations in red letters. Each regiment and corresponding units has a dozen baseballs and a dozen bats and there are dozens of gloves and masks.

EPIDEMIC CAUSES THIRTY-ONE DEATHS

More Fatalities From Infantile Paralysis in New York, in Past Twenty-Four Hours, Than on Any Previous Day, Save One. New York, July 20.—The latest figures show that on only one day since the infantile paralysis epidemic started, on June 26, has more fatalities from the disease occurred than in the last twenty-four hours. During this period the plague killed thirty-one children and there were 119 new cases reported to the five boroughs of New York City.

The latest figures show that the mortality rate is slightly less than 20 per cent. Since the beginning of the epidemic there have been 457 deaths and 2,446 cases.

SECOND DEATH IN IOWA. Eighteen-Months-Old Moulton Child Is Infantile Paralysis Victim. Des Moines, July 20.—The state board of health yesterday received the report of the death of an 18-months-old child at Moulton, of infantile paralysis. The case was reported by the mayor. This is the second death from this disease to be reported in Iowa, the other being that of Joseph Skallebol, a 7-year-old boy at Inwood.

One case was reported yesterday from Rolfe and another from Bettendorf. The latter is that of an 8-year-old girl, Elsie Nutting. This makes eleven cases to be reported thus far in July.

Dr. G. H. Sumner, secretary of the state board of health, is directing the preparedness measures against infantile paralysis in Iowa from the hospital. He is under treatment for an injured hip which he hurt last winter during the icy weather. He is in good health otherwise and is taking a tremendous interest in fighting the plague.

The bulletins, first prepared in 1911, following the experience here with the infantile paralysis in 1910, have been reprinted. They are being sent out freely and are attracting much attention.

M'GRAW GETS HERZOG; MATHEWSON TO REDS. President Hermann, of Cincinnati National League Club, Announces Big Baseball Deal—Five Players Are Involved. Cincinnati, July 20.—President Hermann, of the Cincinnati National League club, said today he had agreed with President Harry Hempstead and Manager McGraw, of the New York National League, to trade Harold D. Herzog, manager of the Reds, and Outfielder Wade Kilgler to the Giants, for Christy Mathewson, Outfielder Rousch and Infielder McKechnie.

NEED 6,750 MORE CARS. Railroads Must Be Better Supplied to Move Troops on Short Notice. Chicago, July 20.—In order to move the maximum number of troops on short notice, the railroads of the country must have 6,750 more cars permanently at the call of the war department, according to W. J. Black, passenger traffic manager of the A. T. & S. F. railway, in a statement here today. Such an increase, he said, would allow the movement of 1,500,000 troops within forty-eight hours.

OPPORTUNITY IN RUSSIA. American Banker Declares War Has Caused Wonderful Awakening. Stockholm, via London, July 20.—After spending two months in Russia, during which time he arranged a loan of \$50,000,000 to the Russian government and acted as president of the establishment of branch banks, Samuel McRoberts, senior vice president of the National City Bank in New York, sails today for New York on board the steamer Bergenator.

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SMITH MAY BE NAMED. Former Sioux City Resident Likely to Be Chosen to Rural Credits Board. Special to Times-Republican. Washington, July 20.—Supporters of Capt. W. A. Smith, formerly of Sioux City, now with the department of agriculture, predicted today his appointment as one of the republican members of the farm loan board under the rural credits law. He was a student of Ames.

FISHERMEN DIE IN MONSOON. Two Hundred Believed Lost Off Ceylon Coast. London, July 20.—Two hundred fishermen are believed to have been lost in a monsoon off the coast at Colombo, Ceylon, according to a message received by the Exchange Telegraph Company. The large fishing fleet was caught by the storm and more than 100 boats have failed to return.

FIX NEW RATES ON FANCY STOCK

Commerce Commission Issues New Transportation Regulations.

CASE BROUGHT BY SOCIETY OF RECORD

Minimum Weight Fixed For Computation of Freight Rates on Cattle, Sheep and Swine—Basis for Liability of Carriers Fixed—Shippers Declaring Values Higher Than Those Fixed by Commission Must Pay Higher Rates. Washington, July 20.—New rates and regulations governing the transportation of pedigreed live stock were prescribed today by the interstate commerce commission in a decision on the complaint of the National Society of Record Association, representing 100,000 fancy stock breeders, against all the roads of the country.

Minimum weights were fixed for the computation of freight rates on cattle, sheep and swine and it was ordered that the liability of carriers should be on the following basis: "Horse or mule, \$150; colt, ox, or bull, \$75; cow, \$50; pig, \$30; hog, \$15; sheep or goat, \$5. In the case of shippers wanting to declare higher values the commission held roads are justified in charging an additional 2 per cent in rate for each 50 per cent or fraction above the standard value."

Higher charges for crated stock than for uncrated, and rules requiring shippers to furnish crates, were found unreasonable and ordered discontinued.

Discuss Child Labor Bill. Washington, July 20.—After a conference with President Wilson today on the child labor bill, Senator Kern, the democratic leader, said he was unable to tell whether an attempt would be made to pass the measure at this session of congress.

"I favor remaining here until the measure is passed," he said. "A great many democrats and some republicans take a similar view, but there is also much opposition. If the bill gets before the senate I have no doubt it will pass by a two-thirds vote."

The question probably will be considered by a democratic caucus in a few days.

Senator Gallinger, the republican floor leader, said again in the senate today that the minority favored passage of the bill at the present session. The naval bill still was before the senate today, the attack by Senator LaFollette on the measure having delayed a vote yesterday. The Wisconsin senator had the floor and continued criticism of the general preparedness program.

Resuming the attack today, Senator LaFollette reiterated his declaration that the proposed doubling of expenditures for military purposes had been actuated by selfish motives instead of patriotism, and asserted that there was no military, economic or political reason to warrant the proposed appropriations.

"The logic of the whole world situation is against the necessity of these proposed increases," he said.

Ask Federal Intervention. Washington, July 20.—President Wilson today received a request from Henry Morgenthau, former ambassador to Turkey; Cleveland H. Dodge, A. B. Hepburn, and several other New York men, asking that the government intervene in the cloakmakers' strike which has been in progress in New York for twelve weeks.

The petition was made on the ground that the strike threatened the supply of women's clothing of the whole nation.

The president referred the matter to the department of labor and commerce with the request that action at once be taken. The bureau of conciliation probably will undertake negotiations for settlement of the strike.

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