

## RAIL HEADS REJECT PLAN OF WILSON

### Decide to Back Their Managers in Stand For Arbitration.

### BROTHERHOOD MEN NOT UNANIMOUS.

### Heated Debate Over President Wilson's Suggestions For Averting Strike Takes Place in Conference of Em- ployees—Wilson's Suggestions For Compromise Come Largely From Brotherhood Leaders.

Washington, Aug. 18.—Thirty-one railroad presidents today told President Wilson that they stood by the decision of their managers' committee that an eight-hour day was impractical.

President Wilson refused to take "no" as the answer to his proposal that they accept an eight-hour day, and asked them to return to the White House tomorrow, with their managers, for another conference.

It became known that the employees had voted to accept the president's proposition and some of the leaders had gone to the White House to tell him so.

Washington, Aug. 18.—With the 640 representatives of the railway employees assembled in secret session this morning to vote on acceptance of President Wilson's plan for averting a nationwide strike, the railroad presidents and their managers held a final conference before going to the White House.

There were indications that the employees would vote to accept President Wilson's suggestion, but the hope of settlement was shattered, however, when the railroad presidents, backing up their managers' committee, were not inclined to grant an eight-hour day unless it be decided by arbitration, and in any event might ask President Wilson for a little time to think over the proposition.

The railroad presidents want arbitration under the Newlands act, with two arbitrators for the roads, two for the men and two for the public. The disposition of many of them was said today to be to insist, however, that the railroad presidents, backing up their managers' committee, were not inclined to grant an eight-hour day unless it comes from an arbitration board.

Some of the presidents are said to feel that the public will support their offer to arbitrate everything in the dispute. Some, however, feel that if the president exercises his power and refuses to press the men to arbitrate it will be difficult for the railroad officials to disapprove his plan.

Were Not Unanimous. After the conference of the men had been under way for one day, a delegate came out and said that the men were not unanimous for the president's plan.

"There are about 500 men in there clamoring for a chance to speak," he said, "and if they are heard, as many will be, there is no telling when we will get a vote."

During the morning President Wilson prepared a statement reviewing the negotiations, and explaining why he chose the plan of settlement based on the eight-hour day. The statement probably will be given out later.

W. L. Chambers, of the federal mediators, went to the men's hall at the request of the brotherhood officials, to explain some of the features of the suggestions of settlement.

In the men's meeting the chief opposition to the suggestion that it be accepted without overtime, the railroad managers would declare the sole purpose of the men was to get extra pay and not to get the eight-hour day.

It was expected more than an hour would be required to take the vote of the men and count it.

## Body of German Prince Killed in War Buried in 30-Franc Coffin

Paris, Aug. 18.—The circumstances of the death and mysterious disappearance of the body of Prince Maximilian, of Hesse, whose relatives invoked the aid of the pope in an effort to obtain this information, are disclosed by a writer for the Petit Parisien. The writer asserts that the prince was shot in the groin during an engagement between a Saxon detachment and an English patrol in northern France early in the war. The prince was found by monks and taken to their monastery, where he died soon after.

The monks were ordered to evacuate the monastery and Father Bernard, visiting the cloister, the following day, found the body of the prince was missing. Later the prince's family appealed to the pope for information as to the disposition of the body. The writer says the body reposes in a humble cemetery at Hazebrook, that it was kept two days in a house there, was once interred, but exhumed at night and finally buried in a coffin costing 30 francs, which was advanced by a poor man out of pity.

Prince Maximilian was 20 years old and a son of the youngest sister of Emperor William of Germany.

The proposal contained nothing not known to the brotherhood leaders in advance of their stand upon the broad ground of maintaining the principle of arbitration, which, if sacrificed in this instance, they intend to tell the president, will be destroyed as a factor in the settlement of industrial disputes.

The railroad presidents, it is understood, justify their stand upon the broad ground of maintaining the principle of arbitration, which, if sacrificed in this instance, they intend to tell the president, will be destroyed as a factor in the settlement of industrial disputes.

While the railroad presidents persist in that view and are supported by the financial powers, only the future can tell the outcome.

With the growing seriousness of the situation, congress began paying more real attention to the crisis and there were many indications of intervention to prevent a nation-wide tie-up.

The general expectation is that the railroad officials, after seeing the president this evening, will ask that they be given several days, perhaps five, to consider the president's proposals. It was emphasized by those of the officials who arrived last night, however, that all of these plans were tentative.

A score who came from New York on a special train went into session soon after their arrival with the managers' committee. And it is said that one of the possibilities under consideration was the preparation of a statement to be given out before their visit to the president, putting their position before the country.

While the railroad presidents would not make any prediction until they familiarized themselves with the situation here, there was more than one indication that it would take a strong appeal to induce them to reverse the attitude that has been taken by their representatives on the managers' committee.

Concession is Unlikely. Asked whether the managers would be backed up in their decision, President Daniel E. Willard of the Baltimore and Ohio, said: "I assume they will be."

Two plans are being considered for the make-up of the proposed commission in case the president's plan is accepted. The first provides for the appointment of all three members, if that should be the size of the commission, by the president, and the other for selection of the members by him, and of the other two by the railroad employers and employees respectively. The plan as presented by the president to the employees was couched in general terms and did not go into details.

It is proposed that the commission be given power to summon witnesses and examine books in order to arrive at the true cost of the proposed plan to the railroads. Suggestions have been made that the commission be made permanent.

When the House Conference Delayed. The time for President Wilson's conference with the railroad presidents was 11 o'clock this morning, but the railroad officials found it impossible to have their statement ready and the meeting was postponed to 2 o'clock.

WANT COMMISSION  
IN U. S. ARMY?  
So Many Vacancies in Second Lieutenants That Positions Can Not Be Filled—Seventeen Hundred Places Open at Present.

Washington, Aug. 18.—Applications for appointment as second lieutenant in the army have flooded the office of the adjutant general since it became known that the service virtually without officers of that rank and must obtain them promptly from civil life. The war department announced that applications received after Aug. 15 could not be acted on in time to permit the applicants to be examined on Aug. 21, the date of the first examination. Another examination will be held early in 1917.

## RUSS ARMIES RESUME DRIVE

### Austro-Germans Fail in Counter Offensive Against Czar's Troops.

### TEUTONS SUSTAIN SEVERE LOSS OF MEN

### French Assume Offensive on Verdun Front and Succeed in Driving Ger- mans From Part of the Village of Fleury—Germans Fail in Expected Counter Move on Maurepas Front— Portugal Soon to Enter War.

The Russians are pushing their campaign in the Carpathians and at one point had driven across the Galician border line and into Hungary. Russian troops are said to be approaching the summit of the range near Korosmezo, which is about three miles inside the Hungarian territory.

Berlin reports intense activity along the Somme, admitting a British gain of ground on a narrow front near Martinpuich.

The Russians, temporarily held up in their Galician drive by heavy counter attacks, have again begun to move forward. Petrograd today announced that the Teutons have failed to throw back General Brusiloff's armies and that the Russians are again advancing.

The French last night resumed their offensive in the Verdun region, and, according to Paris, succeeded in driving the Germans from part of the village of Fleury. The Germans have made their expected counter moves on the Maurepas front, but all failed, according to the Paris bulletin.

Petrograd, Aug. 18.—The Austro-German effort to throw back the Russian offensive in Galicia, has met with great losses and with no success, the war office announced today.

The announcement says: "On the front from the Zlota Lipa river to the Podhayste, the enemy resumed the offensive with considerable forces, without success. The enemy sustained great losses."

French Resume Offensive. Paris, Aug. 18.—Heavy attacks were made by the French last night on the Verdun front. After violent fighting east of the Meuse, at Fleury, they expelled the Germans from part of the town, which had been captured, says the official statement of today.

Several German counter attacks south of Maurepas were repulsed. The French also made considerable progress in the region of Thiaumont, in the Verdun sector. Fifty Germans were captured there.

The statement says: "North of the Somme several attempted counter attacks by the enemy against our new positions southeast of Maurepas, failed under our fire. We took some prisoners. South of the Somme we retook some machine guns captured from us south of Belleoy."

French Attacks Repulsed. Berlin, Aug. 18.—Attacks by the French last night on an extended front in the Verdun region, east of the Meuse, were repulsed all along the line, except at Fleury, where fighting still is in progress.

The British, with several fresh divisions, launched an attack on the German lines north of the Somme and succeeded in driving back the Germans on the first line on a narrow front southeast of Martinpuich, the war office announced today. In other sectors they were completely repulsed.

Halt Italian Assaults. Berlin, Aug. 18.—Heavy attacks by the Italians last night on the Austrian statement of Aug. 15, which declares that the Austrians held along the entire front. The statement says: "The Italians continued their attacks on their front from Paicano to Merano and against the heights east of Gorizia and the sector south of Vipach as far as Lokvica, assaulting uninterruptedly with large masses while holding the adjoining sectors under strong artillery fire. Our troops repulsed all the attacks and held their positions along the entire front, inflicting heavy losses after violent hand to hand fighting."

Portugal to Enter War. Lisbon, via Paris, Aug. 18.—Maj. Norton Mattoa, the Portuguese minister of war, announced today that Portugal soon will participate in the war, fighting on the side of the entente allies.

## Starving Armenians Kill And Eat Own Children—Many Dying

Boston, Aug. 18.—A statement describing the hardships suffered by Armenians in northern Arabia was made public today by Rev. Dr. James L. Barton, chairman of the American committee for Armenian and Syrian relief. Dr. Barton said the statement came from an eye witness, not an American, and could be depended on as un-exaggerated. The eye witness said that of 3,500 deported Armenians a part had found employment but the rest were begging.

"In every tent," he said, "there are sick and dying. Many hundreds of the sick are left without tent or covering. I saw desperate ones throw themselves in grave trenches and beg the grave diggers to bury them."

"In Septha a preacher of Aintab told me that his parents have often killed their children. At the government investigation it was shown that some people had eaten their children."

balance field service has shown for more than twenty months a complete spirit of sacrifice and has rendered greatest services to the division to which it is attached in removing the wounded under the worst conditions. There is not one of its members who is not a model of coolness. A number of them have been wounded."

Belgians Take East African Port. Berc, Aug. 18.—Belgians of Belgian troops has captured and occupied the port of Karama, on the eastern bank of Lake Tanganyika, German East Africa, says an official Belgian announcement. Karama is about 125 miles south of Ujiji.

Wants Good Will of United States. London, Aug. 18.—Various influences, particularly in England's policy toward Ireland, are arousing suspicion and resentment in the United States, says the Manchester Guardian, in a long editorial today. These facts can not be ignored, it asserts, for the active cooperation of the United States will be necessary if a lasting peace is to be brought about by the "League of Pacific Powers of the World."

The Guardian suggests the British order in council, the censorship, the blacklist and the interference with neutral decrees have tended to alienate American sympathy.

"But these matters are comparatively unimportant in days such as these and if there were nothing else to be considered we would be justified in concluding that there was no reason for anticipating any change in Anglo-American relations."

Teutons Capture Greek Town. Berlin, Aug. 18.—The Teutonic allies have taken the offensive on the Balkan front and captured the Greek town of Florina from Serbian troops, the war office announced today.

Turkish Troops in Galicia. Berlin, Aug. 18.—The official announcement that Turkish troops are fighting with the Germans and Austrians in Galicia was made today by the war office.

May Bring Another Controversy. Washington, Aug. 18.—Possibility that the seizure at Hong Kong of American goods on the British steamer Kafue from New York to Manila, following a similar seizure of goods on the steamer Chinese Prince, may force the United States to demand a regular trade with the Philippines, led the state department today to send for full details from the American consul at Hong Kong, with the view of making a strong protest. The goods were confiscated by the British authorities on suspicion that they were consigned to Germans in the Philippines.

STEFANSSON'S FIND  
OF GREATEST VALUE  
Arctic Expedition Results in Discovery of Great Field of Native Copper—May Settle Question of Existence of Great Polar Continent.

New York, Aug. 18.—The discovery by the Canadian Arctic expedition, headed by Vilhjalmur Stefansson, of a great field of native copper in the vicinity of Copper Mine river, in the neighborhood of Prince Albert Island, will prove of great value to the business world, says Dr. Chester A. Reeds, of the American Museum of Natural History. Dr. Reeds believes also that it will afford scientists an opportunity for displaying their ingenuity in finding an outlet from a region that still is unopened in a commercial sense.

The work of the party, which arrived in Nome, Alaska, on Tuesday, is expected to prove valuable in determining the direction of winds and the movement of tides in the Polar region. Dr. Reeds said this might go a long way to disprove that a great continent exists in the unexplored region north of Alaska and west and northwest of Greenland.

HOT WAVE PASSES  
OVER MIDDLE WEST  
Extensive Air Disturbances Northwest Aided By Southern Winds, Send Mercury Skyward—Maximum Temperatures Vary From 95 to 100.

Chicago, Aug. 18.—Extensive air disturbances in the northwest, involving a low barometric pressure, and aided by southern winds, today sent another hot wave over the entire middle west. The maximum temperature for the day in most sections between the Rocky mountains and the Alleghenies will vary between 95 and 100 degrees, officials of the weather bureau said. The weather will be cooler in the Dakotas tonight, but there is no relief in sight for Chicago and vicinity before Sunday and possibly not then.

## WILSON VETOES HAY ARMY BILL

### President Objects to Ex- emption From Discipline of Retired Officers

### BILL REINTRODUCED WITH ELIMINATIONS

### Objectionable Sections and Whole Revision of Articles of War Taken Out —Charge Made by President's Friends That Section of Measure Was in In- terest of Certain Officer Who Planned to Make an Attack on Army.

Washington, Aug. 18.—President Wilson today vetoed the army bill because of exemptions from discipline for retired officers, forced into it by the house conferees over the opposition of the war department.

A new revision, necessary and may delay adjournment of congress. Representative Hay said he would introduce the bill in the house immediately with the features to which the president objected eliminated.

Mr. Hay later reintroduced the bill, minus not only the sections to which the president objected but the whole revision of the articles of war eliminated.

Was Bill Loaded? There have been broad intimations that the revision which proposed to remove retired officers from the jurisdiction of court martial was in the interest of a certain officer who was waiting for the time when he could be immune from discipline to make an attack on the army.

The officer was very close to congressmen framing the army bill and until his retirement he was reckoned with as a power in shaping army legislation.

The president's veto of the bill is one of the developments of years in the contest between the army and Chairman Hay. Only the force of President Wilson's interference was regularly army increase in the new reorganization bill thru the house in the face of Hay's opposition.

Recently President Wilson appointed Hay to a judgeship on the court of claims and he is serving his last term in congress.

Bond Issue Before Congress. A recommendation of the majority members of the senate finance committee for a \$130,000,000 bond issue to meet extraordinary government expenditures due to the Mexican situation, was before congress today. This amount, it was expected, would meet Mexican expenditures only to the end of the year and should border conditions continue as at present after Dec. 31, next, an additional \$58,000,000 will be required.

The recommendation was laid before the senate last night on the report of the \$205,000,000 revenue bill. It was accompanied by a treasury department statement which estimated disbursements for the fiscal year of 1917 at \$1,128,243,000 and receipts at \$762,000,000.

Finance Committee Recommends Sale to Meet Mexican Expenses. Washington, Aug. 18.—A bond issue of \$130,000,000 to meet extraordinary government expenditures due to the Mexican situation, was recommended to congress last night by majority members of the senate finance committee, with the concurrence of the treasury department.

The bond issue is urged in the report of the finance committee democrats, filed in the senate yesterday, on the \$205,000,000 revenue bill. In addition to the proposed issue and the revenue bill the finance committee asserts a further appropriation of \$58,000,000 will be necessary to defray the expense of operations in the Mexican emergency if conditions on the border continue as they are now after Dec. 31, 1916.

The \$130,000,000 to be provided by the proposed bond issue, the report says, will meet Mexican expenditures only until the end of this calendar year.

Accompanying the finance committee majority's report submitted by Senator Simmons was a general statement from the treasury department, estimating disbursements for the fiscal year 1917 at \$1,128,243,000 and receipts \$762,000,000.

## NEWS OF THE DAY T-R BULLETIN.

The Weather. Sun rises Aug. 19 at 5:11; sets at 6:54. Iowa—Fair with continued high temperatures tonight and probably Saturday.

PAGE ONE. Telegraphic News: Will Insist Upon Arbitration. Wilson Vetoes Hay Army Bill. Health Experts Warn of Plague Next Year. Russian Armies Renew Advance. Bankrupt Law Ends Dishonesty. Liquor Dealer Pays \$1,000 Fine. Plague Prevails in Rural Districts. Beet Sugar Factory Dream Comes True. Where Strike Would Hit Iowa Hardest. Farm News and Notes. PAGE FIVE.

Story: "Guthrie Boyd of the Shooting Star." PAGE SIX. Editorial: Gravel or Rathole? Those Who Live. Are They Simply Coincidences? Topics of the Times. PAGES SEVEN, EIGHT, NINE, TEN AND ELEVEN. Start Proceedings to Sentence Williams. Police Chiefs to Meet Here. Music Time Wins Another. Bangor Friends to Build Church. Jennings School Pupils' Reunion. Sublets Paying Contract. Signs to Warn Autoists. PAGE TWELVE.

Markets and General: Buying Cash Again Lifts Wheat. Corn Higher in Sympathy. Cattle Trade Strong. Hogs Firm. German Analyzes Allied Drive.

It was reported that Mr. Hitchcock would be one of the members of the advisory committee to be appointed within two or three days by National Chairman William B. Wilson. His headquarters probably will be in New York, but he will make frequent trips to Chicago and other cities.

Fletcher Maddox, of Great Falls, Mont., was named by Mr. Hert as chief of the speakers' bureau at western headquarters. Lieutenant Governor W. Y. Morgan, of Kansas, who is the publisher of the Hutchinson News in that state, was appointed as head of the publicity bureau.

FEAR TROPICAL STORM. Summer Residents on Padet Island Have Been Removed to Mainland. Brownsville, Tex., Aug. 18.—Summer residents on Padet Island, beach, northeast Point Isabelle, twenty-two miles offshore of here, were removed to the mainland today by the crew of the government coast guard station at Brazos West, on receipt of news of a tropical storm approaching the gulf from the West Indies. All fishing vessels also were drawn into Isabelle harbor. Barometers here registered 29.30 at 10 a. m. A fall of ten points since 7 a. m., and was still falling.

BOEHLING TO CLEVELAND. Washington Pitcher Figures in Big Baseball Trade. Washington, Aug. 18.—Manager Griffith, of the local American League club, today announced he had traded Pitcher Boehling and Outfielder Leonard to Cleveland and club for Outfielder Smith and Infielder Leonard. Boehling and Moeller leave immediately for New York to join the Cleveland team.

BOARDING HOUSE WRECKED. Authorities Accuse I. W. W. Leaders of Minnesota Outrage. Biwabik, Minn., Aug. 18.—An explosion which early today wrecked a boarding house at the Biwabik mine location near here, in which were ten persons, is held by authorities at the door of the I. W. W. Th. W. W. leaders, it is charged, threatened the miners with death if they did not quit work.

MURPHY LEAVES BIG ESTATE. Property of Late Chicago Surgeon Is Valued at \$1,250,000. Chicago, Aug. 18.—Real estate valued at \$1,000,000 and personal property worth \$250,000 constituted the estate of Dr. John B. Murphy, the noted surgeon, who died last week at Mackinac, counsel for the estate announced today. The widow and two daughters are the heirs.

German Submarine Deutschland Reported Safe in Home Port. Geneva, via Paris, Aug. 18.—A private telegram received today from Berlin by the Neue Zuercher Zeitung says that the German submarine Deutschland arrived safely at Bremen.

GARFIELD TO ROUND UP WOMEN. Will Have Charge of Suffrage Section of Republican Campaign. Chicago, Aug. 18.—James R. Garfield, of Ohio, progressive member of the Hughes campaign committee, will have charge of the women's bureau at western headquarters. Harold L. Ickes, of Chicago, the other progressive on the campaign committee from the middle west, will devote himself to lining up former Bill Moores.

This division of duties was announced yesterday by Alvin T. Hert, the western campaign manager. Mr. Hert said that no specific bureaus would be assigned to James A. Hemenway, of Indiana, John T. Adams of Iowa, and R. B. Howell of Nebraska, the other members of the campaign committee, who will be stationed at Chicago headquarters.

Frank H. Hitchcock, who was in charge of Hughes activities prior to the nomination, was closeted with Mr. Hert during the day, having made a special trip from the east to discuss campaign matters with him.

While no announcement was made,

## ONE IOWA IDEA RECOMMENDED

### Health Experts Studying Infantile Malady Told of Hospital Success.

### MANY CRIPPLES CURED BY STATE

### Experts Draw Up Code For Combat- ing Disease—Interstate Travel to Be Closely Watched—Uniform Inspec- tion and Issuance of Health Certifi- cates Planned—"W" Code of Epi- demic Also Considered.

Washington, Aug. 18.—Public health experts meeting here today drew up a code for preventing further spread of infantile paralysis by interstate travel. The code developed a co-operative method of study of the causes and treatment of the disease. The delegates reported that 11,700 cases have been reported in the United States since Jan. 1.

One system of regulation would create a code of uniform inspection and issuance of health certificates, notification of suspected cases, and general cooperation between federal, state and railroad authorities.

Another code would deal with statistics and information tending to throw light on the causes and remedy for the malady.

Care of what the health officers term the "wreckage" of the epidemic, the crippled children who survive, was discussed at today's conference. Treatment of all victims in state institutions at state expense was recommended by Dr. Albert Sabin, of Iowa, in Iowa's state hospital. Dr. Albert Sabin, of Iowa, said, "The results in curing children crippled by the plague had been attained."

The report of the conference committee recommending a system of collection and dissemination of statistical information, was adopted.

May Resound Next Year. A warning that the infantile paralysis epidemic may appear next summer in states not gravely affected this summer unless drastic measures were now taken to prevent it, was given today by the executive committee of the health experts in session here.

Quarantine of one state of community against another was disapproved. The committee recommended that during the unusual prevalence of infantile paralysis mail shall not be opened without medical supervision. Certificates of interstate travel, the committee held, should be signed by federal or state officers.

Certificates to Travel. "Certificates of private physicians will not be sufficient for a permit to travel," the report said. "Permits for interstate travel should be based on medical examination."

Regarding measures to deal with the epidemic the report recommended: "Immediate report of all cases and exchange of weekly reports between state and federal authorities. "Daily observation of all children for two weeks leaving an infected district. "Hospital treatment when possible. "Private funerals of victims. "Prohibition of children from public places during an epidemic."

Little Change in New York. New York, Aug. 18.—The health department reported only a slight change in the epidemic of infantile paralysis today. New cases in the last twenty-four hours numbered 125, and deaths 32, as against 121 cases and 32 deaths yesterday.

Many Cases in Chicago. Chicago, Aug. 18.—Eighty known cases of infantile paralysis have been received at the Cook county and DuSable hospitals since July 1. It was announced today. An average of three patients a day are being received at the county hospital.

No Goods to Be Returned. Philadelphia, Aug. 18.—The local health authorities, having charge of the fight against infantile paralysis, received word today that the authorities of Trenton, N. J., have quarantined against goods being sent to customers on approval.

PARDON PETITION WITHDRAWN. Attorneys For Charles Thomas Displeased Over Delay of Board. Des Moines, Aug. 18.—Attorneys for Charles Thomas, convicted of murder and serving a life sentence at Fort Madison penitentiary, today withdrew his petition for pardon, filed with the state board of pardons. The appeal has been on file for more than a year. The petition was withdrawn, it was said, because the board had "not given it the attention it merited." Some other effort would be made to free Thomas, it was said. Thomas was convicted of the murder of Mabel Schofield, of Des Moines, in 1899. His trial attracted statewide attention.

SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE CLOSED. Participation in British Loan Greater Than Anticipated. New York, Aug. 18.—Syndicate participations in the new British \$250,000,000 loan were so large, according to statement of managers, as to cause the closing of the subscription books today. The books for public subscription will not be opened until next week.

REAL BASEBALL HEAD. Illinois Boy Only Bruised When Run Over by Tractor Engine. Mason City, Ill., Aug. 18.—Raymond Laster was only bruised when a heavy gasoline tractor road grader, weighing several tons, passed over his head and shoulders. The lad's escape was due to the fact that his head rested in soft sand.