

FARMERS SEEK TO FIX BLAME FOR PRICE DROP

Agricultural Conference Condemns Federal Reserve Board and Others.

CREDITS RESTRICTED BY ANNOUNCEMENT

Reserve Banks Withholding Money From Farmers Because of Mandate That Prices Must Be Reduced to Near Pre-War Basis—Secretary of Treasury Also Criticized For His Action.

By Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 13.—General bankruptcy and ruin are inevitable unless some immediate remedy is found to relieve the present price situation as it affects the farmer, says a report submitted to the agricultural conference here today by a general committee appointed to study the situation.

The report was adopted by the conference without a dissenting vote. The committee blames the federal reserve system for present prices, charging that it has "arbitrarily withheld from assisting the basic industry of this country to maintain a level of prices that at least meet the cost of production."

Declaring that the condition of the mind of the farm population is "ominous," the committee says, "this state of mind can only be changed by a frank and fair attitude on the part of those in authority—the test of which can be only their acts."

Seek to Fix Blame. The committee says "it is wrong, as a matter of policy, artificially to press down prices of commodities, and it is particularly wrong to begin with the raw commodities, for such a program inevitably forces upon the producer the heaviest burden of reconstruction."

The report of the committee says the present situation was brought about by the following official acts: Restriction of credits. Raising the rate of discount on farm products.

Continuance of the war finance corporation. "The statements given out by the secretary of the treasury, the governor of the federal reserve board and the federal reserve banks have been construed to the effect that commodity prices, particularly the price of farm products, were too high, and that a pre-war basis or an approximation of pre-war prices must be reached within a few months."

Secretary of Treasury Criticized. "The consequent effect of these utterances upon the member banks of the federal reserve systems and the banking industry of the country generally was to cause them to withhold accommodations because of the fear that the security taken would necessarily decline."

The action of the federal board in discounting the bonds held by member banks as part of the commercial credit has thereby enormously decreased the power of such banks to extend the needed credits to the agricultural interests of their respective communities.

Your committee feels that the officials of the treasury department and the federal reserve system have exceeded their authority when they publicly announced opinion as to prices of farm products, which have resulted in disastrous results to the farmer and the rural departments.

Would Muzzle Departments. The committee further reports that it is of the opinion "that the functions of these institutions as expressed in the law are to discharge the duties imposed on them by the law and in what effect it may or may not have on markets of the country and prices of commodities. We believe that the rate of discount should be set first by the character of the paper offered for discount, and second, by the aggregate earnings of the federal reserve system, and that the rate should not be used as a weapon to deflate prices in commercial transactions."

We, therefore, insist that the federal reserve officers and officers of the treasury department shall discontinue and desist from issuing statements of their opinions as to the trend of commercial events."

The committee recommends that the rate of discount for the marketing of the agricultural products be made as low as justified by a sound business, and that the rate on a fixed or certain class of paper shall be uniform, and that the rate be not changed during the period of marketing. If the federal reserve officers will take such action at once, the report says, "with particular reference to a more liberal policy in extending credits for the encouragement of exports, we believe that the farmers of the country will be greatly relieved."

Want Supply and Demand Law. "Prices of commodities that farmers receive will be determined by the law of supply and demand if artificial and gainful advice and statements are withheld," the report continues.

The question for the officials (treasury and federal reserve board) to determine is what rate of interest and discount is justifiable under the law and to leave the question of

Coolidge Refuses to Lend Aid to League Boosters

By Associated Press. Boston, Oct. 13.—A request by the "League of Nations day" committee headed by President A. Lawrence Lowell, of Harvard University, that the governors of all states proclaim Sunday, Oct. 24, as league of nations day to promote a better understanding of the covenant was refused by Governor Coolidge today.

the marketing and prices to the natural laws of commerce. "The people who consume our products are, or should be, vitally interested in the solution of these problems, for as long as we have decadent agriculture we are sure to have increasing cost of living."

WEALTHY MAN TURNS THIEF.

Charles Lienhardt Found Guilty of Stealing \$12 Overcoat. Davenport, Oct. 13.—Charles Lienhardt, retired farmer and property owner, is worth at least \$50,000 and possibly more, but today he was brought to trial this morning, accused of the theft of a \$12 overcoat, missing from an automobile. Found guilty by Magistrate Metcalf, he was fined \$25 and costs, and appealed the case.

Lienhardt, who is the owner of half a dozen properties in Davenport, was arrested by Detective Moeller and Officer Schwinden Saturday, Oct. 2, with the coat in his possession. The officers told the court that they saw Lienhardt take the coat from the parked motor car.

Paul N. Holm, Central Junction contractor, said that he had left the garment in the car when he entered the soft drink parlor. Lienhardt declared that a car had backed away from the curb and when it was gone he picked the coat from the pavement, and was standing on the curb looking around for the owner, when the officer seized him.

Lienhardt is about 60 years old and well known.

MS'WINEY ABOUT PLAYED OUT.

Lord Mayor Did Not Have Good Night—Mind and Body Weaker. By Associated Press. London, Oct. 13.—Terrence MacSwiney, lord mayor of Cork, did not have a good night at Brixton prison, according to a bulletin issued today by the Irish Self-Determination League. It is declared a doctor in attendance found him perceptibly weaker this morning, and that his mind was not so clear.

"I feel I am about played out," is a statement repeatedly made by the lord mayor, according to Father Dominic, his private chaplain, who is quoted by the Herald, organ of labor. MacSwiney today began the sixtieth day of his hunger strike.

FIRE DAMAGE \$1,000,000.

Freight House Burns—Quantities of Merchandise and 260 Cars Burned. By Associated Press. Chicago, Oct. 13.—Fire which destroyed the freight house of the Chicago Junction road this morning did damage estimated at \$1,000,000, officials of the railroad announced.

Quantities of merchandise in transit were burned and 260 freight cars, most of them loaded, were destroyed by the fire.

Twelve firemen who were trapped in the burning freight house were rescued and revived.

CHARLES ALEXANDER, EVANGELIST, DEAD

Singer Who Gained Prominence Through World Passes Away Suddenly at His Home in Birmingham, England—Toured America Twice—Wedded English Girl. By Associated Press. Birmingham, England, Oct. 13.—Charles McCollon Alexander, an evangelist, known throughout the world, died suddenly at his home here today.

Charles M. Alexander was born Oct. 24, 1867, at Maryville, Tenn. Early in life he engaged in evangelistic work, directing his activities with great success to organizing and conducting large chorus choirs. He accompanied the Rev. R. A. Torrey on an evangelistic tour of the world from 1892 to 1895. Alexander then made a second tour of the world with his wife, formerly Miss Helen Cadbury, of Birmingham, in 1906 and 1907. He was the compiler of a volume of hymns.

EXPLAIN DIRIGIBLE MYSTERY

Training Ship Makes Long Trip To See Prince of Wales. By Associated Press. London, Oct. 13.—Mystery surrounding the appearance of the dirigible R-32 during the celebration attending the arrival of the Prince of Wales was explained today by the "Manchester Guardian," which says:

"The R-32 is being used as a training ship for the American crew which will take the dirigible R-38 across the Atlantic to America. The Yankees were determined to see the prince and journeyed in the airship all the way from Howden, in Yorkshire. Incidentally the R-32 was one of the features of the celebration."

Judge Says Women Should Read.

By Associated Press. Atlantic City, Oct. 13.—"If I were making the laws of this country I would make it a cause of divorce if the wife didn't read the newspapers," thus spoke Judge Horace Stebbins, of Philadelphia, today in an address on "The Suffrage and the Woman" before the annual meeting of the National League of Women, who are holding their first gathering of the year here. "It would seem to me criminal indifference to neglect knowing the serious things going on in the world," he added.

WHISKY RING HEADS FACING PROSECUTION

Efforts of Federal and City Authorities in Chicago Bearing Results.

ONE OF LEADERS MAKES CONFESSION

Says Ring Engaged in Illicit Whisky Running Included Distillers, Saloonkeepers, Brokers and Others Forged Permit Obtained Thru Bribery of Chicago Politician—Indictments to Be Sought. By Associated Press. Chicago, Oct. 13.—Federal prohibition agents and internal revenue agents who have combined forces here in an attempt to put an end to the illicit sale of liquor today continued their investigations of a new "discovered" "whisky ring," and it was announced that the real chief of an "alleged ring" was expected to be under arrest within a few days.

The alleged combination of men engaged in the trade included one engaged in the sale of liquor, a saloonkeeper, railroad employes and federal officials, it was asserted in a confession obtained from H. A. Sadler, former New York stock broker. The case in which Sadler was said to have confessed participation was the alleged shipment of \$125,000 worth of liquor from Louisville, Ky., to Chicago, on a permit that was said to be forged. It arrived here Aug. 24 and was seized by federal authorities while it was being distributed to "customers."

More Arrests to Follow. Sadler declared he paid \$45,000 to a Chicago politician, who was employed as a deputy United States attorney, to secure influence in the issuance of a forged federal permit under which whisky running has been carried on. Sadler, it was said, also implicated New York brokers and others in the conspiracy. His complete testimony will be presented to the federal grand jury some time this week, and District Attorney Cline said indictments would be asked for the men Sadler named in the conspiracy.

BOSS McLAUGHLIN NAMED.

Name in the alleged confession were John McLaughlin, once a member of the Illinois state legislature; Glenn Haskell, Chicago manager of the American Distilling company; J. J. Foster, Chicago saloonkeeper; Charles Janett, owner of the Beamer Inn, One Hundred and Fifty-two West and Western avenues; Matt Weidert, suspended deputy internal revenue collector; R. E. Watson, president of the Grand Dad distillery of Louisville, Ky., and a prominent figure in baseball circles, and G. Kennedy, a clerk in the distillery.

Says McLaughlin Got \$30,000. McLaughlin, who lives at 3521 West Jackson boulevard, is now employed as a deputy United States revenue agent in the office of Revenue Collector J. F. Master. According to Sadler's alleged confession, he is said to have received \$30,000 for procuring the federal permits under which the "whisky ring" operated. This allegation McLaughlin stoutly denies.

Haskell enters into the case, that he was a partner in the business, and his employment. The whisky in question was shipped to the American Distilling company at 1006 South State street, for Sadler, according to the confession.

Poster, who was arrested on Aug. 24, had \$19,000 of the ring's money in his pockets when taken into custody. Seize 1,000 Cases of Liquor. The story began on Aug. 24, when 1,000 out of 1,200 cases of whisky consigned to Sadler in Chicago were taken by federal agents. The remaining 200 cases were delivered to customers.

The next few days saw considerable activity in official prohibition circles. Twelve men were arrested. Charges of conspiracy to violate the prohibition act, made against these men were dismissed on Sept. 23 by United States Commissioner Mason for lack of prosecution.

Sadler Confesses All.

Meanwhile the federal agents continued their investigation. Sadler, cornered and facing an overwhelming mass of evidence, weakened and confessed to federal officers in Milwaukee, where he was arrested.

"I arrived in Chicago during the hot days in August," he said. "I carried with me a separate permit for 'Bill' Edwards, collector of the port of New York, to certain Chicago friends. I had difficulty locating those friends, and while walking around took a notion I wished a drink. I called a taxi driver and asked him to take me to the nearest booze. He did. He took me to the saloon of Ben Collins at 2275 Cottage Grove avenue.

"Go See McLaughlin."

"While talking with Collins I told him I'd like to send some real hootch into Chi. for I had 60,000 gallons of it in bond in a Louisville warehouse. Collins got interested right away. 'You go see Boss McLaughlin,' he told me. I did. 'I told McLaughlin what I wanted to do and he said it would be an easy matter to get the booze into Chicago. He said he'd get me the permit for \$20,000. It would let me get the stuff out of bond. 'I told McLaughlin I didn't have

Carmello Russo to Spend Honeymoon in State Prison

By Associated Press. Centerville, Oct. 13.—Carmello Russo, 18, recently convicted and sentenced to prison for manslaughter for shooting Tony Mattio, an admirer, today was married to Cosimo Mattions by a justice of the peace. Shortly after the ceremony she started to prison to begin her sentence, which is to run an indeterminate period. An appeal from the conviction will be taken, her friends say.

FALL OF REDS PREDICTED.

General Wrangel May Head New Government. Washington, Oct. 13.—There is expectation on the part of both state department and diplomatic observers here that bolshevism in Russia will be worse in the coming winter, and American officials are most interested in what may take its place. Reports to the department indicate that there is a recrudescence of zemstvo power and functioning, and it is hoped from these organizations may be evolved a central authority which will obtain the support of all the people.

There is a possibility, it is pointed out, that anarchy might attend the death of bolshevism in Russia and conditions around the soviet areas would be even worse than they are today. It is considered questionable, however, whether it would be expedient for the powers to intervene in Russia, although there should be general chaos and anarchy, as a strong faith in the genius of the Russian people and their capacity to set up their own government without foreign interference or assistance.

It is felt by officials here that General Wrangel is winning the confidence of the masses and that he may be asked by zemstvos or other local authorities to assume the leadership of the government of Russia at the final downfall of bolshevism.

DANIELS PRESENTS ALIBI.

Says Democrats Lost Last Election Because Voters Were Fighting. By Associated Press. Dunn, N. C., Oct. 13.—The republican victory in the last election was "false pretense," and when 5,000,000 men were away from home in the army or navy or engaged in war work, Secretary Daniels declared here today in a campaign speech.

"The house was won by the home vote and the state was won by purchase," he declared, adding: "The soldiers and sailors will vote as they shot, and not many of them can be persuaded to vote for any man who favored bringing debauchery to America by a separate peace with Germany. They know they went to war to end war. They know the way to end war is to join the league of nations. The attitude of the fighters of America is for a covenant of the Union Bank at Winkler, Manitoba, early today and escaped with \$19,000.

ROBBERS GET \$15,000.

Winkler, Manitoba Bank Losses Large Sum—Citizen Wounded. By Associated Press. Winnipeg, Manitoba, Oct. 13.—After cutting all the telephone, telegraph and electric line wires in the town five masked men blew open the safe of the Union Bank at Winkler, Manitoba, early today and escaped with \$19,000.

W. G. Graef, a blacksmith, was shot in the leg when he attempted to ring the town bell.

RUTHLESS KILLING BY U. S. MARINES

Evidence of Indiscriminate Shooting of Haitians by American Forces of Occupation Presented in Reports on Operations of Marine Corps—Barnett Rebukes Subordinates. By Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 13.—Approximately 3,500 armed Haitian bandits have been killed by United States marines or Haitian rangers during the five and one-half years of American occupation, Brig. Gen. George Barnett, former commandant of the marine corps, says in a report made public today by Secretary Daniels.

Total marine corps casualties to date were shown to be one officer and twelve enlisted men killed and two officers and twenty-six enlisted men wounded.

Evidence of practically "indiscriminate killing" of Haitian natives by United States marines was brought to the attention of Col. J. E. Russell, commanding the marine forces in Haiti, in a confidential letter written by Maj. Gen. George Barnett, commandant of the corps, in October, 1919, calling for a thorough investigation of conditions.

General Barnett declared in his letter, which was made public today, in a report on operations in Haiti while he was commandant of the corps, that he was "shocked beyond expression" to hear of such conditions in Haiti, and "to know that it was at all possible that duty could be badly performed by marines of any class."

SINN FEIN POLICE CRUEL.

Old and Unusual Ways of Punishing Offenders in Ireland. By Associated Press. Belfast, Ireland, Oct. 13.—The Sinn Fein police resort to old and unusual methods of punishing minor offenders. One of the most recent was a prisoner to a telephone pole at the National Bank recently and fastened him to the pole with a rope. A board affixed to his breast bore the inscription, "I am a thief. I stole eggs and this is my punishment."

Crowds gathered around and inspected the prisoner who vainly tried to effect his release. Ultimately his sister hearing of her brother's plight came from the scene and liberated him.

ALL CLEVELAND TO PAY HOMAGE TO BALL TEAM

Preparations Being Made For Public Reception For Tribe of Speaker. VALUABLE GIFTS GIVEN PLAYERS. Range From Floral Wreaths to Automobiles—Speaker and Coveleskie Given First Place in Public Affection—Catcher Miller in Stellar Role For Brooklynites—Total Receipts More Than Half Million. By Associated Press. Cleveland, Oct. 13.—With the fifth city of the United States in the matter of population definitely assured of being the first city of the baseball universe for at least twelve months, Cleveland today settled back to enjoyment of the world champions in baseball honors brought here by Jim Dunn's Indians, when they defeated the Brooklyn Dodgers 3 to 0 yesterday, and captured the annual classic of the professional diamond from the National League by five games to two. Cleveland turned its thoughts today to devising new ways of showing appreciation of the prowess of the team.

Altho several watches, medals, automobiles, loving cups and a half dozen floral wreaths have been presented to the players, Cleveland here it has done little for the American leaders.

The first of a series of celebrations will be held tonight. Mayor Fitzgerald has issued a proclamation calling on all good citizens to be present tonight at Wade park and pay official homage to Tris Speaker and his tribe.

An official dinner is another affair being planned. Coveleskie Hero of Hour. From the time little Joe Sewell made his wonderful stop of Koney's grounder, ending the series, and Tris Speaker climbed into the stands to kiss his gray-haired mother, Cleveland has been a furore. The name of every player is on the lips of every fan, but standing out above all are Tris Speaker, Stanley Coveleskie and the other men whose individual feats brought the championship here; Coveleskie pitched himself into the world series hall of fame by throwing back the Dodgers three successive times and also equaled some of the greatest pitching feats of history. Only one man—Christie Mathewson—has surpassed the Cleveland's work in the biggest games in baseball.

Cleveland's superiority was evident in the series, for the American League champions outplayed, outplayed and outgassed their senior circuit rivals. With the bat Cleveland hung up a team average of .374 to .390 for Brooklyn. Fielding figures give Brooklyn an advantage of .976 to .925.

ASK RECEIVER FOR COMPANY

Selway Post and Steel Concern Made Defendant in Suit. Special to Times-Republican. Des Moines, Oct. 13.—Henry Lex, of Fort Dodge, and E. C. Harlan, of Indianola, filed a petition in district court here today asking that a receiver be appointed to take charge of the Selway Steel Post and Fence Company, a \$2,000,000 concern. In their petition they charge that the concern is about to consolidate with another company, to the detriment of its stockholders.

IOWA FARMERS IN ALL-NIGHT HUNT

Posse Search For Man Believed to Be Escaped Lunatic, While Others, Armed With Shotgun, Guard Their Buildings and Grain Stacks—Dogs Fail to Find Trail. By Associated Press. Davenport, Oct. 13.—Farmers throughout Scott county, armed with shotguns, held an all-night vigil last night over their buildings and grain stacks, while posesses of over a hundred armed farmers, led by two deputy sheriffs, scoured the countryside for a firebug believed to be an escaped lunatic who is thought to have burned the farm buildings of Adolph Arp, wealthy farmer residing near New Liberty, twenty-five miles from here Monday night.

Bloodhounds were worked all day yesterday but failed to pick up the trail. Farmers in the vicinity of the burning building, however, were on the alert for the capture of the firebug. They left their work again today to carry on the search.

Confess to Slaying Rancher.

By Associated Press. Omaha, Oct. 13.—Confession that he shot Clyde Patterson, wealthy rancher of near Bassett, Neb., was made yesterday by Floyd Wick, a neighbor, following discovery of Patterson's body in a cellarway at the Patterson home, according to a Bassett dispatch received here.

Patterson had been missing since last August. Wick said he shot in self defense.

Hamburg-American Steamer Burning

By Associated Press. Berlin, Oct. 13.—A telegram from Hamburg this morning reports that a fire broke out on midnight on the steamer Victoria Luise, of the Hamburg-American line, in the vulcan yards there. Four fire engines were fighting the flames, it was said. The message gave no further details.

Wants to Know Why Simms Guilt.

By Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 13.—Attorney General Palmer today telegraphed Dan W. Simms, at Indianapolis, asking his reasons for resigning as special assistant to the attorney general in prosecution of the cases against coal operators and miners pending before Federal Judge Anderson there.

Each Member of Cleveland Team to Receive \$4,204

By Associated Press. Cleveland, Oct. 13.—Figures for this world series given out today by E. Bruce, secretary of the national committee, show that neither the attendance nor the gate receipts were as great as in the contest last year. They place the 1920 series well toward the top in the records for all years, however. The approximate figures for 1919 and 1920 follow; seven games having been played this year, against eight played in 1919:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Total attendance, Total receipts, Total receipts per game.

Total attendance 1920, 178,737
Total attendance 1919, 236,928
Total receipts 1920, \$564,800
Total receipts 1919, \$722,414

National commission's share 1920, \$66,480
National commission's share 1919, \$72,241
Each club's share 1920, \$146,718
Each club's share 1919, \$194,911

Players' share 1920, \$214,932
Players' share 1919, \$250,349
Winning team's share 1920, \$260,349
Winning team's share 1919, \$117,157
Losing team's share 1920, \$64,465
Losing team's share 1919, \$78,104

Each winning player's share 1920, \$4,204
Each losing player's share 1920, \$2,387
Each winning player's share 1919, \$3,254
Second and third place teams 1920, \$53,770
Second and third place teams 1919, \$65,097

LEAGUE QUIZZES CHARDIGNY.

Head of Commission Asked Regarding Reception at Kovno. By Associated Press. London, Oct. 13.—The league of nations has sent a telegram to Colonel Chardigny, at Kovno, who is in charge of the league of nations commission there, asking him to report fully on the Vilna situation and to what treatment the members of the commission have been given, and assuring him of the support of the league.

The Poles unofficially have been informed that the league considered the Vilna situation extremely grave and a violation of former Premier Poleski's statement at the Paris meeting of the league council that the integrity of Lithuania would be respected.

The case will be considered at the Brussels meeting of the conference Oct. 20.

Wanderer Jury Still Incomplete.

By Associated Press. Chicago, Oct. 13.—The jury to try Carl O. Wanderer for the murder of his wife and "the ragged stranger" yesterday's holiday session. Three of the four men needed to fill the box have been tentatively accepted and attorneys hope to complete the jury today.

OLDEST WOMAN IN IOWA DEAD; 108

Mrs. Isaac Spores, of Waterloo, Accidentally Injured Few Months Ago, When She Was Injured by Fall—Survived by Husband, Who is Thirty-Three Years Her Junior. Special to Times-Republican. Waterloo, Oct. 13.—Mrs. Isaac Spores, 108 years old, believed to be Iowa's oldest woman, died here last night following an eight days illness. Mrs. Spores was active until a few months ago when she was injured in a fall. Until that time she did all her own housework.

Mrs. Spores was born in New York state, but the exact date of her birth is not known. Her oldest son would have been 90 years old had he lived. She was married to Steven Sherwood at the age of 14 years. Following the death of Mr. Sherwood she married Isaac Spores, who survives. He is thirty-three years her junior.

When 100 years of age she was converted by Billy Sunday. She was the mother of fourteen children, six of whom survive. Her life covered a period of the greatest advancement of science and industrial activities. She was only two years of age when the first steamboat was launched on the Hudson river. She was a small girl when the first steam railroad was operated in the country.

SPAIN PLANS BIG EXPOSITION.

Catalonia to Have Electrical Display in 1924. By Associated Press. Barcelona, Oct. 13.—Catalonia has undertaken to present to the world's approval one of the most extensive and comprehensive expositions ever held and also it is not to open until 1924, the preparations already are far advanced. Under the supervision of General Rubio, an engineer officer recently retired from the Spanish army, the slopes of Monjuich are being transformed from an arid waste into an artistically laid out garden in the center of which the exposition buildings are being constructed.

The official title of the exposition is to be the International Exposition of Electrical Industries and the General Spanish Exposition. The ground selected by the government for the purpose of the exposition is 270 acres in extent, and if necessary 220 acres will be added, this depending on the amount of space asked for by exhibitors. Up to the present arrangements have been made for the erection of buildings covering a space of 2,200,000 square feet, and the architects have finished the plans and begun the erection of the chief pavilions.

One of the features of the exposition is to be the Palace of Light, where will be shown the most recent inventions from all parts of the world in connection with electric lighting. Other pavilions are to be devoted to exhibits of electrically propelled implements for agriculture and industry.

Slips on Roof; Breaks Four Bones.

By Associated Press. Britt, Oct. 13.—Warren Phillips of Bingham township, received four broken bones when he slipped on a newly painted shingle on the roof of Norman Mismann's farm home near Woden, and fell twenty-five feet to the ground below. His right leg was broken between the knee and ankle, his left knee was broken and his left heel crushed. His right ankle was also broken.

It is a peculiar coincidence that his sister, Jenny, a young lady, broke her leg last January and only recently has been able to abandon her crutches. Phillips was brought here where he received medical attention.

PRIVATE RULE OF RAILROADS ALSO COSTLY

Interstate Commerce Commissioner Woolly Contrasts Conditions. U. S. POURING OUT TAXPAYERS' CASH. Assuming That Federal Aid Will Be Continued at Present Rate, Woolly Alleges Six Months of Private Operation Costs Two-Thirds as Much as Total Under Government Administration During War. By Associated Press. Chicago, Oct. 13.—Six months of private operation of the railroads cost the taxpayers of the country more than two-thirds as much as the two years and two months of federal control, Interstate Commerce Commissioner Woolly declared in an address here today before the National Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers.

"The two years and two months of federal control cost taxpayers \$92,000,000, according to latest returns," said Mr. Woolly. "Assuming that the interstate commerce commission, in the final accounting, will allow all of the maintenance charges reported by the carriers in the period from March 1 to Sept. 1, only six months of private operation cost the taxpayers \$64,000,000. That is the deficit in operations in round figures."

Furthermore, beginning approximately on Sept. 1, new freight rates and passenger fare increases, estimated to be \$1,500,000 annually, went into effect."

STORY OF HUNGER STRIKERS.

Heart Throbs in Histories of Ireland's Would-Be Martyrs. By Associated Press. Cork, Sept. 25.—Among the 11 hunger strikers in jail here are two brothers, John and Peter Crowley, of Ballylanders, Mimerick, while another brother is hunger-striking in Winchester jail, England. Their father aged 85 has just been arrested also and brought to Cork. Their house was also burned recently after a raid had been made upon it.

This morning rents automobiles which the military officials assert were used for Sinn Fein activities. Up till the present one of their automobiles is missing and the father was informed that unless he revealed its whereabouts he would be arrested.

"If I know I would not tell you," he is reported to have replied. Consequently he was arrested.

Two other prisoners from Ballylanders, Michael O'Reilly and Christopher Upton were arrested on July 15 when they were exchanged there between the police and volunteers.

Sean Hennessy, one of the hunger strikers who is stated to be suffering severely, was attending an Irish college at Ballynagar a month ago when a motor car was driven up there and burned after its soldier occupants had been disarmed.

Michael Burke, of Folkstown, Thurles, who was arrested in connection with a raid there told Deputy Mayor O'Callahan that he suffered severely from headaches which he attributed to a beating by an officer with his fists and rifle after his arrest.

Another young hunger-striking volunteer, John Power, aged 19, of Cashel, Tipperary, was arrested at the village of Rosegreen, as a suspected Irish republican soldier as was also Joseph Kenny, of Grenagh, County Cork.

He lived many years in Montana. He has seven children the last being born a few days ago. Another hunger-striker, Joseph Murphy, is a Cork lad who was arrested in connection with a raid on his house at public trial. He was reported to have found a part of a bomb and an incriminating document.

TURKS ON WAR PATH.

Nationalists Proceeding Against Armenians—Georgians Neutral. By Associated Press. Paris, Oct. 13.—Turkish nationalist forces are moving against the Armenians along three routes by way of Olti, Bardoussa, and Karakurt (in the district northeast of Erzerum), converging on the fortress of Kara, according to dispatches received by the French foreign office. The Georgians, it is added, are preparing to protect their frontier. Meanwhile the bolsheviks are reported to be massing war material at Trebizond, on the Black Sea.

It was reported in a Constantinople dispatch of Oct. 11 that the Armenian republic had declared war against the Turkish nationalists and had secured a guarantee of the neutrality of the Georgian government.

The Weather.

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