

TRAINMEN MAY ACCEPT WILSON PLAN BY VOTE

SECRET SESSION NOW BEING HELD

By the Trainmen Where a Vote is Being Taken on the President's Plan.

CONFERENCE IS DELAYED

Railroad Presidents Are Not Inclined to Assent as They Want Arbitration.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—While the railroad employees committee of 649 men was this afternoon casting secret ballot on President Wilson's plan to avert the threatened strike, the committee of railroad presidents was in conference with Mr. Wilson at the White House.

It was plain that the railroad presidents were prepared to refuse the proposition or ask for time to consider it. There were some indications, however, that Mr. Wilson might move them and failing in that call in the financial powers which control the roads.

When the White House conference began brotherhood leaders said the men still were balloting. It was expected they would accept the president's plan.

Hale Holden, president of the Burlington, acted as spokesman. It was agreed in advance that the railroad officials would listen to Mr. Wilson's presentation of his plan. Mr. Holden should ask questions in order to make the situation clear, and the railroad presidents should return to their hotel to hold a meeting and decide on their action.

It was tentatively agreed that when the answer was sent President Wilson it would be given to the public.

ARBITRATION WANTED BY THE PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—While 649 representatives of the railway employees assembled in secret session Friday morning to vote on 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 later in the day.

There were indications that the employees would vote to accept President Wilson's proposal of a basic eight-hour day and settlement of other issues by a special commission, but the hope for settlement was endangered by evidence that the railroad presidents were not inclined to grant an eight-hour day unless it is decided by arbitration, and in any event they might ask President Wilson for a little time to think over his proposition.

The time for his conference with the railroad presidents had been set for 11:30 this morning, but they found it impossible to be prepared with their statement at that hour and the time was changed to 2 o'clock this afternoon.

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INSPECTION

Of the Flood Districts is Carefully Made by Captain Fitzhugh Lee.

CHARLESTON, Aug. 18.—Captain Fitzhugh Lee Friday completed a careful inspection of the flood districts preparatory to making a report to the war department. Captain Lee went through the district without escort and few knew of his presence.

Civil relief parties reporting from supply bases Friday declared the situation was well in hand. The body of a woman drowned by the Horse creek flood and later buried was washed from its shallow grave Thursday and re-interred Friday.

TRACK TRUNK.

DETROIT, August 18.—Private detectives employed by the insurance company which covered the \$20,000 loss sustained when the pay car of the Burroughs Adding Machine Company was robbed here, are searching for the hand in Chicago. It is said that the detectives have traced a trunk in which the loot was believed to have been sent to that city.

CASE NEAR LINE.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., August 18.—A case of infantile paralysis at Smithfield, a few miles distant from the West Virginia state line, was reported Friday. The victim is Viola Voxdale, colored, three years old.

GERMANS EXPELLED

By French Troops from a Part of the Town of Fleury in Verdun Region.

PARIS, Aug. 18.—Heavy attacks were made by the French Thursday night along the Verdun front. After violent fighting at Fleury they expelled the Germans from part of the town, which had been captured, says the official statement Friday. German counter attacks east of Maurepas were repulsed.

The French also made considerable progress in the region of Thiaumont in the Verdun sector.

DETENTION

Home for Boys and Girls is Sought in Monongalia County.

MORGANTOWN, Aug. 18.—Judge George C. Sturges of the Monongalia circuit court, in a letter to the county court, asks that provision be made for the erection of a county detention home for the temporary disposition of boys and girls.

In his letter the judge states that the county at present has no place for incorrigibles except the jail. Petitions are being circulated requesting the county court to submit the matter of a special levy for a county detention home. If 700 names are secured the matter must be submitted to the people. So far only two persons have refused to sign the petitions.

ORCHESTRA

Is Reorganized by Professors A. E. Kember and A. J. Smith.

Kember's orchestra is a new musical organization here, it being the successor to the Cadenza orchestra, or rather a re-organization of it. Prof. A. E. Kember, a violinist, lately of the Boston Festival and Portland Symphony orchestras, is the director and Prof. Augustine J. Smith is the manager. Headquarters have been established in Mr. Kember's studio, room 18, Greaney building. Only capable musicians are to be employed with the orchestra and music is to be furnished for all occasions.

A. P. Hall, former head of the Cadenza orchestra, is now in Pittsburgh, having taken a position there with the C. E. Zaruba Banking Company and with the Hotel Lincoln orchestra.

TO ENTER WAR

Soon is Portugal, Fighting on the Side of the Entente Allies, Says Nattos.

LISBON, Aug. 18.—Major Norton Nattos, the Portuguese minister of war, announced Friday that Portugal soon will participate in the war, fighting on the side of the Entente Allies. The Portuguese congress voted to join the Allies in November, 1914. A Portuguese naval commander seized thirty-six German and Austrian vessels in Portuguese waters February, 1916, and the following March Germany declared war on Portugal because of this action. The Portuguese troops were called to the colors on March 16.

CHILD PLAGUE LIKELY TO APPEAR NEXT YEAR

In Other States Unless Drastic Measures Are Taken to Control Course.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Warning that the infantile paralysis epidemic may appear next summer in other states unless drastic measures are taken to control its course was given Friday to the national conference of public health officers by the special committee named to recommend ways and means for its suppression. The committee recommended that state health authorities be notified by uniform health certificates of the



By Acclamation!

DOCTOR HARBERT TAKEN BY DEATH

Prominent Young Physician of Shinnston Succumbs to Attack of Tuberculosis.

SHINNSTON, Aug. 18.—Dr. E. Forrest Harbert, aged 32, one of the city's most prominent physicians, died at 3:15 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the home of his brother, James Harbert, in West Shinnston, following a lingering illness of tuberculosis.

Funeral services were held in the church on Cunningham's run at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, and interment was in the cemetery there.

The deceased man is survived by his father, Sylvester Harbert, of Cunningham's run; and two brothers, James, of Shinnston, and Blaine, of Cunningham's run.

Dr. Harbert was a prominent member of the Shinnston lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and that lodge had charge of the funeral services.

Dr. Harbert had made his home in Shinnston for three years and in that time had built up a very successful practice. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him.

HEAVY ATTACKS.

BERLIN, Aug. 18.—Heavy attacks by the Italians east of Gorizia, are reported in the Austrian official statement, which declares, however, that the Austrian defense stood along the entire front.

COMMITTED TO HOSPITAL.

Verna L. Brown, colored, aged 11 years, has been committed from this city to the Huntington state hospital by the county court as an imbecile.

VICTIMS OF AUTO CRASH REST EASY

Dr. T. A. Law, Wife and Child Painfully Hurt When Train Hits Machine.

After spending a restless night, during which he suffered excruciating pain, Dr. T. A. Law, of Jane Lew, who was badly hurt when his automobile was struck by a freight train at a crossing two miles north of Weston Thursday, was resting easier in St. Mary's hospital Friday. Other persons in the accident were Mrs. Law and their four-year-old son, Francis, both of whom were painfully injured but not as seriously as the doctor. The boy suffered a bad laceration over his left eye and was operated on in the hospital Friday morning. He was otherwise bruised. Mrs. Law escaped with bruises.

When first brought to the hospital it was thought that Dr. Law had sustained a fractured hip, but an X-ray photograph taken Friday morning did not show any fracture. He was badly bruised and injured about other parts of the body.

That the occupants of the automobile escaped with their lives is considered a miracle. When the engine crashed into the machine the occupants were thrown out, and the car was carried about seventy-five feet on the cowcatcher of the engine, before the train could be brought to a stop.

The crossing at which the accident occurred has long been regarded as a dangerous one. View of approaching trains is screened from the road by a high cliff.

HUGHES

Enters California with a Program That Promises Very Strenuous Period.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—Charles E. Hughes entered California from the north Friday with a program of speech making, entertainments and conferences that promised one of the most strenuous periods of his western trip. A reception committee of thirty waited near the Oregon line to escort him to San Francisco where he will remain two days. The program Friday included an afternoon reception at the Union League Club, a talk to the San Francisco women at his hotel, an address at the Civic auditorium tonight and later a reception at the press club.

WOMEN DEPORTED.

Two women giving the names of Nina Hardman and Hon Lowe, who were arrested in the streets at 2 o'clock Friday morning by Patrolmen Donahue and Brasseur, were given their choice of going to jail or leaving the city by Mayor G. H. Gordon in police court Friday morning. The women chose to leave the city and promised that they would depart as soon as they could get their personal effects together.

BIG WOOL BUYING BUSINESS IS DONE BY RANDALL.

Charles F. Randall, the successful farmer and stockman of Binzmann, has paid out a good sized fortune to the wool growers of this section during the season just closed. He bought over \$24,000 worth for Horkheimer Brothers, of Wheeling, finishing up last week. Mr. Randall has been buying for this firm for several years and always pays the highest market price. Owing to the great demand for wool caused by the European war, the price this year was higher than ever before.

MERCHANT KILLED

And Four Others Hurt, Two Seriously, in Automobile Accident Near Wheeling.

WHEELING, Aug. 18.—M. A. Walton, a merchant of Cameron, W. Va., was killed and four other persons were injured, two seriously, when an automobile in which they were riding turned over a few miles east of here last night. Albert Nealey, a hotel proprietor, and Miss Patton, both of Wheeling, are in a critical condition. Mrs. Nealey and Miss Kate Smith were less seriously hurt.

HEENAN FUNERAL.

Funeral services over the body of Jack Heenan, who was killed while at work in the oil fields of Kansas and whose body arrived here Thursday evening, were conducted from the Lynch-Osborne Undertaking Company's mortuary chapel at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Interment was in Greenlaw cemetery.

PRESIDENT VEToes ARMY MONEY BILL

And Hay Introduces Another with Many Features of First Eliminated.

WASHINGTON, August 18.—President Wilson Friday vetoed the army appropriation bill because of exemptions from discipline for retired officers, forced into the bill by the House conferees, led by Representative Hay over the opposition of the war department. A new bill will be necessary and may delay adjournment of Congress. Representative Hay said he would re-introduce the bill in the House immediately with the features to which

"POLITICIANS' DAY" WILL BE A FEATURE OF BIG CENTRAL FAIR

BOND ISSUE NEXT.

WASHINGTON, August 18.—A recommendation of the majority members of the Senate finance committee for a bond issue of \$130,000,000 to meet government expenditures due to the Mexican situation was before Congress Friday. This amount it was explained would meet the expenditures only to the end of the calendar year.

MORGANTOWN

Health Officer is Taking Precautions against the Child Plague Epidemic.

MORGANTOWN, August 18.—Dr. W. C. Kelly, city health officer, Thursday night ordered that a policeman meet all trains and require children under the age of 16 coming from New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania to show health certificates. While there are no cases of infantile paralysis in Morgantown at the present time, yet the doctor is taking this step as a precautionary measure. If any children arrive from the infested states without proper certificates they will be isolated until it is shown that they are free from disease. Dr. Kelly is issuing health certificates to all children entering Pennsylvania, as eight passengers were turned back at Point Marion Thursday because their children did not have a health bill. The railroad ticket agent here has been ordered to sell no tickets to persons not having health certificates.

QUARANTINE

Is Made by the State of New Jersey against a Class of Merchants.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 18.—The health authorities having charge of the fight against infantile paralysis were notified Friday that the authorities of Trenton, N. J., have quarantined against merchants who send goods to merchants on approval. The Trenton authorities say they realize that the practice of merchants sending goods on approval is pernicious because of the possibility of such goods carrying disease upon their return journey. They accordingly have ordered the practice discontinued until there is some definite finding as to what carrier is responsible for the spread of the infantile paralysis.

POLICE MAKE RAID

Of Glen Elk Apartment and Arrest a Man and a Woman.

Armed with warrants, city policemen made a raid upon upstairs rooms of the Onestangle building on North Fourth street, Glen Elk, Friday noon, arrested R. M. Moore and Mabel Gainer, and seized sixteen plints of whiskey. The woman was charged with loitering in a disreputable house, but she was released after depositing a bond of \$11.60 in cash for her appearance at the next session of police court. Moore was charged in Magistrate Jackson V. Carter's court by J. H. Tenney, deputy commissioner of prohibition, with violating the prohibition law. He was detailed in the custody of an officer during the afternoon in efforts to raise bond.

GERMANS DRIVEN BACK.

BERLIN, Aug. 18.—The British launched an attack on the Somme front and succeeded in driving back the German first line for a short distance on a narrow front southwest of Maritinduch, the war office announced Friday. In other sectors they were completely repulsed.

Farmers and Children Also Will Have Special Days at the Clarksburg Exposition.

NEW FEATURES GALORE

Scope of Big Exposition is Enlarged and Fall Meeting Will Be Memorable.

A novelty of the Central West Virginia Fair, to be held September 12, 13 and 14 on the big exposition grounds here, will be its division into special days, for each of which there will be special observances.

Tuesday, September 12, the first day of the fair, will be known as Children's day. Special amusements will be provided for the younger folk and an attractive program including contests for which prizes will be awarded will be carried out. One of the awards will be a Shetland pony. A like day was observed at the fair last year with remarkable success, in view of which it was decided to have one again this year.

Day for Farmers.

Farmers of central West Virginia will have their day Wednesday, the second day of the fair, when a special program will be carried out under the supervision of W. D. Zinn, Harrison county agricultural expert, assisted by Carl S. Lawson, Harrison county superintendent of schools. This will be the biggest day of the fair and in addition to the special program there will be numerous special attractions of peculiar interest to farmers and fruit growers.

Of All Parties.

Thursday, September 14, the last day of the fair, will be known as Politician's day. This is indeed, a unique thing, something that has never before been attempted in this part of the country by any other fair association. All the politicians of the state, far and near, Republican, Democratic, Prohibition, Socialist, independent and even the women politicians are to be on hand for an exchange of political views. As this is a presidential election year and momentous political problems are to be solved, more than ordinary interest is being taken in governmental affairs and it is predicted that the Politician's day at the Central West Virginia Fair will be a huge success.

Many Departments.

The fair this year will abound with new features. Its scope has been considerably enlarged, there now being a separate big department each for cattle, horses, swine, sheep, poultry,

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MISS DUFF DEAD

Death Angel Takes Aged Resident of City, Following a Lingering Illness.

Following a lingering illness incident to advanced age, Miss Margaret Duff, of West Pike street, aged about 86 years, died in St. Mary's hospital at 6 o'clock Friday morning.

Miss Duff was a sister of the late Alexander and Sue Duff, and the last member of that immediate family. She is survived by a number of nephews and nieces.

The deceased woman was widely known among the older residents of the community and highly esteemed by them. She was a member of the First Baptist church.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home on West Pike street at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon with the Rev. Dr. W. C. Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist church, officiating. Interment will be in the Masonic cemetery.

ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL.

Cecil Hyer, a young man in the employ of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, was admitted to St. Mary's hospital Friday for an operation on his foot, which was injured several days ago while Hyer was attending to his duties on the railroad.

MEN ARE FINED.

Two men giving the names of Peter Jackson and R. C. Kicheval, were fined \$2.50 each in police court Friday morning for disorderly conduct. The two men were fighting when arrested by Officer Davison.

NUTTER FUNERAL.

Funeral services for Clarence D. Nutter, who died Tuesday night at Sandyville, Braxton county, were held at the home of W. Bruce Nutter, in Broad Oaks, a brother of the deceased, at 10 o'clock Friday morning. Burial was in the Nutter cemetery.

SUBMARINE SAFE.

GENEVA, August 18.—A private telegram received Friday from Berlin by the Neue Zurcher Zeitung says that the German submarine Deutschland arrived safely Friday at Bremen from the United States.