

IN READINESS LEGISLATURE'S SPECIAL SESSION

Bills Drafted Yesterday by
State Officials Will Be Intro-
duced in the House This Morn-
ing by Individuals.

ADJOURN FRIDAY NOON

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ing if Necessary—One Meas-
ure Carries \$10 Monthly Pay
for Each Guardsman; Other
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DEPOSITS IN POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS GROW

Used Over 51 per Cent. in Year,
Following War's Outbreak.

Washington, Aug. 23.—Deposits in
postal savings banks of the United
States increased more than 51 per cent
in a year, following the outbreak of
European war. At the close of the
fiscal year deposits aggregated
\$1,708, and depositors numbered
11, making an average of more
than \$157 for each depositor. The post-
office savings system was inaugurated
July 1, 1911, under Postmaster Gen-
eral Frank H. Hitchcock of Massachusetts,
and at the close of that fiscal
year the average of each depositor was
less than \$50. At the close of 1912
it was \$102 and in 1914 the aver-
age increased to \$111.

CONGRESSMAN DALE TO STUMP NEW JERSEY

Washington, Aug. 23.—Speaking
for many senators and repre-
sentatives in the republican campaign
subcommittee were announced to-
day by Representative Sloane, acting as
man of speakers' bureau of the
republican congressional committee,
run from the middle of Septem-
ber to the first week of November.
Republican representatives will make
trips ranging from one to five weeks
in the congressional campaign.
Fifteen members of the commit-
tee are expected to visit Michigan.
Representative Longworth of
Ohio will cover a dozen States, mostly
in the East. Representative Chandler
of New York will speak in New Jersey,
Pennsylvania and Connecticut. Repre-
sentative Graham of Pennsylvania will
visit the districts in New York, and
Representative Dale of Vermont in New Jer-
sey.

TO DROPS 35 FEET INTO AUSABLE RIVER

burgh Man and Four Young
Women Have Narrow Escape.

Atsborough, N. Y., Aug. 23.—An auto-
mobile in which Frank W. Judge, a
city was driving this afternoon
the Misses Hayes, Muldoon, Mulli-
gan and McGovern of New York city,
are attending the Catholic summer
camp of America, crashed through an
open railing near Ausable Chasm and
plunged into the Ausable river 35 feet
below.

Miss Hayes, a sister-in-law of
James W. Churchill, former president
of the New York city board of educa-
tion, had both legs broken and Judge
suffered internal injuries. The other
women were not hurt.

Judge saved the lives of the
young women by cutting a hole in the
side of the automobile and pulling
them through before the car sank in
a bed of water.

8-HOUR PLAN ONLY WAY OF AVERTING RAILROAD STRIKE

Executives, Realizing This Fact, Seek Means of
Meeting Added Expense of Its Adoption—
President's Suggestions So Far Not Feasible
—Congress May Pass Legislation to Help
Solve Present Difficulty and to Provide for
the Future.

Washington, Aug. 23.—In another
effort to aid the presidents of the
country's railroads to find some
way in which to accept an eight-
hour day for their trainmen and
avert the threatened strike, President
Wilson to-night conferred for an hour
and a half with President Hale Holden
of the Burlington, Daniel Willard of
the Baltimore & Ohio and R. S. Lovett
of the Union Pacific.

Neither White House officials nor
the presidents would discuss the
conference. It was said authoritatively,
however, that the three executives went
to the White House to receive an
answer to the suggestion they made to
Mr. Wilson last night that he give them
more specific information as to how
the railroads may get the additional
revenue necessary to take care of the
greater payrolls that will come with
the eight-hour day.

Earlier in the day President Wilson
discussed the railroad situation at
length with Senator Newlands and
Representative Adamson, chairman of
the two committees of Congress in
charge of legislation affecting inter-
state commerce. Their visit was in
consequence of the fact that the railroad
men last night. The two chairmen are
said to have agreed that the President's
position in the present situation was
right and to have said that every effort
could be expected in Congress to put
through any legislation which might
help solve the present difficulty and
provide for the future.

One of the means for recouping sug-
gested by the President to the rail-
roads in his public outline of his position
was through an increase in
freight rates. It was pointed out to-
night that the President cannot direct-
ly ask the interstate commerce com-
mission to grant increases to the rail-
roads. Congress, however, might pass
a resolution directing the commission
in view of what it considers an unpre-
cedented situation to grant higher
rates.

Congress also might pass a resolu-
tion directing the commission to in-
vestigate all matters investigated in
the present controversy, and the whole
subject of the relations of railroads
and their employees. One result ex-
pected from to-day's conference is an
early effort to pass the bill intro-
duced several months ago to increase
the commission's membership from
seven to nine.

It became evident to-night that most
of the railroad executives have come
to believe that there can be only one
way of averting a strike and that
is by accepting the eight-hour plan.
The chief effort in their own confer-
ences to-day was to find some scheme
by which an eight-hour day may be
put in operation on all the railroads
at the least added expense. Many sug-
gestions along this line have been
made by the presidents, but no one of
them has proved feasible when sub-
mitted to the acid test of operating
officials.

WAR INTEREST NOW HELD BY MOVES ON SALONKI FRONT

Greek Commander at Seres Re-
ported Preparing to Resist
Further Advances of Bulgars
—Front Still Quiet.

ROUMANIA YET UNDECIDED

French Mark Time on Western
Front While British Continue
Active—Verdun Remains the
Storm Center—Russians Fight
Desperately in Carpathians.

With no changes of importance in
the main theatres of the war, interest remains
centered on the new allied offensive on
the Salonki front. The latest despatches
from the war capitals throw little
light on the situation and the allied
plans and objectives remain somewhat ob-
scure.

London reports that the Bulgarians
have advanced along the Struma valley
and have entrenched themselves at vari-
ous points. Berlin also reports further
advances for the Bulgars on the right
wing where they are facing the Serbians.
Apparently, however, no action of first
importance has yet developed at any point
on this front.

Interest in the attitude of the Greeks
has been heightened by press despatches
claiming the determination of the Greek
commander at Seres to resist the Bulgarians
and of volunteers being organized
for his assistance by the Venizelos leaders
at Salonki. There has been no further
development in the Rumanian situation.
The last report from Berlin maintains that
Rumania has not yet reached a decision.

On the western front the French are ap-
parently making time while the British
push their operations against Thiepval
and Guillemont. London reports a fresh
tightening of the ring around Thiepval in
the capture of 20 yards of German
trenches south of the town. Bitter fight-
ing is going on in this section, the Ger-
mans counter attacking with great vio-
lence. In these counter attacks they suc-
ceeded in entering some of the British
trenches, but according to London, they
were immediately evicted.

The fierce struggle around Fleury, in
the Verdun sector, continues with un-
abated violence. The French claim "an
appreciable advance" between Fleury
and Thiaucourt and the capture of two
hundred prisoners.

Conflicting claims are made by Ber-
lin and Petrograd in regard to the
fighting on the eastern front. Both
sides report the capture of positions
near Jablonka pass, where a violent
struggle has been in progress for sev-
eral days on the crest of the Carpathians.
Berlin also claims the sanguinary
repulse of Russian attempts to
cross the Stokhod and apparently fight-
ing of an extremely desperate charac-
ter is going on in that district.

Both Berlin and London continue to
make claims and counter claims in re-
gard to the recent fighting in the North
Sea. Berlin claims that the battleship
Watafuchi was sunk by a torpedo from
an English submarine but main-
tains that the damage was slight. In
return the German admiralty reiterates
its claim that a British battleship was
heavily damaged by a German subma-
rine. This is denied by the British ad-
miralty.

HEALTH CONDITIONS ON BORDER GOOD

Dr. Thomas Dartington Gives Encour-
aging Report after Inspection.

San Antonio, Aug. 23.—Dr. Thomas
Dartington of New York, representing
the National Civic Federation, has fur-
nished to Gen. Frederick Pershing a re-
port on health conditions in the mili-
tary camps on the border and in Mex-
ico. He is due to-day from a month's
tour.

"The sick rate is low," said Dr. Dar-
tington. "I think that summarizes the
situation. Although there is room for
constructive work in a medical way, I
can truthfully say that the folks back
home need have no fear but what ade-
quate steps are being taken to safe-
guard the health of our guardsmen who
are engaged in border service."

"I have inspected the base hospitals at
San Antonio, El Paso, Nogales and
Douglas and have seen the troops in the
field.

"I spent four days at Colonia Dublan,
headquarters of General Pershing's
forces. The camp is most interesting.
I don't suppose there will ever be an-
other like it. To be sure, conditions are
not ideal; the flies are pretty thick,
but the point is, in Mexico, as along
the border, army officials have done
their best for the comfort and health
of the men."

TWO WORKMEN KILLED WHEN TENEMENT FALLS

New York, Aug. 23.—Two workmen
were killed to-day and a score severely
injured, several probably fatally, as the
result of the collapse of a five-story
brick tenement under construction in
the Bronx. Search of the ruins for six
workmen reported missing revealed no
bodies.

BRITISH BATTLESHIP DAMAGED, SAYS BERLIN

Berlin via London, Aug. 23.—The
claim that a British battleship was
damaged by a German submarine in the
recent fighting in the North Sea is re-
peated with considerable detail in an
official statement issued to-day by the
admiralty. The statement says that
after the torpedo struck the warship
only the body of the vessel without
funnel or masts was visible while the
full silhouette of the neighboring ves-
sels was distinguishable.

HOUSE AND BARN BURN.

Property of Peter LaFayette Destroyed
by Early Morning Fire.

Lincoln, Aug. 23.—The house and
barn owned by Peter LaFayette were
destroyed by fire about 5:30 o'clock this
morning. The origin of the fire is sup-
posed to have been in a defective flue
as a blaze was first seen issuing from
the roof near the chimney. Owing to
the scarcity of water the fire gained
great headway in spite of the ready
response of men in the surrounding
district to the call for help. The
greater part of the contents of the
house was saved. The loss on the
buildings is partially covered by insur-
ance.

Are you PAYING for efficiency, and
getting incompetency? It will cost you
a great deal in the end. Advertise for
a competent worker.

HAPPENINGS IN VT.; NEWS BY COUNTIES

ADDISON COUNTY MIDDLEBURY.

Channing H. Greene has gone to
Worcester, Mass., where he will visit
his parents for this week, after
which he will go to the White moun-
tains to spend the rest of the sum-
mer.—W. H. Dow, who was quite seri-
ously injured ten days ago by being
thrown from a horse rake, is slowly re-
covering.—Miss Abigail McNilla, who
has been visiting at the home of her
parents on Seymour street for the past
few weeks, has returned to Worcester,
Mass.—Miss Eva Stone of Malton-
neuve, Montreal, P. Q., is the guest of
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goodman on
South street.—Joseph Balinski, who
has been working at the Green Moun-
tain Pulp Mill plant here for the past
year, has resigned his position and is
moving his family to Rutland, where
he has secured a position.—William
Lalrock has gone to "Woodstock, N. Y.,
on a business trip.—Mrs. Mary Beach
of Washington, D. C., the guest of
Mr. and Mrs. Hanson O'Brien of South
street.—Mrs. Phillip E. Crane and
daughter have gone to Suncook, N. H.,
where they will visit her parents for
a few weeks.—Mrs. Charles E. Grandy
has returned from Bridport, where she
has been on a visit to her son, Charles
Grandy.—Mrs. Harriet Crysler of New
York city, who has been visiting Mr.
and Mrs. Eben C. Ryder on Seymour
street for the past few weeks, has gone
to her summer home, "The Lodge," at
Rush Harbor, where she will spend the
remainder of the summer.—George M.
Shen of Pittsburg, N. D., is in town on
a visit to his mother, Mrs. Esther
Shen, of High street.—Mr. and Mrs.
Ezra Brainard, Jr., of Newkirk, Okla.,
are spending the summer with his par-
ents, Dr. and Mrs. Ezra Brainard, of
Seymour street.—Cards have been re-
ceived here announcing the marriage of
Miss Laura Belle, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Ward Beecher Brown, for-
mer residents of Middlebury, to Dr.
Edward Ross of Rochester, N. Y.,
after a week's wedding trip in the
mountains. Dr. and Mrs. Ross will re-
side in Rochester. Several guests from
this town attended the ceremony.—
Frank Dowers is moving his household
goods to Brooksville, where he has pur-
chased a place.—Mrs. Mary Caswell
and daughter Frances have returned
from Springfield, Mass., where they
have been on a visit to her daughter,
Mrs. Dana Jackson, and family for the
past few weeks.—Levi Leno has re-
turned from the Mary Fletcher hospital
at Burlington, where he underwent a
serious surgical operation.—Mr. and
Mrs. Arthur Plank of Rouses Point, N. Y.,
and Mr. and Mrs. Stafford of Essex,
N. Y., who have been the guests of
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Douglas for the past
week, have returned to their homes.—
Mrs. E. E. Ross has returned from the
Mary Fletcher hospital at Burlington,
where she has been for the past few
weeks for treatment.—Charles Porter
has returned to his home in Boston
after a week's stay in town with rela-
tives and friends.—George C. Ross of
New Haven, Conn., is in town on a
visit.—Mrs. Raymond Higgins and
daughter of Springfield, Mass., are vis-
iting at the home of her parents, Mr.
and Mrs. W. S. Tidwell, Mrs. M. J.
Munroe and son William, who have
been visiting at the home of Miss
Laura Ross, have returned to their
home in Glens Falls, N. Y.—Mr. and
Mrs. Ross H. Maynard, who have been
visiting relatives and friends in this
vicinity for the past two weeks, have
returned to their home in Boston.—
The Sunday school of the East Middle-
bury Methodist Church held their
annual picnic at Lake Dunmore on
Wednesday, August 23.—Gilbert Dumas
has gone to Rutland for a few days' visit
to his daughter, Mrs. Frank
Loomis, and family.—H. R. Hall, who
has been in town for the past few
weeks, has returned to his home in
Fairfax.—Alfred Cole has returned from
a few days' stay in Rutland.—The East
Middlebury Improvement society held
their last ice cream and cake sale
of the season in conjunction with the
last band concert Wednesday evening.
—A. J. Gaines has gone to Burlington
for a few days.—Mr. and Mrs. H. E.
Easton have gone to Randolph, where
they will spend the next few days.—
R. D. Estlin, who has spent the past
few weeks here with friends, has re-
turned to his home in Webster, Mass.—
Mrs. Roy Robbins and daughter are
visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs.
Manley Welch, and family in Pittsford.
—Mrs. W. W. Wilson has gone to Rut-
land, where she will visit her sister.

VILLA'S PRESTIGE GONE," IS REPORT SENT BY PERSHING

"Can Never Again Become Seri-
ous Factor in Mexican Affairs"
—Joint Border Commission to
Meet in New England.

PLANS STILL INDEFINITE

Commission's Sessions Will Be
Held during First Week in
September—Recall of Troops
Indicated by Pershing's and
Funston's Communications.

Washington, Aug. 23.—There were two
developments to-day in the Mexican
situation. Secretary Lansing and Eliseo
Arredondo, Mexican ambassador desig-
nate, tentatively agreed that the joint
commission to discuss border problems
should meet at some place on the New
England coast during the first week in
September. Brigadier-General Pershing
transmitted a report saying the general
opinion was that "Villa's prestige is
gone and that he can never again be-
come a serious factor in Mexican af-
fairs."

Supporting as it does General Funston's
recent recommendation for the with-
drawal of the expeditionary force in
Mexico, it is believed General Pershing's
report makes it certain that the Ameri-
can commissioners will agree promptly
to the suggestions of their Mexican coun-
terparts for the early recall of the troops.
Mr. Arredondo called at the depart-
ment to receive formal notification that
the American commissioners had been
selected and were ready to meet the
Mexican members as soon as the time
and place could be arranged. Both the
ambassador and the department were in
communication with Mexico City to-
night in regard to the fixing of a date
for beginning the sessions.

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GERMAN CATHOLICS CRITICIZE WILSON ON CLOSING DAY

New York, Aug. 23.—President Wilson
was criticized to-night in a resolution
passed at the closing session here of the
German Roman Catholic Central Verein
for having "preferred charges" in his
message to Congress "against a part of
our citizenship, who therefore enjoyed
the proud distinction of unquestioned
loyalty and patriotism." Action on the
resolution was taken only after there
had been a heated debate on the ques-
tion of the propriety of a religious or-
ganization "entering into political fields."

MEXICAN TROUBLES THEME OF HUGHES' ADDRESS AT RENO

Reno, Nev., Aug. 23.—Charles Evans
Hughes said in an address delivered
here late to-day that the prestige of
the United States has been cut practi-
cally in half, as a result of its dealings
with Mexico. The nominee reiterated
his previous declarations for an ade-
quate protective tariff and again took
the administration to task for retain-
ing trained men from diplomatic service
"to make room for men without any
special qualifications other than party
loyalty." Mr. Hughes said he deplored
the fact that the present administra-
tion "has to such a large degree dis-
regarded and violated the principles of
our most sacred trust."

"We can have peace without trouble
in this country," said the nominee in
discussing the Mexican situation. "Only
unreasonable blundering could get us
into war. We don't want anything; we
have got all we need; we are non-
aggressive; we are not seeking trouble;
we are not trying to exploit anybody.
We simply want to go ahead in our
peaceful pursuit of our ideals and have
prosperity."

"But that does not mean that our
rights are to be ignored, that we are
to be lacking in the protection to those
rights that are known as certain to
American citizens. Our conduct in
Mexico in failing to protect the rights
of our citizens down there cut down
our international prestige. I should
say practically one-half. It is a very
serious thing for a nation to be known
as willing to forego those primary
obligations of maintaining the rights
of its citizens which every nation
has."

THIRTY-FOUR AIR RAIDS ON ENGLAND

Resulting Casualties Were 334 Civilians
and 50 Military Men.

London, Aug. 23.—Major Baird, re-
presentative of the aerial board in the
House of Commons, replying last night
to criticism of the air defenses during
the recent Zeppelin raids, announced
that since the war began the entente
allies had accounted for 35 Zeppelins.
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ill-chosen statements as have been
made in the House of Commons to-
night."

SAID TO BE FATHER OF ADOPTED GIRLS

Chicago Junk Dealer, Husband of Girls'
Mother Accuses Millionaire.

Chicago, Aug. 23.—Edward W. Morris-
son, a multi-millionaire recluse, was
named as the real father of two girls
he recently adopted, in proceedings to-
day before Judge Landis of the United
States.

The accuser was Joseph Burnstein,
a junk dealer, and husband of the girls'
mother. His wife, he declared, con-
fessed to him on her death bed that
Morrison was the father of the girls.
The millionaire, who is nearly 80 years
old, denied the accusation.

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PACIFIST NORMAN ANGELL NOT IN JAIL

Story of His Confinement Made Out of
Whole Cloth.

London, Aug. 23.—The Overseas
News agency report that Norman An-
gell, the pacifist, was sentenced to 18
months imprisonment at hard labor
for declining to take part in the war
was made out of whole cloth. Angell is
42 years of age, and consequently not
liable to military service. At present
he is not living at his rooms in the
Temple, but he occasionally calls there
for his correspondence.

One of Mr. Angell's colleagues in the
Union of Democratic Control, E. U.
Morel, is just now in particularly hot
water. Morel may be remembered in
America as secretary of the Congo Re-
form association. His attitude toward
the war has provoked charges in 18
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STATE GRANGE FIELD DAY

Manchester, Aug. 23.—There was one
disappointing feature to the State Grange
field day here to-day and that was the
attendance. Scarcely more than five
hundred people were present to hear the
speeches of Thomas Bradley, director of
the State university extension service,
John W. Tibbott, State fish and game
commissioner, E. S. Brigham, State com-
missioner of agriculture, Austin F.
Hawes, State forester, and Charles M.
Gardner, a national Grange official. W.
N. Cady of Middlebury, master of the
State Grange, presided.

In the afternoon there was a program
of field sports, a ball game and some
very interesting hurdle work by horses
from the stable of Mrs. William Ritter
of Washington, D. C., a summer resident
of Manchester. The ball game was be-
tween Manchester and Arlington and
was won by the latter by the score of
5 to 3. The scores by innings:

Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9—R H E
Arlington 0 0 5 0 0 2 0 2-2 10 1
Manchester 1 0 0 0 0 1 2-5 9 3
Batteries—Riley and Dauphin; Black-
mer, Fields and Burns.

TANGO MUST GO; WALTZ RETURNS

Chicago, Aug. 23.—The old-fashioned,
drowsy waltz will supplant the aerobic
tango in the ball rooms of the nation, if
the National Association of Dancing
Masters has any influence. In convention
here the dancing professors decreed that
the tango must go. The waltz, the one
step and the fox trot will be the fash-
ionable favorites this season.

New York American says telephone
communication between New York and
Havana, Cuba, may soon be a fact. Tel-
ephone wires, it is understood, will be
laid in a cable to be sunk between Key West
and Havana.