

SENATE ORDERS PROBE OF STRIKE

Investigation of "Outlaw Railroad Walkout," Now In Progress, To Be Made.

SITUATION IS SERIOUS

Labor Leaders in Frantic Efforts to Call Off Strike—National Leaders Asked to Help Frame New Legislation.

Washington.—The Senate has instructed the Senate Interstate Commerce committee to make an investigation of the "outlaw railroad strike," now in progress.

The action was taken on the resolution introduced by Senator McCormick of Illinois. Senator Cummins will proceed to bring the matter before his committee at once.

The investigation is not expected to yield much in the way of information but is expected to provide a forum before which the matter can be aired and the public attention concentrated on the salient features of this unusual situation.

The frantic efforts which the labor leaders are making to call off the "outlaw" strike shows the keen realization they have of the seriousness of the situation. They, too, are awake to the power of public opinion in dealing with a labor situation which so intimately affects the general public.

Leaders Views Sought.

Herbert Hoover, Samuel Gompers, W. H. Taft and other national figures are to be asked to recommend labor legislation to Congress and give their views on means of reducing industrial unrest, according to plans completed by Senator Kenyon, chairman of the education and labor committee.

They will be asked to appear before this committee in the near future. Secretary of Labor Wilson and probably several large employers of labor, such as Charles M. Schwab, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., as well as a number of economists and special students of labor problems, will probably be summoned.

CONGRESSMAN IS STRICKEN

Kitchin Suffers Stroke of Paralysis Following Speech.

Washington.—At the close of his speech on the peace resolution Mr. Kitchin suffered a collapse, resulting from what was said by his physician to be a slight stroke of paralysis. Representative Mondell later expressed the sympathy of the House with Mr. Kitchin, the members standing while he spoke.

Physicians said that Mr. Kitchin was resting easily, but that the seriousness of his condition could not be determined for 10 days. The paralysis resulted from a clot on the right brain affecting the side and with slight facial paralysis.

BELGIUM OFFERS TROOPS

Willing to Send Force to Aid France in Germany.

Brussels.—At a meeting of ministers held under the presidency of the king, the latest events in Germany were examined. In order to assert the principle of solidarity of the Allies before Germany, and as a token of friendship to France, it was decided to inform the French government that the Belgian government is ready to associate itself with France and to send a detachment in connection with the measure for the occupation of the Ruhr region.

DENEKIN ARMY WON'T FIGHT

Anti-Bolshevik Leader's Forces Desert and Leave Crimea by Steamer.

London.—A Bolshevik wireless communication received from Moscow says: "The evacuation of the Crimea by the troops of General Denekin, the anti-Bolshevik leader in south Russia, is in full swing, and the remnants of the volunteer army, perceiving the futility of further resistance, have refused to fight and are leaving the country by steamers."

Mary Pickford Near Collapse.

Los Angeles.—Instead of celebrating her birthday with a party as was planned, Mary Pickford Fairbanks was taken home from the studio in a near collapse brought about by the nervous strain which has been caused by news of the impending attack upon the legality of her recently obtained Nevada divorce.

British to Retire.

Constantinople.—British troops in Turkish Asia Minor were ordered to retire on Ismid, about 60 miles east and south of Constantinople, on the Scutari-Ismid railway.

Jail Sentence For Miner Chief.

Pittsburg.—Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas coal miners, was sentenced to jail for contempt of court by Judge Andrew J. Curran of the Crawford county district court. The judge sentenced Howat and three associates to the county jail for 30 days as they will testify before the Kansas court of industrial relations. Under the order of Judge Curran, Howat and the other officials were taken to the county jail at Grand Island, Mo.

GRAIN AND LIVE STOCK.

Minneapolis Grain.
Minneapolis, April 12.—Oats, May, 90% c. Rye, May, \$1.85 1/2; July, \$1.84 1/2. Barley, May, \$1.62 1/2; Sept., \$1.26.
Closing Cash Prices.
Minneapolis, April 12.—Corn No. 3 yellow, \$1.69@1.70; No. 3 white, \$1.70; No. 3 mixed, \$1.65@1.66. Oats No. 2 white, 97 1/2@98 1/2 c. Barley, choice to fancy, \$1.55@1.60. Rye No. 2, \$1.88 1/2@1.89 1/2. Flaxseed, \$4.75@4.80.
South St. Paul Live Stock.
South St. Paul, April 12.—Estimated receipts at the Union Stock Yards: Cattle, 2,800; calves, 800; hogs, 8,100; sheep, 1,200; horses, 130; cars, 225.
Steers, \$8.00@11.75; cows, \$6.50@10.50; calves, \$5.00@12.50; hogs, \$13.50@14.00; sheep and lambs, \$6.00@19.00.

Chicago Live Stock.
Chicago, April 12.—Cattle, 3,500; desirable killing yearlings 25c to 50c higher; top, \$14.75; other beef steers and butcher cattle mostly 25c higher; bulk steers, \$11.75@13.50; best heavy-weight offered, \$14.25.
Hogs—Receipts, 5,000; market active, unevenly 25c to 50c higher; some medium and heavy weight, 75c up; early top, \$15.25; bulk, \$14.40@15.25; smooth heavy packing sows, \$12.50@13.50; light pigs around \$12.50.
Minneapolis Butter, Eggs and Poultry.
Minneapolis, April 12.—Butter, Creameries, extra, 65c; extra fresh, 63c; firsts, 62c; seconds, 61c; dairies, extras, 48c; packing stock, fresh, 36c; stale goods, 8c; grease, 3c.
Eggs—Fresh prime firsts, new cases, free from rots, small dirties and checks out, doz., 38c; current receipts, rots out, case \$10.80; checks and seconds, doz., 33c; dirties, candled, doz., 33c. Quotations on eggs include cases.
Live Poultry—Spring chickens, all weights, per lb., 28c; 1919 stage, 24c; hens, over 4 lbs., 30c; under 4 lbs. 24c; cocks, 18c; ducks, fat, 30c; thin and small, 12@20c; cripples and culls unsalable; guineas, per dozen, \$9.00.

STATE OF SONORA SECEDES

Reported To Have Repudiated, and Left Mexican Government.

Nogales, Ariz.—A separate state has been declared for the state of Sonora by its legislature, which charges President Carranza with violation of their constitutional rights, according to reports received here. Its independence is said to have been declared.
Custom houses, telegraph and mail service were expected to be taken over.

The Sonora state congress convened in secret session at Hermosillo, repudiated the Mexican central government and adopted a resolution declaring the state would take steps to resist any invasion by troops or infringement of state rights attempted by the Carranza government, according to Fernando Mendoza.

POLES REPULSE NEW DRIVE

Bolshevik Artillery, Cavalry and Infantry Defeated With Heavy Loss.

Warsaw.—A heavy artillery, infantry and cavalry action in the region of Mozir, designed, according to an official communication, to bring the Poles to look favorably on the Bolshevik terms for peace, has been repulsed with large enemy losses, a statement issued by the war office says.

SIMS SEVERELY SCORED

Admiral Fletcher Replies To Charges of "Stormy Petrel."

Comprehensive Navy Plan Ready Two Years Before United States Entered World War.

Washington.—Two years before the United States joined the Allies in the World War the navy general board prepared a comprehensive plan for war against a "Central power" of Europe. Rear Admiral F. F. Fletcher told the Senate investigating committee. He was replying to Rear Admiral Sims' charge that when the United States entered the war the Navy department had no "well considered" plans or policies for fighting Germany.

Explaining that he wished to comment on certain specific charges made by Admiral Sims before testifying regarding his duties as a member of these various boards, the witness first took up Sims' criticism that the navy was not prepared for war in April, 1917. No navy ever was or ever will be fully prepared for war in the eyes of everyone, the admiral declared, but the American navy when it entered the war was "just as well prepared as any other navy in the world when the great war burst forth," he asserted.

No loss of shipping or failure of the navy to transport troops to France prolonged the war for a single day, the admiral asserted. Admiral Sims' assertion that "the Navy department is responsible for the loss of two and a half million tons of shipping, the prolongation of the war for four months, \$15,000,000,000 of debt and the loss of 500,000 lives," was based upon assumption and had no foundation in fact, the officer declared.

"The whole conclusion reached in the accusation is built upon the flimsy foundation of a hypothetical condition and is wholly without value," he said.

ARMENIA IS FACING PERIL

Beset By Foes May Become Bolshevik, Is Report.

Constantinople.—Danger that all of the Caucasus and Trans-Caucasus regions, including Armenia, may turn Bolshevik is causing more uneasiness here than the Syrian and Anatolian situations. The capture of Tuapse during the last week by the Soviets virtually opened the road to Poti, the next Black Sea port to the southward, and Batoum.

GEN. OREGON UNDER ARREST

Not Allowed To Leave Capital Though Not Placed In Jail.

Nogales, Sonora.—General Alvaro Obregon is technically under arrest in Mexico City, in connection with the arrest of General Roberto Cejudo, Mexican rebel leader, according to an unverified report received here. General Obregon, according to the report, is not allowed to leave the city but has not been jailed.

COUNTY NEWS

LOURDES.

Jeff Knutson called on John Beaumaster, Friday evening.
Regina Koshatka visited with Mrs. Ralph Buckley, Thursday afternoon.
John Engarty, of Elma, called on his brother Rog, Thursday.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Showalter and children, accompanied by Miss Lena Garmen, were Cresco shoppers, Friday afternoon.
Mrs. Fr Buckley was an Alta Vista shopper, Saturday.
Ed and George Heigel are busy hauling sand, these days.
Louis Robinson was an Elma business caller, Saturday.
Lloyd Beaumaster called on his brother Willie, Friday eve. He was accompanied home by his sister Esther.
Some of the Daniels' folks were callers at the Eastman home, Friday afternoon.
Paul Biever called at the Jeff Knutson home, Saturday.
Mrs. Tessie Biever has been ill for the past few days. Mrs. Francis Biever was superintending her household during her illness.

Dr. Harry Hastings, of Alta Vista, was a professional caller at the Joe Shatek home, Saturday, Master Louis being ill.
Vinc Shstek called on Vaivoda Bros., Sunday afternoon.
Willie Thannert was a Lourdes caller, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Koshatka went to Lime Springs, Saturday, where they visited their daughter, Mrs. Chas. Effler, and family.
Clara Buckley is staying at the Frank Dvorak home near Cresco at present.

Rumor states that Charles Shatek is a sufferer with typhoid fever and malaria. We look for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Friedhoff and babe were Elma callers, Wednesday.
Frank Komarek auto to Protivin, Saturday.

Severt Johnson is working for Jeff Knutson at present.
W. C. Thranert and son Joseph were Elma callers, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buckley visited at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Frank Dvorak, and family, Sunday.

John Gable's youngsters, of Elma, visited with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lenehan, the past week.
Toif Johnson and Nora were Elma callers, Friday.

Tom Koshatka was a business caller in Elma, Thursday.
Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Knutson and children spent Sunday with Jerico relatives.

Mrs. Willie Willie Beaumaster was a pleasant visitor, Friday afternoon, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Kinn.

Jack Petersen was a business caller in Alta Vista, Thursday.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Koshatka and daughter May drove through this vicinity, Sunday, enroute to the latter's parental home near Elma.

Lucile Gansen, of Elma, helped her aunt, Mrs. Ed Friedhoff, with housecleaning, the past week.
Joe Showalter was an Elma transactor, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles "Bail" were New Hampton callers, one day last week.
Regina Koshatka, accompanied by her brothers, Harry and Frankie, spent a pleasant Sunday evening at the R. H. Buckley home.

Ted Tilman called on Charley Ball, Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. John Komarek were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Joe Shatek, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Jeff Knutson and children are visiting at the Attleson home near Jerico, this week.
Mr. and Mrs. Nick Gansen and children were shoppers in Elma, Saturday afternoon.

Margaret Healy spent Friday afternoon with her friend, Mrs. Tessie Biever.
Violet and Dorothy Birmingham were pleasantly entertained, Sunday afternoon, at the J. P. Birmingham home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Showalter and children attended the German-Showalter wedding, Wednesday.
John Beaumaster was a business caller in Alta Vista, Saturday.

Announcement has been received of the marriage of Harriett Birmingham to Joseph Costa, of Chicago, the wedding to take place in that city on April 19th.

Dr. J. C. Hastings was a professional caller at the Henry Shatek and Frank Streich homes, Monday.
Mrs. Coley Conley called on her sister, Mrs. John Conley, Monday afternoon.

James Valvoda was our burg caller, Monday.

CHESTER.

Neil Diedrich went to Breckenridge, Minn., Thursday, to work.
Otto Spencer went to Cresco, Thursday.

Fred Bloom returned from Ohio where he has spent the winter.
Mrs. Morey returned to her home in Austin, after several days' visit with her sisters, Mrs. C. C. Plummer and Mrs. Archie Capper.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Dugstad departed for Grand Rapids, Mich., Friday night. They expect to be gone a fortnight.

Chris. Chenswold came from West Union, Thursday, with his Ford. His daughter Myrtle who is finishing the school term here making the return trip with him to stay over Sunday.

G. M. Spencer and family left for Waterloo in their Oakland, Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hannan have moved into the Geo. Spencer house.
Miss Mazie Plummer, of Cresco, has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. C. T. McWilliams.

Mrs. Julius Moe and her sister-in-law, of Ossian, were passengers to Cresco, Friday.

Mrs. Barker came from Owatonna, Friday, to visit Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barker.

Rodney Spencer came from Indianapolis, Ind., Friday, to visit his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Spencer. He was accompanied as far as Chicago by his father.

Grover Hammon, Fred Bloom and Howard Palmer went to Waterloo, Friday.

Mrs. Emma Buck and daughter Myra were here to attend the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. R. Spencer.

M. R. Jones, Red Larson and C. T. McWilliams went to Texas on a land excursion, Friday.

A. B. Kent and family have vacated the hotel and moved onto the Dave Bent farm. We are sorry to have our hotel vacant again.

Miss Eva Began was a between-trains caller in Le Roy, Friday.

A. H. Barrett went to Etna, Saturday.

Mrs. C. H. Thomas returned from Rochester, last Friday.

Art Howland was up from Lime Springs, Monday.
Dorothea Thomas spent Sunday in Le Roy with friends.

Dr. Clarke went to Cresco, Saturday night.
Mr. Hale, county supervisor, was in town, Tuesday.

Mrs. L. W. Clark and Billy were at the hospital in Cresco, several days of last week. Billy underwent an operation and is getting along fine at this writing.

Gordon Thomas has secured employment in Le Roy for the coming summer months.

Mr. Heller, living southwest of town, had the misfortune to have his arm broken while sawing wood.

Laurie Weis was here, Sunday.
Paul McWilliams returned to his school duties at Cresco, after several weeks' absence on account of illness.

Myers, of Le Roy, has been doing some paperhanging for Frank Bagan, this week.

The Welch Choir came up from Lime Springs, Tuesday evening, to give a concert, the proceeds to go for the benefit of the high schools at Ceester and Lime Springs.

PRICE OF OVERALLS GOES UP

Birmingham, Ala.—While Birmingham's "Overall club," organized to combat the high cost of clothing, was working overtime having new members, dealers advanced the price of overalls from two dollars to six dollars a pair.

Stole Wagonload of Bibles.
Chicago.—Chicago police are searching for thieves, who stole 120,000 Bibles, valued at \$37,500 from the Prison Bible society. The Bibles were carried away in a moving van.

Spooks; Tenants Want Pay Rent.
Milwaukee.—Ghosts entered court here. Mrs. Minnie Mosen, owner of a North side home, instituted two suits, asking \$90 back rent and \$44 for damages to the property from Joseph Kraus, and \$45 rent and \$4 damages from J. M. Mark. It is claimed that "spooks" which haunted the house during January, broke windows and rattled and shook the house with sharp blows. The tenants are contemplating counter suits for loss of sleep and unsettling of nerves because of the antics of the spooks.

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BANK STATEMENT.

Statement of Condition of BOHEMIAN SAVINGS BANK, organized under the laws of Iowa, located at Protivin, Iowa, in the County of Howard, at the close of business on the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1920.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$204,722.97
Bonds and securities (exclusive of United States issues)	\$304,722.97
United States Bonds	22,391.99
United States Certificates of Indebtedness	
War Savings Certificates and Thrift Stamps actually owned	830.00
Overdrafts	23,721.09
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank	
Banking House	3,745.00
Furniture and fixtures	2,580.00
	6,325.00
Other real estate owned	
Due from banks and bankers	16,465.46
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	
Due from United States Treasurer	16,465.46
Items with Federal Reserve Bank in process of collection (not available as reserve)	
Gold coin and certificates	850.00
Silver coin and bullion	1,107.53
Legal tender and National bank notes and subsidiary coins	9,502.00
	11,469.53
Exchanges for clearing house, also checks on banks in same place	
Foreign checks and items in transit	
Other assets (including expenses in excess of profits)	2238.71
Total Resources	\$954,374.73
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock	\$ 10,000.00
Surplus fund	3,000.00
	13,000.00
Undivided profits (after deducting expenses)	1,411.25
Reserved for taxes	
Reserved for unearned interest	1,411.25
Deposits due to banks and bankers on demand	
Individual deposits subject to check	39,719.59
Demand deposits (certificates, certified checks and unpaid dividends)	10,767.75
United States deposits (account Liberty Bonds and Treasury Certificates)	
Postal Savings deposits	
Time certificates of deposits	125,897.20
Savings deposits	98,730.81
Debenture bonds outstanding	
	\$314,982.48
Due clearing house	
Bank overdrafts	
Bills payable with Federal Reserve Bank	
Bills payable other than with Federal Reserve Bank	
Discounts	
Other liabilities	
Total Liabilities	\$954,374.73

STATE OF IOWA, HOWARD COUNTY: ss.
We, J. F. Pecinovsky, President, and J. A. Dostal, Cashier of the Bank above named, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is full, true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the assets therein set forth are bona fide property of said bank in its corporate capacity, and that no part of the same has been loaned or advanced to said bank for the purpose of being exhibited as a portion of its assets.
[Bank Seal]
J. F. PECINOVSKY, President.
J. A. DOSTAL, Cashier.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence by J. F. Pecinovsky and J. A. Dostal this 10th day of April, 1920.
[SEAL] JOSEPH D. BOUSKA
Notary Public in and for Howard County.
Attested by F. J. Klimesh, Ferd Lukes, Directors.