

FAIL TO AGREE ON WAGE FOR MINERS

CONFERENCE CALLED BY PRESIDENT WILSON UNABLE TO REACH SETTLEMENT.

Coal Situation Now Up to Chief Executive, Both Operators and Miners Reporting That Conference Has Proved a Failure.

Cleveland, O.—Miners attending a conference of the joint scale committee of the central competitive field held a policy meeting on Thursday, following failure of the joint conference to agree on the miners' demands for increased wages, and adjourned sine die after voting unanimously that miners in each of the four states concerned will seek to make a supplemental and separate agreement with operators in the field. This practically disrupts the central field as a basing point.

Inasmuch as the joint conference was called by President Wilson, operators and miners sent separate telegrams to the president advising him of the failure to reach an agreement.

The telegram sent by the operators was a statement of the fact that the joint conference had failed to adjust the controversy after five days of almost continuous conference.

The miners' telegram was optimistic in tone, saying the miners would endeavor to make separate and individual agreements with the operators in the various states.

"We have found it impossible to reach an agreement with the coal operators of the central competitive field bearing upon the issues involved," the miners' telegram, signed by President Lewis, said. "There is no controversy affecting any principle, but merely a difference of opinion as to what constitutes an inequality and the degree to which it should be adjusted."

"As a consequence, the joint interstate conference adjourned without decisions. While this circumstance may be regarded as unfortunate, I am of the opinion that there is no necessity for any public apprehension.

The operators' telegram, signed by Michael Gallagher, chairman, declared the operators proposed to advance the day and monthly men to the equivalent of that granted the tonnage men in machine mining, but that the miners refused to accept and demanded an advance of \$1.50 per day, "which, if granted, would have created further inequality to the disadvantage of the tonnage men."

FACING FAMINE OR DEATH.

American Relief Workers in Near East Hemmed in by Turks.

Constantinople.—Showered nightly with Turkish bullets and facing famine, eighteen American workers of the American commission for relief in the near east have been besieged in Adana, Asia Minor, since June 20. Twice the French troops holding Adana have fought their way to Merzina, the nearest port, and have returned with heavy losses.

A flour cargo of the American relief commission for beleaguered Adana is waiting at Merzina. The railway has been demolished and supplies can reach Adana only by motor trucks, heavily convoyed, with great loss of life through the sixty-mile stretch controlled by the followers of Mustafa Kemal Pasha, the Turkish nationalist leader, who are determined to starve out the French in Adana.

Japan Refuses China's Request.

Tokyo.—Japan has sent a communication to China saying the government is unable to comply with China's request for a withdrawal of the Japanese guards on the Chinese Eastern railroad. The communication points out that the guards were stationed on the railway primarily to prevent possible invasion of Manchuria and Korea by the Bolsheviks, and that existing conditions still prevent withdrawing "this barrier against Bolshevik penetration."

President Regains Normal Weight.

Washington.—President Wilson has regained his normal weight of 170 pounds, according to an article appearing in the Washington Times quoting Rear Admiral Cary T. Grayson, the president's physician, as having made that statement.

Will Probe Gas Prices.

San Francisco.—Instructions to proceed with an investigation of the recent increases in the price of gasoline have been received from Attorney General Palmer by Frank M. Sleva, United States district attorney.

Village Buried by Landslide.

Manila.—Collapse of a mountain top on this island in a recent storm buried an entire Igorrote village under hundreds of feet of earth, blotting out the lives of seventy natives. No bodies have been recovered.

Convict Shot by Guard.

Joliet, Ill.—Louis Eckles of Chicago, a convict under sentence for murder, was shot by a guard at the new prison when he attacked an officer. Other prisoners started fires in six parts of the inclosure.

AMERICAN WOMEN GIVEN FRANCHISE

LONG FIGHT ENDS IN TRIUMPH WHEN TENNESSEE VOTES FOR SUFFRAGE.

Estimated There Are Now 27,000,000 Women in the United States Who Have Same Rights at Ballot Box as the Male Voter.

Nashville.—Tennessee on Wednesday, August 18, became the thirty-sixth state to ratify the Susan B. Anthony federal suffrage act. The constitutional change thus will become effective in time for the 27,000,000 women of the country to vote in the presidential election in November, unless the lower house of the Tennessee assembly rescinds its action in adopting the ratification resolution, 49 to 47.

Suffrage leaders declare they will not slacken their efforts, as they desire to have at least one other state ratify before the November elections, as they expect a fight to be made against Tennessee's action because of the clause in the state constitution which prohibits any assembly from acting on an amendment not submitted before the members were elected. Both United States Solicitor General Frieron and the attorney general of Tennessee have declared this clause to be unconstitutional in the light of the recent decision of the supreme court in the Ohio referendum case.

Ratification by the Tennessee legislature was the culmination of an intensive drive made by suffrage proponents to have the amendment made effective in time for the women of the country to vote in the presidential election in November. The drive was started when West Virginia became the thirty-fourth state to ratify early this year.

A legal attack will be made on suffrage, according to the officers of the Tennessee Constitutional league, which is composed of lawyers. The argument will be that the state constitution forbade action by this session of the legislature.

Aside from this and the possibility of a change in the result through a reconsideration, the only step remaining to make the nineteenth amendment operative is the promulgation of a decree from the secretary of state.

Text of Amendment. The suffrage amendment reads as follows: "Resolved, by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America, in congress assembled (two-thirds of each house concurring therein), that the following article be proposed to the legislatures of the several states as an amendment to the constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-fourths of the said legislatures shall be valid as part of said constitution, namely: "Article — section 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex.

"Section 2. Congress shall have power, by appropriate legislation, to enforce the provisions of this article."

Fail to Agree in Coal Case.

Cleveland.—The joint scale committee of operators and miners of the central competitive bituminous coal fields—comprising Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and western Pennsylvania—adjourned sine die shortly before midnight Wednesday without reaching any agreement after having been in session five days.

JAMES T. NEWTON



James T. Newton, who after 29 years of faithful service, tendered to President Wilson his resignation as commissioner of patents.

Bandits Get Mail Pouches.

St. Louis.—Two men held up a Missouri Pacific train on the outskirts of this city shortly after 8.30 o'clock Wednesday night and escaped with four pouches believed to have contained registered mail.

Cantu Quits His Post.

Mexico.—Gen. Luis M. Salazar succeeded Col. Estaban Cantu as governor of the northern district of Lower California on August 18. Ceremonies incident to the transfer occupied about thirty minutes.



MEXICAN REBELS READY TO COME IN

CANTU OFFERS TO BRING HIS MEN IN IF HE IS GRANTED PARDON.

Villa Invites President Huerta to Visit Him at His Hacienda to Talk Over Terms, But Invitation Is Declined.

Mexico City.—Estaban Cantu of Lower California, who has been leading an insurrection against the federal government, has agreed to surrender office to Luis M. Salazar, recently appointed governor by Provisional President de la Huerta. He has stipulated, however, that he is not to be punished for any of his acts, that he will remain a colonel in the Mexican army, and that his troops will continue in the service, according to the Universal, which quotes an official announcement. Salazar is now in Lower California, where he has been negotiating with Cantu as a friend of both sides. Francisco Villa has invited Provisional President de la Huerta to visit him at his hacienda, and has offered Senora Villa and his brother as hostages for the safety of the provisional president, who declined with thanks.

Francisco Murguia, Francisco Urqueso, Francisco de P. Mariel and Federico Montes, followers of President Carranza and Manuel M. Dieguez, former commander of government troops in north Mexico, have been dropped from the rolls of the army, it was announced Sunday. All officers who fled from the country have also been divested of their military honors, the announcement says. The first four are in the military prison here, awaiting trial on charges arising out of Carranza's death.

RAILWAYS COST U. S. HEAVILY

Treasury to Pay Out Six Hundred Million in September.

Washington.—Government expenditures during September probably will jump nearly \$900,000,000, it is estimated by treasury officials, nearly two-thirds of this sum representing payments to railroads.

The roads will have computed amounts due them under the government's guarantee against loss for the six months ending September 1 by the middle of the month, it was said. The interstate commerce commission has estimated that the total guarantee to be paid will run between \$500,000,000 and \$600,000,000.

A heavy drain also is expected on the \$300,000,000 revolving fund by the transportation act for new equipment. With this outflow in September, officials believe reduction of the public debt may be somewhat curtailed, although reductions will continue, it is emphasized.

WERE FEW DRAFT EVADERS.

Less Than One Per Cent of Americans Registered Evaded Service.

Washington.—The war department disclosed on August 15 that only 173,911 of the 24,000,000 American citizens who registered under the selective draft for military service during the world war could be classified as wilful deserters. This is less than 1 per cent.

This announcement was made together with the publication of a plan to make public the names of these 173,911 men with a view to their apprehension. To apprehend them the war department asks the co-operation of various state and local officials, patriotic societies and other agencies, including the department of justice.

Aviatrix Makes World Record.

Mineola, N. Y.—The world record for looping the loop by women aviators was broken Sunday afternoon, when Miss Louise Bromwell, 20 years old, of Cincinnati, flipped her machine over eighty-seven times.

Lord Mayor on Hunger Strike.

Cork.—Terence MacSweeney, mayor, and ten men arrested with him August 13, have refused food since they were placed in a military barracks, and have joined in their hunger strike by other prisoners.

POLES FORCE RUSS RED INVADERS BACK

WHOLE DIVISIONS OF THE SOVIET FORCES REPORTED AS ANNIHILATED.

Defenders of Warsaw Are Using Tanks, Airplanes, Armored Trains and Artillery in Their Battle Against Bolsheviki.

Warsaw.—The fifty-seventh, fifty-eighth and eighth Bolshevik divisions on the Warsaw front have been annihilated and thousands of soviet soldiers made prisoners.

Unless Bolshevik military leaders succeed in quickly organizing a more successful resistance, defeat of the soviet forces before Warsaw will become a "very serious" one.

The Russians lost their bearings in trying to meet attacks on all sides from the Polish columns on their flanks. The Poles, continuing their advance, have occupied Kaluszyn, thirty-five miles east of Warsaw; Siedlce, fifty-seven miles east of the capital; Milyzrzec, twenty miles southeast of Siedlce, and Wlodawa, 125 miles southeast of Warsaw.

Russian soviet forces are fleeing in a disorderly panic along the front between the Vistula and Bug rivers, where the Poles are advancing with success.

In their counter-attack to relieve pressure upon Warsaw, the Poles are using tanks, airplanes, armored trains and artillery in great numbers. At Novo Minsk, east of here, and Serock, to the northeast, 3000 prisoners, seven cannon, hundreds of wagons and vast quantities of supplies have been captured.

The Bolshevik retreat north and east of Warsaw, where the soviet forces were closely driven by the Poles, took the semblance of a rout at some places. On the extreme left, however, and in the region of Lemberg, soviet advances are recorded.

Boston Wizard Held for Trial.

Boston.—Charles Ponzi, discredited prophet of a high finance, again was the object of the attention of crowds Thursday. He was taken before a federal commissioner for a hearing on charges that he used the mails to defraud. Ponzi waived examination and was taken back to jail in default of \$25,000 bonds.

ETHELBERT STEWART



Ethelbert Stewart, assistant chief of the bureau of labor statistics, department of labor, who succeeds Dr. Royal Meeker as chief of the bureau.

D'Annunzio Again Heard From.

Paris.—Gabriele d'Annunzio, Italian poet and military leader, who captured the city of Fiume in a sensational military coup early this year, has proclaimed to the world "the independent republic of Fiume."

Five Indicted for Killing.

Pendleton, Ore.—A blanket indictment charging first degree murder against the five outlaws who broke out of jail here July 25 and killed Sheriff T. H. Taylor, has been returned by the Umatilla county grand jury.

WILL PUSH SALE OF AMERICAN VESSELS

SHIPPING BOARD PLANS CAMPAIGN TO PLACE CRAFT ON THE MARKET.

Operation of American Ships on Former German Trade Routes to All Parts of the World Has Sanction of Board.

Washington.—Preparations for the sale of government-owned steel merchant ships will begin at once, Chairman Benson of the shipping board stated on August 16. Plans for an extensive advertising campaign to place the vessels on the market is under way, he said, and actual disposal of them will start at once as the necessary details have been completed.

It also was stated that an active campaign to sell the wooden ships would be launched. Definite plans, however, still are under consideration.

Bids for the vessels will be entertained as they stand, the chairman said, at minimum prices of \$160 a deadweight ton for coal burners and \$170 a deadweight ton for oil burners built on the Great Lakes, to \$175 for coal burners and \$185 for oil-burning vessels of over 10,000 deadweight tons.

Purchasers must agree, Chairman Benson said, to maintain such routes and services as the board considers desirable.

Operation of American ships on former German trade routes to all parts of the world has the sanction and support of the shipping board, Chairman Benson declared in announcing co-operative working agreements reached between the American Ship and Commerce corporation of New York and the Hamburg-American line. He declared that the shipping board would look forward to seeing one of its constructive plans carried out.

"There is no German money in the American end of the business nor is there any agreement for German investment in any American companies," he added.

REJECT THE COAL WAGE AWARD

Miners Decline to Accept Proposition at Joint Conference.

Cleveland.—The bituminous coal operators of the central competitive field, in refusing miners' demands for a \$2 a day increase for day and monthly men and 10 cents a ton for pick and machine mining, offered to correct the seeming inequality of the present contract by advancing the wages of the day and monthly men the equivalent of coal commission's award to the pick miners, giving the day and monthly men an increase estimated at from 35 to 72 cents a day.

The operators will consider no other demands made by the miners, including the 10 cents per ton asked for pick and machine mining.

The miners received the operators' reply in a joint conference of the scale committee, and unanimously rejected the proposition.

SCRAPE GOLD FROM SHOES.

Excitement Caused by Finding Yellow Metal in Heart of Gotham.

New York.—Engineers in charge of an excavation in the heart of New York's financial district are treasuring some tiny yellow metal flakes that one of them scraped from his muddy shoes. Tests have been applied and indications point to discovery of gold in the very shadow of the subtreasury building.

The engineers offered the theory that the metal might have been lost in an old canal which traversed the site years ago. The locality was the site of the first American navy yard.

WRANGEL MAY BE RUSS SAVIOR

Representatives of American Government Looking Up His Record.

Washington.—An informal inquiry into the character and policies of the anti-Bolshevik leader in southern Russia, General Wrangel, has been begun by government officials.

No immediate anticipation of recognition by the United States is involved, officials said, but, should the inquiry develop satisfactorily, it is thought possible the elements clustered about Wrangel may afford a road to the creation of conditions in Russia permitting her reacceptance among nations.

The general, but 39 years old, according to the report, enlisted in the Russian army in 1901 as a private, after having been educated as a mining engineer. Though his ancestors are said to have come from Germany, his stock is of Baltic derivation.

Negro Forced From Town.

St. Louis.—Will Morrison, a negro, mine employee at Coulterville, Ill., was forced to leave town and his home was burned by unidentified persons there, according to information received here from municipal officials.

Explosion Shakes Countryside.

Aberdeen, Md.—Explosions of 500,000 pounds of gunpowder on the government proving grounds on Monday shook the country for miles. The explosions were caused by a fire that destroyed five one-story buildings.

MEXICO IS ADVISED OF AMERICAN TERMS

APPRISED OF A FEW THINGS LEADERS MUST DO TO GAIN RECOGNITION.

Must Protect Americans and Respect Property Rights, While Carranza Decrees Must Be Abrogated, Declares Secretary Colby.

Mexico City.—President Wilson is ready to recognize the present Mexican government if the latter agrees with the terms set forth in a proposal from Secretary of State Colby on this subject, according to a message sent to President de la Huerta from Fernando Calderon, Mexican high commissioner to the United States, now in the American capital, says the Excelsior.

Secretary Colby's proposition, according to the newspaper, was: "First, that North American lives and property be respected.

"Second, that indemnities be paid foreigners who suffered during the revolution.

"Third, that the Carranza decrees which are found to be confiscatory are abrogated."

Washington.—The three proposals given in Mexico City dispatches as precedent to recognition of the present Mexican government are "only a few of the conditions announced by this government," according to a state department official. It is true that the three conditions are among those laid down, but "performance of duties instead of mere promises" is put above all conditions, it was said.

Recognition has not been promised Mexico under any conditions, it was authoritatively stated on Tuesday.

The state department is inclined to await developments before granting recognition to see how stable a government the present regime is able to establish and to what extent it is willing to perform the international obligations of a civilized state.

PLAN CLEAN-UP IN BUREAU.

Reorganization of Immigration Department Proposed.

Washington.—Reorganization of the bureau of immigration has been ordered by Assistant Secretary of Labor Post. The action was taken, officials of the department said, Tuesday, because of "conditions indicating utter disorganization" of the bureau, both here and in its field service.

During the war, when immigration was slack, the personnel of the immigration bureau at Ellis Island was greatly depleted, officials explained, and now that the tide of immigration has set in again the authorities there find themselves greatly handicapped.

Killed in Attempt to Escape.

Sacramento.—Three thick mail order concern catalogues strapped around vital portions of the body of George F. Davis, Folsom prison convict, apparently to turn away bullets, failed to aid him in an attempted escape. He had swum two-thirds of the width of the American river when one of a fusillade of bullets pierced his heart.

Rail Loan Recommended.

Washington.—Distribution to railroads of nearly \$200,000,000 was recommended to the interstate commerce commission Tuesday in the final report of the Association of Railway Executives on the applications of the various carriers for loans from the \$300,000,000 revolving fund created by the transportation act.

Ball Player Fatally Injured.

New York.—Ray Chapman, shortstop of the Cleveland American league team, died Tuesday from the blow he received on the head from a pitched ball in the Monday game between New York and Cleveland. Chapman was hit in the head by a ball thrown by Pitcher Carl Mays of the New York team.

Suffrage Backset in North Carolina.

Raleigh, N. C.—North Carolina was eliminated, at least temporarily, on Tuesday from the fight to ratify the suffrage amendment in time for the women to vote in November. By a vote of 25 to 23 the senate voted to postpone action until the next regular session in 1921.

Will Talk Over Financial Matters.

London.—The international financial conference at Brussels will be the first conference since 1914 to include the countries which recently were at war. The United States has accepted the invitation to send delegates.

Cork's Lord Mayor Departed.

Cork, Ireland.—Terrence MacSweeney, lord mayor of Cork, was deported to England aboard a destroyer, after having been found guilty of sedition by court-martial. MacSweeney still refused to eat.

Grace Allowed Insurgents.

Mexico City.—Thirty days' time will be given the 400 followers of Pedro Zamora, insurgent, in which to abandon a revolt started recently at Autlan, state of Jalisco, against the government, it is announced.