

STRIKERS RIOT IN YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

THREE DEAD AND 23 WOUNDED IN BATTLE WITH POLICE.

SIX CITY BLOCKS ARE BURNED

Liquor-Crazed Steel Workers Drink Whisky From Buckets in Streets and Threaten to Dynamite All Homes in the City.

Youngstown, Ohio.—After a night of looting and arson at the hands of a drunken mob, the situation in East Youngstown was gradually gotten under control, but the authorities expressed fear there would be another outbreak at any time.

The fire had destroyed between 40 and 50 buildings, and was still raging, but the streets have been partly cleared of rioters and the fire department had arrived from Youngstown to combat the flames.

Three men were killed, 23 persons, including a woman, injured and fire damage estimated at \$500,000 was the direct result of the rioting.

The situation is tense, however, and fears are expressed that rioting might be resumed momentarily. For virtually six hours crowds of men, many maddened with drink, ran through the streets, smashing the windows of buildings with clubs and then tearing out entire fronts. The rioters then would loot the place and apply the torch.

Liquor-crazed men drank stolen whisky from buckets in the fire-lit streets.

With the rioting at its height, Oscar Diser, city solicitor of East Youngstown, organized a body of citizens and armed with revolvers, marched to the point where the rioters had just looted a building. The citizens fired a volley over the heads of the rioters, who returned the fire. Diser ordered his men to fire again, this time pointing their weapons point-blank at the mob.

About half a dozen men fell. Armed with night sticks the solicitor and his men waded into the rioters, using their clubs freely and scattering them into groups. These were finally rounded up and loaded into various kinds of vehicles and taken to the county jail.

One of the buildings attacked by the mob was that in which the post office was located. According to reports, rioters forced their way into the building, compelled a man who was on duty at the time to open the safe and then looted the place. The building was later burned.

BREAK HALTS ELECTROCUTION

Case is Called Most Harrowing of Sing Sing's Legal Executions—Warden Weeps.

Ossining, N. Y.—A sensational chase of an escaped prisoner over the roof of Sing Sing prison delayed the execution of Antonio Ponton, a young Porto Rican, and gave prison officials one of the most harrowing hours that has marked the killing of men by order of the state in months.

Deputy Warden Spencer Miller broke down and wept, following the execution, over the fact that he had been forced to direct the killing of a fellow man.

Headkeeper Dornier was forced to leave the death chamber after making preparations for Ponton's death. After the prisoner was captured, he returned and the doomed man was led in.

STRIKERS THREATEN PRISON

They Will Make Effort to Free Fellow Workmen, Phoenix Hears.

Phoenix, Ariz.—Reports received here from mine officials at Clifton, Ariz., state that striking copper miners there are planning an attack on the jail in an effort to release strikers who have been in custody for some time.

One report said martial law might be put into effect by Adjutant-General Harris, who is there.

Four Greek Bankers Indicted

Chicago.—Four proprietors of the Greek American Bank, which closed its doors here 18 months ago, were indicted for embezzlement. The receiver for the bank found \$96 assets to apply on liabilities of \$138,000.

No Proof of a Gasoline Conspiracy

Washington.—The department of justice has no evidence as yet that increased gasoline prices are due to conspiracy in violation of the Sherman law. For this reason no prosecutions have been instituted.

President's Name on Ticket

Indianapolis, Ind.—Authority has been given to the Indiana Democratic leaders by Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to the president, to use Mr. Wilson's name on the presidential primary ticket March 7.

"Menace" Trial Begins Jan. 11

Aurora, Mo.—Notice has been received by attorneys for the Menace, an anti-Catholic paper, that the government was ready to prosecute the case against the publishers in the Joplin federal court Jan. 11.

BRITISH PREPARED FOR COLD WEATHER



The men and officers in the British trenches are well prepared for their two enemies, King Frost and exploding German shells. The picture shows a group of British officers wearing their new steel helmets and their winter fur coats.

KAISER OFFERS INDEMNITY EXILES SUFFER IN BELGIUM

VON BERNSTORFF MAKES PROPOSAL TO LANSING.

Unwilling to Admit That Country is Wrong on U-Boat Question, But Will Pay Damages.

Washington, D. C.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, presented to Secretary Lansing yesterday a proposal to pay indemnity for American lives lost in the Lusitania disaster and thereby conclude that controversy, and gave assurance that any German submarines in the Mediterranean would not attack noncombatant ships of any character without warning, or destroy them without opportunity for non-combatants to reach a place of safety.

While offering to pay indemnity in the Lusitania case, Germany makes the reservation that it is done without admission of wrongdoing. It is understood unofficially that Germany offers the defense that the submarine warfare was in reprisal for England's seizure on the high seas of all cargoes destined for Germany. No official indication was given as to the acceptability of the proposal, but one set of American officials took the view that it would end the controversy. The assurances regarding submarine warfare in the Mediterranean are of broader scope than those given after the Arabic disaster and covering the warfare in the North Sea. The latter guaranteed only safety of liners. Those for the Mediterranean cover all non-combatant ships.

M'COMBS FOR PREPAREDNESS

Democratic Leader Sees Menace From the "Irrepressibility of Poverty" Visible in Europe.

Little Rock, Ark.—Preparedness and preparedness "right now" is the attitude of W. F. McCombs, national Democratic committee chairman, who said in a statement that it was necessary for this country to take steps to protect itself against possible encroachments of European powers after the European war, who may be suffering, he said, "from the irrepressibility of poverty," and who "would look with covetous eyes upon the rich possessions of the United States and the great wealth she has gained as a result of the old world conflict."

"I favor the creating of a naval power in the United States the equal of that boasted by any power on the globe," he said. "The United States always can make alliances, and it would be necessary to have a navy equal to that of the greatest power."

Another Liner Sunk

New York.—The American publisher a dispatch from Paris which says that another Italian liner has been sunk by mine or submarine in the Adriatic. It was loaded with foodstuffs on the way to the starving Serbians and 400 reservists aboard.

25 Men to Put Man in Grave

New York.—Twenty-five laborers had a hard time easing Giovanni de Blaise, weighing 500 pounds, into his grave after 10 pallbearers strained to get the casket there.

Fourteen Cars of Express Burn

Cincinnati, O.—Fourteen cars of express valued at \$150,000 were destroyed in a fire at the Adams Express Company's depot. The loss of the building is \$17,000.

Swift Sales Increase \$75,000,000

Chicago.—The year of 1915 was the greatest in the history of Swift & Co., the packing company. Sales were \$500,000,000, an increase of \$75,000,000 over 1914 and profits showed an increase of \$4,637,500.

\$2 Limit on Freight Rate

Galveston, Texas.—The British government has limited the freight rate on cotton from gulf ports to Liverpool to \$2 a hundredweight, with forfeiture of ship as a penalty for charging more.

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COL. FRED D. GARDNER DECIDES NOT TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR NOR THIS YEAR.

ANNOUNCEMENT LAST FRIDAY

Measure Designed to Help Rural Missouri Might Be Considered Political Scheme if He Were to Enter Scramble.

Jefferson City.—Col. Frederick D. Gardner, manufacturer and author of the Gardner land bank bill passed by the last session of the state legislature will not be a candidate for governor on the Democratic ticket this year. He authorized this statement on his return from Columbia, Mo., where he made an address before the farmers at the annual farmers' week.

Col. Gardner has been mentioned throughout the state as a possible candidate for governor ever since he introduced the land bank bill, which provides for a state bank of \$5,000,000 capital to loan money to farmers.

In explaining that he had decided not to make the race for governor, Col. Gardner said that should he become a candidate he felt it would weaken his claims for the land bank bill which would be attacked then as a political measure.

The statement given out by Col. Gardner follows:

"The extract from my Columbia remarks is practically correct. I can only add that I have been trained as a business man. If I occupy a public office it will be one where my life work will be of some advantage to the people, and would be given to them freely; but a business man who is not out of a job does not feel called upon to enter into a knock-down and drag-out party primary contest, where fireworks will be the attraction instead of principle.

"I have more loyalty and more interest in my party's success than a course like that would indicate."

Vitrified Brick for Roads

With the holidays over and spring but a few weeks off, the attention of all rural Missouri again turns to the question of permanent good roads. The bureau of labor statistics is gathering data on the use of vitrified brick from states where this method of improving country thoroughfares is in vogue. The cost of construction is of course the chief item, then comes the cost of maintenance, which, while small, must not be lost sight of.

Information gathered in cities where this material is used for road purposes indicates that the durability of the same where traffic is extremely heavy and where the wear and tear is consequently terrific, extends over a period of 15 years. As country roads are not subject to the same heavy traffic as thoroughfares of cities it can be safely stated that brick paving will last from 30 to 50 years, with the repairs only generally necessary where washouts and similar mishaps occur.

Lewis Head of Farm Body

The state board of agriculture has been reorganized with the following officers: F. P. Lewis, Crescent, president; W. I. Wilkinson, St. Louis, vice-president; W. A. Bright, Columbia, treasurer; Jewell Mayes, Richmond, secretary; William L. Nelson, Boneston, assistant secretary; Dr. D. F. Luckey, Columbia, veterinarian.

Under the new law the veterinarian's salary for four years. Dr. Luckey's salary was raised from \$2,000 to \$2,500 a year. Jewell Mayes, who has been receiving \$2,500 yearly, will hold office for four years at a salary of \$3,000. W. I. Nelson is reappointed for four years at his former salary of \$2,500.

Kiel May Come Out

Mayor Henry W. Kiel of St. Louis states that he is considering making the race for the Republican nomination for governor, but that as yet he had not made any decision. He will make a strong campaign if he runs.

First at Frisco

At the Panama-Pacific Exposition Missouri won the medal of honor for general agricultural exhibit and the grand prize for installation, in addition to 17 gold medals, 21 silver medals, 15 bronze medals and two honorable mentions.

Vandiver Has Aspirations

W. A. Vandiver, United States Assistant treasurer in St. Louis, former congressman from Missouri and superintendent of insurance under former Gov. Folk, is expected to enter the race for the Democratic nomination for governor. While Mr. Vandiver declines to say when he would make his announcement, his up-state friends declare that he will enter the race with the expectation of gaining the support of many leaders. As he has long been a wheel horse, he will receive much commendation.

Rainbow's Ends on Missouri Farms

Missourians have too long looked toward other lands as places of promise, when, in fact, the end of the rainbow is on the old home farm, where is hidden the fabled pot of gold.

Missouri is not a one-crop state, and no Missouri farmer need put all his eggs in one basket. Neither a northern nor a southern state, but located in the very center of the agricultural universe, Missouri, of all the states, is alone able to give employment to both cotton pickers and ice hands. The United States department of agriculture reports 1915 crop yields as follows: Corn, 209,000,000 bushels; wheat, 34,100,000 bushels; oats, 31,800,000 bushels; barley, 125,000 bushels; rye, 338,000 bushels; flaxseed, 18,000 bushels; potatoes, 8,820,000 bushels; sweet potatoes, 700,000 bushels; hay, 4,640,000 tons; tobacco, 3,150,000 pounds; cotton, 52,000 bales. These crops are valued at more than \$200,000,000. Then there are poultry, dairy, apary and timber products, whose values mount into millions. In addition are many minor crops and by-products, from sunflower seed to cob pipes. Of the latter—the "Missouri Meerschaum"—we manufacture more than 25,000,000, or enough to enable all fighting Europe to smoke the pipe of peace.

Ask Graves' Appointment

Governor Major has telegraphed to President Wilson the following indorsement of Judge W. W. Graves for appointment to the United States supreme court to succeed Justice Lamar.

"Mr. President—I wish to strongly urge the appointment of Judge W. W. Graves of the supreme court of the state of Missouri for appointment on the bench of the supreme court of the United States to fill the place made vacant by the death of Justice J. R. Lamar.

"Judge Graves is easily one of the ablest jurists that has sat upon the supreme bench of this state and is one of the ablest jurists of the country. I can strongly recommend him because of his high rank in the profession. He is a citizen of high class, a good Democrat, and would fill the place with great distinction and in no way lower the high record made by that great tribunal of the republic. I have presented almost 50 cases to the supreme court of the United States within the last five or six years, and have no hesitancy in saying that Judge Graves can measure up to all that you would wish. He is one of the most popular men in our commonwealth. Respectfully,

"ELLIOTT W. MAJOR, Governor."

The indorsement of Judge Graves for the federal bench by Gov. Major is regarded as significant, because the executive has been active in the movement to induce Judge Graves to become a candidate for governor.

Two St. Louisans Paroled

Two St. Louisans have been paroled from the penitentiary by Governor Major. One was William Derrick, who was convicted last April of the theft of an automobile valued at \$2,500. The other was William Owens, convicted in December, 1914, of holding up and robbing Percy L. Watson of \$10. Derrick's parole followed a request from Edward F. Galbra, the chairman of the state Democratic committee.

Roach Indorses Nepotism

It has become known here that Secretary of State Cornelius Roach, one of the candidates for governor, has opened his campaign through an open letter to the newspapers, and that nepotism is one plank in his platform. In his letter, which is addressed to the Missouri Ruralist and copies sent to newspapers, Roach declares that before he would sacrifice the privilege of giving state jobs to relatives he would "pass up" the office.

Kansas City Utility Chartered

The first step toward the final consummation of the reorganization plan for the Metropolitan Street Railway Company in accordance with the order of Judge Hook of the Federal court, and the finding and ruling of the Missouri public service commission was taken when application was filed by Clyde Taylor with Secretary of State Roach for a charter for the Kansas Light and Power Company. A charter was granted.

Missouri Apple Crop

Missouri's 1915 apple crop consisted of 6,287,000 barrels. Only New York harvested a larger crop. The Iowa yield was 3,320,000 barrels, Nebraska, 1,267,000 barrels; Kansas, 2,125,000 barrels; Arkansas, 1,183,000 barrels, and that of the much-heralded apple state of Washington, 2,433,000 barrels.

First in Poultry

Missouri is the first poultry state in the Union, figured in pounds or premiums. The value of Missouri's surplus poultry products is now estimated at more than \$50,000,000 every year.

Painter Announces

As has been expected, Lieut. Gov. Wm. R. Painter of Carrollton has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for governor. The announcement has not yet reached Jefferson City in a formal way, but is being made known through letters being sent to friends throughout Missouri.

This is the second announcement for a place on the Democratic state ticket since the first of the year, and it is expected that others will follow rapidly.

ALLIES ABANDON GALLIPOLI POINT

ALL TROOPS ESCAPE WITH ONLY ONE CASUALTY, SAYS LONDON.

BRITISH LOSE BIG BATTLESHIP

Edward VII. Sunk by Mine But Entire Crew is Saved—Location and Date of Disaster Not Yet Given Out.

London.—The remaining positions held by the allies on the Gallipoli Peninsula have now been abandoned with the wounding of only one man among the British and French.

Gen. Monro states that the accomplishment of this difficult task was due to Gen. Birdwood and Davies and invaluable assistance rendered in an operation of the highest difficulty by Admiral de Robeck and the Royal navy.

The British battleship King Edward VII has been sunk as the result of striking a mine. The entire crew was saved. The scene of the disaster has not been made known.

13 DIE IN POWDER MILL BLAST

Du Pont's Big Factory in New Jersey Reduced to Atoms—Outside Agency Suspected.

Philadelphia, Pa.—In two explosions at the Du Pont Powder Works at Carney's Point, N. J., opposite Wilmington, 13 men are believed to have been killed and many others injured. Many bodies are said to be buried in the wreckage. The buildings where the explosions occurred were entirely destroyed.

Two of the three plants were destroyed. It is said that the blast was caused by outside influences and that two men have been arrested. These reports cannot be confirmed, as wire communication has been cut off.

Kills Self and Five Children

Chicago.—Mrs. Christina Mayes, 31 years old, killed herself and her five children, ranging in ages from 2 to 7, by turning on the gas. Two of the youngest children she took on her lap as she sat in a rocking chair to await death. Unbalanced mind was given as the reason for her act.

Jury Hung in New Haven Case

New York.—The jury in the New Haven case in New York for the last three months has returned a partial verdict, acquitting six of the 11 defendants and dismissing on the balance. The government will ask a new trial.

California Election Law Amended

Sacramento, Cal.—As a result of action taken by the legislature California's muddled election laws were virtually straightened out. Conflicting laws were amended to provide that voters must declare their party affiliations at the time of primary elections.

Jackson's Flag is Returned

New Orleans, La.—Illinois formally returned to the city of New Orleans the flag carried by Gen. Andrew Jackson's troops at the battle of New Orleans, and which was captured by an Illinois regiment from Confederates during the civil war.

Worsted Workers Get Raise

Sanford, Maine.—Three thousand employees of the Goodall Worsted Co., Sanford mills, Minerva Mills and Maine Alpha mills, have received a 5 per cent increase in wages.

Mills Raise Wages of \$,000

Chilopee, Mass.—The Dwight and Chilopee mills, manufacturers of cotton goods, have granted a 5 per cent increase in pay to their 6,000 employees.

Fears Conscript of Americans

Denver, Colo.—Mrs. C. C. Steneric has appealed to the state authorities to aid in getting immunity for her two sons from serving with Australian forces in the European war.

Demand Consul's Recall

London.—Cologne Gazette and other German newspapers are demanding the immediate recall of Edward Higgins, American consul at Stuttgart, on the ground that he has expressed anti-German sentiments.

Grain Rate Held Up

Washington.—Schedules of the St. L. & S. F. Ry. canceling its joint rates with the C. R. I. & P. on grain in carloads from points in Oklahoma to New Orleans and other gulf ports were suspended until May 9 by the Interstate commerce commission.

Medal to Gen. Gorgas

Chicago.—Maj. Gen. William C. Gorgas, who waged successful war against the yellow fever scourge in Panama received a gold medal from the Geographic Society of Chicago for his distinguished services to humanity.

Saturn's Ball Growing Brighter

Flagstaff, Ariz.—Recent observations of Saturn show a remarkable change in the color and brightness of the planet's ball, which is darker than the rings.

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