

## VEILED THREAT TO STRIKE MADE BY PRES. CARTER

Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen in West May Not Accept Arbitration As Means of Securing Wage Increases in the Future.

Statement Made Before Federal Board of Arbitration Alleges Railroads Have Availed Themselves of All Possible Excuses To Deny Requests of Men.

CHICAGO, April 1.—A thinly veiled threat of a strike by Western engineers and firemen, instead of accepting arbitration as a means of securing wage increases in future, was made today by President W. S. Carter, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, before the Federal Board of Arbitration.

This threat did not appear in the printed brief which President Carter filed on behalf of the engineers, firemen and hostlers, but was interpolated by him in his argument. He charged that the railroads, in former wage arbitrations, had availed themselves of all kinds of excuses for denying the requests of the men. In this proceeding, he declared the railroads had pleaded a reduction in traffic since the wage demands were presented, at the reason why the railroads could not afford to pay them.

"If these wage movements are adjusted amicably," said President Carter, "through arbitration and under a federal law, it must take from two to three years to reach a conclusion. These wage movements may be begun when railroad business is at its height and it may be that when the time comes for the rendering of an award, one or two years later, railway traffic may be at a low stage. If railroads are to take advantage of that, it would make it impossible for the officers and committees of these organizations to curb the man on the engine.

"We were told in the beginning of this movement," continued President Carter, "that if we did not strike there would be a change in traffic before the arbitration could render an award. And if what they told us is true, I fear they will never give us consent again to prolonging the agony for two years before an award is made."

President Carter did not point out the fact that the employees presented their demands for higher wages in the month when railway earnings were highest during a period of years, nor the further fact that the earnings have greatly declined since October, 1913. Neither did he acknowledge that only the intercession of President Wilson prevented a strike last August which would have tied up every railroad west of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, and paralyzed business throughout the nation. Nor did President Carter say that the railroad officials heeded the plea which President Wilson made to them to make the sacrifice necessary to save the business interests of the country from ruin, while the officials of the organizations of engineers and firemen refused to make any concessions.

One highly important admission President Carter did make during his argument. Referring to the wage arbitration of 1910, in which the firemen on oil burning engines were awarded 15c per day less than those on coal burning engines, he said: "I have heard it said by one of the arbitrators, who was not a neutral, that the reason the firemen lost that differential was because a lot of oil burning firemen came in there and tried to prove that their work was harder and they failed to prove this. If that be the fact we cannot object to the award. It was a mistake."

Article 7 of the wage demands of the employees is as follows: "Engineers and firemen arriving at terminal or end of run, will be automatically released; when used again, they begin a new day."

Hon. J. C. Pritchard, chairman of the board of arbitration, asked: "If an engineer runs a distance of 50 miles in two hours, then had a layover of 30 minutes and was asked to make the return trip, do you think they should call a new man for the return trip, thus giving a full day's pay to each engineer for a run of two hours?"

President Carter reluctantly admitted that under a strict interpretation of article 7, the engineer would be entitled to two full days' pay for running 100 miles in four hours with a layover of 30 minutes, or if two engineers were called on, each would receive a full day's pay for running only 50 miles.

"Wouldn't you call that working an undue hardship on the railroads?" asked Chairman Pritchard.

President Carter had contended throughout his argument during

## FT. WILLIAM BOYS TO TRY OUT WITH SULLIVAN'S TEAM

Amateurs Ready to Jump to the Professional Ranks—New Manager Arrives April 15.

FORT WILLIAM, April 1.—It is rumored that quite a few local amateurs will make a tryout for the Canucks when the training season opens. Here is the bunch that is said to be contemplating a tryout: Hessian, Davis, Marcell, Foreman and Rabideau.

Hessian is a southpaw pitcher who went down to Ottumwa, Iowa, last year and trained with the Canucks. Lizzette didn't think he was fast enough, and released him. Hessian says it was because of his control, but says he is in great shape now and believes he can catch a place on the team.

Davis is a right hander who pitched on the C.Y.M.A. for a few games last year and then went west. He never had much control when he pitched here but says he acquired a lot out west last summer and thinks he can make good.

Marcell is another right hander and was one of the best pitchers in the local amateur league last summer. He has lots of stuff and fair control.

Foreman is an outfielder and a very speedy boy on his feet. His hitting is a little doubtful, but he might improve that. He played on the C.Y.M.A. last year.

Rabideau has been the C.Y.M.A. catcher for three years and is a pretty fair backstop. Like Foreman he is no fence buster, but he is a good fielding pitcher.

It will be up to Doc Sullivan to determine who will get a tryout for the team. It is understood that he is partial to home players, so it is possible that any promising local boy can get a tryout if he wants it.

Sullivan will arrive in the city April 15th and will start immediately getting things in shape for the training season, which opens April 20th, 1915.

## NEXT MOVE OF GERMAN RAIDER STILL SECRET

Cruiser Eitel Friedrich Continues to Coal at Newport News Under U. S. Supervision.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.) NEWPORT NEWS, April 1.—Activity continues today aboard and around the German converted cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich, whose three weeks stay at the ship yards dock here is expected to terminate within a very brief time.

No indication has been given as to whether the Eitel will attempt a dash to the sea through the Anglo-French squadron lying in wait for her outside the Virginia capes, or interne here under the protection of the United States government until the close of the war.

The coaling of the Eitel, which is being carried on under the supervision of the officers of the United States navy, and which began yesterday, continued throughout the night and was not completed early today.

## PIN-SPILLERS GO TO HIBBING

The Ormondes and the Rivers bowling team left this morning for Hibbing where they are participating this afternoon and evening in a tournament between the teams from the several towns on the Ranges, on the Ideal alleys.

They are rolling in the double and single events this afternoon and this evening will bowl the five men event. Massey, Taylor, Young, Knutson and Rivers composed the Rivers team and the Ormonde bowlers include Toeller, Ostegren, Piper, Jacobson and Hanson.

These two teams made a very good showing at the National tournament held at Duluth several days ago and local bowling fans are confident that Virginia teams will come out close to the top.

months in which the board was taking testimony that the employees did not ask anything which would work undue hardships upon the railroads but was forced to admit that such cases as that cited by Chairman Pritchard would not be fair to the railroads.

## GIRLS ASK TO BE ALLOWED TO SMOKE IN CAMBRIDGE

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.) CAMBRIDGE, England, April 1.—Should college girls smoke? is the question that is agitating members of the upper classes in the women's colleges attached to Cambridge university. A number of the girls who are accustomed to smoke at home asked some time ago for a faculty ruling as to smoking in their dormitory rooms. The faculty was hard put to it for an answer and decided upon a referendum, not of pupils but of parents, and the principal has just dispatched a letter to each home for a reply, for or against smoking, before the end of the Easter vacation.

## DULUTH ASSURED BREAKWATER OFF HARBOR ENTRY

DULUTH, April 1.—Duluth is assured a \$4,000,000 breakwater off the harbor entry, according to Congressman Clarence B. Miller, who is here today. The loss of the steamer Benjamin F. Noble last fall had an effect on the decision.

Introduced as a bill, the congressman's petition for a breakwater was incorporated with the rivers and harbors bill. Authorization was given by the senate for a survey to be made here and a report will be made when congress convenes in December. The board of army engineers is favorably disposed toward the project, Mr. Miller added. Work on the survey is expected to begin in May.

Improvements to the lighting system at the light house also will be made. The fog horn and light on the south pier will be electrically operated from the shore if necessary, aiming to avoid a condition usually brought about when storms make it impossible to reach the light house.

## UNIVERSITY STUDENTS HOME

Virginians and pupils from other Range towns attending the Minnesota University have nearly all returned to their homes for Easter vacation, which began yesterday.

Among those who returned to this city last evening and today are John Grande, Ward Becker, Milburn Cary, Halver Olson, Victor Larson, Arnold Hawkinson and Harlan Johnson.

The Misses Bertha, Margaret and Bernadette Coffey returned last evening from Duluth where they are attending the Villa Scholastica. Miss Burke, who is attending the same school, also returned to this city for the Easter vacation.

## UNUSUALLY FINE EASTER SERVICES

The Easter services at the Presbyterian church this year promise to be the largest and best in its history. The ladies will decorate the church with lilies and other plants suitable to the season and special music is being prepared.

New members will be received at the morning service, when Dr. Gade will speak on "Why I Believe in the Resurrection." For the evening service music will be furnished by an augmented chorus choir and the pastor will speak on "Shall We Live Again After Death?"

The evening sermon should prove especially interesting to persons of an analytical turn of mind. Since Dr. Gade came to Virginia it has been a problem to accommodate the crowds attending services at that church an deach enlargement or improvement only seems to draw more people.

## HOLLAND HOTEL ANNEX OPENING SATURDAY

The new Annex to the Holland cafe which was recently completed at a cost of \$800, making the cafe of this hotel one of the largest and most complete on the Mesaba Range. Six private booths have been added in the rear of the original cafe in which genuine Chinese food of all kinds will be served. Mr. Huie has secured the services of a Chinese chef who is especially proficient in the art and will give his entire attention to the preparing of Chinese dishes. American meals will be served in the dining room or the private booths as usual, and special attention will be given to the mid-day business men's lunch and to the service of ladies and children.

## PRINCESS 'PATS' REGIMENT HAS FINE PERSONNEL

London Daily Chronicle Says All Members of Canadian Battalion Are Medal Vets.

The London Daily Chronicle has the following on the camp of the P. P. C. L. I. at Winchester before they left for the front:

"Why is it we are here, ready for the front, while the rest of the Canadians are still on Salisbury Plain? Because we are all trained men. It's a lesson for the Old Country."

Thus spoke a brawny Scottish non-com. in Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, otherwise "Pat's Pets," a splendid battalion, 1,100 strong.

It is significant, but not surprising, that this battalion should have precedence over the remaining 32,000 Canadians. The battalion is composed entirely of men who have seen service, many of them active service.

It has the largest percentage of war-ribboned men in the British army, for something like 80 per cent. claim one medal while quite a number can show several. One has actually five medals, beginning with the Zulu medal of 1879.

There is hardly a regiment or unit in the British army which is not represented in the battalion. They are many of them ex-non-coms. who have emigrated on discharge, and on the outbreak of the war they came hot foot from all parts of the Dominion, from Halifax in the east to Vancouver on the west.

In the sergeants' mess may be seen scores of township pennants which were worked by the ladies of Canada and given to the men on their departure.

Strathcona's Horse, of South African fame, is also well represented, and from the States, too, there came recruits, men with service in the U. S. cavalry, artillery and infantry, all eager, as they term it, to "have a go at the Kaiser."

Nor is Australia left out, and worthy of note, there are two Boers, who fought against us in the S. A. war. Says one of them (he has the biggest chest measurement in the battalion): "Once we fought against you, but now we fight with you."

A big Scot, Stewart Paterson, a member of the Rhodesian Mounted Police, who knows Africa "from the Zambesi to the Cape," is one of the non-coms. He had been on furlough in Canada three weeks when the war broke out. He immediately applied for and got a year's leave, and promptly enlisted in the P. P. C. L. I. This will be his third campaign. He is a "hard case." So is Jim Lee of Toronto, late of the Queen's West Surreys, another non-com. Says a comrade of him: "West Africa couldn't kill Jim, so we're sure the Kaiser can't."

Armourer Sgt.-Major Hoad, though 58 years of age, is one of the toughest men in the battalion. This will be his fifth campaign. The first of his four medals is for the Egyptian war of '82, when he was a troop sergeant-major in the Royal Irish Dragoons Guards.

From Saskatchewan comes one of the marvels of modern surgery. This is Sergeant Dudley Ward, of the Ambulance detachment. He served in the S. A. war in the Queen's West Surrey Regiment, and he was terribly shattered by a Boer shell. The doctors considered him a hopeless case, but with a wonderful constitution he nullified the doctors' prophecies, and from being a hopeless case he has recovered to join the band of "hard cases" as the members of this joyful battalion style themselves. Not all the suffering caused by that Boer shell could keep Ward back. I believe he was well known on the Rugby football field in the nineties.

There are several other individuals of note of which the battalion is proud. They will tell you with gusto that they have as comrade Jack Munro, who fought Jeffries and Jack Johnson.

They also refer proudly to their bulldog mascot. "No goats for us," they say, but most of all they boast of their huge 17-hands mule, dubbed "The Kaiser." They say he is a fine worker and a beggar to think, and "you can tell when his brain is working by the cack of his ears."

Then there is their band of Highland pipers. This band puzzled a recruiting officer in a distant township, so he wired to headquarters, "Piper band wishes to enlist in body. Will I enlist them." With brevity worthy of Napier came the reply, "Will you not?"

The battalion claims to be as fit as any in the British army, and it is an absolutely independent unit. Its equipment, even to bootlaces, was

## ADVANCE IN FOOD STUFFS ANNOUNCED IN GERMANY

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.) AMSTERDAM, April 1.—The four principal Munich newspapers have announced that beginning April 1 their prices will be advanced 20 per cent. The newspapers publish an appeal to their readers to support them "as in the past," notwithstanding the increase in price, which they declare by no means repays them for the many additional charges which the war has brought upon them.

## MINES GETTING READY TO START IN SHORT TIME

Robertson-Kingston at Franklin and Dean Mine at Buhl Among the Early Shippers.

The Robertson-Kingston mine, located just outside the limits of the newly organized village of Franklin, will start active operations in about two weeks, when two shovels will be put to work.

A force of men is now at work at the mine putting the machinery and equipment in shape for the opening. When the two shovels start, the crew will be increased by about 150 men. This mine last year shipped close to a half million tons, and all indications are that this shipment will be duplicated if not exceeded the coming season.

Reports from Buhl indicate that there will be a resumption of activity there, as the Dean mine expects to put two shovels at work about April 15.

## OFFICERS FROM CARRANZA ARMY AT NEW ORLEANS

No Reason Assigned for Their Transfer to Vera Cruz Except Not Needed.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.) BROWNSVILLE, Texas, April 1.—

It is believed here that the 15 Carranza army officers, who reached New Orleans last night enroute to Vera Cruz, are part of the force which left Matamoros, Mexico, two weeks ago.

Their departure has not been explained, although it has been stated at times that their services are not needed at Matamoros. There was considerable firing between the Villa scouting parties and the Carranzists in the trenches at Matamoros, early today, but it stopped before daylight.

## FAIL TO FIND MEN WHO FLED NO. DAKOTA PEN

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.) BISMARCK, N. D., April 1.—No trace has yet been found of the six prisoners who escaped from the North Dakota state penitentiary here last night. Officers from the jail have kept up an all night search for the fugitives, and have notified police and railroad officials in all directions, but no information about the men has yet been received.

## ARTHUR GOULD TO HAVE CIGAR STORE IN BEMIDJI

Arthur Gould, bartender at the Fay hotel buffet, will leave in a few days for Bemidji, where he will establish a cigar store. He has already rented a building adjoining the Hakkerup studio in Bemidji and will open for business April 10. Mr. Gould was formerly in business at Bemidji for several years. He has many friends in Virginia who will wish him success in his new business.

paid for by the second in command, Colonel Hamilton, Gault, before the battalion was offered for service.

The men, having colonial experience can turn their hands to anything. There are enough master cooks with Aldershot certificates sufficient to staff a dozen battalions; there are many more machine-gunners than can be used, and the same may be said of signallers. There are sufficient expert gunners to man a battery of artillery, and there are also several expert aviators enrolled.

## LORD KITCHENER JOINS MOVEMENT AGAINST ALCOHOL

At King's Suggestion Will Bar Liquor From Home Until End of the War.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.) LONDON, April 1.—The war on alcohol which is the outcome of the labor situation in Great Britain has definitely taken precedence over the much talked of spring advance of the Allies in the west. The reason for this is that the problem of transporting munitions of war has become more pressing than the task of recruiting.

War Secretary Kitchener is among the first of the prominent men in England to respond to the suggestion as to abstention from the use of alcohol contained in a letter by King George to Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George.

Lord Kitchener today issued instructions that no alcoholic beverages are to be served in his household during the war. Definite action which will affect the country as a whole is looked for in a few days.

## CHAMPION DIVER WILL HELP RAISE U. S. SUBMARINE

Man With Record of 270 Feet Below Surface Leave Brooklyn for Honolulu.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.) NEW YORK, April 1.—S. J. Dressishak, who is generally recognized as the world's champion deep sea diver, left Brooklyn with three other divers today for San Francisco, from which place he will proceed at once to Honolulu.

They are taking with them a complete set of apparatus to assist in the work of raising the United States submarine F-4, which is at the bottom of the harbor there. Dressishak holds a record of 270 feet beneath the surface of the ocean.

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## COMMERCIAL CLUB TO HEAR ROAD REPORT

The Virginia Commercial club will hold its regular meeting tonight at the City hall and with the county division excitement of the calendar, it is expected that a large number of the business men of the city will turn out and show their interest in the work of the club.

Secretary Thomas Gill is confined to his home with a temporary attack of illness and will be unable to attend the meeting tonight. The principal business will be the report of the committee on the Good Roads conference which was held at Virginia last Saturday, and it is probable that some action will be taken to see that the club has proper representation at the meeting of the county commissioners at Duluth next week.

## COACH JACKSON SHOWS PRIZES FOR ATHLETICS

Coach Alf Jackson of the Technical High school athletic teams is presenting an unusual exhibit of medals and prizes at the school today for the purpose of stirring up interest among the boys of the school for track work during the coming season.

The medals which are posted on the bulletin board, are a collection won by the popular coach while he was a competing athlete at Stout Institute at Menominee, Wis. Many of them are very handsome and they succeeded in attracting the attention of a large number of the boys.

Teachers Go to Minneapolis.

L. Simons is substituting today at the Technical High school for Nathaniel Quickstad and Miss Jaques, while Mrs. Pfeiffer is taking the place of Mr. Johnstrud. The absent teachers have gone with Superintendent of Schools Colgrove to the convention of superintendents and principals at Minneapolis.

## TURKEY EXPECTS TROUBLE ALONG BULGARIAN LINE

Indications That Ottoman Officials are Strengthening Equipment at Adrianople; Russian Black Sea Fleet Bombards Several Towns in Asia Minor.

Nineteen Men Drowned When French Steamer Emma Is Torpedoed By German Submarine in British Channel. Germans Claim 55,000 Russ Prisoners.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

Balkan Nations May Enter War. London, April 1.—There are further indications today that Turkey expects the Balkan nations to enter the war on the side of the Allies. At Adrianople, the nearest important Turkish town to the Bulgarian frontier, the artillery equipment is being materially increased. This is interpreted at Sofia as being preparatory to possible war with Bulgaria.

The Russian Black sea fleet has bombarded several Turkish towns in Asia Minor. It is stated that considerable damage was done, including the sinking of nine sailing vessels, but this claim is contradicted at Constantinople.

The Russian and Austrian reports concerning the great struggle in the Carpathian passes continue to be completely at variance, although both agree that the heavy fighting is still going on.

French Steamer Torpedoed. LONDON, April 1.—The French steamer Emma, bound to Bordeaux, was torpedoed Wednesday in the British channel off Beachey Head by a German submarine. Nineteen members of the crew of the Emma were drowned, only two being picked up later by a passing steamer. No warning of any kind was given by the submarine.

Turks Lose Highway. Tabriz, Persia, April 1.—Hostilities between Russian and Turkish forces in Persia have been resumed. On March 25 the Russians defeated the Turkish army in a sanguinary battle at Atkatur, north of Dilman in Northwestern Persia. In this battle the Turks are reported to have lost 12,000 in killed, wounded and prisoners, as well as a large number of field guns.

Claim 55,000 Russian Prisoners. Berlin, April 1.—The German headquarters staff reports today that during the month of March the German eastern army took 55,000 Russian prisoners, including both officers and soldiers. Nine cannon and 61 machine guns also were captured.

## COL. GOETHALS TO RETIRE FROM SERVICE IN ARMY

May Make His Home in New York City When He Has Completed Duties at Panama.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

PANAMA, April 1.—When Governor Goethals leaves the canal zone he probably will retire from the army and enter civilian life. He has not yet made a public announcement to this effect but has frequently voiced his desire, probably after September next, to lead a quiet life and do only such work as he wishes.

General Goethals has not decided upon the place where he will make his home but it is generally understood here that he will reside in New York where he will become a consulting engineer. It has been said that he probably will form a partnership with S. V. Williamson who was formerly the engineer in charge of the Pacific division of the Panama Canal construction work. Mr. Williamson recently made a brief visit to the Isthmus and it is believed that the partnership was then discussed.

Governor Goethals, having announced his early retirement from active labors on the Panama canal, is manifesting an impatience to depart from the Isthmus. He feels he has done his duty by his country and the army in spending eight strenuous years here.

Concert A Success.

The concert given by the Harmony Male chorus at Finnish Temperance hall last night brought out a large attendance and was a success in every particular. The Harmony chorus is one of the best on the Range and its entertainments during the past have been a source of great pleasure to the music loving public of Virginia.