

165 REPORTED KILLED BY TORNADOES

5 RADICALS 'UNFIT' FOR N. Y. SEATS

Accused Socialists Condemned by Assembly Judiciary Committee.

Albany, N. Y., March 30.—Charges of unfitness against the five Socialist members of the New York state assembly...

Enactment of a law to prevent any organization which admits to its membership...

The Socialist assemblymen, the findings state, "are not obedient to the constitution and laws of the United States and the state of New York..."

The report mentions the fact that the party's constitution provides that "any Socialist elected to an office, who shall in any way use to appropriate moneys for military or naval purposes, shall be expelled from the party."

The report reviews evidence heard during the trial, purporting to show that the Socialist party opposed the prosecution of the war, opposed all legislation for industrial and military conscription, pledged its members to work for the repeal of the conscription law...

Referring to the statement that some 3,000 Socialists had been arrested for their activities the report says: "It was impossible to give expression to or act upon the true doctrines of the Socialist party during the war without running the risk of the criminal law."

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None of the assemblymen, they were charged with breach of the criminal anarchy statute of the state of the espionage act, and it may be safely assumed that their speeches were not considered by the authorities charged with enforcing these laws as a violation thereof.

Minority Reports. Minority reports were submitted by members of the committee, who dissented from the findings of the majority. Action on the reports will be made a special order of business in the assembly tomorrow and it is expected that the final vote will be taken on Thursday.

While no concerted action has been taken by those who are opposed to the expulsion of the Socialists, Majority Leader Simon L.ister of Monroe, and Assemblyman Theodore Roosevelt of Nassau, will speak and vote against that proposition.

It cannot approve of the expulsion of the entire representation of the party from the legislature," Colonel Roosevelt said today. "Whether I may do or say I shall do as an individual and not as a part of the movement agreed upon with others."

Flood Danger Grows As Upper Mississippi Rises 3 Feet a Day

La Crosse, Wis., March 30.—Flood conditions in the upper reaches of the Mississippi river today had assumed a serious aspect. The river had passed the 18-foot mark, flood stage here, and was rising at the rate of three feet every 24 hours.

Residents of North LaCrosse used rowboats to remove household effects. Thousands of acres of farm land were under water today in the LaCrosse River valley because of the breaking of a dam at Perch Lake Sparta. Three dams and a dam across the Menominee river were carried away at Menominee, Minn.

On the Manistique River valley property was damaged \$1,500,000, it was estimated, and seventy Manistique families were driven from their homes. The river still was rising there early today.

BRIDGE GOES OUT. Wausau, Wis., March 30.—The interstate bridge here, a 480-foot steel structure, collapsed under the strain of the flood waters and ice of the Menominee river. The river had raised to 12 feet above normal when the supports gave way and the bridge plunged into the water. The loss is estimated at \$25,000.

BITUMINOUS MINERS SEEK GREATER WAGE

New York, March 30.—Representatives of bituminous coal workers announced today that they would attempt to obtain greater wage increase than the 27 per cent accepted yesterday by the joint conference of operators and workers pending a new agreement.

The sub-committee, appointed by the conference to arrange a new agreement, began its session today and the workers' representatives pointed out that their acceptance of the award of the bituminous coal commission was only to enable the miners to continue operation from April 1, during the negotiations.

William Green, international secretary-treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America, and P. H. Penna, secretary of the Indiana Coal Operators' association, were named by a joint committee as members of a contract committee to draft a tentative wage agreement, based on the award of the bituminous commission.

Counsel for the operators announced he had received a letter today from Federal Assistant Attorney General V. B. Ames assuring him that the meeting of the joint sub-committee would be legal and proper and in the public interest.

The contract committee will report a tentative agreement to the sub-committee tomorrow morning. Palmer consulted.

Before getting together and drawing up a new contract the bituminous mine operators asked Attorney General Palmer for his opinion and consent. This action was taken, they explained, to prevent a repetition of the Indianapolis indictments, which were returned against 123 miners and operators for alleged conspiracy to increase the price of coal to the consumer.

The letter from Assistant Attorney General Ames, who is conducting the prosecution of the Indianapolis cases, is in reply to their inquiry. At the close of the sub-committee meeting today, bituminous operators declared that as a result of the 27 per cent wage increase to mine workers, the price of soft coal presently will be advanced over present prices from \$1 to \$1.25 at the mines. Because of favorable local conditions in certain sections of Illinois, however, the price advance there, they said, will be only 65 cents.

\$8,000,000 OFFICE HOME FOR CHICAGO. Chicago, March 30.—One of the largest office buildings in the country will be erected in Chicago at a cost of approximately \$8,000,000, it was announced today. The building will house the Illinois Merchants' bank, a merger of three Chicago banks.

WAR GENERAL HOME TO FACE CRUELTY QUIZ. New York, March 30.—Brigadier General William S. Harts, who was commander of American troops in the Paris area, after the armistice, arrived from France today on the steamship Torrance. He is expected to answer charges of other army officers that he was responsible for cruelties to soldiers in prison camps.

Washington, March 30.—Brigadier General Harts, chief of staff of the American forces in Germany, who arrived today at New York, was ordered home to testify before a house war investigating committee, concerning charges of cruelty to American soldiers in the prison of the Paris district during the time that General Harts was in command of that district.

It was said at the war department today that at the conclusion of his testimony, General Harts would return to Coblenz.

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J. M. SHERIER, Meteorologist.

IOWANS ELECT LABOR MAYORS

Des Moines, Iowa, March 30.—Returns compiled this morning from municipal elections throughout the state yesterday, show that Labor party candidates were, for the most part, successful in the larger towns. In Sioux City, Wallace M. Short, who headed the Labor ticket, apparently was successful in his campaign for reelection. He met keen opposition from the business element of the city.

Waterloo For Labor. In Waterloo, Nelson W. Frisbee, Union Labor candidate, was elected by a comfortable majority. All but two members of the Frisbee ticket were elected.

Cedar Rapids, under commission form of government, reelected J. F. Rahl, the present mayor. In Burlington, T. J. Smith defeated Mayor James M. Bell, Smith being one of three Labor party commissioners elected in the commission of five. At Clinton, Labor party candidates, headed by H. W. Cowles, were successful in all but two instances.

Des Moines Non-Partisan. The election in Des Moines was more or less non-partisan, nor was labor an issue in the campaign. H. H. Barton was elected mayor. The compilations received here from the various towns was made on unofficial, but almost complete returns.

ILLINOIS CITIES SHOW SUBSTANTIAL POPULATION GAINS. Washington, March 30.—Population statistics announced today by the census bureau included: Hannibal, Mo., 18,950, an increase of 609, or 3.3 per cent over 1910. Taylorville, Ill., 5,806, increase 260, or 6.6 per cent. Belleville, Ill., 24,741, increase 3,619, or 17.1 per cent. Jeffersonville, Ind., 10,098, decrease 214, or 2.0 per cent. Salamanca, N. Y., 9,276, increase 3,484, or 60.2 per cent. Batavia, N. Y., 13,541, increase 1,928, or 16.6 per cent. Cortland, N. Y., 13,294, increase 1,790, or 15.6 per cent. Lockport, N. Y., 21,208, increase 3,338, or 18.6 per cent. Geneva, N. Y., 14,648, increase 2,202, or 17.7 per cent. Frederick, Md., 11,066, increase 655, or 6.3 per cent. Clinton, Ind., 10,962, increase 4,733, or 76.9 per cent.

CHICAGO BANKERS AID HOUSE DRIVE. Chicago, March 30.—Chicago bankers will lend \$100,000,000 during 1920 to home builders in an effort to end the housing shortage, it was announced today.

The Weather. Increasing cloudiness and somewhat warmer tonight. Unsettled. Highest tonight, 51; lowest last night, 43. Wind velocity, 5 miles per hour. Precipitation, none.

12 m. 7 p.m. 7 a.m. yesterday, yesterday, today. Dry bulb temp. 44 43 44. Wet bulb temp. 35 40 41. Relative humid. 28 48 75. River stage, 11.2; rise of 3 of a foot in the last 24 hours.

Change Stage in 24 hrs. St. Paul -12.5 -0.1. Red Wing -12.6 0.6. La Crosse -13.2 1.1. Dubuque -11.8 0.3. LeClaire -7.9 0.2. Davenport -11.3 0.3.

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KING DEFIES ULTIMATUM IN DENMARK

Spurns Demands of Social Democrats—Threaten General Strike.

Copenhagen, March 30.—King Christian announced today his refusal to comply with the ultimatum of the Social Democrats demanding the reinstatement of the Zahle ministry, dismissed by the king, and other action in connection with the government crisis. The demand was made under the threat that the Danish Trade Unions would meet today with a view of declaring a general strike if the throne did not comply. The action demanded included the immediate summing of the rigsdag and the restoration of constitutional conditions.

Copenhagen, March 30.—Socialist and trade union representatives who conferred with King Christian last night relative to the crisis which has arisen in Denmark as a result of the dismissal of Premier Zahle's cabinet, demanded immediate reinstatement of the Zahle ministry, an immediate call for a meeting of the rigsdag, and the introduction once more of constitutional conditions in this country. A general strike of all trade unions is threatened.

People for Republic. Crowds in the public squares up to an early hour this morning were crying for the establishment of a republican form of government for Denmark. Slight disturbances occurred while soldiers were occupying one of the squares, and cries of "Long live the republic!" were heard during the night.

The Berlinische Tidende today declares the entire civil community must rise against the terrorism of a general strike.

RUSSIAN SOVIET AGREES TO OPEN POLE PEACE PLAN. London, March 30.—George Tchitcherin, the Russian soviet foreign minister, has notified Poland of his willingness to open peace negotiations on April 10, as Poland has suggested, according to a wireless message from Moscow today. M. Tchitcherin suggests that the meeting be held somewhere in Estonia.

The Poles had asked that the negotiations be conducted at Borsivo, on Beresina river between Minsk and Smolensk.

LATE BULLETINS. Jackson, Miss., March 30.—The Mississippi senate today ratified the federal woman suffrage amendment, thus reversing the action of several weeks ago when the amendment was rejected.

Boston, March 30.—The supreme court today denied the request of Mrs. Emily Hall of New York for leave to intervene in the litigation between the directors of the Christian Science church and the trustees of the Christian Science Publishing society.

Denver, Colo., March 30.—Continental Oil company directors, at a meeting last Saturday, decided to pay a stock dividend of 200 per cent, each stockholder to receive two additional shares for one now held. Books close against the disbursement April 10, and payment will be made before the end of the month.

Quincy, Ill., March 30.—Stephen G. Lawless, cashier of the Liberty State bank of Liberty, Ill., 19 miles east of Quincy, who was shot by William "Red" Elliott, last Tuesday, died at noon today. Mr. Lawless was one of the most prominent bankers in western Illinois, leader in Republican political circles, and was chairman of the Adams county district exemption board, and active in all war work.

Bloomington, Ill., March 30.—Dr. W. D. Jones, known extensively in this part of the country as a magnetic healer, died here today. He was 90 years old.

Albany, N. Y., March 30.—The Fowler bill, designed to repeal the daylight saving law, failed of passage in the assembly late today. The vote was 75 to 64, one less than required. The same bill was adopted by a 26 to 25 vote in the senate last night.

ALLIES DOUBT EFFECTIVENESS OF RUHR SCARE

No Real Communist Move Is Planned, They Say. Paris, March 30.—Information received by the foreign office today from both French and English sources is in agreement that no real communist movement exists in the Ruhr valley.

The prime demand of the workmen, it is declared, is a guarantee against the return of militarism, which is exactly what the French government demands, a foreign office official said.

Danger of Invasion. The occupation of the district by German regulars in force, it is held, would run exactly counter to that end and would be likely to put a stop entirely to the already diminished coal shipments to France from the production of the Ruhr region under the peace treaty.

There were indications today that the French authorities had not yet given up the idea of the eventual occupation of the Ruhr district by the allies.

Take Issue on Arms. Essen, March 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—All stipulations of the Berlin government relative to a cessation of fighting and maintenance of order in the Ruhr district have been accepted, with one exception, by the central committee in charge of anti-government operations here, according to a notification sent to Berlin tonight.

Exception was taken in reference to the fourth condition regarding the surrender of arms and ammunition. The government was informed that this condition would be accepted if construed in accordance with the Bielefeld agreement with the understanding that agreement would be fulfilled.

Time Up Tomorrow. The government stipulated its conditions must be accepted by tomorrow. Otto Bowsenipen, military commander of the reds, who has just come from the front, told the correspondent that the continued existence of the reichswehr would mean another European war. Another member of the directing committee said the committee was thoroughly determined to subject the mines to sabotage if the reichswehr marched into the Ruhr district. The reds, he declared, would kill their families and themselves before surrendering.

FRENCH AGREE ON WILSON PROPOSAL IN TURK PROBLEM. Paris, March 30.—It was said at the foreign office today that the French point of view regarding Turkey and Armenia is in agreement with that of President Wilson as to the desirability of the largest possible Armenian state and the expulsion of the Turks from Constantinople. The question is raised, however, as to how these ends can be achieved without the force necessary to deal with the trouble certain to result among the Mussulman population.

(President Wilson's note on the Turkish question was delivered to Premier Millerand by Ambassador Wallace during the session of the council of ambassadors in Paris yesterday).

BRYAN DENIES HE SEEKS NOMINATION. Denver, Colo., March 30.—William Jennings Bryan, upon arrival in Denver this morning from Lincoln, Neb., enroute to Los Angeles, denied he is a candidate for nomination as president of the United States. He will speak at noon today, before the Denver Bar association.

GREEKS GET SMYRNA. Paris, March 30.—(Havas)—Smyrna and the hinterland along that section of the Turkish coast have been awarded to Greece by the council of ambassadors, according to the Matin.

Kentucky Suffs Win. Frankfort, Ky., March 30.—Suffrage for women of Kentucky in the next presidential election, apparently is assured by the signature yesterday of Governor Morrow of the measure passed by the legislature, granting women the right to vote for presidential electors.

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Short Code Favored By Many at Con-Con. Springfield, Ill., March 30.—Sentiment for a short constitution devoid of statutory articles was expressed here by delegates to the Illinois constitutional convention today.

The convention, meeting in committee of the whole, discussed the final drafting of the new basic law. President Charles E. Woodward, appointed Delegate George Barr of Joliet, to preside over the meeting of the committee and outlined his views on the framing of the constitution.

Urges Short Code. "I hope we may produce a document which contains only the fundamental principles necessary to government," said President Woodward. "It has been a subject of criticism that some of the proposals introduced are legislative in character. I believe we should incorporate only those essentials which history has shown to be necessary for our form of government."

President Woodward declared the constitution was being framed to last for years and that the test of every proposition should be its durability. Every article, he said, should be written so that it would be as applicable as conditions 25 or 50 years in the future as to conditions of today.

Big Bills for Legislature. Former Governor Joseph Pifer of Bloomington, a delegate to the convention, said the constitution should leave large powers to the legislature and permit that body to deal with many questions which have come before the convention.

Delegate Abel Davis of Chicago, attacked the address of William Jennings Bryan before the convention last week. Mr. Bryan proposed plans which would be fatal to constitutional government, Colonel Davis declared.

The convention delegates and their wives will be guests of Governor and Mrs. Frank O. Lowden at a reception at the executive mansion tonight.

STRIKE TIES STOCKYARD AT CHICAGO

Stock Rushed to Other Markets After Embargo Is Ordered.

Chicago, March 30.—Chicago's livestock market, the largest in the country, was at a standstill this morning and 50,000 packing house employees face suspension of work as a result of the strike of 900 feeders at the stockyards.

An embargo ordered yesterday, barred all animals from the yards and railroads were busy diverting the thousands of cattle and hogs that ordinarily arrive here each day to other markets.

Quotations Deferred. Dealings today were restricted to a few animals held over from yesterday and no quotations were made.

The union heads have telegraphed Washington asking that federal mediators be sent here, following refusal of Federal Judge Alschuler, who has arbitrated other stockyard troubles, to act unless the men first went back to work.

Calling of the strike caused no increase in meat prices here, although the five big packers say their plants will be entirely shut down within a week if the strike continues. Average hog prices yesterday were \$14.75, as compared to \$15.16 last week and \$9.67 a year ago.

SUFFRAGE FOR REPORT TODAY IN DELAWARE. Dover, Del., March 30.—The house committee on revised statutes, to which the joint resolution for the ratification of equal suffrage had been referred, voted today, 4 to 3, to report the measure out "on its merits." The negative votes were cast by Democrats. The senate Republicans forced through a motion to adjourn, thus preventing a committee report on the ratification resolution which the Democratic senators were insisting upon.

On the petition appear the names (Continued on page four).

MAYO PRAISES EFFICIENCY OF FLEET IN 1917. Washington, March 30.—The Atlantic fleet never was better prepared for war than when it came from Cuban waters late in March, 1917, after its winter battle practice, Rear Admiral Henry T. Mayo, former commander in chief of the fleet, today told the senate committee investigating the navy's conduct of the war.

The personnel was on a peace basis and was somewhat inadequate the admiral said, but officers and men were confident and well trained and target practice in southern waters had shown gratifying results.

No written plan or policy for the participation of the fleet in the war was given him when the United States joined the allies, Rear Admiral Mayo testified, but in conversations with Admiral Benson, chief of naval operations, and other department officials, he was informed that the missions of his command were to prepare for instant service; to protect the coasts of the United States and to train naval personnel.

CHICAGO CITY OFFICES TIED UP BY STRIKE. Chicago, March 30.—Clerks, stenographers and bookkeepers employed in municipal offices went on strike today for higher salaries, threatening a paralysis of city business. In addition 136 garbage handlers were on strike, shutting down the municipal garbage reduction plant and causing a suspension of garbage collection.

At the same time a general strike of groups of the 18,650 municipal employees, who have demanded increased salaries, threatened as the result of action of the city council early today in rejecting a revised budget carrying \$4,000,000 to meet salary raises.

Three hundred of the 1,000 clerks voted for the strike last night. They receive \$1,500 a year and demand a \$500 raise.

NEGRO VICTIM OF LYNCHERS. Paris, Ky., March 30.—Swooping down unexpectedly upon officers who were taking Grant Smith, negro, to the jail at Smith, last night, a crowd of 40 men captured the negro and hurried him in an automobile on the Naysville-Lexington pike at Nays Lick, Fleming county, where he was hanged to a telegraph pole.

Smith, who was 40, disappeared two months ago after alleged assaults on Ruby Anderson, 14, daughter of a farmer of Fleming county, Kentucky.

Georgia Heaviest Sufferer With 38; Many Missing; Losses Grow. Chicago, March 30.—Scattered reports from isolated sections of nine states, visited by Sunday's tornadoes, today raised the death toll to 165.

Reconstruction work in the devastated regions is well under way. The Death List. Tabulated reports by states at noon today gave the number of dead as follows: Indiana, 37. Adams county, 2; Allen county, 11; Jay county, 1; Steuben county, 2; Montgomery county, 1; Union city, 1. Illinois, 27. Elgin, 7; Irving Park, 6; Melrose Park, 10; Maywood, 4; Ohio, 30. Greenville and Nashville, 8; Van Wert, 3; Monitron, 3; Bensenville and Brunersberg, 10; Genoa, 2; Raab's Corners, 4. Michigan, 12. Venton, 1; Battle Creek, 3; Hart, 2; Maple Grove Center, 3. Georgia, 38. LaGrange, 26; West Point, 10; Macon, 1; Milner, 1. Alabama, 17. Alexander, 11; Agricola, 5; Cedar Springs, 1. Nebraska, 12. Shelton, 1. Missouri, 1. St. Louis, 1. Wisconsin, 1. East Troy, 1.

In addition, there is an unverified report that 15 have been killed at Stovall, Ga., near LaGrange, which is being investigated. If true, this would raise the total to 180. Residents of Melrose Park, Chicago suburb, where 10 persons were killed by the storm, will gather in the public square of the village tomorrow to attend the funeral of the tornado victims.

Many Are Missing. Several persons were reported as missing in various localities hit by the storm and it was feared that some of these might be found to have been killed.

No accurate statement of the total property damage, which runs into the millions, could be made today. In Illinois, it was estimated that the material loss was \$6,000,000; in western Ohio, \$2,000,000; Michigan, \$2,000,000; and Georgia more than \$1,000,000. State troops patrolled the storm swept areas of Illinois today and the Red Cross and civilian committees organized aid for the injured and homeless. Hundreds of cartons, who began reconstruction work yesterday in Elgin, Maywood, Melrose Park and Irving Park, around Chicago, had cleared away most of the wreckage today. All refugees had been placed in homes or tents. Only one death occurred yesterday among the injured, and hospitals reported that most of the hundreds of patients would recover.

G. O. P. WOMEN OF N. Y. THREATENING TO DESERT PARTY. Albany, N. Y., March 30.—Warning that Republican women, who are members of the New York State League of Women Voters, will go on strike on election day or go into other parties if the state legislature does not act favorably on welfare bills, is contained in a letter sent by the league today to Will H. Hays, chairman of the Republican national committee.