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BAD SERVICE DUE TO WAR, STATES TELEPHONE MAN

Bell System People No Better Satisfied With Service Than Public, Commercial Representative Says.

The probability that the service of the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph company in Memphis may be notified and aggravating was frankly admitted by Douglas D. Milne, of New York, commercial representative of the long distance lines department of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, head of the system of which the local company is an associate unit, in an interview given The News-Scimitar Friday.

"The present inefficiency of telephone service throughout the country is an unhappy consequence of conditions brought about by the war. Mr. Milne claimed in explanation, and is not due to mismanagement or lack of effort on the part of the phone companies to give good service. The war literally 'shorts' their personnel 'to pieces,' from 'hello girls' to line-men, he said, and interrupted building and equipment accumulation programs to such an extent as to cause a deterioration in facilities for handling business."

"We are working as hard as we can to restore our facilities to normal," he said, "but this will take time and we are still fighting against hardships. The labor unrest has greatly retarded recovery from the war-time difficulties. It is declared, the telephone companies, suffering from this postwar malady equally with all other lines of industry."

Mr. Milne stated that he is not familiar with local conditions, except in the most cursory manner, but he took it as a fair supposition that conditions in Memphis were no different from those in virtually every city in the country. He spoke, he said, only from a general knowledge of conditions. He is making a tour of the southwestern cities for the purpose of gathering data for prospective business expansion for the next several years upon which may be based plans for expanding the facilities of the telephone companies, especially as applies to long distance service.

Mr. Milne conferred with W. H. Hayley, secretary, and Mark Fenton, industrial director of the Chamber of Commerce, from whom he secured data on Memphis industrial and commercial growth. He denied that the investigation of the local service by the law committee of the Chamber of Commerce had anything to do with his visit to Memphis.

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Once Haughty Queen of Austria Plucks Flowers In Paris

PARIS, Dec. 6.—By the Associated Press.—With bowed head and with feet in white stockings, a modestly dressed old lady was seen walking through Tuilleries gardens yesterday. As she walked she would stop to pick autumn flowers, seated and bleated by the cold, but no more faded than her cheeks.

Probably seeing her and knowing the regulations of the park, a young policeman followed her by a single maid, unheeded by the unformed representative of the law.

WELSH HAS LAST SAY; CAN PREVENT ARMED INVASION

(Continued From First Page.) Propponents of intervention to place the blame for inaction squarely on him, thought that the Welshman's declaration of congress led to the suspicion that if the president suddenly put the matter to rest, a branch of the government would hesitate to assume responsibility.

But the controversy over Mexico at this time is really a tempest in a teapot. It is a side affair. The real question that has been indirectly raised by congress is whether or not the president is incapable of performing public duties.

Some time ago attention was called to a campaign that has been begun to drive Woodrow Wilson out of Mexico before his term expired. He has been ill two months. Most of the members of congress considered the decline to be drawn into any plan to declare the president legally unable to fulfill his executive tasks.

As a matter of fact, Senator Fall, who saw the president in company with Senator Hitchcock, knew in advance that Mr. Wilson was in Mexico.

While it is true that Secretary Lansing has not presented the situation to the senate, it is also true that memoranda on the situation have been in Mr. Wilson's hands and that the newspaper accounts of the text of every note sent and the Fall resolution have been read by the president.

Knows Wilson's Views.

And his judgment is unquestionably the same as it has been, that, while America has the power and the resources to jump on a weak nation, and punish for the acts of a few government officials the helpless millions who would be drawn into the strife, no such course of action would at this time be taken by the man who has been the outspoken champion of weak nations.

There is no doubt that the Mexican situation has irritated the president from time to time. There is no doubt that at this time he shares the thoughtful feelings of the senate over the policy of Mexico in the Jenkins case, but there were things happening during the war with Germany which deserved armed intervention, much more than today, and it was deemed expedient for material reasons to indulge in a war below the Rio Grande.

The condition is not much changed. International affairs are in a state of confusion, due to the failure of the senate to give the nation a peace treaty and to help Europe to its feet. Germany is hesitating to approve the protocols submitted by the administration. The senate action is in her interest. Domestic affairs inside the United States are unsettled. The president may be bitterly criticized for failure to intervene in Mexico at this time, but he isn't going to invade the country in any more wars at the present day, at least until America's own affairs are settled.

CAPITAL FEELS TENSION RELAXED BY RELEASE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Combined today with the public reassurance of the president's improved health, was a feeling in Washington that the tension in the Mexican relations had been slackened by the release from prison at Puebla, Mexico, of American Consul Agent Jenkins.

Speculation and rumor over the president's health were exploded by the favorable report from his bedside. Senators Fall and Hitchcock, who, by direction of the foreign relations committee, conferred with him late yesterday on the Mexican situation.

Propped up in bed, the president talked of many features of the Jenkins case. With a right hand and arm free above the bed cover, the senators said, he shook hands with them and took up and read papers which were on the table beside him. He was described as weak and nervous, but it was said he jests about exaggerated reports of his illness and promised returning in a few days to give congress his advice on what it should do about Mexico.

"He appeared to be a sick man," said Senator Fall afterward, "but mentally alert and perfectly able to cope with any question with which he might have to deal. He appeared to me, certainly, in as good mental condition as any man could be after being ill for nine or 10 weeks."

The other delegate of the committee, Senator Hitchcock, Democrat of Nebraska, said the president seemed greatly improved since he saw him two weeks ago.

"My opinion is that he has been a very sick man, but is improving," said Senator Hitchcock. "He has a pretty good idea of the Mexican situation, although he did not give a final decision on the subject, he indicated that too many serious considerations were involved to warrant any hasty action."

MEMPHIANS READY FOR CAPITAL TRIP

Hugh Humphreys Leads Mississippi Valley Association Squadron.

The 18 Memphis delegates to the general meeting of the Mississippi Valley association in Washington, D. C., Dec. 3 and 4, are all set, cooked and primed for departure from Memphis at 5:30 p.m. Saturday for the capital city on the Memphis special over the Southern railway.

The delegates will be led by Hugh Humphreys, president of the Mississippi Valley association, in which Memphis is situated. The delegates are: D. A. Fisher, Alfred Prather, James S. Patterson, J. H. Townsend, C. B. Quinn, Jack W. Falls, E. O. Bailey, Abe Goodman, A. M. Spinks, L. E. McKnight, James I. McKee, Clarence Saunders, J. D. McDowell, Henry Hagley, T. J. Turley and E. F. Thibier.

Five others already in Washington, who will serve as Memphis delegates, are: R. M. Gates, J. D. Erwin, Louis N. Gelder, William A. Webber and James C. Harris.

Merry Garden Ballroom. Open 8 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

On account of fuel restrictions these hours will be observed until further notice.

DETECTIVE IS SHOT AT MINING CAMP

BRISTOL, Tenn., Dec. 6.—Wm. B. Cox, a detective on guard duty in a mining camp near St. Charles, Lee county, Va., was shot to death from ambush Friday, according to advices reaching Bristol last night. The detective is believed to have been killed by radicals, who have been terrorizing local miners in the St. Charles coal fields with threats during the past several weeks.

DRASTIC PASSENGER TRAIN CURTAILMENT IS ORDERED

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—Drastic curtailment of passenger train service throughout the country, extended to the eastern and southern railroad district on virtually the same basis as in effect for two days in the central, north and southwestern regions, today had been ordered as fuel conservation measure. As the strike of bituminous coal miners entered its sixth week, optimism operators and fuel administration officials at Washington were said to feel was not reflected in actual developments reported from the coal fields.

Additional industries today were closed down or had given notice that operation would be suspended after today, while the coal-saving orders that already had put Chicago on a six and half-hour business day and affected other cities of the central west, north and southwest to a lesser degree, were extended to other places. At Chicago a six-hour day, beginning Monday, was decreed and it was predicted that a few days' continuance of the miners' walkout would force a four-hour day.

Only in isolated instances, and in small groups were miners reported to have resumed production. In the great central competitive field and in other larger organized areas the miners maintained their attitude of remaining away from work until a larger percentage of production was increased than the 14 per cent. decreed by the federal fuel administration and agreed to by the operators, was forthcoming.

Production of coal at the Kansas strip by volunteer workers increased, however, and plans were advanced for similar work in Missouri, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

In the reduction of approximately one-third in "train miles" ordered in passenger traffic, some of the country's most famous and palatial trains were affected. They included the Twentieth Century and Broadway limited between New York and Chicago and the North Coast limited between Chicago and Tacoma, Wash.

The reduction in the central, north and southwestern regions is effective Monday; in the southern, Tuesday, and in the eastern region, Wednesday. In the first three regions Chicago railroad officials estimated 11,000 tons of coal would be saved daily.

With moderation of the low temperatures that prevailed over most of the country west of the Mississippi river for several days, urgency of pleas for fuel apparently had diminished. Many small cities and towns in Nebraska, Montana and western Kansas still were virtually without coal however, and substitutes were at a premium.

All over Nebraska high schools were closed and it was said it was not probable that the University of Nebraska would close.

Canadian coal shipments somewhat relieved the situation in the far Northwest. Receipts of 400 tons at Tacoma, Wash., was reported, with the same amount due in a few days.

Special freight rates were promised Montana for coal shipments from Alberta.

On the other side of the continent New York city's conservation steps consisted of turning off heat in subway, elevated and surface cars during rush hours, eliminating heating of cabins of ferriesboats operated by the railroad administration, and voluntary darkening of signs by theater managers.

Many complaints have been made from the central west that the east was provided with coal that should be equitably distributed.

The conference of governors of 10 states called for St. Louis Sunday today had been postponed indefinitely. Gov. Frederick D. Gardner, of Missouri, who called it, announced the meeting would not be held until the federal fuel administration acted on resolutions the governors adopted a week ago requesting more liberal distribution of fuel in the midwest and palatial trains were affected. They included the Twentieth Century and Broadway limited between New York and Chicago and the North Coast limited between Chicago and Tacoma, Wash.

In connection with the plan to operate Oklahoma mines with volunteer labor, it was said martial law had been proclaimed in that state for the first time. Gov. Robertson placed six counties containing coal mines under martial law.

BATTLES BURGLAR WHO GETS AWAY

Youth Closes in Bitter Struggle With Burly Negro in Early Morning.

Fighting and clawing with ferocity of a battle-frenzied dogfight, Claud Rose, 218 North Third street, an employee of the Lewis Transfer company, closed in with a negro burglar caught red-handed in his room early Saturday morning and battled with him for 10 minutes or more before the marauder finally wrested himself loose and made his escape. All the loot the negro had secured at the Sevier apartments, the home of Rose, was recovered from the black except about \$8 in money. The thief had secured from the room of another before he entered the room where he was caught.

A huge knife in hand, the gorilla-like form of the intruder was barely discerned in his room about 4 o'clock, according to Rose. Realizing what the negro was up to, young Rose, who, by the way, had some experience stalking marauders overseas, feigned slumber until the man came to the side of his bed and felt Rose's body to see if he was asleep.

Apparently satisfied, the burglar began rifling the room of clothing and other valuables.

With a leap faster than that of one going over the top, Rose jumped fairly astride the huge negro's back. Then followed a tussle which led down the hall and finally ended on the street in front of the apartment when the black, after he had been stripped of his knife, his pockets searched for money and trinkets he had stolen, finally broke loose and disappeared in the early morning darkness.

Other occupants of the building seemed so dazed that they did not rush to Rose's assistance.

Rose said he didn't notify the police or have anyone else do so, "because it never did any good anyway."

Buy her a sewing machine for Christmas, Bry's.

CHATTANOOGA LANDING FIELD IS DEDICATED

With Col. Dargue, army air service officer in charge of aviation in the South, officiating, Marr landing field was dedicated Friday with appropriate ceremonies. Col. Dargue flying from Charleston, S. C., for the occasion. Thrilling "stunts" by visiting aviators featured the exercises. The ultimate aim of the promoters of aviation fields in the South is to make an effort to secure an aerial mail route along the entire Dixie highway.

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FIVE BUCKS A SMOKE PRICE ON STREET CARS

"Smoking on a street car" was the charge which brought two men to central police headquarters Saturday morning, before the station clock had sounded the half hour after 8.

William Blunt, 1950 Madison avenue, and I. D. Whitley, 974 Elizabeth place, were the men arrested by Special Officer Linson. Their cases will be heard in police court Monday, where they probably will be fined 50 cents, in accordance with the ruling of L. T. Fitzhugh, city judge.

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