

RAIL WAGE BOARD GIVES MEN RAISE; SAY IT TOO LITTLE

Award of Arbitration Body Increases Pay in Many Instances, but Employers Are Not Satisfied.

TIME IS NECESSARY TO TELL

Several Reforms Regarding Working Conditions Are Included in Grants.

WILSON TO STICK TO NAGEL

CHICAGO, April 30.—The award in the western railroad wage arbitration recorded here this afternoon increases the rate to firemen and engineers in many instances, but is believed by the men to fall short of their demands.

Express Disappointment. The award includes several reforms affecting hours and conditions of employment. Representatives of the brotherhoods expressed disappointment at it, while the railroads in a general way considered it satisfactory.

Will Keep Nagel. WASHINGTON, April 30.—President Wilson has concluded that there is no good reason for the withdrawal of Charles Nagel, former secretary of commerce and labor, from the arbitration board handling the wage dispute between the western railroads and their firemen and engineers.

The president came to this conclusion after conferences with Federal Judge Martin A. Knapp, chairman of the federal board of mediation and conciliation. He takes the position that the railroad employees knew Mr. Nagel was a trustee of the Bush estate when he was selected as an arbitrator, and as no protest was then made, he sees no reason for his withdrawal when an award is about to be made.

Further Massacres Of Christians by the Kurds Are Reported

JULFA, Transcaucasia, April 29.—(Via Petrograd and London, April 30, 3:05 p. m.)—A renewal of the recent massacres of Christians in Armenia is now in progress in the whole district of Lake Van.

Conflicts between the Armenians and the Kurds are daily becoming more obstinate. An exceptionally fierce engagement is occurring today at Shatach. EGYPTON, April 30.—Officials of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions on learning today of the reported renewal of massacres of Christians in the Lake Van district of Armenia said that they felt no apprehension for the safety of their missionaries there, as they were regarded as neutral and not likely to be attacked.

The board has nine Americans at Van, two men and several women. In addition, there are several children. The board maintains a college for boys and a high school attended by 1,500 girls, and a hospital.

Fighting between the Kurds and Armenians has been going on for several weeks, according to recent dispatches from Transcaucasia. In the center of the Lake Van district is the town of Van, an important seat of American missions.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Saturday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity Showers Saturday; cooler by Saturday night.

Table with 3 columns: Hours, High, Low. Rows for 5 a.m., 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m.

Comparative Local Record. 1915, 1914, 1913, 1912, 1911. Highest yesterday, 89; lowest yesterday, 64; mean temperature, 72; precipitation, 0.00.

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal. Normal temperature, 67; excess for the day, 22; total excess since March 1, 109; normal precipitation, 13.1 inch; deficiency for the day, 13.1; total rainfall since March 1, 2.48 inches; excess for the day, 13.1; excess for the month, 12.1; excess for the year, 12.1.

Table with 3 columns: Station and State, Temp, High, Rain. Rows for Cheyenne, Denver, Des Moines, Dodge City, Grand Island, Lincoln, North Platte, Omaha, Rapid City, Salt Lake City, Santa Fe, Sheridan, Sioux City, Valentine.

NOVEL FRENCH GUN FOR CUTTING BARRIERS—To the hook is attached a long cable. The gun fires the hook into the midst of the wire entanglements and the cable is then reeled in, bringing the wire with it.



REJECT DEMAND MADE BY UNIONS

Representatives of Allied Building Crafts Refuse to Grant Increase in the Wage Scale.

POSSIBILITY OF A STRIKE

A building trades strike is imminent this morning, May 1, the day set for the strike, providing the builders will not meet the requirements of the five allied building crafts.

This is a flat refusal to accede to any of the demands made by the five allied trades unions. The demand was that, beginning May 1, wages of the bricklayers should be raised from 70 cents to 75 cents per hour, that the carpenters should receive 55 cents per hour, and that only union men should be employed in the work of hoisting and portable engineering.

David Curtis, secretary of the Allied Building Trades conference, would make no statement when informed of what the contractors had done. "I will not make a statement," he said, "for I have been quoted when I should not have been quoted. I am going to keep out of it."

Cold Weather and High Winds Along Pacific Coast

SAN FRANCISCO, April 30.—Record-breaking cold weather and high winds in half a dozen far western states abated somewhat today after causing widespread damage. This may be increased in fruit districts by frost tonight.

Scores of small craft were driven ashore along the California coast and small vessels attempting to leave San Francisco harbor had to put back. In San Francisco two boys were killed by live wires. Orchards in California and Oregon suffered.

From Idaho came reports of thousands of lambs frozen to death. In eastern Washington, Idaho and Montana the temperature fell 25 degrees in twelve hours.

In Los Angeles 44 degrees was registered at 6 a. m. today, the coldest since 1901. The wind took a piece of tin roofing off the California building at the Panama-Pacific exposition and blew down several high lamp posts near the palace of machinery.

Juror in Hop Field Riot Case Murdered; Wife is Also Slain

MARYSVILLE, Cal., April 30.—Emil Pickard, a juror in the murder trials following the Wheatland, Cal., hop field riot of 1914, was found shot dead in his barn today. His wife was found in the town killed with a bullet in her head. They live nine miles from here.

Richard Ford and Herman Sunar, at whose trials Pickard was a juror, received long penitentiary sentences. Pickard's life had been threatened.

PRESIDENT NAMES NEBRASKA POSTMASTERS

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, April 30.—(Special Telegram.)—The president made the following appointments of postmasters in Nebraska: Henry J. Dunkin, Gibson; George A. Herzog, Harvard; A. E. Meunier, Laurel; South Dakota—Albert Vank, Avon.

Frank Petitions Still in Demand

The police of Atlanta may be prejudiced against Leo M. Frank, but not so the police of Omaha, for nearly all the members of the police department have attached their signatures to one of The Bee's petitions asking the governor of Georgia to commute the death sentence.

The sentiment of the women newspaper workers in Omaha is shown by the action of the Omaha Woman's Press club at its last meeting, at which all of those present joined in subscribing their names to a clemency petition.

Another petition contains the names of every person residing in the Flatiron hotel, making practically a complete roster of those living there. Requests for petition blanks are still coming in from surrounding towns, and are being supplied.

Plan to Reorganize Wabash Railroad Company Announced

NEW YORK, April 30.—Stockholders of the Wabash Railroad company received today copies of a new reorganization plan announced by Winslow S. Pierce, chairman of the board of directors, and of a joint reorganization committee. The plan provides for the organization of a new company with a capital stock of \$20,000,000, a reduction of \$15,000,000 from the stock of the existing company. It was announced that the plan was approved by Kuhn, Loeb & Co., and that this firm has agreed to act as reorganization manager. A syndicate headed by that firm is being formed.

It is proposed to raise \$27,500,000 by an assessment of \$30 a share on the common and preferred stock. Holders of the first refunding and extension mortgage bonds, of which \$40,000,000 are outstanding, are required by this plan to supply any part of the desired \$27,500,000 not paid by the stockholders. All fixed charges, except those on underlying bonds, are eliminated, reducing this item to \$1,153,915. This is the chief difference between the new plan and the one withdrawn after it had been submitted to various state commissions last year. The plan must be submitted to the commissions of Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Iowa and Ohio.

Blast in Munitions Factory Kills Men

PETROGRAD (via London), April 30.—A number of persons were killed, many others injured and much material damage was done as the result of an explosion in an ammunition factory in the suburb of Okhta tonight. Several workshops were destroyed and many of the inhabitants of the neighborhood were hurt by flying debris. The number of persons killed has not yet been ascertained. It is asserted that the stores of loaded shells were not affected and that work will be resumed in a few days.

War Pictures From the Front Full Page in The Sunday Bee

AVIATORS ATTACK AMERICAN CRAFT

German Airmen Drop Two Bombs On Steamship Cushing, Enroute to Rotterdam.

FLYING UNITED STATES FLAG

LONDON, April 30.—The Reuter Telegram company has received a dispatch from its correspondent at Rotterdam saying that the American steamer Cushing from Philadelphia arrived at Rotterdam today and reports having been attacked by German airmen in the North Sea last Wednesday.

The airmen dropped two bombs, but no damage was done. The Cushing was flying the American flag at the time of this attack and its name was displayed on its sides in huge letters.

The steamer Cushing left Philadelphia April 11 for Rotterdam, via Deal. It is of 4,320 tons net register and is 437 feet long.

Sioux City Stock Yards Object to Increase in Rates

CHICAGO, April 30.—Protest against increased freight tariffs on packing house products as they would affect Sioux City, were offered today at the western freight rate hearing by W. H. Benn, traffic manager of the Sioux City Stock Yards company. "What we wish is a fair basis of transportation rates," said Mr. Benn, "so that we can have a reasonable share of the competitive business with Chicago, St. Paul and Omaha."

Most of the stock slaughtered at Sioux City comes from the northwest, whence the average distance to Sioux City is 462 miles less than to Chicago. For that additional haul Chicago pays 12.7 cents per 100 pounds on cattle, 15.5 on hogs and 15.5 on sheep, or from 5 to 6 cents per car mile. On the packing house products shipped from Sioux City to Chicago we pay 9 to 12 cents per car mile. "We contend that the proposed increase of 34 cents per 100 pounds on packing house products with no corresponding increase in the live stock rate would not be fair to Sioux City."

The witness added that the proposed advance also would be detrimental to Sioux City in competition with Omaha and St. Paul concerns.

Sunday Free Movie Coupon

By special arrangement with eight of the best high class moving picture theaters in Omaha and suburbs, The Bee is able to give its readers the exceptional privilege of a free ticket for certain performances. The only condition is that the coupon be cut out and presented at the box office when buying a regular ticket.

The Sunday Bee Best of All

YOUNG man for clerical position; must have neat handwriting; chance for advancement certain and good salary to start; prefer one who has received at least \$30 to \$50 or better. Answer this at once. For further information about this opportunity see the Want Ad Section of The Bee today.

BRITISH OFFICIAL STATEMENT DENIES DUNKIRK SHELLED

Announcement Asserts Rumor that French City Bombarded by German Warships Due to Misreading.

FIRING IS FROM A LAND GUN

Paris Tells of Kaiser's Vessels Attacking Atlantic Seaport of Foe.

SEVERAL HOUSES DESTROYED

LONDON, April 30.—A British official statement given out this evening says it is not true that German warships have bombarded Dunkirk, on the coast of France.

Another British official statement given out this evening said: "The shelling of Dunkirk is now reported by aerial scouts to have been from a land gun and the reports that German warships were off that port were due to a misapprehension."

The British statement. The statement, which was issued by the British Press bureau, is as follows:

"The rumor that German warships bombarded Dunkirk is untrue. This rumor probably originated in a misreading of the French official communiqué issued yesterday."

Zeebrugge shelled. AMSTERDAM (Via London), April 30.—The Telegraaf has published a dispatch saying the town of Zeebrugge, on the coast of the North Sea in Belgium, has been heavily bombarded. Zeebrugge is a base of the German submarine fleet.

Dunkirk shelled. PARIS, April 30.—(Via London.)—German warships have been seen off the Belgian coast, according to an official statement given out in Paris today. Large shells to the number of nineteen have fallen on Dunkirk.

German warships have been reported at large on the west coast of Belgium. "Dunkirk yesterday received nineteen shells of large caliber. Twenty persons were killed and forty-five wounded. Some houses were destroyed."

There have been several dispatches in the last week indicating that German warships were at large in the North Sea, evidently having evaded the British men-of-war which for many months have been doing patrol duty in front of the German naval bases on the eastern side of the North Sea. Captain Scott of a Swedish steamer reported recently he had seen in the North Sea a German fleet numbering no less than sixty-eight vessels.

Dakota Auditor Will Not Pay Expense to The Supreme Court

PIERRE, S. D., April 30.—(Special Telegram.)—No more payment of \$50 a month expense to members of the supreme court, are to go unless by a court order, is the decree of State Auditor Handlin. The members of the court have each been drawing \$50 a month as expense allowance for the last four years and the legislature allowed the same for the years 1911, 1912 and 1913. Handlin holds this an unconstitutional allowance regardless of an opinion to the contrary by the state legal department and that he will issue no more such warrants unless compelled to do so by a decision of the court.

The same ruling also affects the governor and the members of the railway commission.

Great Fire Rages In Heart of Colon

COLON, April 30.—A fire is raging in the heart of the city. Six blocks, containing many important stores, business houses and banks, already have been destroyed. The damage done thus far is estimated at \$750,000. A high wind is blowing and the remainder of the town is threatened.

JOHN HAYES HELD GUILTY OF FORGERY BY JURY

PIERRE, S. D., April 30.—(Special Telegram.)—A verdict of guilty was returned in the third complaint in which the state department charged John Hayes of Fort Pierre with second degree forgery in the bank wrecking charges against him. This is the outcome of one of the hardest legal fights of years in this section.

Hayes was released on one charge on demurrer, on another charge on a directed verdict of not guilty, but the jury brought in a verdict of guilty on the third charge after being out thirty-six hours. An appeal will be taken.

Tomorrow the Best Colored Comics with The Sunday Bee

TEUTONS START BIG OFFENSIVE MOVE

German Advance General Advance Into Russia on Line from Tilsit to Vistula.

FLEET ASSISTS LAND FORCES

PETROGRAD, April 30.—(Via London.)—A general German offensive movement once more is under way along the entire Prussian border from Tilsit to the Vistula river. The German advance this time evidently is aimed at the Baltic provinces, which are rich in crops and other food supplies.

For months the military operations on the Prussian border have been limited to scouting parties, isolated artillery duels and aeroplane warfare. From Paldangen, a town in the Baltic province of Courland, it was reported today that an increased number of German cruisers were preparing to assist the contemplated advance of the land forces.

Thus far the German offensive movement has consisted mainly of heavy artillery fire at intervals along the whole front and rapid cavalry advances without infantry support.

On the Carpathian front nothing has happened in the last two days to alter the curiously balanced situation, namely, Russians directing an offensive against Tilsit and the Austrians attempting a movement in the direction of Strzy. The Austrian forces temporarily are abandoning their attacks at other points and are being concentrated in an effort to bend back the Russian wing with Lwow (Lemberg) as the ultimate Austrian objective.

The increasing Russian menace on Uzoak pass, however, Russian military observers say, has brought this movement to a standstill, since with Uzoak in Russian hands the operations of the Russian right wing deprived of most important support would automatically collapse.

Consider Care of Idle and Alien Rush Following the War

PHILADELPHIA, April 30.—Propositions to solve the present problem of finding work for the unemployed and to take care of those who come to the United States after the European war were advanced at the first session today of the annual meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. The academy took for its topic America's future as affected by the war.

Henry Bruere, chamberlain of the city of New York, suggested that the president of the United States call a conference of leaders of industry in labor and social welfare work to devise some form of effective labor exchange to find work for the unemployed.

Alba B. Johnson, president of the Baldwin locomotive works, who presided, said the great recuperative power of the country is now being felt and that the improvement in business conditions would continue. It is estimated, he said, that the balance of trade in favor of the United States will amount to \$1,000,000,000 this year. Secretary William C. Redfield of the Department of Commerce, in a speech before the academy said both Germany and Great Britain were in danger of losing their supremacy in the foreign trade if the war continued. He forecast great commercial expansion for the United States as a result of the war.

Japanese Envoy Expains Demands On China to U. S.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—Viscount Chinda, the Japanese ambassador, had another long conference today with Secretary Bryan, presumably on the Japanese-Chinese negotiations being conducted in Peking. Both officials adhered rigidly to the policy of secrecy, but it was assumed the conference related to the revised demands presented to the Chinese foreign office early this week.

The revised list is known to amplify the original twenty-one articles with three more added. The reappearance of all the original demands in modified form, it is thought, is bringing about explanations from the Japanese authorities.

While no inkling has been given of the course to be followed by the United States with respect to the new demands of American policy believes further modification may be urged before the demands can be construed as not affecting the administrative independence of China. It is believed that one of the subjects being considered is Japan's demand for the right to propagate Buddhism in China.

Zepplin Drops Bombs Into Towns on British Coast

IPSWICH, England, April 30.—Excited residents of this historic town spent the early hours of the morning taking stock of the damage done by the bombs dropped from a German airship, generally believed to have been a Zepplin, which appeared shortly after midnight. So far as can be learned no one was injured, although there were several narrow escapes and the property damage was small. Bombs fell helplessly in Waterloo street, which is the most densely populated district.

BIRY SAINT EDMUNDS, England, April 30.—Police Inspector Wilson said this morning that just after 1 o'clock he heard several terrific explosions and realized that a Zepplin had arrived. The shells dropped from the airship caused four fires. While there was no loss of life, the property damage was considerable. The aerial raider remained over the town ten minutes and then disappeared in the direction of the coast.

GALLIPOLI KEY IS OCCUPIED BY ALLIES' FORCES

Reports to London Paper Say Narrow Neck of Peninsula is in Possession of the Landing Party.

TURKISH STORY IS DIFFERENT

It Says French Have Been Driven from Asiatic Shore and Britons on Other Side Defeated.

GERMAN FLEET OFF BELGIUM

The Day's War News

BELGIAN GOVERNMENT says that a German attack from Steenstraete was repulsed. This may refer to an engagement described in unofficial advice as disastrous to the attacking party. It is said 4,000 Germans were almost annihilated by the Belgian artillery.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT from Paris says that German warships have appeared off the Belgian coast and have bombarded Dunkirk. Twenty persons were killed.

BULLETIN.

LONDON, April 30.—An official statement given out this evening by the British war department regarding the operations in the Dardanelles says:

"The army has been landed successfully at six beaches in the Dardanelles. The casualties of the army were heavy. The fleet casualties were confined to destroyers. "A Turkish transport off Maidos has been destroyed by the battleship Queen Elizabeth."

BULLETIN.

PARIS, April 30.—A dispatch from Athens from the Hava agency says that the city of Gallipoli, on the European side of the Dardanelles, near the entrance to the sea of Marmora, has been captured by the allies. It is also said the Turkish fort at Nazari, on the Asiatic side of the straits, has been bombarded heavily.

LONDON, April 30.—Official quarters still remain reticent concerning the military operations on the Dardanelles, but the London papers this morning contain a number of special dispatches from that region in which the claims are made that the allies are steadily advancing under cover of the fire of the fleet, but not without meeting an opposition which is causing them heavy losses. British troops are reported in occupation of the narrow neck of the peninsula to the north of the town of Gallipoli. Athens predicts that this campaign will last a long time, as the Turks occupy exceptionally well prepared defensive positions.

The east coast of England again has been subjected to an aerial attack, accompanied by the usual infliction of material damage, but without casualties of any sort. Like former raids, this one of last night is marked by differences of opinion as to the type of air machine used by the Germans, but most people agree that a Zepplin carried the raiders, who arrived in the small hours of the morning and spent a brief time over Ipswich and Bury St. Edmunds.

German Fleet Off Belgium. The presence of a German fleet off the coast of Belgium and the shelling of Dunkirk, with the loss of twenty lives, reported officially from Paris stirred up great interest in England.

The chief subject at present before the British mind is the question of liquor regulation in Great Britain and the fact that the government for the first time since the beginning of the war has had to meet a division in the House of Commons. The attitude of the House probably reflects the opinion of the country, which is sharply divided on the question of regulating the consumption of alcohol.

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Facts Not Fiction

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