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RAILROAD WAGES WILL NOT BE REDUCED AS LONG AS GOVERNMENT IN CONTROL OF ROADS

MCADOO WANTS GOVT CONTROL TO CONTINUE 5 YEARS

WANTS IN THIS RECOMMENDATION HE HAS THE BACKING OF THE PRESIDENT

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 12.—Railroad administration has no intention of reducing wages of railroad men generally after peace is secured, it was stated authoritatively today. If the period of government control is extended five years, it is probable wages will stay at the present levels.

May Extend Control 5 Years

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 12.—Congress will take up consideration at once of McAdoo's recommendation that the period of government control of railroads be extended to Jan. 1, 1924, it was said today. In making his recommendation McAdoo stated President Wilson concurred in his view.

BRITISH RISKED THE MEAT SUPPLY OF THEIR ARMIES TO TRANSPORT MEN

London, Dec. 11.—Regarding British troops in the transport of American soldiers the shipping controller today issued the following statement to the press:

"The real effort to accelerate the movement of American troops began at the end of March, when we realized that it was necessary to do what could with British bottoms to supplement the American effort. We sent to the United States with the object of seeing the fitting-out of ships there. So far as they were required for American troops they were utilized to the maximum in British troopships."

Men were gathered from every odd American troop in the six months between April and September. American troops, or 60 per cent of the total number carried that period, were transported in British bottoms. In all, of the 100,000 odd American troops transported to France, well over a million carried in British ships. The remainder of this million were escorted to the United Kingdom danger zone by the Royal navy. British shipping at that time was in a perilous condition, but in order to further the movement of American troops we prepared to make every sacrifice."

South Africa we removed even a passenger steamer and for the purpose of practically killed trade with that country. From India and elsewhere we removed all the fast ships plying to and between those countries, and we made very dangerous sacrifices of meat supplies—bringing even those of the British to the Atlantic."

EVERY NOW BEING ORGANIZED TO TAKE CARE OF MEN

London, Dec. 11.—Soldiers and marines, who are to soon be sent out of the service, will receive every consideration from the government, which in places them in positions of well-being, after they have received their discharge."

A. Dopson, head of the United States Bureau of the Employment Service, yesterday announced by which this organization will receive the support of all organizations to co-operate in these men in lucrative positions.

portant that all soldiers, sailors and marines be given employment and the service desires all employers to advise the Bureau as to their needs in this respect, as the service desires such information which will be disseminated to representatives of the United States employment bureau who are in every camp in the country, where soldiers are being demobilized.

Former employers, who are in need of the services of their employes who went into the army or navy, are requested to make application for the release of such men from service through the employment bureau, which can do much to expedite their discharge from the army or navy.

Few Emigrants Expected

Mr. Dopson added that America may expect a smaller number of emigrants to come to its shores, than was

\$5,500,000 TO BE RAISED TO FINANCE THE GOVT

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 12.—Five to five and a half billions more bonds will have to be raised to finance the government this fiscal year, McAdoo told the House Ways and Means committee.

LIQUOR MEN LOSE IN LEGAL FIGHT BEFORE STATE SUPREME COURT

(Dispatch to Tampa Tribune)
Tallahassee, Dec. 10.—The supreme court today refused to advance for immediate consideration the mandamus proceedings instituted a few days ago under the style of State of Florida ex rel. H. T. Walton, relator, vs. American Railway Express Company, respondent, involving the constitutionality of the quarter month law enacted by the legislature at the special session which adjourned last Saturday. The court held that no question of public right or so involving public interest as to require its advancement upon the docket was presented by the pleadings in the case. This action was based upon rule No. 29 of supreme court rules, which is as follows: "Rule 29—No cause of which this court may have original jurisdiction concurrently with the circuit courts will be given precedence over appellate causes as to the final decision of the case, unless it be one of public right, or so involving public interest as to require its advancement upon the docket. This rule shall, however, not apply to cases of habeas corpus."

In connection with the above the office of the attorney-general states the following: "The liquor interests lost out in their attack on the emergency liquor law before the supreme court today. At a hearing upon the return made by the American Railway Express Company to the writ of mandamus before the supreme court, to which Judge Glen of Tampa, representing the liquor people, joined issue for immediate decision, rule 29 of the Florida Supreme Court was evoked and insisted upon by the state, which provides that no cause of which the supreme court may have original jurisdiction concurrently with the circuit court will be given precedence over appellate causes as to the final decision of case, unless it be one of the public right, or so involving public interests as to require its advancement upon the docket."

Speaking of the point raised, Judge Glen contended that he case should

BRITISH GUARDS ENTER BONN GERMANY

(By Associated Press.)
London, Dec. 12.—British advance guards have entered Bonn and taken possession. Bonn is on the left bank of the Rhine, fifteen miles southeast of Cologne.

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 12.—Another bi-weekly issue of loan certificates of indebtedness of half a billion or more, bearing four and a half per cent interest, is announced by the Treasury. Certificates will be dated Dec. 19 and passed next May 20. Subscription books close Dec. 26.

Putnam County.—Farmers throughout the county are showing a greater interest than ever before in the way of improving their native stock. This is more true with the hogs than the cattle, although the cattle are not being overlooked by any means. At

9,000 More Americans Left France Today For United States

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 12.—The sailing of four army transports bringing additional units from France is announced. The ships are the transports H. R. Mallory, Rappahannock, Leviathan and Celtic, with about nine thousand men aboard.

BE GIVEN PRECEDENCE AND HEARD IMMEDIATELY, AS IT INVOLVED PUBLIC RIGHTS AND PUBLIC INTERESTS.

Mr. Dopson is making special studies of putting the best trained men and women in charge of the work of securing employment for all.

Challenge Contention

Judge Andrews, speaking for the state, challenged the contention of Judge Glen and stated that he case "involved public interests" but that "public interests required that the case be not advanced for final hearing as it would cause the flooding of 'dry' counties of this state with liquor, which the people had used their best efforts to prohibit by enacting the emergency law under consideration." Attorney-General Swearingen also argued and cited instances where it would practically preclude this court advancing the case for final hearing. The court unanimously yielded the point in favor of the state, which, in effect, throws the case out of court, for if this case cannot be heard and disposed of immediately or at least before January 1, 1919, it would be useless in that the amendment to article 19 of the constitution gives into effect on that date.

The act attacked today is the emergency quart a month bill known as house bill No. 2, passed at the extra session, which prohibits the shipping, till January 1 into "dry" counties or precincts of over one quart of intoxicants per person for beverage purposes.

This act is the one which Judge Andrews is the reputed drafter of the original bill for the recent legislative joint committee on temperance, and he says the act was based upon a recent decision of United States District Court of Louisiana and a decision of the supreme court to defend it.

Manatee county.—O. W. Caswell, county agent, says that the farmers of this county have responded liberally to the United War Work campaign. Some people living in towns have not responded to calls for money as have the city people, but Mr. Caswell says his experience convinces him that this criticism has no foundation.

I. W. W.'S AT BOTTOM OF STRIKE IN CUBA

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 12.—Information reaching the State Department indicated the general strike in Cuba is the result of I. W. W. and enemy propaganda. The report said order has been maintained in affected districts.

Osceola County.—Eggplants and peppers of good quality are being shipped in considerable quantities. Cattle owners voluntarily dipped 8,600 head of cattle during the first twenty-two days of November.

Flagler County.—Farmers are beginning preparation for spring crops. The acreage to sugar cane will be greatly increased another year.

the present rate of progress, Putnam promises to be one of the leading live stock counties in the State in the near future.

PRICE OF CORN ADVANCES 7 CENTS

(By Associated Press.)
Chicago, Dec. 12.—A stunning advance in the price of corn resulted today from the government report showing the year's yield to be the smallest in five years. Values ran seven cents over yesterday's finish.

DR. SOLF RESIGNS

(By Associated Press.)
Berlin, Wednesday, Dec. 11.—(Delayed)—Foreign Secretary Dr. W. S. Solf has handed in his resignation which has been accepted by the cabinet.

FLU WILL NOT STAGE COMEBACK DECLARES SURGEON GENERAL BLUE

Nation-wide Epidemic, Costing 350,000 Lives, Is Over, He Says and Only Sporadic Breaks Expected

Washington, Dec. 12.—In view of serious recurrences of influenza epidemics in many parts of the country, Surgeon General Rupert Blue of the United States public health service has issued through the Washington bureau of the Newspaper Enterprise Association this re-assurance:

"The country need not fear that the influenza epidemic will return. It has come and gone for good."

Sporadic outbreaks may be expected in various parts of the country, as in all epidemics, and added that "like the poor, we have influenza always with us."

Dr. Blue doesn't believe there will be this winter another such general visitation as that which has exacted a toll of 330,000 civilian and 20,000 soldier and sailor lives in this country.

Influenza cases are still reported from coast to coast.

Some alarmists try to trace a likeness to the pneumonic epidemic which swept China a quarter of a century ago, and to the cases of "black pneumonia" which appeared in Tonopah and Goldfield, Nevada, 15 or 20 years ago.

Epidemic's Causes Are Obscure

Causes of the great epidemic are obscure. By some it has been attributed to war diet, by others to war-time overcrowding in camps, etc.; others ascribe it to climatic conditions.

With no agreement as to causes, no specific preventive has yet been authoritatively announced.

"There are little pockets in various places which the epidemic may have skipped," Dr. Blue said, "and in these a recurrence of the disease on a small scale may be expected."

"The coming of cold and inclement weather bringing colds and bronchitis in its wake will also cause the disease to re-appear in some places. But it will not recur in its virulent form for some years, perhaps, because it has practically exhausted the number of its potential victims."

Alaska, Porto Rico Hit by Disease

"The only places where the epidemic is now raging in full force are Alaska and Porto Rico. The public health service recently dispatched a naval collier to Alaska with physicians, nurses and supplies to fight the disease, and I have cabled to the governor of Porto Rico asking what is needed there."

"The public should remember that influenza is always with us, although not in the form of an epidemic. In 1916, 19,000 deaths were attributed to it in this country."

"There is practically nothing that can be done to prevent its spread, unless it be to build an exceptionally high Chinese wall around the places where it exists. The public health service experts are continuing their study of the disease and experimenting on vaccines and serums, but nothing on vaccines and serums, but nothing on a preventive. The same rules of precaution that were followed during the epidemic should be followed in places where the disease recurs."

Calhoun County.—A good many farmers have hogs finished and ready for market. Farmers of Calhoun county are putting in a large acreage of oats this season. Velvet beans have produced the largest yield this than any previous year.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS IS SOLUTION OF FREEDOM OF THE SEAS

BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES WILL COME TO A COMPLETE AGREEMENT THEREON

(By Associated Press.)
Dewsbury, Dec. 12.—"A League of Nations is the solution of the question of the freedom of the seas, and Great Britain and the United States can reach a complete agreement on that question by joining such a league," declared Viscount Grey, former foreign secretary in a speech here last night.

German Reichstag to Convene

(By Associated Press.)
Berlin, Wednesday, Dec. 11.—(Delayed)—The German cabinet, anticipating the refusal of the Allies to deal with the present government and the Soldiers' and Workmen's Council, according to the Tageblatt, is considering convoking the Reichstag to give the government a preliminary basis.

Information in Hand

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 12.—Voluminous documents shedding light on the German system for blowing up munitions factories and practicing sabotage and espionage in various forms, has been assembled by the Department of Justice in preparation for disclosing, it was said today, but officials have not decided what portion it will be wise to give out.

TO EXPORT LARGE QUANTITY OF COTTON SEED MEAL

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 12.—The Food Administration has announced it would consider applications for export to the Allies of 75,000 tons of cotton seed meal or 25,000 tons cotton seed oil and 75,000 tons of vegetable oils.

(By Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 12.—The British government was decided on what attitude it will adopt at the peace conference on the "freedom of the seas" clause, according to the Daily Express. The paper says: "All we ask for the Empire is what we willingly concede to the United States—freedom of action."

Lake County.—Scarcity of labor does not seem to affect the packing houses. Women are more prevalent than men, and they seem to put up quite as good a pack. Many packing houses are employing men to lift the boxes from bench to carrier.

Pasco County.—Cattle dipping at some of the vats has made the cattle improve until the one-time "agin-it" fellow is a strong advocate of systematic dipping.

LaFayette County.—Farmers have stored their sweet potatoes better this year than usual, the most of them banking in well ventilated banks. Much attention is also being given to the selection of seed potatoes for next year's crop.

Washington County.—Seed cane for next year's planting has been bedded without frost biting it, and the balance of the crop is being made up in syrup. New syrup has been on the local market for some time past. Oats crop looking fine, and many fields to be seen. Rape for pasture to be seen on many of the farms this winter. One farmer reports being able to dispose of more corn than usual, having a good oats and rape pasture for his hogs. Dipping of cattle still in force. Farmers anxious to have cattle free of ticks before turning them in on the velvet bean fields.

Liberty County.—Up to Nov. 9 five carloads of hogs had been shipped from Liberty county, with others to follow. Peanuts are proving a success in this county.

Taylor County.—The potato crop turned out well this season. Some porkers have been butchered. Farmers have been busy grinding cane and picking peanuts.