

Wilson Adamant Upon Acceptance Of Nations' Pact

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Paris, June 27.—President Wilson does not propose to budge an inch before the opposition to the league of nations.

This was the impression gained by the correspondents when the President received them this afternoon, talking to them for forty-five minutes.

Woodrow Wilson will go before Congress in his fighting togs, and he will keep them on until the treaty is ratified; that conclusion was inescapable after what he said at this conference.

WELL SATISFIED.

As a matter of fact, the President is thoroughly convinced that the great bulk of American public opinion is with him. He does not believe that more than a handful of men support the Fall resolution. He holds that the adoption of that measure would incur the ill-will of the entire world toward America.

The President, indeed, conveyed the impression that he believes the peace treaty with Germany to be wonderful and liberal, and more consistent with his fourteen points than he had ever dreamed of being able to make it, in view of the mass of obstacles he had to overcome.

Mum on Irish Question.

As for the proposal for a military agreement whereby the United States, like Great Britain, pledges herself to

NC-4 FLIERS ARRIVE IN N. Y.

Transport Zeppelin Also Brings Commander and Crew of Other Craft

New York, June 27.—The transport Zeppelin, bearing Lieut. Comdr. A. C. Read, Commander Towers and Lieut. Comdr. Pat Bellinger and their transatlantic airplane crews, docked at Hoboken late this afternoon.

The returning airmen were given a royal reception. Admiral Gleason welcomed them on behalf of the Navy Department, while the wives of nearly all the aviators were present as guests of the port of debarkation officials.

The airmen expressed themselves as highly pleased to return home, but realized their reception had just begun.

"We were treated royally in Europe," Read said, "but I see we are in for an even greater demonstration in New York."

"It took longer for us to reach Europe on the NC-4 than to return on the Zeppelin," was the only comment Read would make regarding the flight, aside from expressing regret that the planes did not make the entire passage.

The airmen were taken to the Commodore Hotel, where they will remain for some time as guests of various sports organizations and the government.

Pets Barred But Kids Get Rent Money

Originator of Mother's Day Applies "Golden Rule" To His Flats.

When Congress decides to investigate rent profiteering in the District and elsewhere, the Michigan Congressional delegation will put forward Charles Calhoun Blakely, of that State, as the original perfect landlord.

Blakely comes from Albion, Mich., and has the further distinction of being the originator of "Mother's Day," originally conceived as a tribute to his own mother, now 101 years old. He is in Washington and wants to make the second Sunday in May a permanent Mother's Day.

In Albion, Mr. Blakely has some apartments and he rents them to his fellow citizens under the following rules:

"No parrots, cats or dogs allowed."

"When rent is paid in advance each child born in the apartment will have placed to its credit in the bank the sum of one month's rent at the date of christening."

"Three months' rent free to any tenant adopting a French or Belgian war child or the orphan of an American soldier."

READY TO CARRY TRANSFER FIGHT TO D. C. COURTS

Unions and Trade Bodies Prepare Suit to Enjoin Two-Cent Charge.

PRESENT FARE ILLEGAL

Attorney Says Franchise Limits Company to Single Payment.

Preparations are being made to sue "Wreco" to enjoin the further sale of transfers, according to Attorney Henry E. Davis. Papers will be submitted to the District Court within the next few days.

The plaintiffs are twenty-three trade organizations, local unions of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, and the Kenilworth Citizens' Association.

"The selling of transfers is undoubtedly illegal," said Attorney Davis. "For in no instance has a franchise been granted to a street railway company in the District of Columbia except with the proviso that the company shall, for a stipulated sum, carry a passenger from one point to any other point on their line."

Bureau to Fight Fares.

Director James L. Wilmett, of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, is behind the employees in their fight against the pay transfer. "The service is unspeakable, to begin with," he said. "It takes from forty to fifty minutes to get from Takoma Park, where a great number of the employees live, to the Avenue, and another ten minutes to reach the Bureau."

"That adds two hours to their working day; and an 80 per cent increase in the car fare, which the transfer system means, is outrageous."

"Even if they were to give something like adequate service, there would be no excuse for the 2-cent transfer, in view of the packed cars. I've counted 170 fares and got tired counting transfers on those cars. In the West they have laws to insure a reasonable amount of comfort to cattle in transit, but nothing so humane exists for the protection of workers in Washington."

According to Walter A. Brown, president of the Washington Board of Trade, an increase in fare to the Washington Railway and Electric Company, is merely a business proposition.

He declares that if the public desires service from this corporation, it must be willing to look at the matter of an increase in fare from a business point of view.

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G. P. O. Workers in Uprow About Overtime Scales

Employees of the Government Printing Office asserted last night that unless the overtime question is speedily settled by Congress, the morale of the force in the great printery will be disrupted.

Overtime has been a disputed point in the G. P. O. for twenty-nine years, and just now, the printers assert, it is more acute than ever. Protest meetings were held by the linotype and keyboard sections on Wednesday and Thursday nights, and others are threatened.

On account of the stress of business the force is frequently compelled to work overtime. The day force receives the night scale when their

hours of labor run into the night period. The night force receives the day scale when the overtime work runs into the day period. Under this plan, the night force receives less than regular scale when working overtime, and the day force receives slightly more than the ordinary wage.

Both sides desire the union scale of time and one-half for overtime.

In addition, the printers are dissatisfied with the figures contained in the Johnson bill, which constitute the wage scale for the next year. Even allowing for the thirty-day vacation period, and the holidays and half holidays, the employees assert the wages are less than paid in outside offices for similar work.

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Chance to Buy Food Cheap Offered D. C.

U. S. Army Stores Will Be Sold Here If Citizens Back Community Move With Dollars.

Washington residents will be able to buy a portion of the 12,000,000 pounds of surplus army foodstuffs within a week at prices 25 per cent below the average retail quotations, if a movement, begun by John G. McGrath, founder of the Community Market at Park View, materializes.

A proposal by Mr. McGrath that Washington be added to the growing list of cities buying the food and giving it to the people at cost, is meeting with an interest that promises to develop action in short order. Government prices are below the market in Baltimore, Cleveland, Toledo, Richmond and other cities by 25 per cent, and more. These cities are enthusiastic over results obtained from the stores stocked with government goods.

Need Backing by Citizens.

"If the proper financial backing is forthcoming," McGrath declared last night, "we can have several markets running within a week. The schoolhouses, now empty, could be converted into stores."

Commissioner, Gwynn Gardner, among others, is keenly interested in the project. He declared last night that the Board of Commis-

sioners would assist in every possible way to further the scheme.

Some interesting figures are cited to show the surprising differences in government and market prices. In Baltimore, the market price for pure vinegar is 15 cents a gallon. The government charge is 12 cents a gallon.

Baltimore Prices.

Here are a few of the prices quoted from the list of the Baltimore government goods stores: One hundred cases peas at 15 cents per can; 100 cases corn at 12 cents per can; 100 cases tomatoes at 7 cents per can; 100 cases potatoes at 11 cents per can; 50 cases pork and beans at 8 cents per can; 100 cases pork and beans at 13 cents per can; 25 cases pork and beans at 18 cents per can; 25 cases roast beef at 45 cents per can; 50 gallons Karo syrup at 60 cents per gallon.

Articles other than food products are included in the army supply surplus. Blankets, worth in the neighborhood of \$12 each on the market, are sold by Uncle Sam for \$5.

City Financed Project.

Baltimore's experiment with government goods was begun with \$5,000 advanced by the city. Civic organizations volunteered to distribute the goods.

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WILL USE "IRON HAND"

Ready to Declare Martial Law Throughout Nation To Quell Outbreaks.

Berlin, June 27.—Ludwig Noske, minister of national defense, looms tonight as Germany's "strong man," facing the internal crisis which is growing worse hourly at an alarming rate.

In a public statement late today he announced to the nation he was well aware of the various plots for a political uprising, but he was ready to meet it as he met the Spartacist outbreaks, with "an iron hand." If necessary, he will place the whole of Germany under martial law, Noske declared.

Tremendous relief was felt throughout the nation today when official word came from The Hague that the ex-Crown Prince is still at Wieringen and that the story of his flight into Germany was a "bloomer."

May Have Been Feeler.

In some quarters the theory is advanced that he, himself, or his militarist friends deliberately spread that report to "feel out" the national sentiment in Germany. If that be true, Friedrich Wilhelm will know positively by this time that any such venture on his part would not only make him a laughing stock, but would intensify the internal crisis in the fatherland as nothing else could—not even the return of his father.

Further relief is afforded by the fact that Germany's signatories of the peace treaty—Dr. Hermann Mueller and Dr. Bell—are at last on the way to Versailles.

Mueller Pitted Figure.

Dr. Mueller presented a pitiful figure as he stepped into the train carrying him to France. A ghastly pall lay on his usually ruddy face, and his voice trembled as he said to a number of German journalists seeing him off:

"I consider myself the medium of the fatherland's unspeakable sacrifice. I leave with a bleeding heart."

When an enterprising, if tactless, reporter asked him if he proposed to participate in any celebrations at Versailles after peace was signed, Dr. Mueller turned away abruptly, as if to administer a rebuke for the query. Dr. Bell joins Dr. Mueller at Essen. Both should reach Versailles early tomorrow, if not late tonight.

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