

House and Senate Conferees Agree on \$240 Pay Bonus for U. S. Employees

COMMISSION FOR FIXING WAGES ALSO IS PROVIDED

Government employees receiving as their basic salary \$2,500 a year or less are assured of the \$240 increase of pay for the next fiscal year beginning July 1 as a result of an agreement which has been reached on the legislative bill by the conference committee of the two houses. Employees of the District government and teachers in public schools receive the benefits of the increase. The War Risk Insurance Bureau employees will get a bonus of \$120 a year.

At the same time, provision is made for the special commission to investigate salaries and submit a permanent plan for their reclassification. As to the controversy whether "lame ducks" or members whose terms expire Tuesday, shall be on the commission, that is left to the Vice President and Speaker. Employees are protesting against any but active members of Congress serving. The conference report provides the commission shall be made up of two members of the Senate and two of the House who served in the Sixty-fifth Congress.

A report from the commission, with a recommendation for standardization

of pay and increases in some cases will be forthcoming by next December, when the regular long session of the new Congress opens. The investigation extends to employees of the District government.

The conferees agreed on a public building commission to allot space in the Government structures in Washington. It will be made up of two members of the Senate and the House, the Superintendent of the Capitol, the officer in charge of public buildings and grounds, and the Supervising Architect of the Treasury.

CONFERENCE ON PAY RISE FOR D. R. EMPLOYEES

Wage increases for 2,000,000 railroad employees are involved in wage schedules being considered today at conferences being held by the Director General of Railroads Walker D. Hines and representatives of the four brotherhoods.

The last increase, which netted the employees about \$350,000,000, was granted May 25, 1918. The present demand will not equal this sum, it is stated unofficially.

Shipyard workers will not fare so well as railroad employees, since Uncle Sam goes out of business on March 31, as labor adjuster for them. It will be up to the yards after that date to settle their own labor disputes, says Charles Picot, general manager of the Emergency Fleet Corporation. An effort will be made to have district adjustment boards formed to handle local disputes.

The Government, it became known last night, has spent more than \$300,000,000 paying wage increases under the Macy adjustment board's schedules.

To avert serious consequences as a result of possible industrial unrest, Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, has offered a recommendation that building projects of the Government be delayed no longer. Carrying out of the building program this year would offer employment to many and do much to relieve the situation, he says.

Secretary Morrison's recommendation was made on a cable gram from five members of the executive council of the federation who are now in Europe making a study of working conditions there.

While various phases of the situation are supplying the attention of labor leaders, the Government, through the War Labor Board is adjusting minor disputes in various industries. The board last night announced a shorter working day has been granted marine workers in all New York harbor craft operated by the Government and the Red Star Towing and Transportation Company. There is no increase in wages.

V. Everit Macy, head of the so-called Macy adjustment board, which has prepared wage schedules for many industries engaged in Government work, acted as umpire in the marine workers' dispute in New York. About 16,000 workers are involved.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, now in Europe, was the target of an attack last night by "Uncle Joe" Cannon in the House. Cannon declared Gompers "is the greatest autocrat in the United States today."

LONDON, Feb. 26.—Industrial peace or industrial war hangs by a thread in the opinion of close observers of the situation. It was announced today by Premier Lloyd George that the threatened general strike, involving 1 1/2 million workers, had been postponed from March 15 to March 20, and that the disposition of the leaders was to abide by a decision of the government investigating committee.

American competition is pointed to by the press as a danger to the threatened British strike. The workers contend they do not want a strike, "but are determined on justice."

NEAR EAST FUND GETS NEW IMPETUS

Interest in the District drive for \$150,000 for the American fund for relief in the near east, is rapidly crystallizing in the opinion of Commissioner W. Gwynn Gardiner, chairman of the executive committee.

"Although no definite announcement of the amount subscribed has been made by Eugene E. Thompson, the treasurer of the drive, the returns are satisfactory and the city is expected to subscribe nearly all of the assigned quota," said Mr. Gardiner today.

Speakers at Washington theaters last night collected more than \$1,000 for the fund.

Conditions of actual famine in Palestine, with thousands of persons dying, were revealed by Sergeant William White, a veteran of the Gallipoli battles and Allenby's campaigns in the Holy Land, at a meeting of the D. A. H. yesterday.

The needs and purposes of the fund were outlined by Judge William H. De Lacy in a talk at the new K. of C. hut at Seventh street and Pennsylvania avenue, last night.

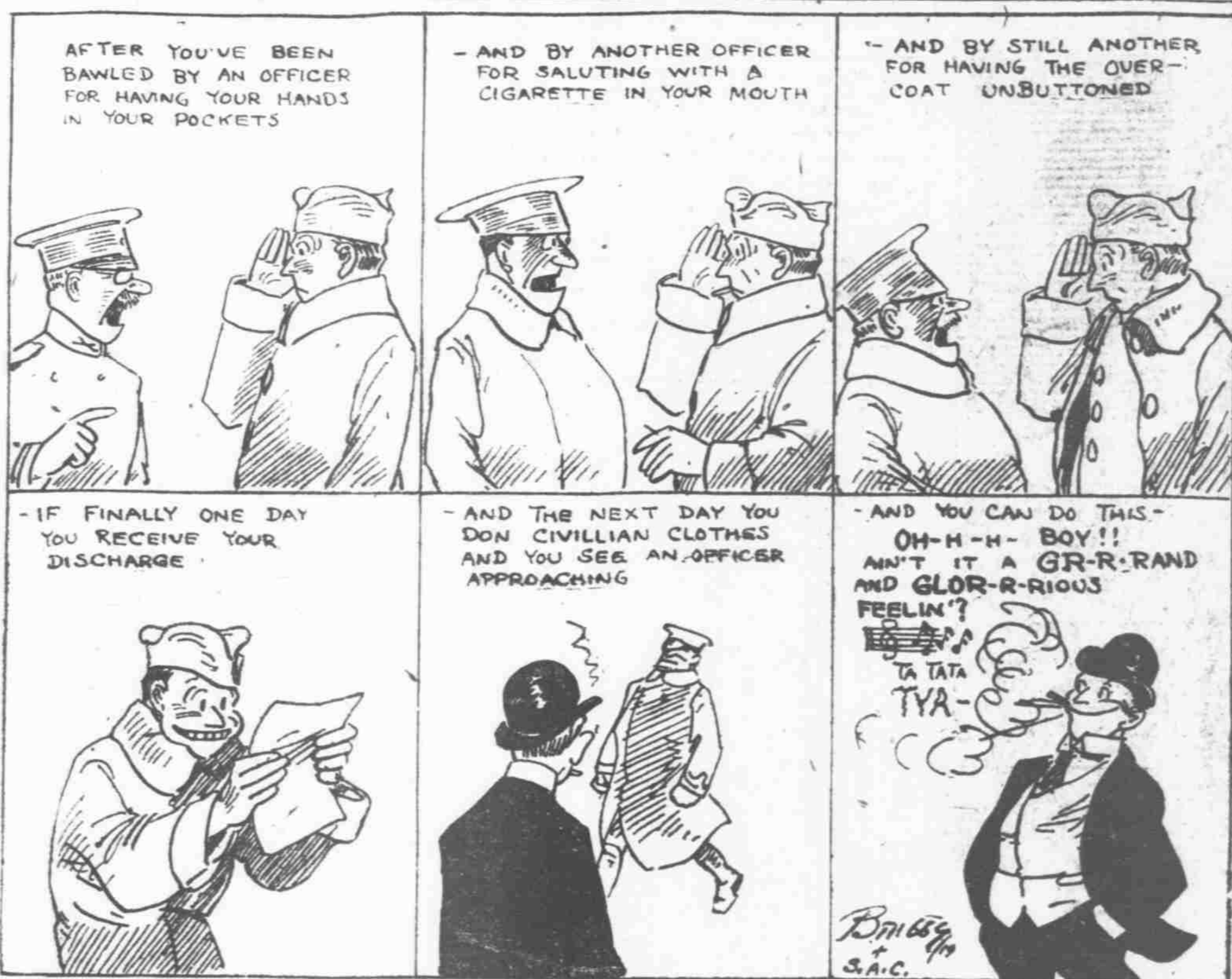
Charles W. Barr, chairman of the meetings' committee, announced today that Sunday afternoon had been set as the tentative date for a mass meeting in the interests of the relief fund, at the Liberty Hut, Union Station Plaza.

Dr. G. W. Munter, of New York, a member of the American committee for relief in the near east, who has been in the Holy Land, will speak.

Ain't It A Grand and Glorious Feelin'?

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By Briggs



CHINA SEEKS JAP MONEY FOR ARMY

PEKING, Feb. 26.—The cabinet has decided to ask the Japanese legation for 17,000,000 yen, the balance of the 20,000,000 yen (\$10,000,000) loan contracted last September for the Chinese war participation bureau.

This action was taken at the instance of the military party to further the purposes of the national defense army, which many fear is being trained to fight the south and control the President.

It is hoped that the publication of this Chinese action will prevent payment under the unratified agreement which have been submitted to the peace conference.

EIGHTY TREATIES GIVE JAPAN HOLD ON CHINA

That Japan's hold on China and many valuable Chinese concessions is strengthened by nearly eighty treaties of far-reaching import is the information received in Washington. Many of these agreements, it is stated, date back several years and give Japan various concessions, including railways, mineral lands, steamship lines, commercial privileges, and financial preferences. Up to this time, the existence of many of these treaties had been a secret.

MAN SHE WED 18 YEARS AGO SPOILS SECOND ROMANCE

FREDERICK, Md., Feb. 26.—Last July Mrs. Fannie Rodgers, Emmitsburg, Md., believing herself to be free from marriage bonds, permitted herself to be wooed, won, and wedded by a soldier, Charles Frederick Ordway, Emmitsburg.

A few months later her husband of eighteen years' standing heard of the nuptials and had his wife arrested. Yesterday Mrs. Rodgers was convicted of bigamy. Her defense was that her husband had written and told her that he had obtained a divorce.

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SPEED UP MACHINE OF PEACE, IS PLAN

Speed up the peace machine. This is expected to be the burden of the message President Wilson will impress upon the governors of many States summoned here for a reconstruction conference on March 3 and

Acceptances of the invitation to attend the conference began to come in today from the chief executives of nearby States, and it is believed that when the meeting opens in the East Room of the White House next Monday morning there will be at least thirty-five in attendance.

Roger W. Babson, who has taken charge of arrangements for the conference, today telegraphed the governors, urging that through the press of their States they gather as many suggestions as possible as to public sentiment on the great problem of reconstruction facing the nation.

Members of the Cabinet will attend the session Tuesday afternoon, it was stated today, but they will be present only as listeners, and will not speak.

Secretary of Labor Wilson today was at work on a speech to be delivered before the conference either Monday afternoon or Tuesday forenoon, and in which he is expected to urge the resumption, to as great an extent as possible, of public works and buildings.

Feeling a horn on Armistice Day did not end your part in winning a peace with victory. Paying your income tax makes more real noise than tooting a horn.

U. S. Accuracy Passes. During the closing months of the war the German artillerymen were confused and astonished by the accuracy of the American gunners, made possible by an instrument exhibited last night. This instrument, known as a sound ranger, consisted of three stations set up in the front line trenches. When a German gun opened fire the sound waves sent out were received and recorded automatically by each of the three stations.

Then a mathematically inclined artillery officer at each station would plot the position of the gun with relation to the other two stations and within five minutes American shells would begin dropping in to visit the German gun crew with immediate and disastrous results. "It was" it was said, "this device that Capt. Ernest Weibel, of the bureau of ordnance, gave his life on the western front."

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The music was transformed into electric waves and passed through the air to the other phone set placed in the bureau auditorium. Here the electrical waves were transformed once more to sound waves, increased in volume, and the visitors seated in various parts of the auditorium were treated to an averted rendition of the music which was being created many yards away. By this arrangement Washington merry-makers will soon be able to dance to the music made by an orchestra on one of New York's roof gardens.

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Awed Visitors Listen to "Pretty Baby" Played by Wireless Phonograph

Uncle Sam lifted the lid from his box of electrical wonders out at the Bureau of Standards last night and permitted a hundred or more visitors to peep into the hitherto jealously guarded mysteries of America's latest marvel of invention.

The Government permitted a limited number of visitors to visit the bureau to see a specially arranged exhibit showing the electrical devices that hastened the downfall of the Kaiser's armies. Talking to Paris and Berlin by wireless, being an auditorium with music transmitted by radio-telephone from a building several hundred yards away, talking through thin air over wireless telephones, firing a stream of machine gun bullets through a propeller making 2,000 revolutions a minute—these were some of the marvels that made the visitors gasp.

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automatically made by the caller and the phone bell at the number called is rung at intervals of about fifteen seconds until the call is answered or until the party making the call breaks the circuit by hanging up his receiver.

2,000 Turns a Minute. The apparatus set up for demonstrating the synchronization of a machine gun with the airplane propeller was put into actual operation, and a belt of cartridges was fired through a metal plate affixed to a propeller revolving at a speed of 2,000 revolutions a minute. At this speed the tips of the propeller blades travel at a speed of seven miles a minute, or 420 miles an hour. Yet none of the bullet holes in the metal plate were within six inches of the blades.

By the use of the radio telephone an aviator can locate the exact position of a landing field with which he is unfamiliar, even on the darkest night, by means of a large electric coil throwing off sound waves, which are intensified by the approach of the airplane. The closer the pilot approaches the field the louder the noise he hears.

DAVISON TO REMAIN AS HEAD OF THE RED CROSS

Henry P. Davison has consented, at the request of President Wilson, to remain at the head of Red Cross activities as chairman, until the world conference of Red Cross societies shall have completed its deliberations at Geneva, which will be thirty days after a peace declaration is signed. Since the Red Cross War Committee ceases to exist on March 1, Chairman Davison would no longer be connected with the Red Cross. He will devote his entire time to the projected world conference.

MANLY TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS

Basil M. Manly, joint chairman of the War Labor Board with ex-President William H. Taft, will address employees of the National Capital Press, the Army and Navy Register and the Government Advertiser at an entertainment Saturday night in the rooms of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, 611 Twelfth street northwest. He will speak on Moving pictures of current events. Music, dancing and refreshments will complete the program.

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Outlets must be maintained for normal supply. Foreign sales must be developed for excess yield. In a shortage of any product, acceptable alternatives must be distributed to relieve the need and to keep markets ready when the yield is again heavy. Fresh commodities which will not bear transportation, and would thus be unprofitable to produce, must be packaged for reserve use elsewhere. There must be manufacture and sale of all by-products. And these are among the services which Armour and Company render—one of the economic reasons why we handle food in so many different forms.

To perform efficiently, our entire system has to operate as a whole. It will not function piecemeal. Our preparation plants, at points where foods are grown, would become choked without our four hundred Branch Houses absorbing production. Our Branches, carrying the several days' reserve supply that makes users well nigh independent of railroad uncertainties, must continually wage a competitive fight for sales. We must finance producers for the thirty, sixty or ninety days necessary—pay cash for raw products, and then prepare, transport and sell on customary credits. Our refrigerator cars have to be steadily carrying the supply

forward to the tables of the nation. As the Interstate Commerce Commission in its report of August last says:

"The carriers (railroads) of the country could not so effectively handle the entire refrigerator car equipment as is now done by the intervention of private owners. The meat packer could no more do business on an economical and efficient basis without his private cars than he could without his modern equipped refining or packing plant."

Marketing, however, does not consist merely in taking what producers offer and selling it. Scientific selling must begin with the best growing of these foods the country most needs. To this end our Farm Bureau was inaugurated—as a point of contact with growers and to help bring about a better understanding of mutual problems.

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