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## SOLDIER BONUS COST BRITISH TROOPS OVER FOUR BILLIONS OCCUPY BELLEEK

**BILL MAKES NO ARRANGEMENT TO RAISE MONEY, WHICH MATTER IS DEFERRED TO LATER DATE—THE McCUMBER BILL**

Washington, June 8.—An effort to present the soldiers' bonus bill today to the senate was blocked by Senator Williams, Democrat, Mississippi. Chairman McCumber, of the finance committee, gave notice that he would make another effort later in the day to get the measure to the senate calendar.

Because of the parliamentary procedure under which the senate was operating unanimous consent was necessary to present the bill and the report, which earlier in the day had been made public by Senator McCumber. Senator Williams, a member of the finance committee, and an opponent of the legislation refused such consent.

Washington, June 8.—The soldiers' bonus bill was formally presented today in the senate by Chairman McCumber of the finance committee with an accompanying report placing the probable cost to the federal government at \$3,845,659,481, spread over a period of 43 years from next January 1. This is approximately \$250,000,000 less than the estimate under the House bill, which was \$4,098,719,350, payable over 20 years.

The senate bill estimate was prepared by Treasury experts and is based on the theory that 75 per cent of the 4,458,199 veterans who would be eligible for compensation would elect the adjusted service certificate option; 22 1-2 per cent farm, home and land settlement aid, and 2 1-2 per cent vocational training aid. Should all of the veterans select the certificate plan the total cost would be \$4,486,975.

With reference to financing the expenditure, Chairman McCumber's report said it was hoped that the reduction in governmental expenditures plus payment of interest on the refunded foreign obligations would be sufficient to obviate the imposition of additional taxation.

"If it does become necessary to impose additional taxes," the report continued, "it is believed we can better determine the amount of the necessary levy and the methods of distributing such burdens for the future at a later date when the future condition of the treasury will be more accurately established.

As to the refunded foreign obligations the hope was expressed that these soon would be obtained, and that it would be possible for the foreign government to provide for the immediate interest thereon, so that interest can be used toward defraying the expenses authorized under this act."

Senator McCumber explained that an attempt had been made to reduce to a minimum actual cash payments under the bill during the next three years while the treasury is engaged in refunding the nearly seven billions of dollars of maturing government obligations. The estimated cost of the bonus for three years was \$242,000,000.

### OFF TO HOT SPRINGS

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Tiddy left today for a trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas where they will spend a month. They are accompanied by Richard and Sara Tiddy and the family expect to derive great benefit from the stay. Their home will be closed during this period.

### CHARGED WITH BURGLARY.

Sam Young, a negro living on the place of J. S. Gibert, was arrested yesterday morning by Sheriff McLane charged with burglary.

**FAMOUS IRISH FORT CHANGES HANDS—REPUBLICAN SOLDIERS RETIRE WHEN FIRE PROVES VERY ACCURATE. CASUALTIES LIGHT**

Belfast, June 8.—Belleek and its famous fort, which are in Free State territory, were occupied this afternoon by British troops and the British ensign has displaced the Republican tri-color which had flown from the walls of the fort since it was occupied some time ago by Irish irregulars.

The British troops moved to within two miles of Belleek on the south shore of Lough Erne and started operations. The artillery took a position overlooking the town and commanding a fine view of the fort which is on high ground.

The official report of the military authorities on the operations is as follows:

"Orders were received to discover whether forces from the Free State were still in occupation of Belleek. Strict orders were issued that Free State territory was not to be entered unless fire was opened upon the troops while in Ulster. Water transport was arranged as the stretch of road entering the town from the south is in Free State territory.

"The infantry divided into two columns, one column on each side of Lough Erne. Armored cars were sent ahead to reconnoiter. These were fired on from the Free State while still in Ulster. The infantry then advanced under a brisk fire from the north. The artillery shelled the fort and also the ridge to the north, from which fire had been directed on the northern column, and Cliff House, the headquarters of the forces occupying Belleek.

"Our fire was very accurate, and the enemy retired. At 1 o'clock this afternoon our advance column entered Belleek. Our casualties were one man slightly wounded. The enemy's casualties are unknown.

"The fort was taken by a platoon of the Lincolnshire regiment which captured the tri-color flying from the main wall. The wall was badly damaged by six direct hits out of twenty high explosive shells which were fired."



**THE ONLY LINCOLN MILITARY GUARD SURVIVOR, HELPS DEDICATE LINCOLN MEMORIAL**

In command of the military guard at the funeral of Abraham Lincoln and the only survivor of the guard, Lieutenant-Colonel A. J. Gordon Kane, of Washington, D. C. eighty-two years of age, actively assisted in the dedication ceremonies of the Lincoln Memorials on Decoration Day at Washington.

## DELICATE STAGE IN NEGOTIATIONS

**CHILE AND PERU UNABLE TO AGREE—BELIEVED IN WASHINGTON THAT UNITED STATES WILL HAVE TO TAKE PART**

Washington, June 8.—The Chilean-Peruvian conference brought its differences to so delicate a stage today that some of those in closest contact with the negotiations conceded privately that only mediation by the United States could avert an open break.

Chile, replying at last to the Peruvian proposal for arbitration of the sovereignty of Tacna and Arica, maintained her traditional determination that a plebiscite must be held in the disputed provinces as provided in the treaty of Ancon and consented only to arbitrate the conditions under which the election should be carried into effect.

The Peruvians not only flatly rejected that counter proposal, but declined to transmit it to their government. Charging again that the provinces had been denuded of Peruvians, since the date of 1894 originally fixed for the plebiscite, a Peruvian spokesman declared to accept the Chilean plan would be nothing short of "a humiliating and shameful surrender for Peru."

Confronted thus with a situation which had all the outward appearances of a deadlock the delegations adjourned their joint session without date, each side declaring it had nothing further to suggest now and that the next move must come from the other side.

In some quarters there was a disposition to look upon this sole affirmative result of the four weeks of negotiations as opening the door for mediation at once by the Washington government. No step to ask for an exercise of "good offices" had been taken tonight, however, and state department officials remained quiet as to their intentions. There were many evidences, however, that should both sides show their willingness, Secretary Hughes would step in and try to bring the conference back to a definite basis of negotiation.

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

Of Jno. H. Winder Division to be Held Sunday Evening

The annual memorial services of the Jno. H. Winder Division 498, B. of L. E. will be held in the Opera House Sunday evening, June 11th at 8 o'clock. The following program will be carried out with probably a few changes:

1. Hymn—All Hail the Power of Jesus Name.
2. Prayer—Rev. C. E. Peele.
3. Duet—Jesus Lover of My Soul, Miss Stark, and Mrs. J. D. Kerr.
4. Recitation—Our Heroes—By Miss Mary Shaw Gilliam.
5. Roll Call of Deceased Brothers.
6. Response by Little Girls.
7. Solo—Life's Railway to Heaven—Mr. J. S. Cochran.
8. Address—Prof. J. D. Fulp.
9. Hymn—How Firm a Foundation.
10. Sermon—Rev. H. L. Weeks.
11. Quartette.
12. Prayer—Rev. M. R. Plaxco.
13. Hymn—God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again.
14. Benediction—Rev. G. M. Telford.

The churches of the community have very kindly consented to dispense with the evening services and join in these memorial services.

C. A. Haigler, H. B. Wilson, T. V. Howie, Mrs. Henry Gilliam, Mrs. L. A. Stephens and Miss Ruth Howie have charge of the program. The public is invited to attend the exercises.

Major J. D. Fulp went down to Columbia today on business.

## PLANS FOR TARIFF BRINGS BURDEN

**PENDING MEASURE BITTERLY ATTACKED BY EXPERT. CRITIC WAS ADVISER TO PRESIDENTS ROOSEVELT AND TAFT**

New Orleans, June 8.—H. E. Miles of Racine, Wis., chairman of the National Tariff Commission and former tariff adviser to Presidents Roosevelt and Taft bitterly attacked the tariff bill now pending in congress in an address here today before the 26th annual convention of the Interstate Cotton Seed Crushers' association.

Mr. Miles declared that the tariff rate charged by the United States for the last 30 years had been "thoroughly dishonest" and "especially hurtful to wage earners or people of small income.

The country has lost and is still losing a large amount of foreign trade on account of the excessive tariffs, he said. The present high tariffs, he continued, have added at least \$2,000,000,000 to living costs in the country and he declared that if congress passes the tariff bill now before it at least, \$4,000,000,000 more will be added to the cost of living.

He urged the cotton seed oil products manufacturers to take measures against the proposed tariff bill and to use their efforts with their representatives in congress to vote against the measure.

President P. S. Grogan of the association delivered his annual address and reports from various committees were presented.

### MR. WARE PASSES THROUGH

Joel Ware of Ninety Six passed through Abbeville this morning on his way to Athens to visit his sister, Mrs. Kate Ware Winn who has recently undergone an operation.

### COST OF COURT

The cost of the June term of court for Abbeville County was about \$525. The fines collected for the violation of the prohibition law amounted to \$475.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS

And Arranges County Campaign and Fix Assessments.

The Democratic Executive committee met June the 7th at the Court House. A new voting precinct called Brownlee was established from the school district of Brownlee. Another voting precinct called Watts is made of the Warrenton school district. The assessments of candidates were fixed as follows: Probate Judge, \$10; Treasurer, \$10; Auditor, \$10; State Senator, \$10; and members of the House of Representatives, \$10. Magistrates of Abbeville, \$5, and all other magistrates of the county \$2.50, assessments to be used for campaign expenses.

12 o'clock noon on July the 15th is the last day to file pledges and pay assessments. A motion to allow each club that voted in the last primary election less than 100 votes \$1.50; clubs voting less than 200 to be allowed \$2.50; clubs voting over 200 votes to be allowed \$3.50 to pay for the voting booths, was passed. A motion was carried to pay the managers of election \$1.00 each day for the carrying out and the bringing in of the boxes.

The dates for the County Campaign meetings are as follows: Calhoun Falls, August 17th. Lowndesville, August 18th. Antreville, August 19th. Due West, August 24th. Donalds, August 25th. Abbeville, August 26th.

The executive committee from each club is requested to send the names of three persons to act as managers of the election to the County Chairman Hon. J. Howard Moore.

## TO MAKE APPEAL AT WHITE HOUSE

**RAILWAY EMPLOYEES SEEK AID OF PRESIDENT—LEADERS OF WORKERS WHO HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF REDUCTIONS WILL APPEAR**

Cincinnati, June 8.—President Harding will be appealed to by the leaders of 1,200,000 railway workers, part of whom have already received wage cuts from the railroad labor board due July 1, in an effort to stave off further reductions in their envelopes, it was decided at a conference of rail union heads tonight.

Leaders of the 11 railway employees' organizations which Tuesday decided to take a strike vote of their memberships agreed tonight to outline a letter to the president presenting their argument for higher wages, or at least no further reductions. A committee of union executives was appointed by B. M. Jewell, president of the American Federation of Labor to draft the letter.

Approximately \$100,000,000 will be lopped from the payrolls of the 400,000 shop crafts and the 500,000 maintenance of way men under orders of the board July 1. The new rates of pay will range from 54 cents an hour for mechanics' helpers to 70 cents for mechanics. The maintenance of way men will get from 23 to 33 cents an hour.

These rates were branded as "starvation wages" by the union leaders and it is their intention in the letter to President Harding to demand whether the country's chief executive thinks these wages sufficient "to maintain an American standard of living and properly sustain a family."

It is understood that the letter will contain specific figures on what the railroad men consider an adequate wage and will endeavor to refute the position of the railroad labor board as set forth in their recent wage reduction decisions. The letter was only in tentative form tonight, and may not be ready for transmission to Washington before tomorrow night union leaders said.

Miss Gertrude Penney and Mrs. Charlie Schram were in the city shopping this morning.



**BREAKS CENTURY MARK IN CAMBRIDGE MEET**

Although the University of California won the Inter-Collegiate track and field championships at Cambridge, Mass., recently, it was left to Al Leconey crack runner of LaFayette to lower the time for the century run to 9 7-10 seconds. Leconey won both the 100 and 200 yard dashes. Photo shows Al Leconey.

## HOOVER DISCLOSES GOVERNMENT MOVES

**EFFORTS MADE TO BRING OPERATORS AND COAL MINERS TOGETHER WITH VIEW TO SETTLING STRIKE WITHOUT SUCCESS THUS FAR.**

Washington, June 8.—Efforts of the government to bring operators and miners together with a view to settling the coal strike now in progress were disclosed for the first time today by Secretary Hoover in a statement sent to the senate in compliance with a resolution of inquiry introduced recently by Senator Walsh (Democrat) of Massachusetts. "Informally and repeatedly," Mr. Hoover's statement said, "suggestions as to propositions on which the disputants might well confer and hope for a settlement have been made through the department of labor and this department or both, but thus far these suggestions have been without result."

The secretary prefaced his statement with the declaration that the efforts had been made despite his belief that "governmental agencies have no legal authority to terminate or intervene in the strike."

Measurable success has been obtained, however, Mr. Hoover added, in the government's effort to prevent large price increases resulting from the industries tie-up, through informal conferences with the operators. He made the same point clear in a telegram sent from Youngstown, Ohio, today to the coal section of the commerce department in connection with press reports that Senators Borah (Republican) of Idaho and Walsh (Democrat) of Massachusetts had held conference with a delegation of retail coal dealers with a view to "restraining" coal prices.

"If congress will provide a better emergency method," said the telegram "I will indeed be glad if they would do so, as the administration has no power but persuasion and the willingness of the majority of the operators to cooperate. In the meantime, as many retailers have upwards of 30 days' supply on hand of pre-strike coal, much of it from districts of short rail haul, I hope the senators will get the retailers to comply with my request that the retailers do not mark up the price of this coal to the public."

The report sent by Mr. Hoover to the senate, answering the question as to the department's information on "the present supply of mined bituminous coal," said:

"As there has been considerable industrial recovery from the situation of 1921 and less activity than 1920," Mr. Hoover added, "our rough guess is that the total consumption from April 1 to June 4 was about 65,000,000 tons. Upon this data the stocks of coal remaining on hand for the week ending June 4 should be about 32,000,000 tons and in addition coal in transit may amount to 10,000,000 tons."

### AN HONOR BOY

Blanding Holman of Batesburg is in the city spending a few days with his aunts, Mrs. J. Allen Smith, Jr. and Mrs. W. H. White. Blanding is a young man of parts, having finished this year at the Batesburg Grammar School and last year carried off the honors in the oratorical contest. He has a distinguished name to live up to.

### COTTON MARKET

Cotton on the local market brought 22 cents today. Futures closed	
July	22.03
October	22.02
December	21.88
January	21.72