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LABOR COUNCIL VOICES APPEAL

BODY OF FEDERATION ISSUES STATEMENT ON UNION POSITION—SAYS WORKERS ON STRIKE SHOULD HAVE MORAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

Washington, Aug. 22.—"Railroad workers on strike are now fighting the fight of all workers," and "should have all the moral and financial assistance which the labor movement can give them, an appeal issued tonight by the executive council of the American Federation of Labor declared. Signed by President Gompers and the entire membership of the federation's controlling committee, the message recounted the causes of the rail strike—from the union viewpoint—asserting that it had been called "to resist the imposition of unfair terms and conditions of employment," and asked general contribution of funds from labor organizations to assist the strikers.

"The struggle in which these workers are involved is one which is important not only to themselves and their organizations," the appeal said, "but to all organized workers and all Americans who love justice and fair dealing. . . . It must be clear to all wage earners and to all thinking men that the policy which has been pursued by the railroads has been entirely in harmony with the policies of all organizations of employers which, since the armistice, have been seeking to weaken and destroy the voluntary organizations of the workers.

"No amount of conscientious effort and forbearance on the part of the workers, however, could overcome the attitude and policies dictated by the small but powerful group of bankers who control the finances of the railroads, and who have compelled the adoption by the railroads of a policy of bitter antagonism to the organizations of the workers.

"Finally the decisions of the railway labor board compelled resistance on the part of workers through suspension of work. A wage of 25 cents per hour was established for section men, and this wage is the basis upon which all other wages were calculated. . . . The railroad shop workers are on strike to endeavor to secure a living wage for the maintenance of the American standard of living. It is hoped that every union and its membership, individually and collectively, will again demonstrate its solidarity by coming generously and immediately to the assistance of the striking railway shop craft organizations."

FANS OUT IN FULL FORCE.

Among the base ball fans attending the games in Greenwood this week between Greenwood and Abbeville were: W. D. Wilson, Dr. J. E. Pressly, J. T. Hughes, J. A. Ramey, Walter Sherard, Jim Sherard of Calhoun Falls, Tom Sherard, E. F. Arnold, Carroll Swetenburg, Bayard Swetenburg, E. C. Horton, Ray Gallman, J. R. Glenn, W. L. Peebles, R. L. Mabry, J. S. Cochran, Dr. G. A. Neuffer, M. B. Reese, Owen Speed, R. E. Cox, Mrs. Paul Link and family, Mrs. B. S. Reames, Dr. F. E. Harrison and family, Sol Rosenberg, Robert Cheatham, Cliff King and Oscar Cobb.

War Veterans Meet.

Los Angeles, Aug. 22.—Business sessions of the annual encampment and reunion of the United Spanish War Veterans and of the women's auxiliary were opened here today.

COTTON MARKET.

Cotton brought 23 cents on the local market today. Futures closed:

Oct.	22.65
Dec.	22.62
Jan.	22.45
March	22.45

SPANISH-AMERICAN VETERANS ORGANIZE

Camp and Elect Officers for First Year.—J. S. Cochran Elected Commander.

A meeting of the veterans of the Spanish-American War was held in the City Hall August 16 to organize a camp of the United Spanish War Veterans. The organization was perfected and a charter applied for from National Headquarters in Chicago.

The following officers were elected for one year:

Commander—J. S. Cochran. Senior Vice-Com.—W H White. Junior Vice-Com.—Geo C. Gambrell. Officer of the Day—Jesse L Campbell.

Officer of the Guard—R S McComb. Trustees—C. A. Milford, J. M. McKellar, J L Perrin.

The following officers were appointed by the Commander:

Adjutant—E C Horton. O. M.—M. E. Hollingsworth. Historian—R B Cheatham. Sgt.-Major—Alf Lyon. Q. M. Sergt.—A. B Cochran. Color Sergt.—H L Brooks. Musician—J S Miller.

The Camp will be known as Camp "Ab Allen," named in honor of J. A. Allen, who was the first Spanish War Veteran of Abbeville county to die.

The following veterans joined:

Wyatt Aiken, H. L. Brooks, J. S. Cochran, A. B Cochran, R B Cheatham, J L Campbell, B E Evans, Geo C. Gambrell, E. C Horton, M. E. Hollingsworth, P. R. Henry, J E Harelson, Alf Lyon, J S Miller, C A Milford, R. S. McComb, J. M. McKellar, D. E. Penney, J L Perrin, M B Reese, J. E. Taggart, T. G. White, W H White.

CLINTON TO ABBEVILLE IN TWO HOURS

E. J. Adair made the trip from Clinton to Abbeville this morning in two hours. He came over the highway by Ware Shoals, and says the finest stretch of road in the state is from Ware Shoals to Abbeville. He suggests that the business men of Abbeville go after the Ware Shoals trade.

Hops Off Again.

Miami, Fla. Aug. 21.—Lieutenant Walter Hilton in his giant seaplane the Sampaiio Corriera, hopped off at West Palm Beach this morning at 10.15 expecting to reach Nasseau in a couple of hours. The lieutenant had a good rest last night, and with the plane's machinery working satisfactory and weather conditions favorable, he hopes to make a pleasant, voyage over the gulf stream to the Bahamas.

MICHAEL COLLINS SHOT FROM AMBUSH

London, Aug. 22.—Michael Collins, head of the Irish provisional government and the Irish national army, was shot and killed from ambush at Bandon, County Cork, tonight a few hours after he had been given an ovation by the people of Cork City, who for the first time saw the Free State hero in the uniform of commander-in-chief. Thus within ten days two of the most prominent figures in the new Irish government have been removed by death. Just ten days ago President Griffith of the dail eireann, considered the brains of the new administration, died in Dublin; tonight Michael Collins, the Free State's military genius, was killed at the moment when the dissipation of the irregular forces in the south was considered complete.

BATTLE ON BONUS MAY BE DELAYED

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT NOT IN SIGHT—McCUMBER PLANS TO DELIVER PREPARED ADDRESS AND FIGHT ON FLOOR MAY FOLLOW.

Washington, Aug. 22.—Senate Republican leaders continued negotiations today for an unanimous consent agreement for a final senate vote on the soldiers' bonus bill, but apparently with little prospect of immediate success. Some progress was reported, but it was understood that four or five senators objected to an agreement at this time.

The bonus measure is the senate's unfinished business and will be taken up after the senate reconvenes Wednesday, Cahrman McCumber of the finance committee, plans to deliver a prepared address at that time in support of it and some majority leaders said that unless there was an agreement for a time for the final vote the legislation would have to be fought out to a finish on the floor. Estimates as to the time which would be required to pass the measure in the absence of any agreement varies, but it appeared that it might require several weeks.

After the bonus is passed by the senate—and the general belief at the capitol is that it will go through finally by substantial majority—it would, in the usual course, be sent to conference for the composing of differences between the senate and the house. In that event it would be handled by the same conference committee to which the tariff measure will be deferred this week with little prospect that it would receive attention until after the committee had completed its work on the tariff.

Jones Miller Stack About Well

Jones Miller Stack has about recovered from his case of scarlet fever and is getting on all right. He will be here about ten days longer when he will return to his home in Monroe, N. C.

BOND OFFERINGS LOWEST OF YEAR

Continue to Show Upward Trend in Prices—States Expected to Float Tax Exempt Issue in Sept.

New York, Aug. 22.—Only 13 new bond offerings, totaling \$15,700,000, were put out through local bankers last week. This is a new low record for the year as compared with \$20,100,000 the week before and a weekly average to date of approximately \$50,000,000. The usual mid-summer dullness is held responsible.

Continuance of easy money rates has been a stimulating influence to the steadily rising bond prices, which are now at the highest level in almost four years. Several new high records were made in both the rail and industrial groups last week, underlying trunk line issues of the big railway systems receiving the most attention.

The amount of corporate securities falling due this month is relatively small and will require little new financing. The total maturities amount to \$56,486,630 against \$89,049,550 in July and \$85,100,555 in August, 1921. Bonds which have been called for payment in August in advance of maturity total \$96,725,800, which is considerably above normal, but far below the record of \$144,779,000 in July. Easy money rates are believed responsible for the amount of bond issues called for payment this year entirely before maturity, which reach the surprisingly high record of \$394,500,000 to date, as compared with only \$19,000,000 in 1921.

AFFAIRS OF CUBA ON SOUND BASIS

CONFUSION WILL SOON BE ENDED—STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS THINK ISLAND RE PUBLIC WILL SOON BE ITSELF AGAIN.

Washington, Aug 22.—After many months of confusion and uncertainty the reconstruction of Cuba's political and fiscal affairs is nearing completion on a basis of which state department officials regard as promising an era of restored confidence and tranquility throughout the island republic.

The reform program in the drafting of which Cuban officials have had the constant aid of Maj. Gen. Enoch H. Crowder of the American army, is said in advices received here, to have reached a stage where reestablishment of governmental and financial stability appears to be assured for the near future.

Numerous changes in the government machinery, making possible the retirement of fiscal and judicial officials who stand in the way of needed reforms, are coupled in the reorganization plan with a sweeping rehabilitation of the entire tax collecting and disbursing system of the public treasury.

In a statement detailing the entire restoration program tonight the state department manifested thorough satisfaction with the turn taken by Cuban affairs, and predicted that a proper execution of the plans now agreed upon among Cuban officials undoubtedly would go far toward "normalization and the betterment of business conditions generally."

No mention of General Crowder was made in the statement, but officials of the Washington government have not concealed their admiration for the work he has done in Cuba since he was sent there to give advice as the personal representative of President Harding. His patient effort in the midst of bitter inter-factional strife and in the face of strongly entrenched opposition to real reform measures is appraised here as having been a powerful influence toward re-establishing the new Habana government.

STRONGER PRICES FOLLOW DECLINES

Cotton Market Shows Gains For Week—Heaviest Buying Done Reports Crop Deterioration

New Orleans, Aug. 22.—While there were declines in the early sessions of this last week in the cotton market prices were strongly higher in the later trading with the highest levels on the close when the trading positions were 174 to 185 points over the close of the preceding week at their best with October up to 22.30 cents a pound. Last prices were at net gains of 170 to 180 points with October closing at 22.15. At the lowest of the week prices were 65 to 85 points under the preceding week, October trading as low as 19.60. Fluctuations were within limits of 245 to 270 points.

In the spot department prices gained 75 points in the net results, middling closing at 21.88 against 12 cents on the close of this week last year. The lower levels of the week were reached under reports of scattered rainfall in Texas and under an unfavorable development in this country. Later on drouth returned to Texas and both foreign and labor news were regarded in a more favorable light. The partial settlement of the coal strike helped to put prices up and highest prices were partly due to the hope that the coming week would see the settlement of rail strike, although heaviest buying was done on account of crop deterioration and it was more or less of a weather market throughout. Drouth in the West and too

CONSTABLE KILLS MAN AT ANDERSON

A. Beard Evans Shot by B. H. Holley Nephew of Dead Man Saw Officer Fire Last Shot.

Anderson, Aug. 22.—A. Beard Evans was shot and killed this afternoon at his home in the Orr mill village by B. H. Holley, magistrate's constable, the cause of the killing being unknown. Holley who had gone to the house to serve a warrant upon Evans on a charge of fighting, was held responsible for Evans death by the coroner's jury. He surrendered to the sheriff and is now being held in the Anderson jail.

Holley, according to the testimony offered at the coroner's inquest tonight, went to Evans' home with the warrant at about 5:30 o'clock this afternoon. Evans, according to the testimony of his wife was in the back yard at the time and Holley was admitted to the house. The two men met in the kitchen of the home and a few minutes later, Mrs. Evans said she heard several shots and going to the kitchen found her husband on the floor in a pool of blood. A. J. Evans a nephew of the slain man, was also in the house at the time and testified at the inquest that he saw Holley shoot Evans on the floor and heard Holley threaten Evans' life. When the first shots were fired young Evans testified, he rushed to the kitchen door and was ordered by Holley to withdraw. Holley then fired again at the wounded man on the floor, young Evans said. Mrs. Evans heard nothing of the conversation between her husband and the constable, she said, and A. J. Evans heard nothing more than the threat to kill Evans, which he said, was made by Holley.

Three shots took effect, one through the head being responsible for death, according to the testimony heard at the inquest. The other shots took effect in a leg and a thigh. Holley's pistol, examined after the shooting, contained four discharged cartridges. Physicians were called in immediately, but Evans was dying when medical aid was secured. He made no statement. Grasped in Evans' blood stained hands was found \$40 in bills, which it is presumed was offered by him to Holley as bond on the charge of fighting, for which the constable came to arrest him.

HARDWICK COMMUTES HUDSON SENTENCE

Atlanta, Ga. Aug. 22.—Governor Hardwick today commuted from death to life imprisonment the sentence of Glen M. Hudson, Daugherty county farmer, convicted of the murder of his two step-sons, five and eleven years of age. The governor said that the evidence against Hudson was "entirely circumstantial" and while possibly strong enough to justify conviction, it does not remove every doubt as to his guilt. Commutation was recommended last week by the state prison.

SELLING AND STORING.

Alex Carter is in the toils of the law. T. B. Ferguson and C. D. Prince found him selling and storing whiskey on the Smith place near town. He furnished bond and will be tried at the September term of Court.

TRAINING AND STORING.

much rain in the East of the belt probably caused more buying than any other factor. On the week-end the market was thrown into considerable excitement on rumors that a large spot firm was out with a condition report of 58.0 per cent of normal and indicated crop figures of 9,600,000 bales.

GERMAN EXPERTS BLAME OUTSIDERS

CONDITIONS ABROAD CAUSE OF MARK'S SLUM—GOVERNMENT UNABLE TO BOLSTER UP CURRENCY THINK FINANCIAL WRITERS.

Berlin, Aug. 22.—Heavy unloading of marks abroad is the sole cause of the present collapse of German currency, in the opinion of financial writers here, who concur in declaring that there is no cogent "objective" reason for a stamped in Germany's present internal situation, and therefore unite in ascribing to the international political situation the real reason for the slump.

In support of this contention they cite the fact that the collapse of the London conference sent the dollar rate to a thousand and assert that the French attitude accomplished what the London deadlock merely stimulated. It is further pointed out that the government for more than a month past has not been a purchaser of foreign currencies, as no reparations installments have been paid, while the part payment on clearing house obligations represented funds which were secured weeks ago.

It is also asserted that Germany has not been buying gold to pay for wheat purchases abroad. German experts admit that the government is utterly helpless in the face of recent developments, that it is wholly at the mercy of hostile foreign policies and that any attempt on its part or through private initiative to bolster up the mark artificially in the present political atmosphere would be bound to prove disastrous.

"There is no tangible economic ground for this unprecedented depreciation," says the Boersen Courier, which declares that the nation's industrial productive capacity continues unimpaired, while the mere fact that imports exceed exports "is hardly a cogent reason why the world should abandon Germany."

The Boersen Courier also fails to discover in the reparations payments an immediate cause for the mark's present level, inasmuch as these payments have been plainly designated for a year or more and must be met in accordance with Germany's capacity. It believes that the mark's foundation is primarily a psychic or psychological process and that the fact that the mark is unstable and capable of slipping suffices to produce violent drops, determined and augmented by policies which constantly threaten penalties and other economic punitive measures.

TRAINS MOVE AGAIN AT SPENCER TERMINAL

Troops Withdrawn From Duty At Shops When Assured Order Will Be Maintained.

Salisbury, N. C., Aug. 22.—All troops have been withdrawn from guard duty in Spencer and Salisbury today, except one company which was kept in this city but scattered, and the trainmen, estimated at about 500 in number, who last night agreed not to move another train out of this terminal until the National Guardsmen were removed, having gone back to work today about noon, all was quiet in this Southern railway shop center tonight, and trains were in operation as usual.

PAINFULLY BUT NOT SERIOUSLY HURT

Joel S. Morse received a telephone message this morning from his friend Calhoun Harris of Anderson that Mrs. Morrah, Mrs. Harris and other members of his family hurt in the automobile accident at Sandy Springs yesterday were better and that Dr. Henry did not anticipate any serious results from the accident.