1—Photo (photograph) being presented of Kings Alexander of Jugo-Slavia and his bride, Princess Marie of Rumania. 2—Picture taken from a moving plane under 3,000 miles off the North American coast, illustrating work of those vessels in searching for and locating the positions of icebergs. 3—California's first locomotive and its engineer, J. Lonergan, at the Joint of the celebration in Sacramento.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Railway Shopmen Taking Strike Vote Because Their Pay Is Cut $60,000,000.

WALKOUT MAY BE AVOIDED

Supreme Court Deals Organized Labor Severe Blow—France's Refusal to Reduce Reparation Blocks German Loan Plans—Radical Republicans Win Victory in Iowa Primary Election.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

A BOUT 400,000 railway shopmen have been polling, in their yearly vote, the question whether the railway labor board, the road employers and the public have made it clear that they want the reduction of wages of July 1 put off for another year. The numbers of men who have voted, which is not known, and the proportion of them who favor a strike, are not known, but it is certain that a majority of the men have voted against a strike.

Thus, apparently, the country faces a strike problem after the middle of July, that might come close to tying up the rail transportation. But there is some hope that it will not come to a strike.

An alternative strike vote has been taken by the railway executives, who have the vote is but a weapon in the hands of labor, and not a weapon in negotiating. Railroad executives profess to believe that the men do not even vote to strike. A committee of six rail presidents issued the following statement:

"There is no talk of strike among the men," the statement says. "The disturbing statements are prepared by leaders of the unions, whose viewpoint has been distorted by months of efforts before the board to resist the inevitable downward trend of wages. The employees are in the main sincerely interested in taking care of their jobs and their homes, and few employees in any industry have more good reasons for doing so.

"The records show that the proposed cut of wages for the classes of employees involved in the two wage reduction orders already issued practically would restore the scale in effect at the end of federal control in 1920, which carried an increase for the employees of 119 per cent over the wages paid in 1916. The cost of living, as shown by the Department of Labor for March, 1922, was 42 per cent above 1916."

On the other hand, B. M. Jewell, head of the railroad employees' department of the American Federation of Labor, says: "The new wages do not permit a minimum living wage, and they are wholly at variance with the saving wage championed by President Harding and Secretary of Labor Davis." Mr. Jewell and other union chiefs who were in conference in Cincinnati predicted that unions with a membership of 1,200,000 would vote to strike.

Just as in the last previous wage decision by the board, the three labor members dissented, and this time they were especially vigorous in their dissenting opinion.

While the rulings of the railway labor board are professedly being made quite without regard to the rulings of the interstate commerce committee in the matter of rates, the two cannot be disconnected in the public mind, and the railway executives also couple them, naturally.

UNION labor received what it considers another body blow last week in the decision of the United States Supreme court in the Colorado coal mine case. The United Mine Workers of America and certain individuals had appealed from a decision by the United States District court of Arkansas, approved by the Circuit Court of Appeals, holding them guilty of violating the Sherman anti-trust act during a strike in 1914, and imposing damages of $200,000, which was trebled under the antitrust law. The opinion of the United States Supreme court, read by Chief Justice Taft, in effect sets aside the damages, finding the acts which caused the destruction of property were not incited for the purpose of restraining interstate commerce. But the court also held that labor organizations, even though not incorporated, are not only suable but are amenable to the Sherman antitrust law, and under it may be prosecuted for restraint of interstate commerce.

Samuel Gompers, as might be expected, denounced this decision bitterly. He says that it set a precedent under which capital "can impose any condition on the working people of the country, and they would not dare resist." He declared he believed congress and the people of the United States would repudiate the ruling and continued: "The court has, for the first time in the history of federal legislation, laid down the principle that a voluntary association is liable for damages to any one of one or a group of its members, no matter how far removed they may be in distance or sympathy."

Unless it is nullified by congressional legislation, this decision of the highest court in the land will prevent, fully as widely as the Danbury hat case, the exercise of the rights of labor organizations with respect to boycotts and with the picket system.

BRITISH, French and Belgian representatives of the reparations commission voted against granting Germany a moratorium on her reparations payments, but the majority of the commission, including Italy, voted to grant the moratorium. The British representative, Sir John Bradbury, voted against the moratorium because he believed it would be better for Germany to default now than later, and because he believed the British government would not consider reduction of the reparations unless the war debts were reduced proportionately. The latter proposition, of course, would put the matter up to the United States, which up to the present has shown no disposition to scale down the vast amounts owed her by other nations. Meanwhile there hangs over Europe the menace of independent action by France against Germany.

EXASPERATED by the continual and increasing warfare in Ireland between the Sinn Feiners and the Ulster folk, the British government has undertaken to resume control of the situation. Large reinforcements were sent to the troops already in the island and vigorous attacks were made on the republicans who infested the border and regions adjacent. The British used airplanes and small war vessels with telling effect. The Free State leaders and the British government are discussing changes in the Irish constitution which the latter demands, and both sides are awaiting the Dail elections, which come on June 16. It has been surmised that the De Valera faction might win more seats because of the bitter feeling aroused by the fighting, and indeed it was intimated that the fighting was instigated for that purpose.

SOVIET Russia, having failed to frighten the rest of the world into giving it large credits, has resumed its old uncompromising attitude. Foreign Minister Tchitcherin, who says he is not going to the conference at The Hague, declares Russia will not remove one step from its May 11 memorandum, which disrupted the Genoa capital. It will make no more concessions, he asserts, and rejects Ambassador Hughes' demands for additional guarantees as the price of recognition. He said America would recognize the stability of her policy, and then launched into an attack on Charles R. Crane and others whom he accused of assisting the counter-revolutionary movements.

Persistent reports come from places near Russia to the effect that Premier Lenin is a desperately sick man. His physicians have issued a bulletin stating he is suffering at some length an attack of paralysis which affected his speech and brain, but that he is now well on the road to recovery.

THE number of Fascisti has resumed, owing to opposition of the public to their methods. But the party council has decided that this will not affect the Fascisti and Nationalists joining at the Whitsuntide meeting at the Vatican, it is understood that outside the spheres affected by a habitual disorder.

A BENEFIT for King Alexander and Queen Marie of Rumania was staged Thursday in Belgrade by the diplomatic representatives of twenty-five countries in the world. The Rumanian minister, Mr. Vaida, the spokesman of the diplomatic corps, thanked the people of Jugo-Slavia for the warm reception given the Rumanian royalties. Queen Marie, who is a granddaughter of Queen Victoria, and King Alexander, who is a cousin of King George of England, left for Bucharest the following morning.

P ROGRESSIVES in the Republican party scored another victory last week in the nomination of Col. Smith W. Brookhart for United States senator from Iowa. Really this was a triumph for the radicals for Brookhart is hardly more than a progressive. He is a former soldier and a lawyer, living in Washington, Ia. It was necessary for him to obtain 67 per cent of the primary vote to obtain the nomination, independent of the state convention. He got 41 per cent. Chairman Hitchcock of the Republican national committee says the committee will join the national committee and the Republican state committee in Iowa to assure the election of Colonel Brookhart. Colonel Brookhart bears the reputation of a man of high purpose and high courage and had a fine record of service during the war.

AT LAST the senate has before it the soldiers bonus bill, as drafted by the finance committee. Chairman McCumber's accompanying report placed the probable cost to the federal government at $3,947,650,451, spread over a period of 43 years from next January 1. The estimate is based on the theory that 75 per cent of the 4,498,166 veterans who would be eligible for compensation would elect the adjusted service certificate option; 22½ per cent farm, home and land settlement aid, and 2½ per cent vocational training aid.

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

LILLIAN RUSSELL—Mrs. Alexander P. Moore of Pittsburgh—is dead. For years she was the typical American stage beauty, but she was more than that. She was a first rate light opera singer, the helpful and beloved friend of many in and out of her profession, a good newspaper writer and a devoted and hard working patriot in time of war. In recognition of her services to the country during the war she was buried with military honors, and a detachment of marines stood watch over her casket, since she held the rating of gunnery sergeant in the United States navy. One of the most gracious figures in American life thus has passed away.

STATE TO RECEIVE MORE FEDERAL AID

HIGHWAY AUTHORITIES ADVISED OF APPROPRIATION TO BE MADE BY CONGRESS.

MUST MAKE SOME PROVISION

Large Amount to Be Available July 1; Funds From the State After Next Year.

Columbia.

State highway commissioners were advised that a committee of the house and senate have agreed on the federal aid appropriation to be made by congress within the next two or three weeks and that the amount would be $75,000,000 for 1923.

Of this $75,000,000 South Carolina will receive approximately $700,000 and this will be available July 1 of this year. The appropriation will be for the fiscal year beginning the first of next month, and the entire amount will be paid out.

Charles H. Moore, state highway engineer, said that sufficient funds to match the federal aid South Carolina were actually needed in the counties and in a few days the many applications will be made for the money.

Under the provisions of the new federal aid legislation, $50,000,000 of the appropriation will be apportioned to the states in the usual way, and the remaining $25,000,000 will be apportioned to the states in the ratio that the population of each state bears to the population of the country. This latter $25,000,000 will be available only to those states which have built roads to the extent of their respective shares of the $50,000,000 apportionment.

Mr. Moore said that the state will be unable to share in the last appropriation unless some provision is made for the State to match the funds. Under the provisions of the recent federal aid act the government will deal only with the states and will not accept the county matching scheme talk to become effective after the 1924 appropriation has been allowed and used.

Appoints Roper Chief Deputy.

Maj. John P. Jones, collector of internal revenue, announced the appointment of W. P. Roper as acting chief deputy collector. Mr. Roper fills the vacancy caused by withdrawal from the service of W. R. Bradley, who held the place for several years. When Mr. Bradley was made acting collector no chief deputy was appointed to succeed him.

Mr. Roper has been chief of the miscellaneous and sales tax department for a number of years and is well fitted for his new work. He has been with the revenue department for seven and one-half years.

Notifies Auditors.

Walter E. Duncan, the comptroller general, is notifying all the county auditors that the State levy will be seven and one-half mills this year, seven for general purposes and one-half mill for the Citadel under the act of 1920. The regular three mill constitutional levy is also called to the attention of the auditors.

No More Jobs Open.

Some 400 or 500 persons applied to the penitentiary for jobs as guards when it was announced that the prison authorities would increase the force some few days ago. Col. A. K. Sanders, superintendent, said: "The offices were flooded with applications by men who wanted to 'get in the penitentiary'—but not as prisoners.

"We have no more vacancies and there isn't a chance in the world to give a man a job here," Colonel Sanders said.

May Call Meeting of Constables.

A conference between the governor and the state constables may be called within the next few days, Governor Harvey indicated. The governor is giving the matter serious thought and he may call all the constables in to discuss better law enforcement. The widespread prevalence of crime is causing a good deal of talk and the governor is anxious to see if something to minimize the law violations can not be done.

Governor Harvey Has Been Busy.

Governor Harvey has been a very busy man for the past several days. He has been signing about 800 high school diplomas, a rather big task in itself. Among the diplomas signed were those for Memminger High School of Charleston and the Charleston High School for Boys. This was the first time in the history of the schools that the diplomas were signed by a Charleston man as governor.

New Charters.

The Columbia Holding Company of Columbia was chartered by the Secretary of State with a capital stock of $1,000. The firm will do a real estate business. Officers are: E. R. Heyward, president; J. C. Otis, vice-president; W. R. Brooks, treasurer; R. A. Childs, secretary.

The Laurens Realty Development Company of Laurens was chartered with a capital stock of $20,000. Officers are: R. A. Cooper, president and treasurer; C. I. Martin, vice-president an dsecretary.

No Scarcity in Teaching Corps.

No scarcity of teachers for the public schools of South Carolina will be felt this year, in the opinion of J. H. Sheely, director of the teachers' bureau operating in the state, who also said that there would be fewer changes than usual among teachers.

"When teachers realize that they are not being threatened by moving to some place other than the one they were in last year, the tendency to change ceases," Mr. Sheely said, and this year there are many little increases in salary to be looked for so there will not be so many changes as usual.

"Teachers, however, are not starting up very rapidly. I suppose that many teachers who are good ones have sent out quite a number of applications for positions, and when they receive notice that they have been elected to one position they sometimes do not accept at once, hoping that some other position at a higher salary will be offered to them. This year the tendency to 'hold off' seems stronger.

"Patrons are demanding better preparation on the part of the teachers of their children, and I believe that there will be this year a larger per cent than usual of undergraduates who will not get jobs. There will however be an increase in certification of high school pupils. The high schools this year graduated 1,771 students and many of these will attend summer schools and thus prepare themselves for work in the public schools.

"Teachers are registering with the bureau for work and elections are being held over the state. During the past one and one-half years the board of examiners has issued certificates to approximately 10,000 teachers. There are at the present time approximately 8,000 white teachers in the state.

"No increase in salaries will be made in the public schools this year, in my opinion. Salaries in rural schools are held up by the equalization law, and in the small town and high schools there will be cuts in salaries ranging from 10 per cent to 15 per cent.

"The average run of salaries this fall will be about as follows: Teachers of first and of second grades $600; teachers of third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grade teachers $60

May Have Aid to Many Schools.

State aid in the amount of $60,000 for building the school houses in the state has been placed out by the state department of education. The distribution of the fund is in the amount of $3,000 so that the appropriation was reduced on the basis of 75 per cent. Warrants for the money have been forwarded to the several county treasurers in duplicate copies to the respective county auditors and county superintendents of education.

J. E. Swearingen, state superintendent of education, said that inquiries concerning school house construction were reaching his office daily and that the practice of strictest economy was being advised.

Following is the amount of money sent to the various counties together with the number of buildings aided:

Abbeville, two buildings, $1,247; Aiken, one building, $594; Anderson, one building, $444; Barnwell, two buildings, $1,036; Charleston, one building, $740; Cherokee, one building, $740; Chester, one building, $1,7[illegible]; Chesterfield, one building, $444; Colleton, two buildings, $888; Darlington, three buildings, $1,924; Dillon, four buildings, $444; Edgefield, three buildings, $952; Fairfield, three buildings, $1,665; Florence, one building, $740; Greenville, seven buildings, $1,184; Greenwood, four buildings, $1,445; Horry, one building, $444; Kershaw, two buildings, $444; Lancaster, one building, $740; Laurens, seven buildings, $1,924; Lee, one building, $556; Lexington, six buildings, $1,721; Marion, five buildings, $1,480; Newberry, six buildings, $1,646; Orangeburg, ten buildings, $4,624; Pickens, three buildings, $1,924; Pickens, eight buildings, $5,497; Richland, seven buildings, $2,812; Saluda, one building, $718; Spartanburg, 11 buildings, $6,047; Sumter, four buildings, $1,295; Union, one building, $592; Williamsburg, four buildings, $1,184; York, seven buildings, $3,565.

Engineer Hands in Resignation.

L. M. Weisiger, field engineer of the state highway department has tendered his resignation to the state highway engineer, to become effective as soon as the department can accept it. Mr. Weisiger will accept a place with J. M. Gregory of Newton, N. C., a well known contractor.

E. D. Sloan has been appointed to succeed Mr. Weisiger and is now acquainting himself with this new work. Mr. Sloan has been with the department for some time.

Mr. Weisiger has been in charge of the Western district of the state for over a year and prior to that was one of four division engineers. He has been with the department for several years and has rendered valuable service. He is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and is well known among the people of the state.

Court Ends Term.

The supreme court finished its spring term and adjourned until the fall term beginning the second Tuesday in October or until called together by competent authority. The court has been through a hard session. Approximately 200 cases have been argued at the term and the justices are almost worn out. The term has been one of the longest in many years.

All members of the court will go immediately to their homes for a short rest. Chief Justice Gary left for Abbeville.

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