

### BRAZIL TRIES TO CORNER WORLD'S COFFEE SUPPLY

Absolute Control Means Selling Price of Coffee in New York.

Miles W. Vaughn. (United Press Staff Correspondent.) Rio de Janeiro, Oct. 13.—It is generally believed that the next three months will witness the success or failure of the coffee valorization plan recently instituted by the Brazilian government.

Opinion on the outcome of the gigantic scheme—which is nothing less than cornering the coffee supply of the world—varies. Count Alexandre Siallano, chief of the valorization committee, is confident of its success and declares that within a few weeks the Brazilian government will be in a position to absolutely control the price of coffee in New York.

Opponents of the plan advance these arguments: Coffee is sold in Santos and Rio de Janeiro for paper millrais, and the big New York houses are in a position to hammer down Brazilian exchange so that the selling price of coffee in gold—U. S. dollars—will not vary, no matter what the price in millrais.

The government runs the great danger of stimulating coffee production in other countries—namely Porto Rico, Mexico, Colombia, and Venezuela—permanently joining for Brazil the position of the foremost coffee country of the world.

Outlining the position of the government in a speech at Santos, President Epitacio Pessoa said: "The valorization of coffee is not a problem for the state of Sao Paulo (the great coffee raising state) alone, but for the nation because coffee constitutes our greatest source of National income."

The President recalls the silk valorization scheme of Japan, and other similar plans, declaring that no matter what the success or failure of these have been, Brazil is bound to win out in her present plan, because: "We produce 75 per cent. of the world's coffee, and when a nation thus dominates the market for a necessity like coffee, she can be certain of dominating the price."

The President said the coffee crop for the season 1921-22 is estimated at 15,000,000 bags, and that a shortage is bound to result since consumption during the year 1920-21 was 18,499,000 bags, and that consumption during the current year shows a tendency to exceed even that figure. Prohibition has caused a great increase in coffee consumption in the United States, the President declared.

### Digging into Work of Ku Klux Klan

The Organization Has Taken in 1,468,710 Since Its Foundation.

Washington, Oct. 13.—Digging into the activities of the Ku Klux Klan, the house rules committee developed by testimony today that the organization had taken in 1,468,710 since its foundation, that the department of justice was still conducting an investigation of its own and that, according to the Klan's confidential informant to field agents, the chief of Police of Norfolk, Va., was a member.

Through news letters said to have been sent from Klan headquarters and not intended for general publication, the statement also was made that the Norfolk chief had promised 260 rifles to the local order "in time of trouble," and that Representative Upshaw, democrat of Georgia, in whose home district the Klan was born, had been put to it to deny membership in the Klan, and at the same time acquiesce in its activities as a preacher and church member.

The imperial wizard of the Ku Klux Klan, William J. Simmons of Atlanta, sat all day in the crowded committee room and heard witnesses declare that he was not its actual head, that all powers seemed vested in Edward Young Clarke, head of the publicity bureau, and Mrs. Elizabeth Tyler, his assistant. The committee will put the imperial wizard on the stand probably tomorrow.

All of the evidence today was by witnesses demanding an inquiry and those who had conducted independent inquiries for the post office department and newspapers.

O. B. Williamson, a post office inspector, told of a seven day preliminary investigation at around the imperial palace at Atlanta. Mr. Williamson, who presented the news letter in evidence, declared they had been sent out to stimulate the drive for members at ten dollars a head. Asked by Chairman Campbell if any part of the funds collected by the Klan had been spent for the needy, the witness replied: "If you call Colonel Simmons needy then some thousands were spent for him, but none for charity. Colonel Simmons' salary is \$1,000 a month."

C. Anderson Wright, a former Klansman, who testified he quit the Klan after whether acts of violence committed by alleged Klansmen actually could be charged to them. He declared he had no knowledge of such affairs nor was he able to state whether members of congress belonged to the organization, but he added that Simmons had "openly boasted" of a congressional membership list.

Representative Gallivan, Boston, made a plea to the committee to consider his resolution providing for appointment of a joint committee of

### VICTORIA CROSS FOR "UNKNOWN HERO" OF U. S.

Britain Plans Unprecedented Honor at Time of Medal Presentation There.

London, Oct. 13.—Official London sources today announced that there is a disposition on the part of some American to feel that Great Britain has slighted the mission of Gen. John J. Pershing to lay the Congressional Medal of Honor on the grave of British "unknown warrior" at Westminster. It was explained here today that, far from being a slight, the British delay in officially inviting Pershing to London at this time was due to the desire to render an unprecedented honor to America's unknown hero at the same time the Congressional medal was conferred here. That unprecedented honor is the Victoria Cross.

Never since its institution has this decoration been given except for extraordinary gallantry by some British soldier on the field of battle, and in a manner beyond the requirements of duty—almost the same formula as the Congressional medal.

The news of Gen. Pershing's mission to bestow the Congressional medal on Great Britain's "unknown warrior" case here at a time when every official was away from London, both the King and the Prime Minister being in the Highlands of Scotland, and the entire Cabinet scattered. Parliament was not in session, and law officials held that the Victoria Cross could not be bestowed on America's "unknown warrior" without an act of Parliament.

Gen. Pershing has been appraised informally of this state of affairs, and it is understood here that he personally appreciates why an official invitation to come to London has not been forwarded to him. It was intimated here that British felt it would be better to officially ignore Gen. Pershing's presence in Europe at this time than to let him come to London with America's highest decoration for Great Britain's unknown hero.

It was said that if Parliament were sitting on October 15 it could not pass an authorization to bestow the Victoria Cross on the American "unknown warrior" and arrange for the ceremony before Gen. Pershing left for the United States, on October 20. Therefore it was decided that Major-Gen. Henry T. Allen, commanding the American forces on the Rhine, or some other high officer of the United States Army, should be sent to London to present the medal and hence to ascertain if members of congress were identified with the Ku Klux.

### MARINE NEWS

Arrived Thursday. Coastwise—Sch Henry H. Chamberlain, 204, Watson, New York.

Cleared Thursday. Sch Henry H. Chamberlain, 204, Watson, New York.

Sch Ada McIntyre sailed from this port for Campbellton Thursday morning.

Sch Whiteway was at Portland Sunday en route from St. John to New York.

Schooner in for Harbor. Sch Henry H. Chamberlain is in for harbor on passage from Parrsboro to New York with lumber.

At Noel, N. S. Sch Maid of Canada arrived at Noel, N. S., Monday, from St. John to load lumber for New York.

Sch Abbie C. Stubbs Cleared. Sch Abbie C. Stubbs cleared yesterday for New York with a cargo of spruce scumming and lathes shipped by Reid Bros., of Glasgow.

Loading Coal. Tern schooner Gertrude Parsons, Captain Morris, was at Port Amby this week loading bare coal for St. John; also the tern schooner Mary F. Anderson, Captain Harris Oxher, at Newark loading hard coal for Halifax.

To Lead Lathes. Tern schooner Charles F. Gordon, Captain Gordon Bowser, is due at Campbellton, N. B., from Yarmouth to load lathes for New York.

Changes On The Yarmouth-Boston Liners. During the past few days or since the very sudden death of Capt. Alvin Prince Arthur, several changes in the officers of the Prince ships has been made necessary. Capt. C. C. Hunter, who took the ships overseas when the Prince of Grand Manan Island, Charlotte County, N. B.

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