

U.S. RAILWAY STRIKE CALLED FOR OCTOBER 30 IS ABANDONED

"Could Not Fight the Government," Says Leader—Brotherhood Has Decided to Accept Wage Reduction of 12½ Per Cent.

A despatch from Chicago says: The railroad strike scheduled for Oct. 30 has been abandoned. Formal announcement was made at midnight on Thursday by the "Big Five" brotherhoods.

The announcement came after the question of recalling the strike order had been debated seven hours.

"We took the position that we could not fight the Government," L. G. Sheppard, president of the Order of Railroad Conductors said. "It appeared that the Government had thrown its full influence on the side of the railroads. The roads, very shrewdly, let the Government fight their battle. Our protest was against the railroads and not the Government, but since we could not reach the roads except through the Government, we knew it was best to declare the strike off."

At 9 o'clock on Friday morning executives of the "Big Five" stated they would send notice to railroad men throughout the country that there will be no strike.

The messages, it was said, have already been prepared in code form.

The resolution which the Brotherhood adopted, calling off the strike, is lengthy. It contains a long review of the negotiations with the railroads and the Federal Labor Board.

While no announcement has yet been made, it was said the Brotherhood had decided to accept the 12½ per cent. reduction of last July and would accept assurances of the Labor Board given some days ago, and repress for further wage reductions within a year.

Only fourteen of the general committee of some 300 men, it was said, had voted against adopting the resolution to recall the strike order.

U.S. Senate Rejects Bill to Refund War Debt

A despatch from Washington says:—The Senate rejected, without a record vote, an amendment to the Tax Revision Bill, directing the Secretary of the Treasury to immediately refund foreign loans and calling for the payment of interest by the Allied Governments after January 1, 1922.

The amendment was offered by Senator McKellar, Democrat, of Tennessee. It "directed" and "instructed" the Secretary of the Treasury to accept long-term bonds from the nations owing the United States \$11,000,000,000, for both the principal and unpaid interest up to January 1, 1922, in accordance with the Loan Acts of 1917 and 1918.

HOPES FOR GOOD RESULT OF PARLEY

Marshall Foch Voyaging to States to be Guest of American Legion.

A despatch from on Board the Steamship Paris says:—"God's providence won the war; I feel that the same providence will help settle after-the-war conditions, and that it will preside at the conference of nations at Washington," declared Marshal Foch on Thursday, adding with a smile, "A condition que nous soyons sages" (provided we are wise).

The Marshal is like a school boy on a vacation in his enjoyment and anticipation of his visit as the guest of the American Legion.

"I am enjoying every minute of my first sea voyage," he said. "The first real rest I have had since the beginning of the war."

The Marshal is proving an excellent sailor and was among the few passengers who stayed on deck, although the Paris was rolling so heavily that he had to cling to the ropes to keep on his feet. He broke his rule of dining privately to attend the dinner and concert for the benefit of the ship's seamen.

Passing often unrecognized in his tweed cap and black-caped coat, the famous soldier takes long promenades around the decks before and after each meal. He is extremely gallant and has visitors every afternoon. Most of his associates have been converted to smoking a pipe, having heeded the Marshal's tirades against cigars, "which distress you, hurt your head and are more dangerous than a pipe."

In speaking to the correspondent of the international situation as he sees it, the Marshal said: "Conditions in France are still very distressing, owing to the necessity of reconstruction and the tricks which the Germans employ to avoid fulfilling their promises. They are trying to escape responsibilities by evading their obligations."

"The Marshal is in perfect health for his trip through the United States," said Dr. Andre, the fighter's physician. "Moderation in everything

HUMAN LIFE MAY EXTEND 300 YEARS

Insurance Actuary Says Man in Switzerland Lived 335 Years.

A despatch from Chicago says:—George Bernard Shaw was not all wrong when, in his book, "Back to Methuselah," he prophesied a life of 300 years for man, according to John W. Barth. Mr. Barth, noted insurance actuary, addressed the convention of the National Association of Life Underwriters.

"Never laugh at prophecies," he said. "The human race had added 10 years to the length of life of the average man in the last fifty years. When I was a boy we laughed at the thought of a man flying; it is a fact. Let's not laugh at the idea of a man living to be 300 years old."



Roy M. Wolvin, President of the British Empire Steel Corporation, of which the Dominion Coal Company is a subsidiary, says that the miners must accept a reduction in wages, otherwise Nova Scotia coal mines may be forced to close down this winter.

Century of Peace Example to the World

A despatch from London says:—The century of perfect peace between the United States and Canada was cited as an example to the world by Viscount James Bryce at a luncheon in his honor by the English-speaking union. The disarmament agreement, affecting 3,000 miles of boundary between Canada and the United States, is an arrangement which should be made world-wide, he said.

Viscount Bryce was formally welcomed home after his recent lecture tour of the United States, Minister of Education Fisher, the United States Ambassador, George Harvey, and other prominent British and United States officials attended the luncheon.



AND THE CZAR IS THE CAUSE OF IT ALL
Lenine—"Let me explain; These people are victims of the Czarist regime, which got them into the habit of eating every day."

BIG ENTENTE OPPOSE DEMANDS OF LITTLE

Maintains That Little Entente is Not Justified in Claiming Indemnity.

A despatch from London says:—Extravagant indemnification demands which have been made on Hungary by the Little Entente—Czechoslovakia, Roumania and Jugo-Slavia—as the result of ex-Emperor Charles' latest attempt to regain the Hungarian throne, will be firmly opposed by the Big Entente—Britain, France and Italy. The Little Entente not only demands payment from Hungary for its mobilization expenses, but also insists on the right to occupy Burgenland as a guarantee against any further efforts to place a Hapsburg on the Hungarian throne.

Allied diplomatic representatives in the Little Entente countries have informally intimated the Allies' disapproval at the terms of the ultimatum to Hungary. When the full terms were officially conveyed to the Allied Governments, the Council of Ambassadors at Paris expected to send a formal protest to the Little Entente.

What is complicating the whole situation is Charles' refusal to abdicate. The Big Entente contends that the Hungarian Government has acted with great promptitude and correctness in the situation caused by the Emperor's second bid for his throne. It maintains that the Little Entente is not justified in claiming an indemnity from Hungary for mobilizations.

It is argued that had Hungary hesitated to seize Charles, or had she acted in an arbitrary manner, there might be justification for the claim for indemnification. The occupation of Burgenland is considered absolutely out of the question as a guarantee that no more Hapsburg attempts will be staged. Any such action might involve grave risks to the peace of Central Europe.

BEARER OF WREATH SAILS FOR THE STATES

To Lay British Tribute on Grave of Unknown Warrior.

A despatch from London says:—Mrs. McCudden, mother of the late Major McCudden, V.C., sailed from Liverpool on the Canadian liner Metagama on Saturday as the representative of the mothers of Britain to lay a wreath on the grave of America's unknown soldier on Armistice Day. Mrs. McCudden is accompanied by

AMERICA'S FIRST V.C. HERO TO BE HONORED BY CANADA'S OLDEST

A despatch from Toronto says:—The oldest living wearer of the Victoria Cross, Sergeant G. Richardson, of Toronto, will pay homage on behalf of the soldiers of the Dominion to the unknown American soldier upon whose tomb will be placed the highest honor that Britain pays for valor—the first occasion that the Cross has been bestowed on other than a British subject.

Sergeant Richardson will attend the burial services in the Arlington National Cemetery on November 11, and, on behalf of the Dominion of Canada, will place a wreath of maples at the foot of the massive shaft which is rising on the hills of Virginia, overlooking the National Capital of the United States, to mark the resting place of America's immortal.

The G.A.U.V. has appointed as its delegate Sergeant W. L. Rayfield, V.C., First Vice-President of the organization. It is expected that the other veteran bodies will also appoint members who are winners of the highest distinction for bravery in the British army to make up the escort.

her daughter, Catherine; J. K. Kersley, Chairman and Gordon Stuart, Secretary of the Pilgrim Fathers' Society. Mrs. McCudden said before leaving London: "I lost three sons in the war, so the mothers of America who also lost sons are sure to feel sympathy with me, just as they know how I grieve with them. We will sorrow together, for even the honor of representing the women of Britain at the grave of America's unknown soldier only makes my own suffering keener."

"Our sons have been taken from us, and we, their mothers, are left behind to suffer in remembering them."

Mrs. McCudden will go direct to New York from Montreal, and then to Washington.

Messrs. Kersley and Stuart are going to America to found a branch of the Pilgrim Fathers' Society.



Secretary to Britain's Premier Miss Stevenson, who will accompany Lloyd George to Washington. She has been with the Premier since he entered politics and climbed to the top of the ladder.

Yields 16 Bushels to Acre Alberta Wheat

A despatch from Edmonton, Alta., says:—An average yield of 16.19 bushels of spring wheat to the acre is indicated by threshers' reports that have been received from all parts of the Province by the Department of Agriculture.

The figures are not final, being based upon only a partial list of threshing returns, but are considered fairly representative of the Alberta crop area. The original estimate was 11 bushels.

The average for oats is placed at 28.37 bushels, and for barley 22.91 bushels.

Dominion News in Brief

Vancouver, B.C.—Several experimental lots of Canadian wheat are to go to Japan within the next few weeks. The total booked thus far is in the neighborhood of 1,200 tons. The interest shown in Japan and the Orient is especially pleasing to Canadian grain men as hitherto those eastern markets have been content with the soft wheat from American grain districts.

Edmonton, Alta.—A valley of almost pure iron lying on the shores of Lake Athabasca, with deep water right to the claims, has been discovered by N. C. Butterfield and his son, according to the Edmonton "Bulletin." Analysis of the claim shows that it is 64.36 pure iron, 150,000,000 tons have been measured off, while 5,000,000 tons, in the shape of loose blocks, are lying on the surface of the ground close to the lake, ready for shipment without any mining operations being necessary.

Regina, Sask.—A total of 471,072 pounds of wool from Saskatchewan farms have been forwarded to the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers' Association warehouse for sale this season. Wool is still being received at the central forwarding station here, and the total clip of the season from this province will probably reach 500,000 pounds.

Winnipeg, Man.—An exhibit of four 56-pound boxes of Manitoba butter was exhibited at the British Dairy Farmers' Association show, which opened in London, England, Oct. 13. It was made by the Crescent Pure Milk Co. of Winnipeg, and the Shoal Lake Creamery Co., of Shoal Lake, Man. Both these concerns have won many prizes at Canadian and American exhibitions.

Toronto, Ont.—Sub-treasury branches for receiving deposits on which four per cent. interest will be allowed, will be established by the Province of Ontario. These offices, in form of state banks, will be opened at an early date and an announcement concerning them, and the farm loan scheme, will shortly be made.

Montreal, Que.—The passing of a hundred years since the establishment of the McGill University was celebrated during the second week of

October by a re-union attended by nearly three thousand graduates, the unveiling of a war memorial to McGill's heroic dead, and the conferring of honorary degrees on notables of many countries. Representatives of many foreign seats of learning attended. The ceremonies were presided over by General Sir Arthur Currie, principal of McGill and former Canadian Corps Commander. Lord Byng of Vimy, Governor-General, presided, and E. W. Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, officiated as Chancellor. Among those on whom degrees were conferred were Sir Auckland Geddes, British Ambassador at Washington, the presidents of the universities of Yale, Harvard and Princeton, and Montreal, the Premier of Quebec, L. A. Taschereau, Bliss Carman, Canadian poet, and Lady Drummond.

Fredericton, N.B.—New Brunswick's midsummer season has extended into October this year, and many people were engaged last week in picking wild raspberries in the vicinity of the city. Violets and lilacs were also blooming generally.

Yarmouth, N.S.—The past two weeks have seen a tremendous quantity of apples shipped by way of Yarmouth to Boston and New York markets. Already some 31,000 barrels have been shipped. The crops are good this year and shipping to England will commence very shortly.

Charlottetown, P.E.I.—A number of cars of selected and graded seed potatoes have recently been purchased here by a representative of an influential farmers' organization in the New England States for seeding there. Prince Edward Island has made remarkable progress in developing a superior type of seed potato, readily marketable at good prices. One of the foremost potato growers on the Island is Mr. M. J. McQueen, who formerly raised potatoes in Maine for many years and became convinced that the Island soil and climate were even more adapted to their growth. He has successfully proved his contention with 85 acres planted to potatoes, which are sold almost entirely for seed.

The Leading Markets.

Toronto.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.18½; nominal; No. 2 Northern, \$1.16, nominal; No. 3, \$1.12, nominal. Manitoba oats—No. 2 CW, 48c; No. 3 CW, 45c; extra No. 1 feed, 45c; No. 2 feed, 40c.

Manitoba barley—No. 3 CW, 68c.

All the above, track, Bay ports.

American corn—No. 2 yellow, 58c, nominal, Bay ports.

Ontario oats—No. 2 white, 38 to 40c.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 Winter, per car lot, \$1 to \$1.05; No. 3 Winter, 97c to \$1.02; No. 1 commercial, 90 to 95c; No. 2 Spring, 93 to 98c; No. 3 Spring, nominal.

Barley—No. 3, extra, test 47 lbs. or better, 55 to 58c, according to freight outside.

Buckwheat—No. 2, 60 to 65c.

Rye—No. 2, 80c.

Manitoba flour—First patents, \$7.60; second patents, \$7.10, Toronto.

Ontario flour—\$5, bulk, seaboard.

Millfeed—Del., Montreal freight, bags included: Bran, per ton, \$19 to \$21; shorts, per ton, \$21 to \$23; good feed flour, \$1.70 to \$1.80.

Baled hay—Truck, Toronto, per ton, No. 2, \$22; mixed, \$18.

Cheese—New, large, 20 to 21c; twins, 20½ to 21½c; triplets, 22½ to 23c.

Old, large, 25 to 26c; twins, 25½ to 26½c; triplets, 26 to 27c; Stiltons, new, 23 to 24c.

Butter—Fresh dairy, choice, 33 to 35c; creamery, prints, fresh, No. 1, 42 to 43c; No. 2, 39 to 40c; cooking, 22 to 24c.

Dressed poultry—Spring chickens, 30c; roosters, 20c; fowl, 28c; ducklings, 30 to 35c; turkeys, 50 to 60c.

Live poultry—Spring chickens, 20 to 25c; roosters, 16c; fowl, 16 to 24c; ducklings, 25c; turkeys, 35c.

Margarine—23 to 25c.

Eggs—No. 1 storage, 45 to 46c; select, storage, 51 to 52c; new laid, straight, 60 to 62c; new laid, in cartons, 65c.

Beans—Can. hand-picked, bushel, \$4 to \$4.25; primes, \$3.50 to \$3.75.

Maple products—Syrup, per imp. gal., \$2.50; pe r 5 imp. gals., \$2.35.

Maple sugar, lb., 19 to 22c.

Honey—60-30-lb. tins, 14½ to 15c per lb.; 5-2½-lb. tins, 16 to 17c per lb.; Ontario comb honey, per doz., \$3.75 to \$4.50.

Smoked meats—Hams, med., 29 to 31c; heavy, 22 to 24c; cooked, 44 to 48c; rolls, 27 to 28c; cottage rolls, 29 to 30c; breakfast bacon, 27 to 33c;

special brand breakfast bacon, 38 to 40c; backs, boneless, 40 to 44c. Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 18 to 20c; clear bellies, 18½ to 20½c. Lard—Pure, tierces, 16½ to 17c; prints, 19½ to 20½c. Shortening, tierces, 13 to 13½c; tubs, 13½ to 14c; pails, 14 to 14½c; prints, 16 to 16½c. Choice heavy steers, \$5 to \$7.25; butcher steers, choice, \$5 to \$6.25; do, good, \$5.50 to \$6; do, med., \$4 to \$5; do, com., \$2.50 to \$3.50; butcher heifers, choice, \$5.50 to \$6; do, cows, choice, \$4 to \$4.75; do, med., \$3 to \$4; canners and cutters, \$1.50 to \$2.50; butcher bulls, good, \$3.50 to \$4; do, com., \$2.50 to \$3.50; feeders, good, 900 lbs., \$5 to \$5.50; do, fair, \$4.50 to \$5; stockers, good, \$4 to \$4.50; do, fair, \$3 to \$4; milkers, \$60 to \$80; springers, \$70 to \$90; calves, choice, \$10 to \$12; do, med., \$8 to \$10; do, com., \$3 to \$7; lambs, good, \$8.25 to \$8.50; do, com., \$5 to \$5.50; sheep, choice, \$4 to \$4.50; do, good, \$3.50 to \$4; do, heavy and bucks, \$2 to \$3; hogs, fed and watered, \$8.50 to \$8.75; do, off cars, \$8.75 to \$9; do, f.o.b., \$7.75 to \$8; do, country points, \$7.50 to \$7.75.

Montreal. Oats, Can. west, No. 2, 54 to 54½c; do, No. 3, 53 to 53½c. Flour, Man. Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$7.60. Rolled oats, bag 90 lbs., \$2.90 to \$3. Bran, \$21.25. Shorts, \$23.25. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$27 to \$28. Cheese, finest easterns, 14½ to 15c. Butter, choicest creamery, 38 to 38½c. Eggs, selected, 48c. Cattle, med. to com., \$1.25 to \$4; tops, \$10; grassers, \$2.50 to \$3.50; good grass calves, to \$4; good lambs, \$8; med., \$7 to \$7.50; hogs, \$9.

Crowned Bliss Carman as Dean of Canadian Poets

A despatch from Montreal says:—Bliss Carman was crowned with a wreath of laurels and maple leaves on Friday night as Canada's major poet at a function held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, under the auspices of the Canadian Authors' Association. The crowning was accomplished by a chorus of school children to the song accompaniment of one of Bliss Carman's poems, "The Dance of the Maple Leaves."

The Ganges, India's most important river, is 1,567 miles long, and is navigable for a distance of 850 miles from the sea.

