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Demand That Fiume Be Made Italian City

Resolution Adopted by Italian Chamber of Deputies

Debate Marked by Free Fight and Duels Will Follow—American Sailors Gain Foothold on Dalmatian Coast

Paris, Sept. 29.—A resolution demanding that Fiume be made an Italian city has been passed by the Italian chamber of deputies, according to information received by the Italian delegation here.

Rome, Sept. 28.—Debate in the chamber of deputies was interrupted today by a free fight which lasted ten minutes and in which about 100 deputies participated.

The opinion is expressed in some quarters that the cabinet, as a result of the riotous incident, may decide to resign rather than plunge the country into a struggle during the general election. It is asserted the fight in the chamber indicates what would occur in the country.

The correct figures for the vote of confidence given the cabinet was 206 to 148 instead of 208 to 140, as at first reported.

The chamber adjourned tonight until Wednesday, when it will decide whether a vote shall be taken on the question of discussing the peace.

In consequence of the fight in the chamber several duels were announced between deputies and journalists, and between deputies.

Premier Nitti, who had left the government benches, returned to his place when the disturbance had somewhat subsided. He was greeted with warm applause.

Paris, Sept. 29.—(Havas)—During the session of the Italian chamber of deputies in Rome yesterday a considerable number of troops was concentrated around the centre of the city and on the main streets leading to the railway station.

The correspondent of Le Journal, The correspondent adds that the city may be said to be under martial law.

Washington, Sept. 27.—A force of American sailors from the cruiser Olympia sailed at Trau, on the lower Dalmatian coast, on Sept. 26, according to cables announced today.

Without bloodshed, the Americans gained possession of the city which previously had been occupied by a force of Italians.

SWEET-BYRES.
At the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Byers, Lorneville, on Saturday afternoon a pretty wedding took place, when the bride, Miss Edith R. Byers, was united in marriage to Arthur Jarvis Sweet, son of Mrs. C. A. Sweet of Manville.

The ceremony in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends. The bride and groom stood beneath an arch of maple leaves and lilies of the valley. The bride, who was given away by her father, was prettily attired in blue with white trimmings and carried a bouquet of bridal roses.

Following the ceremony, supper was served, after which the bridal party motored to the city in the car of Mr. and Mrs. C. Mawhinney of Mac's Bay, and Mr. and Mrs. Sweet left on a wedding trip to the New England coast, where the bride will be going away costume was navy blue with hat to match, and fox fur. Many valuable wedding gifts were received.

Among the out of town affiliates were Mrs. E. T. Clark of Dipper Harbor.

ACCETYLENE PLANTS
Peter Campbell, of P. Campbell & Co., interviewed this morning with regard to the dangers from acetylene plants, such as that which destroyed the home of Father O'Brien in Norton yesterday, said that he had a knowledge of the plant which Father O'Brien had been using. A short time ago the priest wrote to him to say that the generator was out of order, the cylinder allowing the carbide to flow too freely into the water and he was sending the cylinder for repairs.

Only a few days ago he got another letter from Father O'Brien stating that he had found the defect and thought he had remedied it. The machine, Mr. Campbell said, was rather antiquated one, having been built by a man who lived in Hampton some years ago, and was not equipped with the same safety devices as the modern generators. Those who had up-to-date machines, he said, should have no fear of danger from them.

HOME FROM CONGRESS.
George Melvin returned home today after having been in attendance at the Industrial Conference in Ottawa and also at the Trades and Labor Congress in Hamilton. He was a delegate from the New Brunswick Federation of Labor. Mr. Melvin said that both gatherings had been successful and their sessions filled with interest. A matter of more or less local interest discussed at the T. and L. Congress was the affiliation of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees with the International Brotherhood of Railway Clerks and Freight Handlers. This subject was left with the executive to see if an agreement for their being combined could be reached. There were nearly 1,000 delegates at the convention from all parts of Canada, and Mr. Melvin said that they had been well entertained during their stay. They will meet next year in Windsor, Ont.

CAPTAIN MELANSON HOME
The S. S. Royal George arrived at Halifax this morning from Liverpool with a number of Canadian soldiers and civilians. Among the officers on board was Captain J. L. Melanson of Shelburne, N. B.

The Gazette of Posen of Warsaw says it has proof that the Germans are preparing for "D'Annunzio" more against Danzig.

"REPUBLIC NOT GOD'S COURSE FOR SOUTH AFRICA"

Premier Smuts Appeal For Abandonment of Movement

WOULD BE FATAL TO BOERS

Free in the British Empire—Could Not Change the Constitution Without Blood and Tears—An Eloquent Speech

Cape Town, Sept. 29.—(Reuters)—Speaking at Carnarvon, Premier Smuts strongly appealed for the abandonment of the republican movement. He pointed out that he had fought to the bitter end for the Transvaal republic, but at Vereeniging he and other Boer leaders recognized that the course of a republic was not God's course for South Africa, and must result in the tearing asunder of various sections of the white population.

He was deeply convinced that a republic in the future, however glorious it might appear to be, would be equally as fatal as in the past, when no single nation put a hand to help the Boer republic.

General Smuts said his view of the British Empire was an alliance of which the king was the bond. Under this alliance we keep together, protect and help each other, financially, with advice and otherwise, each according to his own light. That is the right conception and the one which triumphed in the councils at Paris. You do not need to have a republic to be free. You are free in the British Empire. (Cheers.)

"It was said if we are a free people we are allowed to secede," but General Smuts maintained that the constitution which was framed by their wisest leaders did not allow them to secede. Moreover, General Smuts said he felt they could not change the constitution without blood and tears. They could only change the king for a republic by revolution.

South Africa would then be a ruined country. The Afrikaans people must again come off worst. "Do not let us run after delusions," he appealed, saying it seemed to him that the nationalist leaders were still animated by the spirit which he deplored. But that did not deter him from doing his utmost to revive the spirit which had brought about the union.

Canon Carnegie on Church in Politics
(Special to Times)
Boston, Sept. 29.—Rev. W. H. Carnegie, canon of Westminster Abbey and rector of St. Margaret's church, London, preaching at Trinity church yesterday morning urged a more active participation by the church in politics and declared that if those connected with the church did more to build up a righteous spirit in the community much of the present day political and social unrest would be done away with.

Mr. Carnegie is in the country and endeavoring to bring the religious factions of England and America into relationship.

Mr. Carnegie, who accompanies him is the widow of Joseph Chamberlain, who was leader of the Unionist party in England, and is a daughter of the late William C. Endicott of Salem, who was secretary of war in the cabinet of President Cleveland.

PROMINENT MASON IS DEAD IN BOSTON
(Special to Times)
Boston, Sept. 29.—By the death of Hon. Charles T. Gallagher of Roxbury last night only three active members from Massachusetts are left in the supreme council 38th degree northern jurisdiction Scottish Rite. He was known to prominent Masons in New Brunswick and had often visited in summer. He was Grand Master of Grand Lodge three terms and a member of St. George's Commandery, R. T., 1851. He was born in this city, was a Dartmouth graduate and was formerly in the state senate. He was connected with several leading social clubs served for twelve years on the school board, was twice nominated for congress as a republican and was organized the mayoralty nomination by both parties and was counsel for many organizations.

STRIKE HAS LITTLE EFFECT
New York, Sept. 29.—(Wall Street)—The critical period in the steel strike exerted little adverse effect on industrial shares at the opening of today's stock market, aside from a moderate decline in United States Steel, the general list showing marked strength. Crucible Steel was again the leader, advancing three points to the new high record of 218, from which it soon reacted four points, followed by a partial rally. Bethlehem Steel yielded three points at the opening but rebounded almost immediately.

Shipments, rails, motors, tobacco, and sugars were higher by one to six points. Profit taking caused the usual irregularity before the end of the first half hour.

As Hiram Sees It

MEMORIAL TO THE HONORED DEAD

Splendid Monument Erected by I. O. E. in Fernhill Cemetery to be Unveiled Tomorrow by Lt.-Gov. Pugsley

Tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock Lieutenant-Governor Pugsley will unveil in Fernhill cemetery the monument which has been erected in the Field of Honor plot by the Municipal Chapter, I. O. E., in memory of the sailors and soldiers who lie buried there.

The monument is a splendid piece of work all done locally, and will be a fitting memorial to the men over whose heads it stands. It consists of three bases and is placed on a sub-base of concrete. The monument itself is of grey granite from the Spoon Island quarries, finished in the rough with the letters in the inscription polished. The sub-base is seven feet deep, the top face being twelve by nine feet.

The inscription on the face of the die reads:—
Our Honored Dead,
Erected by
The Imperial Order
Daughters of the Empire,
St. John,
In Memory of
The Sailors and Soldiers
Buried in This Plot.
For King and Country.

On the head of the die is a bronze panel bearing the crest of the I. O. E. E. in bold relief; on the right front of the panel is a scroll with the motto: "showing a battle cruiser and a similar plate on the left front depicts a battle scene with a soldier firing from the cover of a trench parapet, while in the distance is seen a field gun in action. In the centre of the same base is a bronze panel with two sprays of laurel leaves. The panel is supported on each side by a buttress.

MAY CUT LUMBER ON CITY LOTS
The common council met this morning in committee with the mayor and all the commissioners, except Mr. Thompson, present.

Proposals for 10,000 feet of granite curbing were opened. B. Mooney & Sons quoted \$188 per lineal foot for straight curbing and \$210 for curved; S. B. and \$210 delivered. Figures submitted by the Granite Street Paving and Construction Co. were \$90 and \$100 and the tenders were referred to the commissioner of public works who observed that the figures were higher than those of the last contract awarded. The tenders were referred to the commissioner of public works.

On motion of Mr. Bullock, it was decided to sell the lot known as Lot 4, block six, in Mawganawag road to W. C. R. Bullock also moved that the government be indemnified against damage done while dredging at the city wharves in the harbor. This was carried.

Mr. Bullock said there was some property at Grand Bay owned by the city on which all the lumber and material had been piled and he moved that the land be cruised to ascertain what lumber would be available.

Mr. Jones said that there was also a lot of land in the eastern end of the county belonging to the city on which their was considerable lumber still standing but he was not prepared to recommend the expense of crusing it at present.

Mr. Bullock's motion was carried.

CONDENSED NEWS
It is rumored in Coblenz that an independent republic has been declared in Alsace. Nothing has been heard in Paris of the rumor.

The famous Skoda arms and ammunition works near Pilsen, have been nationalized. A new council has been named to conduct the works comprised of the strike of railway workers there.

Romanian troops have seized a big German biplane carrying three hundred million paper notes and a miniature, but complete, printing press at Hotin, Besarabia. The biplane was enroute to Moscow. It was manned by four German officers.

A Russian general, who had made his way out of the country into Finland, reports that Germans are playing an important part in the Bolshevik operations in the regions of Petrograd and Moscow, which cities, he says, are in direct communication with Berlin.

The note sent by the Allied powers to the German government concerning the evacuation of the Baltic provinces, says the evacuation must begin immediately and continue uninterrupted.

The Serbian frontier has been ordered closed for a period of thirteen days, according to a despatch from Trieste.

All sailings from United States ports to ports in Great Britain have been cancelled by the shipping board, because of the strike of railway workers there.

The Australian house of representatives has passed the so-called Nauru arrangement providing that the control of the former German islands in the Pacific, south of the equator, shall pass to Australia, and New Zealand and those north of the equator to Japan.

An official return just issued shows that British warships lost during the war numbered 254, including thirteen battleships, three battle cruisers, thirteen cruisers, six light cruisers, sixty-four destroyers and fifty-four submarines. Auxiliaries lost during the war totalled 815, including 244 colliers and 246 trawlers.

NEGROES CREATE NEW PROBLEM IN BOSTON

LOCAL NEWS

TO OPEN BRANCH

A branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia is to be opened in the near future at Halifax, N. B. Preliminary work has been secured for the purpose. The appointment of a manager for the new branch has not yet been made.

MAKING GOOD PROGRESS
R. W. Lee, who has the contract for the removal of the flooring and stringers on the cross wharf at the head of Hook, says that the work is making good progress. He has already removed all the covering on the wharf and a number of new stringers. The job will be completed in about two weeks.

MISSION FOR MEN
In St. Peter's church last evening a renewal of the mission for men given a year ago was opened with services conducted by Rev. Father O'Brien, C.S.B., and an eloquent sermon by Rev. A. McBratney, C.S.B., a former North End young man who served for ten years in the military.

ST. JOHN BOWLERS WON.
A quintette of bowlers representing Black's alley played a pickle team in Frederick Street evening and vanquished them by a total of 1368 to 1360. The game was played on the Palace alley. Considering that it was the first of the season the scores were creditable and if they continue to improve it augurs well for a very successful season.

PLANNING NEW DWELLINGS
Armstrong & Bruce, who are planning the building of three double row cottages in Mount Pleasant court, situated on the southern side of Mount Pleasant avenue, have applied to the city for the extension of water and sewerage mains to that point. They say that the creation of buildings depends on the extension.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
In the coming elections in the county much interest is being evinced in the different parishes. In St. Martins it is regarded as likely that ex-Councillors Jas. Black and Edward Howard will run again, while of the present councillors Mr. Beadle and Mr. Bowland are uncertain, but probably will run, and Mr. Howard has announced his willingness to offer again.

A POPULAR SPOT
A barn off Charlotte street seems to be a popular rendezvous for victims of bootleggers to dispose of their costly purchases of this kind. About nine o'clock Inspector Merryfield and Policeman Dykeman picked up three men drunk and with liquor in their possession in this barn, and at two o'clock this morning, in company with Policeman Godwin they picked up two more in the same place, who also had liquor in their possession. No charges were laid yet against these men for having liquor illegally, but they were before the court this morning charged with drunkenness.

JOHN SMITH DEAD
The many friends of John Smith in Hampton and vicinity will regret to hear of his death at the age of seventy-one years, which occurred at his home in Hampton suddenly on Saturday. Mr. Smith was a foreman on the construction work during the building of the Western Union Telegraph line between St. John, Halifax and Sydney, and was superannuated ten years ago, since then making his home in Hampton. He was well known in this city and had a host of friends here who will be very sorry to hear of his death. He leaves two sisters, Mrs. W. Griffin, and Miss Alice Smith, and one brother, Sylvester, all of whom live with him at home, and one brother, Thomas, also of Hampton. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved ones. The funeral will take place Tuesday morning from St. Alphonsus' church, where requiem high mass will be celebrated.

Well Known Marksman Dead
Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 28.—The death occurred here at the general hospital of Sergeant-Major J. Morley, formerly of Winnipeg, where he was connected with the 90th Rifles. He was one of the best shots in Canada and had been at Bielew several times. He died from pneumonia.

PHILAS and Ferdinand WEATHER REPORT
Issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—A moderate disturbance is passing over the lake region causing showers in western and northern Ontario. The weather has been mostly fair with moderate temperature from the Ottawa Valley eastward and quite cool with local snow flurries in the west.

Fair
Maritime—Moderate winds, fair today and most of Tuesday, not much change in temperature.

New England—Cloudy tonight and Tuesday, probably rain; warmer tonight, increasing southwest winds.

Situation in Britain Shows Improvement

Distribution of Food Being Carried Out Without Friction, With Volunteer Help—Motor Busses Bring Food to London—Cabinet Members in Conference Today

London, Sept. 29.—Improvement in the situation created by the general strike on the British railways was announced in official quarters this morning. The distribution of food was being carried out without friction and volunteer help was being freely offered, it was stated.

The official statement from Downing street reads:—
"The general strike situation is improving, the government measures are working satisfactorily. Food distribution is proceeding smoothly and offers of voluntary assistance are still pouring in."

Premier Lloyd George, Sir Auckland Geddes, the minister of national service and reconstruction, and Sir Robert Horne, the minister of labor, were in conference throughout the forenoon today, while the strike committees were also in constant session.

James Henry Thomas, the secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, declared at noon there were no new features in the situation.

100,000 Miners Idle
London, Sept. 29.—One hundred thousand miners are idle in the South West coal fields as a result of the railroad strike. Many collieries are closing down, and the Swansea Harbor trade is paralyzed.

Railroads running out of London will attempt to operate trains on skeleton schedules today, according to an announcement. It is hoped thus to cope with the strike situation which brought about an almost total suspension of traffic yesterday in this city and which has virtually paralyzed all English roads.

Ninety per cent of the railway workers in Scotland are idle, but a few trains were running there on Sunday for the carrying of passengers and perishable goods. Reports state these trains were operated by union men who were desirous of getting to their homes, and that these men have nearly all joined those who obeyed the first call from the National Union of Railwaymen. Irish roads are not as yet involved in the strike, but the men there have been instructed by union leaders to hold themselves in readiness to walk out at any moment.

Concern is felt over the possibility of the strike spreading to the miners and transport workers' unions, which are affiliated with the National Union of Railwaymen.

James Henry Thomas, leader of the railroad workers, said yesterday he would ask the assistance of the "triple alliance" only in case he "cannot fight the railroad situation alone."

Miners Out Automatically
Robert Sullive, leader of the miners' union, speaking at Glasgow last night, said that, because of the fact that the mines and railroads are so closely related, ninety per cent of the coal diggers of the country would be idle in a days. This could automatically bring about strike conditions without an actual order being sent out. Mr. Sullive advised members of the union to be calm and to conduct a "passive campaign."

London is being fed by means of motor lorries, which bring milk and other foodstuffs to the city. The government has appealed to the people to economize as much as possible in petrol, fuel and food.

Miss Eleanor Hopwood has been placed in charge of food distribution in this city.

Air Craft Missing
Havre, Sept. 29.—A British hydro-airplane, with three passengers who missed the Channel boat on account of the strike in England, became separated from the two other machines in a snow squall over the channel last night and arrived here this morning. The fate of the other machines is unknown.

Aerial Mail Service
Paris, Sept. 29.—Commencing at noon today a daily aerial mail service will be operated between Paris and London. This will be inaugurated because of the British railway strike, which has interrupted mail service by sea. The mail airplane mail service has been operated between the two cities three times per week up to the present.

Say Strike Doomed to Failure.
London, Sept. 29.—Some of the morning papers today express great confidence that the railway strike is doomed to failure. The Daily Mail is one of these. It justifies its prediction by saying that the strike leaders have greatly underrated the magnitude of the government's preparations to maintain the food supply. It adds that the rank and file of the railway men have not got their heart in the strike, while another factor of decisive importance is that "the public is dead against the strike."

THE TIME TANGLE.
It looks as though the city were going to indulge in the same kind of a tangle getting re-established on standard time that it experienced when hesitatingly taking the daylight saving arrangement to its bosom. The clock on the observatory tower in Douglas avenue is already telling the truth while the civic departments are making the change on the first day of October. The railways, it is believed, will not revert to the old standard until Nov. 2 and it seems to be the impression of the business people that their best policy will be to follow the lead of the transportation companies.

WILL SPEAK IN MONCTON
S. B. Bustin, K. C. of this city will give an illustrated lecture on "Temperance" at the school room of the Wesley Memorial Church, Moncton, this evening, under the auspices of Moncton Division No. 183 Sons of Temperance. The mayor will preside.

perford occupied, while it is also understood the strike has prevented removal of ore from the docks. The anchored ship, ore awaiting orders from their owners.

NO SIGN OF WEAKENING ON EITHER SIDE

Second Week of Steel Workers Strike Opens

BOTH CLAIM ADVANTAGE

Employers Trying to Operate Plants Full-Handed While Strike Leaders Seek Additional Recruits—Bethlehem Plant Little Affected

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 29.—The opening of the second week of the steel workers' strike in the Pittsburg district was marked today by efforts of employers to operate plants full handed, and an intensive campaign by a large force of union organizers to extend the walk-out to include the men who have remained at work.

While early reports did not indicate to what degree of success either side met, it is known that many workers voted last week to return to work today and resume their duties, and the employers viewed the situation with optimism.

From strike headquarters came the statement that with the additional organizers brought into the field during the last few days there would be very few desertions and a large number of additions of the strikers ranks.

Strike leaders watched with interest developments in the walk-out of Bethlehem Steel Company employees which went into effect today. They expected that this strike would tie up all Bethlehem plants.

Meetings of strikers were held throughout Allegheny county yesterday under supervision of the sheriff. Deputies attended the gatherings. No outbreaks were reported. The success of the Sunday meetings prompted strike leaders to announce that many such gatherings would be held in the county this week.

A Test of Strength
Chicago, Sept. 29.—A test of strength between steel mills and striking workmen was expected to develop today throughout the Chicago district, following an announcement that an attempt would be made to put in operation the number of plants which were closed.

Union leaders put out many additional pickets early in the day with instructions to endeavor to prevent the return of men to the mills.

Chiefs of police and sheriffs in districts where steel mills are located ordered out reserve officers and placed them at points where they believed clashes might take place between strikers and men who attempted to return to the mills.

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