

CHILEAN HURRICANE CAUSES \$200,000,000 DAMAGE

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FOOD RIOTS AND STRIKE DISORDERS PREVAIL IN ITALY

HEARST PROMISES RELEASE OF VETERANS TO CELEBRATE PEACE

EIGHTY-SEVEN ARE DROWNED IN HURRICANE THAT SWEEPS OVER PORT OF VALPARAISO

Damage Amounting To \$200,000,000 Caused by Storm That Hits Chilean Metropolis—1,000,000 Sheep and 100,000 Cattle Drowned in the Argentine Floods.

Valparaiso, Chile, July 15.—Eighty-seven persons are known to have been drowned, and the loss of life may have been much greater in a hurricane which swept this port Saturday and Sunday. Fourteen vessels of various sizes were sunk and about a hundred lighters and other small craft were destroyed. The property loss is estimated at \$200,000,000.

ARGENTINE FLOODS DROWN THOUSANDS OF SHEEP AND CATTLE

Buenos Aires, July 14.—Government reports show that 1,000,000 sheep and 100,000 cattle have been drowned in floods in the southern part of Buenos Aires Province. The railways and telegraphic communications have been interrupted and several sections in that region have been completely isolated for more than a week from the outside world. The floods were due to a month of the heaviest rainfall ever recorded here.

Over on the Chilean side of Argentina there have been further heavy snowfalls along the trans-Andean railway, causing new damage to the line. At one point the debris on the tracks has accumulated to a depth of fifty yards. The snow in this region has been more or less continuous for a month, and in some places is more than 26 feet deep.

400 SHIPS TIED UP AT NEW YORK AS RESULT OF STRIKE

15,000 Marine Workers in Walkout At Atlantic Port.

MAY BECOME GENERAL

Walkout May Extend To All Atlantic Ports.

New York, July 15.—The demands of the striking marine workers at this and other Atlantic ports for union recognition today continued to be the principal stumbling block in the way of settlement of the walkout which late yesterday affected vessels operated by the United States Shipping Board. The spread of the strike to the Government controlled boats resulted from a refusal of shipping board officials to grant the seamen's demands for three shifts of eight hours each at \$4.00 and preference to union members. Further efforts to end the strike were resumed here today, but union leaders predicted that unless the men's demands were met in full, there was little chance of an agreement.

Oscar Carlson, secretary of the firemen's organization, and spokesman for the union officials, estimated that 400 ships were tied up in this port and that 15,000 men were out here. He predicted that the strike would become general within three days at all Atlantic ports.

C. N. R. MAY COME UNDER SUPERVISION DISTRICT MANAGERS

Rumor To That Effect Being Circulated in Maritime Provinces.

Moncton, N. B., July 15.—It is persistently rumored here that the Canadian National Railway System is to be divided into districts, with a general manager over each district, with full authority to deal with all questions arising within his jurisdiction.

What's Doing Tonight?

THEATRES.
Majestic—William S. Hart, in "Square Deal Sanderson," and vaudeville.
Grand-Mitchell Lewis, in "The Code of the Yukon," and vaudeville.
Patricia—Kitty Gordon in "Adele," and vaudeville.
OTHER EVENTS.
London Royal Arch Chapter—Meets in Masonic Hall at 7:45 p.m.
Army and Navy Veterans—Meets at 64 Dundas street at 7:30 p.m.
Candy and Biscuit Workers' Union, Local 294—Meets in Duffield Hall at 7:30 p.m.

SEVERAL KILLED IN DISORDERS IN ITALIAN CITIES

Two Anarchists Slain in Fight With Officials.

STRIKE IN SICILY

People Force Dealers To Reduce Prices of Foodstuffs.

Rome, July 15.—Strike disorders occurred at various places in Italy today. At Lucera eight persons were killed and thirty wounded. Near Genoa two anarchists were killed in a fight with carabinieri.

The engagement with the anarchists, which occurred at Sestri Ponente, four miles west of Genoa, also resulted in the arrest of four anarchists.

A general strike began at Caltanissetta, Sicily. The people there marched through the streets crying, "Vive Soviet," and forced dealers in foodstuffs and other necessities to reduce their prices 30 per cent.

GOVERNMENT READY TO PRESERVE ORDER IN CASE OF STRIKE

Rome, Monday, July 14.—The Italian Government, Premier Nitti announced in the Chamber of Deputies today, has taken ample measures to preserve order in the event of a general strike throughout the country. Troops, he said, have been distributed everywhere in cities and villages, and in the country, and they were provided with supplies for more than 48 hours in case they should be cut off from their bases.

There is no reason for a general strike in Italy, the premier continued. The government does not want bloodshed, and will do its utmost to prevent it. The government will maintain communications with every part of the kingdom is assured, however, in case of trouble.

BRITAIN'S LARGEST DIRIGIBLE ABLE TO CRUISE 16,000 MILES

Mammoth Airship Now Reported To Be Under Construction.

DOUBLE SIZE OF R-34

Giant Balloon Will Have Lifting Capacity of 100 Tons.

Washington, July 15.—Word has reached the air experts of the American Government that the British Government has begun the construction of the largest dirigible that has yet been built in the world, one that will carry an equipment of six airplanes for its own protection against heavier-than-air craft. This dirigible and the two hangars to be built for it will cost nine million, according to the information reaching military men here. It will have a capacity of ten million cubic feet, will be 1,100 feet long, 137 feet in diameter, and capable of lifting 100 tons, which would be more than double the lifting capacity of the R-34, which has just made a round trip voyage across the Atlantic. The cruising radius of the new dirigible is given as 16,000 miles, and it could, it is claimed, easily undertake the voyage from England to Australia.

SENATE COMMITTEE NOT TO HEAR WILSON ON THE PEACE TREATY

Majority of Members Hostile to Such a Plan.

Washington, July 15.—Indications that President Wilson would not be asked to appear before the Senate for certain committees for discussion of the peace treaty were said today to have been received in administration quarters.

High administration officials intimated they had been informed by some members of the committee that the majority of that body seemed hostile to suggestions that the president be asked to appear, or that the committee confer as a body with him at the White House.

FOREST FIRE IS STILL RAGING IN CENTRAL IDAHO

May Prove as Destructive as Conflagration of 1910.

Boise, Idaho, July 15.—The forest fire which has been raging for three weeks in the Yellow Pine district of the Thundervolcano section in Central Idaho, threatens to equal in destruction the great fires which swept Western Montana and Northern Idaho in 1910, when a great loss of life resulted, according to the local forestry service.

The fire has burned out six square miles of timber, and has done serious damage over an equal area. One hundred and twenty-five million feet of lumber was an estimate made today by forestry officials of the loss so far.

BERNE OPERATORS ON STRIKE
Berne, Monday, July 14.—No news of the operators in Switzerland today owing to the strike of the operators on typesetting machines, who are demanding a 45-hour week.

SIGN VS. COUNTERSIGN



Advertiser Illustration. If the Huns can scuttle their ships they can scuttle their pledged word.

FIRST AND MOST SACRED DUTY OF VETERANS TO FULFILL OBLIGATION TO COMRADES RESTING IN FRANCE

So President Tells G. W. V. A. At Convention—Resolutions Call For Taxation of Victory Bonds When Held in Excess of \$10,000 and For the Attachment of Moneys Raised For Patriotic Purposes Except by Red Cross and Patriotic Fund.

"Now that peace is here—now that the conflict is won, what is to be the part which we as an association shall play in the affairs of this country and in the affairs of the world?" asked the president at the national convention of the Great War Veterans of America, which was held at Vancouver recently, and from which Secretary J. F. Cunningham, G. W. V. A., has returned. "Our aims and our objects are many, but they may be summed up under a few heads," he said.

"First, and the most sacred one, is to fulfill our obligation to those comrades who are resting on the breast of France and Flanders—those brave souls whose passing we have not yet seen. We must be sure that their loved ones at home would be our first thought and our first duty. We must be sure that those whose duty it is, and who have the duty, shall carry out that responsibility to the letter."

"Second, we must fulfill in the same way, and other ways, if necessary, our obligations to our maimed and helpless comrades and their dependents, and in this connection I want to impress upon your minds the sacredness of the money which we have raised. We must be sure that these two obligations will be carried out to a very high standard, before we entertain the thought of seeking any considerations in regard to our own personal welfare."

"Again, but not the least, we desire to bring about a satisfactory rehabilitation of the disabled. We must be sure that we are taking the place in the community which we are entitled to."

VETERANS MAIMED IN GREAT WAR WILL BE ADMITTED TO ORDER

Motion To Amend Masonic Constitution With Reference to Physical Fitness.

Toronto, July 15.—In preparation for the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, which is to be held here tomorrow and Thursday, the various reports presented to the board of general purposes were further discussed today. Tomorrow afternoon they will be submitted to the grand lodge. On Wednesday morning, the grand master, M. W. Bro. William Hugh Wardrop, K. C., of Hamilton, will deliver his address, which is expected to prove unusually interesting.

He has just returned from England, where he attended the great Masonic conference. The election of officers takes place tomorrow morning, and a concert in the temple auditorium Wednesday evening.

Among the dozen or more notices of motion to amend the constitution is one providing that the required qualifications of physical fitness for membership in the craft shall not apply to veterans maimed in the great war.

ITALIAN PREMIER'S GOVERNMENT GETS VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Rome, July 15.—The Government of Premier Nitti, which took office a week ago, tonight received a vote of confidence in the Chamber of Deputies. The vote passed by 257 to 111.

ADVERTISER, BY ONTARIO PREMIER PROMISES PRINTING STORY, HELPS RELEASE THESE VETERANS OF JAIL FOR CELEBRATION

Agitation To Get Them Out For Peace Day Started Here.

IDEA PROVED POPULAR

And Premier Hearst Has Promised That Government Will Act.

Sir William Hearst, premier of Ontario, has announced that all veterans imprisoned in the county jails throughout the province for breaches of the Ontario temperance act, will be released in the peace celebrations to be held on Saturday, July 19. This announcement comes as a direct result of a tremendous agitation throughout the Dominion, taken up by the Army and Navy Veterans, the Great War Veterans, and Mayor C. R. Somerville, with the local city council, along with the majority of Canadian citizens.

The proposal to release the returned soldiers to celebrate the peace was given they fought and shed blood for, originated in the columns of The Advertiser, as a result of a conversation between an advertiser reporter, and returned soldier prisoners incarcerated in the county jails here.

The idea was taken up all over Canada, following its publication in The Advertiser recently, and the press and various organizations Dominion-wide, put their shoulders to the wheel advocating the release of these unfortunate heroes with the above happy result.

At recent meetings of the local Great War Veterans and the Army and Navy Veterans, the former association urged that these soldier comrades be given their freedom to celebrate, while the latter organization passed a resolution refusing to participate in any peace celebration here unless the men were pardoned. The city council directed Mayor C. R. Somerville, assisted by the city solicitor, to make representations to the powers that be at Ottawa for the release of the soldier prisoners.

At the first point gained in the agitation involves only those offenders under the jurisdiction of the Ontario laws. How, even, it is hoped that Premier Hearst has set a precedent which will be followed in the release of the men who are working—the upbuilding of a great Canadian nation. Let us show a Canada—not us show the world—that we are master-builders.

From July 1918, until a few months ago, there had been a great increase in the number of branches in Canada. These two organizations have been made. There was a total membership of about 150,000.

Regarding the aliens in this country, the secretary-treasurer, in his report, stated: "It is deplored that the Canadian Government has persistently evaded the issue most forcibly raised by the veterans' association with regard to undesirable aliens resident in Canada."

ALL FRANCE PAYS HONOR TO SOLDIERS

Victory Demonstrations Were General Throughout Republic.

Paris, July 15.—Dispatches from the various cities and provinces of France on the observance of Victory Day, show that everywhere the same spirit of exultation was manifested as in the national capital. The military review at Metz and Strasbourg, where the French took an especially solemn character and evoked indescribable enthusiasm among the people.

WOMEN DOCTORS TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS

Conference To Be Held In New York In September.

New York, July 15.—More than twenty women doctors from foreign countries have accepted invitations to the national committee, national board of the Young Women's Christian Association to attend an international conference of women physicians to open here on September 15. It is announced here that the general purpose of the conference, which will continue for six weeks, is to learn the attitude toward social education on health and sex problems in the various countries and to discuss further possibilities dealing with individual national problems.

PERSHING ARRIVES IN LONDON TO TAKE PART IN PEACE CELEBRATION

American Commander Is Met by British Officials.

London, July 15.—Gen. John J. Pershing, commander of the American forces in France, arrived here with his staff this forenoon to take part in the peace celebration. He was met at Dover by Gen. Sir Henry H. Dorrance, G. C. B., and Field Marshal Haig and Sir Henry H. Wilson of the Imperial staff.

STAMPEDE FOLLOWS REPORTED DISCOVERY OF PRECIOUS METAL
Platinum Deposits Said to Have Been Located in Alaska.

Soldiers Who Were Sentenced Under the O. T. A. Will Be Liberated in a Few Days, Declares Sir William Hearst.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, July 15.—Sir William Hearst, in reply to the Grand Army of Canada deputation, this morning promised that all men undergoing sentences in Ontario for offences against the O. T. A. will be released. It will take several days to procure all the names, but the G. A. C. will have a list ready by Thursday, and the releases may be expected immediately.

Veterans throughout the province will thus feel free to participate in the peace celebration.

A POINT IN ENGLISH LAW

London, July 7.—Correspondence of the Associated Press.—As English law now stands, a man may marry his dead wife's sister, but a woman cannot wed her dead husband's brother. The point was made clear in a case presiding judge at the Northampton assizes the other day in the case of a woman who had gone through the marriage service with brothers of their dead husbands. Both were held for trial.

Zeppelin Service Planned Between U.S. and Germany

Passengers and Freight To Be Carried Via Aerial Route.

New York, July 15.—A Zeppelin freight and passenger transatlantic service to start "about October 15" between New York and Hamburg, with Boston, Chicago, Berlin and Düsseldorf as ports of call, was announced in advertisements in German language newspapers and one American trade paper published here yesterday.

Hans Kharas, an importer, who inserted the advertisements, said that he had been designated by an American banker to act as agent for an overseas dirigible freight and passenger service to be financed by American, British and German capital. Bookings for freight and passengers would be received after September 15. Mr. Kharas said, adding that a tentative plan of \$21 per ton had been set as the transatlantic freight rate (about \$30 more than the per ton rate by water). He said he had no idea as yet how many passengers could be carried.

CORSICAN ARRIVES AT MONTREAL WITH 1,288 PASSENGERS

Discharged Imperial Soldiers, Dependents and Nurses On Ship.

WHITE WILL REMAIN AS MINISTER UNTIL SUCCESSOR NAMED

Sir Thomas To Temporarily Assist New Official When Appointed.

Ottawa, July 15.—Sir Thomas White continues as minister of finance until his successor is appointed, which will likely be before the end of the month. He will then remain here for a few days to assist the new minister in taking up the duties of the office. Sir Thomas is also willing to aid in any way it may be thought advisable in the organization and flotation of the big Dominion loan next fall. Some preliminary work has already been done by him in this connection. The retiring minister has made no business plans, and is not likely to do so for some months.

OTTAWA STREET CAR STRIKE IS EXPECTED TO TERMINATE TODAY

Company Declares Intention To Keep Men Taken on During Strike.

Ottawa, July 15.—Whether or not the old employees of the street railway company will go back to work unconditionally and await the award of conciliation will be decided at the mass meeting of the men which will be held this morning. The men's executive offered on behalf of the union to return to work pending the award of the board of conciliation. The company states that it will continue its permanent employment of between 125 and 150 men who have been conducting a partial service.

It is confidently expected that the strike will be brought to an end today.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 90; lowest, 53. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 78; lowest, 66.

TOMORROW—FINE AND WARM.
Toronto, July 15.—A.M. Forecasts.
Today—Fresh northwest winds; clearing; cool tonight.
Wednesday—Fresh northwest winds; fine and moderately warm.