

CABLE MONOPOLY FEARED BY U. S.

British Ownership of Many Lines and Its Effects Trouble Uncle Sam

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—American commissioners to the international communications conference to be held in Washington next month held their first meeting yesterday at the state department. They began a study of the entire cable situation with a view to preventing a threatened monopoly of cables by other nations.

Because of the commercial and diplomatic significance of the conference, the chairmanship of the commission was recently transferred from Postmaster Burleson to Under-Secretary of State Davis, who presided.

Officials said today that the monopoly exercised by the British on the west coast of South America made it imperative that the American representatives devise measures not only to reach an equitable solution of that question, but also to similar adverse conditions confronting the United States elsewhere.

It was to await the outcome of the conference that the state department recently held up action which would grant the Western Union Telegraph company permission to land a cable at Miami, Fla., connecting with the British cable from South America to the Barbados. The state department officials desired to determine whether the proposed line would strengthen the British monopoly on the west coast of South America.

DISLIKE CENSORSHIP. In the preliminary study of the cable situation made by the United States, it is estimated that Great Britain exercises control over more than 150,000 miles of cables in the world, or more than the combined total of all other nations.

The United States has only slightly more than 50,000 miles. Of greater significance, however, according to officials, is that the United States obtains direct information, free from censorship or the control exercised by other nations over cables passing through foreign territory, from only the west coast of South America and to a limited extent from the Far East.

The great proportion of cable dispatches reaching the United States, it is estimated in the government survey, must pass through the control of British, French or Japanese cable lines. Practically all cablegrams from Europe pass through Paris or London.

It is to remedy this situation and to arrive if possible at arrangements whereby cable messages in times of peace may be as free as those in times of war and censorship as well as under the conventions of the international postal union, officials said today, that American representatives to the conference are directing their efforts.

SALT LAKE FIRE CHIEF ELECTED AT LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 16.—E. F. Dowell, former chief of the Portland, Ore., fire department, was elected president of the Pacific coast association of fire chiefs at the closing business session of its 27th annual convention here yesterday.

Other officers chosen include: Vice president, Arizona, W. D. Simons; Phoenix, Idaho, J. C. Boyd; Wallace, New Mexico, Charles Whitehead; Roswell, Nevada, R. B. Hawcroft; Reno, Utah, W. H. Bywater; Salt Lake City, Wyoming, Percy Hoyt; Cheyenne, Wyo., was selected as the next convention city by acclamation after Phoenix, Ariz., delegates had withdrawn a nomination of that city.

TRAINMEN'S BROTHERHOOD HAS EXPELLED 86 LODGES

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 16.—Eighty-six lodges of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen have been expelled for participating in the Detroit authorized strike of switchmen last spring. W. G. Lee, president, announced to members of the brotherhood's board of directors.

Mr. Lee said that the brotherhood and the Switchmen's Union of North America were not considering any merger.

REPUBLIC OF FRANCE SUES DETROIT MANUFACTURER

(By International News Service) DETROIT, Mich.—Notice of suit by the Republic of France for \$150,000 in damages was served on D. E. Hokin, president of the Michigan Steel and Metal company.

The Michigan Steel and Metal company is a sales corporation for castings and metal supplies.

Officials of the Detroit corporation refused to discuss the suit, saying they knew nothing of the cause of action, but it is reported that a war contract is the cause.

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FARMERS' GRAIN PLANS STUDIED

Scheme to Sell Co-operatively Their Own Grain Will Be Drawn Up

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—The American Farm Bureau federation announced yesterday the personnel of the committee of 17 appointed by President J. R. Howard to work out a plan for co-operative marketing of the American grain crop. Methods of co-operating grain elevator associations in the middle west and of the grain raisers of Western Canada will be studied, as well as the system used in similar marketing enterprises by fruit growers and other producers, the federation said, estimating that it would require two years' preparation before a co-operative plan for the grain crop could be put in action.

NAME PROMINENT MEN. The committee includes George Livingston, chief of the United States bureau of markets; Dr. H. J. Waters, Kansas City; C. H. Gustafson, president Nebraska Farmers Union; William G. Eckhardt, Illinois state farm bureau; C. V. Gregory, selected by the American Agricultural Editors association; J. M. Anderson, Equity Co-operative; E. C. St. Paul; G. H. Powell, Missouri Farmers' Grain Dealers' association; C. A. Bingham, Michigan State Farm Bureau; C. Ladd, North Dakota, Agricultural College and Republican-Non-Partisan nominee for senator in North Dakota; L. J. Tabor, master, Ohio state grange; Clifford Thorne, Chicago, counsel for shippers organizations; Chicago; H. R. Metch, Farmers' National Grange; A. L. Middleton, Eagle Grove, Iowa, and R. Snyder, Kansas state farm bureau.

NO PRICE FIXING. "I desire emphatically to deny," said President Howard, "that any policy or plan involving price fixing has been decided upon by the American Farm Bureau federation or any committee appointed by it. We desire merely to evolve a marketing system which will eliminate useless handling costs, unnecessary selling expenses, ruinous price fluctuation due to market juggling and speculation and to co-ordinate supply and demand so as to insure that the consumer pays a price that is reasonable and living profit and on the other hand the possible mark-up actual costs."

MEXICAN NEWS

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 16.—Charges that there were enormous misappropriations of money during the administration of former President Carranza, are made in a report to the Mexican congress which has just been completed by Luis Menay Gutierrez, chief accountant of the treasury department. He declares he is unable to state the exact amount involved, but declares he is certain it will reach a total of many millions of pesos.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 16.—Felipe Pineda, leader of a revolt in the state of Chiapas, has surrendered to General Francisco Cosío Robelo, commander of government forces in that state, according to an announcement by the war department. San Cristobal and Las Casas, two towns occupied by Pineda's men, have been taken over by General Robelo.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 16.—Mexican independence day is being celebrated today with elaborate ceremonies and great military display. The celebration was opened at eleven o'clock last night when provisional President de la Huerta rang the independence bell at the national palace, a great throng cheering as the peals of the great bell were heard.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 16.—Rodolfo Herrera, commander of the troops who killed the late President Carranza and who has been ordered under arrest by the government, has notified the war department that he will not return to this city from Zaragosa. He declares charges should have been brought against him at that time.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 16.—The fourth internationale (communist) party meet in this city on January 1, 1921, according to information Universal states it has secured in Mexican industrial circles.

ENGLISH TRADE INSISTS ON PARLEYS WITH REDS

CHRISTIANIA, Sept. 14.—Leon Kamenef, president of the Moscow soviet, en route to Moscow from London, is quoted by the Social Democrats as saying that his return does not signify that the negotiations with England have been broken off. In view of the government's business world, Premier Lloyd George did not dare break off commercial negotiations, nor openly declare it was his intention to sever political negotiations, said M. Kamenef.

He asserted that the British premier was preparing an attack against the labor movement in Great Britain and that a general election was imminent.

COLLEGE STUDENTS URGED TO TRAIN AS OFFICERS

STATE COLLEGE, Pa., Sept. 16.—An appeal to college students to enter into advanced military training and study through the Reserve Officers Training corps, was voiced by Secretary Baker in an address yesterday. He declared that as the list of reserve officers increased, one of the great military problems of the United States would be solved.

The R. O. T. C. movement has grown steadily during the past three years, he said. At the close of the 1920 academic year, there were 208 senior units having an enrollment of 43,958 students and 126 junior units with 44,777 students.

HE'S SOME POLICEMAN. (By International News Service) TORRE HAUVE, Ind.—Otis Sturgeon has been passed upon as qualified to uphold the law here. A new member of the police force, he is six feet five and one-quarter inches tall and weighs 195 pounds.

CENSUS FIGURES. WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—Polk county, Iowa, including Des Moines, 154,029, increase 43,591, or 35.5 per cent.

The Tabernacle mass meeting Friday evening, September 17, will determine the immediate future of local Community Service. Be there to promote your city's interests.

ASYLUM STORY ORDERED PROBED

Allege French Woman Was Declared Insane in Order to Secure Property

TOPEKA, Kans., Sept. 16.—A story involving a French woman, said to be of noble birth, alleged to have been wrongfully committed to the Kansas state asylum for the insane so that others might obtain control of a New Mexico mining property, reached Gov. Allen yesterday. The story was told in a letter from Arthur E. Stevens, an attorney in the treasury department at Washington and has to do with Mrs. Rubye DeMay, a French woman who has been a patient in the hospital for thirty years. Governor Allen ordered an investigation.

According to the letter, Mrs. DeMay, who owned mining property at Denning, N. M., was held a prisoner by a quarterbreed Indian near Trinidad, Kans., her three-year-old daughter was taken from her and the child was brought up in ignorance of the mother's existence. Mrs. DeMay represented to be insane, was finally committed to the state asylum, the letter said.

The woman, it was said, could be identified by certain leaf-shaped brands burned upon her legs. Dr. M. K. Perry, superintendent of the hospital, said the woman had such markings on her body. He also expressed the belief that the woman had been insane for years, and added that an investigation had led to believe the woman was a victim "of peculiar circumstances."

M'CORMACK CONCERTS IN AUSTRALIA CANCELLED

LONDON, Sept. 16.—A Melbourne dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph says John McCormack, the singer, has cancelled all his Australian engagements and is leaving for London to escape the situation which has arisen as a result of the demonstration by part of the audience at a recent concert rising and singing the British national anthem and some of them shouting that Mr. McCormack was a Sinn Feiner.

Big Community Sing at Tabernacle Friday night, Sept. 17, 8 o'clock. Help Celebrate Constitution Day.

UNION REFUSES SEAT TO I. W. W.

Boilermakers in Session At Kansas City Scrutinize Anti-American Records

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 16.—With one delegate denied a seat on the charge that he had "by words and actions expressed sympathy with I. W. W. and one big union agitator," the national convention of the Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Shipbuilders and Helpers of America, marked time here today while its credentials committee scrutinized the records of several other delegates accused of anti-Americanism.

The delegate denied a seat to John McKelvie, representing the Seattle, Wash., local union. In addition to being refused a seat in the convention McKelvie was suspended from membership in the brotherhood. The committee reported its findings late last night.

This statement was issued today by the press committee. "No delegate will be seated in this convention unless he is known to be a loyal American citizen. No man who has ever been connected with any I. W. W., 'red' or other radical organization can sit here as a delegate."

Save the Babies

INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twenty-two per cent., or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirty-seven per cent., or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen!

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BIG FOREST FIRE BELIEVED RAGING WEST OF LARAMIE

LARAMIE, Wyo., Sept. 16.—Forest rangers and fire lookouts of the forestry service today are rushing toward the Colorado-Wyoming line where a great forest fire is believed to be raging. Rangers in the Medicine Bow national forest discovered clouds of smoke, apparently rising from the Platte river district near the state line.

BLIND MUSICIAN'S BODY FOUND IN FIRE RUINS

RANGER, Tex., Sept. 16.—The body of Jake Broughton, a blind musician, was found in the ruins of a rooming house which was one of twenty-one business houses destroyed by fire yesterday. The monetary loss was fixed at about \$400,000.

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