

FIRST HALF OF YEAR RECORDS GREAT PROGRESS

No Period in U. S. History Shows Greater Progress Is Opinion of Manufacturers' News

READJUSTMENTS ALREADY EFFECTED

AMERICA HAS ALREADY ENTERED UPON NEW ERA CONTAINING ELEMENTS OF UNPRECEDENTED PROSPERITY

Chicago, July 14.—In no period of the history of the United States has greater progress been made than during the first half of 1921, says the Manufacturers' News, in its issue of today.

"The great basic and manufacturing industries have adjusted their affairs to the new condition of things. Enormous losses have been taken without involving any particular line in insolvency.

"New prices have been established which will create a steady demand as soon as the public resumes buying, which was not stopped by a lack of money but by injudicious propaganda.

"The railroad situation is no longer discouraging. With the carriers being in a position to save \$400,000,000 annually in wages, a fair chance of an equitable revision of working agreements and a steady increase on operating efficiency, a general reduction of rates may be possible before the end of the year.

"The construction industry, which was practically dead for a number of years, is reviving everywhere. Labor disputes are being settled and material prices are being reduced."

DYER PROPOSES ESTABLISHMENT OF CAMPING SITE AT CITY LAKE

Proposal to establish a city camping grounds with privileges of fishing and boating at the north side of City Lake will be brought up before the city commission at its next meeting, it was announced this morning by City Manager Dyer.

It was found that a site of approximately 50 acres belonged to the city on the north side of the embankment. The drainage from this land runs off into a ditch as it is below the lake.

Access from this site to the lake is without difficulty. Fishing and boating could be made an attractive feature of the grounds by building an expedient landing on the lake shore close by.

The scenery from the top of the embankment and from other ridges in that vicinity is uncommonly attractive, Mr. Dyer said. A spacious glade is in the center of the proposed grounds now, and it is virtually surrounded with numerous shade trees.

Improvement of the grounds for camping purposes would cost but little, Mr. Dyer explained. The ground is already the city's property, and the cost of the landing place would be negligible. A road, however, would have to be built out to the site for a distance of approximately a mile and a half.

All the freedom of a camp life could be enjoyed except swimming, Mr. Dyer said. Swimming is now and always will be prohibited in the lake.

FUNERAL SERVICES MRS. W. W. TALLAFERRO HELD THIS AFTERNOON

Funeral services for Mrs. W. W. Tallafarro, who died Wednesday morning at her home on Sixth avenue, northeast, were held at 4 o'clock this afternoon at Broadway Methodist church, conducted by Dr. Ashley Chappell, pastor, assisted by Dr. C. C. Weith, pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Interment was held at Rose Hill cemetery.

The pallbearers were W. D. Tallafarro, C. W. Rollins, S. H. Bishop, W. S. Wolverton, W. A. Johnson and R. A. Howard.

Honorary pallbearers were fifty members of the Bible Class of the church of which deceased was a member.

Ordinance Held Unconstitutional

Los Angeles, July 14.—An ordinance of the city of Pomona near here, prohibiting Sunday amusements for which an admission fee was charged was held unconstitutional today by Judge Darnell of the superior court. The judge declared the draft was class legislation while prohibiting theatres and similar enterprises from operating on Sunday it allowed churches to take up a collection which he said was virtually an admission fee at Sunday services.

Japan's and China's Acceptance Received

Washington, July 14.—Japan's acceptance of President Harding's suggestion that a conference to discuss limitation of armaments, was received at the state department today, but made no reference to the question of a discussion of the far eastern question.

Unqualified acceptance by the Chinese government also was received. State department officials would make no comment on the form of the Japanese reply which will not be made public in text.

EXAMINER SAYS LIVESTOCK RATE IS UNREASONABLE

RATES ON CERTAIN COMMODITIES ARE STIFLING INDUSTRY AND SHOULD BE REDUCED THE EXAMINER DECLARED.

Washington, July 14.—Rates on livestock were held to be unreasonable from an economic standpoint and a recommendation was made to the Interstate Commerce Commission that the carriers make substantial reductions for the benefit of business in general in a report made today by Examiner Disque. The case, which was brought by livestock shippers in the western states and in which various state commissions are involved, will be heard tomorrow by the commission.

Rates on certain commodities are stifling industry and should be reduced, the examiner said, adding, however, that "reduction in rates on traffic in general seems unwarranted at this time."

The report said that although rates on livestock were not excessive when judged from a strictly transportation standpoint, they "are unreasonable from an economic standpoint."

The livestock industry, the report said, would be materially helped by a reduction in rates because the cost of getting to market is a substantial item.

The examiner said the railroads "fear that if they made a reduction on one commodity, the same thing would be demanded in many others, and that if they yielded most of them will shortly be found in bankruptcy for it is heavy moving traffic from which the carriers make their principal revenue on which reductions are sought."

"We cannot believe, however, that the country will allow such a thing to come to pass as a general condition of receivership," the report continued. The original complaint against livestock rates was made by the National Livestock Shippers League and other producers' organizations, railroad and public utilities commissions of Kansas, South Dakota, North Dakota, Arizona, and Montana, and the American farm bureau federation intervened in the case. Other states also have indicated their intention of presenting their views.

PLANS FOR ERECTION HANGAR AT AVIATION FIELD ARE UNDERWAY

Plans are being worked out for the erection of a hangar at the Ardmore aviation field, it was announced this morning by Dorney Askew, local aviator.

Mr. Askew pointed out that it was the first move in the establishment of a big aviation field.

Although he would not divulge the names, he stated that he had several prospects for airplanes in the very near future. A hangar would be necessary for the protection of the airplanes if a number were used here.

Dr. Walter Hardy was in favor of a hangar being constructed so that the start would be made for the aviation field. He gave it as his opinion that an aviation field would advertise Ardmore from coast to coast.

Dr. Hardy, with Mrs. Hardy and their son, rode in the three-passenger Lincoln Standard airplane yesterday afternoon to Wilson, where a landing was made and the doctor attended to some business. Directly after the three returned to the field north of the city here.

Watchman Found Dead

Galveston, Texas, July 14.—Theodore Dehner, night watchman at a local cotton yard, was found dead early today by persons attracted to the yard by a fire. His head was crushed and the body lying by a fire alarm box. A bloody nose spanner was the only clue, police said. The blaze was extinguished before serious damage was done.

Oklahoma City.—Will Tait, sentenced to die in the electric chair Friday July 15, was granted a reprieve until October 15 by Governor Robertson in order that he might be available as a witness if the criminal court of appeals grants a new trial to Cleo Gobin, convicted with Tait of the murder of Russell Sprague, Lawton taxicab driver.

T. B. Orr, city attorney and chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee stated yesterday that he was going to the meeting of the state committee to be in session at Oklahoma City July 26th, and would urge immediate reorganization of every voting precinct in the state.

St. Louis, Mo.—St. Louis stockholders of the Turmon Oil Company, operating wells in Oklahoma county, Oklahoma, decided at a meeting here to institute proceedings against the officers of that company charging mismanagement and misappropriation of funds. The stockholders declared the company faces a deficit of three million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

JUDGE WRIGHT ARRESTED ON BRIBE CHARGE

District Judge of Sapulpa Charged With Accepting Bribe in the "Tommy Atkins" Case

IS RELEASED ON A \$10,000 BOND

PRELIMINARY HEARING JULY 27; TOMMY ATKINS CASE MOST FAMOUS CIVIL SUIT EVER DECIDED IN STATE

Sapulpa, Okla., July 14.—District Judge Lucien B. Wright of Sapulpa was arrested late last night and released on \$10,000 bond, following an information filed before Justice Piltz charging him with accepting a bribe for deciding the \$1,900,000 Tommy Atkins case recently. His preliminary hearing was set for July 27.

Witnesses who appeared before Attorney General S. P. Freeling, before the complaint was filed declared Wright had already received \$10,000 for deciding the case against the Charles Page interests of Sand Springs and in favor of L. O. Lytle and others of Sapulpa, and was to receive \$90,000 more, according to the attorney general, with County Attorney Roy McElhinney of Creek county, filed the charges.

The information did not state who gave the alleged bribe. It was reported here this morning that County Attorney McElhinney stated he will file charges against parties alleged to be implicated.

The "Tommy Atkins case" is one of the most famous civil suits ever decided in Oklahoma, involving, as it does, the ownership of oil leases worth two million dollars.

Tommy Atkins, the full blood Indian allottee to the land worth a fabulous fortune, died in infancy. A fierce legal battle was waged in an attempt to prove Tommy Atkins a myth. After his existence had been legally determined by the courts, a second and more intense contest arose.

Charles Page and the Sand Springs home interests held a lease under Minnie Atkins, who claimed to be the mother of Tommy. Others held under Nancy Atkins, also claiming to be his mother. After a historic trial, Federal Judge Ralph Campbell decided in favor of Page. This decision was affirmed several months ago by the circuit court of appeals and the case was considered settled.

During the winter, a new suit was brought for possession of the vast estate by C. O. Lytle, a Sapulpa lawyer and others, who claimed that they had found a third woman, a negro woman named Sallie Atkins, who was the real mother of Tommy, and had secured an oil lease on the land from her. Early in May, Judge Wright, before whom the case came for trial, handed down a decision holding Sallie Atkins the rightful heir to the property and validating the title of C. O. Lytle and his associates.

EVERY MEMBER OF AUXILIARY LEGION URGED TO ATTEND PICNIC THIS EVE

With more than 100 baskets of fried chicken, home made bread and cake, and numerous other delectable dishes as an incentive, it is expected that a huge turnout of local legionnaires and auxiliary members will turn out for the picnic to be staged this afternoon at Whittington Park by the George R. Anderson post and the Women's Auxiliary. According to an announcement by M. E. Witt, committeeman in charge of arrangements, a string of approximately 75 automobiles will form a parade from the heart of the city to the grounds as the picnicers leave en masse.

They will congregate at Convention hall at 4:30 o'clock. The first thing in the program, as soon as they reach Whittington Park, will be a swimming contest between a number of strong aquatic performers. Fancy diving contests also will be held.

The big lunch will be next. All eatables will be furnished by the auxiliary members. The legionnaires and the members of the fair sex will spread linens over the lawn directly opposite the amusement park and have an old fashioned dinner.

Skating and dancing will be held at the pavilion after dinner. It probably will start at about 8 o'clock. The regular band will provide music.

The management of the park proposes to turn over the excess \$150 proceeds to the George R. Anderson post. Local legionnaires are working hard to persuade every possible member to attend so as to take advantage of this offer. The public is invited to attend. It was announced by Mr. Witt. The dance hall will be conducted in the same manner as on other week days except that a larger and probably more vivid crowd will be on the floor. The swimming pool also will be open to the public as usual.

New Orleans.—The Standard Oil Company of Louisiana announced effective at once reductions of one cent a gallon in gasoline and kerosene to 12 1/2 cents.

WOUNDED A. E. F. MASCOT POSING AFTER BEING DECORATED BY GENERAL PERSHING



Stubby, a Boston bull terrier is shown here in the office of General Pershing just after the commander-in-chief had decorated him as a wounded hero. Stubby, whose master is J. Robert Conroy, of Washington, has been designated the official mascot of the A. E. F. He was in seventeen engagements with the 26th division and suffered a shrapnel wound in the battle of Seichprey.

SHERIFF TESTIFIES IN TRIAL OF CHIEF GUSTAFSON, TULSA

SAID HE HAD BEEN NOTIFIED THAT THERE WERE SIGNS OF TROUBLE AND HAD MADE PLANS ACCORDINGLY

Tulsa, Okla., July 14.—Sheriff William McCullough testified today in the trial for the removal of Chief of Police John A. Gustafson, now suspended, that he had taken no steps to receive Dick Rowland, negro, held for an attack on a white girl, from the county jail because he said preparations had been made to protect him at the jail. He said: "It would have been impossible for the mob to have taken the prisoner from the county jail as we had a barricade in the jail and we could have shot members of any mob as fast as they came in sight."

He said he had been told by Police Commissioner J. M. Addison and Chief Gustafson on the afternoon before the riot that there were signs of trouble and that he made plans to protect the negro.

He said he had disarmed negroes and persuaded the first armed negroes to reach the court house to leave, and was in the process of trying to get others to leave when the shooting began. He said he ran to cover when the firing started as it was then out of the question to disarm anyone while so many were shooting. The sheriff said he talked with Chief Gustafson once during the night at the courthouse and did not see him again.

He also said he stayed at the court house during the night of the trouble and was prepared to defend the negro prisoner with his life if necessary.

A defense question as to whether he prevented the riot by disarming the negroes was objected to by the state and went unanswered.

W. C. Kelley, D. L. Wheeler and J. B. Horrihan, all of Tulsa, testified on the progress of the riot.

The state was expected on the opening of court today in the trial to produce more evidence bearing on the alleged failure of the police officer to prevent the riot.

Gustafson is on trial on four counts charging failure to stop vice and liquor, connection with automobile thefts and failure to prevent the riot. Attorney General S. P. Freeling, who is in charge of the prosecution, has thus far directed attention to the riot. Judge John A. Oliphant yesterday testified that four men whom he characterized as police and who he said were stars, were the leaders of an arson squad which operated in the Tulsa district. He said he did not think the chief did his duty during the riot. Barney Cleave, negro deputy sheriff, who was formerly with the police under Chief Gustafson, testified that he and Sheriff McCullough disarmed negroes and indicated that they received no help from the police.

Other witnesses testified to reading the riot and some said they did not see the chief on the night of the riot while others said they saw him but did not notice any attempt on his part to prevent the threatened outbreak.

Sharp legal clashes have marked the introduction of all evidence thus far.

Bonus for Veterans Discussed Cleveland, July 14.—Bonus for war veterans will be one of the principal subjects discussed during the second annual convention of the Rainbow division, veterans association, organized from units from 26 states, which opened a four-day session here today.

Rainfall Breaks Heat Wave IN KANSAS AND MISSOURI Kansas City, July 14.—Rain, which began falling early today, brought relief from the heat to the greater part of Missouri, Kansas and lower Nebraska according to reports received at the local weather bureau.

The rainfall extended northward as far as Omaha, where an inch fell, and westward through Kansas to the Colorado line.

The rain did not extend southward to any appreciable extent, the bureau officials said, and Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas continue to have seasonably high thermometer readings.

WEATHER Oklahoma: Tonight and Friday probably fair; cooler in northwest portion Friday.

OUTLOOK FOR LASTING PEACE IN IRELAND BRIGHTER THAN HAS EVER BEEN IN HISTORY DE VALERA SAYS

LATEST

Washington, July 14.—The first public expression of dissatisfaction among republican members with the proposed tariff on oil came today from Representative Treadway of Massachusetts, a member of the ways and means committee who told the house that the duty would add only the "monopoly which marks the product."

New York, July 14.—Notice that more than 1,000 motion picture theatres in greater New York may close August 1 for an indefinite period, was received yesterday by the motion picture theatre attendants union. Members of the union say the information came from the managers and that the tentative action was partly due to a slump in the theatrical business and partly due to labor troubles.

Seattle, Wash., July 14.—Two bandits today snatched a bag containing \$25,000 in currency from a messenger for the Northwest Trust and Safe Deposit Company and escaped in an automobile.

Enid, Okla., July 14.—Walter S. Billings, wealthy real estate owner and theatrical manager who on Tuesday night was horsewhipped and tarred and feathered and told to leave Enid within 48 hours left here at 10 o'clock last night for Excelsior Springs, Mo., where relatives reside. Investigation conducted yesterday by the police and sheriff's office, are reported today to have resulted in obtaining no clue to the identity of the men taking part in the tar party.

Ponca City, July 14.—Ralph Harkrader of Tonkawa, Okla., was taken to Newkirk, the county seat, last night and is awaiting arraignment on a charge of wife murder. Mrs. Harkrader was found dead at her home on July 5. Her husband claimed they had a quarrel, after which he found her dead, a revolver lying by her side. He claimed she committed suicide. His bond has been set at \$10,000 which has not been made.

(By the Associated Press) Mexico City, July 14.—President Obregon has issued no decree revoking his recent order increasing by 25 per cent the tax upon exports of crude petroleum.

In authoritative quarters it was stated today that modification of the decree is being considered but no definite action has been taken.

Cleveland, July 14.—Mrs. Eva Catherine Kaber who is being tried for the murder of her husband suffered another hysterical faint in her cell in the jail during the noon hour, according to jail attendants. It was said her screams could be heard throughout the entire big building and that her daughter, Marian McArdle, in a nearby cell, hearing her mother's shrieks, also became hysterical.

Oklahoma City, July 14.—The Bartlesville Gas and Electric Company at Bartlesville and Commonwealth Gas Company at Wagoner were authorized to reduce gas pressure below a four ounce minimum in separate identical orders issued here today by the state corporation commission.

(By the Associated Press) Constantinople, July 14.—Turkish nationalists and Greek forces are locked in battle before Kutia about 75 miles southeast of Brussa. Airplanes are taking part in the struggle for mountain heights near the town, which is the first objective of the Greek offensive which began last Monday. The nationalists forces consist of the third Turkish army corps, commanded by Colonel Bay, who recently got reinforcements from the Armenian front.

(By the Associated Press) London, July 14.—Eamonn de Valera, the Irish republican leader, arrived at No. 10 Downing street at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon for his conference with Mr. Lloyd George, the British prime minister, set for that hour, at which an effort will be made to find a basis for an Irish peace settlement.

Chicago, July 14.—Dining car prices have dropped 25 per cent since the war and will be reduced further according to T. A. Dempsey, president of the American Association of Dining car superintendents, in session here in connection with the convention of the hotel men.

ANGLO-SAXON CHILDREN RANK HIGH PHYSICALLY Honolulu, T. H., July 14.—Anglo-Saxon children attending Punahou Academy, Honolulu, are taller and weigh more than children of the same age attending schools in the continental United States, according to tables of statistics just made public by Dr. Louis R. Sullivan, anthropologist, connected with Bishop museum here.

Dr. Sullivan based his tables of comparison on investigations made of 45,151 boys and 43,293 girls in the public schools of Boston, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Oakland, Worcester and Toronto. His figures tend to show that Punahou academy boys between six and 18 years of age, inclusive, have an average excess weight for each year of 11.8 pounds while the girls have an average excess of 11.5 pounds. The average excess in height for boys and girls, respectively is stated to be 3.7 inches and 4.4 inches.

Much Precaution Taken Utmost silence was observed because it was felt that misunderstandings might develop from some careless word or action and nullify all the work already done to bring peace to Ireland. Mr. Lloyd George spent yesterday afternoon at Chequers Court, his country home, with a number of advisers, and it was assumed they talked over matters pertaining to today's meeting. Mr. de Valera also held long conferences with prominent Irish republicans, but it was indicated he would furnish the conference with no fixed formula or policy. It was said he was ready to talk over the situation.

Greatest Precaution Being Taken to Avoid Any Possible Friction in Negotiations

CONFERENCE FORM PERSONAL INTERVIEW REPORT OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN DE VALERA AND UNIONISTS IS DENIED BY SECRETARY CHILDERS

London, July 14.—The outlook for lasting peace in Ireland is brighter than it has ever been in history, declared Eamonn de Valera, the Irish republican leader as he was about to enter into conference today with Mr. Lloyd George, the British prime minister, in an attempt to find a basis for an adjustment of the Irish problem.

Asked what he considered was the prospect of a settlement being brought about by the conference, Mr. de Valera replied: "The outlook is brighter than it ever was in history."

"I am sure," he added, "that the atmosphere in England and Ireland is right for peace. The only thing that is necessary now is for us to get down to rock bottom."

It was the first time de Valera had spoken for publication since his arrival in London Tuesday evening.

"This is simply a private conference with Mr. Lloyd George, instead of a long range bombardment to see what can be done at close quarters," said the republican leader, who was in a bright and cheerful mood, in talking with the correspondents.

"I have been told," he said, "that you have been rather disappointed in my not taking more freely with you, but I am sure you quite understand the difficulties of the movement. I have come to tell you that it is not that I do not wish to say a number of things to the people of Great Britain, but that the moment is not opportune for it."

"As far as I can see from your press here, which I have studied very carefully, there is no country in the world which needs more to understand the aspirations of the Irish people and the right and logic of their case, than your own people here."

"I should be very glad, indeed, to put the case before your people but as I am putting it before the representative of your nation, I think it unwise to put it before your public."

Believes in "Open Covenants" Asked whether he would insist on the discussion in London being given full publicity, Mr. de Valera employed President Wilson's phrase, declaring he was personally in favor of "open covenants, openly arrived at."

It was announced from de Valera's headquarters that this afternoon's conference would take the form of personal interview between the British prime minister and Mr. de Valera, no one else being present. Mr. de Valera will go to Number 10 Downing street the prime minister's official residence, for the interview at 4:30 p. m. Report of Agreement Denied Reports published that an agreement was reached at the recent Dublin conference between Eamonn de Valera and the southern unionists regarding the terms which would be demanded from the British government at the conference in London were categorically denied today by Secretary Childers of the visiting Irish party. The published report said that the terms included, besides the provisions of the present government of Ireland act, the following: A dominion status for southern Ireland; southern Ireland to be exempt from imperial taxation and have full fiscal autonomy; northern Ireland to return as it is at present. Meeting Carefully Planned London, July 14.—Leaders of the British government and of the Sinn Fein met in this city and took the first step in negotiations which, it was hoped, might dissipate the mists of hospitality and prejudice which for decades have separated Albion and Erin. De Valera the Irish chief and Prime Minister Lloyd George had planned carefully for the meeting, which was looked upon as possible the first stage of a new and brighter epoch in the relations between the two peoples. The meeting was simply to prepare the way for further and more important discussions. The fact that it was held at all was looked upon as an earnest of the good intentions of the participants. Preparations for the conference were held in strict confidence by those involved, but it was understood only a few men would take part in the first meeting. Much Precaution Taken Utmost silence was observed because it was felt that misunderstandings might develop from some careless word or action and nullify all the work already done to bring peace to Ireland. Mr. Lloyd George spent yesterday afternoon at Chequers Court, his country home, with a number of advisers, and it was assumed they talked over matters pertaining to today's meeting. Mr. de Valera also held long conferences with prominent Irish republicans, but it was indicated he would furnish the conference with no fixed formula or policy. It was said he was ready to talk over the situation. (Continued on Page Two)