

NOTED ECONOMIST RAPS SCHEME FOR RAILWAY MERGERS

W. Z. Ripley, Originator of
Idea in 1921, Declares
Latest Outline Has
Several Flaws.

Criticism of Proposal of
Interstate Commission
Is Also Registered
by L. F. Loree.

(Associated Press Local Wire)
CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 23.—The "father" of the interstate commerce commission's railroad consolidation proposals in 1921, Professor W. Z. Ripley, of Harvard university, economist and transportation expert, in a statement published today denounced the new plan submitted to congress as falling to provide either "operating efficiency or financial equality."

Prof. Ripley, who as special examiner on consolidation for the commission drew up the preliminary plan which essentially made up the 1921 proposals, declared his belief that "economic pillaging" had characterized the commission on consolidation.

The principle of "even-handed competition at as many points as possible" was not embodied in the plan, Prof. Ripley said. "It is more equitable," he continued, "that the Wabash, which is a string line anyway, could be built into anything like an even handed competitor with the powerful Pennsylvania, New York Central, Baltimore and Ohio and Van Sweringen systems."

Boundaries Ignored
Prof. Ripley said that another fundamental principle which had been disregarded was the attempt "to confine each system to a definite rate territory."

"The New England roads," he explained, "are projected into trunk line territory, the Illinois Central is extended far to the north and into the southwest, the Burlington reaches from Canada to Mexico, and so it goes, regarding boundaries, with more and more distinctness have been set to these rate adjustment territories."

Prof. Ripley admitted that many admirable features were included in the commission's proposals, notably terminals open to the use of all railroads.

Loree Criticizes
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Senator F. Loree, president of the Delaware & Hudson company, in a statement today denounced the proposal of the interstate commerce commission to unify all terminal lines in its railroad consolidation plan.

"The proposal to make a terminal common property would be more proper to a national government," he said. "In a period of 50 years the Pennsylvania has built up a terminal system around Philadelphia of great magnitude. I don't understand how any road that has built itself a dominant terminal position can be made to relinquish it."

The commission's proposal to establish a fifth eastern trunk line through the Wabash and Lehigh Valley systems, clashes with Mr. Loree's plan to create such a trunk line by building a new railroad through the Pennsylvania mountains to Chicago.

His plan, now before the commission for approval, also would merge 17 eastern roads into a belt line. The commission's fifth trunk plan which would locate its place for his proposed system, does not run counter to his own, Mr. Loree said.

WOOD PRESERVING PLANT AT DILLARD HIGHLY PRAISED

R. H. Rawson, consulting engineer of Portland, and Mr. O. C. McCormick, superintendent of the McCormick wood preserving plant at St. Helena, made a trip of inspection to the plant of the Wood Preservers Inc. at Dillard, Oregon, this week and highly commended the process employed there for the preservation of wood materials.

Mr. Osborn extended an invitation to J. B. Wheeler, Roseburg inventor, who is in charge of operations at Dillard, to visit the St. Helena plant where he would place at his disposal all equipment for experimental purposes. Mr. Osborn is particularly interested in the process of preserving wood. The wood preserving process used at the local plant is to be demonstrated before the wood preservers' union at the annual meeting of that organization in Seattle January 27 to 29. Special arrangements have been made by the chairman of the committee on entertainment to give the officers of the local company an opportunity to explain and demonstrate their process, which is a revival of the methods of wood preservation.

AUTOIST DITCHED BY TRAIN FOUND IN SERENE ATTITUDE

(Associated Press Local Wire)
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 23.—There just isn't anything that can faze Leo Borg of Eugene. The Eugene Limited, late and roaring northward, arrived at this morning, near Eugene today just as Borg drove up to his auto mobile. The impact lent a step on the locomotive tender, smashed two steps of the door and pulled Pullman, tore the front off Borg's

Well-Known Track Star Shoots Friend in Drunken Craze



Bootleg liquor which temporarily de-ranged his mind was blamed by Mayor Owen R. Bird, nationally known sportsman and a former leading track star at Occidental College, Los Angeles, for an affray at his home in which he shot and wounded Percival Graham Watson.

car and hurled the remainder and Borg into a ditch.

Trafficmen ran up to find Borg sitting nonchalantly in the dilapidated portion of his car.

"Why don't you get out?" they asked him.

"Nothing else to do. Thought I might as well sit still," Borg replied.

**NEARLY SIXTEEN
MILLION MORE FOR
VETS' HOSPITALS**

(Associated Press Local Wire)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Hoover today signed a bill authorizing the construction of new veterans' hospital facilities throughout the country at a cost of \$15,500,000.

In doing so, Mr. Hoover announced that the whole subject of further increases in hospitalization necessary in the future will be studied by the medical council of the veterans' bureau for early report.

The American legion has furnished the president to support further authorizations totaling \$10,000,000.

The measure signed by Mr. Hoover today provides for 4,491 additional beds and covers 19 separate building projects.

**SPECIAL SHOW IS
PRESENTED BY ELKS
FOR LITTLE TOTS**

The annual show given by the Elks lodge for the children of the county, was presented at the Auditorium this afternoon. As the show regularly held for today is chiefly an adult picture, having but little appeal to the children, Manager Gross arranged a special Christmas program upon his own initiative.

The children were shown an educational news reel, a comedy, "Beech Bluff," a screen song, "Chaparral," My Christmas, a talking cartoon, "Noodle's Luck," and a featured comedy playlet, "Hedley Choke."

The lodge provided candy and fruit for distribution to all of the many children who attended.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT
U. S. Weather Bureau Office, Roseburg, Oregon. Data reported by S. H. Fletcher, Meteorologist in charge.

Barometric pressure reduced.
Sea level 5 a. m. 30.22
Relative humidity 5 p. m. yesterday (per cent) 58
Highest temperature yesterday 54
Lowest temperature last night 39
Average temperature for the day 48
Normal temperature for this date 41
Precip. in inches and Huendeth: Precipitation for 24 hours, ending 5 a. m. T
Total precip. since last month 7.29
Normal precip. for this month 5.34
Total precip. from Sept. 1, 1929, to date 8.98
Normal precip. from Sept. 1, 1929, to date 12.25
Total in excess since Sept. 1, 1929 3.37
Normal seasonal precip. Sept. to May, inclusive 21.16
Excess for laborer southwest 1.80
Somewhat unsettled to night and yesterday, gradually with occasional rain; not much change in temperature.

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Arnsfeldt, piano tuner, Phone 1591.

DRAMA CONTEST FOR HIGH SCHOOLS COMES IN APRIL

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Roseburg high school and high school all over the state, are being invited to the fourth annual high school drama tournament, to be held at the University of Oregon, April 2, 4 and 5, according to Mrs. Otis Seybolt, director of dramatics at the university, who is in charge of the event.

Roseburg high school three years ago won first place with "Trifles." "The Machine Age," last year, under the direction of Kate Buchanan, with Gilbert Flinay, Carmel Newman, Margaret Page, Owen Walker, Henry Campbell, Vera McCulloch and Margaret Arundel, as her cast, received favorable comment.

Milwaukee Union high school received the Guild theatre cup for its presentation of "The Vain," while Eugene high took first honorable mention with "Op' McThum," and Bentley high school, second, with "Joint Owners in Spain." Dean Folling, dramatic editor of the Portland Telegram, presented a cup for the best individual acting in the tournament, which was won by Wilma Dawson, of Bentley high school.

The first ten schools applying for entrance will come to the campus to compete with one-act plays of their own selection. Real talent is brought out in the tournament, which is a great stimulus to the presenting of worthwhile plays in the high school in Oregon. It is believed by those in charge. No play may take longer than thirty-five minutes to present, and the registration fee and the name of the play to be given must reach the tournament committee before February 15.

Many more high schools than could be accommodated last year applied for entrance, and those in charge urge an early registration by those who wish to enter. Judges will be selected as far as possible from the nominations by the schools entering the tournament.

**CONGRESSMAN KILLED IN
CRASH RELATED HERE**

Congressman Kaynor, of Massachusetts, who was killed last Friday in an airplane accident at Washington, D. C., is a distant relative by marriage of Mrs. W. C. Harding of this city. Mr. Kaynor is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Harding's niece, Mrs. Dorothy Kaynor of Seattle. Kaynor was killed when the plane, piloted by Captain Harry A. Draper, crashed from an altitude of 300 feet, burying all three of its occupants in Bolling field. All of the five persons aboard were instantly killed.

Haynes—New pole line of standard construction, installed by Pacific Power and Light company on city's main street.

**THREE KILLED IN
TEXAS GUN FIGHT**

CAMERON, Texas, Dec. 23.—Three men were killed in a gun fight here today. The dead are Herbert Heffley, automobile dealer; Charles Sens, constable; and Antonio Huendner, farmer.

Huendner, believed to have become suddenly insane, appeared at the door of the automobile agency with an automatic rifle in his hand and started shooting promiscuously.

Heffley was killed before the arrival of Constable Sens. Huendner opened fire upon Sens as he ran up, killing him instantly.

The excited man was finally shot down by Eugene Smith.

After Heffley and Sens had been killed, Sheriff Haycock appeared. Huendner fired at him three times, one bullet grazing the sheriff's knee. Huendner then backed out the front door and, turning, fired three shots at employees of the Texas Power company, just across the street. He continued to shoot at everyone in sight until Smith killed him.

Huendner emptied his rifle three times before he was killed.

Two years ago Huendner had a personal difficulty with an automobile salesman, in which he was struck over the head with a heavy stick, causing a fracture of the skull and resulting in a law suit.

SEARCH-SEIZURE PRACTICE HIT BY JUDGE M'CORMICK

One Phase of Enforcement
of Dry Law Held Peril
to American Life
and Homes.

Criticism Draws Assertion
That He Should Be Put
Off Inquiry Board
of Hoover's.

(Associated Press Local Wire)
LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 23.—An individual opinion of the evils of law enforcement today was expressed by Federal Judge Paul J. McCormick who yesterday returned to his home here after four months in the east as a member of President Hoover's national commission of law enforcement and observance.

Declaring the solution of prohibition law enforcement to be one of the major problems demanding immediate settlement, Judge McCormick characterized the intrusion and search of private dwellings without warrant as one of the outstanding evils of present-day enforcement methods.

"It is a gross misuse and denial of the constitutional rights of citizens," he said, "and a menace to life and liberty."

"A man's home is his castle, and the practice of entering it, in the cause of prohibition enforcement without recourse to legal procedure, should be abolished. Third degree methods, as included in today, are wrong."

The evils of governmental procedure also were scored by Judge McCormick. The machinery of the law is very antiquated he said, and needs more up-to-date manipulation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Asserting that statements by Federal Judge Paul J. McCormick, assigned him to be unfit to hold office on the law enforcement commission, Senator Harris of Georgia, a leading democratic dry, and today the prohibitionists would be disappointed if President Hoover did not remove McCormick.

"His statement," Harris said, "shows that just what I feared was being done, is being done. It really is an encouragement to the violators of the law and it shows Judge McCormick to be such a partisan against the prohibition enforcement law that, however honest he may be, he is unfit to hold office on the commission."

"The prohibition forces of the country will be greatly disappointed if the president does not remove this man who has encouraged anti-prohibitionists as well as violators of the law."

**PAYORS OF LARGE
DIVIDENDS FACING
CHARGE OF FRAUD**

(Associated Press Local Wire)
WATKINS, Wis., Dec. 23.—E. M. S. Hunkins, head of a business enterprise which is reported to have paid investors 25 to 52 per cent in dividends, surrendered to authorities today to answer fraud charges preferred against him in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He waived preliminary examination and agreed to surrender to extradition warrants should they be issued.

Hunkins was released under \$5,000 bonds to insure his appearance here January 7.

The elder Hunkins, with his son, George, now under arrest at Excelsior Springs, Mo., on similar charges, are conducting a business, the exact nature of which has not been known. It was reported that exceedingly high rates of dividends have been paid investors.

Some months ago the federal authorities investigated the business and brought charges of using the mails to defraud.

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HIGHER STANDARD, BETTER PAY URGED FOR INSTRUCTORS

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Higher standards for teachers, graduation in certification, larger salaries, reorganization of teaching loads and greater recognition of the professional status of teachers are some of the means suggested by Prof. F. L. Stetson of the University of Oregon which would enable public schools to render the service of which they are capable.

Professor Stetson is chairman of a committee which has worked out a report on the professional standards to be presented and discussed at the convention of Oregon State Teachers' association in Portland, December 26, 27 and 28.

Charging that the public has been willing to accept low professional standards, Professor Stetson said that for this reason the program toward greater efficiency must come from the professionals themselves.

One of the most critical problems in education, Professor Stetson said, is developing a real professional membership of men and women of fine character and high intelligence with adequate general and technical training who are master teachers comparable to experts in other fields.

Probably the most important of these factors is the standard of training, the professor said and should be raised so that an inadequately trained person would not be allowed in the school room and state requirements should be established which would free the graduates of Oregon schools from competition with an influx of mediocre teachers from other states.

A remedy for the general situation is suggested in better supervision by department heads and principals, Professor Stetson declared.

**THREE SEARCHERS
FOR EIELSON NOW
LOST IN ALASKA**

NOME, Alaska, Dec. 21.—Three men who took off in a plane from here a week ago are missing today, somewhere over the same frozen wastes of Bering strait which have held the fate of the fliers, Carl Eielson and Earl Borden, mystery for the past six weeks.

It is feared here that an accident befell Pilot Phil Graham and his two passengers, if B. Julian and W. B. Miller, who left here Tuesday in a Stinson monoplane for Elephant point.

Heavy fog lies over most of the region and forced Pilot Ed Young to return to Teller, yesterday after making a second attempt to carry gasoline supplies to the two fliers who are operating from the ice-bound ship Nanuk on the Siberian coast in the hunt for Eielson and Borden.

Harold Gilliam and Joe Crosson, now making the Nanuk their base, were reported to have taken off from the Nanuk yesterday and to have returned with no trace found of either Eielson and Borden or their plane.

With five men now missing, pilots here are facing the worst conditions of the year to carry on a search. As daylight is only a few hours long, limited gasoline supplies curtail use of planes on long flights and of the gas generator radio stations for communication and unfavorable weather is handicapping operations. Attempts will continue, however, to establish a gas base on the Siberian coast to eliminate the long flight from the Alaska side and to get dog feed for dog teams to carry on a search from the Nanuk.

Soviet Asked to Aid
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The American government has appealed unofficially but directly to the soviet government of Russia to rescue two American aviators, Lieut. Ben Eielson and Earl Borden, who disappeared off the bleak Siberian coast six weeks ago while flying to the icebound fur ship, the "Nanuk."

The Soviet, whose icebreakers smashed their way through the Arctic ice to rescue members of the crew of the "Italia" two years ago in one of the thrilling chapters of the heroic history of the northland, was asked by Secretary Wilbur through the Soviet News Agency to send rescue parties from two ships it has in the vicinity.

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