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STRIKE NOW SEEMS MORE UNCERTAIN

Yardmasters Will Remain
at Work if Big Five
Go Out

RAILROADS SAY
SERVICE WILL GO ON

Farmers of Nation Through
National Organization
Protest Against Strike.

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 19.—The national headquarters of the railroad yardmasters, with a membership of 8,000 through the country, announced today that its members were ordered to remain at work in event of a railroad strike.

PORTLAND, Oct. 19.—Should the threatened railroad strike result in every union rail man leaving his post Portland and the northwest would have railroad service, limited at first, but with continuously increasing scope, according to railroad officials.

In addition to railroad service, there are available large numbers of motor buses, motor trucks and both river and ocean vessels. All of these means of transportation would be used to maximum capacity of service immediately the rail strike went into effect.

The first care of the railroads will be to look after the mail. After that, perishable freight will have attention, including foodstuffs. Then will come passenger service, and then movement of merchandise and fuel.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Efforts to avert the nation-wide rail strike scheduled for October 30, Tuesday night found governmental agencies, representatives of the public and some railway labor unions, taking action simultaneously which all three hope would prevent a tie-up of the transportation system.

Foremost among moves being made was a meeting between the railroad labor board and heads of the five unions, which have already authorized their men to strike, called for Thursday by the board and at the request of President Harding, it was said by the first move.

The first move by a public organization to avert a strike came when the American Farm Bureau federation, representing 1,250,000 farmers, sent petitions to the interstate commerce commission asking an immediate 10 to 20 per cent reduction in freight rates on necessities, and announced that it also will appeal to the labor board not to grant a new 10 per cent wage reduction which the roads have announced they will seek, but rather to revise wages generally in accordance with the cost of living.

Union leaders called by the labor board were W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers; Warren S. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; William G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; L. E. Sheppard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors; and T. C. Cashen, president of the Switchmen's Union of North America.

The conference was called for the avowed purpose of preventing a strike, according to Ben Hooper, vice chairman of the labor board. He returned

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Enduring Peace Here to Stay

Harding Says that War With England Is Unthinkable.

YORKTOWN, Va., Oct. 19.—The doctrine of enduring friendship between the United States and Great Britain was pronounced today by President Harding at the ceremony commemorating the surrender of the British forces to General Washington.

Standing within sight of the spot where Cornwallis laid down his sword, President Harding declared that the sentiment of peaceful relationship between the two English-speaking nations is for all time and that either should again lift the sword against the other must be "unthinkable." He said that the two nations are arrayed in the trusteeship of preserving civilization.

INTEREST IN Y. M. C. A. IS ON INCREASE

Three-day Drive for Members Begins Tomorrow: Two Teams to be in Field

Tomorrow the two teams that will compete for honors in the Y. M. C. A. membership campaign will organize for the three-day intensive campaign. The teams are headed by H. E. Dixon and Dr. Ray Murphy and both predict victories for their respective sides. Each of these men will organize four teams of four each, one of the teams on each side to be composed of women.

The campaign is directed especially against the young men who would join without hesitation if they knew the advantages of the association. Yesterday afternoon A. Edwin Pryke, physical director of the Y. M. C. A., talked with several young men and when told of the advantages of the association all were eager to become members.

One of the features that appeals especially at this time is the city basketball league that is being organized. Every Wednesday evening is devoted to basketball and the interest in the various teams is keen.

ANOTHER KING HAS PASSED ON

Successor to Mad Kings of
Bavaria Died Yesterday
in Hungary.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—Ludwig III, former king of Bavaria, died yesterday at Saver Castle, Hungary. Ludwig III, as King of Bavaria was ruler of a kingdom which, next to Prussia, is the largest state in the German empire both in area and population. When, in his 68th year, he ascended the throne on November 5, 1913, he was the first full-fledged king that this big south German kingdom had known since 1886, for in the interim of twenty-seven years the Bavarians had recognized as their nominal rulers two insane sovereigns, the extravagant palace-builder, Ludwig II, who drowned himself, and his brother, King Otto, known as "Mad Otto," who was deposed because of his mental infirmities.

PAPERS STOLEN. WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—A box containing Bergdoll investigation papers was stolen from the office of Representative Johnson of Kentucky and was found on the fifth floor of the house office building this morning. Important documents are missing.

Budweiser Town Wants Dryness Relieved Some

Unemployment Commission of St. Louis Believes that Jobs Can Be Created By Moistening Up.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 19.—A resolution calling upon congress and President Harding to enact legislation and amend the national prohibition enforcement act to permit the manufacture of light wines and beer, in order that the breweries might be reopened thereby relieving the unemployment situation, was presented in the meeting of the city unemployment commission here Monday.

Pat and Jack Are
Home Again And
Happy As Usual

Pat Conley and Jack Burns are "home" again, according to announcement by the police department. The two are pals. They are carefree and enjoy their cup of illegal cheer to its fullest extent. In fact, they enjoy it so much that they have spent so much time in the city jail of late that the police officers are beginning to feel that life at the city jail has something lacking when Pat and Jack are not around.

Last night they were lodged in jail because of being intoxicated. This morning both had recovered entirely from the moonshine taken internally and the pair felt merry and whistled away their hours singing. They will be brought up before Judge Kitchen tomorrow morning.

PORTLAND CALLS REV. J. A. SMITH

Presbyterian Minister Will
Probably Leave This City
in November.

After accepting an invitation to preach last Sunday in the Hope Presbyterian church at Portland, Rev. Jas. Aikin Smith, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of La Grande, was officially called by that church to become its permanent pastor.

Rev. Smith has not fully decided to accept the call, but it is thought he will. If he accepts it his work will begin in November and he will resign his pastorate in La Grande before that time.

Members of his church here regret very much that he will probably leave for during the time Rev. Smith and family have resided in La Grande they have not only been popular in church work but the community in general is deeply appreciative of them.

TWO DROWNED.

ASTORIA, Oct. 19.—Two were drowned when an automobile plunged through the open Lewis and Clark drawbridge here early today. The missing are Joe Carrigan of Warrenton and the driver of the machine, believed to be George Hickel. Two women and one man were rescued by a tug, one of the woman and the man being hurt.

J. L. RAND, A BAKER MAN IS APPOINTED

Governor Selects Him to
Fill Vacancy on Supreme
Bench of Oregon

MR. RAND WELL
KNOWN IN STATE

Has Been One of the Leading
Attorneys of Eastern
Oregon Since 1886—Is
Prominent Republican.

SALEM, Oct. 19.—John L. Rand, attorney, who has resided at Baker since 1886, has been named by the governor of Oregon to fill the office of associate justice of the supreme court of the state, the vacancy having been caused by the death of Justice Henry Benson.

John L. Rand is one of the leading members of the bar of Eastern Oregon. He has lived continuously in Baker since he came west from the state of Maine, where he was reared. Mr. Rand is prominent in political matters, having at one time served his district in the state senate and later was a candidate for congressional nomination at a time when the number of candidates was large and politics were a trifle unsettled.

His long service as attorney in Oregon makes him fitted for the position to which he has been appointed, according to those who are familiar with all phases of the appointment.

Birthrate High in Idaho and Death Rate Is Low

BOISE, Oct. 19.—Births in Idaho in September exceeded deaths more than 3 to 1 and boys led girls among the new arrivals by 23, according to the monthly report on vital statistics of the state issued Tuesday by the office of the medical advisor of the department of public welfare. There were 319 deaths in the state and 982 births, of which 501 were boys, 478 girls and three not stated.

THREE TREATIES RATIFIED.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—The senate last night ratified the peace treaties with Germany, Austria and Hungary. Exchange of ratifications of the "Treaty of Berlin" is to be the next step in passing through the ratification of the peace.

Idaho Officer Is Slayer of Man by Mistake Monday

Deputy Sheriff Couldn't Tell Difference Between Deer and Man Guide Is Killed.

HAILEY, Ida., Oct. 19.—Ed Cummings of Stanley, aged 30, acting as a guide for a hunting party, was fatally shot by mistake for a deer on Loon creek by a deputy sheriff of Gooding county some time Monday.

He leaves a wife and a little daughter residing near Stanley. Cummings had been employed at the Seafarm mines. The body is being taken to Stanley.

No More Football
For Baker High
School Student

BAKER, Oct. 19.—According to a letter received yesterday by high school authorities from H. M. DuBois, president of the state athletic board of control, members of that board have decided that Lloyd "Abe" Tunncliffe, football star of this city, will be ineligible for participation in any game under jurisdiction of the board. Although no formal protest has been filed against Tunncliffe, Superintendent Brown and Principal Mentroy have been given to understand that such would be taken and the matter was immediately taken up with Mr. DuBois by the local men. Tunncliffe, it is said, has already participated in four years of high school football—one year, 1918, in but one game. It was pointed out by Mr. DuBois that inasmuch as practically all teams of the Willamette Valley had completed their full schedule that year and Pendleton, La Grande and other Eastern Oregon teams had played one or more games it was impossible for the board to rule out that year. Mr. Brown also stated yesterday that inasmuch as the game on next Saturday with Nampa will be played under rules similar to those existing in this state Tunncliffe will not be eligible for that game either. However, he intends to complete his high school work in this city and will be eligible for basketball and track.

MANY ARRIVED TO ATTEND MEETING

State-wide Gathering of
Presbyterians Convened
in City Today.

All trains entering La Grande this morning carried delegates to the synodical meeting of the Presbyterian church, which convenes here today.

It is a state meeting and delegates arrived from all portions of Oregon. The event is of great importance to church circles.

Tonight a banquet will be held in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium which is known as a Mothers and Daughters' banquet and the program for that occasion is decidedly interesting.

Rev. E. T. Allen, of Walla Walla, who spent nine years as a missionary to Persia, will be one of the principal speakers for the meeting.

Liquor Violator Sent to Jail

Henry Maxwell Gets Sixty Days
for Selling to Minors.

Henry Maxwell was this morning sentenced to 60 days in the county jail for violating the prohibition laws. Maxwell was accused of selling liquor to minors. He pleaded guilty to the charge.

In sentencing Maxwell, Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles explained the extremely light sentence given Maxwell. Maxwell is in poor health and this consideration alone resulted in the sentence being so light.

The policy of the court has been, and will continue to be in the future, to give jail sentences to all violators of the liquor laws and to make those sentences so heavy that the violators will be discouraged to again engage in the unlawful traffic. Judge Knowles followed this policy in the past in cases that came into his court.

UNITY BETWEEN ENGLAND AND AMERICA SEEN

President Harding Believes
That the Two Nations
Will Join in Armament
Conference.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Belief that the British and American representatives at the armament conference will work together with the other nations to reduce the "burden of armaments through diminishing possible causes of war," was expressed by President Harding yesterday in a cablegram to King George of England.

The president's cablegram was in reply to one received from King George Monday in which the British ruler expressed his appreciation of the bestowal of the American medal of honor on England's "unknown warrior."

The president in his message to King George said:

"On behalf of the congress and the people of the United States I wish to acknowledge with heartfelt thanks your superb valor and steadfastness of the British land and sea forces and the British nation in the war, that General Pershing made the gift of the congressional medal of honor to the unknown British warrior."

"I now send, with kindest emotion of your desire to confer on the unknown American soldier your highest decoration for valor, the Victoria Cross, that medal which for years has denoted recognition of the most self-sacrificing, patriotic service. I am sure that the American people will join with me in grateful acceptance of this bestowal, so fully expressing in this noble tribute the British appreciation of the high and courageous purpose of the young Americans who stood beside your valiant soldiers in the battle line on land and sea."

Isolation of Germ Claimed by Doctor

SANTIAGO, Chile, Oct. 19.—Dr. Arturo Arria, chief bacteriologist of the Chilean Institute of Hygiene, announced Tuesday that he had succeeded in discovering a method of isolating the bacteria of small pox. Doctor Arria claims his discovery will permit the combating of smallpox by direct injection instead of through preventive vaccination.

LOVE BANDIT GETS AWAY.

MOOSEJAW, Sask., Oct. 19.—A lone bandit today held up the domain of good old fashioned Kentucky bourbon express messenger on the Vancouver-Toronto express between Swift Current and Moosejaw. He rifled the express and dropped from the moving train in safe and was dropped from the next morning's train. Railway officers are checking up the loss.

DeLay and Townley Herds Win Honors at Many Fairs

A wonderful array of purple awards for prizes won in leading stock shows of beef cattle center by the trip in a most emphatic manner, and to express their appreciation of what the exhibitors did to advertise the county, the Ad Club has made arrangements to have the DeLay trophies displayed in La Grande where they may be seen by everyone.

The DeLay-Townley string of 16 head of Shorthorns made a wonderful cleanup in the recent string of northwest fairs. Mr. DeLay won championships at all fairs except at Yakima. This included the Salem State, the Yakima fair, Otero, and Princeton.

DELIBERATE PLOT TO KILL IS CHARGED

Special Prosecutor Accuses
Brumfield of Sinister
Plot

SAYS RUSSELL WAS
TO BE USED AS PAWN

Judge Will Deliver Instructions
to Jury Late Today;
Attorneys Argue This Afternoon.

ROSEBURG, Oct. 19.—Special prosecutor Hammersley, arguing in the Brumfield trial today charged a deliberate plot to murder Dennis Russell as a pawn to extricate Brumfield from a financial tangle. All of Brumfield's plans, said Hammersley, indicated that he prepared to kill Russell, spread the impression that he himself was dead and then disappear, leaving his financial troubles behind him. The judge is to deliver his instructions to the jury late today.

ROSEBURG, Oct. 19.—Beginning the rebuttal yesterday afternoon the state attacked the insanity theory. Dr. William House, Portland alienist, examined the accused in Portland on August 17. He testified that Brumfield was perfectly sane then. Over the defense's objections Dr. House was allowed to answer a hypothetical question and declared Brumfield was perfectly sane on July 13.

D. M. Nichols, La Grande shoe clerk, testified that Brumfield lent him money while they were at the hotel at Lake Louise, Alberta. He refused to accept Nichols' personal check and then Brumfield took Nichols' check as security and returned the check when Nichols sent him the money.

J. W. Perkins, owner of the Perkins building, where Brumfield had his office, and Dr. Fred Haynes, dentist, testified that they saw no signs of insanity in the accused before his disappearance.

NEW MIXTURE HAS OLD KICK

Denatured Alcohol and Lem-
on Pop Mixed by Thirsty
Man and Kick Was Great

Christopher Columbus was a discoverer, Thomas Edison was one and so is Jim Sullivan. The two former have benefited mankind beyond measure by their discoveries. The latter has benefited his appetite for alcoholic beverages by his discovery. He bought a bottle of denatured alcohol with a red label with skull and crossbones on it; then he bought some lemon pop, the kind the kiddies like in summertime and that is drunk nowadays by lots of drinkers of harder stuff in other days, and mixed the two.

The mixture proved palatable, at least to Sullivan. He got the kick out of it that some of us used to get out of good old fashioned Kentucky bourbon. Before the quart of skull and crossbones alcohol was a fourth extra current and Moosejaw. He rifled the express and dropped from the moving train in safe and was dropped from the next morning's train. Railway officers are checking up the loss.

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Forty-nine Show Begins This Evening at 7:30

With a crash and a bang the Days is especially urged to be on hand with of '49 will reappear in La Grande beginning tonight at Rex Hall, and those sturdy and vigorous days of old will remain with us until midnight Saturday. In the meantime, La Grande Lodge No. 433, "Best People on Earth" is going to forsake its own business affairs in the interest of accumulating a big fund with which to carry Christmas cheer throughout the city next Yuletide.

The parade tonight will usher in festivities. All Elks who are not in bed sick are drafted to appear for the parade from the Elks' Club at 7:30 sharp.

Horse Section Provided.
Every Elk who has a saddle horse the committee.



Weather
Fair tonight and Thursday.