

## RAIL CONFERENCE NOW ON

### MORE SOVIETS ARE TAKEN IN BY OFFICIALS

Raid on Convention Nets More Radicals Who Fall in Government Net.

### SECRET SESSION WAS BEING HELD

Preaching Radicalism by the Soviet Convention Not Agreeable to Federal Men Who Make the Raid.

(By Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—Six additional arrests have been made by federal agents in a raid yesterday on the Soviet convention near Bridgman, Michigan.

Fifteen members of the convention are in jail at St. Joseph, Michigan. Federal operatives, under instructions from Washington, are attempting to round up Communists and other radicals who participated in what was intended to be a secret session near Bridgman.

Sixty or more of the convention members are reported to have escaped through the woods.

### ELGIN SETS HER DATES FOR FAIR

All County Exposition to be Held on September 28, 29 and 30 by the New Fair Association.

Leo Tuttle, the motor that runs the city of Elgin, was in last evening disseminating the information that the county fair which Elgin has been contemplating is now an assured fact. The finances have been arranged, the corporation perfected and the fair dates have been set for September 28, 29 and 30.

"It is to be an all county fair," said Mr. Tuttle. "We have felt for some time in Elgin that Union county should have a fair and some of our public spirited citizens have put their shoulders to the wheel. It has happened just as it always does when Elgin people get in dead earnest, for the fair is over the rough place and it is to be held. Grounds have been secured with pavilion and race course already constructed and the premium list will soon be issued. A racing program of interest will be a part of the big show, but don't understand it is to be entirely racing, for such is not the case. It is to be a Union county fair for the entire county and Elgin is to be the host."

### Hy Eilers' Men Are Driving to Boise on Business and Pleasure

Stopping in La Grande this morning to get a little Grande Round in their tires, the Hy Eilers' men, secretary to Hy Eilers, and Fred Kipper, also connected with the Eilers music firm of Portland made a few calls on personal friends of Mr. Eilers conveying his best wishes. There are some men in the world who never forget the courtesies of life and Hy Eilers is one of them. No matter where one sees him, he is the same high class entertainer and when any of his men pass through a community he sends word of greeting.

### FRAUD BEING FERRETED

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—Referee Milberg, who was appointed by Judge Bingham of Marion county to gather testimony regarding the alleged fraudulent signatures on the initiative fish petition today, examined several persons whose names appeared on the petition, visiting them at their places of business.

### WHEAT PRICES

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—Wheat was \$1.05 to \$1.10 here today.

### Claims Telephone Case Brief Has Been Stolen

SALEM, Aug. 23.—Public Service Commissioner Kerran announced today that a valuable brief on the telephone rate case which he had spent two months in preparing and which

### BRUCE COX IS TO EXEMPLIFY DOKIE DEGREE

Former La Grande Man has New Lineup of Talent for This Dramatic Feature of the Big Meeting.

Khaled Temple No. 179, D. O. O. K., will exemplify the dramatic part of the initiation which is to be held in La Grande September 1st and 2nd. The divan will be made up of prominent orators from Eastern Oregon points and a new feature will be the presentation of 12 brigands assembled at Wallowa. Ordinarily these brigands are made up of La Grande Dokies under Bruce Cox as Mokana. Mr. Cox is, however, presenting an entirely new personnel on this occasion.

### Stoddard to Get Autos

Earl Stoddard, a member of the Entertainment Committee of the Ad Club, has been appointed chairman of the sub-committee to look after the necessary automobile facilities which will be needed to give the visitors in La Grande a chance to see the valley. This committee will need about 275 cars on Friday of next week. By beginning Monday morning of next week Mr. Stoddard's committee will begin to list available cars for this purpose.

### Finance Coming In

As an evidence of the spirit of cooperation that is going on among the people in La Grande in regards to the coming Dokie Convention is the fact that a great majority of the merchants and professional men are contributing to the financial fund by mail remittance, thus reducing the number of personal solicitations to be made. Ordinarily the finance committee, in an occasion like this, is compelled to spend several weary days gathering up the shakels. In contrast to this practice, Wm. Miller, treasurer, reports that there will be very little, if any, personal solicitation necessary on this occasion.

### Funeral of Alvah Price Will be Held Tomorrow

The funeral of Alvah Price will be held at the L. D. S. church tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon at 3 o'clock and interment will be made in the L. D. S. cemetery. The remains are at the Bohnenkamp chapel.

Mrs. A. R. Messenger, a sister of Mary E. Price, who resides at Astoria, arrived with the remains of Alvah E. Price this forenoon. John T. Price, father of the deceased, will arrive in the city from Cascade, Idaho, tomorrow morning to attend the funeral.

### BINGNER AND FREES WINNERS

Norman Frees and Charles Binger won the silver loving cup given as a prize for winning the doubles in the Union County Tennis Tournament yesterday afternoon when they defeated the Wilson Brothers of Imbler in two straight matches, 6-2 and 6-5.

The tourney is practically completed at present, only the senior singles being unplayed as yet. Lyle Wilson of Imbler won in his division and will play the winner of the first division for the title. Wilson was last year's champion and stands a good chance to win again this year.

### BULLETINS

#### FINAL STAGE REACHED.

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—Final stage was reached today in federal court trial of the contempt cases against fourteen striking shipmen when Attorney Green, representing the strikers, argued against the Oregon-Washington railroad company's attorneys' proposal that the men be fined and the money turned over to the company.

#### LIVE STOCK MARKET.

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—Cattle were steady, hogs a quarter lower, prime lights selling at \$11.25 to \$11.75 sheep steady, eggs firm and butter steady today.

### WAR IN CHINA COMES TO AN END TODAY

Sun Yat Sen Says It is Over and this is Supported by Other Statements.

### TO PEKING TO UNIFY COUNTRY

All Bickering Which Has Lasted Between Canton and Peking for Past Five Years Declared Ended.

(By Associated Press)

SHANGHAI, Aug. 23.—Sun Yat Sen, leader of the South China faction, announced today that peace again reigns between the north and south and that "war is at an end."

The above declaration comes as a climax to negotiations between Sun Yat Sen and representatives of other factions at Shanghai, which have lasted several days.

The southern leaders issued a flat declaration that bickering between Canton and Peking governments which has continued for the past five years had ended. This points to the conclusion that Sun Yat Sen soon will go to Peking if not to become president immediately, at least to take a prominent part in the re-unification of the country.

### Moses Alexander Was Nominated for Governor by Acclamation

(By Associated Press)

HAILEY, Idaho, Aug. 23.—Moses Alexander of Boise was nominated for governor by acclamation by the Democratic state convention in session Tuesday night. George Watters of Weiser was nominated for the house of representatives from the First congressional district, and W. P. Whitely of Pocatello for the house from the Second congressional district.

The platform as adopted calls for the abolition of the cabinet form of government and the state constabulary, and the abolition of the convention system in favor of the statewide direct primary. The platform also favors a bank guaranty act.

The forces supporting Judge W. M. Moran, Alexander's most formidable rival for the gubernatorial nomination, practically withdrew late in the afternoon, after they had lost by 75 to 25 a vote on the question of nominating by a two-thirds vote. It became apparent after this test that Alexander's nomination was assured.

### MONEY RATES TO REMAIN VERY MUCH THE SAME

National City Bank of New York Issues Review of General Business.

### CARLOADINGS WERE HEAVY

Wholesale Trade in Most Lines is Satisfactory in Nation and Textile Strikes Abate.

(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—The National City Bank of New York has issued a statement regarding business conditions of the country which says that basic conditions have not changed during the last thirty days.

The normal mid-summer slackening in business has been less noticeable than usual despite the fact that the railroad and coal strikes have continued to exert an adverse effect. Evidence of the steadiness with which all classes of goods have been moving is the fact that carloadings for the month of July, exclusive of coal, were one-fourth greater than such loadings for July, 1921, and lacked very little of reaching the total for August, 1920, the highest recorded month for American railroads. Equally convincing evidence of the remarkable maintenance of business activity is the total of debits to individual accounts as reported by member banks to the Federal Reserve Board which were 13 per cent higher for the week ending August 9, 1922, than for the corresponding week in 1921.

On the basis of freight movement thus far in 1922, an unprecedented strain on the capacity of the railroads seems certain in the autumn as a result of the expected expansion of business, the delayed movement of coal, and the marketing of large crops. The roads have ordered more than 100,000 cars during the year, and have steadily improved their facilities in other ways, but it is nevertheless difficult to see how serious traffic congestion can be avoided.

Wholesale trade in most lines is satisfactory. It is apparent that retailers are continuing their policy of conservative orders, but reports from all parts of the country indicate that a good autumn business is expected. The most recent crop reports, together with the fact that aside from men out on strike, there

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The last words were addressed to Major General Dalton.

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A large number of Republicans were in ambush party which made the attack upon the armored car accompanying Collins which inflicted heavy casualties upon the irregulars.

Just as the attack was beaten off a bullet struck Collins in the skull and he expired a few minutes later.

### Close Country Club Swimming Tank Today

The Country club swimming tank will be officially closed today for the remainder of the year and will not be opened until next summer. On account of the colder water at present and the lateness of the season, very few are now taking advantage of the tank.

Throughout the season the Country club tank has been a mecca for the nautically inclined local citizens. Nearly every day during the summer several would ride to the club for a dip and on Sundays the tank was at times filled to capacity.

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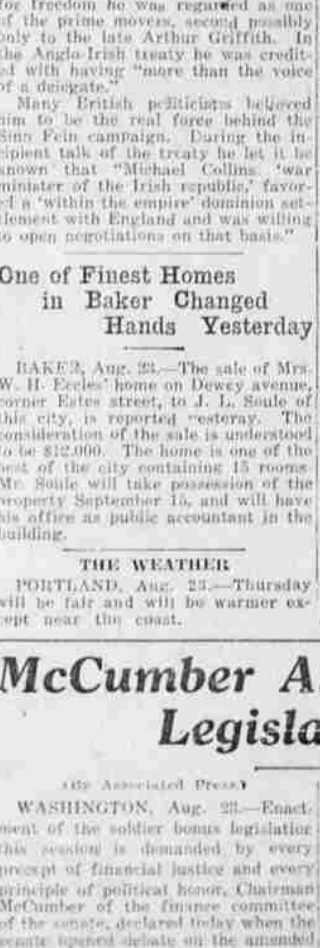
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NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—Railway executives convened here today to consider the proposals for settlement of the short-strike which were submitted last week by leaders of the Brotherhoods who are acting as mediators.

The meeting was called to order this forenoon but adjourned at noon after two hours' discussion.

Howard Elliott, head of the Northern Pacific, said as he was leaving the meeting upon adjournment, "the situation looks mighty serious."

Counter proposals are believed to have been discussed at today's meeting.

Four surprise factors have entered into the rail strike, any one of which, according to representatives of the roads and brotherhoods, may vitally influence the action of the Association of Railway Executives now considering peace proposals for mediation with the big five brotherhoods. They were:

1. The announcement that presidents of three powerful eastern roads, Samuel Rea, of the Pennsylvania; E. E. Loomis, of the Lehigh Valley, and William Easton, of the Jersey Central, were expected to arrive from Europe on the 22nd, in time to participate in the conference of the Association of Railway Executives.

2. The grant by three large steel corporations of a 50 per cent increase in wages to their 300,000 day laborers.

3. Assurances by L. P. Loree, president of the Delaware and Hudson, and chairman of the Eastern Presidents' conference, that prediction of a strike settlement and peace in the industry were "air bunk."

4. Announcement that several brotherhood committees are enroute from the west with practical proposals for settlement of the short-strike strikes, which they will submit to rail executives if all other advances fail.

Reasons of the railway executives refuse to comment on the unexpected arrival of the three eastern presidents.

Their return on the same boat, and in the midst of the present crisis, was admirably significant, however, especially since their respective vice-presidents have been the nucleus of the group which, in conference of the national association, has consistently fought against any peace plan which included reinstatement of strikers with seniority rights unimpaired.

Strikers Welcome Decision.

The decision of the steel corporations to raise the wages of laborers just 24 hours previous to the scheduled meeting of the executives, was hailed by the strikers as a point in their favor. It not only justified their refusal to accept wage cuts fixed by the railroad labor board, they said, but was ample proof of an impending industrial boom which would put the railroads, with their thousands of bad order cars, more than ever in need of their old repair forces.

"This wage increase will put considerable fire into the veins of railroad labor," declared David Williams, secretary of the eastern strikers committee. "The railroad men will find it hard to understand why he should get \$2.75 a day when he could get \$4 for the same work in the steel mills."

"If the railroads don't settle with the strikers, it will be doubly difficult for them to hold the unskilled crafts in line."

Rail Heads Are Silent.

Rail heads refrained from discussion of the possible effects of the steel company's move on rail strike negotiations. They were nevertheless quick to utter humorous reasons why the steel industry should grant their men a raise at the critical stage.

One was that some of the steel corporation bankers who are also large investors in the railroads took such means of making unimpaired the position steadily maintained by the eastern "richards," headed by L. P. Loree, that the strike be allowed to continue "as a finish fight," rather than it be settled by returning seniority rights to the strikers.

In other quarters the rise for the steel men was interpreted as an attempt to forestall a shortage of labor when coal mines get into full action again and roads are called upon to take up the additional burden of record crop movements. Still others decided it might bring the wage question back to complicate the strike, which now has simmered down to a battle over seniority rights.

### ONE OF FINEST HOMES IN BAKER CHANGED HANDS YESTERDAY

BAKER, Aug. 23.—The sale of Mrs. W. H. Eccles' home on Dewey avenue, corner Estes street, to J. L. Soule of this city, is reported yesterday. The consideration of the sale is understood to be \$12,000. The home is one of the best of the city containing 15 rooms. Mr. Soule will take possession of the property September 15, and will have his office as public accountant in the building.

### THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—Thursday will be fair and will be warmer except near the coast.

### McCumber Asks Bonus Legislation at Once

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Enactment of the soldier bonus legislation this session is demanded by every precept of financial justice and every principle of political honor, Chairman McCumber of the finance committee of the senate, declared today when the senate opened debate on the amended

house bonus bill with the bank certificate provision in lieu of the original proposal for a cash bonus.

Asserting that the word "bonus" is a misnomer, Senator McCumber said his purpose was to organize in a measure the pay of 2,000 called to the color with that received by those who stayed at home and profited by the extravagance that accompanied the war.