

### TECHNICAL EVASION CHARGED TO ROADS

#### Engine Men Declare Limit on Working Hours Fails From Technical Application.

### WIDOWS' PAY CUT DOWN

#### Brotherhood Chief Says Man Would Be Prosecuted for Acquiring as Much of Mule as Companies Do of Trainers.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—That the Federal 16-hour law, limiting the length of railroad trainmen's hours of work, had partly failed of its purpose because of technical applications by railroad officials, was the statement Thursday of Warren S. Stone, conducting the case of the engineers, who are pleading for increased wages before a board of arbitration in Chicago.

The statement was brought out when J. W. Higgins, general manager of the Missouri Pacific, undergoing cross-examination by the representatives of the men, turned interrogator. He asked Mr. Stone if the latter did not consider it fair for a man to use an engine crew for two hours after a 14-hour run when otherwise a fresh crew would have to be called and paid for a full day's labor under the law.

**Work Declared Cruel for Mules.** "Absolutely no," was the reply. "You couldn't work a mule that long without having the humane society after you. It was never the intent of the 16-hour law, which I helped to frame, that men should be worked 16 hours as a matter of habit or by convenience to the roads. To that extent the law has failed of its purpose."

Similar instances in which the men and their employers accused each other of taking advantage of technicalities were brought up. Mr. Stone cited cases in which roads had refused to pay to widows of engineers killed in accidents the minimum wages of the men for the day on which they met death, the checks being for the exact mileage covered by the train.

**Wages Increased, Dividends Lost.** The union questioners brought out that many superintendents who receive less than the engineers they supervise, as testified by Mr. Higgins yesterday, receive daily expense accounts and have private cars at their disposal.

"Do you think the Missouri Pacific can afford to give us what we ask here?" queried Mr. Stone. "No," replied Mr. Higgins. "The Missouri Pacific system hasn't paid a dividend since 1907 and in that period it has increased its payrolls more than \$2,000,000 a year. That condition must end."

The firmen would prefer hood-carriers' wages to those they are now demanding from Western railroads. W. S. Carter, president of the Firmen's Brotherhood, declared.

### POLE MADE "BLACK POPE"

#### Efforts of Latins to Gain Control of Jesuits Fails.

ROME, Feb. 12.—Father Ledochowski was today elected general of the Society of Jesus in succession to Father Francis Xavier Wernz.

### CASHIERS TIED BY ROBBERS

#### Bank Officials' Suspenders Used and \$2500 Taken by 2 Youtns.

ANTELOPE, Mont., Feb. 12.—Bound fast to chairs with their suspenders, the cashier and his assistant of the Farmers' State Bank at Medicine Lake, Mont., were compelled to look on while two masked robbers looted their bank today and carried away \$2500.

### 47 NEGROES TAKEN IN RAID

#### Arrests in North End Made at Request of Eminent of Race.

By request of members of Portland's colored population, it is said, 47 negro men and women were arrested on vagrancy charges in the North End Thursday night in a raid by Lieutenant Harms and six policemen. William Warren, secretary to Mayor Albee, accompanied the party.

### CANADIAN GUARDS REBEL

#### Dismissal of Major Angers and Troops Called to Quiet Them.

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 12.—Friction over the dismissal of E. Gillis, the Senior Major, culminated tonight in the refusal of the members of the Toronto Home Guard to obey an order to parade given by Colonel Stewart, their commanding officer. It was said that only 32 out of 700 members of the Toronto Home Guard to obey the order.

### LOWER RATES EXPECTED

#### Spokane Jobbers Think Charges Below Order's Limit Now.

railroads to give Spokane rates that are even lower than the order specified, as the railroad officials have already signified their intention of doing. Word is daily expected announcing the coming to Spokane of the traffic heads of the railroads to confer with the local shippers and go over the commodities in detail, to establish rates on each to meet the Spokane needs.

"The decision seems to be just about what we had expected and hoped it would be," said J. B. Campbell, secretary of the Spokane Merchants' Association. "It is even better than we had anticipated. The order sets no positive rates, which leaves considerable leeway for the railroads to give Spokane lower rates. The railroads asked a lower rate to the Coast on commodities of schedule and have been permitted to make such a reduction, but a correspondingly lower rate will undoubtedly be given to Spokane. After considering the present situation it is believed that the order is favorable to the local jobbers."

According to Percy Powell, chairman of the traffic committee of the local Merchants' Association, the decision means terminal rates for Spokane on commodities from Missouri River points.

"Personally, I am much pleased with the decision," said Mr. Powell. "It not only means terminal rates from Missouri River points, but it also provides direct benefits to the local jobbers and leaves the railroads free to start further reductions."

The understanding here is that the railroads are given the privilege in part of adjusting rates, which procedure might in some instances result in the findings in the Spokane rate case.

Arrangements for the issue of bread tickets to family households were exactly made and the authorities settled a problem for hotels and boarding-houses by authorizing the issue of day tickets for every patron registered.

Code words have been suggested for persons who are due to arrive at hotels in the right so that they may telegraph ahead from trains if they wish rolls with their morning coffee. Trading in bread tickets will be difficult, as the tickets are not transferrable and are good only for the week in which they are issued.

Similar regulations probably will be made for all cities of more than 25,000 population. The executive committee of the municipal league will meet tomorrow to recommend the introduction of the two-kilogram bread quota on the same basis as that enforced in Berlin.

According to the Lokal Anzeiger, a state regulation of another essential of German life is impending. The Bundesrath is considering a law limiting the consumption of malt to 50 per cent of the present quantity permitted, and reducing the beer production correspondingly. The barley thus saved will be available for human consumption as barley grits or as food for cattle.

### BULGARIA STILL NEUTRAL

#### COUNTRY READY, BUT IS DISINCLINED FOR WAR.

#### Relations With Roumania Improve, but Outcome Depends on Serbia's Attitude in Macedonia.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Feb. 12, via London.—"Bulgaria has decided to maintain a strict and loyal neutrality," said Premier Radolovoff, at a meeting today with his Parliamentary adherents, at which the German loan to Bulgaria was discussed.

The Premier declared that the military and financial preparations of the country were adequate for any emergency, but that the government was confident that the friendly feelings of the powers toward Bulgaria would result to its advantage.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The correspondent of the Times at Bucharest says that through a conversation with an eminent Roumanian statesman he learns that Roumania's relations with Bulgaria are now satisfactory and are expected to improve.

The question of concessions to Bulgaria," the correspondent adds, "probably will be easily arranged, but it depends upon Serbia's being willing to make concessions to Bulgaria in Macedonia—that is to say, that Roumania is unwilling to take action until the harmonious co-operation of the three countries has been arranged for and Bulgaria's policy is clearly defined."

GENEVA, Switzerland, via Paris, Feb. 12.—The first allotment of 4000 maimed French prisoners, including 80 officers, has arrived at the hospitals at Constance. There the men will wait until exchanged through German crippled prisoners.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Otto L. Burliche, 28 years old, a student from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, shot himself with a revolver last night in a taxi cab in front of a house in Brooklyn, where Miss Helen Laing, of Lockport, Canada, was visiting friends. He died while on the way to a hospital.

Miss Laing said she met Burliche aboard a steamship on route to this country from South America, but she insisted there was nothing serious in his attentions to her; that he was merely a traveling acquaintance. According to a chauffeur, Burliche hailed him tonight on Broadway and ordered him to drive to the Brooklyn address. As the cab drove in front of the house Burliche shot himself.

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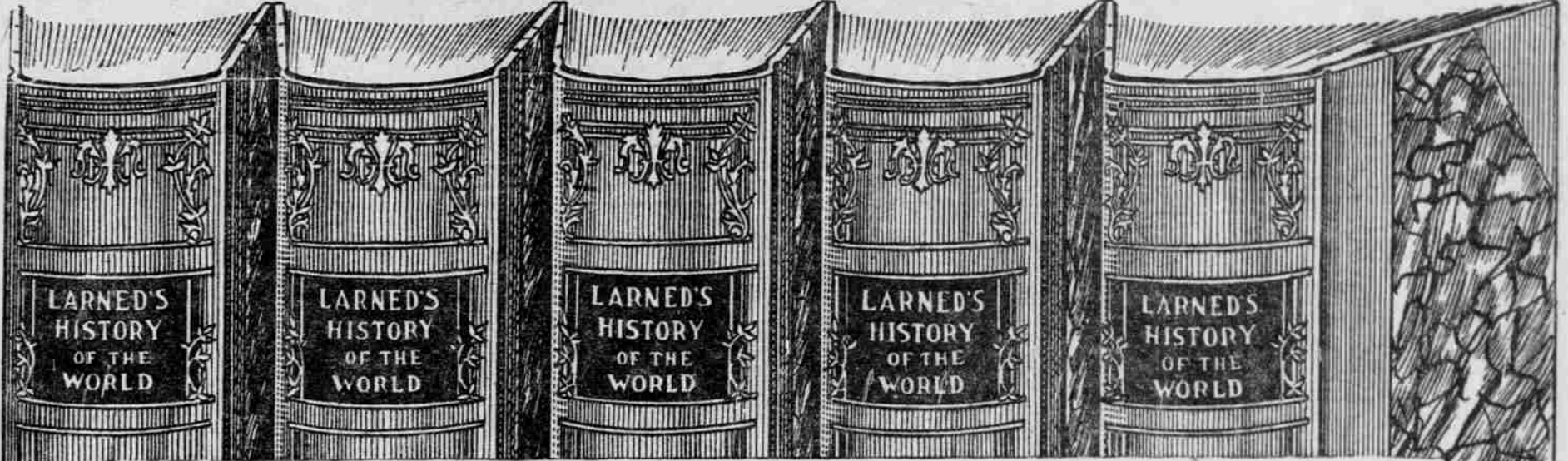
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### BERLIN WAITS EXCHANGE

#### DATE OF PRISONER TRANSFER IS NOW UP TO FRANCE.

#### Severely Wounded Britons Will Be Given Over for Germans February 15—French Reach Constance.

BERLIN, via Amsterdam and London, Feb. 12.—The German government today issued the following official statement dealing with the question of exchange of prisoners of war: "French war prisoners who come into the category of severely wounded prisoners to be exchanged will be collected at Constance for eventual discharge. The date of exchange has not yet been settled, as the French government has not yet answered our communication. "Regarding the exchange of British prisoners, these will be collected until February 14 at Liege, Belgium, and at Lingen, on the Dutch frontier. The date of February 15 has been proposed to the British government for the exchange of prisoners through the Netherlands."

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### GRANGE ENDS SESSIONS

#### Columbia Pomona Meeting Views Road and Other Legislation.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—One of the most successful meetings of Columbia Pomona Grange was brought to a close at Felida Thursday. Every grange in the county had its representatives, and numerous resolutions relating to legislative matters, road questions and other county affairs were discussed and adopted.

### BRITON DEFENDS GERMAN

#### No Alarm Felt Over Residence of Brother to Enemy.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Sir John Lonsdale, honorary secretary and whip to the Irish Unionist party, disclosed in the House of Commons today that Baron von Bissing, a brother of the German Governor-General of Belgium, has a residence at Hove, Sussex, from which "signaling operations might easily be carried out."

### CITIZENS EXPEL NEGROES

#### Order Issued by Mass Meeting After Hearing Woman's Story.

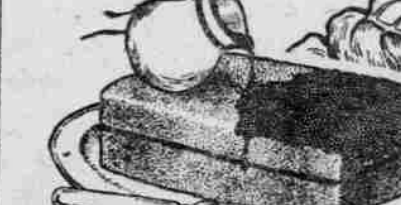
GALLUP, N. M., Feb. 12.—Placards were placed tonight warning all negroes to leave town before sunset tomorrow as a result of a mass meeting of citizens tonight which heard charges against a negro preferred by a white woman recently arriving from Saunders, Ark.

### LODGE TO HAVE BIRTHDAY

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—In celebration of the 51st anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Pythias, the local lodge will hold a big "home-coming" in the Oddfellow's Hall next Monday night. A committee, consisting of J. H. Elwell, L. M. Bur-

met and L. R. Elmgren, has been appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

Vancouver Lodge No. 6 was organized November 10, 1851, with about 50 charter members. Of the officers of the first year only one survives—H. W. Stata—Rev. A. S. Nicholson and J. H. Elwell.



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