

ROAD CONFERENCE DELAYED BY WRECK

Governor Withycombe's Party Caught Behind Broken California Bridge.

CRESCENT CITY CROWDED

Executive of Southern State Announces Readiness to Co-operate in Every Way Possible With Oregon Officials.

CRESCENT CITY, Cal., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—Delay in the road conference here between the Governor, State Highway Commissioners and citizens of Oregon and California was caused today by a wrecked bridge which had to be repaired before the Oregon officials could continue their journey to this city.

The meeting was called to consider the extension in Oregon of the Coast Highway, which California is building from San Francisco Bay to the northern part of the state. Discussion as to whether it shall continue north, on the assumption that a similar Coast route will be built through Oregon, or strike northeast to the Pacific Highway at Grants Pass, will be the chief feature of the sessions.

A big six-ton truck loaded with chrome ore crashed through a bridge nine miles from Crescent City today, and Governor Withycombe, S. Benson, State Highway Commissioner, and the delegation traveling by autos from Grants Pass were the only ones to reach Crescent City until 6:30 tonight. The programme was postponed until their arrival.

Road Work Inspected. Governor Stephens and the California State Highway Commissioner arrived in the afternoon and spent the time visiting the new road work hereabouts. There was a banquet tonight at which John L. Childs, County Judge of Del Norte County, presided.

While none was injured when the motor truck broke the highway bridge, the accident proved an exciting one for the party. The mishap occurred on a narrow, steep mountain grade, and machines were lined up for some distance on either side.

The good roads enthusiasts and tourists built a temporary arrangement around the machine and moved on, several hours later.

In an interview Governor Stephens said that he was delighted with his trip by motor from San Francisco north and was particularly impressed with the new work being done by state convicts on the stretch from Cummings for 30 miles north on the south fork of the E. River. He spent the night at a new camp known as Stephens Camp.

"It was much impressed," he said, "with the splendid results being obtained by Warden Johnson and Mr. Stearns, in charge. They are not only making a fine highway, but are making good manhood. The work of the convicts was pleasant and plainly showed the men were delighted with their condition."

"In the road forest the trip was an eye-opener, as I have come into this part of California for the first time, and I am proud and happy that it is within my power to help further the road work through this beautiful country."

"We are going to co-operate with the Oregon people in every way to get the Coast roads improved immediately. I promise to give them everything I can."

"It is a pleasure to meet so able an official as Governor Withycombe, and we are glad to welcome him and Mr. Benson to our state."

Many Prominent Men Present. Among the prominent men here for the two-day meeting, besides the Governor, are C. F. Stearns, N. B. Barlington and Henry Wiedeman, California highway commissioner; E. Fletcher, chief highway engineer of California; C. C. Morris, consulting engineer for the United States, of San Francisco; W. J. Johnson, of San Francisco, and James M. Olliver, an attorney of San Francisco; Simon Benson, chairman, and W. J. Adams, of the Oregon Highway Commission; County Judge Wood of Curry County; Judge Gillette, of Josephine County; Rodney L. Macleay, of Waddellburn; Amos S. Benson and John B. Yeon, of Portland, and many others from Marshall, North Bend, Gold Beach and Grants Pass.

Tomorrow's meetings will be held here to discuss the improvements of roads along some new grades that will give an all-year route free from snow. The highway will be built in United States troops, will provide means for getting spruce to the aircraft factories, and will permit tourists to go into Oregon at all times.

There are so many people here for the meeting Monday that every private house is filled, and beds are at a premium. Crescent City people are showing all possible hospitality, and are accommodating the visitors the best they can. The war food department is plentiful at this beautiful beach city.

At present Crescent City has only a slender connection with the outside world.

GERMANS TALK STRIKE

WORKERS THREATEN TO TIE UP MUNITIONS PLANT.

Demands for Release of Leader and Increase in Potatoes Allotment Meet With Refusal.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 19.—The Lokai Ankerster states that several hundred workmen employed in Krupp's Magdeburg plant have gone on strike, owing to the arrest of one of their leaders.

The war food department has declared that it is impossible to give the workers more than eight pounds of potatoes a week during the next 20 weeks.

Agitation favoring a strike in the Rhine provinces is increasing daily, according to the dispatches.

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HIGH ABOVE CROWDS ON NEW YORK'S "BUSIEST CORNER" GIRL PAINTS SERVICE POSTER.



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MISS LUCILLE PATTERSON. Anxious to do her bit and make it the most valuable deed she is capable of rendering the Nation, Miss Lucille Patterson, a 23-year-old artist of prominence, is devoting her artistic talent to war work. She is now at work on a gigantic service poster for the National League for Women's Service, and to paint it she has to work on a scaffold high above the busy throngs in the street below.

The poster is 20 feet high and will take the patriotic young artist at least three days to finish her task. It depicts a modern Joan of Arc holding aloft a banner and leading an army of American women in various necessary branches of the service in aid of their country. The poster will appear on the "busiest corner in New York." The use of the billboard at Forty-second and Fifth avenues was donated to the league by F. D. Warner, of the Interboro Sign Company.

Arrived at the battalion headquarters with his left arm blown off near the shoulder. His terrible wound had been dressed on the field and the messenger spent from loss of blood, had then staggered on to his duty.

He was removed in a dying condition, but he carried his messages to their destination.

STOLEN CAR IS RECOVERED. Owner Discovers Machine at Clackamas and Brings It Home.

J. M. Andresen, proprietor of a bakery at 19 East Twenty-eighth street in Clackamas, reported to the police that he had found, at Clackamas, an automobile which had been stolen from him on August 2. The serial number on the engine had been mutilated. Mr. Andresen brought the machine to the city and took it home with the consent of the police.

Mr. Andresen had just left the police station when a young soldier, who said he was the son of Sheriff Wilson, of Oregon City, reported that the car had been stolen from him at Clackamas. The lad said that Sheriff Wilson had recovered the car from the thief, but had been unable to find the owner.

BUDAPEST CHANGES MADE. Hungarian Ministry Is Given General Overhauling.

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 19.—Official announcement at Budapest of the following ministerial changes has been made: Count Adalar Zichy, Minister for Croatia and Slavonia, to be minister in attendance on the King.

M. Vassonyi, Minister of Justice, and Count Theodor Batthyany, minister in attendance on the King, to be ministers without portfolio.

Karl Gresek, secretary of the Ministry of Justice, to be Minister of Justice.

Deputy Bela Foveldes, to be minister without portfolio.

Karl Unkelhauser, deputy Governor of Bosnia, to be Minister for Croatia and Slavonia.

STRIKE HELD UNLIKELY. British Railroad Men Seeking Way Out of Trouble, Report.

LONDON, Aug. 20.—According to the Morning Post, there was a probability late Sunday night that the railway strike would not take place.

The officials of the Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, says the newspaper, who believed the government would yield to their threats, have discovered their mistake and seem to be seeking a way out of the trouble.

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LONG BATTLE WITH IDAHO FIRES WON

Crews Fight Night and Day in Forests and Finally Gain Upper Hand Over Flames.

SEVERAL CITIES SEND MEN

Officials Have No Fear of Further Spread Unless Wind Fans Flames. Request for Troops to Aid Is Under Consideration.

LEWISTON, Ida., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—By herculean working day and night, crews of timber fire-fighters have been able to check the fires which have been raging in the Clearwater district. During last night a northwestern wind arose which for a time seriously threatened the large area of standing white pine on the Lochs.

This is the largest area of standing white pine timber in the United States. Hundreds of men were rushed from Spokane, Lewiston and Camas Prairie to fight the flames.

Forestry officials declare the fires will be under control within the next 48 hours, provided the wind does not fan the flames into new districts.

In the event the men are not able to cope with the situation, troops now stationed at Lewiston will be called upon.

It is believed with the present organization the chances of a repetition of the holocaust of 1910 are remote.

CARE IN FORESTS IS URGED. Dangers of Starting Fires Now Are Great and Loss Would Be Heavy.

While few new forest fires have been reported from timbered parts of the state, and while fires that were giving trouble a few days ago are coming under control, the forest protection officials "warn" as can be seen from the situation, and are urging extreme care on the part of everyone who goes into the woods to avoid the starting of new fires.

"Should east winds develop at this time," said Hugh Hendry, of the Oregon Forest Fire Association, who returned last night from a trip into Columbia County, where the wardens are at work bringing some fires under control, "the situation that would result, with the large number of both small and large fires that are in the timber at this time, would be probably one of the most serious that forest protection agencies have yet faced."

"Even in 1910 when the losses were extremely heavy, the situation was not so delicate as the possibilities are so alarming as they are at this time."

The action of Governor Withycombe in closing the hunting season from August 22 to August 25, in the interest of the forest fire protection officials, will have an important effect toward preventing the occurrence of new fires, and will tend to stabilize the situation.

"While the foresters realize that the great majority of hunters are extremely careful with fire, the mere presence of a fire in the forest, in the opinion of this season in itself increases the possibilities of fires getting loose," said Mr. Hendry.

"The few fires that may be started through accident by hunters, or through the one hunter in a hundred who may be careless, are a particularly dangerous type of fire because of their inaccessibility."

The simple reason that hunters naturally seek out the most remote and least frequented localities in which to hunt.

A fire was started in the northeastern part of Tillamook County late Saturday by a lookout, and it will not be possible for the fire protection forces to reach it in less than a day and a half at the best, owing to the inaccessibility. This fire is thought to have gotten out from a party of hunters that went into that district a few days ago.

Owing to the delicacy of the situation, State Forester Elliott has ordered wardens to issue no permits to hunters in the timbered country until the weather becomes favorable. Fires that get out from such sources are illegal and those responsible will be held strictly accountable.

POWERHOUSE IS IN DANGER. Fifteen Hundred Acres of Timber in Clearwater District Is Burning.

LEWISTON, Idaho, Aug. 19.—(Special.)—Fifteen hundred acres of privately-owned timber is on fire in the Clearwater district, and at last reports the fire was spreading toward Grangeville. Eight of the power company's powerhouses, as well as threatening state timber and the Government forest reserve. Every effort is being made to get men from the surrounding country to fight the flames, the shipment of 25 fire-fighters from Spokane being inadequate to cover so broad an area.

The two fires in the Government reserve just south of the Clearwater district are reported to be under control. The local forestry office is directing the work of fighting the forest fires on the Government reserve.

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PRISON TO DRY FRUIT. Walla Walla Valey Growers Finance Scheme of Saving. OLD GRIST MILL IDEA USED. Small as Well as Large Producer Can Take Crop to State Plant and Have Work Done for Part of Product.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—A fruit-drying plant with a capacity of 20 tons a day is to be in operation at the state prison within 30 days, work of excavating for the building having been started. Culls and the ordinary waste fruit of the valley will be handled. Fruitmen of this section have been working on plans for this plant for some time, but until today nothing was given out. Warden Henry Drum, in whose hands the details were left, made the announcement. It was Warden Drum who first suggested to the fruitmen that the state could help solve the problem. Six sets of automatic piling and silencing machines, the latest improvement, are now in the city. The belting, pulleys and other equipment will be bought in Walla Walla. The plant will be ready for the apple crop this Fall and when that is handled, if potatoes are cheap, they will be dried. Other vegetables will likely be put through the drying process. Growers Finance Scheme. Walla Walla valley growers have financed the scheme to the extent of buying the machinery and equipment, which is to be installed in the old jute mill warehouse. Here the fruit which ordinarily would go to waste is to be dried by convict labor. The state will charge tolls for doing the work—the old gristmill idea worked over. After deducting the share of fruit for doing the drying the remainder will be returned to the owner to be disposed of, it is provided in the agreement that the machinery, equipment, etc., remain.

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DISH TOWELS IN DEMAND. Six Flour Sacks Expected to Last One Company Indefinitely. TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 19.—(Special.)—Here is a new way for the housewife to do her bit. Kitchen police at the American Lake cantonment want dish towels. Uncle Sam furnishes each company with six towels, made from flour sackings, and apparently goes on the assumption that this supply will last indefinitely. Thousands of towels will be needed when the 46,000 men come to the lake, as soon as the National Army is mobilized. Sergeant H. M. Murray of the quartermaster's department, has asked for 500 towels and 100 pot holders as his initial order. Other vegetables will likely be put through the drying process. Chauffeur Is Arrested. A. H. Winter, 1149 Belmont street, was arrested last night at Front and Morrison streets by the patrolmen, Hunt and Pratt, and charged with operating a "for hire" automobile without securing a bond. He was released on his own recognizance. Cigar Dealer Arrested. Sam Miller, a cigar dealer, was arrested last night by Detectives Leonard and Snow and held pending investigation.

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