

## RAIL WORKERS GET \$500,000,000 RISE

### Unions Not Satisfied and Strike Is Hinted.

## ACTION PROBABLE TODAY

### Decision Grants About Half of Labor's Demands.

## LEADERS IN CONFERENCE

### Brotherhood Chiefs May Not Call Strike, but Walkout by Men Is Admittedly Possible.

CHICAGO, July 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—The railway labor board, created under the Esch-Cummins transportation act, will hand down at 5:30 A. M. tomorrow its first award, increasing the pay of virtually all the 2,000,000 railroad employees.

Tonight reports from reliable quarters indicated the award would average from 50 to 60 per cent of the amount asked by the men, or between \$500,000,000 and \$600,000,000 of the billion-dollar total they sought.

Judge E. M. Barton, chairman, admitted "that is not far off" when shown the report.

### Union Attitude Uncertain.

Whether an award on the basis reported will be acceptable to the men, no union officer tonight was prepared to say. Nearly 1000 brotherhood chairmen and executives assembled today to discuss union affairs and adjourned until tomorrow.

A feeling of pessimism was evident when union leaders met and privately they did not hesitate to declare a general strike was a possibility. Tonight, however, it was virtually certain that the union chiefs themselves would not call a strike, but would submit the question of accepting or rejecting the board's award to a referendum.

The labor board today began investigating the looting of its offices last night, when someone broke in and stole among other things, a copy of the award. Two executives had been prepared, one for the board's files and the other for the printer. It was the former which was stolen.

### Railroad Reduces Force.

The printed decision covers 20 pages, making about 6000 copies. While an air of doubt hung over the railroad situation here, it was announced from Philadelphia that the Pennsylvania railroad planned a 10 per cent reduction in its working force this week. The roads' announcement said that in the eastern region between 11,000 and 12,000 workers would be laid off.

J. G. Rodgers, vice-president of the northwestern region at Chicago, said that the reduction applied only to the eastern region, but that a reduction in this territory was under consideration. For the office of the southwestern region in St. Louis, it was learned no reduction in working force was contemplated.

The reports from Chicago that the railroad organizations probably would reject the proposed award, at Wall street, active transportation shares are averaging one point decline.

### Leaders Are Silent.

The most closely watched conference of rail leaders today was that of the "big five" group, comprising the brotherhoods of railway engineers, firemen, conductors, trainmen and switchmen. Representatives of the six federated shop crafts, including the blacksmiths, boiler-makers, carpenters and electricians, also were in session, while leaders of the maintenance employees, clerks, freight-handlers and laborers, met in several conferences.

"There is nothing to be said yet," said W. S. Stone, grand chief of the engineers. "We are here to receive the awards of the railroad wage board tomorrow. None of us knows what the award will be. We are talking things over today."

### Meeting Closely Guarded.

At the general meeting of union heads today, Peter Knuff, chairman of the engineers' union on the Rock Island system, was elected chairman, credentials of all union representatives were carefully examined before they were allowed to enter. Security shrouded the meeting.

### The Only Union Leader Here who was Outspoken Concerning the Situation was S. E. Heberling, president of the Switchmen's Union of North America. He declared the unions were not bound to accept the awards. Asserting that he "should not like to see a general strike called," he said "that with the switchmen asking a 60 per cent increase, a compromise would hardly be acceptable."

"If the award is not sufficient to assure us a decent living, we will take concerted action," he said.

### "Outlaws" Also Considering.

While the recognized brotherhood chiefs were in session, another group representing the new rail unions, organized during the rail strikes in

## RAILROAD TO LAY OFF THOUSANDS OF MEN

### EXPENSES EXCEED INCOME, SAY PENNSYLVANIA HEADS.

### Eastern Region of Company Only One Affected—Threatened Strike Had No Bearing on Order.

PHILADELPHIA, July 19.—A 10 per cent reduction in the working force of the Pennsylvania railroad will be made this week, it was announced here today at the company's office.

In the eastern region alone, which takes in the territory east of Altoona, between 11,000 and 12,000 workers will be laid off, it was stated. It was stated the reduction was rendered necessary by the fact that expenses have been exceeding income for some time past.

A majority of those to go are in the shops or clerical department. This action was decided upon at a meeting of the general staff of the railroad. The general strike threatened by leaders of railway labor unions because of the anticipated wage awards of the railway labor board has nothing to do with the railroad's action, said high officials of the Pennsylvania today.

CHICAGO, July 19.—The reduction in working force of the Pennsylvania railroad, announced today at Philadelphia, applies only to the eastern region, it was stated in the company's northwestern offices here. Each of the four Pennsylvania system regions act independently.

## COMMONER ASSAILS COX

### Candidate's Position Concerning Liquor Is Held Dangerous.

### OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 19.—In the July issue of the Commoner, reaching here today, W. J. Bryan says:

"Cox's position has been that congress can permit an increase in the alcoholic content of beverage liquors and weaken the enforcement provision and his supporters say it should be done. The thing to do is to elect a senate and house that will not pass such a bill, and then request that a congress dry for a 2-to-1 majority can impeach a president if he fails to enforce the law. There is very little that he can do if congress does its duty."

## NAVAL OIL SUPPLY LOW

### Government to Seize Sufficient Amount if Necessary.

VALLEJO, Cal., July 19.—The Mare Island navy yard here has hardly more than sufficient oil to last two weeks, due to differences over the price, but before it closes down it will seize the necessary fuel from the oil plants near at hand, under a three years old order which allows such commandeering in time of emergency, Captain J. J. Cheatham, navy supply officer, said here today.

Captain Cheatham was awaiting an answer from Washington today in relation to offers of the oil companies to negotiate the price of \$1.72 a barrel, which has been insisted upon by the navy.

## FIVE MINORS ARE MARRIED

### Four Girls and One Boy Gain Consent of Parents to Wed.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 19.—(Special.)—Five minors, four girls and one boy, were married here today. They were: Lucile Hurst, 16, of Portland, daughter of Mrs. Marie Hurst, 223 Sherman; Portland, and Paul E. King, 22, of Bremerton, Wash. Gladys L. Gordon, 16, of Ridgefield, Wash., daughter of Charles Gordon of St. Helens, Or., and Hart Beebe, 28, of Quilley, Wash. Myrtle I. Clark, 17, of Colton, Or., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dalmata of Colton, and Richard Orem, 23, of Colton, Or. George H. Snyder, 18, of Portland, and Martha E. Parker, 15, of Portland.

## \$250,000 TIMBER IS SOLD

### Ohio Match Company Makes Purchase Near Metalline, Wash.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 19.—Purchase of nearly 100,000,000 feet of white pine timber on a tract five miles north of Metalline, Wash., for approximately \$250,000 by the Ohio Match company was announced today by Fred Shore, local manager of the company. The timber was purchased from eastern men.

Three sawmills, costing \$120,000, will be erected on the property immediately, Mr. Shore stated.

## LIGHTNING WRECKS PLANT

### Damage of \$20,000 to \$25,000 Is Done at Mullan, Idaho.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 19.—Lightning struck the building of the National Copper company near Mullan, Idaho, Sunday, according to word which reached here today and caused a loss estimated at \$20,000 to \$25,000. The compressor buildings, two compressors, other machinery and a considerable quantity of supplies were destroyed by the fire which followed.

## HENDERSON, KY., LARGER

### Population Increase of 6.3 Per Cent Is Announced.

WASHINGTON, July 19.—Census reports announced today were Henderson, Ky., 12,169, increase 7.1, or 6.3 per cent.

Macon, Ga. (revised), 52,005, increase 12,330, or 20.3 per cent (previously announced as 52,525).

## PROHIBITION ISSUE ANNOYS COX MOST

### Conference With Wilson Mere Formality.

## ILL MAN'S WHIMS ALL MET

### Nominee More Thoughtful in Talks With Other Chiefs.

## BRYAN TO BE IGNORED

### Ohio Governor to Make No Attempt to Resurrect Commoner's Heart From Grave.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, July 19.—More thoughtful in some of the informal conferences held by Governor Cox during his brief visit here than to what went on in the White House confab yesterday if all of the facts were disclosed.

The White House meeting was merely a matter of yielding to the whims of a sick man who still wields considerable influence among a certain element of the democratic party and who remains somewhat powerful because of the vast amount of federal machinery yet in his control that is of value to the campaign. Mr. Cox came here reconciled to the surgeon, regardless of his own views, and he yielded to Mr. Wilson without any regrets.

It is learned, however, that the democratic candidate was more thoughtful in some of the informal conferences with other democrats. What was annoying him most appeared to be the wet and dry question. He sought advice on what he should say or whether he should say anything. Having a wet record as Ohio's executive and furthermore having expressed himself a few weeks ago on the side of wet and beer, he was in doubt about how to deal with the question in his speech of acceptance.

### Bryan Held Irreconcilable.

He was told it would be better to let the question absolutely alone because the objection of the dry could not be overcome by a promise of law enforcement. He had reached a decision as to his attitude toward William Jennings Bryan which will probably be followed in relation to the liquor question. Bryan, it was learned, he counts as irreconcilable and more-over calculated to do more harm than good for the democratic cause this year, if brought into line.

There will be no overtures of any sort made to Mr. Bryan, it was said today, the presidential candidate being of the opinion that the Bryan

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## 3 KILLED BY MILITIA AS MOB STORMS JAIL

### NEGROES ON ASSAULT COURSE PROTECTED BY GUARDS.

### Machine Guns Opened When Bullets Rattle About Defenders in Building.

DURHAM, N. C., July 19.—Jim Ray, 45, of Graham, was killed; Willie Phillips of Graham, seriously injured, and Clem Bradshaw of Haw River, slightly wounded tonight, when a masked mob attempted to storm the Alamance county jail, where three negroes charged with assault on a white woman are held, according to a statement by Captain Marion E. Fowler commanding the Durham machine gun company, guarding the jail.

"Absolutely false," Captain Fowler said in connection with the report that no reason could be assigned for the shooting. "The masked mob," he said, "fired the first shots. The machine gunners returned the fire with machine guns and side arms." The man killed and the two men injured were not members of the mob, Captain Fowler said.

The mob that stormed the jail was made up of about 50 men. They surrounded the building and made a concerted attack. Captain Fowler said. As they ran toward the jail they emptied revolvers and rifles.

The soldiers and machine guns had been placed inside the building and by order of Captain Fowler they returned the fire. The battle lasted for three minutes. "We used both shots were fired. "We used both the machine guns and sidearms."

The bullets fired by the mob rattled about the jail and through the barred windows. Several shots came dangerously near the soldiers but nobody seemed to know just why the Captain Fowler, talking over a telephone inside the jail, said: "All is quiet but we are expecting another attack."

Upon recommendation of Colonel Don Scott, commander of the first regiment, Adjutant-General Van Metts tonight ordered the Durham reserve militia to be in readiness to proceed to Graham.

GREENSBORO, N. C., July 19.—Reports from Graham today stated that the woman attacked by the machine gunners opened fire and denial was made that there was any concerted attempt to storm the jail. Bloodhounds trailed from the home of the woman attacked to a servant's house at Rainey hospital nearby and the three negroes were found in bed together, arrested and placed in jail.

Citizens during Sunday persuaded the crowds not to attack the jail. In the meantime a machine gun company arrived from Durham on orders of Governor Bickett, who instructed them "to shoot and shoot straight."

Crowds stayed around the jail until nearly daylight today but then dispersed. Tonight, with the street lights out, a crowd gathered near the jail and fire was opened by the machine gunners.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 19.—Adjutant-General Metts on hearing tonight that there had been a clash between national guardsmen and a crowd at Graham, N. C., ordered additional troops to the town and announced that he would proceed there immediately on a special train.

## ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE SHAKES LOS ANGELES

### SHARP SHOCK IS FELT BUT NO PANIC IS EXPERIENCED.

### Third in Series of Shocks in Last Two Weeks Does No Damage and Town Is Quiet.

LOS ANGELES, July 19.—A sharp earthquake shock was felt here at 6:48 o'clock.

No damage was reported from any quarter of the city. There was no panic among the people.

This is the third in a series of quakes that have shaken Los Angeles recently, the first visiting the city about two weeks ago. The last one, which came on Friday, did considerable damage to the town, caused a cave-in of the Hill-street tunnel and threw the entire city into a panic. There were four distinct shocks in the last quake that Los Angeles experienced, and business was suspended and the population of the downtown business blocks fled into the streets away from the trembling walls.

## JITNEY NOT YET OUSTED

### Seattle Hearing on Injunction Is Set for July 28.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 19.—By a temporary injunction granted today by Judge Everett Smith in superior court, elimination of jitney buses from Seattle streets is delayed, the city being restrained from enforcing the ordinance until July 28.

Final settlement of the litigation, however, was expedited when Judge Smith set July 28 as the day for hearing on its merits the petition of drivers for a permanent injunction restraining the city from enforcing the ordinance.

## INDUSTRY BODY TO MEET

### Washington Code Commissioners to Hold Three-Day Session.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 19.—Washington industrial code commissioners will meet here Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, it was announced today.

Both employers and employees will appear before the commission, whose membership is as follows: Edward Blake, chairman, Seattle; Dewitt M. Evans, secretary, Tacoma; John Patterson, Spokane; W. L. Dimmock, Yakima; H. Alvin Moore, Seattle.

The principle set up for the commission is said to be similar to that established by the state law in Kansas.

## ASTORIA MAYOR RESIGNS

### Council Postpones Consideration of James Bremner's Action.

ASTORIA, Or., July 19.—(Special.)—James Bremner submitted his resignation tonight as mayor of Astoria.

He gave as his reason that stress of private business made it impossible to give the necessary time to the city's affairs. The council postponed consideration of his resignation for two weeks. Mr. Bremner's resignation was a surprise.

### Seamanship Held Vital.

With seamanship counting so much in a contest such as the American's cup race, the question of who will handle Shamrock transcended all other talk.

Yachting experts have been severely criticizing Captain Burton's work and during Saturday's race comment aboard the Victoria was strongly in favor of Captain Charles Francis Adams II.

Resolute still has three victories to win if she is successfully to defend the cup, whereas Shamrock needs but two.

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### New Course Likely.

Saturday the first leg paralleled the Long Island shore, with the second leg stretching toward the Jersey coast and the third back to the Ambrose channel lightship where the start was made. Tomorrow, however, this course doubtless will be changed, as the whole question of where the yachts will race depends on the direction of the wind.

The regatta committee of the New York Yacht club, which last week decided to hold races every day after tomorrow unless the skippers of the two boats objected, today arranged with the rival captains to display the code flag "O" on the way back to their anchorage after tomorrow's race if they are ready to race on Wednesday. If they desire a postponement they are to fly the code flag "D," but in either event they have until 9 P. M. to notify the committee of a desire for postponement.

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Sir Thomas supplied King Alfonso with the skipper and crew of the king's yacht, the Epana.

No information could be obtained as to whether Mrs. Burton would continue as timekeeper. Crew members with superstitious tendencies believe a woman should not sail on a cup racing yacht.

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## SHAMROCK MUST GIVE MORE TIME

### Sail Area Increase Cause of Larger Allowance.

## BURTON WILL RETAIN HELM

### Challenger to Try New Rig in Today's Race.

## SEA SKILL IS CRITICISED

### Sir Tom Lipton and Advisers Decide to Give Skipper Further Opportunity.

## SANDY HOOK, N. Y., July 19.

Shamrock IV, British challenger for the American's cup, will be required to give Resolute, American defender, a time allowance of 7 minutes and 1 second in tomorrow's race, the regatta committee of the New York Yacht club announced tonight. This increase of 21 seconds over the previous allowance followed the granting of the application of the Lipton craft for permission to use a larger club sail.

Moderate and mostly northwest winds, with fair weather, was the weather bureau's forecast tonight for tomorrow.

Captain William P. Burton will be at the helm of Shamrock IV when she races again against the American defender Resolute.

Council Reaches Decision. This was the decision reached tonight by Sir Thomas Lipton and his yachting advisers after a day spent in conference over the handling of the challenger in the first two matches, the first of which resulted in victory for the Irish sloop after her rival had been withdrawn because of an accident and the second of which was called off because Resolute, after outdistancing Shamrock, had been unable to finish within the six-hour limit.

"Captain Burton will be at the wheel tomorrow, I understand," said Sir Thomas. "After that I cannot say, and, of course, I will not talk about it."

Gossip about Sir Thomas' steam yacht, Victoria, had it that Captain Burton had asked for another chance, but the Irish baronet would not discuss this.

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## "HANDS OFF," SOVIET RETORT TO BRITAIN

### PLAN FOR ARMISTICE WITH POLAND REJECTED.

### Reply to British Note Bit Sarcastic in Tone and Retards Trade Resumption.

LONDON, July 20.—The reply of the Russian soviet government to the British note concerning an armistice with Poland rejects in substance the British peace proposals, according to the London Times, which publishes a summary of the soviet answer.

The document is lengthy and the Times assumes it will soon be published in full by the government. The bolsheviks decline to come to London, according to the Times, because they say Great Britain is not impartial. They also object to the admission to the conference of delegates from the Baltic states, saying Russia already has made peace with them.

As to Poland, the bolshevik government points out that the proposed armistice is unfair to Poland and that with direct negotiations the bolsheviks are prepared to grant Poland a much more favorable frontier.

The reply refuses flatly to entertain any conditions regarding the forces of General Wrangell and the refugees in South Russia and demands their unconditional surrender.

The tone of the reply is sarcastic, says the Times, which declares it is aimed at driving a wedge between Poland and the allies by stimulating Polish dissatisfaction with the British proposals. The Times adds that it believes the reply will make it more difficult for Great Britain to enter into trade relations with Russia.

## BOMBS BURST IN SAAR

### Inhabitants Reported Fleeing From Big Explosion.

LONDON, July 19.—A big explosion has occurred in the Saar region of Germany, caused by aerial bombs, according to a wireless dispatch from Berlin.

The wireless said: "As a result of the spontaneous ignition of some rockets, which caused an explosion of a dozen aerial bombs, a tremendous explosion has occurred in a munitions factory at a former German artillery park in the Saar. The inhabitants of the neighboring villages are fleeing as the explosion of a large number of gas shells is expected."

"Hundred railway carriages are being held in readiness to evacuate the districts."

## HOURLY ADDED TO WORK DAY

### Shoemen Work Nine Hours to Help Move Nation's Crop.

TOPEKA, Kan., July 19.—Men employed in the locomotive shops of the Santa Fe railroad here went on a one-hour day today, adding one hour to regular time.

This action was taken to increase the output of locomotives for moving the nation's grain crops.

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## AGGRESSIVE PLACE KEPT

### Republican Nominee Determined to Make President's Course Big Campaign Question.

MARION, O., July 19.—Senator Harding's offensive against the "foreign commitment" of President Wilson, initiated yesterday in question for Governor Cox, was developed today toward a new quarter.

In his second statement, the republican nominee declared the republican conception of what should have been done at Versailles had been vindicated by Colonel House, friend and adviser of the president. He quoted the colonel as saying negotiations of a peace treaty before creation of a league of nations was suggested by European powers and would have been the "obvious" thing to do.

The ardor with which the senator pressed his