

LABOR MAKES FINAL REPLY TO RAILWAYS

Rebuttal of Argument for Wage Cut Is Filed.

LINES' STAND ATTACKED

Carriers Declared to Have Said Nothing in Regard to Fundamental Issues Involved.

CHICAGO, May 16.—B. M. Jewell, president of the Railway Employees' department of the American Federation of Labor, today filed his final reply to the last arguments presented to the railroad labor board by the railways in support of their plea for a reduction of the wages of common labor.

The roads closed their case on May 7 and representatives of the employees had until today to present their final rebuttal. Today the board began consideration of the case in executive session, a decision not being expected for several weeks.

In his statement filed today Mr. Jewell held that in regard to the fundamental issues, the carriers have said nothing beyond declaring that questions of human rights and human standards are irrelevant.

He declared that the roads have only emphasized their financial needs, seeking to appeal to the sympathies of the board without regard to the equities in the case.

Mr. Jewell declared in a number of exhibits the employees have shown such an appeal for sympathy to be unfounded. In answer to the attack of the railroads on the exhibits entitled "Inadequacies of management," he quoted the Railway Labor board's finding that the transportation industry needed \$6,000,000,000 to put it abreast of the time. It would be a fundamental injustice, he said, if the board should grant a reduction in rates of pay because of the financial embarrassment of the roads.

Normal Family Needs Cited.

Mr. Jewell's reply urged that unless the needs of normal families are used for the basis for establishing a minimum wage the tendency would be to discourage marriage or to make necessary the labor of women and young children, or to bring about a steady deterioration of the health and moral qualities of families affected.

He declared "there has been suggested no method of determining what wage to be used as a basis point, is just and reasonable, except the method of ascertaining what wage is a living wage, that is, is sufficient to maintain the worker and his family in health, decency and efficiency."

Jewell Quotes Statistics.

After pointing out that the railroads or employees were never in favor of the labor of women and young children, he added "now, obedient to the law, they come before this board, temporarily at least, laying aside their prejudice and relying on the board for justice. Thus it is absurd for the roads to talk about supply and demand and to attack the living wage principle as impracticable."

Mr. Jewell quoted statistics to show the United States possesses ample power of production to sustain a high general standard of living and added "but it is obvious that America cannot utilize this productive power to the full unless she does maintain a high standard of living."

20 PER CENT CUT REFUSED

Southern Pacific Clerical and Station Men Decline to Accept.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—Representatives of the clerical forces and station men of the Southern Pacific refused today to accept a 20 per cent reduction in wages proposed April 28 by the company. At a conference today the men would not accept any reduction, but the ground that living conditions did not warrant it. The company will take an appeal to the railway labor board.

Freight handlers and trucksters were not included in today's conference which will be followed this week by other company conferences with representatives of employees in different departments.

WOMAN AND 4 ARE SHOT

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Kerosene and set fire, and in some instances helpless people were left to the mercy of the flames by the raiders who fled in automobiles.

The raids were in all ways similar to those made in suburban districts of London and in this city Saturday night.

One house that was raided was occupied by a widow and her daughter. The latter opened the door when there was a knock and she was seized by the throat by the intruder. She struggled and fled to her mother and then fainted. The women were too terrified to raise an alarm.

In another house were three sisters who were overawed by a dozen men who displayed revolvers and threatened to shoot them if they stirred.

A terror attacked the raiders when they assailed his 70-year-old master and prevented them from setting fire to the house. When the raiders ran the dog chased them, but was shot dead.

A sailor named Brailsford, who lost a leg in the famous raid on Zebrugg, refused to throw up his hands when men broke into his house, but threw a sewing machine at the intruders, who fled, firing their revolvers.

None of the raiders has been arrested.

THREE BLAMED FOR RAIDS

Arrests Made in London for Some of Saturday's Fires.

LONDON, May 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—Three arrests have been made by the police in connection with Saturday night's attack on residences in London and its suburbs, which relatives of members of the royal Irish constabulary attributed to a Sinn Féin campaign to terrorize London.

A number of houses and other buildings were fired and three persons wounded, one probably mortally.

IRISH LEADERS WILL NAME THEIR CONDITIONS OF PEACE WHEN THEY MEET THE BRITISH REPRESENTATIVES, HE ADDED.

MEETING REPORTED OFFERED

Lloyd George Said to Be Willing to See De Valera.

DUBLIN, May 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—Premier Lloyd George, said the Freeman's Journal today, has offered to meet Eamon de Valera, or other Irish leaders, without conditions. Mr. De Valera, added the newspaper, replied that if the premier made such a statement public, he (De Valera) would give a public reply.

Early this month a conference took place between Eamon de Valera and Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier designate, at which these two leaders of their respective sections of opinion in Ireland talked over the situation. The meeting was said to have been without tangible results, with respect to the warfare in Ireland, but the fact that it was held was commented upon in Dublin Castle and other circles as a hopeful sign.

ROADS ARE TO BE SHUT

PART OF PACIFIC HIGHWAY SOUTH OF SALEM CLOSED.

Highway Department to Stop Traffic on Monroe-Corvallis Route so Paving Can Be Laid.

SALFORD, Or., May 16.—(Special.)—The state highway department, in an order issued here today, has closed the highway extending from a point 2500 feet south of the Salem city limits to a point where the Ankeny hill road turns into the town of Jefferson.

Travelers have been advised to go over Ankeny hill, the road being in good condition from Jefferson to Albany and Corvallis. Some time next week the highway department will close the road from Corvallis to Monroe. This will necessitate travelers taking a detour south from Albany to Harrisburg.

From Corvallis to Monroe, a distance of eight miles, the contract has been awarded for concrete pavement which will cost approximately \$225,000. This work will be under way in a few days, and should be completed in October, according to the contractors. It also has been proposed to complete the paving on the road from Monroe to Junction City this year, thereby making a continuous stretch of pavement from Corvallis to Goshen, five miles south of Eugene. Improvements on the highway from Goshen to Drain, Douglas county, also is under contract.

South of Walker, which is five miles north of Cottage Grove, paving operations now are in progress and travelers are allowed to pass over the road during only a few hours of the day.

HOSPITAL APPEALS LOST

NATIONAL BOARD REFUSES TACOMA'S SITE OFFER.

Only Veterans' Institution in Washington State to Be Maintained at Walla Walla.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., May 16.—Walla Walla is to have the only veterans' hospital in Washington state, Dr. C. C. White, head of the hospitalization board of the bureau of war risk insurance, said today, in ruling that a proposal from Tacoma to take over a site there known as Spanaway Park, would not be accepted. Elmer Dover, Tacoma capitalist and politician, was told of the board's decision after he had presented a plea for the Tacoma site.

In ruling against the Tacoma proposition Dr. White also put an end to the appeal of Seattle to have a hospital established on the abandoned King county poor farm site. Dr. White said the policy of the government was not to extend the hospital service, but to develop today's institutions already authorized by congress. The last congress appropriated \$600,000 for hospitals at Walla Walla, Wash., and Fort McKenzie, Wyo. All but a few thousand dollars of this amount goes for the development of a hospital to care for 1000 or more patients on the site of the old Fort Walla Walla military reservation.

Veteran Convicted of Fraud.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 16.—Herbert W. Coates, world war veteran, was found guilty by a jury in superior court here today under charges of subscribing to a false oath in connection with his application for the state bonus, and of receiving the bonus for a year more than his service allowed.

Supreme Court Recess June 6.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 16.—The supreme court will recess for the term on June 6, it was announced today. The next term will open October 10.

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FEDERAL RESERVE CASE IS REVERSED

Par Collection of Checks Suit Is Remanded.

CAUSE MUST BE TRIED

Action by Non-Member Banks to Enjoin System From Alleged Discrimination Is Involved.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 16.—The supreme court today reversed decrees of Georgia courts which had refused to enjoin the federal reserve bank at Atlanta from collecting checks drawn on non-member state banks, and the case was remanded to the lower courts.

At the issue before the supreme court was merely whether, as a matter of pleading, the plaintiffs' bill of complaint stated a cause of action, the decision was not a final determination, and the case will go back to the district court of the northern district of Georgia, where the next step is expected to be tried upon its merits.

Par Collections Attacked.

The plaintiffs assert that to enforce the policy of par collection of checks the Atlanta reserve bank planned to hold checks of small non-member banks until they reached a material size and then to demand payment "in cash across the counter" and to utilize other methods which would necessitate non-member banks keeping always on hand a sum out of all proportion to their capital.

Such methods, they said, would force them to close or to join the federal reserve system. A suit for an injunction to restrain the reserve bank from proceeding along these lines was brought, but was dismissed when the Georgia courts sustained a demurrer of the federal reserve bank.

An appeal was then taken to the supreme court.

Practice Will Continue.

Governor Harding of the federal reserve board said tonight that the supreme court's decision will not interfere with the check-clearing functions of the federal reserve banks, and those banks will continue to collect checks drawn on those banks which are listed on the par list.

"The opinion of the supreme court does not deny the legal authority of the federal reserve bank to collect checks on non-member banks by banking presentations thereof at the counter," Governor Harding said, "but holds merely that non-member banks may be entitled to relief if they can prove that the federal reserve bank maliciously intends to accumulate checks and present them in an oppressive manner for the sole purpose of injuring the banks upon which the checks are drawn."

In opposing the suit, counsel for the federal board denied it "intended

any illegal act" and asserted that par collection of checks would save more than \$70,000,000 a year to the public.

APPLE MEN TO CONFER

Export Association to Be Planned at Seattle.

HOOD RIVER, Or., May 16.—(Special.)—H. P. Davidson will leave tomorrow for Seattle, where he will confer with apple shippers of other districts over plans for forming an apple export association, whose members will arrange for direct water transportation of this season's export tonnage of the northwest's apple crop.

The shippers will formulate a definite proposition to be submitted at a final meeting to be held in Seattle on June 1.

Other local shippers may attend the Seattle session.

MYSTERIOUS FIRES START

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continued to interrupt wireless service at the United States naval radio station here today and the station was unable to work with ships even off the Washington coast.

Since Friday afternoon, the station has been practically out of commission, according to officers in charge.

WIRELESS IS INTERRUPTED

Communication From Alaska to Panama Affected.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—Wireless communication from Alaska to the Panama canal on the Pacific coast has been seriously interrupted during the last two nights by high static interference, believed to be due to the aurora borealis, which have played havoc with telegraph communication throughout the United States.

Naval radio officials here say that the most serious effects were felt along the coast of Alaska.

Cable station in the Philippines reported static interference, but no reports were received indicating that the aurora borealis was observed over there. This month and June form the annual season when static interference is most noticeable in the Pacific.

CHAMBERLAIN FILES BRIEF

Ex-Senator Argues for Proposed China Trade Act.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., May 16.—George E. Chamberlain, ex-senator from Oregon, filed a brief today with the senate interstate commerce committee in support of the proposed China trade act.

The brief argues the constitutional phases of the bill and answers objections of opponents of the measure, who have contended that it would not stand a test in the courts.

Peggy Hopkins Files Cross Bill.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Margaret Hopkins Joyce, known on the stage as Peggy Hopkins, filed a cross bill for separate maintenance in the superior court today against her third husband, James Stanley Joyce, wealthy Chicago lumberman.

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BIG NAVY PROPOSAL FOUGHT IN SENATE

Penrose, La Follette and Borah Attack Bill.

WAR SCARE HELD ABSURD

Advocates of Disarmament Conference Balk Progress of \$500,000,000 Appropriation.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The \$500,000,000 naval appropriation bill was unable today to make headway against opposition from advocates of the Borah proposal for a disarmament conference and reduction in appropriations.

Addresses by Senator Pomerene, democrat, Ohio, and Senator La Follette, republican, Wisconsin, prevented amendments from being reached, and when adjournment was taken the latter had not finished. It was expected, however, that amendments would be reached late tomorrow.

Both senators declared great expenditures were unnecessary and in the Borah amendment and advocated one of his own to authorize the president to suspend capital ship construction for six months.

Senator La Follette declared capital ships would become obsolete in five years, adding that with development of aircraft, submarines and sea coast defenses, the United States would be impregnable from attack.

Senator Pomerene said rejection of the Borah amendment would practically close the door of hope of the world for disarmament.

Demands for disarmament finally caused Senator Pomerene, republican, in charge of the bill, to declare that no information had been submitted to show extravagance in the proposed naval purchases.

Senator Pomerene replied that when "officers with gold lace whispered 'Yap' members of the naval committee had hysteria and voted for large appropriations."

Senator Borah interjected that military expenditures were holding up projects like soldier relief, western reclamation and other developments.

Senator La Follette said "great financial interests" desired a powerful navy to promote their interests. He introduced an amendment providing that none of the American war craft should be used to "coerce or compel" collection of any private claim, grant or concession.

Hayden Island Boosters Busy.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 16.—(Special.)—Robert Schulz of this city has been appointed secretary of the Hayden Island for the 1921 fair committee. He will have an office in the chamber of commerce clubrooms and will begin his new duties at once, according to Clement Scott, chairman of the committee.

THE possession of great sums of money was not altogether an unmixed joy with the early English merchants. There were no banks. Perforce they kept their money in their own homes under the care of apprentices. Soon it became very fashionable for these apprentices to run away and join the army.

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