

HEARINGS CLOSE ON RAILROAD BILL

Senate Committee Refuses
to Call W. G. McAdoo.

ACTION HELD TYRANNICAL

Union Head Says It Is Evidence
Again of Rail Ownership
of Government.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—The senate interstate commerce committee refused today to call William G. McAdoo, ex-director-general of railroads, to give expert testimony on the administration of railroad funding bill.

The motion to call Mr. McAdoo was made by Senator Pittman (Nevada), and was defeated, 7 to 3, Senators Pittman, Stanley (democrat, Kentucky) and La Follette (republican, Wisconsin) supporting it.

Hearing Is Closed.
By a vote of 6 to 4, the committee closed the hearing and proceeded with consideration of the bill. Senator La Follette voted with the democrats to hear additional witnesses.

A statement by William A. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists, was presented urging that railroad indebtedness to the government be set off against government obligations to the railroads and the balance settled "by most expeditious methods." He predicted the passage of the bill would "awaken bitter resentment" if the government were forced to "pay the claims of the railroads in cash while it allows payment of the government's claims against the railroads to be postponed 10 years."

Action Held Un-American.
The committee expects to complete the bill tomorrow.

Later Mr. Johnston, speaking for the railway employees' department, American Federation of Labor, and L. E. Sheppard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors and authorized representative of four railway brotherhoods, issued a statement declaring the committee's action "un-American, tyrannical and autocratic" and "only one of the many methods of road ownership of government" as contrasted with our demand for public ownership of railroads.

BUTCHERS DRAFTING PLAN

WAGE PROPOSAL TO BE SUBMITTED TO PACKERS.

Two Committees in Session Preparing Agreement Expected
to Be Completed Today.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 16.—International officers and delegates of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, in conference here to complete tomorrow, it is expected, the draft of a plan they will present to the packers, and in agreement on wages, working conditions and hours to take the place of the existing national agreement, which expires next September 15.

Today's session of the conference was marked by completion of discussion of reports and resolutions submitted by the different delegates on the subject of an agreement with the packers, and tonight two committees went into session to embody the various ideas into one document to be acted upon, probably tomorrow. It is after that conference that the plan agreed upon proves unacceptable to the packers, President Harding will be expected to request to name an arbitrator to aid in adjusting differences between the packers and their employees, according to C. J. Hayes, the union's international president. Mr. Hayes said the union stood for conciliation, but gave out no hint as to whether the employees' proposal would contain.

PAPER MILL WAGES REDUCED

Skilled Workers Cut 10 Per Cent
and Unskilled 25 Per Cent.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Wage reductions of 10 per cent for skilled workers and 25 per cent for common laborers were decided upon today by the board of arbitration which has been considering the wage controversy between paper mill employees and manufacturers in the United States and Canada. The new wage scale, which will affect 12,000 workers, becomes effective August 27.

Eleven paper companies, not including the International Paper company, were affected by the arbitration award.

Walters on Strike.

DENVER, Aug. 16.—Approximately 150 members of the local waiters' union did not report for work today as a result of a wage cut of 30 cents a day by employers, according to union officials. Three employees today signed new agreements with the old wages in effect, it was announced at union headquarters. A number of restaurants did not reduce wages. These were operating as usual this morning. Other places were using non-union workers.

NATION'S TAX BILL IS OUT

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sale of securities where the taxpayer at or about the time of such sale purchased identical securities.
The provision of the present law dealing with surtax evasion by corporation organization, the report said, was revised to meet the decision of the supreme court in the stock dividend case. There would be imposed on corporations of this character a flat additional income tax of 25 per cent of the net income, but if the stockholders agreed, they might be taxed upon their distributive shares in the net income of the corporation in the same manner as members of a partnership, such taxes to be in lieu of all income taxes upon the corporation.

RUIN FORESEEN BY HOP MEN

Proposed Cereal Tax Would Cut Market, They Say.

SALISBURY, Or., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Enactment of the new revenue bill reported to the house today by Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee, including a tax of 6 cents a gallon on cereal beverages, as against the prevailing tax of 2 cents a gallon, will spell ruin to the near-beer industry of the country and de-

stroy the market for from 30 to 40 per cent of the hops according to local hop growers and brokers in opinions expressed today.

In the face of the competition they are now fighting to overcome it will be impossible for the brewers to continue operations with the tax on hops. Products raised 200 per cent, Louis Lachmund, broker and one of the largest hop growers in the Willamette valley, said. "Since the tax bill, with its increased levy on cereal drinks, was first proposed I have been informed by brewing concerns that they would have to close down if the tax was advanced above the 2-cent mark. The advance in the price of near-beer, necessitated by the increase in the tax, would have to be passed on to the consumer, and in competition

WHAT CONGRESS DID AS ITS DAILY WORK.

Senate.
Adopted resolution providing for recess of congressmen from August 24 to September 21.

Passed bill providing for the appointment of General Leonard Wood as governor-general of the Philippines.

Statistics on unemployment submitted by Secretary Davis showing an aggregate of 5,735,000 persons out of work.

Allowance of \$48,500,000 for shipping board approved by appropriations committee, but limitation on salaries eliminated.

Good roads legislation discussed and brought to the point of taking a final vote on passage.

House.
Ways and means committee formally reported bill with announcement it would reduce existing taxes \$384,000,000 for 1922, and add an additional \$406,250,000 in 1923.

Home brew safeguarded from serious warrant procedure under amendment to anti-beer bill.

Chairman Madden of appropriations committee announced that he had introduced a bill to be inaugurated.

Democrats had caucus to define party's policy on tax revision.

With other soft drinks the consumption of these cereal drinks would be diminished to a minimum. The retail price necessary to meet the added tax would practically eliminate near-beer as a popular drink.

Mr. Lachmund cited the advance in the retail price of bottled near-beer from 10 cents to 25 cents, at the time the present 2-cent tax on cereal drinks was applied, as an indication of how prices would necessarily advance under the proposed rate.

Mr. Fordney said some mortgage and investment companies had been obtaining exemptions allowed by law to building and loan associations by operating under the guise of such associations. To prevent such evasions of law, the chairman explained, the exemption had been limited in the new bill to "domestic building and loan associations operated exclusively for the purpose of making loans to members."

Democrats in Caucus.

The democratic caucus began in the late afternoon and after a recess was continued tonight. Representative Kitchen, ranking democrat on the ways and means committee, who is detained at his home in North Carolina by illness, sent a telegram to the caucus, urging that democratic opposition to the republican measure.

He has been fully informed as to the provisions of the bill and is expected to review it in a message to be sent to the democratic tomorrow. Ways and means committee democrats, in preparing their minority report, which they have until Friday to file, will make use, it is understood, of especially prepared tables showing comparative taxes under the present law and the republican measure. They will also show that individuals having incomes ranging from \$5000 to \$60,000 a year will pay the same taxes as at present, whereas those having incomes exceeding \$60,000 will get reductions ranging from 1 per cent to 50 per cent.

Fear to File Report.

The democratic report also will claim, it is said, that corporations having net profits of from 5 to 10 per cent will pay as much, or more, under the republican measure as they do under the present law, while corporations making 15 per cent or more will be granted reductions on a graduated scale which will amount in some cases to as much as 25 per cent.

Representative Fear of Wisconsin, a republican member of the ways and means committee, plans to file a supplemental majority report suggesting taxation of the undivided profits of corporations and other sources of wealth, as recommended to congress last year by Secretary Houston. It is understood that Mr. Fear's purpose is not only to bring the matters to the attention of the house, but to force the senate finance committee, which is to take up the bill soon after its passage by the house, not to have to wade through the bill in the proposed recess of congress ends late next month.

RUSS RELIEF DISCUSSED

PRESIDENT AND CABINET GO INTO DETAIL ON TOPIC.

American Control of Food Distribution in Famine Districts to Be Insisted Upon.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—Russian relief negotiations, as they involve the question of American control of food distribution, were discussed in some detail today by President Harding and his cabinet. Considerable difficulty has arisen from the disposition of the Russian soviet government to impose restrictions conflicting with the American relief administration's determination that relief supplies must be under American control throughout.

It was indicated that although no definite plans to avoid this embarrassment had been formulated, administration was hopeful of an early solution.

Complicating the situation, evidences have reached Washington that seem to indicate that European policies have become somewhat interwoven with the Russian relief situation.

The sentiment of the cabinet is understood to be that although the United States must insist on American control of food distribution in Russia, this government should not be adverse to participating in any general investigation of relief conditions there which European powers might think essential.

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HIGHTOWER IS HELD PRIEST'S ABDUCTOR

Accused Positively Identified
by Women.

NIGHT VISIT IS RECALLED

Father Heslin's Housekeeper and
Another Certain Hightower
Drove Away With Priest.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 16.—Positive identification of William A. Hightower as the man last seen with Rev. Patrick E. Heslin, murdered priest, was made today by Miss Marie Wendel, the priest's housekeeper, and Mrs. Irene Bianchi, a neighbor.

After 15 minutes given to close scrutiny of the prisoner in the office of District Attorney Swart in Redwood City, they said emphatically and without hesitation that it was Hightower who called for Rev. Mr. Heslin the night of August 2 to answer a sick call, and who drove away with the priest in an automobile.

"If you knew that the hanging of this man depended upon your identification, would you hesitate to give your statements?" District Attorney Goldstein asked Miss Wendel.

"I would not hesitate," she replied. Hightower was taken from the county jail to confront the women. He was freshly shaven and had changed his prison clothing for the apparel he had on when arrested. They regarded him closely from every angle, but said no word to him nor to each other.

Hightower's only comment to the officers during the scrutiny was: "I got the idea."

When Hightower was taken away, Miss Wendel and Mrs. Bianchi told the officers there was no question of his identity.

The personality of the mysterious "Dolly Mason," who Hightower said, had given him the clue by which he located the grave of Rev. Mr. Heslin near the ocean shore, bobbed in and out of the courtroom today. Dorothy Fisher Gifford of Oakland, a cabaret entertainer, who had been identified as Dolly Mason through descriptions given by Hightower, confronted him today, and neither recognized the other.

At the same time the police were investigating the tale of J. J. Duffy, formerly a detective of Salt Lake City, who said he knew the true Dolly Mason and had seen her on the streets of San Francisco on the day mentioned by Hightower in the story he told the police.

Accused Closely Guarded.

The preliminary hearing of Hightower tentatively was set for next Thursday.

A throng gathered at times around the jail in Redwood City today, but there has been no concerted demonstration of popular feeling against Hightower, although there is an undercurrent of tense feeling. Every possible precaution is being taken, they said, to prevent Hightower from personal injury from any source.

Declarations that "I'm through" and "I don't care if I hang or not" were made in the Redwood City jail today by Hightower.

His statements came at the close of several hours of quizzing by District Attorney Franklin Swart of the city and county officials.

Hightower refused to answer many questions.

"I'm through," the prisoner declared "I don't care if I hang or not" to help myself or not. If I hang I'd like to have Mr. Swart hang me, because he is a little more sympathetic than the rest."

EX-SOLDIER IS SUICIDE

Canadian Veteran Writes That He
Is Tired of Money-Grubbers.

OAKLAND, Cal., Aug. 16.—The body of Kenneth Morrison, Canadian veteran of the world war, was found in the room of a dancing pavilion here last night. There was a bullet wound in the head and one hand clutched a revolver.

A note left by Morrison, said: "Another soldier gone west—tired and disgusted with the money-grubbing stay-at-homes."

Other notes requested that Mrs. M. E. Bogart, 1124 Oxford street, Victoria, B. C., and Captain G. N. Dean, Canadian air force, Vancouver, be notified of his death.

SOVIET TO SELL LAND

Denationalization of Real Estate
in Russia Announced.

MOSCOW, Aug. 16.—The denationalization of real estate in soviet Russia, through a decree authorizing ex-owners or other persons to buy houses and land from the government, is announced in a Moscow dispatch to the Rosta Agency, the official soviet news disseminator.

\$1,000,000 BIDS CALLED

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Wolf creek-graves creek section, widening roadbed.

Malheur county—Central Oregon highway, Vale-Burrell section, 6.5 miles, grading and graveling.

Brogan section, 6.2 miles, grading.

Umatilla county—Guard fence on state highways, approximately 40,000 lineal feet.

Yamhill county—West Side high-

The Beauty Market

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Contracts to Be Built.

Baker county—Four culverts and two short trestle spans on the Huntington-Nelson section.

Lane county—Superstructure only for a bridge over the Willamette river between Cottage Grove and Latham. Alternate b'ds are asked for on wood and steel spans.

Malheur county—A 50-foot steel truss span with wood approaches over Bully creek near Vale.

Morrow county—Three bridges at the town of Heppner; a 30-foot concrete span in the town of Lexington. Unadvised county—bridge over Stage gulch at Stanfield.

Washington county—A concrete bridge of three spans totaling 75 feet in length over Scoggins creek near Forest Grove.

AMPLE WATER ASSURED

HYDRO-ELECTRIC AND STORAGE SYSTEM EFFICIENT.

Bandon Will Have Year-Round Supply When Improvements Under Way Are Made.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—The efficiency of Bandon's municipal hydro-electric and water storage system will exceed previous construction estimates, according to information given out by E. C. Miller, engineer, and George P. Topping, mayor, who said that the dam, which will furnish water at hand only during the winter months to run the plant at its full capacity, it is possible to get sufficient water storage to maintain a capacity load throughout the entire year.

The additional water storage is obtained by raising the Willow creek dam ten feet, making it 50 feet high instead of 20 feet as at first planned. This increases the storage area from approximately 42 acre feet to 126 acre feet.

In spite of the delay in getting supplies, due to the marine strike, fully one-half of the pipeline has been laid and one-half of the ditching has been completed, including one tunnel 360 feet long and several smaller boxes. At the outlet of the reservoir a short tunnel is being dug through solid rock.

The present work at the dam consists of cutting five trenches across the creek bed where the dam is to be constructed. These trenches go down to bedrock and in them will be set the base logs for the dam, which will be about 160 feet across the top and about 60 feet through.

OIL INDUSTRY IMPERILED

COMPLETE PARALYSIS IN MEXICAN FIELDS IMPENDS.

Low Market Price of Product and Taxes Imposed by Government Are Held Responsible.

MEXICO, Aug. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Mexican petroleum industry is threatened with paralysis, which probably will reach a crisis in September, according to the morning newspapers, which quote local oil company representatives and Mexican officials as authority for the statement.

It is explained that the low market price of oil is in the main responsible for the situation, although the taxes imposed by the Mexican government, against which protests have been made, have contributed. Secretary of Commerce Zubaran told newspaper men that the companies were not shutting down because of a spirit of hostility toward the government, but for commercial reasons only.

The American operators were the first to shut down, their activities ceasing six weeks ago, shortly after President Obregon's export tax decree became effective. The English and Dutch companies, however, continued operations and, it was asserted, were increasing their activities rather than diminishing them.

Several days ago officials of the Royal Dutch Petroleum company and the Shell Transport & Trading company arrived in Tampico on a tour of investigation and soon afterward orders were issued for a "temporary suspension" of work. These officials are now in Mexico City and it is understood they will confer with President Obregon in the near future.

HAWLEY COST BILL FILED

Expense of Carrying Case to High Court Is \$1483.

SALISBURY, Or., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Attorney Chris Schuebel of Oregon City today filed in the supreme court a bill of costs involved in appealing the Hawley divorce suit to the state's highest tribunal. The costs, according to Mr. Schuebel's statement, aggregated \$1483.80. The items included filing fees, court reporter fees, printing of abstracts and briefs and trial fees.

Willard Hawley, defendant in the action, won a decree in the circuit court for Clackamas county, but upon appeal to the supreme court it was held that neither he nor Marie Hawley, the plaintiff, were entitled to legal separation.

Mr. Schuebel represented Mrs. Hawley.

Unusual attention given primary department at Hill Military Academy, Portland, Or. Opens Sept. 14.—Adv.

WREN IS ARRESTED ON MURDER CHARGE

Slaying of Hammond Said to Have Been Confessed.

MOTIVE OF ACT IN DOUBT

Baker Acquaintances of Both Men
Think Row Was About Girl
They Had Courted.

BAKER, Or., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Deputy Sheriff Patterson of local police authorities received a telegram from the sheriff at Clatsop, Ia., saying that Raymond "Mike" Wren, who left Baker July 27 as a companion of Ross Hammond, found dead in a cornfield in Page county, Iowa, was the culprit in the slaying of a St. Joseph, Mo., and that he confessed having killed Hammond with a .32-caliber revolver in a quarrel.

According to word received here, the slaying was committed on the morning of August 6, although the body was not found until four days later.

Wren, according to his confession, committed the deed following a quarrel over what cities in Missouri they should go to. Another report indicated the quarrel was over who should get a needle and thread out of a grip, but friends of the two men are more inclined to believe that the quarrel was a continuation of one started here last fall over a local dealer in the town of Hammond, who was the sole dealer in the town of Hammond, who was the sole dealer in the town of Hammond.

Man Shot Through Head.
The local authorities were notified late Saturday that the young man was shot through the head. The message said that the "bub" had been the name of a local clothing store, that he carried a medicine box from a Baker drug store, and that he had checks from the Prairie City (Or.) bank.

Hammond left here in company with Wren, July 27, in blue "bub" bound for a Missouri point.

The police indicated that they were informed that the "bub" had been seen in the town of Hammond, being driven by a small man who was the sole dealer in the town of Hammond, who was the sole dealer in the town of Hammond.

Hammond from Indiana.
Hammond, who was born in Paoli, Ind., worked with Wren in St. Joseph, Mo. Hammond came here two years ago and was employed by the Oregon Motor company at that time. Friends of Hammond said he was instrumental in inducing Wren to come to Baker a short time later. The men quarreled late last fall, over the attentions of a Baker girl, friends averred, and as a result Hammond went to work in a local repair shop.

A reconciliation was effected and the two men left in a small car. Hammond was said to have been advised not to make the trip.

The dead man's mother and brother, Mrs. Anna and W. Hammond, respectively, who left here last night for the scene of the murder, were notified by the local authorities today of the apprehension of Wren and of his confession.

STORE-BREAKER IS SHOT

MERCHANT AT DRAM WOUNDS
YOUTHFUL PROWLER.

Bullet Takes Effect in Abdomen
and Burglar Is Believed to Be Hurt Fatally.

ROSEBURG, Or., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—George Johnson, 16 years old, was shot, perhaps fatally, at an early hour this morning by N. D. Cool, proprietor of the general merchandise store at Drain, Johnson, who gives his home as South Bend, Ind., was brought to the police station in this city and an operation performed to remove the revolver bullet from his abdomen. The physicians fear infection which may cost him his life.

The store at Drain has been robbed frequently and during the last week Mr. Cool has been sleeping in the building. A few nights ago he fired three shots at a person who succeeded in forcing one of the doors of the establishment.

At about 1 o'clock this morning Mr. Cool saw Johnson in the act of entering the store building and fired at him, the bullet striking just above the waist, line on the left side. Johnson fell but was able a few minutes later to walk a short distance to the office of a doctor, where he received first aid before being brought to Roseburg. He was a transient and admitted his intention of robbing the store.

DRIVE ON WEEDS KEPT UP

Names of 12 Lot Owners Turned Over to Police.

Names of 12 additional property owners were turned over to the police bureau last night for alleged delinquency in cleaning up weeds on lots after notification by the city. The names were turned over to the police the night before with instructions to proceed with the arrests if the lots had not been cleaned up by the time the patrolman made the rounds.

First cases probably will be heard in police court today. In the meantime, posting of lots continues in all parts of the city. A larger list of offenders probably will be made out today.

Building Is Delayed.

SALISBURY, Or., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Two United States marshals arrived here yesterday from Nome, Alaska, with 14 Indian children, who will enter the Chemawa Indian school, five miles north of Salem. The children were all clad in American dress and were provided with sufficient money to care for their immediate wants.

Building Is Delayed.
SALISBURY, Or., Aug. 16.—(Special.)—The new Old People's home in Salem, for which plans were completed recently, has been postponed until conditions become more favorable. This was announced today by the board of directors of the institution. The estimated cost of the building will cost approximately \$45,000.



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