

UNIONS REJECT NEW PEACE PLAN

Harding's Latest Offer in
Strike Fails.

BIG FOUR'S AID PLANNED

Strike Leaders Propose to Cause
Complete Stagnation of
Railroad Traffic.

BY GRANTON WILCOX.
(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 7.—President Harding's latest proposal to settle the railroad shopmen's strike today failed within a few hours after it was presented and the country now faces the prospect of a general railroad tie up.

The president's proposal that the shopmen return to work, that the railroad operators assign them to work and that both sides submit the issue of seniority to the railroad labor board, met with instant and determined opposition on the part of the shopmen's leaders.

It was answered promptly by the issuance of a call for a general conference of all the railroad labor organizations, which was held in Washington on Friday, for the purpose of adopting measures to make the shopmen's strike more effective.

Complete Tie Up Planned.
The big four brotherhoods, the organizations operating the men, will be asked by the strikers to decline to operate equipment believed to be defective.

By this plan, the strike leaders hope to bring about complete stagnation of the entire railroad transportation system of the country.

That the president's plan would be rejected and that the other railroad unions would respond promptly to the shopmen's call for effective support was believed to be a foregone conclusion following a long conference between the shopmen's chiefs and the Washington representatives of three of the "big four" brotherhoods.

Effort Declared Last One.
When the president saw the shopmen's representatives at the White House this morning he told them that this was his last effort to bring about a settlement of the strike. If it is, the shopmen's leaders indicated clearly tonight that there can be no settlement and the conflict between railroad workers and owners, which has been threatening since before the war, seems destined to be a fight to the finish.

The employees now on strike are firm in their position and will continue on strike so long as the association of railroad executives declines to accept reasonable terms of agreement, said Bert M. Jewell, head of the shop craft organizations, after the conference.

Those who participated in the conference, besides Jewell, were William H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists; J. P. Noonan, president of the electrical workers; Arthur J. Lovell, representing the firemen and engineers; Paul Stephens of the trainmen and H. E. Willis of the engineers.

Telegram Sent Mr. Stone.
Johnston, Jewell and Noonan dispatched the following telegram to Warren S. Stone, chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, at Cleveland:

"Shop crafts did everything conceivable to avoid necessity for a strike, and since the strike have at all times been willing to confer with any party authorized to submit a proposal as a basis for a settlement. We accepted the president's terms of agreement submitted to employees and managers July 31. Association of Railroad Executives, in rejecting the president's terms of agreement, obviously acting under the direction of those who insist on complete control and dictate the labor policies of the railroads, repudiated the promise given by their chairman to the president to settle the strike on a basis of fair and equitable treatment of the men of the American people. To date only the employees have made concessions. Obviously the strike must be settled if the country is to avoid the impending calamity of a collapse of transportation.

Government Has Authority.
The government has the authority to promptly settle the strike on the just, fair and reasonable basis proposed by the president July 31. However, it is now apparent that no constructive program is being proposed and that unless the railroad employees can offer additional counsel and advice, the lives and safety of employees and traveling public, already endangered by the continued use of defective railroad equipment, will be imperiled to a greater extent. Believing that the chief executive of each of the standard railroad labor organizations as a result of their years' experience, broad public viewpoint, and sincere desire for industrial peace, can by conference with the officers of the shop crafts formulate a program having for its purpose protection of the public, preservation of the railroad industry and an honorable basis of settlement for the managers and employees, we urgently recommend that you, as chairman of the railroad organizations, wire each chief executive requesting him to attend a conference in Washington Friday, August 11. We have sent a similar telegram to Manion. Advise us at machinists' headquarters."

The statement to the public was like that to Stone.

Shopmen Are Indignant.
The attitude of the shopmen was one of burning indignation toward the president's proposal that they return to work and leave the seniority question to the railroad labor board. They made little effort to conceal their disappointment over what they declared to be a complete reversal of the president's position.

In his first settlement proposal, they pointed out, he called for the restoration of the strikers to their former positions with their seniority rights unimpaired. Now he was asking them to go back to work with the seniority question entirely unsettled and in the hands of a tribunal which they have reason to believe would not grant them their old status. One high official of the striking shopmen said that if the president's original proposal was right it was still right and that the mere fact that the executives had rejected it should not make it wrong.

Board Is Willing to Act.
CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—The United States railroad labor board expressed its willingness to act on the seniority question now at issue be-

between the railroads and their striking shopmen in a resolution adopted at a meeting late tonight.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of five members of the board to one, A. O. Wharton, a labor representative, voting against it. The six members were all that were in the city when the meeting was called. Ben W. Hooper, chairman, presided. Those who attended were D. W. W. Hanger, of the public group, Samuel Higgins, Horace Baker, and J. H. Elliott of the railroad group, and Mr. Wharton and Mr. Hooper.

TELEGRAPHERS MAY QUIT

About 1100 on Big Four Railway
Are Casting Ballots.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 7.—(By the Associated Press.)—Telegraphers numbering approximately 1100 on the Big Four railroad are taking a strike vote following the breakdown in negotiations over the interpretation of working rules. It was announced tonight by the Associated Press.

The company stated that "when no agreement could be reached with the employees they offered to transfer the matter to the railroad labor board for adjustment in the transportation act, but the union refused to take this action, and strike ballots are now being taken."

FUGITIVE IS WITH GIRL

TACOMA BANK EMPLOYEE DE-
SERTS WIFE AND SON.

Pretty Bookkeeper Said to Have
Joined Young Man Whose
Accounts Are Short.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 7.—Spencer Conrow, young assistant manager of the local branch of the Bank of California, who disappeared last week leaving his accounts \$6000 short, is probably fleeing in company with a Tacoma girl. It was revealed today by federal secret service operatives and bonding company detectives working on the case.

It was disclosed that a girl bookkeeper of the bank, described as beautiful and of a prominent local family, vanished last Friday, 30 hours after Conrow disappeared. This girl was questioned before she disappeared. "I love Spencer and he's crazy about me," she is alleged to have asserted. The "woman in the case" is also reported to have confided to her questioners that she and the missing banker had been lovers for more than a year, and that Conrow was recently presumed to have attended the convention of the American Institute of Banking in Portland he was really at Seaside, Or., with her.

Officers are working on the theory that before Conrow vanished he arranged a meeting place with the girl, and when the girl left a wife and young son here.

HULKS WILL BE SOLD

FIVE BATTLESHIPS BEING
DISMANTLED NOW.

Public Auction of ex-Fighters of
American Navy Is Planned
Following Appraisals.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—Five battleships designated by the Washington armament conference for the scrap heap are being stripped in navy yards at Mare Island, Cal., and Boston and when finally dismantled will be appraised and the hulks offered for sale at public auction.

The ships are the Virginia and New Jersey at Boston and the Rhode Island, the Nebraska and the Georgia at Mare Island. While they are specifically designated in the naval treaty for junking, they are among the oldest fighting ships in the navy and probably would have been declared obsolete and scrapped independently of conference action.

It was for this reason, naval officials explained, rather than the treaty provisions, formal notification of which have not been exchanged, that the naval board of inspection and survey decided to begin work of dismantling them.

Naval officials estimated that it would require about two months for the vessels to be stripped, appraised and the hulks offered for sale.

MORE POLICEMEN URGED
Lents Business Men Ask Better
Protection as Taxpayers.

Adequate police protection without having to resort to paying private watchmen, in addition to the taxes of the city, is being sought by the Lents Business Men's Club. The matter was discussed at a recent meeting of the organization and an effort will be made to get better satisfaction from the city police department. Several other important items were discussed and a regular meeting night was set for the second Wednesday of each month in the Lents grange hall.

The automobile park which the organization recently opened free to tourists who may travel that way has been found to be popular with many motorists and is almost always filled to capacity with tourists. Several travelers have been so impressed with the conveniences at the park that they have made extensive stays in Portland, according to the committee. Signs directing motorists to the camps have been placed in various parts of the east side.

Ad Club to Entertain Buyers.
The Portland Ad club will entertain the visiting buyers who are guests of the city this week at a luncheon at Laurelhurst park at 12 noon sharp. Talks will be given to the plenipotentiaries by Mayor Baker, C. C. Chapman, editor of the Oregon Voter, and Wilson W. Brown of the Vogan Candy company, and by several of the visiting buyers on "Why I like to buy in Portland."

The buyers and their hosts will meet at the Oregon building, Fifth and Oak streets, at 11:45 A. M. sharp.

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McNARY BODY CHAIRMAN

Recent Declines in Prices At-
tributed by Witness to Reduc-
tion in Crude Oil Values.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 7.—On opening its inquiry into gasoline prices, the senate manufacturers committee was told today by R. L. Welch, secretary and counsel of the American Petroleum Institute, that there was a sharp drop in gasoline prices which had resulted in the drop and the consequent drop in gasoline prices.

Questioned as to further reasons for the decline in crude prices and the consequent drop in gasoline prices, Mr. Welch said that it appeared that the business judgment of the oil men together with a lack of storage facilities and employment of the financial resources combined to cause most purchasers of the crude product to decline to buy.

Chairman McNary inquired if there had been, in the opinion of the witness, any understanding among the purchasing companies which had resulted in the drop, and Mr. Welch replied he did not believe that any combination existed anywhere, saying that he thought the drop was a natural consequence of other concerns to follow when a price change was once initiated.

INCENDIARISM IS PROVED

Positive Evidence Is Discovered
in Washington Forest.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—First positive evidence that some of the mysterious fires in western Washington forests were maliciously set was found today by Assistant State Forester Goodyear near Little Rock. A large fire which has been burning near that place for two weeks was completely trenched and controlled last night, and this morning Mr. Goodyear found that the fire had been set during the night in the timber about a half mile from the old fire.

At one of these fires he found some unburned shavings which had been used to kindle the fire. No arrests were made, but the discovery of positive evidence of incendiarism caused the state forestry division to redouble its efforts to apprehend those guilty.

Onion Prices Drop Again.
WALLA WALLA, Wash., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—Onion prices again took a drop today, falling to 50 cents a hundred. Growers who are shipping onions to the market are getting from 75 to 80 cents, but the independent growers find marketing difficult.

Armed Farmer Guards Grain.
GASTON, Or., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—J. H. Hoffman, a farmer of the East Gaston district, is taking no

chances of having any more of his wheat stolen between the field and the warehouse, and is sleeping in the straw stack near his pile of sacked grain with his shotgun handy until the grain is hauled away to the grain bins at the Lyons wharf at Gaston. He had 4000 bushels of grain when the thresher pulled out, but five sacks were stolen the first night and when the motor trucks went there for their loads the next night they found Mr. Hoffman on guard with his gun and were challenged before they were allowed to load.

JEKYLL-HYDE MAN FOUND

ELIGIBLE BACHELOR CON-
VICTED OF THEFT.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
TOWNSEND HARBOR, Mass., Aug. 7.—"The gentleman burglar," they call him—Chas. J. J. Hyde, a bachelor in town, a solid citizen, a pillar of society, an expert of law and order, a scholar and a man of means.

Now he is serving a term in the house of correction at Cambridge, and there is a movement afoot to prosecute him on various charges which he is released next month. For all burglaries and fires have ceased in Townsend since Abbott went to jail.

A regular Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde was the little station master, local authorities say. For three years he completely fooled Townsend. Then private detectives traced to him a theft from the home of Mrs. Mary Warner, who had pitied him in his loneliness and permitted him a room in her village home. He is serving a six-months' sentence.

BASIN MEETING PLANNED

Irrigation Conference at Seattle
Next Monday Desired.

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 7.—Tentative plans of Frank M. Goodwin, executive secretary of the irrigation league at Seattle, to call for a conference with the board of trustees of the Columbia Basin Irrigation league at Seattle next Monday, he announced here today following his return from an inspection trip to the proposed diversion of the Snake river, near Newport, Wash.

He expects to be in Yakima about Saturday for an inspection of the reclamation project on the Yakima Indian reservation. His plans call for a visit to Tacoma and Seattle, 17 and to Olympia August 20. Later he will go to Portland to consider the Oregon features of the Columbia basin irrigation project, and there will make a speech in support of the campaign of United States Senator McNary of Oregon for re-election.

BAPTISTS TO CONVENE

Western Washington Summer As-
sembly to Open Today.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 7.—Baptists of western Washington will gather at Burton, Washon Island, tomorrow for the annual summer assembly, which will continue ten days. The programme is extensive and includes a wide range of subjects. A number of speakers have been engaged for the evening lectures and there will be entertainment features every day.

The Rev. T. H. Hagen, Seattle, is dean and the assembly school faculty includes the following:

Bible Study—Dr. W. B. Hinson, Portland.

Young People's Work—The Rev. James White, Chicago.

Missions—Dr. Joseph L. Peacock, Raleigh, N. C.; the Rev. Sumner R. Vinton, New York, and the Rev. Charles Rutherford, Hanaukanda, South India.

Sunday School Work—The Rev. Seldon L. Roberts, Philadelphia; Mrs. Frieda Davidson, Seattle.

Clackamas Sells Road Bonds.
OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 7.—(Special.)—A \$152,550 portion of the 1919 5 per cent road bond issue of Clackamas county was sold Monday, bringing a rate of 10 1/4. The highest premium was offered by the National City company and E. H. Rolling, Sons, of Portland, representing the eastern office of the company. The premium of \$2786.50

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TONIGHT'S PROGRAMME

6 to 8 and 9:30 to 11:30

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2. "Golden Showers," waltz
3. "Robin Hood," selection
4. "Nobody Lied," fox trot
5. "Will You Remember," waltz
6. "Ballet Egyptian," A. Luigina
7. "Dance of the Moon Birds," caprice
8. "My Carolina Rose," W. W. Hall

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and accrued interest of \$791.13 bring the total received for the bonds to \$157,574.53.

PLANE BADLY DAMAGED

Machine of Doolittle Must Be Sent
to Depot for Repairs.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Aug. 7.—The airplane of Lieutenant James H. Doolittle, which crashed into the surf near Pablo Beach last night when he attempted to take off for a one-stop one-day flight from Jacksonville to San Diego, Cal., was so badly damaged that it will have to be shipped to an aviation depot for repairs, the aviator said today, after an examination.

Lieutenant Doolittle would not say whether he would attempt the flight after repairs were made.

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—Also prominent in the new display are one-strap pumps of beige, buck and brown calfskin with wide toe, short vamp and low heel.

—Moderate pricing—\$8.50 to \$12.50.

Women's Footwear Section—On the Second Floor—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

NOTICE—In yesterday's evening papers we announced the continuance of a remarkable sale of Madeira hand-embroidered linens—and then after it was too late to change the advertisement all the Madeira tablecloths so specially priced were sold.

—There still is choice, however, of a number of the Madeira hand-embroidered luncheon sets and napkins at the sale prices—but possibly by this evening these also will be sold out.

—We publish this explanation for the benefit of those people who may have been planning to attend the sale today.

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