

REPORTED VICTIMS OF FIRES TURN UP

Minnesota Forest Blaze Is Nearly in Control.

HUNDREDS LEAVE HOMES

Rangers and Settlers Battle to Extinguish Flames Over Wide Area of State.

DULUTH, Minn., Aug. 18.—Out of the confusion of conflicting reports from the various forest fire areas in northern Minnesota the past few days came apparently definite word tonight that no one had perished in the flames and that those reported missing yesterday and today had turned up unhurt.

Members of two families who were not accounted for last night were found alive. In the meantime hundreds of forest rangers and settlers continued their battle with the flames and held their own in some places, while they were not so successful in others.

The fires that have been raging for the last week covered the largest area in history of fires in Minnesota, according to W. T. Cox, Minnesota state forester.

General Area Covered. Although 90 per cent of the fires are now under control, said Mr. Cox, "this is the first time in the history of the state that a serious fire has covered so general an area."

1918 Holcaust Recalled. Mindful of the 1918 holcaust in northern Minnesota, when more than 400 persons lost their lives, hundreds of persons abandoned their homes, livestock and everything they owned. Women and children rushed to safety, while most of the men remained behind to aid fire fighters.

Last night and today all main roads leading to Duluth, Eveleth and other northern Minnesota towns were crowded with fleeing women and children.

Chief among the scores directing this work was Governor J. A. O. Preus of Minnesota, who came here yesterday to make plans for speeding up coal shipments to the north-west. The governor stayed up most of the night arranging for coats, food and other comforts at the Duluth armory as the arrivals from the fire country.

JUDGE TURNS DOWN PLEA (Continued From First Page.) The suit was evidence that the defendants had not been ignorant of the court order.

In overruling the motion for dismissal Judge Wolverton disposed of the question of contempt with one exception. He reserved for the present a decision as to sufficiency of the published notices restricting picketing to but one person at each shop entrance. On this question he asked for further citations and arguments, giving the plaintiffs counsel right to be heard on the appeal for review at the close of the trial.

Proof Held Essential. This phase of the judge's decision is said to have been on the ground that the judge had not been satisfied that the members of one of the unions involved in the case were not picketing at mass meetings or must have taken note of the published order. It was contended that the reservation, actions against this trio might be quashed.

The case of the railroad against the strikers was concluded yesterday morning. The more important concluding testimony was that of C. E. Peck, superintendent of motive power of the O. W. R. & N. road. He asserted that workers at the Albina shops complained to him of being intimidated by men and women congregated before the shops as pickets. He said also that efficiency of the workers was impaired by actions of the picket line.

The judge took note of those who were inclined to spend time in discussing their troubles and fears that the output of the plant consequently fell off. Peck testified that the workers were inclined to spend time in discussing their troubles and fears that the output of the plant consequently fell off.

"QUEEN OF HEARTS" LEARNS GOLF AS FOURTH SPOUSE SUES FOR DIVORCE.



NORA BAYES (NIEE NORA GOLDBERG).

Nora Bayers (nee Lenora Goldberg), comedienne, whose next play will be called "The Queen of Hearts," started learning golf this week, because she has always been busy before, but her new play has a golf scene in it—and Nora wants to have a perfect stance and a perfect follow through, and all that.

Simultaneously comes the news that Referee John Godfrey Saxe has recommended the issuance of a decree of divorce and custody of their adopted children to Arthur Gordon, fourth husband of Nora Bayers.

before the time of the alleged offenses on the picket line. CONVENTION CITY NAMED Fire Chiefs Select Richmond, Va., as Next Meeting Place.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—Richmond, Va., was selected today as the next convention city by the International Association of Fire Chiefs, in annual session here. Chief Charles W. Ringer of the Minneapolis fire department was unanimously elected secretary. Chief Peter B. Carter, Camden, N. J., treasurer.

WHAT CONGRESS DID AS ITS DAY'S WORK. Senate. Considered the tariff bill amendments on which separate votes had been reserved. House. Met in joint session with the senate to hear president. Adjourned until 12 o'clock because of a lack of a quorum.

president and Chief William Bywater of Salt Lake City was unanimously elected first vice-president. Thomas H. Ince, motion picture director, was made a life member of the association as a result of his donation of a cup to be held by the department making the best annual showing in fire-prevention. The cup is at present held by the Portland (Or.) department.

Hazelwood Orchestra J. F. N. Colburn, Director TONIGHT'S PROGRAMME 6 to 8 and 9:30 to 11:30

1. March, "Lorraine"..... Louis Ganne 2. Waltz, "That Fascinating Waltz".....Lincke 3. Song, "To a Wild Rose".....Edward MacDowell 4. "Oregon, Where Love Is Best".....Cecil Teague 5. Selection, "Red Mill".....Victor Herbert 6. (a) "Argonaise," from "Le Cid".....G. Massenet (b) "Chien".....P. Tschalkowsky 7. "Nola".....Felix Arndt 8. Fox trot, "Coax Me".....Sargent and Freshman

148 RAIL CHIEFS CALLED TO PARLEY

Reply to Mediator's Proposal to Be Considered.

CONFERENCE IS ENDED

Brotherhoods to Get Answer of Railway Operators Wednesday—Haste Is Shown.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—The five great railroad brotherhoods, which have stepped into the nation-wide shom-men's strike as mediators, today offered to the roads what they termed a practical proposition for peace, and the roads took the proposition under consideration.

Neither side would officially disclose the terms of the proposition. In some quarters close to the conference it was said that acceptance of the proposal by the executives would result in the immediate return of all strikers to their old jobs with full and unimpaired seniority and pension rights, in addition to retention of men hired since the strike.

The proposition on the other hand was outlined in other quarters as providing for restoration of strikers as rapidly as possible with their seniority rights to be adjusted ultimately to the satisfaction of all.

Weeding Out Proposed. The proposition in these quarters was understood to be in the nature of a gentlemen's agreement, which, it was understood, would provide that the question which will arise at the end of the busy fall season would be handled as it has been in other years, according to the usual weeding-out process.

The whole plan, it was unofficially indicated, would mean that without any apparent surrender by either the railroad or the shop craves, the strikers would not suffer any more in the long run than would be usual after an industrial struggle of this kind.

A committee of nine executives appointed to meet the Brotherhood men listened to this proposition, hastily summoned a general meeting of the representatives of 148 roads, which probably will be held here next Tuesday, and then fixed the next meeting with the mediation committee for next Wednesday in this city.

Communique Is Issued. The official version of today's conference was told in the following communique issued late this afternoon by T. Dewitt Cuyler, head of the Association of Railway Executives.

"The conference between the leaders of the five train service organizations acting as mediators and a committee of railway executives has been adjourned until some day next week not yet designated," said the Cuyler statement. "Prior to further conferences, the committee of railway executives will consider further the suggestions made and consult with their associates."

Instigate Leaders in Demand. PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, Or., Aug. 18.—(Special.)—More calls for speakers and faculty in the instigated columns.

PLAN NOW TO SPEND SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT COLUMBIA BEACH



A Shower of Money! FINDERS KEEPERS! A dollar bill that you don't have to work for—perhaps several of them! Yours if you find them! No strings on them—just pick them up!

100 OF THEM Crisp, Brand New WILL FLUTTER DOWN on the heads of the men, women and children who will enjoy the pleasures and delights of Columbia Beach Sunday afternoon.

AGAIN! Free round-trip tickets to Seaside given to the prettiest girls in bathing suits on the beach Sunday. ORCHESTRA, that lingers in your memory, is making the dance on Saturday night and Sunday afternoon and evening one of the most popular things at Columbia Beach.

DANCING—Music by Curtis' BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY DOWN—THERE'S FUN FOR EVERYONE! CHILDREN ADMITTED FREE.

representatives at Oregon county teachers' institutes are coming to the college than ever before in her history, said President Weir, who has just completed a survey of institute work in the state. Calls from 12 counties for members of the faculty to lead the institute work have been received.

Mrs. Cleveland's Cousin Dies. PASADENA, Cal., Aug. 18.—Benjamin Polson, 75 years of age, cousin of the former Mrs. Grover Cleveland, wife of the late president, died last night at his residence here as a result of complications from injuries sustained in a fall a month ago. He is survived by his widow here.

VANDERBILT JR. RETURNS Son of Gotham Millionaire on Way Home From Orient. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—Passengers on the Pacific Mail liner President Wilson, which arrived today from the Far East and Honolulu, were W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., young son of the New York mil-

lionaire, and H. O. Tsuki, secretary of the Japanese imperial railways, who is to make a study of railroad conditions in the United States and Europe. The members of the University of California Glee club, which had been touring the Far East in a concert series, returned also on the President Wilson.

Senators Eat Oregon Prunes. THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 18.—Through the enterprise of Senator Stanford the senate restaurant carried on its menu "Umpqua valley (Oregon) prunes." Besides senators and members of the supreme court who patronize the restaurant daily, there are eminent guests every day from all parts of the United States.

Fish Bill Referee Named. SALEM, Or., Aug. 18.—Appointment of Captain C. D. Rauch of Portland as referee to take testimony in the injunction proceedings instituted against appearance of the so-called Green fish bill, an initiative measure designed to close the Columbia river to all except gill net fishermen, was announced by Judge G. G. Bingham this morning.

OUT TODAY! TO-NIGHT—Try this recipe for heat-forgetfulness. Frost-up the clinking glasses. Push the chairs where the breeze can't miss them. Then—begin an evening of these new Columbia Records.

DANCE RECORDS Just Because You're You. Rose of Bombay. Fox-Trot. Eddie Elkins' Orchestra. A-3648 10-inch 75c

Mix Mirth with Melody LISTEN and laugh—it's Bert Williams. The greatest of burnt-cork comedians—shuffling comically behind the footlights, rocking packed houses with his delicious ducky dialect—never told anything funnier than the two stories on A-6216, "You Can't Do Nothing 'Till Martin Gets Here," and "How? Fried!"

The Music of the Masters—Fortunate is the person who loves good music. To him Columbia Symphony Records bring the imperishable music of the ages, whisperings of the great harmonies that sweep the universe, the joy and peace that live in the secret places of spirit. COLUMBIA GRAPHOPHONE COMPANY, New York

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