

CHURCHMEN PRAY FOR STRIKE'S END

Aid for Conference in Chicago Invoked.

SERVICE CLERGY'S MOTIVE

Message From East Suggests Convention Action.

BIG AUDIENCE RESPONDS

Fervent Hope Voiced That Meeting Today Might Bring Industrial Peace.

TODAY'S EVENTS OF EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.
 9 A. M.—Daughters of the King conference. Trinity chapel.
 9 A. M.—Church School Service League school of methods. Labor temple.
 10 A. M.—Sessions of both houses of convention.
 2:30 P. M.—Dedication Joseph Kitchart Clark surgeries at Good Samaritan hospital.
 6 P. M.—Dinner and conference for archdeacons. Multnomah hotel.
 8 P. M.—Diocesan reception to all visiting churchmen and church women. Multnomah hotel.

Episcopal clergymen and laymen at the general convention prayed yesterday for the settlement of the railroad strike. The action came at the end of the afternoon when a resolution was introduced at the joint session of bishops and deputies setting the hour of 10 this morning for earnest prayers by the convention for success in mediation efforts scheduled for today. It was suggested that difference in time might mean that prayer would be offered here after the conference between rail heads and striking shopmen, and it was decided to offer the prayer at the end of the afternoon session yesterday. This was done, Dr. James E. Freeman of the diocese of Washington, D. C., reading from the prayer book. One was the accepted prayer for social justice; the other a new collect that has not yet formally been adopted into the church ritual.

Audience Heads Bowed.
 The big audience of America's most prominent clergy of the Episcopal faith in American and hundreds of laymen pined for their devotion to the church stood reverently with bowed heads as Dr. Freeman read: "Oh Lord, who has taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth, send thy holy spirit and pour into the hearts of men that most excellent gift of love, the very bond of peace and of virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this for thine only son, Jesus Christ's sake."
 From the audience came a deep and fervent "Amen."
 "Almighty God, who has created man in thine image," intoned Dr. Freeman, "grant us grace fearlessly to control against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice among men and nations to the glory of thine holy name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord."
 Again the big audience, in very reverent mood indeed, judging from the deep silence of the auditorium as Dr. Freeman prayed, breathed a deep "Amen." Dismissal of the joint session followed at once.

Resolution Is Introduced.
 The resolution to pray for industrial peace in the transportation world was introduced by Courtney Barbur, of Chicago, prominent layman high in Episcopal councils and a leader in the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. He predicated his resolution upon a dispatch that railroad executives and representatives of striking railroad workers would meet today in an endeavor to effect a strike settlement. The resolution read:
 "Resolved, That both houses of the general Episcopal convention engage in earnest prayer at 10 A. M. Saturday, September 9, the immediate object being to invoke the God of love and peace for his blessing and guidance upon the deliberations of railway executives and their former employes assembled in conference upon that day and seeking mediation and settlement of the railroad strike."
 Chairman Freeman said that unless it should be desired to consider the resolution by unanimous consent, he would be compelled to declare its admission out of order, since it was far from being related to the matter under consideration, chiefly that of church finance. At once Bishop Benjamin Brewster of Maine was on his feet and

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RESTORE LINCOLN'S HOME TOWN, IS PLEA

BILL PROPOSES REBUILDING OF OLD SALEM, ILL.

Representative Wants Village to Appear as It Did in Days When Emancipator Was Surveyor.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire)
 WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—Federal control and restoration of Old Salem, Ill., a few miles from the state capital at Springfield, is provided for in a bill introduced by Representative Shaw (Illinois), a measure which would restore the town to its architecture as it was in the days when Abraham Lincoln held wrestling matches in the village streets.

The Shaw bill directs that the government shall restore the old mill, the tavern, the village store, the log houses, just as they were when Lincoln was a young surveyor and the village store keeper. Old Salem is in Menard county, a few miles north of Springfield, in which city is Lincoln's old home and his tomb.

Little is known of what first attracted Lincoln to Old Salem, but the story is told that while he was a young man Lincoln was boating on the Sagamore river to learn if it was navigable. Something on land attracted his attention. He climbed the bluff and came upon the village of Old Salem. So charmed was he with the surroundings that he decided to locate there.

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NORTHWEST LUMBER BUSINESS BOOMING

REPORT ON PAST 35 WEEKS FILED IN WASHINGTON.

National Association Notes Big Strides Toward Peak of Prosperity for Mills.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., Sept. 8.—Rapid strides toward peak prosperity in the lumber business of the north-vest were disclosed in a report made by the National Lumbermen's association for the first 35 weeks of the year and for the week ending September 2.

The West Coast Lumbermen's association, operating east of the Cascades in Oregon and Washington, produced 2,828,957,658 feet in the 35 weeks period this year, as compared with 1,723,951,237 in the same period last year. For the week ending September 2 this association produced 84,558,505 feet, as against 55,879,538 in the corresponding week last year.

The Western Pine Manufacturers' association, operating east of the Cascades in Oregon and Washington and North Idaho, produced 767,135,000 feet in the 35-week period this year, as against 493,375,952 feet in the same period last year, and in the week ending September 2 produced 21,349,000 feet, as compared with 15,202,000 in the corresponding week of last year.

WALKER'S LEAGUE FORMS

Organization for Mutual Protection of Pedestrians.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 8.—The Walkers' league has been formed here.

"Organization for the mutual protection of those who walk about streets in the discharge of their daily business has become a plain necessity," said George A. Moore, secretary.

A mass meeting of walkers is planned for Sunday, a membership campaign is a possibility and hopes are felt that the organization will become national in scope.

SOUTH RUSSIANS REVOLT

Rebels and Soviets Clash; Crews of Warships Mutinuous.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—Rebellion broke out in South Russia, according to a Helsingfors dispatch today to the Central News via Copenhagen. The Odesa sailors have declared South Russia and Crimea independent. There is fighting in many districts between the rebels and the soviets, the dispatch stated.

The crews of warships stationed at Sebastopol also were reported to be in a state of mutiny.

PERSIA TO BECOME WET

Government Has Withdrawn Its Prohibition Order.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—Persia, which has faced a drought in wines and liquors owing to the prohibition by the cabinet of the importation of wines and spirits, will now become wet.

The present government has withdrawn the prohibitory order, says a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Teheran.

COLUMBUS BEAUTY IS PRETTIEST GIRL

OHIO REPRESENTATIVE IS MISS AMERICA.

Miss Portland Takes Her Share of Attention as She Makes Her Bow to King Neptune.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 8.—(Special)—The grand finale of the 1922 pageant was reached at midnight with the crowning of Miss Columbus (Mary Katherine Campbell) of Columbus, O., as Miss America at the million-dollar pier where she was selected from among nine other contestants as the most beautiful bathing girl in America. The selection was made in the finals of the third annual Atlantic City pageant.

She takes the title, "Miss America," and the \$5000 golden merrmaid, emblematic of the championship, from Miss Margaret Gorman, Washington, D. C., winner of last year's contest.

Miss Campbell is of athletic build and has long curly auburn hair. She was a general favorite from the first appearance of the 57 inter-city beauties.

Beauty very little adorned was again the keynote of the pageant this afternoon when young America in her bathing suit marched along the sun warmed sands of Atlantic City's famous strand in the spectacular bathers' revue. The 57 inter-city beauties were on hand as usual and attracted the lion's share of attention from the gallery of more than 50,000 people that lined the rails of the boardwalk and beach.

The beauties looked their prettiest in their bathing suits and smiled and bowed continually as they marched single file at the rear of the parade.

Miss Portland wore a blue Annette Kellerman with white belt, and had the insignia of Portland across her breast. At the terminus of the line of march Miss Virginia Edwards was conducted to the stage of elimination, which will be the result of the general election to the regular party nominees. And that probably is as it ought to be, anyway.

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But it seems that few people were aware of the nature of the law, or had forgotten about it anyway, until just the other day when some legal shark brought it to light against Ray Benjamin, republican state chairman, was found discussing the possibility of independent candidates, but after the law was pointed out to him, gladly corrected himself.

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So far as Johnson's election to succeed himself in the senate is concerned, it will have little effect on the people of California. He has been there for five and a half years now and the people know just about what to expect of him. He gives no promise of changing his tactics. His majority over Moore was just big enough to make him feel a little chesty, and he is just obstinate enough not to read in the tremendous vote that Moore got any element of protest against his failure to support the Harding administration in the senate. So Johnson in the next six years can be expected to be just about the same Johnson he has been for the last five or six.

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But at the state house in Sacramento things probably will be a bit different. Friend Richardson was nominated on an "economy" platform, and he is going to start his administration, he says, by cutting expenses. But he assures the present force of state employees that he is not going to indulge in any wholesale house cleaning. Wherever a man or woman is doing good and the services performed are necessary, there will be no change.

Quite a sigh of relief went up among the state employes when Richardson sent out this statement from his vacation retreat at Long Beach the other day, and about the same time the talk of an independent candidate began to die down. This talk had originated the day after the primary among some of the friends and supporters of Governor Stephens who were bitter against Richardson for no other reason, apparently, than that he had won the nomination. They had expected to rally the state job-holders and their friends to the support of an independent, but it is apparent ready that these same job-holders are casting kindly glances in the direction of Nominee Richardson.

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CALIFORNIA RACE GROWS NARROW

Governor and Senator Independents Unlikely.

PRIVATE BOOMS ARE DYING

Johnson Gives No Promise to Change Old Tactics.

POPULARITY IS WANING

State Job-Holders Are Railing to Support Richardson for Governorship.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 8.—(Special)—Prospective independent candidates for governor and United States senator are becoming less "prospective" now that it has been discovered that the California law makes it extremely difficult for an independent to get his name on the ballot.

While it requires only one percent of the total electorate of the state to bring out an independent candidate, all persons who voted at the recent primaries are deburred from signing such candidate's petition.

The theory of the law, of course, is that those persons who failed to vote at the primaries or who were unable to vote for some reason might be dissatisfied with the results and want to bring out candidates of their own; but the effect is practically to confine the contest at the general election to the regular party nominees. And that probably is as it ought to be, anyway.

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BIG GAINS ARE MADE IN POSTAL RECEIPTS

REPORTS COVER 50 INDUSTRIAL CENTERS OF NATION.

Increase Nearly 8 Per Cent in August Over Same Period in 1921; Some Cities Lose.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 8.—Postal receipts in 50 industrial cities selected by Assistant Postmaster Glover as representing various sections of the country showed an average increase of nearly 8 per cent in August over the same month in 1921, according to figures made public by the postoffice department today.

Two industrial cities reported decreases, Cheyenne, Wyo., leading with a loss of 31.31 per cent. Reno, Nev., reported a decrease of 19.67 per cent; Springfield, Ill., 12.71 per cent, and Albuquerque, N. M., 9.45 per cent.

The decreases were more than offset by increases in other cities, eight of them reporting gains of more than 20 per cent.

ELDERLY MINER SUICIDE
 Victim, Mortally Slashed, Found Dying Beside Rude Coffin.
 YREKA, Cal., Sept. 8.—George Baines, an elderly miner, was found yesterday alone in his shack near Sawyers Bar, lying with one wrist slashed, alongside a home-made coffin lined with flour sacks, while nearby was a will and burial garments.

Two miners who discovered him attempted to give first aid, but they were fought off. A physician was summoned although he arrived too late to save Baines' life. An empty poison bottle was found by his side. A grave, evidently dug with his own pick and shovel, was outside the shack.

The miners declared Baines had waged a long, unsuccessful search for gold, and was very depondent. His financial condition also was reported precarious.

Girls Forced to Tie Oaths.
 After forcing Teresa to tie all of the other victims with strips torn from the sheets, the man himself tied Teresa. He remained in the O'Hare bedroom from 10 o'clock last night until 2:45 this morning and before departing struck each one of his helpless victims over the head with the butt of his heavy revolver, sending each into unconsciousness.

Teresa, regaining consciousness as the assailant was beating the others in another room, escaped from the house and ran a half mile to the home of Jake Morrow, who gave the alarm. While Mr. Morrow investigated, Joe Mote, a neighbor, drove to Olympia where he notified Sheriff Wagoner and the others of Police Troxell, who with Dr. Kenneth Parlow hastened to the O'Hare place. The story as pieced together from the fragments told by Teresa and Agnes and Joe Dobson is one of the most revolting character.

Family Is Bound.
 Teresa O'Hare and Joe Dobson, after an evening at the movies in Olympia, returned to the house on the Olympic highway about 10 o'clock west of this city about 10 o'clock last night. Leaving Mr. Dobson's car beside the highway, they entered the O'Hare yard. Almost immediately Dobson was covered by a revolver in the hands of a masked man who commanded Teresa to tie the Dobson's hands behind him with a cord which he supplied. This accomplished he marched the pair into the house and up to the bedrooms where Mrs. O'Hare and her other three daughters and son were in bed. One by one he forced Teresa into the mother, sisters and brother after which he himself tied Teresa's hands. The windows of the rooms he covered with heavy blankets to deaden any noise and shield the lamp light from outside.

The flood then demanded money and obtained a small amount, exactly how much is not known, from the family pocket books. The receipts from the little store which Mrs. O'Hare and her children conducted near their home as a means of livelihood, had been hidden by Agnes as she heard the others enter the house and were not found.

Women Believed Attacked.
 Then followed attempts to attack all of the girls and the mother. How much of this design was accomplished is not positively known but Dr. Parlow, who is attending the injured women, said he believed all of the women had been victims. The next four hours were described by Agnes, Teresa and Joe Dobson as a hell on earth. The man in every conceivable manner teased and tortured his helpless victims, seeming to gain a madman's glee from their writhings. Dobson, bound hand and foot and trussed to the foot of the bed, lay on the floor, a helpless witness of the attacks.

About 2:45, addressing himself to Teresa, the man told her he thought it was time he was going, but before leaving he was going to hit each one over the head so that they could not escape too quickly. He then brought the butt of his revolver down on the girl's head and she became unconscious. One by one each of the prisoners in turn was beaten into insensibility. Not satisfied with one or two blows, he struck some of the women several times.

One Makes Her Escape.
 The second floor of the O'Hare house, a small five-room farm place, is divided into two bedrooms. In one of these on a double bed lay Theresa and Agnes with Joe Dobson bound and trussed to the foot of the bed, lying on the floor in (Concluded on Page 2, Column 4.)

MOTHER AND 4 GIRLS TORTURED

Women Tied, Clubbed and Attacked.

BROTHER AND BEAU BOUND

Assailant Leaves Family and Neighbor for Dead.

REVOLVER BUTT USED

One of Girls Recovers, Escapes and Gives Alarm; Posses and Dogs Take Up Trail.

WASHINGTON, Wash., Sept. 8.—(Special)—Mrs. Harry O'Hare and her four daughters, living in western Thurston county, last night were attacked and, with Joe O'Hare and Joe Dobson, clubbed and left to die by a man for whom bloodhounds and posses tonight are searching the wooded hills of the county. All roads were being watched carefully after the bloodhounds had failed to find the man's trail.

Although still in a serious condition, it was believed that all of the victims would recover. They are Mrs. Harry O'Hare, 24; Agnes, 25; Theresa, 12; Frances, 14; Joe, 11; Emma, 11, and Joe Dobson, 21. All were severely beaten with the butt of a heavy revolver after the assailant had attacked the women and just before leaving the house where he had spent the night.

