

DAE FOR RAILWAY STRIKE DRAWS NEAR

Eight-Hour Day Demand Effective April 29---300,000 Men Are Involved.

WHOLE COUNTRY AFFECTED

Managers Say Working Basis as Proposed Simply Means Vast Wage Increase—Men Reply Cut Out All Overtime.

Unless the managers, trainmen and engineers in the United States are able to agree on a new basis of employment before April 29, a strike involving 300,000 men and 200,000 miles of line probably will ensue.

Pay Contention Advanced.

The managers declare that the eight-hour proposal is being made merely as a means of increasing the pay of the men from 25 per cent to 87 1/2 per cent, and point out, in substantiation of this theory, that the schedule provides for time and a half for all overtime in excess of eight hours.

Higher Rates to Stand.

"Article 4. Any rates of pay, including mileage or arbitrary differentials that are higher, or any rules or conditions of employment contained in individual schedules in effect January 1, 1916, that are more favorable to the employees, shall not be modified or affected by any settlement reached in connection with these proposals.

Example Is Cited.

The managers use as an example an engineer now paid at the rate of \$5.50 for 10 hours, or 55 cents an hour, who would be paid under the new rules at the rate of 70 cents an hour, which is an increase of 25 per cent, and for overtime at the rate of \$1.05 an hour, or 105 cents an hour, an increase of 87 1/2 per cent.

More Speed Indicated.

In reply to this contention, the men declare that the railroad is not able to increase the operating speed of their freight trains to make the run between terminals possible within eight hours. Improved and more powerful locomotives will make this possible, they say.

The precise language in which the demands are couched is as follows:

"Article 1. (a) In all road service 100 miles or less, eight hours or less will constitute a day, except in passenger service. Miles in excess of 100 will be paid for at the same rate per mile.

BULLETS IN GUN STOCKS

WOODEN PARTS OF NEW WEAPONS Pierced by Shot in Former Wars.

Be Careful in Using Soap on Your Hair

Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali, which is very injurious, as it dries the scalp and makes the hair brittle.

duty exceeds the miles run divided by 1 1/2 miles per hour. (d) All overtime to be computed on the minute basis and paid for as time and one-half times the pro rata rate. (e) No one shall receive less than eight hours or 100 miles than they now receive for a minimum day or 100 miles for the class of engine used or for service performed. (f) Time will be computed continuously from time required for duty until released from duty and responsibility at end of day or run.

MEMBERS OF UNIVERSITY OF OREGON Y. M. C. A. DEPUTATION TEAM.



Randall S. Scott, J. D. Foster, Walter R. Dimmick

Beginning today the deputation team of the University of Oregon Y. M. C. A. will conduct meetings in Portland and other cities in Oregon during the week.

Industrial activity.

"As effects of the withdrawal of female life into industry, mention may be made of the weakening of the home instincts, a love of independence and a growing taste for pleasure and excitement, so that if marriage is entered upon there is a growing unwillingness to accept the duties and responsibilities of motherhood."

Home Instincts Weakened.

"In his conclusions Sir Thomas comes directly at the civilization of the times. He points out how local expedients like industrial legislation are purely temporary, how checking the sale of drugs and such methods are merely skimming the surface, and calls attention to the fact that evolution is at work and that the race that for its own ease seeks to set aside the natural course is merely playing a brief game where nature is sure to win."

What Investigation Showed.

"When the German birth rate began to show material decline the government investigated. It was found that the foreign element reproduced at a higher rate, and this being true in Poland, with its own language and national characteristics, it was evident to the authorities that there would be raised problems of politics, government and religion."

PERCENTAGE OF DECLINE IN BIRTH RATES IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES DURING PAST 30 YEARS.

Table with 2 columns: Country and Percentage. Russia: 19, Austria: 13, Italy: 13, Finland: 12, Germany: 12, Holland: 12, Denmark: 12, Switzerland: 12, Norway: 12, Sweden: 12, England: 12, Belgium: 21, United States: 21, Boston: 21. Note: Figures for the entire United States not being available, those for Boston are added for comparison, covering 30 out of the 30 years.

WOODEN PARTS OF NEW WEAPONS

CHESTER, Pa., April 5.—Employees of the Remington Arms Company plant at Eddystone in turning out gunstocks for the allies have made the interesting discovery that they are constantly coming across bullet marks in the rough walnut stocks. These stocks are shipped to Eddystone in the trunks of the walnut trees either in the war of half a century ago or longer from the mountains of the West and stored in an immense dry kiln.

Railroad Grants Wage Increase.

RICHMOND, Va., April 8.—The Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad announced from its general offices here today a 2 per cent increase to 3000 machinists, telegraph operators and laborers on all divisions in settlement of their wage strike. The increase will total \$499,000 a year.

BIRTH RATE FALLING Peril to Civilization Seen in Great Decline.

INDUSTRY TODAY BLAMED

"Growing Unwillingness to Accept Duties and Responsibilities of Motherhood" Asserted as Cause by Scientist.

LONDON, April 1.—The subject of the decline of birth rate in European countries is discussed at length in the Journal of State Medicine, by Sir Thomas Oliver, of the University of Durham, the famous British authority on occupational diseases.

"The increasing absorption of young women into spheres of commercial and industrial activity," he writes, "while tending to lighten the burden of parental obligation, is creating problems which in their final issue concern the future of the race."

FARMERS OPERATE TOWN

IOWA HAMLET HAS POPULATION OF ONLY 100.

Fernald Is Social Center for Agriculturalists of Surrounding District.—Average High.

DES MOINES, April 1.—Out on the prairies of Iowa is one of the most novel towns in the country. There is no bickering between townspeople and rural residents, as is often the case.

When he goes to town to buy a bar of soap or a new plow, the farmer buys of himself, or rather he is a partner in the store. When he goes to the elevator he sells to his company the grain he has brought in. Perhaps his next stop will be at a bank owned and managed by the farmers themselves.

The town was founded by the farmers in order to avoid making long hauls in delivering crops to the railroad. A line elevator was built shortly after the town was founded, but it was not until about two years ago that it was purchased by a group of farmers operating under the name of the Farmers' Grain company.

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The "Barefoot" Tire and Why.



GOODRICH SAFETY TREAD

The B. F. Goodrich Rubber Co. Akron, Ohio Local Address Broadway at Burnside

WHEN you take your Shoes off tonight do this:—Bear your weight on your right foot and, without lifting it off the floor, press it forward and backward firmly.

Then observe that only the bony and muscular Structure of your Foot moves forward and backward, while its Sole stays fixed on the floor.

That demonstrates the rolling motion of flesh and muscle, the elastic Cushion quality which reduces friction in walking, and prevents slipping (backward, forward, or sideways).

It protects the Bones and Sinews of the Foot against the Wear and Tear of action, as a lubricant protects Metal moving parts, while providing the wonderful "Barefoot" hold on slippery surfaces.

That ROLLING MOTION, then, is the ideal aimed at in this Clingy, Springy, and Stretchy black "Barefoot" Rubber of 1916 Goodrich Tires.

CONSIDER now the means by which many Tires have been given maximum Traction,—i.e., by means of a "sand-papery" texture in the Rubber of their Anti-Skid Treads.

Every time the Brakes are put on, to make such Tires grip the road, the relatively hard, unyielding, and comparatively brittle, texture of the Rubber in their Treads causes these Treads to grind away on the pavement, to WEAR OUT fast at the point of contact.

The sudden efficiency of their grinding-Traction also tugs so sharply on the Rubber Adhesive between the layers of Fabric in Tire as to separate these layers.

There is little "give" to them—just as there is little "slide" to them. So, they gain Traction at the expense of Mileage.

Naturally such Tires require a great BULK of such Rubber in order to deliver reasonable Mileage before worn out.

And, therein they differ radically from GOODRICH "Barefoot" Tires.

Because,—the Safety-Tread on Goodrich Tires is made of "Barefoot-Rubber," a new, and exclusive compound which discards all unnecessary whitish "frictional" ingredients that are heaviest and inert, as proved by its lighter weight.

HERE is how it acts in Automobiling,—When the weight of the Car bears on this clinging "Barefoot-Rubber" Tread, and the power is applied to go ahead or reverse, the wonderful stretch in the "Barefoot" Rubber Sole (or Tread) of the Goodrich Tire acts as a sort of Lubricant between the Fabric Structure of the Tire and the Road.

Then, the Barefoot-Rubber "Toes," of the Goodrich Safety-Tread Tire, CLING to the pavement (instead of grinding against it), in such manner as your Bare Foot would cling to a slippery surface—without Grind, and so, with the minimum of Frictional Heat or Wear for maximum Traction.

Goodrich "Barefoot-Rubber" is now made into Goodrich FABRIC Tires,—Goodrich Silvertown Cord Tires,—Goodrich Inner Tubes,—Goodrich Truck Tires,—Goodrich Motor Cycle, and Bicycle, Tires, as well as into Goodrich Rubber Boots, Over-Shoes, Soles and Heels.

Get a Sliver of it from your nearest Goodrich Branch, or Dealer. Stretch it thousands of times, but break it you can't.

That's the Stuff that GOODRICH Black-Tread Tires are made of.

30 x 3 ...Ford Sizes... \$10.40 30 x 3 1/2 ...Ford Sizes... \$11.40 32 x 3 1/2 ...Ford Sizes... \$15.48 33 x 4 ...Safety Tread... \$22.00 33 x 4 ...Fair-List... \$22.40 34 x 4 ...Ford Sizes... \$31.60 37 x 5 ...Ford Sizes... \$37.38 38 x 5 1/2 ...Ford Sizes... \$51.60

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NEWSPAPER MADE BY VOICE

"Oral Sheet" Issued by Pupils in Minneapolis Public School.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 2.—In medieval times the herald shouted the news through the streets because printing had not been invented and the majority of the people could not read, anyway.

LADIES! DARKEN YOUR GRAY HAIR

Use Grandma's Sage Tea and Sulphur Recipe and Nobody Will Know.

The use of Sage and Sulphur for restoring faded, gray hair to its natural color dates back to grandmother's time.

When you wake up with headache and dull misery in the kidney region it generally means you have been eating too much meat, says a well-known authority.

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Made Fresh Daily in Our Store. Quality the best; prices right, and 75c guaranteed. Come see the loom work, ask for measuring blank and buy direct from makers.

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Drink glass of hot water before breakfast to wash out poisons.

To see the tinge of healthy bloom in your face, to see your skin get clearer and clearer, to wake up without a headache, backache, coated tongue, or a nasty, bitter, and factitious taste in your mouth, and day out, just try inside-bathing every morning for one week.