

BILL WOULD GIVE LAND TO SOLDIERS

Tentative Scheme Means Reclamation Huge Areas. MONEY CREDIT ALLOWED

Veterans Will Get \$1.50 for Each Day of Service—Total Fund to Go Toward Purchase.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 10.—The draft of a bill to settle the veterans' settlement bill combining the salient features of the Mondell-Lane bill and the Fordney bill, together with some recommendations made by the American Legion, has been completed by the Hawley subcommittee of the house ways and means committee.

This tentative bill, which makes possible the reclamation of large areas by both irrigation and drainage, is understood to stand a good chance of being adopted by a full committee. An appropriation of \$25,000,000 is made for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1921, and the same sum thereafter each year for the next five years, making a total of \$250,000,000.

For the administration of the functions arising under the bill a national soldier's settlement board is created consisting of five members to include the secretary of the interior and not less than three soldiers.

Land to be Acquired. The board is authorized to acquire lands necessary for soldier settlements by gift or purchase and the approval of the president, is authorized to withdraw such public lands as may serve the purpose. The board is empowered to perform all work necessary for the permanent development of the public lands to be one or more in each of the several states in which such projects are found feasible.

The lands are to be subdivided into soldier farm units suitable for the support of a family and dedicating may be made for community and other public purposes. Townships suitable for the purposes of the project may be established and developed.

Veterans of the world war, either soldiers or sailors, shall be entitled to a credit of \$1.50 a day for the total number of days served between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, the full amount to be computed to be applied on purchase price of the land. The balance shall be paid in amortizing payment extending over a period of 40 years or less, at the option of the settler.

Two Years Grace Given. The veteran settler will have two years from the time of the original credit for his war services before beginning his amortization payments. Amortization payments will bear interest at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent yearly.

The lands also will be open to American citizens who served in and were honorably discharged from the military or naval service of the nation allied against the central powers between August 4, 1914, and November 11, 1918, except that they shall not be entitled to the per diem credit for service as stipulated for soldiers in the service of the United States.

Lands acquired under this bill would not be subject to state, county, municipal and local taxation and assessment for a period of five years from the date of execution of the soldier's contract of purchase, and thereafter only upon the approval by the settler's interest in the land and improvements.

Other Land Open. The board may, through an agreement with any soldier settler, make loans for improvements and the purchase of livestock and equipment in this aggregate not to exceed \$1500. Soldiers may take lands reclaimed under other acts of congress and be subject to the same per diem credits and loan privileges.

A plan of co-operation with these states which have provided funds for soldier settlements is also authorized. The board is given authority to enter into contracts for such co-operation and shall then establish a branch administrative office in that state, which shall, so far as practicable, handle all matters connected with project affairs in that state.

When the state furnishes not less than 25 per cent per annum of the necessary funds for the development of projects within its borders, the state will be authorized by the national board to carry out the selection, acquisition or subdivision of the land, improvement of farms and the aid and direction of development after settlement.

The board is obligated to utilize as far as possible the services of soldiers in the development and administration of the projects. This bill, if approved by the full committee, will probably be incorporated in a general bill to cover all the six or seven plans for soldier relief legislation that are pending the cash bonus, homes in cities and towns, paid-up life insurance, and vocational training.

NO DEMAND MADE HERE STRIKE OF SWITCHMEN APPEARS LEADERLESS.

Freight Traffic in Five Portland Yards Paralyzed—Large Industries to Feel Effect.

(Continued From First Page.) strike came and will remain until it is over unless ordered elsewhere by his superior officers. In company with the local general chairman of the order, he went to the hall where the meeting of the switchmen had been called Friday, but when the meeting was called to order by one of the men who announced that he was the chairman, the visiting officials were asked to leave the room.

"So far as I know there is no leadership to this strike," said Mr. Babe yesterday at the Imperial hotel. "In my opinion it will all be over by Monday. Apparently it is a disturbance that will be over as soon as the switchmen have had time to think about it. This, however, is the opinion of a miner, and I cannot understand why the government has not taken steps to an end to this."

In a telegram from President Lee of the trainmen, Babe was advised yesterday that the outlook from the headquarters, with full information available from the strike centers, was that it would crumble within a few

days. The message received by Babe read: "Eleven engines have returned on the Chicago Junction railway and about 75 or 80 engines have returned on the Milwaukee. A great improvement is noted on the Northwestern. About 250 men have returned to work on the Milwaukee, where the trouble started, and have pledged themselves to uphold the brotherhood laws. I believe conditions will be normal within a few days."

Trainmen Asked to Co-Operate. In a message sent by President Lee to officials of the trainmen's locals, the trainmen were urged to operate against the strikers in the fullest possible degree. In this message it was asserted that the walkout was based on a personal grievance of Grunau, leader of the newly-formed Chicago organization and that the question of an increase of pay was injected after the strike had been called.

Ship-Building Supplies Held Up. That large Portland industries will be hampered immediately by the railroad strike was indicated in a statement from the G. M. Standifer Construction corporation last night that about 100 cars of shipbuilding steel consigned to that company were en route to the Standifer plant, and according to reports were in territory where traffic was completely tied up. R. V. Jones, general superintendent of the Standifer Shipbuilding plant at Vancouver, said last night that while some of the material tied up by the strike was not needed immediately, part of it could be used at once if it were here. No workmen have been laid off at the Standifer plant as yet, but Mr. Jones said that if the steel did not arrive within a week or 10 days, the operations of the plant would be seriously hampered.

Federal Spyting Charged. At a meeting of strikers today, John Grunau, head of the yardmen's local, conferred with conference with District Attorney Clyde, told the men that department of justice officials were "spying on his meetings." Mr. Clyde was conference today with Attorney General Palmer, assistant to Attorney-General Palmer, who arrived from Washington.

"PHONY" TELEGRAMS BLAMED Switchmen in Idaho Reported Misled by Propaganda.

BOISE, Idaho, April 10.—(Special.)—The strike of railroad yardmen has entered Idaho. Yard forces at Pocatello and Nampa have been out and rumors circulating in railroad circles say further walkouts may be expected. Boise yardmen were still at work today, but there was talk to be considered a strike talk.

An embargo has been declared by the Oregon Shipbuilding plant at Pocatello on account of the walkouts. This will affect Boise shipments. Shipments of freight will be held up at Pocatello and the freight office there has been instructed to receive no more consignment here.

The purpose of the strike is not clear. The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the Nampa yardmen Friday afternoon to "remain on the job," according to information received here. "The switchmen have presented no demands and no one seems to know what it is all about," said one railroad official. "There seems to be no head to it."

"Phony" telegrams in circulation among railroad men at Nampa have confused the situation, it is said. These telegrams purport to show that the walkout is of wide proportions and urge "united action." So far Idaho is concerned the strikes seem to be offshoots of the disturbances in the east caused by so-called "outlaw" unions.

Governor Davis has issued an appeal to the switchmen who struck at Nampa to assist in moving hay cars to eastern Idaho where the stock is in need of forage.

ALBANY STRIKE SHORT-LIVED Three Switchmen Quit Jobs, but Later Return to Work.

ALBANY, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Three switchmen employed in the Albany yards quit work early this morning in sympathy with the unauthorized strike, but decided later in the day to return to work.

The switchmen in the Albany yards work on three shifts and it was at 2:30 this morning that the men quit work. The engineer and fireman of the crew of five men then on shift stayed on the job. At 7 o'clock this morning the crew of the next shift went to work and no delay or trouble in handling trains was experienced.

The three strikers held a conference at 10 o'clock with the local switchmen who stayed on duty and decided to return to work.

THE DALLES YARDMEN OUT Entire Force on "Vacation" and Freight Traffic Stops.

THE DALLES, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Strike of yardmen originating in Chicago today spread to this city when 20 switchmen, the entire force in the local yards, quit their jobs on what they facetiously term a vacation. Freight movement is paralyzed here, although passenger traffic is being maintained on schedule. The Dalles is the only point on the O.-W. R. & N. where all switchmen have walked out in sympathy with the "unauthorized" strikers in Chicago.

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company, and the men refuse to divulge the reason for the walkout. R. E. Palmer, superintendent of the first division, with headquarters in Portland, arrived on the noon train to confer with the strikers.

FREIGHT TIE-UP RELIEVED Railroad Promises Klamath Falls Increase of Force.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., April 10.—(Special.)—Freight congestion at the local depot as regards incoming freight, which has been a burning issue for two weeks between local merchants and the Southern Pacific company, is apparently remedied. The railway management has promised six freight handlers for the local station. Heretofore the maximum force has been four, and recently, on account of wage dissatisfaction, it has been impossible to keep more than two or three men constantly at work. In consequence consignees bombarded railroad headquarters with protesting telegrams until a promise of remedy was forthcoming.

Aberdeen Crews at Work. ABERDEEN, Wash., April 10.—(Special.)—Seven switching crews employed in the railroad yards here are working and are not expected to

walk out as a result of the switchmen's and engineers' strike. An embargo, however, exists on all freight on the O.-W. R. & N. to Portland. Freight to Seattle, Tacoma and Centralia are still open, no embargo having been declared on the Northern Pacific.

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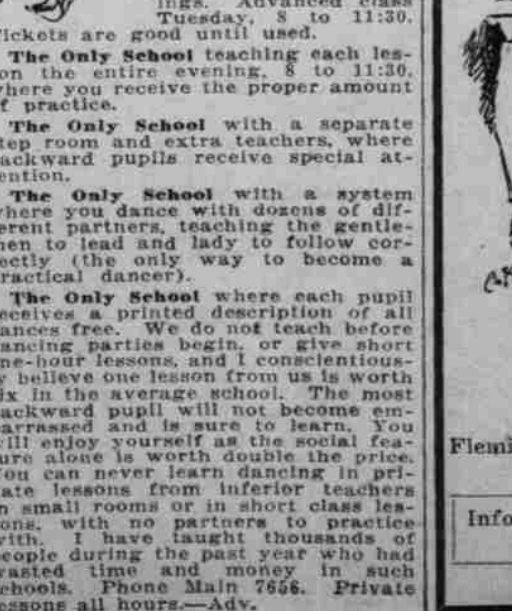
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