## MORE CONSTRUCTIVE FORM OF LEGISLATION FOR ROADS IS URGED

General Inquiry Now Pending Before Joint Committee of Congress of the U.S.

TO CONSIDER PROBLEMS

Lines Hold That Suspension of Rat-Advances for Ten Months is Mardship; Two Months Deemed Pair.

Not less regulation, but more regulation of a constructive sort is being sought by the railroads of the United States in the general inquiry now the United States congress, presided riment to railway credit.

This is asserted in a formal statecutives' advisory committee, who urges a broader spirit on the part of the

Discussing the committee's invitation to leading economists, representaof the labor unions and others, including the railroads, Mr. Sisson says: Boads Accept Invitation.

"The railroads have accepted this invitation. They consider it a public duty to give the American people, through its congressional representatives, the results of their experiences and observations and their views on this vital problem. They believe that certain changes should be made in the present system of regulation and desire to give their reasons for this They will make various rec-ations which in their opinion requirements, to grant this relief with ommendations which in their opinion are in the interest of the whole American prollo-shippers, consumers, investors-as well as of the railways themselves. They welcome full and in the transportation system of the frank discussion and criticism of every country that the Interstate Commerce constructive idea advanced by themselves or by others in the course of the inquiry, realizing that no system of regulation or supervison can be permanently satisfactory or successful unless it has behind it the force of enlightened public opinion. We desire to call attention to the

position of the railroads on some of the questions at issue. Regulation Here to Stay.

any argument or testimony which the railroads may present during the inquiry they do not oppose public regulation or supervison. They recognize that such public regulation come to stay. They do feel, however, that the present complicated system of regulation is defective, wasteful and therefore unduly burdensome for both the public and the carriers in several important respects. Some of

"First-The existing dual aystem of Separation Is Advanced.

"Second-The railroads feel that the functions now exercised by the Interstate Commerce commission should be eparated to bring them into conformity with our scheme of government. administrative duties and assigned to

this applies especially to state laws) are primarily punitive and restrictive. They were enacted to punish the railroads for actual or alleged past wreng doing. The difference in spirit and purpose between our railway laws and, the public interest as well as to their and the Multnomah Engine Company trolled by the Doherty interests of interest that the system of regulation Benevolent association conducted the Pittsburg, Pa., owns the other half. ficient service along legitimate lines.

Regional Commissions Desired. "Fourth-While maintaining that by far the greater part of the railway business of the country consists of

people, and for this reason they advocate a system of regional commiscommerce commission, similar to the regional banks, working in cooperation with or subordinate to that commission, such commissions to pass upon matters of immediate local or regional importance, subject to review by the central commission as to points on which the decision of the regional board may be questioned. "Fifth-Regulation or supervision of

ecurities, like regulation of rates, is a matter of national rather than of local concern. The railroads feel that this function should be in the hands of a federal regulating body. This leads logically to the consideration of federal incorporation of railroads,

Would Limit Suspension. "Sixth-The railroads feel that the right now generally exercised by the Interstate Commerce commission to suspend rate advances for 10 months works an injustice to them and they feel that this should be limited to a period of two months. It is entirely racticable to provide for refunding to increased rates in case the increases are disallowed, but under the present system the carriers are deprived of rates are finally allowed. This is new assembly hall. inding before a joint committee of manifestly unfair and therefore a det-

"Seventh-At present the only means of equalizing rates within the power ment issued by Francis H. Sisson, as- of the Interstate Commerce commissistant chairman of the Railway Exe- sion is by the reduction of maximum rates. The railroads believe that the commission should be given the power to prescribe minimum rates as well, in order that it may safeguard the credit and revenues of the carriers and pretives of important business interests, vent the imposition of unjust burdens upon certain classes of traffic to off-

set undue advantages granted to other Railroad Credit Factor. The railroads desire to make it plain that in the present inquiry they are not raising the question of rates or asking for rate advances, but the question of railway credit cannot be ignored and they believe that a system in order to improve facilities and to

reasonable promptness. "The railroads believe that it is essential to the maintenance of efficiency commission be authorized in fixing rates to take into account the effect of rates upon total earnings as efected by expenses, as this is a vital matter affecting credit and the ability of the rallways to provide needed ex-tensions of facilities."

# Mrs. M. Livingstone

Mrs. Madeline C. Livingstone, who died November 27 at her home, 5433 Thirty-sixth avenue, southeast, was a native of Illinois and had lived for many years in Spokane. She came to Portland to reside about two years ago. Mrs. Livingstone is survived by three children, Mrs. C. H. Miller of Portland, Mrs. J. H. Cartwright of Gem, Idaho, regulation (federal and state) makes and M. A. Livingstone, of Spokane. but to 49. Rallway transportation in Mrs. P. T. Weeks of North Yakima, the United States has become a mat- Mrs. Pauline Thatcher of New York, ter of national and not merely of local Mrs. L. E. Lappine of Houston, Texas, favor the placing of regulation in the are brothers. The funeral will be held control of federal tribunals which will in Spokane on Thursday, November 30. act fairly in behalf of all the states. The body is in charge of Miller & fendant in yesterday's suits.

Mrs. Talcott's Funeral Held.

The funeral of Mrs. Anna N. Tal-cott was held this afternoon from the establishment of J. P. Finley & Son, The duties of detector, prosecutor and and the body cremated at the Portland judge should be set apart from purely crematorium. Mrs. Talbott is survived by one son, H. W. Burr, of this city. other governmental departments or She was 60 years of age and was born agencies.

"Third—Many of the existing laws relating to railway regulation (and suffered a long illness before her re-

Abraham Stuart Buried.

The funeral of Abraham B. Stuart. be framed with the purpose of encour- funeral. Mr. Stuart was nearly 88 aging railway development and ef- years of age and came to Oregon in

Landscape Artist Dead. San Francisco, Nov. 28 .- (P. N. S.)-Hugo Antone Fisher, father of Harthe transportation of interstate com- rison Fisher and a landscape artist of merce and that the regulation of this is properly a federal and not a state function, the railroads recognize that such regulation should be brought as of paralysis. He was 62 years old.

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## **GALE RIPS ROOF FROM** ASTORIA HIGH SCHOOL AND WIRES GO DOWN

Patsy Driven Back Into, Harbor After Losing Part of Her Deckload.

Astoria, Or., Nov. 28. - Monday's heavy rain and gale ripped the roof from the local high school; broke windows, blew down business signs and scrambled the telephone lines between here and Fort Stevens. A large area shippers the amounts collected under of the paper roof on the south side of the high school, directly over the auditdrium, was torn up, letting the rain nearly a year's revenue in case the pour in on the costly finishings of the

The gasoline schooner Patsy was driven back into the harbor after losing part of her deckload and getting the rest of it soaked, when only little ways off the river. The new auxiliary schooner City of

Astoria, moored at the McEachern shipyerds, broke out a dolphin, but did not go adrift. Trees Go Over at Seaside. Seaside, Or., Nov. 28 .- Seaside expe-

ienced as heavy a wind storm Sunday night as it has had in years. The iver rose to Third street and a number of trees went down before the gale.

No Damage at Marshfield. Marshfield Or Nov. 28 - The rain and wind storm here has been severe for several days, but no damage has possible, when higher rates are needed Union Telegraph lines, which were down most of yesterday. Communication was restored last night.

The rains have made the rivers high, but so far there has been no damage to farms. The sea off shore and the bar are rough today. The eastern part of the county was not affected as much as territory along the coast.

Hood Lines Down.

Hood River, Or., Nov. 28 .- A heavy storm along the Columbia river basin Sunday disabled the Western Union Telegraph company's lines between Hood River and Portland.

#### Native of Illinois Eight Suits Attack The Adamson Law

Oregon Trunk and Worth Bank Lat. est to Initiate Test of Constitution. ality of Act.

A total of five suits in equity have been filed with the federal court clerk to date, testing the constitutionality of the Adamson law. The last two to be filed yesterday were by the Oregon Frunk and the Spokane, Portland and Seattle railroads.

The first three complaints regarding the eight hour law were filed by importance. The railroads, therefore, W. T. and M. C. Edderly of Spokane the O-W. R. & N., the Oregon Shor line and the Northern Pacific. Clarence L. Reames was made a de-

J. K. Condon, conductor, E. S. Me Guire, R. A. Bailey and D. A. Robertson, all members of associations of railway employes, are the other defendants

L. C. Gilman signed the complaints.

#### Big Deal in Kansas Oil Leases Is Made

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 28 -(I. N. S.) The Sinclair Oil corporation today bought an undivided one-half interest the veteran bailiff, was held at the nouncement was made here by officials day in a statement on operations of for example, those governing our bank- Finley parlors yesterday afternoon, of the company. The purchase is the ing system, which are designed to Rev. Joshua Stansfield of the First one-half interest in what is known as serve the public by encouraging and M. E. church officiating. Charles H. the Skaer property of 917 acres, which facilitating banking operations, is obvious. The railways hold that it is to and work. The Indian War veterans The Empire Gas & Fuel company, con-

# Sen. Martin May Be

Washington, Nov. 28 .- (U. P.) -Senator Martin of Virginia to succeed Senator Kern of Indiana as Democratic of a recent Zeppelin raid on London out by Democrats, it was learned to-day, should the Hooder solon resign London. One of these photographs that position. It was stated Kern feels is reproduced in The Journal today. A

#### SOUTHERN PACIFIC CO. PROTESTING PAYMENT OF LAND GRANT TAX

(Continued From Page One.)

be recoverable by the United States from the owner of such property." It shows that the decree entered by Judge Wolverton, July 1, 1913, forfeiting the grant lands to the United States and revesting title in the United States, was reversed by the supreme court of the United States, June 21,

Claim Counties Are Powerless. From this it argues that no taxes can be levied by the state or counties on the grant lands for the period between July 1, 1913, and June 21, 1915, and that the counties cannot enforce the collection of taxes for that period.

The letter also states that the company "has or may have other lawful reasons why the taxes for the years 1913, 1914 and 1915 should not be paid, either in whole or in part," and that ! 'reserves to itself the right to advance and rely upon such other reasons at such time or times as it may de-

The company has addressed its protest to the United States, to congress, to President Wilson, to the secretary of the interior, the secretary of agriculture, the treasurer of the United States and to the attorney-gengal.

\$25,000 Damages Asked. A tire wrench slipped and struck in the eye P. L. Ridley, a chauffeur em-ployed by the Portland Taxicab company, smashing his glasses and driving a piece of glass into his right eye, impairing his sight. Today Ridley filed suit against the company for \$25,000 damages, alleging that the furnishing him an old, worn wrench with which to remove a tire.

#### Rag Picker Heir to A Sixth Interest in Thirteen Millions St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 28.—(I. N. S.)—Benjamin Hirsch,/a rag picker, today received word from Glufow, Russia, his former home, that he has fallen heir to a character in the constant in the con

Automobile at Punkin Festival Won by Man Without Ini-

## NO DEFINITE MOVE IN DIRECTION OF PEACE PLANNED AT PRESENT

heir to a one-sixth interest in

a \$13,000,000 estate. The other

heirs are his five brothers. Hirsch came to America three

years ago, leaving his wife and

six children in Glufow.

President and Advisers Make Decision Following Conferences on Subject,

Washington, Nov. 28 .- (1. N. S.) Wilson and his closest personal advisers, in a series of confer-ences in quick succession, decided this afternoon not to make any definite move toward obtaining peace in Europe at this time, it was stated in of-

American diplomatic representatives fessors smoked corncob pipes. abroad, who have been "feeling out" the belligerent nations upon the subject will be given instructions immediately not to commit this government should be adopted that will make it been done excepting to the Western as being insistent that peace come quickly.

> his return to Berlin, that the German ing itself. subnerine warfare "makes it seem

York next Tuesday. The conferences Colonel House and Ambassador Gerard held were with the president, Secretary of State Lansing otherwise. Joe Jaeger, president

# French and Serbian

Paris, Nov. 28 .- (U. P.) - Led by French Zouaves, Serbian forces captured hill 1050 northeast of Monastir. despite the most violent efforts of Bulgarian-German defenders, the official statement related today. Four counter attacks by the Teutonic forces were repulsed with heavy losses.

Bombardments on East Front. Sayville Wireless.)-Except for heavy company. bombardments by Russian artillery southeast of Duensburg (Dvinsk), there have been no important developin one of the largest oil leases in the ments between the Baltic and the Augusta fields for \$1,900,000. An- Dneister, the war office announced to-

> Paris Reports Quiet Night. Paris, Nov. 28 .- (U. P )-Repulse of a German attack east of Maison Champagne was detailed in today's official statement. Elsewhere along the western front the night was quiet.

# Democratic Leader Photographs of Zep

A number of graphic photographs floor leader for the coming short ses- have been received by Paul Turner of sion, is the tentative program mapped No. 7105 Eighty-sixth street, from his the mountainous accumulation of work brother-in-law of Mr. Turner, Major facing the senate during the coming four months might be too much of a strain on him.

Edward George Hennison, is attached to the general staff in Flanders, and took part in the recent allied drive that resulted in the capture of Loos. In that engagement one half of the men in Major Hennison's division were

#### PROHIBITION JOVIALTY IS VICTORIOUS OVER KING'S FULL REGALIA

tials; Money Flowed In.

Who do you think was elected king & of the "Punkin Festival" at the Ar-

None other than B. Lee Paget, whose full dress suit, high hat, boiled shirt Baby Home in Need and prohibition joviality won over Charley Berg's king's full regalia of sword, purple sash and Hebrew derby, and also Bill Strandborg's waistline and frantically megaphoned appeals. Now, who do you think won the as much of a surprise to him as any-

Finally, how much for charity do you guess the Progressive Business Men's club made with the Punkin Festival? At a late hour today perspiring tabulators were confirming the early morn-\$1000

The Punkin Festival was Portland's biggest mirth event. Judges forgot their judicial demeanor. Business men abandoned their conservatism. Projammed the approaches to the "Trip Through Hades," Frank Hilton's roulette wheel, which was remarkably like the real thing, and J. J. Stritzel's "26 bankers' trophy in the shoot held by game," which flourished until its real- the several companies of the corps ism caused the police to suggest with last week. The Fourth company at Ambassador Gerard, it also was some firmness that it be closed for the Roseburg won the coast artillery prize learned, received instructions to in- night and forever. J. B. Doane's tur- and Sergeant Wolford, of the Fourth form the German government upon keys proved as popular as Thanksgiv- company, won the individual medal, form the German government upon keys proved as popular as Thanksgiv-

Seventy-five at \$5 each were gone lating the pledges given to this gov- able before Thursday had to be reernment." The ambassador was also sorted to. Ducks, both domestic and greatest distance, wild, had unheard-of values placed on office that the United States "seri- their quacks. No New York or Chiously regret" any interference with cago bread line was ever more zealous American relief work in Belgium by or persistant than the hundreds who the deportation of Belgians to Ger- jostled each other for Frank Barrin-Ambassador Gerard will leave Wash- and R. P. Hutton's "wet goods from ger's hot dogs and Frank Upshaw's ington tomorrow and sail from New the 1916 bar." During the evening nearly everyone saw L. P. Hewitt's museum of paintings, famous and the club, was rigged up as an "Old Homestead" conception of a rube, John Dundore and Pat Kneeland were respectively J. Rufus Wallingford and Blackie Daw. At the door were Har-old C. Jones and Harold Wold, who Troops Capture Hill took in tickets and dispensed corncob

#### Bigelow to Take Up Job of Purchaser

J. R. Wood, city purchasing agent. gives up his position Friday, December 1, and C. A. Bigelow, commissioner of finance, takes direct charge of the London, Nov. 28 .- (U. P.) -Heavy municipal purchasing bureau. This 18 and continuous shelling by the Gerto be in accordance with an order of mans of British positions north of the city council made several weeks Ypres, with but small casualties to ago, when it abolished the position the allied forces, was reported by held by Mr. Wood. P. L. Cover, now General Sir Douglas Haig today, material inspector in the purchasing Southeast of Souchez British forces bureau, becomes first assistant to exploded a mine, consolidated their Commissioner Bigelow in his work as Matinees positions in a shell crater and re- purchasing agent under the new arpulsed hand grenade counter attacks rangement. Mr. Wood was appointed purchasing agent in July, 1913, and has held the position to the present time. He was formerly purchasing agent for Berlin, Nov. 28.—(I. N. S.)—(Via the Portland Railway, Light & Power Sundays and

"The Song of Songs" is almost ue, (Adv.)

#### Evenings 15c Doctors Agree On Loge Seats 30c **Eczema Remedy**

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#### Spokane Women Put Boycott on 'Hi Cost' Of Some Foodstuffs

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 28 .-The Woman's Good Govern-ment league has adopted a resolution calling for a boycott on turkeys, butter and eggs until the prices charged are reduced. The boycott on butter and eggs is but partial, the members of the league agreeing not to use more than is strictly necessary. The secretary of the league

# Turkey, Gowns, Etc.

was ordered to request Presi-

dent Wilson to institute an in-

vestigation by congress of the

high food prices.

Thanksgiving at the Baby Home this automobile? Why, a man by the name land public will remember that char- car does not exactly make the schedof Finch, whose initials the committee ity with certain needed gifts. If the didn't even know, so it must have been nurses of the home are to have the traffic congestions on the downtown ing estimates of Owen Summers, the fast as 3-year-olds elsewhere, and a morning. general chairman of the event—\$750 to reach the Baby Home, take the Richmond car to Marguerite and Clinton and walk a block south to Woodward avenue, or telephone Sellwood 446.

Sixth Company Wins Prize. Eugene, Or., Nov. 28. - The Eixth ompany of the coast artillery corps, O. N. G., of Cottage Grove won the scoring 99 out of a possible 100. Lieutenant L. F. Jensen, of the Third apparent that German submarine com-before surplus supplies could be company, of Eugene, made the same manders are running the risk of vio-brought up and giving of orders fill-score but Sergeant Wolford made his highest score on the target at the

#### PROTEST BY DISTRICTS AGAINST CAR SERVICE BEING OFFERED THEM

Compaints Made That Montavilla Cars Often Fail to Connect With Hood Line.

Protests against the present car services of the Ventura, Russellville and Rockwood districts was voiced at a mass meeting held last night at the Rockwood hall. The gathering was largely attended.

At present, those residing in these districts are obliged to take a Monta-villa car to the Mount Hood station. where they board the Mount Hood car, which runs an hourly service. But on numerous occasions, according year may be much more, if the Port- to patrons of this line, the Montavilla nurses of the home are to have the streets, and the Mount Hood trains sort of dinner they deserve, someone depart, leaving the people to wait for must come forward with a turkey, the next train an hour hence. This while if the babies themselves are to they claim is unreasonable, as it is sleep warmly they must be provided only a matter of a few minutes. Some-with small nightgowns. The 3-year-times there is no next car, and then olds of the home wear out shoes as they are obliged to walk or wait until

> F. Rowen of Rockwood stated that Rockwood, as well as the other districts represented, were not getting the service they should. Owing to the fact that these districts are no farther rom Portland than St. Johns and Lents, they feel that they should have the same service.

J. J. Linklater proposed that a petition be formed and signed by residents of Ventura, Rockwood and Russellville, Mount Hood line as far as Ruby station, or a narrow gauge track laid, the petition accompanied by a committee from each district to be presented to Frank T. Griffith, president of the P. R., L. & P. Co.

Atrocities Charged to Germans. Rome, Nov. 28 .- (U. P.) - Wireless formance starts at 7 o'clock. Continudispatches received here from Petro- ous

grad declared that the "Germans are committing horrible acts in western Wallachia—pillaging and massacring the population."

Will "Tryout" at Lyric Tonight



"Mother" Mira Muxley, 70-Year-Old Violinist

Tohight the weekly "Tryouts" will ake place at the Lyric between perormances of the clever musical comedy, "The Girl and the Photo," Among hose who will tryout is "Mother Mira Huxley, who despite her threescore and ten years, is still hate and full of spirits. She is an expert violinist and plays many of the famous old-time airs such as "Money Musk," "Old Zip Coon," "Pop Goes the Weasel," etc., as well as modern songs, Her act never fails to bring down the house. Then there is Turtle, the marvelous magician, and two other big acts, making a double bill tonight for the regular prices. Evening per-

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