

FEDERAL CONTROL NOT TO BLAME FOR RISING COSTS

Director Declares Himself in Favor of Private Operation, but Upholds U. S. Regulation, SAME IN OTHER BUSINESSES

Costs Would Have Risen as High Under Any Operation, Declares Rail Chief in San Francisco.

San Francisco, April 25.—Director General of Railroads Walter D. Hines, who is in San Francisco to discuss railroad rates with shippers, Thursday in an address before the Commonwealth club, defended the government control of railroads and said that the government is not responsible for the present tangle of railroads.

Had the railroads been operated under private ownership the cost of operation would have risen as high, according to Hines, who said that the war produced conditions that naturally led to a heavy deficit.

While defending the federal government control of railroads, the director general indicated that they are to be turned back to private ownership. He favors private operation, but believes that control will rest in the hands of the federal government. In his address he said:

WORK FOR PERMANENCY
"The thing of the greatest importance to the public is what is to be the permanent solution that is to be adopted of the railroad question. I think it is in the highest degree necessary and desirable that we approach that matter in an atmosphere of clear thinking, rather than in an atmosphere of confusion. If there is a tendency to assume that all the high costs of the railroads are due to government control, the public is deceiving itself in the most unfortunate way about the problem that confronts it."

"Federal control of the railroads is a fact. The high costs of railroad operations are facts. Therefore, there is a disposition to assume that the high cost is due to federal control, although practically every other business has had the same high costs, although not federally controlled. If the public is led into confusion on that point and to thinking that these high costs of operation are merely due to federal control and will terminate at the end of federal control, it is going to provide a scheme of permanent regulation, which will fall far short of meeting the situation and which will fall far short of giving the public the sort of railroad which is needed in order to carry on the business of the country."

INITIATIVE NEEDED
"I want to present one or two ideas of my own which I thought might be useful to you, by way of comparison with other ideas, as to how the railroad problem ought to be dealt with. It is of the highest importance to this country, for all time to come, to adopt a plan of permanent solution, which will preserve the initiative of private railroad management, and I want to see that accomplished."

"I take as my starting point that a plan of complete government control as a permanent thing is not a plan that will meet the expectations and the needs of the country at this time, and that therefore, we ought to find a way which will preserve in the situation the initiative of private management."

"The thing that is needed, in my opinion, is a plan of regulation which will result in the bringing into railroad business of an adequate amount of new capital to make the development which the country needs. In my opinion that need is very great."

"There is an enormous amount of railroad improvement that ought to be carried out in order that the railroads of the country can carry the traffic which they will have to carry as a result of the development which I believe is bound to come."

"That capital cannot be induced to invest in the railroads under private management unless the regulation is of such a character as to give it assurance of a reasonable, and a reasonably certain, return."

"Right there I want to emphasize again the great mistake that is being made in so many quarters of introducing the notion that the low costs when they get back to private management will return. That cannot be accomplished."

HIGH COST TO REMAIN
"This war has made changes in railroad regulation which will last beyond our lives. We are in a new world as to costs and as to methods of doing business and no mere superficial changes in railroad regulation which might have been reasonably plausible before the war can begin to meet the situation which confronts this country from this time on."

Renewed Appeal Is Made for Magazines For Logging Camps

Convinced from his own experience that reading matter of the right sort in the logging camps of the Northwest will do much toward relieving the logger's lonesome existence and aid largely in stamping out and preventing the further spread of I. W. W. propaganda, John Anderson makes a renewed plea for cooperation.

For a year Mr. Anderson has been devoting all his time to the work of gathering magazines, books and periodicals. In the last year he has gathered in total and preventing the further spread of I. W. W. propaganda, John Anderson makes a renewed plea for cooperation.

In a little store room at 373 East Burnside street Mr. Anderson sorts the literature and packs it for shipment.

HOOD RIVER COUNTY QUICKLY RAISES ITS STOCK SHOW QUOTA

Forty Citizens Come to Front to Help Out Livestock Stock Exposition Building.

Although Hood River has practically no livestock interests at all, on account of its great and all-absorbing apple-growing industry, yet upward of 40 citizens of that section have shown keen interest in the Pacific International Livestock exposition's big project for a permanent stock show center for the whole Northwest at Portland, and have subscribed for stock in the important development project.

Leslie Butler of the Butler Banking company of Hood River, who voluntarily underwrote Hood River county's quota of \$1000 at the opening of the campaign, called at the office of General Manager O. M. Plummer this morning and reported that the entire amount had been subscribed by 40 citizens, each of whom took \$25 worth of stock, and that there was an oversubscription of \$50, with assurances that more stock would cheerfully be taken if this is needed for the financing of the project.

"There was no difficulty at all in raising this quota," said Mr. Butler. "All our citizens recognize the fact that what helps one industry inevitably helps the community as a whole and that the livestock industry is one of the greatest and most important to be developed in Oregon and the whole Northwest. They were all glad to cooperate, and even after we had closed up our little campaign we had applications for stock from men who had never been solicited but wanted to help along the cause. One man from Parkdale insisted on taking a share of stock and said his community really felt slighted because it had not been asked to contribute. If there should be a shortage in subscriptions from other parts of the state, Hood River can be relied upon to help out further. We want that permanent exposition center plan to go through, for the good of Oregon and the whole Northwest."

Mr. Plummer was at Bend, attending the meeting of Eastern Oregon cattlemen and stock men there. The big stock-selling drive will be continued as soon as the Victory loan campaign is over.

Conversion Is Alleged
Oregon City, April 25.—Alleging that the defendant unlawfully converted to his own use two horses, a wagon and harness, upon which the plaintiff had a claim, Adolph Feldstein has brought suit to the court here from E. M. Kellogg of Oregon City.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE IS RETURNED AGAINST ROMAN AMROS WAITUK

Grand Jury Finds Killing of Little Michael Dobrodey Due to Carelessness.

An indictment charging involuntary manslaughter was returned today by the grand jury against Roman Amros Waituk, who on April 5, discharged a revolver and killed Michael Dobrodey, 3 1/2-year-old son of Michael Dobrodey of 702 Harney street. The accident was due to the carelessness and recklessness of Waituk, according to the finding of the grand jury.

The father testified that Waituk had been drunk the day before the shooting and that at the time his son was killed he and Waituk were having a discussion over a board bill which the latter owed him. He stated that Waituk drew the gun from his pocket and it was during the struggle that ensued, according to the testimony of the accused, that the revolver was discharged.

Verner Emerick and Earl Robinson were indicted on charges of assault and robbery armed with a dangerous weapon. They are alleged to have committed six holdups on March 31 and April 1.

Hal Sheldon was indicted on charges of larceny of an automobile. Jaki Sali was indicted on a statutory charge.

LOVE LOSES TO LUXURY, CLAIM SOLDIER CHARGES WIFE WITH DESERTING TO FORMER HUSBAND.

An unsuccessful battle was waged by "Cupid" against the "talentless dollar" in the triangular domestic tragedy which culminated Thursday in the arrest of Aldine Smith and G. R. Shtrute, on a permanent stock show center for the whole Northwest at Portland, and have subscribed for stock in the important development project.

Smith is the husband of Aldine Smith. He married her while in the service last November. His means, beyond his allotment, were slender. Mrs. Shtrute, on the other hand, according to the husband, is wealthy with an independent income from her own automobiles, a bungalow in California and not burdened with the necessity of earning a living.

A year ago Mrs. Smith secured a divorce from Mr. Shtrute, but the taste of luxury which she had enjoyed during her short married life with him remained in her memory, according to Smith, and that is why she has deserted him, he says.

COULDN'T STAND CRITICISMS So Sadie Fricker Appeals to Court for Decree of Divorce.

Life became unbearable to Mrs. Sadie Fricker because her husband and his parents were continually criticizing Herbert Hoover, the food administration, President Wilson and the United States government. This is what she alleges in her complaint for divorce filed today against George Fricker.

THREE DIVORCE SUITS FILED Shirley Page Alleges His Wife Circulated False Reports About Him.

Shirley Page declares that his wife, Mary Helen Page, said she would make a beggar and tramp of him and that by making false charges about him to his employer she succeeded in having him discharged from his position. He also alleges in his suit for divorce, filed on Thursday, that his wife cut the face of

their little boy Guy with a butcher knife.

Claude G. Harris filed a suit for divorce against Pearl M. Harris charging cruelty. Emma Berg says her husband went to South America, and left a letter instructing her to get a divorce. Emma Hogan charges W. J. Hogan with cruelty and asks for a decree.

DIVORCE SUIT TRIAL RESUMED Testimony Introduced in Case of Ralph Millin Against May Millin.

The divorce proceedings between Ralph Millin and Mrs. May Millin, interrupted a week ago through the illness of one of the attorneys, were resumed Thursday before Presiding Judge Stapleton. Relatives and interested friends on both sides filled the courtroom.

An animated debate as to whether Mrs. Millin was a fit person to have the custody of her 16-month-old child took place when the Rev. John Dawson of Gresham took the stand in behalf of the mother.

"I would have no hesitation whatsoever in giving this child to its mother," declared Mr. Dawson.

That Mr. Millin had beaten his wife until her neck and face were covered with black and blue marks was the testimony of Mrs. A. Bradshaw. The witness alleged that she had remonstrated with the husband many times to no avail.

A number of other witnesses were called, all of whom affirmed that Mrs. Millin was a good wife and mother and denied that she ever drank whisky or had been charged.

END OF ALL HIGH HOPES PREDICTED

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Italian people were supporting them. Finally an automobile forced its way through the crowd and a white haired "Cupid" emerged. The "talentless dollar" entered the corridor moving toward the hall. The people crowded about him. Breathlessly the question came from every lip, "has any settlement been reached?" Premier Orlando halted and spoke rapidly, "Not if they had granted all we asked, could we have accepted today," he said, "it has become a question of principle."

There was a note of deep felt injury and offended pride in his voice. A cheer broke from the crowd. It was noticeable that the conservative journalists cheered together. A woman pressed into Orlando's hand a bunch of flowers from the Italian women of Dalmatia, and he walked into the hall with the flowers in his hands, where he stood among his fellow Italians.

PREDICTS END OF LEAGUE

"This," said a colonel to me, "is the end of the conference and the League of Nations. The result cannot be estimated. It is well, nevertheless, for the statesmen in this conference have not been fit for the task of regeneration."

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says Bobby

POST TOASTIES
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The work will be for others. Masani has said that new tasks require new men.

"This incident," an Italian newspaper man exclaimed, "has consolidated Italy as it never has been before."

Premier Orlando moved away to make the last preparations to take the express for Rome. A tall cavalry lieutenant rushed to me with outstretched hands. "Would you believe it?" he asked. "An American newspaper man has just said to me that this is only a bluff and that the rest of our commission is staying on to participate in the conference." Then he added with deep conviction, "After all, they will learn; they will hear from the Italian people. It is their turn to speak."

DOES IT MEAN END?

I walked out of the hotel deeply moved at what I had heard and seen. Within me was the question, is this only a squall that shakes the trees and bends the grain or is it the beginning of a storm which will make vain the sacrifices of the war and turn the world once more into a hurricane swept desert?

The American delegates deeply regret what has happened, but they believe that the president is absolutely right in his Italian stand. One delegate said to me at midnight last night: "Premier Orlando is one of the finest men in the conference. He has always seemed to be broadminded and liberal and has stood by us straight through until the present crisis. I am awfully sorry to see him leave."

ITALIANS ARE GRIEVED

The Italians are equally grieved. They are equally sure they are right and in addition they are deeply wounded in their personal pride by President Wilson's appeal to the people over the head of the government.

Persons around American headquarters who insisted all day that Italy was still bluffing now emphasize the statement that this is no actual break and that Orlando merely is going to Italy to consult the parliament, but the Italians say they have actually withdrawn from the conference, although they make clear that they will adhere to the alliance.

"This raises the question whether peace with Germany can be signed by England and France without Italy signing, too."

for Italy, on entering the war, made a pact with France and England that none should sign a separate peace.

It is still unapparent just what attitude Premier Clemenceau and Prime Minister Lloyd George are assuming. Both were cognizant of President Wilson's appeal and are said to have approved it.

They expected, however, that it would not be issued until Thursday morning. There is evidently some gross misunderstanding here. It is further said that the British foreign secretary, Mr. Balfour, has prepared a statement supporting President Wilson, but it will not be issued for the present.

The European newspapers generally, and consequently the European public, still consider the break has been purely between Italy and the United States.

Loan Figures Are To Be Totaled in City Each Evening

The Associated Public Accountants of Portland have agreed to see that the accounts are made ready day and night for the remainder of the Victory loan campaign, which is pleasing not only to the publicity department, but to the officials of the campaign.

Emery Olmstead, city chairman, states that it is the most satisfactory arrangement they have ever been able to make, adding: "In my opinion the patriotic accountants who are giving us this service entirely without charge are entitled to the highest commendation. The slowness in returns so far is not chargeable to the accountants, but to the slowness of Portland in subscribing."

To Celebrate May Day Vancouver, Wash., April 25.—Knights and Ladies of Security will hold a May day box social, May 1, in the K. of P. hall.

A special program has been arranged. An invitation is extended to all.

FUNERAL SERVICE FOR CLACKAMAS RESIDENT TO BE HELD SATURDAY

Interment of Mrs. Sarah J. Albright Will Be in Ringo Cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah J. Albright, who died Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Matt O'Dell, 1211 Cora avenue, will be held Saturday at 10 a. m., at the Miller & Tracey chapel, and final services will be at the Ringo cemetery in Clackamas county. Mrs. Albright was born in England, in 1852, and settled in Clackamas county 32 years ago. She is survived by six children, George and Frank Albright of Shaniko, Or., Charles Albright, Mrs. Matt O'Dell, Mrs. Van Vleet and Mrs. Barney Dolan of Portland. There are 31 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Mrs. Amanda Cornelius

Mrs. Amanda Cornelius died Thursday at the family residence, 711 Front street, at the age of 72. She had resided in the state for the past 40 years. Mrs. Cornelius was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, and came to Washington county when a young woman. She is survived by R. N. and L. F. Cornelius of this city. Funeral services will be held at the Holman chapel in this city Saturday at 10 a. m., and final services will be at the Hillsboro cemetery.

Rev. Ames S. Lietz

Rev. Ames S. Lietz died at his residence in the Grandesta apartments Thursday at the age of 52. He had held charges for the Methodist Episcopal church on the Pacific coast and was well known in Vancouver, Wash. Mr. Lietz is survived by his widow, Mrs. Jennie

Liets, and a daughter, Frances Liets. Herman Liets of Sublimity, Or., and Julius Liets of Brush Prairie, Wash., are brothers. The funeral will be held in Vancouver at the Knapp chapel, Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Alice Ackles
The funeral of Mrs. Alice Ackles, who died at 1021 East Twenty-fourth street, April 22, is delayed because of the condition of her husband, J. A. Ackles, and her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Cates, who have been very low with influenza, the disease that caused the death of Mrs. Ackles. Funeral arrangements are in charge of Miller & Tracey.

Alfred V. Stuart

The funeral of Alfred V. Stuart will be held Saturday, April 26 at 1:00 o'clock from the chapel of J. P. Finley and Son, Rev. Joshua Stanfield officiating, and final services will be in Riverview cemetery. Mr. Stuart died Thursday at his residence, 488 East Sixteenth street, north. He was born in Portland September 9, 1853, and was the son of the late Captain and Mrs. A. B. Stuart. Surviving brothers are: R. M. C. B., William C., Frank L., and Fred Stuart. Two sisters are Mrs. C. G. Hopkins and Mrs. Hattie Body, all of this city.

James Daniel Moody

James Daniel Moody died at his home, 175 Seventeenth street Thursday at the age of 52. He was born in Missouri and was employed in the United States government employment service. For the past seven years he had resided in Portland. Surviving Mr. Moody is his widow, Mrs. Belle J. Moody and one son, E. L. Moody, all of this city. Funeral services will be held under the auspices of Portland lodge of Elks at the Portland Crematorium, Saturday at 2:30 o'clock. J. P. Finley & Son have charge of arrangements.

Daughter's Evidence Convicts

Chicago, April 25.—(U. P.)—On evidence supplied largely by Theresa, his 7-year-old daughter, Stephen Morosi was convicted on the charge of the murder of his wife and was sentenced to 14 years in prison here today. Fighting for her father and against Theresa was Elizabeth, 10 years old. The sisters were openly hostile during the trial.

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