

HARDING ASKS SHOPMEN TO RESUME WORK

Suggests That Question of Seniority Rights be Referred to Labor Board in Meantime; Also Appeals to Carriers.

Washington, Aug. 7.—President Harding today called upon striking railroad workers to return to work immediately, pending a decision by the railway labor board on the controversial question of seniority rights. The president addressed telegrams to Bert M. Jewell, chairman of the railway employees, and to T. Dewitt Cuyler, chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, notifying them of his action, in these words: "Mindful of the pledge of both the executives and the striking workmen to recognize the validity of all decisions by the railroad labor board, I am hereby calling on the striking workmen to return to work calling upon the carriers to return them to work, calling upon both workers and carriers under law, to take the question in dispute to the railroad labor board for hearing and decision and a compliance by both with the decision rendered."

LEADERS IMPRESSED

The new plan of the president was made public at the White House early this afternoon, immediately following a conference between the president and striking shopcraft leaders. The strike leaders left the White House admittedly favorably impressed with the president's proposal, although they informed him they were unable to commit themselves definitely until they had consulted with the other shop crafters. The text of President Harding's telegram to Jewell follows: "I have your communication, in which you and your associates, speaking for the striking railway shopmen, pledged your agreement to the proposals which I submitted to the railway executives and your organizations for

TWO KILLED IN STRIKERS' RIOT

Joliet, Ill., Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—Two men were killed and a third seriously wounded in riots at the Elgin, Joliet Eastern shops today. The riots started when strikers tried to prevent strikebreakers from going to work. Phillip Reits, chief special agent of the road, and an unidentified Italian were killed. Sheriff James M. Newkirk was shot in the leg and in the jaw. Without knowledge of the police, the sheriff's office appealed to Springfield for troops. Word was received here that two companies were being held in readiness to move at a moment's notice. "We don't want any troops. We have the situation in hand and troops are not needed," the chief of police declared. "When we went out there the crowd was already dispersing, and we got hold of the leaders and told them they could do more than we could. Everything is quiet now. "I don't know who put in the call for troops, but whoever it was made a mistake."

THIRD RAIL OF ELECTRIC LINE REMOVED; TRAINS STOP

New York, Aug. 7.—The first dangerous act of sabotage in the New York area, since the railroad strike began, was discovered Sunday in the removal of the electric third rail of the

Senate Confirms Oregon Postmasters

Washington, Aug. 7.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—The senate has confirmed the following postmasters: George D. Wood, at Brookings; Charles B. Wilson, at Newberg; Grant L. Grant, at Riddle; Henry E. Grim, at Scappoose.

Games Today

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
No games scheduled.			
NATIONAL			
At Boston	020 030 012	R. H. E.	13 2
At St. Louis	011 011 011	9 9 9	3
Batteries—Haines, Sherrill, Barfoot and			
Albinia, Clemons, Pullerton, McNamara,			
Oeschger and O'Neill.			
At Philadelphia	11 800 041	H. H. E.	12 2
At Philadelphia	022 200 020	10 15 2	8
Batteries—Cooper, Clarkson, Giesmer and			
Schmidt; Weinst, Singleton, Hubbell and			
Hendlin.			
Chicago at Brooklyn, postponed;			
Cincinnati at New York, postponed;			
rain.			
AMERICAN			
At Cleveland—Seven innings, called by rain.			
At Boston	060 000 0	R. H. E.	13 2
Cleveland	003 102	7 9 1	0
Batteries—Pulverton, Piercey and			
Walters; Ellis and O'Neill.			
At Chicago	001 021 016	R. H. E.	13 2
Chicago	016 001 04	12 17 0	0
Batteries—Rommel, Sullivan, Ketchan,			
Yarrison and Perkins; Bruzy, Leveett and			
Walters.			
New York at Detroit, clear, 3 p. m.			
Washington at St. Louis, clear, 3 p. m.			

Mother of 7 Held as Shoplifter

Her husband works as a laborer at a wage of \$2.80 a day. She had seven children to care for—all young. She was "detained" Saturday by a department store house detective while investigation was made into the allegation that she was teaching her two little girls to steal articles from store counters.

So a warrant was sworn out this afternoon against Mrs. Mary Roberti, who lives at No. 419 East 45th street, in a mean 3-room shack. Miss Coraen Walker, house detective at Lipman, Wolfe & Co., had followed her from this store to Meier & Frank's, thence to Roberts Bros., and thence to the Woolworth store, watching her and the two little girls.

INQUIRY BEGUN OF GASOLINE PRICES

Washington, Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—Sweeping investigation into the high gasoline prices prevailing over the country opened before a special subcommittee of five senators today. Headed by Senator McNary, Oregon, acting chairman in the absence of Senator La Follette, Wisconsin, the committee sought to ascertain if price advances of the past few months were warranted in face of government figures showing record reserves.

Chinese Parliament Selections Ratified; South Files Protest

Peking, Aug. 7.—Parliament has ratified the presidential cabinet nominations. Tang Shao-Yi becomes premier and Wang Chung-Hui acting premier until Tang comes to Peking from the South. Wellington Koo succeeds W. W. Yen as foreign minister. It is understood that Alfred Sze is to be transferred to London as Chinese minister and that Dr. Yen is returning to Washington.

Driver's Abdomen Punctured When Car Hits Another

Forest Grove, Aug. 7.—Anton Heesacker, 24, in the hospital here with his abdomen punctured, the result of an auto truck accident at 10 o'clock this morning.

Biological Survey Assistant Loses Life in Columbia

Olympia, Wash., Aug. 7.—Frank Brown, 27, assistant in the federal bureau of biological survey, was drowned at the Columbia river, near Hanford last night, according to a telegram received at the district office here this morning. Brown is believed to have been breaking off an electric line pole and snapping the high power wire pole carried. The steering gear on Heesacker's car broke, injuring him, a son of Frank Heesacker of Thatcher.

Leslie Ellon Held On Narcotic Charge

Following a hearing this morning before United States Commissioner Frazer, Leslie Ellon, alleged narcotic vendor, was held to answer to the federal grand jury under \$2000 bond. Ellon is charged with selling two hundred ounces of opium last week to Dell Collins, chief witness for the government.

SEARCH FOR UNAVAILING CITY GUESTS

Police Find No Trace of Used Car Dealer Sought for Alleged Complicity in Looting of Lumbermens Trust Co. Bank.

After more than 26 hours of search, police today had found no trace of J. C. Osler, No. 988 Brooklyn street, who is being hunted for alleged complicity with Earle Eugene Patterson, tiler of the Lumbermens Trust Co. bank, in looting the bank of \$34,600 during the last two years.

OPPOSES ASKING NAMES OF STREET OF CUT FORCES EXTEND RECOUNT

A suggestion that signatures to initiative petitions be signed at some appointed place without street solicitation is advanced by W. Lair Thompson, Portland attorney, who is acting for the fish commission in its effort to have the so-called salmon fishing and propagation amendment kept off the November ballot via the injunction route.

Railway Engineer of Commission Is Out

Salem, Or., Aug. 7.—Resignation of Clyde E. Packer as railroad engineer with the public service commission was announced this morning. His resignation, handed in Saturday, is understood to have been requested by the commission. Packer has been with the commission for two and one half years. Previous to joining the Oregon commission he was for two years superintendent of construction with the Mount Hood Railway & Power company, and for four years was employed as superintendent of construction and operation with the Oregon Water Power & Railway company.

Putnam Talks to Members' Forum

The history of literature, books and publishing was given members of the Chamber of Commerce at the members' forum luncheon at noon today by George Haven Putnam, head of G. P. Putnam & Sons of New York.

U. S. Accuses Three In Fraud Indictment

Washington, Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—Ernest C. Morse, Beverly M. Davis and Alex W. Phillips, all of New York City, were indicted today by a federal grand jury for alleged conspiracy to defraud the United States government in the purchase of the Old Hickory powder plant at Nashville, Tenn.

Shepherd Dies As Result of Fall

La Grange, Or., Aug. 7.—Mike O'Leary died today as a result of injuries suffered Thursday, when he slipped and rolled over a 350-foot cliff while herding sheep near Palmer Junction. His skull was fractured.

Buyers From Afar Flock to Metropolis

BUYERS of everything from pins to pianos are gathering in Portland today from all sections of the Northwest to participate in Buyers' week and incidentally to enjoy Portland's fine weather and finer hospitality. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Whitlock and little son of Klamath Falls (above, left) were among the early arrivals; (above, right) J. Naldrett and (below, left) H. Naldrett, father and son of Summer Lake; (below, right) Mrs. H. Blair Johnson and little daughters Betty and Clara of Payette, Idaho.



CAR CRASH FATAL TO O. M. SHELTON

Lebanon, Aug. 7.—O. M. Shelton, 45, butcher of Scio, died at the local hospital this morning, the result of a collision between his small car and the Albany-Woodburn train on South Main street at Crandall's mill crossing.

Rail Coach Burns; Hero Saves Lives

Seattle, Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—While officials of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway were probing the origin of a fire which destroyed the rear sleeper and a refrigerator car of the "Columbian flyer" yesterday, dozens of passengers were recuperating from shock today at Seattle hospitals.

EUROPE'S FATE AGAIN IN DEBATE

London, Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—The thirteenth inter-Allied conference since the treaty of Versailles was opened today with every possibility that it would decide the future fate of Europe. Upon the outcome hangs future Anglo-French concord and the possibility of Germany being dragged back from the verge of bankruptcy.

Brotherhood Chief Says Strikes Mean Loss in Economics

Strikes, like wars, are always an economic loss to both sides and both could be avoided if proper negotiations and conferences were enforced in either case, in the opinion of Charles W. Meier, special representative of President Robertson of the Brotherhood of L. P. & E., who arrived Sunday preparatory to delivering an address at the Labor temple tonight.

Senate Asks Report On Rail Equipment

Washington, Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—The senate this afternoon passed a resolution calling for an immediate report from the interstate commerce commission on the condition of railroad locomotives and rolling stock.

Williams Is Named For Rear Admiral

Washington, Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—President Harding today sent to the senate the nomination of Captain George W. Williams, U. S. N., to be a rear admiral.

Bootleggers Wound Auto Strikes Man; Two Federal Agents

Kemmerer, Wyo., Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—James Harris and R. E. Lacey, federal prohibition agents, are in a local hospital suffering from wounds following a gun battle with bootleggers at Fossil, west of here, this morning.

Auto Strikes Man; Breaks His Ankle

J. Dickson, a peddler, suffered a broken ankle when an auto struck him in front of No. 208 Alder street, at 7:25 this morning. Dickson was conversing with another man and was slowly backing out into the street. He was backed in front of the auto, which was driven by J. M. Bondroth, No. 522 Gladstone avenue. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital. Dickson is single and lives at a rooming house and First and Madison streets.

BLOCK BURNS, HOMES GO UP, HORSES DIE

Fire Believed Incendiary Wipes Out Property On Hawthorne Avenue and E. Sixth Street; Loss Estimated at \$25,000.

Fifteen horses and 150 rabbits perished in a fire believed to have been incendiary origin which virtually destroyed a square block on the south side of Hawthorne avenue, between East Sixth and East Seventh streets, early this morning.

Financial loss will not exceed \$25,000, according to an estimate of Captain Roberts of the fire marshal's office, who said very little insurance was carried on any of the property. Three dwelling houses were completely destroyed, leaving three families with nothing but a few articles of clothing hastily snatched up in flight.

The fire was discovered about 12:45 by J. Little, a teamster sleeping in one of the stables. Little and Charles Kregler, who turned in the fire alarm, both reported to the police they could smell coal oil burning when the fire first started.

Buildings destroyed and partly destroyed by the flames were the Clay Street stables, the Hibberly stables, three dwellings, occupied by Kenneth McLeod, No. 231 East Seventh street; L. O. Voligt, No. 295 East Seventh street; and Harry King, No. 429 East Clay street. The East Side Vulcanizing works, No. 423 Hawthorne avenue; the Hynall hotel and the Geisler & Dorrie furniture store, in the same building.

CONFERENCE MAY END COAL STRIKE

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—Scope of the operation-miner wage conference became nation-wide late today when the main parity was postponed until a 3 o'clock Wednesday session. Postponement was necessary to permit operators outside the central competitive field to take part in the negotiations, both sides explained.

Five U. S. Cables Disabled; Station Wrecked by Irish

London, Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—Irish insurgents wrecked the Commercial Cable station at Waterford, Ireland, today, putting five American cables out of commission.

IRREGULARS CAPTURED

Dublin, Aug. 7.—(U. P.)—The capture of more than 180 prisoners and 100 rifles by the irregulars was announced today in advices from the "front." An official communique from the Free State government charges that the outbreak in Dublin Saturday night was an attempt by irregulars to isolate the city by blowing up the bridges and the tearing up of the railway lines. "It has been completely frustrated."