

# The Oregon Statesman

WEATHER

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## ROAD RETURN IS FACED BY BIG CRISIS

### Demands of Men for Better Wages May End in Strike Tying Up Service Throughout the Nation

## FATE HINGES ON HINES' REPLY PLANNED TODAY

### Union Men Reported to Be Ready to Walk Out for Cause

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The railroad administration nearing the end of its control over the nation's rail transportation systems, tonight faced a critical situation with respect to the wage demands of more than 2,000,000 employees. Conferences between Director General Hines and leaders of the unions, probably will determine the outcome.

Officials of the unions submitted to the director general at today's meetings a new scheme which served to open up all important questions. Mr. Hines informed them he would reply tomorrow.

### Men Ready to Strike.

Meanwhile W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, was pressing Mr. Hines for an answer to the demands of his organization, insisting that trainmen were ready to strike unless a satisfactory settlement was reached.

Railroad administration officials also received informal notice that they must contend with a strike called by the brotherhood of maintenance of way employees and shop laborers.

Further than admitting that he had given the railroad administration the required 30 days notice of intention to cancel the present wage contract on February 23, Mr. Lee declined to discuss the plans of his organization. The strike vote was said to show a large majority of the men favorable to a strike.

### Administration Anxious.

This last phase of the situation was giving railroad administration concern, because, should the trainmen walk out, an almost complete tie-up of traffic could be the only result. The thousands of engineers, firemen and conductors could not operate the trains, for in many states they would be forbidden to work under "full crews" laws unless all trainmen required were on duty, it was explained. Union by-laws also prohibit other employees from taking out trains not manned by the regulation number of brakemen.

### HUGE STRIKE LOOMS.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 10.—Failure of the railroad unions and Director General Hines to reach an agreement at the Washington conference may result in a general walkout of railway workers, according to Allan E. Barker, president of the brotherhood of maintenance of way employees and railway shop laborers who yesterday called a strike of his union for February 17.

A message received at headquarters here late today, Mr. Barker stated, tonight, indicated that the heads of 13 railroadmen's organizations now in Washington would "stand pat and act as a unit" in pressing their wage demands.

He reiterated his statement that the resources of the union would be used in fighting any possible court action to prevent the strike.

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## \$500,000 Gift Is Given Legion by Y. M. C. A. Body

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 10.—A gift of more than \$500,000 from the national war work council of the Y. M. C. A. has been accepted by the national legislative committee of the American Legion, it was announced today.

The money is the surplus left in the Y. M. C. A. treasury after remittance by the American and French governments of transportation charges for post supplies during the war.

The money, it was said, will be held by the legion as a trust fund for five years. There are no restrictions as to its use.

## I. W. W. STRIKE TIES UP MINES ON UTAH VEINS

### One Alleged Agitator Held in Jail; Trouble Is Not Expected

## \$1 DAY RAISE DEMANDED

### Other Members of Union Are Expected to Leave Jobs Today

BINGHAM, Utah, Feb. 10.—Three of the six copper mining companies operating in the Bingham area suspended work late today because of the strike of miners affiliated with metal mine workers union No. 800, I. W. W., here today. Three hundred men failed to report for work this morning and tonight many more had joined the strikers.

The men demand a flat wage increase of \$1 daily and betterment of working conditions and also stipulate that their eight hour work day must begin when they reach the mine entrances and not the workings as heretofore, they claim that in some instances the underground workers lose two hours daily coming to and from the mine entrances.

About two thousand of the five thousand miners in Bingham are said to be affiliated with the I. W. W., and tomorrow it is expected more will strike.

An alleged agitator was picked up tonight. He is held in the county jail.

Authorities do not expect trouble but have taken precautionary measures to prevent it and also to protect property.

It is rumored the Bingham strike is the first of a series of the I. W. W. may try to start in various Utah mining camps, in some of which they have large memberships.

## Man of Legal Age Cannot Be Adopted, Says Brown

One adult man does not have the legal right in Oregon to adopt another adult man. This information is furnished by Attorney General Brown to E. A. Rogers, president of the Montezuma Mountain Ranch school, Inc., at Los Gatos, Calif., an institution which is advertised on its letter heads as engaged in the business of "boy building."

The letter says that a man of 40 wishes to adopt another man of 21 years so that he can make him his heir. The home of the young man is in Oregon.

Such an adoption is impossible under the laws of this state.

## AWFUL DEATH METED I. W. W. VICTIM TOLD

### Doctor Who Attended Warren Grimm Says It Would Have Been Impossible to Save Man Shot by "Reds"

## JACKET OF BULLET THAT SLEW YOUTH IDENTIFIED

### Hotel Man Produces Testimony Showing Presence of Defendants in Town

MONTESANO, Wash., Feb. 10.—Warren O. Grimm, Centralia Armistice Day parade victim for whose murder 11 alleged I. W. W. are on trial here, was so mortally wounded that it would have been impossible to save his life, according to Dr. G. A. Seace, Centralia physician who attended Grimm, who testified today at the trial of the eleven defendants.

Dr. Seace in his testimony told of attending Grimm shortly after he was shot. The wound, he said, tore such a wide hole through Grimm's body that death was only a matter of minutes after he was taken to the hospital. The bullet entered on the left side, emerging on the right side, about two inches lower than the place where it entered.

### Bullet Jacket Identified

"Hurry up and do something," Grimm said, the physician testified. The jacket of the bullet was identified in evidence.

Dr. Seace occupied the stand for the last hour of the session, court taking a recess for nearly an hour pending his arrival here from Centralia. He also testified as to the wounds of Arthur McElfresh and Ben Casagrande, two other victims of the shooting; of finding part of the bullet in the head of McElfresh, and of the wounds of John Watt, Eugene Pfitzer and R. W. Eubanks, who were shot, but recovered. Cross-examination by the defense was under way when court adjourned.

### Descriptions Grievous

Dr. Seace's description of the men killed was grievous, especially when he described the action of the jacketed bullet which pierced Grimm's body.

Dr. David Livingstone, coroner of Lewis county was expected to testify today, but failed to arrive. It was expected he would take the stand tomorrow.

### Fred W. Hansen, owner of the Avalon hotel, identified the register of the lodging house, testifying as to the occupancy of the rooms there November 4 to 11, inclusive by Bert Bland and James McFerry, two of the defendants. He will be called later by the defense, it was indicated today, when Attorney Vanderveer asked the court to keep him under subpoena.

## Two Flyers Fall To Death When Plains Strike in Air

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 10.—Lieutenants Harry O. Smith and Harry Brokaw, both of the 94th aero squadron, were killed late today when their machines collided 1800 feet in mid-air and fell at Kelly field. The aviators were in a practice flight in low hanging clouds.

## We find a progressive increase in injury from the hills to the bottom land along the river, from conditions where we have reason to believe the trees were in the most favorable condition as regards dormancy, on account of the character of the 1915 season, to conditions where we naturally expect the trees to have been less dormant at the time of the freeze.

In the former case there is no injury, in the latter the trees are seriously injured in the cambium region, and we therefore have exactly the condition we would expect in cases where the cambium was not thoroughly dormant at the time of the freeze.

"Old timers tell us that trees showed a similar response to the freeze of early February about 21 years ago. At that time, however, the trees were damaged after a period of warm weather had started them into growth activities. Some trees were lost, but the survivors were many and they have paid their way ever since. At that time growth had started at the cambium due to the warm weather, rendering this part particularly sensitive. In the present instance it appears that the cambium may not have been entirely hardened to a dormant condition when the cold struck. It is entirely likely that injury at the cambium occurred from cold temperature prevailing in advance of the minimum temperature and that the extreme cold merely extended the damage to other structures. The reports we received before coming here were to the effect that the trees were in a thoroughly dormant condition at the time of the freeze, but from investigations since, as well as from a study of the character of the injury, we are convinced that such was not the case on the bottom land where prac-

## DRUGGIST IS PROFITEER FLU IS ADVANTAGEOUS WHISKEY COST BOOMED

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10.—Retail druggists are taking advantage of the influenza epidemic to charge exorbitant prices for whiskey prescribed by physicians, selling it from \$25 to \$30 a gallon, according to reports which Justus S. Wardell, collector of internal revenue said today were reaching him. He said he saw now way to stop this kind of profiteering.

The physicians prescribing liquor are compelled to purchase it themselves, in limited quantities, and may not charge their patients for it, under regulations in effect here.

## FRUIT EXPERTS SUBMIT REPORT OF EXAMINATION

### Fisher and Reed Inclined to Congratulate District on Outlook

## DAMAGE HELD AS LOCAL

### Advice Is Offered Growers Relative to Care of Trees This Season

The prospects for a prune crop this season are good wherever the trees are not killed by the December freeze, is the verdict of D. F. Fisher and C. A. Reed, federal fruit experts who have been here for two days inspecting orchards and nut groves of this vicinity.

"Fruit buds are about as hardy as the sapwood," says a statement prepared by them last night, "and we find little sapwood injured even on Keizer bottom where the greatest damage occurred."

"In the hill district south of Salem probably not over 5 per cent of the trees are even noticeably damaged and probably not over 2 per cent are jeopardized. Since most of the Salem prune crop is produced in the hill sections we would say that the outlook for prunes in this region this year is good."

### Conditions Analyzed.

"The principal exhibition of the damage we find to be in the cambium region and the bark, structures which should show the least damage if the trees had thoroughly ripened and were in perfectly dormant condition when the freeze occurred. The wood is not generally affected in the bodies or main limbs, although occasionally affected on younger parts."

In many instances the bark shows a marked tendency toward recovery, but the cambium region remains discolored, which is an unfavorable indication not entirely dissipated by the improvement in the bark. If the cambium does not survive recovery is hopeless. However, strands of cambium may be alive even in the discolored region, but time only can determine this point.

If enough of the cambium remains alive to provide any kind of a bridge over the injured area recovery is practically assured, for healing will proceed rapidly and new and adequate channels for sap passage will undoubtedly be retarded in growth, become rotten-hearted, and even have their ultimate life shortened, but we have seen so many similar trees returning handsome profits to their owners that we are not pessimistic over this situation. When it comes to a question of salvage we must take what we can save and be thankful to be able to save what we can.

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## ECONOMICAL AIM OF PACT HELD CRUEL

### Borah and Knox Assail Clauses Relating to Commercial Relations With Defeated Peoples

## DEBATE ON TREATY IS RESUMED IN SENATE

### Hoover's Stand on Issue Attacked; Questions Aimed At Him

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Debate on the peace treaty was revived today in the senate, although leaders technically had laid the past aside for another week.

Irreconcilable opponents of ratification who yesterday voted against resuming consideration of the treaty today, brought the subject to the senate floor. Senators Borah of Idaho and Knox of Pennsylvania, denounced the treaty's economic clauses as "cruel" and "murderous" in its effect on the conquered peoples and less direct consequences on the rest of the world.

### Hoover's Stand Flayed

Senator Borah also assailed Herbert Hoover's stand on the treaty, and called on him to reply to the list of questions which have been put by the Idaho senator to several republican and democratic candidates for the presidency.

The debate was preceded by completion of the parliamentary steps necessary to restore the treaty to a status making formal consideration possible, the foreign relations committee reporting the pact back to the senate with the republican reservations framed at the last session of congress.

### Notice That Formal Consideration in the senate would be requested Monday was served by Senator Lodge, who said the delay had been agreed upon because of the absence of many senators.

### Treaty Held Harsh

It was in the midst of legislative business that the treaty later was brought to the fore by Senator Borah. Both he and Senator Knox declared it would "impoverish" Germany, Austria and Hungary and that the result would be to destroy commercial cornerstones on which revolved the financial stability of the United States.

Senators Hitchcock of Nebraska and Sterling of South Dakota, replied briefly declaring the only way the United States now could throw its influence for stability was by becoming a party to the treaty.

"It is one thing," declared Senator Borah, "to punish Germany, but it is an entirely different thing to reduce thousands to starvation. It is an unjust thing to put upon a debtor a debt which he cannot pay, but it is a cruel and murderous thing to put on a debt which involves directly as this one does the distress of others."

### "Would Impoverish Millions"

"Yet, we are asked here to agree to this treaty which will impoverish millions, and then we are asked to appropriate money to feed the people we have impoverished."

Mr. Hoover's statement Sunday night that he was for the treaty with any reservations necessary to safeguard the constitution and the national traditions, was declared by Senator Borah to put Mr. Hoover apparently in the same attitude as the irreconcilables.

## Y. W. C. A. GETS COIN FIRST DAY

### Over Thousand Dollars Reported to Headquarters at Commercial Club

The first day of the Y. W. C. A. campaign ended yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock with \$1,202 of the \$5000 to be raised this week taken into the campaign headquarters in the Commercial club. The team working with Mrs. John J. Roberts brought in the highest amount, getting \$292.50.

The teams of 50 workers met at 9:30 in the morning in the Commercial club and short devotional services were conducted by Rev. James Elvin. Mrs. F. A. Elliott, the president of the local Y. W. C. A. spoke to the women and Miss Elizabeth Hughes, a national secretary from New York, again spoke of the work for the week. Then after final instructions from Miss Edith McGillvary the teams started on their campaign about noon. The committee is very much satisfied over the first day's work and feel that the Salem people who have not yet been reached will respond as well as those met yesterday.

Today's work will be started by short devotionals at headquarters and a short talk by the leaders.

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## Clerks Raise Money for Harold Howell's Defense

PORTLAND, Feb. 10.—Because they believe that justice requires Harold Howell, 15 year old Coquille boy charged with the murder of Lillian Leuthold, should be provided with money for his legal defense, employees of a local shoe store today started a fund which will be forwarded to the boy's father.

All the money that the father, a cripple, had or could borrow had been spent in defending his son in two trials, in each of which the jury failed to agree upon a verdict according to a sworn statement by the father to the Clatsop county court asking for assistance.

## REGIMENTS FOR OREGON YOUTHS ARE DESIGNATED

### Letter From Secretary Baker to Olcott Shows Where Men Will Be Placed

## RECRUITING WORK IS ON

### Strengthening of National Guard Coincident With Regular Army Growth

Army organizations to which Oregon men will be assigned in the recruiting campaign now in progress and for which a supreme effort is to be made during the week of February 22 to 29, are named in a letter Governor Olcott has received from Newton D. Baker, secretary of war. The contingents are the 35th Infantry, the 78th field artillery, the 15th cavalry, the 8th engineers and the 57th regiment, coast artillery corps.

Coincident with the regular army campaign a campaign for bringing up the strength of the national guard troops is also to be made. The difference in the objects of enlisting in these two services is pointed out in Mr. Baker's letter which follows:

### Guard Out of Chaos

"Some time ago the governors of several states, because of the importance of the regular army as a bulwark of Americanism, issued proclamations designed to stimulate interest in the army and encourage enlistments therein.

"At that time the national guard situation was in rather a chaotic state, owing to the recent demobilization and the reaction of its members from war conditions. It soon, however, began to get on its feet and for several months past the general recruiting service of the regular army has been working in close cooperation with the national guard and the recruiting interests of these two

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## \$3000 NOW RAISED FOR CLUB WORK

### Representatives of Salem Banks Sally Forth Today to Collect Remainder of the Amount Necessary

## HUNDRED NAMES ON SUBSCRIPTION LIST

### Firm of Vick Brothers Tops Column With Substantial Contribution

A committee formulated from the representatives of each of the Salem banks will go forth this morning to collect from a selected list of Salem citizens enough money to make up the \$10,000 that is required by the Salem Commercial club as a working capital for this year. About 100 names of prominent persons and firms of the city are on the list, expected to give not less than \$100.

Contributions now total \$3000 from two dozen persons and firms. The subscription lists with which the committee will be armed today has the following preamble:

"We, the undersigned business men of Salem, realize that the year 1920 is auspicious for the city of Salem and Marion county and that constructive work and advertising should be begun now. We appreciate the work of the Salem Commercial club and hereby subscribe the amounts set opposite our names for the express purpose of furthering the program of progressive work as outlined by the club, provided that a fund of not less than \$10,000 is subscribed for this purpose."

### The following have signed:

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| Vick Brothers              | \$500 |
| A. N. Bush                 | 250   |
| T. B. Kay                  | 150   |
| C. P. Bishop               | 100   |
| Joseph H. Albert           | 100   |
| George Putnam              | 100   |
| S. B. Elliott              | 100   |
| Chambers & Chambers        | 100   |
| D. W. Eyre                 | 100   |
| Ered Lampert               | 100   |
| F. G. Deckerbach           | 100   |
| Hunt Brothers              | 100   |
| Hartman Brothers           | 100   |
| Kafoury Brothers           | 100   |
| Patton Brothers            | 100   |
| Frederick Schmidt          | 100   |
| E. L. Stiff & Son          | 100   |
| D. A. White & Son          | 100   |
| Roth Grocery Company       | 100   |
| John Rundburg              | 100   |
| Paul Wallace               | 100   |
| Valley Motor Company       | 100   |
| Webb & Clough              | 100   |
| Morse, Robertson & Saurman | 100   |

## BOAT-TRUCK LINE IN OPERATION BY MARCH PROMISE OF COMPANY

President M. E. Lee and other important officials of the Inland Empire Boat & Truck line are in the city and bring with them the announcement that boats operated by the company will be in operation on the Willamette river from Portland to Corvallis and truck lines will be running from the river stations to points located away from the river by March 1. This is contingent on adequate cooperation on the part of the people of the Willamette valley.

At the same time the big company will begin operating its line of boats on the Columbia river to far inland points of Eastern Oregon and Washington with trucks covering a wide radius of territory from the river towns.

In the party now in Salem, besides President Lee, are Major T. A. Mills, Harry N. Bowler, head of the traffic department; H. B. Shaw, superintendent of trucks, and A. L. Sammersville, Portland agent for the company. E. W. Haines, one of the directors, and now a member of the legislature where he represents Washington county, will arrive in Salem today.

### Party Makes Survey.

The party is now in Salem to make a survey of the territory to be covered, to study freight conditions and interview merchants and business men.

At the start two boats will be operated on the Willamette river. These will be the Oregon and the Pomona, both of which formerly plied on the river under the Oregon City Transportation company. A third craft will be added as soon as the business warrants. Also at the start six lines of trucks will be operated in the Willamette valley. On the Columbia river two boats will be run at the start, one of which will be the Grahama, formerly on the Willamette river and later reinforced for service on the Columbia.

Government Co-operates.

An important phase of this development in river transportation is that the government, realizing the magnitude and importance of the project has agreed to keep the Willamette river cleared of gravel bars so that operation of the boats may not be retarded. When a third boat is added the company proposes to run its boats as far as Eugene, at least through a portion of the year. Prior to extending the water line to Eugene trucks will run to Eugene from Corvallis.

The company's stopping points on the Willamette river will be Butteville, Crawford, Salem, Albany, Corvallis and Eugene. From each of these points trucks will be running as feeder freight lines to the following named places:

From Butteville—To Aurora, Barlow, Hubbard, Woodburn, Gervais, Mount Angel.

From Crawford—To Dayton, McMinnville, Carlton, Yamhill, Sheridan, Amity.

From Salem—To Silverton, West Stayton, Turner, Dallas, Monmouth, From Albany—To Lebonon, Brownsville, Tangent.

From Corvallis—To Philomath, Monroes, Harrisburg.

From Eugene—To Springfield, Creswell, Cottage Grove.

### Cheaper Rate Promised.

In establishing its lines and patronage the company will present the argument that it will give service from the shipper to the consignee, including both boat and truck delivery, at 10 per cent less than rail rate, delivering freight to the place of business of the consignee.

The manager of the company is Captain A. B. Graham, who for 30 years was president of the Oregon City Transportation company.

Man never thinks of his Socks until..... (and then he thinks aloud). Come on, now, lay in a supply and go holeless for a while. You'll be glad for this reminder.

## 300 Pairs of Sox At 30c a Pair

Natural grey in color—medium weight, and a liberal sprinkling of wool too

These Socks fill a between season want for men in many walks of life whose time is spent out of doors. They are much better than coarse cotton socks and much cheaper than either fine wool or cotton. Frosty or damp mornings are in order now. Remember there are only 300 pairs of these—one weight, one color, one price.

## Triangle Linen Collars - - - - - 20c