

### CAR FARE HEARING IS NOT FINISHED

Southern Pacific Officials Examined in Salem Rate Case Yesterday

After tedious hours devoted to examination of Southern Pacific officials who are connected with the operation of Salem street railway lines, the public service commission hearing on the local company's demand for an 8-cent fare in Salem adjourned at 5 p. m. yesterday afternoon. The hearing will be resumed at 10 o'clock this morning.

The late afternoon session was spent in taking testimony from T. L. Billingsley, superintendent of the local line. Mr. Billingsley was in the chair when the hearing was adjourned yesterday. Earlier in the day Robert Adams of San Francisco, auditor for the Southern Pacific company, testified that Salem street car lines had incurred a loss of \$179,620.03 during the period, January 1, 1917 to June 30, 1921.

During the afternoon Superintendent Billingsley told members of the public service commission that the local operating deficit would have been greater by \$7000 if the Southern Pacific had not assumed a portion of the burden of paying local officials, and

provided legal and other aid from the general system.

Mr. Billingsley, in answer to a question, asserted that local operation had been cut by one-half when the company had adopted the one-man car system.

"If the Southern Pacific company is maintaining its lines at such a loss, why has the company been anxious to acquire and to maintain the Salem street car system," Mr. Billingsley was asked.

"I am not in a position to explain the company's policy," replied Billingsley.

The local superintendent of lines answered in the affirmative when Commissioner Williams asked if it was not true that the connection with the main line was maintained.

"Why did Mr. Adams make the statement that the Salem street car line was not connected with the Southern Pacific mainline," asked Mr. Williams.

"Mr. Adams was evidently not informed upon that point," replied Mr. Billingsley.

With reference to the increase to the 8-cent fare, Superintendent Billingsley took exception to City Attorney Smith's assertion that Salem patrons would not ride at the increased rate. The local street railway official expressed confidence that opposition against the rate would disappear if it were put into force.

In opening his remarks, outlining the city of Salem's opposition to the increase, City Attorney Ray L. Smith said:

"At this hearing the street car lines in Salem ought not to be considered as a unit, but should

be examined in connection with the company's main line.

"This matter is of vital importance to Salem. The city believes that if the fare is raised from 5 to 8 cents, as the company appears to wish, there would be such a business decrease on the lines that the net revenues of the company would not be increased.

"If the rise is granted, there will be a marked tendency on the part of citizens to use other means of conveyance. That is not a threat, but a statement of fact, for a change would be absolutely necessary. We ask that the company's case be probed thoroughly."

### Harry Seaman Released After Paying His Fine

Harry Seaman was released by order of City Recorder Earl Race, last night after Seaman had pleaded guilty to a charge of having liquor in his possession and had been fined \$50 by Mr. Race, police officer.

Seaman was arrested early Tuesday morning by Officer O. F. ViVector and a milk bottle containing a lurid-hued liquor of supposedly high alcoholic content was taken from Seaman's person by the officer, according to the police report.

Seaman's bail had been set at \$50 following his arrest and he was obliged to spend most of the day in the city jail upon failing to produce the necessary cash deposit.

Another thing, America is not too proud to sit on the arms parley conference.

### KIMBALL PARTY RETURNS HOME

Four Months Spent Among Depressed People of War-Torn Countries

After traveling in England, Belgium, France, Switzerland and Italy for the past four months, S. P. Kimball returned home and wouldn't trade the whole continent for a square foot of the Willamette valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Kimball, and Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kugel left Salem for their European travels on August 10. They spent several weeks in and about London, and even there Mr. Kimball says one may notice the effects of the war in the general depressed looks of the people.

After visiting war scenes in Belgium, Mr. Kimball and party went to the famous Hookendyke line, visited later at Ypres, which is a most depressing ruin, and other famous cities. All along the trench system of the latter part of the war, things look very much the same as in 1918, excepting in portions of France where land is being cultivated, he said.

The appearance of the country is most desolate and dreary, he said. And not only the landscape has a depressing effect, but the people everywhere show the effects of the war.

After stopping at the principal cities in Switzerland the party traveled by automobile, over one of the famous Roman roads.

From Italy the party went to Vienna and it was in that city that Mr. Kimball noticed the greatest suffering. The city was crowded with tourists, and American money had such a high exchange value that while in Vienna, his party of four was served a fine dinner for 59 cents. Of course, he paid 3,000 kroners, which were worth 20 cents each before the war. In fact, American money has such a high exchange value that Mr. Kimball found it quite inexpensive to live in Vienna.

For the Italians, Mr. Kimball can say very little that is complimentary. Those in the north appeared all right and industrious but after traveling south of Rome and especially in Naples, he found by little use for Italians.

The party sailed for home from Naples, spending a few days in Ohio before returning to Oregon.

Mr. Kimball says he is a big traveler and he never missed a meal, but that he could not say the same for the other members of his party.

Then, a century later, the army world woke up. The business aspect of war began to obsess the whole world. To kill women munition workers was the inescapable logic of warfare, for they helped to make the war effective. To kill the little children was also logical. That would help to break the morale of the enemy. To bomb cities, to destroy a score or a million of non-combatants, was so much damage to the enemy, and must decrease his fighting ability. The theory was perhaps dormant in every breast, though perhaps none had expressed it as frankly as the German Bernhardi.

Civilian Brains Called

To follow this theory to its inevitable conclusion meant to call in the civilian brains that had thrown off the lethargy and red-tape of militarism. Civilian chemists made poison gases, a million times as effective as swords or guns; overland mechanics made devilish submarines that killed and destroyed without risk more than a whole army could do in the olden days.

Professor Lewis, of Northwestern university, who near the close of the war invented the terrible gas "Lewisite," was a fellow student with Irwin at Stanford university, a meek man in a Christian college—but the chemical monster that he prepared was more deadly than the Black Death or Alaric "The Scourge of God."

"The bars are down," said the speaker. There is no longer a military code to moderate the horrors of war. Fighting by means of radio-controlled airplanes, carrying high explosives and terrible gases; long range guns; fighting with submarines, with tanks, with microbes an poisonous bacilli, will be the commonplace of the next war. The development of killing rays through the study of science is one of the even nastier things they have already progressed so far that they offer possibilities equal to gas or explosives.

None Will be Spared

And there will be no one spared. There will be no non-combatants. Every man on the other side is a potential or an active, deadly enemy. "Kill them all" will necessarily be the creed, following the mental and moral explosion that disrupted the old warrior code.

Mr. Irwin has some over much of this in his recent book, "The Next War," which is a striking presentation and a terrible arraignment of war as it will have to be practiced from now on. The development of terrors since the war closed, he says, has been far worse than even during the war when science had not the time to study out its own possibilities. A war were to set in today, the Lewisite and radio-controlled airplane and other things that have been perfected since the treaty of Versailles would make the World War look like a pink tea.

Brother is Funny

Mr. Irwin is famous partly because of his funny kid brother, Wallace. Wallie has written FUN in two-foot letters, of both poetry and prose, all over the world. His "Love Sonnets of a Hoodlum," his

"Hashimuro Toga," and a host of other mirthful provocations, are American classics. People do not refuse to believe that could be two Irwins, so they charged it all up to Wallace. But it wasn't so. It was Bill who did the really heavy work that if it didn't tickle a man in the ribs and joggle his funny bones, made him think and be a better citizen.

Brother Bill is near-red-headed. He has a smile that would charm the birds off the trees. There is a song that must have been written of him—all except the nationality—and his ultimate disposition.

He'd talk a blind fiddler out of his fiddle.

He'd talk the milk out of a cow.

Has Winning Way

Children would go up to Bill Irwin and ask him the time of day, and women would feel profoundly grateful when he offered to pilot them across the crowded street—and he'd do it, too, from sheer kindness of spirit. Husky men—bankers, governors, prizefighters, tramps—would call him "Bill" and feel that they had honored themselves in knowing him. And yet the snark-thief, the robber of widows and orphans, would draw a long breath and dive down the alley rather than meet him—if he knew. Any honest person would like Will Irwin.

His writings during and since the World War have attracted a wide attention. He has written much fiction. But he is a student of books as well as of men. He has taken the war and the warriors apart, to see what made the wheels go round, and no man has pointed out a straighter path to warlessness and peace.

Six New Dates

Mr. Irwin has been on the lecture platform for some time. He had signed up the contract before the Washington disarmament congress had developed beyond the nebulous stage.

"Thank the Lord, I'm almost through," he sighed, as he toted down on his fingers the six places still on his schedule.

"Then I'll get a good sleep."

He was with the Belgian, British, French, Italian and American armies in Europe, and with the Germans for a few days when they captured him the first week in Belgium. He was at Louvain when the great university town was destroyed.

Constable Walter DeLong Is Very Busy Person

Here is just one page from the calendar of Walter DeLong, constable for Salem justice district. Date: December 13, 1921.

"Nothing unlucky in the 13," observes Constable DeLong. "The average day's routine will check up about the same."

This is a brief of DeLong's activities, yesterday.

Ten o'clock morning to 2 o'clock afternoon, rounded up a jury and acted as justice court bailiff in the case of state against S. Pegg.

Two o'clock afternoon, Forded to Waconda and arrested a prisoner. With prisoner arrived in Salem at 4 o'clock, just in time to receive a summons to Ford out to Silverton and bring in another prisoner.

Returned with Silverton prisoner at 6:30 o'clock, afternoon. Received long distance call from police at Ashland, with the information that a prisoner was being held for the Salem constable.

Hurried home, hurried through evening meal, hurried to Southern Pacific station for the evening train south.

Somewhere along the road, Constable DeLong will receive the following message from G. E. Unruh, justice of the peace.

"Have just received word that another prisoner wanted on Salem warrant has been arrested at Albany. Bring him in also."

Judge Unruh admitted last night that he might add a postscript to the wire to DeLong something like this:

"Don't work too hard and return as soon as possible. Friday and Saturday are full docket days."

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TROOPS CROSS BORDER

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 14.—(By the Associated Press)—Peruvian troops have crossed the Chilean frontier, according to the correspondent of La Nacion at La Paz, Bolivia.

CAMERON ARRESTED

ROSEBURG, Ore., Dec. 13.—Sheriff Starmer today received word that J. D. Cameron, wanted here on a charge of forgery, had been arrested in Los Angeles.

### TURNER GRANGE FIGHTING BOARD

Salary Increase Provision Bines Appeal to Special Legislature

Demanding repeal of the 1921 legislative act empowering the board of control to fix salaries of the executive heads of state institutions, Surprise Grange, No. 27 of Turner, has expressed its disapproval of the board.

Governor Olcott and Secretary of State Kozer constitute a majority on the board, a Grange resolution asserts in connection with the charge that official stipends have been hoisted.

In taking the stand that the salary increase provision is susceptible to abuse, it is reported that the Turner grangers are joining in the fight that has been made against the board's appointment of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kusser of Iowa to the superintendency of the boys' training school at an increased salary over that received by the present incumbent, L. M. Gilbert.

The resolution follows:

"Whereas, there was enacted by the legislative assembly of 1921, an amendment to section 282 of Oregon law reading in part as follows: 'The annual salaries of the several executive heads shall be fixed and determined by the board' (Oregon state board of control) and

"Whereas, the said board of control or rather the governor and secretary of state, constituting a majority thereof, have in numerous instances, raised salaries under the authority conferred by this law, and

"Whereas, the power conferred by this amendment is susceptible to abuse, unfair discrimination, and permits the injection of politics into the administration of state government and the selection of employes, and operates against economy and efficiency, now therefore,

"Be it resolved, that this organization express its disapproval of said amendment and the action of said board of control thereunder, and

"Be it further resolved, that we recommend to the special session of the legislature, the repeal of that part of said amendment empowering the board of control to fix salaries of the executive heads of state institutions."

he would be glad to have people telephone him about odd jobs to be done.

C. A. Kells, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., also offered the services of his institution in the way of supplying workers, especially since he was having so many applications daily from those out of work.

Dr. Southworth was of the opinion that many people could find odd jobs about their homes and help the unemployment situation. But it was agreed by all speakers that there were a number of jobs at all times, and the big thing for those trying to help was to find where the jobs were.

As the matter now stands, those having work from time to time should telephone L. G. Hayford or the Y. M. C. A. Roy Shields, president, appointed E. L. Shrode, L. G. Hayford and Dr. Southworth as a committee to handle the unemployment situation.

### WILL PLAY ARIZONA

DANVILLE, Ky., Dec. 13.—The Centre college football team will play the University of Arizona eleven at San Diego December 26, it was announced by the Athletic officials today.

### Low Fire Record is Made In Portland Last Month

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—Fire losses last month were less than any month of the year. Fire Marshal Grenfell stated today in filing his November report.

Figures which will be compiled shortly will show \$250,000 less damage from fires in Portland during 1921 than in 1920, Grenfell estimates.

Damage from 27 fires of 91 alarms answered by the fire department last month totalled but \$7,979.37. The state loss reached approximately \$195,000.

Clare Sheridan, the Anglo-American sculptor, was describing at a New York reception her recent visit to Bolsheviki Russia when an eminent illustrator interrupted her to ask:

"Is it true that your cousin, Winston Churchill, paints?"

"Yes, it is true," Mrs. Sheridan answered.

"Is he any good?"

The lady shrugged her supple shoulders.

"Well," she returned, "people say he's not as bad as he has painted."—Detroit Free Press.

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### LEADER'S FIGURE ADORNS CAMPFIRE GIRLS' MEDAL



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### MARSHAL FOCH TO SAIL TODAY

World Renowned Soldier is Again Greeted by Tens of Thousands in Gotham



Dr. William O. Stillman, president of the American Humane Association, has just announced that a prize of \$1,000 will be given for the best non-skid horseshoe to keep horses on their feet next winter. His headquarters are in Albany, N. Y.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—(By The Associated Press)—Marshal Foch tomorrow will sail back to France bearing the gifts of a grateful ally in a world war.

Acclaimed here by tens of thousands when he first set foot in America, October 28, he was acclaimed again after he had completed a tour of the United States and Canada as the guest of the American legion.

Not a second of rest was allowed the marshal from the moment he arrived here this afternoon on his return from Montreal until he went to bed after a series of concluding fetes.

The marshal will sail tomorrow on the steamer Paris.

The American legion's farewell message to Marshal Foch, issued tonight by Hanford MacNider, national commander, said that the value of the distinguished Frenchman's visit "would grow through the coming years—through our sons and their sons."

"You have seen and heard our grateful nation's welcome," it continued. "Our people hardly know how to express their feelings. Your presence has been a lasting inspiration to America. Your high, fine integrity, your personality and what you have said, have endeared you to every American.

"We salute you and through you, France. You need no further pledge from us—we love you both."

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### EMPLOYMENT MAY BE GIVEN NEEDY

Move Started by Kiwanis Club to Help Situation Among Salem Folk

Organized charity for Salem and the need of some central means of securing employment for residents of the city who are out of work, was again brought to the attention of the Kiwanis club at the luncheon yesterday noon.

D. L. Shrode said there should be some central office down town to which those having a day or more work, could make the fact known. He said that many people have odd jobs, but that just when the job was not ready they did not know where to find workers. He suggested an employment bureau.

Dr. H. E. Morris said that L. G. Hayford had agreed to use his real estate office as a bureau for those who needed work. Mr. Hayford confirmed this, and said

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