

RAILWAYS MUST REDUCE RATES

Secretary Wallace Declares Cut in Operation Costs Is Necessary

FARM PLIGHT IS SEEN

Efficient Agriculture and Transportation Need for National Good

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9.—"To bring about a normal adjustment in agriculture and through it, industry, railroad deficits must be met by reductions in operation costs rather than by advances in rates," Secretary Wallace of the department of agriculture declared in an address tonight.

Agriculture, he said, "urgently needs the adjustment of freight rates on farm products to a point at which they bear the same ratio to the price the farmer received for those products as prevailed before the war."

General Level Urged

It would be better for all interests, he continued, if during the reconstruction period a general price level about 50 per cent above the pre-war nominal could be established and farm prices brought up to this level rather than other prices brought down to the level of agricultural products. This seems impossible at present, he said, "so other prices must come down as agricultural prices come up until the relation is restored."

An "efficient" agriculture and an "efficient" transportation system, he declared, are indispensable.

RHEUMATISM CANNOT EXIST

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able to the national welfare and are dependent upon one another. Rates Retard Recovery "It would be unfair," he continued, "to say that the unprecedented depression in which we find agriculture today is due wholly to the very large increases in freight rates imposed in the past three years, but it is fair that these increased freight charges are a large factor in retarding agricultural recovery."

"The trouble now is that whereas the prices the farmer receives for his crops are lower than before the war, the price he pays for the things he needs are from 25 to 75 per cent above the pre-war prices. Hence, the purchasing power of the major farm crops is probably lower than at any time in our history, and this has very much to do with the national industrial and business depression."

Recovery Question of Years

"It is doubtful whether agriculture can make a complete recovery for many years unless the nominal ratio between the prices the farmer receives for his crops and the freight rates he pays is re-established very soon."

HEAD ACHE AND BODY ACHED

There are various symptoms of kidney trouble—rheumatic pains, backache, sore muscles, stiff joints and "always tired" feeling. Mrs. George Morgan, E. Fairfield, Vt., writes: "My head ached and whole body ached so I could not sleep. Foley Kidney Pills gave me relief." They heal and strengthen weak, disordered kidneys and bladder and help them in their work of filtering the blood and casting out of the system the impurities that cause pain and disease. Prompt in action. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

Americans in Near East Are Stricken With Fever

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Three American workers in the Near East have been stricken with typhus and another with typhoid fever, according to dispatches to the Near East relief committee tonight at the annual meeting of the trustees.

Menno Shellenberger of Heston, Kansas, died Saturday of smallpox at Diarbekir, Turkey, another cable said.

Disease was reported among Greek and Armenian deportees in Central Turkey; diphtheria and measles claiming many victims in the area covered by American relief operations.

Captain E. A. Yarrow, Near East relief director for Transcaucasian Russia, reported that 3,000 Armenians, the first contingent of 10,000 sent to Transcaucasian from Mesopotamia, are in a desperate plight in Batum.

Edwin M. Bulkeley, chairman of the executive committee, reported that \$9,972,960 had been appropriated for relief work in Transcaucasian Russia, Turkey, Mesopotamia, Persia, Syria and Palestine.

Dr. James L. Barton of Boston was elected chairman.

ARGUMENTS ON BURCH CASE

No Time Limit Placed and Several Days May Be Necessary for Speeches

VICTIM'S MOTHER HEARD

Mrs. J. D. Kennedy Among Witnesses for Prosecution in Morning

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 9.—Argument was begun late today in the trial of Arthur C. Burch for the alleged murder of J. Belton Kennedy, by Asa Keyes, assistant district attorney. Mr. Keyes addressed the jury for an hour and will resume tomorrow morning. He asked that the "extreme penalty" be imposed and dwelt at length upon the relations between Burch and Mrs. Madalynne Obenchain, co-defendant in the case, and between Mrs. Obenchain and Kennedy.

No Limit Placed

Mr. Keyes will be followed by John J. Sullivan of Seattle, who will make the opening argument. Paul W. Schenck, of Los Angeles, will close the defense and District Attorney Woodwine will make the final address, for the prosecution. No time limit was placed on the arguments. Attorneys said they would probably last from three to four days.

The last witness examined was Dr. V. H. Harkin, physician in charge of the psychopathic ward of the Los Angeles county hospital, who testified that in his opinion, Burch is sane and that he has tried to simulate insanity.

Dr. Parkin said he visited Burch in the county jail on November 6 last and for a time had a "vague suspicion" something was wrong with the prisoner but at the end of the conversation he was convinced he was sane. He declared "pretended" not to know how and when he had attended school and insisted he had no occupation but that of a farmer. Burch, the witness said, refused to discuss the Kennedy slaying except in one detail.

Prisoner Seen in Cell

"I asked him," Dr. Parkin testified, "if, assuming Obenchain had been subjected to malevolent influence by Mr. Kennedy, would he (Burch) have felt justified in putting Kennedy out of the way. Burch replied 'I never thought of that.'"

Mrs. J. D. Kennedy, mother of the dead man, was on the stand for a few minutes in the morning session. She contradicted a portion of the testimony of a defense witness.

TWO HUNDRED REPORTED SLAIN IN NEW INDIA REVOLT.



More than 700 natives have been shot, 200 killed and 20,000 placed under arrest by British troops in India, according to a cable sent to a representative of the National Indian Congress in Chicago. Hundreds of houses, the cablegram stated, have been burned to the ground. It is said that more than 21,000-000 sworn members of the Indian National Government are in the present uprising. The picture shows a parade of military offenders at Kasur during a previous outbreak.

MY HEART AND MY HUSBAND

Adele Garrison's New Phase of REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

MY HEART AND MY HUSBAND Chapter 267

WHAT MRS. TIGER SAID TO MR. "BRIDGEHAM"

I tried to appear cool and unconcerned as I saw Mr. "Bridgeham" swing his car across the road in order effectually to block mine. But my hands shook perceptibly upon the wheel as I brought my own car to a stop in order to avoid a collision, and Mrs. Tiger beside me spoke swiftly in a low murmur:

"Don't you be scared of that hyeny, child. I'll fix him for you: Just lead him along a little, let him palaver awhile."

Her voice sounded a note of absolute confidence in her own ability to dominate the situation. There was also recognition in it, something which surprised me.

Mr. "Bridgeham" alighted from his car briskly, but a bit warily. As he walked toward us I saw that his face held a distinctly conciliatory expression. Evidently he had decided to change his tactics toward me. The knowledge heartened me far more than did Mrs. Tiger's assurance of aid, comforting as her homely words were.

Changed Tactics.

Curiously enough I had not worried over the man's strange outburst upon the occasion of my last meeting with him—venomous and menacing though his manner and words had been. I think that his ignominious retreat before Harry Underwood's threats had made me feel that he was, in Mr. Underwood's favorite parlance, "four flushing," and had given me relief from the anxiety I had suffered for so many weeks at the thought of him.

But there was still enough uncertainty as to the extent of his knowledge, and the use to which he meant to put what he did know, to make me heartily wish myself miles away as he reached the side of my car.

"I wish to beg your pardon, Mrs. Graham, for losing my temper the other day," he began suavely. "I assure you I didn't mean some of the things I said. But—"

"Really, Mr.—" I paused purposely. He also hesitated. I guessed that he was frantically ransacking his memory for the name he had given himself upon the occasion of our first interview. But finally he brought it up lumberingly as from some great depth.

"Bridgeham—is my name."

"Ah, yes, Mr. Bridgeham," I drawled with an air of indolent unconcern. "Really, I don't remember anything that you said the other day, so there is no need whatever to beg my pardon."

An ugly, venomous look leaped into his eyes as I spoke. But he banished it promptly and bent toward me.

"I am glad to hear it," he said softly. "Then I'm sure you will not object to giving me a few moments' conversation with you. There are some things of utmost importance which you should hear without delay, and I am the only one who can tell them to you."

"Yes, You Have!"

He patently was making a heroic effort to keep his manner and his language up to the standard of veneer which at some time or other he had painfully laid over the very common material of which he was made, and which chipped alarmingly and betrayingly whenever he relaxed for a single minute his watch upon himself.

With a fixed conviction that he would not accede to my proposition I spoke nonchalantly, though my knees underneath the steering wheel were trembling.

"I have five minutes. If you can say what you wish in that time I am ready to listen. But

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"Her worthy friend" will set exactly where she's settin' now," Mrs. Tiger struck in with much emphasis. "This little lady don't get out of no car and walk down no road with you, Jake Wiley, not so long as I've got my senses, an' I started with all five of 'em from home this mornin'."

The man started perceptibly at the name she gave him, then he turned toward her angrily, his veneer chipping off in large flakes.

"What's the matter with you? This is none of your affair—and you've evidently got me mixed with somebody else," he finished lamely.

"In a pig's eye I have," Mrs. Tiger responded forcibly but interestingly. "I couldn't mistake that ugly mug of yours even if I hadn't seen it in twenty years."

The man smiled uneasily, and I noticed that his blustering air had dropped completely from him.

"I—I am sure you are mistaken," he protested feebly. "I never have seen you before."

"Oh, yes, you have!" Mrs. Tiger asserted. "You seen Jen Brown many a time in the old days. Would you like to have me remember where I seen you last?"

(To be continued)

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PIONEER TELLS OF EARLY RIVER EVENTS

Eola—Formerly Known As Cincinnati—First River Line from There

J. D. Lee of Portland, an avowed Republican candidate for governor, was in Independence Monday. Mr. Lee is no stranger in Polk county, numbering among his friends many of the older residents, and is a brother-in-law of J. B. V. Butler of Monmouth. In talking of the earlier days Mr. Lee said:

"Recently I learned some facts which enable me to rescue an interesting commercial narrative from oblivion. In fact, I was surprised and interested in its rehearsal to me by one of the participants."

"In the early '50's, J. B. V. Butler, father of J. B. V. Butler and Orville Butler of Monmouth, a pioneer merchant and financier, started a store at Cincinnati, later known as Eola, near the confluence of the Rickreall with the Willamette. He was an active, self-reliant man, who accumulated quite a fortune and founded a family, now numerous and prominent. He wished to establish a shipping point in connection with his store and provide a reliable market for his customers. Accordingly he built a barge with a carrying capacity of about 1,000 bushels of wheat. It was well built and covered. It was fitted with kitchen and bunks for the use of the boatman and stall for the horse. The steering gear was ample and provision was made for the use of oars on each side, which also aided in directing and handling the craft. The current of the river carried it forward with considerable speed, so that only about a day was required to make the run from Eola to Canemah—now Oregon City. The wheat, in two-bushel seamless bags, was there delivered to the millmen.

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of bringing the barge back against the current. A strong towline, 100 or 200 feet long was attached to it. His son, Orville, who now resides in Monmouth, and who related the details to me, rode and directed the animal, keeping him in the shoal water along the river's margin. By the use of the side oars and steering gear the boat was kept in a sufficient depth of water. The sandbars and occasional precipitous banks required considerable shifting of the course of the boat. In fact, sometimes the horse was put aboard the boat and the men propelled it with the oars. Another shift had to be made as the terminal points were on different sides of the river.

"After steamboats accommodated the traffic this barge was used as a wharfbarge at the mouth of the Rickreall. It could easily be adjusted to the stages of the river.

"Among those manning this craft were E. C. Keyt, who at his death was reckoned as the wealthiest man in Polk county; Joseph and Arthur Ingles, brothers of Mrs. Butler; Robert Nicholson, long an employee of Mr. Butler, and David R. Ruble, who became a successful horticulturist in the old hills. He was regarded as the captain of the crew, operating the steering process, occasionally requiring the aid of another man. Nearly a week was consumed in the round trip.

"The Canemah and Gazelle were the names of the early steamboats on the upper river. The latter was blown up at Canemah in 1854, resulting in the death and wounding of many Polk county citizens, among whom were Samuel Burch, Mr. Morgan, and the disabing of Charles Hubbard."

INDEPENDENCE ENTERPRISE.

Talent Bonds to Be Sold at 86 Cents on Dollar

The state irrigation and drainage securities commission announced yesterday that it has authorized the sale of the Talent irrigation district bonds for 86 cents on the dollar, the purchaser being the Citizens National bank of Los Angeles.

"It is proposed to sell \$450,000 in bonds in case the Hiatt Prairie reservoir is constructed," said State Engineer Copper yesterday, "and bonds in the amount of \$500,000 in case the Emigrant creek reservoir is constructed. The commission has agreed to certify the bonds and pay the interest

thereon for a period of two and one-half years, upon the submission of a contract for the construction of the project satisfactory to the commission, indicating that the work can be done with the money available.

President Acknowledges Receipt of Resolutions

George B. Christian Jr., private secretary to President Harding, on behalf of the president, has written Sam A. Koser, secretary of state, acknowledging receipt of senate concurrent resolution No. 3 of the recent legislative session, which commends the president for his effort toward world peace in calling the international conference at Washington. The resolution also urged Senators McNary and Stanford to use their influence for ratification of the resultant treaties.

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