

## RECOUNT COMPLAINT IS FILED

### SURRENDER OF FREE STATERS ENDS FIGHTING

National Cause Upheld at Cost of Heavy Loss of Life and Property Leaders Declare.

### BUILDINGS BOMBED AND FIRED DURING SIEGE

Civilians, Hiding for Days in Cellars Driven Into Open by Flames

DUBLIN, July 5.—(By The Associated Press)—The siege of the strongholds of the insurgent Irish forces was virtually ended tonight with the surrender of small groups of the men who had been fighting for the past week behind the barricades, and the capture of one of the principal leaders, Cathal Brugha, former minister of defense. But the success of the national cause has been purchased at the cost of blazing buildings and terrible destruction in O'Connell street to say nothing of the loss of life and the many seriously wounded.

### De Valera in Hiding

There is still no information as to the whereabouts of Eamonn De Valera who has apparently escaped from the free staters' net. In the later afternoon, when ten buildings including three hotels were aflame, the remainder of the Irish, driven into the Granville hotel with fire on all sides, still made desperate resistance with automatics and rifles but it was already seen that they could not long delay the inevitable end.

### Final Attack at Noon

The final attack by the Free State troops began at mid-day after a lull during which the fight slackened greatly. The regulars adopted the desperate plan of bombing the insurgents. One was hurled into Hamman's hotel and soon faint whiffs of smoke crept through the shattered windows. And suddenly a burst of flame in front, followed by dense volumes of smoke. The flames spread swiftly. In less than two hours, the buildings were completely destroyed. Still the battle raged, the defenders poured fusillades from the windows of both the Gresham and the Granville, while the national riflemen replied vigorously from their positions opposite and from armored cars.

### Hotel Hiddled

Shortly after 1 o'clock an armored car took up a position opposite the Gresham and poured a hurricane of machine gun fire into the hotel windows. Smoke belched forth quickly followed by a muffled explosion and tongues of flame from the windows and within half an hour the front of the building was a flaming furnace. The firemen played water on the premises between the Gresham and Hamman and saved them in part but the fate of the Gresham was from the first hopeless.

### Civilians Smoked Out

Other irregulars driven from place to place by the flames, took up a position in the Granville and from points of vantage they directed a brisk fire against the nationalists. In the meantime fire broke out opposite in the store next door to the Edinburg hotel, presently a white flag was seen protruding from the door of the Edinburg and a man stepped forth, holding the flag in one hand and a dress suit case in the other. Behind him walked a curious and pitiful procession of between 20 and 30 persons, mostly women, a white haired woman of 70 bringing up the rear, all carrying small quantities of baggage. They explained that they had been living in the Edinburg a whole week, chiefly taking refuge in the cellars but were forced to leave by the flames in the adjacent stores. These unfortunate civilians were escorted to a place of safety by members of the Red Cross.

### MURDER TRUCK BRINGS \$50 AT AUCTION

20-year-old Vehicle Used by French Bluebeard Purchased by Paris Plumber

PARIS, July 5.—The little two-cylinder, 20-year-old motor truck in which Henri Landru, the "Bluebeard of Gabaia," executed last February, took his 10 women victims out riding and in which he later hauled coal to burn their bodies, was sold at auction by the authorities today to a Paris plumber. The buyer ran the price up from 50 francs to 1000 francs because he wanted the car as a souvenir.

### TAX REDUCTION SESSION CALLED

State Convention Today May Decide to Nominate Candidate for Governor

A state convention of the Oregon Tax Reduction clubs will be held in Salem today at the Commercial club, and delegates are expected from all parts of the state.

One possibility of the convention is that a decision will be reached to place a candidate for governor in the field to go before the voters of the state at the general election next November.

It is said that several important resolutions may be adopted by the convention.

### Tourists Find Bodies of Murder Victims

SMITH CENTER, Kansas, July 5.—Tourists camping in the city park at Kennington, near here today found the dead bodies of a man and woman, shot to death in the park. The bodies were identified as the divorced wife of Warren Wood of Kennington and W. J. Allen of Denver, Colo. Mrs. Wood had been shot four times in the back and Allen had two bullet wounds in his left breast.

### World Disarmament Action is Taken

PARIS, July 5.—(By The Associated Press)—World disarmament was declared by Lord Robert Cecil to have been brought definitely nearer today by the action of a sub-committee of the temporary mixed committee on disarmament of the league of nations in approving his plan for armament reduction. The measure provides for a general reduction of air and land forces, under the supervision of the league of nations, as well as for continental alliances against aggression.

### AUTO SMASHED BY S. P. TRAIN

Car Driven by N. R. Holland of Route 1 Almost Completely Ruined

The automobile of N. R. Holland, route 1, Salem was almost completely demolished yesterday morning when struck by a freight train near the Oregon packing plant.

No one was in the car at the time of the smash. Mr. Holland had parked his machine near a railroad siding and was in the packing plant, carrying crates to his machine. It is said a switch engine was backing a string of freight cars onto the siding and that there was no pilot on the rear of the train. The auto was too close to the tracks and was literally picked up by the train and carried for some distance.

### WILL MEET SHARKEY

NEW YORK, July 5.—Johnny Dundee will meet Jack Sharkey in a 15-round decision bout in Brooklyn tomorrow night. Both boxers finished training today and are required to make 120 pounds at 2 p. m. tomorrow.

### LEGION HOLDS NATION IN PALM SAYS HARDING

Veterans Are Charged with Greater Burden Than Faced on Battlefield of France.

### URGES MEN TO SERVE COUNTRY DEVOTELY

COUNTRY DEVOTELY President Spends Last Day in Home Town Playing Golf and Watching Parade

MARION, O., July 5.—(By The Associated Press)—So long as the American Legion is concerned with the preservation of the constitution and of laws and the American Republic is everlastingly secure, President Harding asserted in a brief address today to several thousand world veterans who held a re-union here.

### VIVIANI GOES TO DEFENSE OF M. POINCARÉ

PARIS, July 5.—(By The Associated Press)—M. Viviani threw the chamber of deputies into a wild outburst of approval of Premier Poincaré today during the course of a debate on "the responsibility for the war." This was the culmination of the long threatened attack on the premier preceded by yesterday's scene between M. Poincaré and M. Valliant Courtier when the communist deputy made reference to a photograph showing the premier and the American ambassador, Myron T. Herrick smiling while passing through the Verdun cemetery.

Viviani defended Poincaré. M. Viviani interrupted a long and dreary reading of newspaper clippings and diplomatic messages by the communist designed to show that M. Poincaré was responsible for the war and exclaimed: "If anyone is responsible for the war it was I. I was head of the government; I took whatever action was taken and I acted in perfect accord with M. Poincaré (the president). I was in touch with him and in agreement with him when he was at St. Petersburg."

This was an allusion to M. Poincaré's visit to the Emperor Nicholas. Premier Kisses Viviani

The deputies jumped to their feet, waving their arms wildly and M. Poincaré rushed to M. Viviani and kissed him on both cheeks. Others embraced the premier and the ex-premier and for several minutes there was great enthusiasm.

The debate had begun in general apathy, the deputies paying slight attention to Valliant Courtier's speech which he read and in which he had embodied many telegrams from the Russian ambassador, showing that M. Poincaré and France were ready to join Russia in war.

Wants Hatchet Buried When he could make his voice heard above the uproar, M. Viviani pleaded with the deputy to abandon his interpellation as it was of no use to continue, and asked him to return to "the sacred union" observed during the war, when all parties buried the political hatchet. His eloquence so moved the deputies that they stood in silence as a mark of admiration.

The ex-premier told briefly of the big steps in France's foreign policy when he was premier under M. Poincaré and recited again the history of the movements that led to the war, taking for himself full responsibility for everything that was done and praising the wisdom of Poincaré. He ended with an appeal to the patriotism of the members in memory of the hundreds of thousands who had fallen for a cessation of the strife.

### Customs Receipts Reflect Improv. Conditions

WASHINGTON, July 5.—Generally improved business in the country are reflected in increased customs receipts—the highest during the fiscal year for 133 years, according to a statement issued today by Assistant Secretary of Treasury Elmer Dowd, in charge of customs.

"The United States customs receipts for the fiscal year just ended," he said, "amount to \$356,443,387 which is an increase of \$48,118,285 over last year. The highest previous year in the history of the customs, covering 133 years was 1909 when receipts amounted to \$333,683,445, so that the receipt for this year are nearly \$23,000 in excess of the largest fiscal year."

Thursdays continued warm.

### OPEN CUT-OUT RAISES HAVOC WITH HIGHWAY

State Road Engineer Finds Much Damage Done to Macadam by City Motorists

The open cut-out on automobiles has been blamed for a lot of things. It has been suppressed in the cities and towns as a general nuisance, but in the country the cut-out may cause unlooked-for.

But Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer, now avers that the open cut-out does thousands of dollars worth of damage to the macadam roads of Oregon, for the tremendous force of the exhaust of a high powered rapidly moving car displaces the fine material on the surface of the road. He estimates that no less than \$20,000 damage has been done on the highway between Sheridan and Hebo in the last week or two by city motorists who delight to drive with cut-outs open.

"They enjoy it," says Nunn. "They like to hear it, and not being allowed to regulate themselves with the sensation in town they go on a regular cut-out spree when they get into the country. Maybe if they knew the damage it is doing to the macadam roads they wouldn't do it."

### MAIL SERVICE DELAY CHARGED TO STRIKERS

Complaints to Postoffice Department Bring Immediate Investigation Over Country.

### MEN ACCUSED OF TAMPERING WITH TRAINS

S. P. Official Says Men Are Returning to Work, Many Others Available

SLATER, Mo., July 5.—(By The Associated Press) Striking shopten, comprising between 60 and 70 per cent of this town's population and including a majority of the city officials, held the Chicago and Alton railroad shops here tonight and patrolled the town. Eighteen strike breakers were taken from the shops today, taken to the edge of the town and told to "beat it."

All trains passing through Slater tonight were searched for strike breakers. A force of 150 to 200 strikers held the station platform and others were posted at various parts of the yards. A deadline had been established around the railroad shops barring strangers.

WASHINGTON, July 5.—As a result of reports received today by the superintendent of railway mail service of interference with the movement of United States mails by striking railway workers, postoffice inspectors will be despatched to all points where trouble might arise in the transmission of the mails, it was said tonight. The inspectors will be required to make an immediate investigation and transmit reports at once to the superintendent of the railway mail service here who, if he deems it advisable, will place the matter before the department of justice officials. The reports of interference with mails came from Marshall, Tex., St. Louis, Chaffee, Mo., Kansas City and De Quincy, La.

Trains Tampered With, Charge Officials of the Texas & Pacific lines at Marshall reported that their trains and trains on other roads in the same territory were being materially delayed as a result of interference by strikers and their friends, who it was alleged, were tampering with air appliances and otherwise preventing proper movement of trains.

Officials of the St. Louis, San Francisco Railway company at St. Louis, Mo., notified Washington that protection was needed for the preservation and operation of trains used in handling mail matter. They requested that some action be taken by the government at once. "Serious trouble," was reported from Chaffee, Mo.

Warned on Night Mail The Kansas City Southern railway company reported from Kansas City, Mo., that the strike situation was growing more serious and that at De Quincy strikers had warned officials in charge of mail trains not to transfer mail matter during the night.

There is a disposition on the part of the administration, it was understood, to deal with strikers or any others who may interfere with the proper dispatch of the mails in the most vigorous manner. Under no circumstances, it was said, will the government tolerate any hindrance to the movement of the mails.

While every credence was placed in the reports received during the day from the strike zones in the south and southwest section of the country the postoffice department nevertheless was of the opinion that no drastic action should be recommended to other agencies of the government until complete verification of reported interference with the mails has been received.

### Pension Holds Men.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 5.—The end of the fifth day of the strike of the railway shopten brought conflicting statements as to the general situation in the west from J. H. Dyer, general manager of the Southern Pacific and L. S.

### SEVEN CHARGES OF UNLAWFUL PRACTICES AND ERRORS MADE AGAINST OLCOTT'S SUPPORTERS

Semaphore Discarded; Birtchet Smiles Again; Autoists Pleased and Things Run Along as Usual

Like the new blown rose which blooms, fades and dies, Salem's own little traffic semaphore, put into use at the intersection of State and Commercial streets, has come to an untimely end and passed from being.

The semaphore, a grotesque contraption, which the Salem Democrats declare was a piece of propaganda on the part of the Republicans because the sign spelled "G O P" any way you looked at it, was put into use Saturday afternoon, with Traffic Officer Birtchet at the helm. The mercury was ticking the 95 mark all afternoon, but you wouldn't guess it by looking at the officer, who, as O'Henry would say, was busier than a one-armed paper hanger with the hives.

The reporter, through gross carelessness, declared the other morning that the people liked it. To date the reporter has been called 77 different kinds of a liar.

The motorists didn't like it. They didn't even know what it was all about. Consequently, the police committee of the city council received numerous calls, official and personal, from the drivers who had traversed the city streets for many a moon without having a Republican traffic sign to tell them what to do.

The committee convened, 'tis said, in secrecy. It was then and there decided that the semaphore was a pest and should be abolished. When the opportunity presented itself at council meeting Monday night, Chairman Ralph Thompson, casually remarked that it might be advisable to wish the "G O P" semaphore onto a more appreciative commonwealth.

Traffic Officer Birtchet is smiling again while the autoists cross Commercial and State streets as they turned please and to date no one is shedding tears for the gone but not forgotten semaphore.

### 2 WILL HANG EARLY FRIDAY

Kirby and Rathie Without Hope as Time Draws Near for Execution

Without hope that any legal move or executive clemency will snatch them from death early tomorrow when they are to be executed for their implication in the murder of Sheriff Til Taylor of Pendleton, Elvie D. Kirby and John L. Rathie are standing up under the strain and show no signs of weakening, Warden J. E. Lewis of the state prison said yesterday.

The warden had just come from the cells of the two condemned men, where he conversed with them for some time.

Reprieve Not Expected Both had been apprised of the failure of their attorney to persuade the United States supreme court to take any action, and neither believes that reprieve will come from his further effort in the federal court in Portland. Months ago Kirby told a prison official that when he left the state prison he would go "feet first" and he never has allowed himself to build up a hope for commutation.

Apparently the only thing that could now save the two men would be executive clemency, and there is no chance for this unless prosecuting officials at Pendleton themselves should make the request of the governor.

Both Kirby and Rathie have accepted the Catholic faith. The execution of the two men Friday morning will relieve them from two years of confinement in their narrow cells in murderers' row at the state prison.

"Neither has ever given any trouble," said Warden Lewis. "Both have been of pleasant demeanor and they now are standing up as well as men could be expected to under the circumstances."

The execution is scheduled for 8:30 o'clock Friday morning. Since there is only one trap in the gibbet in the Bertillon room of the prison but one can be hanged at a time.

Warden Lewis sent out invitations yesterday to those who are allowed to witness executions.

Jail Delivery Staged Kirby and Rathie are to be executed for the part they played in the murder of Sheriff Til Taylor of Umatilla county on July 25, 1920, when they, together with Nell Hart, Floyd Henderson and Irvin L. Stoop, escaped from the Umatilla county jail, and in so doing fatally wounded Sheriff Taylor. Taylor was shot by Hart, whose real name was Emmett

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Slayer of Frank Bowker Sentenced to Die on Gallows September 22

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Mr. Morthland for a considerable period was associated in the law practice with the late A. S. Davis, a brother of Superintendent A. S. Davis. The bodies of Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Gage were brought here today for burial.

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