

# HALL-OLCOTT CASE MONDAY

## Girl's Disappearance Mysterious

### MANY KILLED IN FIGHTING IN IRELAND

Nationals Attacking Irregulars from Three Sides—Dead Carried From Field Under Fire

### IRREGULARS RETREAT UNDER HEAVY FIRE

Nationals Capture Westport, Taking Several Prisoners—People Rescued

DUBLIN, July 27.—(By the Associated Press)—The free state troops pushing their campaign into the south, have advanced into a region where almost every road has been rendered impassable. They now face innumerable concealed mines, which have been laid for the purpose of encompassing their destruction; hence they are moving warily.

Fighting is in progress and the national troops are meeting with strong opposition, though the exact location of the fighting is not known here. The nationals are reported to be attacking the irregulars from three sides, bombarding their positions with light field pieces and machine guns. Both troops and civilians are displaying heroism, the civilians assisting in bringing in the dead and wounded under intense fire.

Nationals in Good Spirits  
One striking feature of the situation is the unwillingness of the irregulars to take the offensive. The nationals troops are moving forward in good spirits, but under difficult circumstances.

The capture of Westport was a surprise to the irregulars, who fled into the fastness of North Mayo. Some of them were captured after ineffectual attempts to burn the jail, the postoffice and the barracks.

Free Staters Ambushed  
A hundred civilians were rescued from the irregulars today at Rathdowney, Kings county, including Colonel Reynolds, who was kidnapped at Sligo some time ago.

A party of free state troops was ambushed today near Killmoleck, Limerick county, a fierce engagement ensued and three free staters were killed. The casualties among the irregulars are not known.

### CORNERSTONE TO BE LAID SUNDAY

Bishop Sumner Will Be Here To Officiate at Episcopal Ceremony.

The laying of the corner stone of the new St. Paul's church will take place next Sunday at 11 a. m.

The work has progressed far enough to permit of this event in the history of the Episcopal church in Salem and it is an occasion in which all citizens should be interested.

Bishop Sumner will be present and deliver the address and lay the stone. The regular service will be held in the church at 11 a. m. and about 11:15 the choir and church school children and the congregation will march to the corner of Church and Chemeketa streets, where there will be special music and the ceremony of the laying of the stone.

### AMERICA MAY INTERVENE

HAVANA, July 27.—American intervention in Cuba depends upon the financial measures taken by the executive and legislative branches of the Cuban government, says a statement issued by the state department tonight, quoting a memorandum presented by Major General Enoch Crowder, special representative in Cuba of President Harding.

## ERMA AUSTIN GONE SINCE WEDNESDAY; RELATIVES ALARMED

Police over the entire state were last night called into a hunt for 15-year-old Erma Austin, Salem who was mysteriously disappeared from the streets of the city some time shortly after 9:15 o'clock Wednesday night and has not been seen since that time so far as can be learned.

The girl, who is described as being rather attractive and having the appearance of being nearer 18 than 15 years of age, has brown hair and eyes, weighs about 135 pounds and was wearing a blue gingham dress at the time of her disappearance.

According to the story told the police matron by E. C. Lucas, step-father of the girl and with whom she had been making her home, she left the home at 210 South Fourteenth street shortly after 6 o'clock, saying she was going to return to work at the cannery where she had been employed for some time. As far as can be learned she did not return to work for she was seen on the street at 9:15 o'clock and was alone at the time.

The police matron checked on the 9:20 southbound train leaving the city and as far as can be learned the girl did not leave on it.

Vancouver Officers Search  
Vancouver, Wash., police were asked last night to aid in the search, as it was thought barely possible that the girl might have returned to that city where she had attended a private school prior to coming to Salem about a year ago. This clue, however, is not given a great deal of credence because of the fact that the girl was not dressed for traveling.

Case Is Mystery  
Miss Austin had always borne a high reputation among her friends and family, and they are at a total loss to account for her disappearance. The girl's home life had always been happy, it is said, and there was no apparent reason for her running away from home.

It is conceded possible that the girl was enticed or carried into a passing automobile shortly after she was seen alone on the street and was carried away by kidnapers.

Kidnaping Theory Held  
According to her parents, the girl had no sweetheart with whom she would be likely to elope, and

## DALLAS ROUND-UP WILL OPEN TODAY

Program of Wild Performances Expected to Bring Large Crowd

DALLAS, Or., July 27.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Dallas and Polk county's first round-up will begin tomorrow afternoon with a series of performances calculated to bring out a large audience.

The big show is to be held at the fair grounds and a race track and grandstand have been erected during the past few days to handle the crowds. The affair is being staged by Guy Ray, proprietor of the Dallas Meat company and himself a former round-up character, and Everett Wilson of Pendleton round-up fame. A change of program has been arranged for Saturday and Sunday afternoons so that parties seeing the show one day will not be disappointed if they attend other days.

In addition to the round-up features, the Miller Amusement company will furnish such attractions as the merry-go-round, the Ferris wheel and the usual carnival attractions.

Resolutions have been adopted by the Dallas Ministerial association and the Dallas churches protesting against the holding of the round-up on Sunday, and the city council has been asked if possible to prohibit it that day. No action has been taken by the council, however, and it is hardly possible that that body will make an attempt at this late day to close the show for Sunday afternoon.

## EXECUTIVES OF 148 RAILROADS ARE TO CONFER

Meeting Will be Held in New York Tuesday for Purpose of Considering Plans for Settling Strike

### BASIS OF POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT OFFERED

Shop Craftsmen Who Staid on Job Would Head Seniority—Old Scale Hold

### RAIL STRIKE SUMMARY

A tentative proposal to terminate the shopmen's strike was taken up at a conference between President Harding and B. M. Jewell, head of the shopmen and other shop crafts officials.

Western railway executives reiterated their intention of protecting seniority rights of the shopmen who remained at work and those that have been hired since the strike started.

Railroads centering in Chicago reported that transportation conditions were practically normal and that new employees were being hired in large numbers.

Shopmen of the Grand Trunk railroad at Montreal threatened to strike because they were asked to repair equipment of roads in the United States where shopmen were on strike.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—A meeting of executives of 148 of the major railroads of the United States will be called in New York next Tuesday to consider a plan for settling the strike now in progress. T. DeWitt Cuyler, chairman of the association of railway executives announced tonight after a conference with President Harding.

Mr. Cuyler added, however, that "no definite basis" for strike settlement was ready to be placed before the meeting. His conference with the president tonight, he said, had been devoted to a general survey of the situation.

Definite Plan Not Made  
While Mr. Cuyler was positive in his statement that the basis for proposed settlement of the strike had not been definitely drawn up, earlier reports indicated that at least a tentative plan had resulted from the conference between President Harding and leaders of the various railroad labor groups.

President Harding has made no specific request to the railroad executives, Mr. Cuyler said, when asked if the question of seniority rights had been brought forward at the conference with a view to influencing the railroads to consider their stand against returning these rights to strike shopmen.

Suggestions Are Offered  
CHICAGO, July 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—The basis of a possible settlement of the strike of some 300,000 railway shopmen was suggested by a member of the United States railroad board tonight as follows:

- 1—Shop craftsmen who remained at work to go to the head of the seniority lists, taking precedence over all those who struck.
- 2—Strikers to regain pension privileges and seniority rights but to rank below the men who remained loyal to the roads but ahead of new men taken on during the course of the strike.
- 3—New employees who have been filling places of the strikers to be kept in the service of the roads, but to take only seniority to which they are entitled by length of actual service.
- 4—Shop craftsmen who struck to return to work under the wage scale and working conditions put

Would Keep New Employees  
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## MAN OF STRAW MAY HAVE SENT HARDING WIRE

Gompers Declares J. Cleve Dean Unknown in Labor Circles—Brought Lengthy Reply from President

### FEDERATION HEAD PREDICTS STRIKE END

Conference of Chief Executive and Jewell Expected to Terminate Trouble

NEW YORK, July 27.—(By the Associated Press.)—That "a man of straw"—a fictitious personage without official standing in labor circles, sent President Harding the message which last night drew a lengthy reply from the White House, reiterating the government's position on the rail and coal strikes, was the belief expressed here today by Sam Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor.

The message to Mr. Harding predicted that "to attempt to operate the mines or the railroads by military forces or to attempt to draft men" would result in the approach of "the long predicted war between capital and labor."

It was signed "J. Cleve Dean, chairman of the railway employees' publicity association."

The president addressed a reply to the alleged author of the message, in which he said in part:

"If you mean to challenge the righteousness of free men to be protected in their lawful pursuits against interference and violence, I will be glad to join you in submitting that question to the decision of the American people."

Mr. Gompers expressed surprise that the administration should have shown such concern over the J. Cleve Dean message, as to have replied to it, especially since, the labor leader asserted, the White House apparently was "all in the dark" as to the identity of the sender or his capacity in official circles of organized labor.

"The White House called me yesterday, asking if I knew this man," said Mr. Gompers. "I told them I did not, and had no record of him as an official of American labor."

"I am positive of one thing, and that is that the author of the letter to President Harding is 'not chairman of the railway employees' publicity association. In view of the undetermined position of the man, I am surprised the president answered him."

"The longer I think about it, the more I am convinced that J. Cleve Dean was a 'straw man,' set up by interested persons for a purpose which should be plainly evident."

Mr. Gompers expressed regret that he was unable to remain in Washington today while the expected conference of B. M. Jewell with President Harding and other federal representatives was in progress.

"I feel certain that a meeting between these gentlemen at this stage of the rail strike will result in a settlement within a very few days," he declared.

## SECOND ROUND WON BY GOVERNOR WHEN MOTION OVERRULED

Contestee in Election Contest Not Required to Put up Bond—Hall's Side Asks Permission to Amend With Challenge of Further Precincts and Charge Against Catholic Clergymen—Ruling Later

Trial of the election contest proceedings filed recently on behalf of Charles Hall, defeated candidate for the Republican nomination for governor at the primary contests last May, will start in the Marion county circuit court here next Monday, according to an agreement reached late last night. Attorneys intimated that not less than two months will be required to take the testimony based on the issues now before the court.

Governor Olcott, named as contestee in the suit, won the second round in the legal battle yesterday, when Judges G. G. Bingham and Percy R. Kelly, sitting en banc, overruled a motion submitted by the contestant's attorneys in which they asked that the contestee's answer to Mr. Hall's original complaint be eliminated from the records unless he posted a bond in the amount of \$2000.

Attorney W. S. U'Ren, of counsel for the contestant, argued that his client was required to post such a bond at the time the original proceedings were filed, and that there was no good reason why the contestee should not be compelled to file a similar bond.

Judge Explains Attitude  
It was the contention of Attorney U'Ren that Governor Olcott's answer to the complaint in reality was a counter-claim in that it brought to life new issues and its language was not confined to a denial or explanation of the charges. As a result of raising new issues, Attorney U'Ren declared that the governor's answer should be considered a counter-claim and that he should be made to comply with the statutes with relation to posting a bond.

Judge Bingham said that it was his opinion that Governor Olcott simply was attempting to meet the issues, in that he was the person attacked. It was Judge Bingham's contention that the governor's answer was legitimate, and that he could not be required under the statute to post a bond.

Statute is Silent  
Judge Kelly declared that the law provides that the contestant shall file a bond, but that the statute is silent with relation to the contestee.

"In this case," said Judge Kelly, "Governor Olcott is the only person in Oregon having the qualifications of a voter who is denied by law the right to contest this election. He is not contesting the rights of the contestant, but appears in the role of a defendant. His answer is purely defensive and in my opinion is not a counter-action."

Important Ruling Monday  
The court took under advisement until Monday morning the request of the contestant's attorneys that they be allowed to amend their original complaint. In this motion the contestant set out that recent investigations had indicated irregularities in counting the votes for governor at the primary election in more than 300 precincts in the state in addition to those specified in the original complaint. These precincts, attorneys for the contestant said are located in Baker, Klamath, Morrow, Polk, Sherman, Wasco and Deschutes counties. Additional precincts in Multnomah and Clatsop counties also were included in the contestant's motion to amend the complaint.

Twenty-five Counties Involved  
The irregularities in counting the votes for governor in the 300 precincts which the contestant seeks to include in his original complaint, it was pointed out by Attorney U'Ren are similar to those set out in connection with the precincts contained in the contest proceedings at the time they were first instituted.

Including the 300 precincts set out in the contestant's motion to amend his complaint, irregularities are now charged by Mr. Hall in 25 counties of the state.

Catholics Accused  
In another proposed amendment to the complaint argued before the court today the contestant charged that prior to May 19 and during the nominating election, priests and other officers of the Roman Catholic church and its parishes, by means other than

## MEN OF NOTE SEE POULTRY AT HOSPITAL

Experts of Nation Astonished at System and Production of Birds Raised on Big Farm.

### HIGH TRIBUTE PAID TO SUPERINTENDENT

Exhibit That Cannot be Duplicated Elsewhere in World Seen Here.

"A better grove for an outdoor banquet could not be imagined—and just think, it is in a hen yard—an ideal hen yard. Conditions here are surely ideal for producing good poultry."

So spoke Roy E. Jones, of the Storrs poultry farm of Connecticut and a world authority on poultry, following a luncheon yesterday in the oak grove at Cottage farm of the state hospital for the insane.

Hospital Staff Hosts  
Dr. R. E. L. Steiner, superintendent of the state hospital, and his assistants were hosts yesterday to a group of the nation's foremost poultry experts who have been in attendance at the 14th annual convention of the American Association of Poultry Husbandry which for several days has been in session at Corvallis.

At the state hospital these famous poultrymen and what is probably the most unique and interesting exhibit of poultry in the world—a row of nine coops, each containing a hen with a record of 300 or more eggs in a year. It is said that this cannot be duplicated anywhere else in the world. Mr. Jones declared he would not have believed the story had he not come to Oregon.

Range Impresses Jones  
Mr. Jones was led to make his remark about the exhibit in a hen yard while commenting on the extent of the hospital poultry yards.

"The wideness of the range of the yards, but at the hospital and on this farm make an ideal condition for poultry," said Mr. Jones. "The small breeding flocks and the wide range given them are a very desirable condition. The same can be said of the young stock range on the farm. The breeding system is entirely new to eastern men, and the nine coops of thoroughbred hens with their wonderful records of production is a unique sight. They handled wonderfully well, and their vitality is worthy of comment."

Professor Jones "handled" the hens in a demonstration before lunch.

Colony System Praised  
He made highly favorable comment on the colony system of houses at Cottage farm and was pleased at the cooperation between Oregon Agricultural college and the hospital management whereby the same system is used at both places the state having made use of experts and experiments at the college in building up the hospital yards.

The poultry experts were accompanied to Salem by a large number of Corvallis citizens, the Chamber of Commerce there having furnished several automobiles for the trip. After the demonstration at the main hospital Superintendent Steiner led the procession of a score or more of automobiles to Cottage farm, five or six miles away. As a special treat to the visitors he led the procession through the magnificent grounds of the hospital which at this season are particularly attractive with floral beds and green lawns. The beauty of the grounds astonished the visitors.

Dryden is Toastmaster  
Following an elaborate luncheon under the oaks at Cottage farm Prof. James Dryden of O. A. C., who has the honor that makes good toastmasters, took charge of the meeting and called upon a number of the visitors for speeches. Dr. Steiner was the first called upon and told of the development of the poultry industry at the hospital, giving credit largely to Professor Dryden of the

## ROMANCE AND BOOZE JOIN HANDS; FINIS

Mystery Surrounds Woman. Two Liquor Running Ships and Sunken Craft at Sea

NEW YORK, July 27.—Romance, mysterious, plotting, the flare of rockets telling of a ship in trouble, baffled officials, a clever police deduction—all these things and more figured today in the campaign of prohibition enforcement agents against the ever-busy bootlegger.

There was a woman—an alleged sea-going bootlegger—who was "linked up with two ships which have been seized; there was a plot to substitute thousands of gallons of water for good liquor in storage here; and there was the seizure of three ships, all heavily laden with liquor—and all, it is assumed, coming from some mysterious cargo vessel which is wallowing at anchor perhaps 150 miles off New York harbor.

Early this morning, a coast guard, walking along the sandy shore at Point O'Wolf off Long Island, saw the flare of a ship's rocket. He warned his station, and the surf boat went out to a bar where the sloop "J. H. P." had rammed hard and sunk. The coast guardsmen boarded her and found her low in the water with a cargo of 1200 cases of liquor valued at \$84,000.

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## J. W. Parker is Given Temporary Court Order

J. W. Parker, operator of Parker's stage lines, was yesterday granted a temporary restraining order against the city of Silverton by the circuit court.

Parker, in a complaint filed Wednesday, declared that the city, in granting his franchise and setting the license fee at \$209, had been discriminatory in that other stage lines operating through Silverton were only assessed \$150 per year.

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## CURFEW LAW IS ENFORCED BY MOFFITT

Chief of Police Declares Youths Under 16 Must be at Home When Horn Toots

Because of the large number of boys and girls under the age of 16 years who have been in the habit of walking the streets at late hours at night, Chief of Police Moffitt has issued orders to all officers of the police department to enforce the curfew ordinance, compelling the youngsters to be off the streets before 10 o'clock.

The law, forbidding minors to visit pool halls will also be enforced, the chief declared.

## LIONS TO ROAR LOUD TONIGHT

Fifty Cubs Will Turn Off Milk Spigot and Become Kings of Jungle

At 7:30 tonight, at the Marion hotel, 50 Salem Lion cubs will officially turn off the milk spigot, taste their first blood, turn themselves into roaring Lions with long tails and manes.

A fearsome program has been prepared. Here's one of the songs of the den:

Roar-rr-Lions  
Roar-rr-Lions  
ROAR-R-RR-LIONS  
BITE 'EM! BITE 'EM! BITE 'EM!

First Real Jungle  
A genuine Lion eats to live, and not for the mere pleasure of eating. He has more important things to do, one of which is serving as a model for the rest of the world. But incidentally, he takes it kindly to sit in on a toothsome repast. The jungle food to be served on this occasion ought to make any Lion feel perfectly at home. A monkey swinging by its tail from an adjacent tree, or a no-clothes Congo man chasing a wild pig or eating white ants for supper, would hardly look more natural than this jungle bill of fare:

- Lion's Den Feast
- Split Ostrich Egg
- Cub's Porridge
- Jungle Browse
- Broiled Crocodile
- Shredded Palm Leaves
- Fricassee Hippopotamus Hide
- Pampus Roots
- Nile Grass
- Assorted Lair Grass
- Frozen Cubs' Milk with Leopard Biscuits
- Hot Nile Water, Camels Milk, Powdered Ivory

Portland Lions Coming  
About 75 Portland Lions are expected to drive down for the event, as guests of the local branch. The order itself is international in its scope. It aims

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