

# BOY SCOUTS ARE WRECKED

## SURRENDER TO REED FORCES IS COMPLETE

Opposition Democrats Decide Not to Put Independent in Field and Support Is Offered Victor.

## TEMPERANCE UNION SEEKS INVESTIGATION

With Brewster Representing Drys, Prohibition Likely To Be Issue

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 5. (By the Associated Press.)—Following state wide reports that the anti-Reed Democrats were considering placing an independent senatorial candidate in the field to oppose United States Senator James A. Reed at the general election next November, State Senator Frank Parria, one of the most ardent backers of Breckenridge Long, who was Senator Reed's opponent for the nomination at last Tuesday's primary election, tonight sent Mr. Reed a telegram assuring him of his support.

Opponents Take Medicine  
Following a conference of anti-Reed Democrats this afternoon, it was said that no action would be taken to pursue the reported movement "to put an independent Democrat" in the field in an effort to defeat United States Senator James A. Reed for re-election at the November election.

Long Shines Tight  
Long denied to The Associated Press that he had taken any part in such a move. At the same time he refused to make any comment on the outcome of Tuesday's primary, saying he was "sitting tight."

Virtually complete returns show show Reed's lead over the former third assistant secretary of state to be approximately 6000 votes.

The local branch of the women's Temperance union, which fought Senator Reed's candidacy, today asked State Attorney General Barrett to make a state-wide investigation of the Democratic senatorial primary, alleging that some precinct officials had been derelict in their duty. Mr. Barrett assured the organization that any indications of fraud would be investigated thoroughly.

Republican Opponent Dry  
With R. R. Brewster of Kansas City, the Republican candidate, a dry, indications are that prohibition will be a principal issue in the Brewster-Reed race, as Reed is a known wet.

THE WEATHER  
Washington and Oregon—Sunday fair; continued warm in the interior.

POOR POLLYANNA SHE'S JUST AN IDIOT CHILD!  
You can crash her on the crock with a 30-lb. sledge and she'll merely grin. That's evidence, of course, but the thing that really proves her crazy is that she has no radio set and still she's gloriously glad, and anybody who is happy without a radio is just naturally a nut, particularly when The Statesman is giving away receiving sets in such free-handed fashion. The conditions really make a set easier to take than a vacation.

## \$146 STOLEN FROM TILL AT DEPOT BY UNKNOWN SATURDAY

Some one, believed to be a man wearing a grey suit and with an overcoat over his arm, stole \$146 out of the till at the Oregon Electric ticket office, in the Oregon building, at 5 o'clock p. m. yesterday.

The ticket agent was called out of the office for a moment, and during that time, the office till was rifled. A report was turned in by Special Agent Ryan of the Oregon Electric force, that such a man had been seen reaching in through the window. Apparently he made his get-away before the alarm was given, or it was realized what he was doing.

The description is very meagre, so inadequate as to be a very slight clue to the identity of the thief.

## GOODING MAY ASK INQUIRY

Idaho Senator Incensed at Refusal of Senate to Adopt Resolution

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—Refused unanimous consent to bring up his resolution proposing an inquiry into the material interests, if any, of senators and others in the passage or defeat of the tariff bill, Senator Gooding, Republican, Idaho, announced today in the senate that unless he could get action he would demand a "personal investigation." He said there had been reflections on him in the senate and various newspapers, and that he was entitled to an inquiry.

Senator Gooding said he produced wheat and other agricultural products as well as wool, and added that he wanted to know whether a senator producing such articles was entitled to vote.

Early Vote Hoped For  
A final vote on the tariff before September 1 is hoped for by Republican and Democratic leaders under the operation of an unanimous consent agreement entered into today by the senate. While the agreement fixes no date for a vote, it provides for sharp curtailment of debate and disposition before next Saturday of all amendments to the more important sections of the bill still in controversy.

The agreement was entered into as a compromise and was approved in the midst of debate on the sugar schedule. Opening that debate, Senator Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, renewed discussion of the letter to Major General Crowder at Havana by Senator Gooding.

QUAKES FELT  
EUREKA, Cal., Aug. 5.—Three earth shocks were felt here tonight within a little more than two hours.

ROTARY AND ROTUND SPORTS IN TRAINING FOR BIG MEET WITH M'MINNVILLAINS' CLUB

Grand doings are brewing for the Salem-McMinnville Rotary picnic next Wednesday at Wheatland Ferry landing 12 miles north of Salem.

The Salem-McMinnville clubs will clash in all kinds of athletic contests. Fred Thielson, chairman, is planning a big program. He has sent challenges to McMinnville for a volleyball game, playground baseball, centipede races and tug-of-war and horse-shoe pitching contests.

Tom Kay, the old-time baseball star, will captain the base ball team. Playground ball will be used.

The tug-of-war, with 12 men on a side, will be one of the exciting events. Bill McGilchrist, Jr., will captain the Salem team. Chapin Uses Mulehoes  
In the horsehoe pitching contest Salem will be represented by

## HARDING AND JEWELL MAKE ANOTHER MOVE

Efforts to End Strike of Railroad Shop Craftsmen Resumed by Leaders—Conferences Held.

## WORKERS CHEERFUL FOLLOWING PARLEY

Deterioration of Railroad Equipment Presents New Difficulty

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—(By the Associated Press.)—Negotiations to end the strike of railroad shop craftsmen were resumed today by President Harding and B. M. Jewell, president of the railroad employees' department of the American Federation of Labor.

W. H. Johnston, president of the machinists, and J. P. Noonan, head of the electrical workers' brotherhood, who left the White House after an hour of conference with the chief executive, expecting to be recalled on Monday.

Strike Leaders Cheerful  
It was not disclosed whether the president had communicated again with railroad heads, whose refusal this week to grant his proposal to give returning strikers back seniority status, terminated the first settlement attempt. But the strike leaders, in cheerful mood, said after the conference that the proposals as originally outlined by the president, constituted their "irreducible minimum in seeking honorable settlement."

Likewise, H. E. Wills, J. Paul Stephens and Arthur J. Lovell, representing respectively the engineers, trainmen and engine men and firemen, three of the four brotherhood organizations, saw the president at the instance of national chiefs of these orders and of the switchmen's union and presented the possibility that grave prospects of further rail settlements were in sight unless the shop situation was straightened out.

Equipment Deteriorating  
It was understood that while they did not set up a possibility of sympathetic strikes by their membership, they declared that the conditions of railroad equipment, locomotives particularly, on many roads, was growing to be such that train crews might refuse service. No public statement of their report was made, other than that contained in the message from the brotherhood officials under which they acted in going to the White House, and nothing was given out officially. They made it plain, however, that they made no request of the president for a conference with the brotherhood chiefs.

The meeting between general chairman of shop workers on the Southern railway and operating officials, set for today, was postponed until Monday.

No Connection With Move.  
Officials of the shop unions, through informed concerning the representations made by the brotherhood representatives at the White House, declared they had no connection with the move. The claims that locomotives and rolling stock were deteriorating badly because of the shops strike was reported by the union chiefs and held up by them as the influence which would determine the strike.

Mr. Jewell and Mr. Johnston called upon Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, after the White House visit and some of the representatives of shopmen on strike in eastern territory were called

Luther Chapin, champion mule-shoe pitcher of Marion county. His partner has not been chosen. His only request is that he will be allowed to pitch mulehoes, as he is more used to handling mules.

In the Hars' contest, Charley Knowland won hands down last year, and expects to take the palm this year with ease.

In the centipede race, with 10 men straddling a pole, Salem lost last year, but is coming back stronger than ever. George Griffiths will captain the straddlers.

Charley Bishop and Dan Langenberg have consented to sing a duet, "Father's a Confederate, But He Wears a Union Suit."

Volleyball Team Selected  
Bob Paulus will captain the volleyball team. There are a

## VET MINER HERE AFTER FIFTY YEARS

First Visit to Salem in Half Century Paid by A. C. Manning, Gold Panner

A. C. Manning, aged 68 years, born in Lane county and who grew to manhood in Benton county near Monroe, came up to Salem, Saturday, for his first visit in a little more than 50 years.

"I wouldn't have known the place," he said, which perhaps no one will doubt.

Mr. Manning has been mining in southern Oregon for more than 45 years. He is reputed to be one of the most skillful gold-panners on the coast. If the gold is there, he can certainly get it. Panning gold is a good deal like running a race. Anybody can do it, but an expert can do it much better than a dabbler. There is hardly a stream of southern Oregon, ever reputed or feared to contain gold, that he has not tried.

He is today interested in some promising quartz properties in Josephine and Jackson counties. The one in Josephine, near Grants Pass, carries gold, platinum and iridium in the quartz. He has not developed it far enough to tell accurately its extent, but he believes it is the one "big thing" that he has been hunting all his life.

Mr. Manning visited Salem a half century ago, when his sister was living near Silverton. He came up this time as the guest of W. H. McElroy, farmer in charge of the Hospital farm, with whom he has been associated in some mining ventures for several years past. Mr. McElroy, returning Saturday from the south part of the state where he had been to see some mining claims in which he is interested, brought Mr. Manning home with him.

## TWO ARRESTED, LIQUOR CAUSE

W. H. Street of Route 5 Taken—Bottles Are Cached In Haymow

W. H. Street, living on route 5, at the east edge of Salem, was arrested Saturday night by Chief of Police Moffitt charged with selling intoxicating liquors. On Friday night the police raided his place, finding in the haymow of his barn a large number of pint bottles of a kind they had been gathering in from the regular soaks. But they didn't find the cache of "shine" itself. On Saturday, after Street had made a sale, they took him in.

At first he protested vehemently that he was innocent, but on being confronted by the evidence, he finally came clean with the story. He said that he had intended to stop the business, and that this would be his last sale. He put up \$100 cash bond for his appearance Monday in the municipal court.

The police have been looking for Street for a long time. He was farming over in Polk county before coming to Salem. He had been under suspicion, it was said, but had been shrewd enough to keep out of the clutches of the law until last night.

Another arrest was made last night of Walter Basster, at Liberty and Ferry streets, by Chief Moffitt and Officer George White. Basster had been using some of the stuff, the officers say, and it got him into trouble. He still had a pint bottle besides what he had imbibed, when arrested. He claimed that he had bought the stuff from a Corvallis man. He is to have a hearing in the municipal court Monday at 2 o'clock.

UNIONS INVITED  
CINCINNATI, Aug. 5.—Heads of four railroad unions not on strike were today invited to participate in a conference to be arranged with President Harding.

Strength of Contract With Association to Be Tested in Bradley Case  
A suit of much importance as affecting the legality of cooperative farm crop contracts, was filed Saturday in the circuit court. It is one in which the Willamette Valley Flax & Hemp Growers Cooperative association, asks for an injunction to restrain A. E. Bradley of Aumsville from disposing of the flax he contracted to deliver to the association, to outside buyers.

Contract Is Cited  
It is recited in the complaint that Bradley contracted to deliver the produce from 120 acres of flax to the association, on the regular contract terms as agreed upon by all the signatories to their cooperative contract. He produced about 100 tons of flax this year, which the complaint says he has threatened and threatened to sell to other buyers. The association values the crop at \$2,000, and asks that he be made legally responsible for that amount.

As was stated by Judge Bingham in a recent case relating to the delivery of berries, the delivery of produce on a cooperative contract is the essence and the life of the contract, and the flax association feels that if the industry is to prosper the deliveries must be made according to contract.

Large Quantity Coming  
The association is receiving a large quantity of flax at the Rickreall warehouse, that was built this summer on the site of the old Rickreall mill. The buildings, 50 by 150 feet in size and with 22-foot walls, has a solid concrete floor, and is an ideal storehouse. It has a capacity for about 400 tons loose flax, or 600 tons if bound in bundles. This year, most of the flax was too short to be pulled and bound. The association has one small warehouse full of bound flax at Turner but the Rickreall section did not produce much that could be harvested that way. Close to 100 tons has already come into the Rickreall warehouse. It is estimated that the entire produce of the Aumsville, Turner and Rickreall sections, where the association made contracts, will not be taken from 600 tons, worth approximately \$12,000.

## SIXTY PERSONS KILLED AND SCORES INJURED WHEN TRAINS ON MISSOURI RAILROAD CRASH

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 6.—(By The Associated Press)—More than sixty persons were killed and about 100 injured tonight when fast train No. 4 of the Missouri Pacific, en route from Fort Worth, Texas, crashed into the rear of local passenger train No. 32 at Sulphur Springs, 26 miles south of here.

Four rear coaches of the local were telescoped by the fast train and went crashing down into a ravine 90 feet below the tracks, a tangled mass of steel and wood from which came the cries of the injured and the dying.

B. A. Butler, a claim agent of the Missouri Pacific, told a doctor on one of the relief trains sent to the scene of the disaster that he estimated the dead at sixty or sixty-three and the injured at least 100.

At midnight two train loads of dead were on their way to this city, carrying also a number of the injured who could be moved.

Mr. Butler also told several of the relief physicians he had counted up to midnight 37 dead.

A troop of Boy Scouts, who were returning from their summer camp at Iron-ton, Missouri, was one of the coaches. Most of the Boy Scouts were from towns located in the vicinity of the disaster, and a few from St. Louis.

The names of the dead are not known and many are said to have been so badly mangled that identification would be almost impossible.

Relief trains from here, Poplar Bluff and Desoto were sent to the scene of the wreck, carrying all physicians available from the towns and cities along the route. The relief train from Poplar Bluff was manned by union men now on strike, who offered their services when the report of the disaster reached that town.

Because of the confusion and the debris, the relief work was greatly hindered and only slowly could the injured be taken from the wreckage. Among the first of the dead to be taken from the demolished coaches were the Rev. V. O. Penley of Desoto, Mo.; Miss Irene Moon of Frestus, Mo.; and Engineer Glenn.

One of the coaches was thrown into a creek which runs along the track. The coach was completely demolished. The fast train was en route from Fort Worth, Texas, and the local from Poplar Bluff.

According to the report of the conductor of the relief train sent from here, the scene of the wreck "resembled a battle field."

The engineer of the fast train, it was said, had received an order as his train passed through Riverside, a flag station, several miles south of Sulphur Springs. It was said he was reading the order when his train passed the block signal and he inadvertently overlooked the signal.

An Associated Press correspondent found a confused and horror-stricken village looking on in dumb amazement as the cries came up from the debris of the coaches, scattered along the track and piled up in the ravine about 50 feet below the tracks.

Doctors in shirtsleeves, railroad men in their blue overalls, aided by citizens from the small village, made every effort in extricating the victims of the disaster from the wrecked coaches to give first aid to those whom it would benefit.

Some Passengers Drowned  
Steel coaches of the express special splintered the wooden coaches of the accommodation as it plowed its way through the wooden coaches of the accommodation from the rear, dumping passengers and debris over a quarter of a mile area and tearing up the roadbed, twisting rails into a tangled mass.

Passengers in the coach which rolled down the embankment into the creek were reported drowned as they were pinned beneath the wreckage.

Boy Scouts Work Hard  
A few Boy Scouts who miraculously escaped, rushed to the aid of the injured and worked frantically to assist their less fortunate companions.

The local was composed of seven coaches while the fast train consisted of 12.

Scalding steam from the engine of the flyer, which was ditched, escaped into the wooden coaches it had splintered, cooking victims in the wrecked cars. Axes and picks from the emergency kits aboard the flyer and from equipment of the Boy Scouts were put to heroic use by passengers who were pinned under the wreckage.

Eighty-one persons have signed for the trip.

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31 FIRES ARE SEEN IN LANE

Airplane Flights Yesterday Reveal Bad Blazes in Timbered Areas

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 5.—Thirty-one forest fires were sighted by Lieutenant Naughtan, in western Lane county today and Carl V. O. Giesby, supervisory warden of the Western Lane Fire Patrol association, in an airplane flight over that section.

One of the new fires sighted by them is in the vicinity of Roman Nose mountain and it covers 400 acres; another one in the vicinity of Beecher rock covers 140 acres.

Mazamas at Eugene Ready for Mount Climbing Trip

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 5.—A large number of members of the Mazamas, mountain climbing club, arrived in Eugene tonight from Portland and other parts of Oregon for their annual outing. They will ascend the Three Sisters mountains, 100 miles east of Eugene, each of which is more than 10,000 feet high, besides a number of other lofty peaks in that locality. Thirteen Eugene people will join them here tomorrow morning. Eighty-one persons have signed for the trip.

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