

RAILROADS' CONCESSIONS ACTUATED BY PATRIOTISM, DEFINITELY AVOID STRIKE

ALL OF DEMANDS ARE ACCEDED TO.

ACTION IS PROMISED

No Proposal Made Acceptable to Both Sides, Until Committee Makes Adamson Law the Basis for Settlement.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) NEW YORK, March 19.—The railroads have met the fullest demands of the Adamson eight hour law, and have definitely avoided the threatened strike.

The mediation committee issued the following statement this morning: "We desire to express our appreciation of the patriotic action of the railroad manager's committee in putting beyond the peradventure of possibility a nation-wide railroad strike. The railroads have met the demands of the Adamson law, this concession being secured as the culmination of two days' negotiations."

FRENCH OCCUPYING MANY POINTS IN WEST

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) PARIS, March 19.—The French troops occupied 100 towns and villages on the western front during the last three days, it was announced here today.

DEMobilIZATION OF MILITIA CONTINUES

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 19.—Demobilization of the militia will continue in spite of international developments, the War Department announced today.

MILL CLOSING AFFECTS FEW

MANY AT THE BROOKS-SCANLON PLANT ARE PUT AT OTHER WORK—MARRIED MEN KEPT IN LOGGING CAMPS.

Although the Brooks-Scanlon sawmill closed down today for a three weeks' overhauling, a comparatively small number of the employees will be thrown out of work, it was ascertained today.

In the woods, logging is still going on, the company retaining men who have families to support.

RETREAT OF GERMANS BECOMES PRECIPITATE

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES, March 19.—The German retreat along a 13 mile front from Chaulnes to the Oise, is precipitate. The retreat compares with that from Marne, and many prisoners have been taken by the pursuing French forces.

BEND PROMINENT IN PUBLIC EYE

LARGE NUMBER OF INQUIRIES AS TO RESOURCES AND CONDITIONS HERE ARE SENT IN TO THE COMMERCIAL CLUB.

That Bend is constantly in the public eye is shown in a report compiled by Commercial Club Manager H. J. Overturf, giving the amount of correspondence handled through his office for February and a part of January. Three hundred and thirteen letters on different phases of community activity were received during this time, he reported.

The following itemization was made: Requests for literature, 46; inquiries regarding business locations, 21; inquiries regarding farm lands and homesteads, 43; inquiries regarding Bend schools, three; inquiries regarding the location of industries, eight; regarding labor conditions, 15; regarding public library, eight; in connection with the Strahorn right of way work, 59; matters taken up with the county agriculturalist, nine; regarding road work, six; irrigation matters, seven; miscellaneous, 59; replies to bulletins sent out by the Portland Chamber of Commerce, 29.

MANY SEEK PLACES IN CITY'S SCHOOLS

More Than 150 New Applications Received, to Be Passed On by Directors Next Thursday.

With more than 150 new applications for teaching positions in Bend on file, the local school board will have a wide field to choose from when the members meet Thursday night to elect a teaching staff for the coming school year.

UTAH COURTS UPHELD

Power Companies Must Pay for Use of Government Land, Decided.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 19.—The supreme court today upheld decisions of the Utah courts enjoining power companies from operating on government land without paying the rates prescribed by recent laws.

PUSH BUILDING PLANS

Definite Outline of Gym Cost Expected to Be Made Tomorrow.

Another meeting of the building committee of the Bend Athletic club was held this afternoon, with still another scheduled for this evening. The committee hopes to be able to submit definite figures and plans at the general meeting to be held at the Emblem club tomorrow night.

The gathering Tuesday evening is for the general public, and a large turnout is desired.

LOSS OF SHIPS STARTS ACTION

HUGE EXPENDITURE IS DIRECTED.

President Authorizes Speeding Up of Ship Building Program—Fate of 24 Men in Doubt—Nine May Be German Prisoners.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) WASHINGTON, D. C., March 19.—President Wilson today authorized Secretary of the Navy Daniels to use the \$115,000,000 appropriation to speed up the ship building program. The action is held to be closely connected with the sinking of the three American steamers by German submarines, and followed an hour's conference between the President and Secretary Daniels.

Officials predicted today that President Wilson will immediately announce the course of action which he intends to take as the result of Germany's latest affront on the high seas, the sinking of three American steamers. Some believed that he would call a session of Congress for an immediate consultation, while others believed that he might empower the Navy Department to use the emergency fund to pursue a more aggressive policy of ship protection.

Secretary of State Lansing conferred with the President this morning over Consul Frost's reports of the sinking of the American steamers. "The situation is too serious to discuss," was Secretary Lansing's statement afterwards.

Ship's Papers Found. A cable received from Consul Frost at Queenstown, conveyed the fear that Captain Borum, and nine seamen from the American freighter Memphis are prisoners aboard a German submarine. The captain's boat was found this morning with every evidence of having been hastily abandoned. The ship's papers were found in a biscuit tin in the bow.

24 MISSING ARE LISTED

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) LONDON, March 19.—American consular reports today showed 24 men missing from the three American steamers. Captain Borum, four Americans and four foreigners from the steamer City of Memphis, and 15 men from the steamer Vigilancia are among the missing.

The crew of the tanking steamer Illinois were saved.

BEND IS CENTER OF ROADS MOVE

LAURGAARD DELEGATES WORK BOOSTING FOR \$6,000,000 ROAD BOND ISSUE TO LOCAL COMMERCIAL CLUB.

That Bend will be made the headquarters for the publicity campaign to be conducted through Central Oregon for the \$6,000,000 road bond issue, was the intelligence brought back to Bend by Fred N. Wallace and H. J. Overturf, who were in Portland Saturday attending the meeting of the legislative publicity committee. At the meeting, the state was divided into groups of counties, to facilitate the publicity work, and Representative O. Laurgaard, because of his knowledge of this section, was given charge of the greater portion of the Central Oregon district.

In turn, Mr. Laurgaard delegated the work to the Bend Commercial club, making this city the headquarters for good roads boosting in Central Oregon.

As a side issue on the road question, a communication has been received by the Commercial club, asking that representatives of the club and of the county court be in Portland on March 31 to attend a meeting of the Northwest Tourist association, in regard to the expenditure of the \$45,000 appropriation to be devoted to tourist advertising.

OPENING OF INN GRAND SUCCESS

HUNDREDS TAKE PART IN FESTIVITIES.

Dining Room at Pilot Butte Twice Filled to Capacity—Forbes Honored for Work in Salem—Strahorn Tells Plans.

Festivities which did not come to a close until after 4 o'clock Sunday morning, marked the formal opening of the new Pilot Butte Inn, beginning 12 hours before. Decorations of flowers and potted plants, with beautiful floral pieces presented by prominent hotels in the northwest, added to the beauty of the spacious hotel rooms. Hundreds of guests were present, the dining room being twice filled to capacity from 6 to 10 o'clock in the evening, while at least 100 couples took part in the dancing which followed.

Forbes is Honored. During the course of the evening, A. Whisnant called for silence and announced that the occasion had been chosen as appropriate for the presentation of a gift to a Bend citizen. Continuing, Mr. Whisnant told of his observations when in Salem last winter and of how Representative V. A. Forbes, of Bend, pushed House bill 63 through by organizing the House in committee of the whole and obtaining the substitution of section after section preferred by him to the bill which had already passed.

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According to Mr. Boyd, an eye witness of the affair, the accident was unavoidable. Mr. Boyd's auto was stopped in the middle of the road, and to pass, Mr. Saye was forced to turn to the left, going at a low rate of speed. At that instant, Mrs. Tweet called from the house to her daughter, and the child stepped directly into the path of the oncoming machine. She was struck on the head by the fender, and hit by the wheel as she was thrust to one side.

Mr. Saye stopped the car within eight feet, and a friend riding in the car jumped out and picked up the child. Mr. Saye immediately speeded off in his auto, returning with a physician.

STAGE SET FOR MATCH TONIGHT

RECORD CROWD EXPECTED TO WITNESS GEORGE-BURNS CONTEST AT HIPPODROME—PRELIMINARIES WILL BE FAST.

Groomed like race horses, and as confident as the reports given out by political managers before the day of election, Billy George, weighing 158 pounds, and Farmer Burns, holder of the light-heavyweight championship of the Pacific coast, weight 173, will step upon the canvas floor tonight at the Hippodrome in what promises to be the hardest ring contest ever seen in Bend.

Both men are confident. Burns figures that he is a better man than any of the opponents who have met George since he came here, and believes that he is sufficiently acclimated to meet the handicap of altitude which has proved to be a stumbling block to several of George's adversaries.

Not a small amount of comment has come up over the Schoel-Gilbert go, which is expected to be the fastest preliminary match ever staged in Bend. Fans are expecting Schoel to uncover everything he has or anything that he may have been holding back in former goes here. Gilbert, it is said, has been training more vigorously for this match than any other he has engaged in under local cover. Gilbert is still the popular favorite in local boxing circles.

The Hoke-Bikeright go also promises to develop some spectacular features in ring circles. Both men have been working out hard for the go. Little is known of Bikeright as a mite performer.

Indications are that the crowd will be a record breaker and the Bend Athletic club management has made sufficient seating accommodations for a big gathering at tonight's matches. Special seating arrangements have been made for ladies, according to Manager W. L. Doudlah.

ADAMSON EIGHT HOUR LAW DECLARED CONSTITUTIONAL BY SUPREME COURT BALLOT

WILL CONGRATULATE THE RUSSIAN DUMA

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) LONDON, March 19.—Premier Lloyd George indicated today that he will move Thursday that the British government congratulate the Russian Duma on the establishment of the new regime. He characterized the revolution as "One of the landmarks in the world's history."

BABY GIRL IS HURT BY AUTO

LITTLE DAUGHTER OF THEODORE TWEET BADLY INJURED, BUT WILL RECOVER—ACCIDENT UNAVOIDABLE.

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EXPRESS DELIVERY FOR CITY NEARING

Defining of Limits Will First Go Through Public Service Commission, Causing Delay.

The promise of early action in regard to the starting of a city delivery and pick-up service by the American Express company, is contained in a letter received this morning by H. J. Overturf, secretary of the Bend Commercial club. The letter was written by G. B. Viets, superintendent of the Oregon-Washington division of the company.

Mr. Viets states in his letter that while the matter is being pushed, it will be difficult to fix the date at which the new service will start, as the matter of the limits of the district in which the delivery will be made, must first be submitted to the Public Service Commission and passed on favorably by that body. This, he intimated, might take from 30 to 60 days.

MUSTERING OUT IN CHICAGO IS STOPPED

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) CHICAGO, March 19.—Mustering out of militiamen through the central military department has been ordered discontinued, it was admitted here at headquarters today.

BRITISH DESTROYER IS SUNK BY GERMANS

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) LONDON, March 19.—German destroyers sank a British destroyer in the straits of Dover yesterday, and torpedoed a second, the admiralty announced today. The second vessel was not seriously damaged.

SIX JUSTICES BACK THE MEASURE.

PRECEDENT IS MADE

Right of Congress to Legislate on Wage Questions Allowed—Validity of Measure in Doubt Since the Last of August.

(By United Press to the Bend Bulletin) WASHINGTON, March 19.—The supreme court this afternoon held the Adamson eight hour law constitutional, by a decision of six to three, Justices Day, Pitney, and Vandevanter dissenting. The opinion said: "There was authority begotten of public interest," in Congress passing the law. It was held that Congress has the right to legislate wages, and formally reversed the decision of Judge Hook, of Kansas City, Chief Justice White, and Justices Holmes, McReynolds, Brandeis, Clark and McKenna signed the majority opinion.

Case Long Drawn Out. "The railroads' attack on the Adamson measure declared it was "not a regulation of commerce," not the result of legislative judgment but an experiment "whose success would be determined by future investigation, and as depriving the railroad of its liberty to make contracts and its property without due process of law." They held it to be a wage measure, which Congress "had no right to enact" under the constitution.

The government contended the law was not a wage law, but an hours-of-service act; and that, even if it was a wage measure Congress had the right to pass it under the commerce clause of the constitution.

The case had its inception when Congress passed a law late last August, when railroad brotherhoods threatened to tie up the nation's railroads, declaring eight hours to be a standard day's work and providing that pro rata overtime should be paid for work done after the first eight hours. This section formed the real basis of attack for the railroads.

Strike Averted. On March 29, 1916, the four brotherhoods—the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Order of Railway Conductors, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and

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EXPERTS NAMED TO PROBE LEAK

H. M. PARK AND J. P. NEWELL APPOINTED BY DESERT LAND BOARD TO SOLVE TUMALO IRRIGATION PROBLEM.

SALEM, March 19.—To ascertain the cause of the leak in the Tumalo irrigation reservoir, H. M. Park, of the State Bureau of Mines, and J. P. Newell, of Portland, have been named by the Desert Land Board. Mr. Newell is to receive \$25 a day and expenses, while actually employed in the investigation, while Mr. Park agrees to make the preliminary geological survey of about 30 days for \$450, to pay the expenses of himself and the surveying party.

The board agreed to enter all new contracts for sale of lands on the Tumalo project under the law which passed the last legislature, carrying an emergency clause. Under the new law, contracts are to run for 20 years instead of 10, and interest is to be paid at the rate of five instead of six per cent.