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SENATORS TRY TO SOLVE U. S. TRANS. PUZZLE

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE PICKS UP TANGLED THREADS OF RAILROAD WAGE AND FREIGHT CONTROVERSIES.

By H. K. REYNOLDS
WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 14.—

Members of the senate interstate commerce committee gathered around a big mahogany table at the capitol today and again prepared to solve America's transportation puzzle.

Having collected more than a thousand printed pages of testimony in an effort to find a remedy for the ills of the steam lines by listening to the diagnosis of the leading railroad executives of the country, the committee picked up the tangled threads of an investigation launched early in May and began the examination of officials and representatives of the railway labor organizations.

Senator Albert B. Cummins, republican, of Iowa, chairman of the committee and one of the framers of the much-discussed Esch-Cummins act, which released the carriers from federal control and returned them to their owners, hopes that the last lap of the inquiry into the troubles of the roads may be completed within a month, but admits that it may take longer.

The interstate commerce committee was directed, under the Cummins resolution proposing the investigation, to find a means of bringing about a condition that would warrant the interstate commerce commission in reducing freight rates and passenger fares. This was the principal reason for the investigation, although the committee was authorized to make a comprehensive study of the conditions of the carriers both during and after the period of federal control.

When the committee suspended its hearings on July 1 only the railroad executives and large owners of railroad securities had been given an opportunity to testify, but it had been generally understood that the inquiry would be resumed at a later date, when the senate investigators would go more fully into the railroad muddle by hearing labor's side of the story.

The first witness scheduled to appear before the committee is Frank J. Warne, statistician for the four transportation brotherhoods. Warne will be followed by other representatives of railroad labor, and it is expected that hearings will also be granted to W. S. Stone, grand chief engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, and W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

During the committee's recess a definite plan for the relief of the railroads was presented to congress. This is the administration's proposal authorizing the sale of railroad securities now held by the railroad administration, the money thus made available to be used in funding the indebtedness of the carriers to the United States to the extent of \$500,000,000. A bill for this purpose has already passed the house and now is pending in the senate. The measure has encountered stiff opposition from railroad labor organizations, which believe that the government should not extend further financial favors to the steam lines.

President Harding insists, however, that this measure—the Winslow-Townsend bill—be passed during the present session of congress as the only means of pulling the railroads out of a financial bog, and it is likely that the administration's backing will result in favorable action in the near future.

Holdup Man Of Siskiyou Killed In State Prison

David Barks, sentenced to serve twelve years in the state prison from this county for the holdup of three hobo kids on a Southern Pacific freight train in the Siskiyou a year ago, was killed almost instantly Tuesday afternoon while working in the prison flax factory. His clothing caught in a revolving shaft while working around some machinery, and he was killed before the machinery could be stopped. He was 33 years old and had a wife and little boy and a sister living in Polk county.

Barks was sentenced to twelve years and his two companions, Clarence McDade and Clarence McGlown, sentenced to eleven and ten years, respectively, by Judge Calkins. Barks was employed as a brakeman out of Ashland south, and the evidence showed that he plotted and held up transient youths while they were riding over the Siskiyou in a box car.

W. C. T. U. HOLD SOCIAL AND BUSINESS MEETING

The W. C. T. U. met Tuesday afternoon at the home of the president, Mrs. Luella Stearns, 212 Pine street. The meeting combined a social and business meeting in one. After the business session an impromptu program was given. Mrs. Wilshire favored the ladies with a reading, "The Inventor's Wife." The hostess, Mrs. Stearns, served dainty refreshments that were enjoyed by all. Those present were: Mesdames Hatch, Roland, Powell, Wilcox, M. J. Sherman, Elizabeth Smith, Obenchain, Wilshire, McCoy, Mary Lewis, Moore, James, Pervis, E. White, L. Stearns and Miss Benedict.

GEN. WOOD TAKES PLACE AS GOVERNOR PHILIPPINE ISLANDS



GEN. LEONARD WOOD

MANILA, Oct. 15.—Major General Leonard Wood, in the presence of 35,000 persons, took the oath of governor general of the Philippine islands today.

The ceremony occurred directly after the general and his party disembarked from the cruiser New Orleans, which brought him here from China.

Prominent speakers and educators from the Oregon Agricultural college and the State university will be present at the Jackson county teachers' institute to open at the local high school Monday and continue until Wednesday, inclusive. The Monday session will open at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

The opening address will be made by G. A. Briscoe, city superintendent of schools. Other speakers of the day will be W. M. Smith and S. Teuscher, Jr. The public is especially urged by the teachers to attend the lecture on "Marriage and Divorce in Relation to the Schools" in the afternoon.

\$18,000 Bond Election Called For November 2

DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF TESTIFIES MOONSHINE CASE

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 15.—Pictur-

esque witnesses, among them Sheriff R. W. Starmer, of Douglas county, a central figure in the Dr. R. M. Brumfield murder case now under way at Roseburg, testified in the federal court Thursday afternoon and yesterday morning in the trial of John Isson, an ex-special game warden, and C. A. Brumfield, a farmer. Sheriff Starmer is a vital witness in the Brumfield murder, which was committed in the territory he officially guards, and an important witness in the federal court here. He was the arresting officer.

On his first appearance on the stand Sheriff Starmer testified that there was a stovepipe running out of the still house, located on the ranch of Sam M. Welleck, a co-defendant, who turned state's evidence. Welleck testified there was no pipe running through the roof.

Sheriff Starmer requested the privilege of qualifying his testimony, which was granted. He was called to the stand and testified that there was no stovepipe, and that he had been so busy that he overlooked the detail, but that he wanted the jury to understand it correctly.

The attorney for the defense asked Sheriff Starmer if his return to the stand was not for the purpose of making his testimony agree with that of Welleck, which he denied. "You are sure you have not made a mistake about finding the still?" asked the defense attorney.

Government Sustained
This line of questioning brought forth a strenuous objection from the government's attorney, which was sustained. The sheriff has been kept on the jump between the Brumfield moonshine case and the Brumfield murder case in Roseburg, the principals being only of the same name in the same locality.

Humor found its way into the dignified session. Gunner Joisen, a young man of 26 years and Scandinavian extraction, was a smiling witness for the government. He testified he and Frank Carlson went to a feed barn near the farm rented by Brumfield "to find a bottle," and instead found a small still hid under the straw. They took the still up to his house and showed it to his folks and then returned it to its hiding place.

Asked why he entered the feed barn, Joisen said, "We wanted to play a yoke on dem fellers." He admitted he and Carlson were on a sort of reconnoitering expedition for booze. He said he had heard there were stills in that part of Douglas county, but he had never seen any of them.

He Is Passed
W. H. Long, a native of Douglas county, used the word "lie" in denying the intimation that he and his mother and the defendant Brumfield had quarreled over a lease to land, and said: "Mr. Brumfield and I are as good friends as two men can be."

He said he saw Isson while he was working in a strawberry patch, and that the special game warden called him to the fence and asked for some smoking tobacco. While thus engaged, he saw Welleck driving toward them in a wagon and remarked:

"Here comes another man who will be out of tobacco."
"Sure enough," continued Long, "Welleck drove up and said 'Hello, Bill, give me a pipeful of tobacco.'"

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Haz Kik

Many people ask the question, "Why trade at home?" but very few trouble to seek the answer. Why should people patronize Ashland merchants?

Because it is a great saving of time, and time today represents money.

Because the Ashland merchant can only remain in business through the patronage of Ashland people, and a town without merchants would be a sorry place in which to live.

Because the Ashland merchants sell goods that do not have to be returned because of defects or inferiority of quality. It is the only way in which a local man can hold his trade.

Because the Ashland merchant is not in the habit of charging excessive prices.
You may at times be able to get the same article elsewhere for a little less money, but the quality will invariably be reduced in proportion to the price. The local merchant cannot afford to sell "cheap" stuff. His customers would not tolerate it.

Because the prosperity of a community depends upon the amount of money in circulation in the community, and that is regulated mainly by the marketing of surplus products abroad and the keeping of as much as possible of the receipts at home.

Because a community that spends most of its money abroad for supplies soon finds that it has but little left for the purchase of additional supplies.

It is so simple a child could understand it, and what a child can comprehend should not go unheeded by adults.

Think it over.
Thinking may accomplish much good. It certainly will do no harm.
HAZ KIK.

SHERIFF TO SUPPLY TEMPORARY LICENSE PLATES FOR AUTOS

Following a suggestion of Representative Benjamin C. Sheldon, of Medford, Secretary of State Kozler has authorized Sheriff Terrill to deputize Medford and Ashland authorities to supply temporary license plates for automobiles. Representative Sheldon has written to the Ashland chamber of commerce suggesting that the matter be taken up with the local police, John H. Fuller, secretary of the chamber of commerce, stated this morning that he would bring the matter to the attention of local authorities. Part of Representative Sheldon's letter follows:

Under a law passed by the last legislature, the purchaser of an automobile must secure a "temporary license" and carry the same on his car pending the receipt from the secretary of state's office of the permanent license tag.

Secretary of State Kozler sent a supply of these temporary license plates to Sheriff Terrill for the use

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COUNCIL WILL FRAME BUDGET FOR NEXT YEAR

Ashland voters will pass judgment on the city's potential bond issue of \$18,000 November 2. Resolutions providing for the coming bond election were passed yesterday evening at an adjourned meeting of the city council after William Briggs, city attorney, had engineered the proper legal steps to be taken.

The bond issue will be supplementary to the \$45,337 in bonds, both refunding and improvement bonds of the first issue, sold at auction Wednesday morning of this week, a full account of which sale was published in The Tidings on the same day. The total bond issuance of \$63,337 is for the purpose of paying existing indebtedness of the city.

The bond election will be the culmination of plans that have developed in the council meetings of the past several weeks.

An amendment to the city charter provides that in the case of special elections, two wards only may be used as polling places. Ward No. 1 will be located at the city hall and will be in charge of A. E. Kinney, Mrs. Josephine Crocker and Mrs. William Briggs. The judges for the Second ward are W. H. Gowdy, G. W. Trefren and O. Winter.

To Frame Budget
In accordance with a recently passed state law, the city council appointed seven freeholders not connected with a municipal corporation to act with the council as a committee for the framing of the city's budget of expenditures for the coming year. The law provides that the heads of the various city departments must submit figures showing the cost of the maintaining and operating of their departments for a period of the past three years and a half, such figures to be used as a basis for determining the budget, which must not be in excess of 6 per cent higher than the expenses for the past year. The council may, however, levy any amount it deems necessary to take care of interest on bonds. The report will be submitted by the committee at the next meeting of the council on November 1.

The budget made by the city for last year amounted to \$52,581.26. Of that amount \$23,533.56 was used to pay interest on bonds.

Members of the committee appointed to act with the council in arranging the budget are: J. H. McGee, W. A. Patrick, W. M. Barber, William Loomis, B. M. Shoudy, Fred Wagner and C. C. Wisenburger.

The winter fair was allowed \$200 from the city's publicity fund by the city dads after listening to a plea made by John H. Fuller, secretary of the chamber of commerce, asking that \$300 be given "to match" the amount allowed by the county court. The city dads favored the allowance, but the publicity fund, from which the money would have to be taken, amounted to less than \$300. It was intimated, however, by the council that, in case of a deficit for the fair, the city might "help out" in that respect.

In making his request of the council, Mr. Fuller stated a great deal of interest in the fair had been aroused among the young ranchmen near Ashland and Talent. He stated that it was the plan to make Ashland the central location in southern Oregon for pure-bred livestock raising.

According to Mr. Fuller's statement

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High Type of Men Attend the Oregon University

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Oct. 14.—A higher type of man attends the University of Oregon than at Columbia university, said H. A. Scott, head of the physical education department for men.

This fact was brought to light within the past few days when men have been enrolling for athletic and gymnasium work. The Oregon men are more regular in size than the eastern men, with very few extremely over or under developed.

The paucity of unusually fat men here is in distinct contrast with Columbia and other eastern colleges, said Mr. Scott.

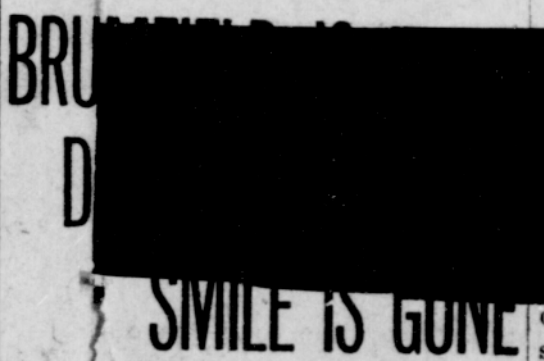
The reason for the better physique of western men is that most of them are working their way through college, according to Mr. Scott. Instead of idling about the beaches and summer resorts during vacation, the young men in this part of the country generally work.

The hardness of the pioneers who crossed the plains has been inherited by the young men of today in the west and Mr. Scott believes this is another reason for their physical superiority.

HOLD DEMONSTRATION OF KERR PRODUCTS HERE

The housewives of Ashland will be glad to know that a demonstration of the famous Kerr cereals and flour has been arranged for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at H. P. Holmes' and H. P. Plummer's groceries, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Square Deal grocery and Knapp's grocery, and on Monday, October 24, at the East Side grocery. The demonstration of this well-known product will be held all day long at these stores each day and a cordial invitation is extended to all local and out-of-town people to attend.

Kerr products have already been established in this section and the present demonstration has been arranged to convince those who are not already users of this brand of flour and cereals of their superior quality.



ROSEBURG, Or., Oct. 15.—With his face haggard and solemn, Dr. R. M. Brumfield, accused of the murder of Dennis Russell, was a dejected figure in the court room today. He appears to be ten years older than when the trial opened. He formerly laughed and joked with his family while in the court room, but now he sits pale, nervous and tense. His eyes have lost their bold stare and he now sits with his head bent, avoiding all the gaze of everybody in the court room.

The defense offered testimony today in the hope of establishing the dentist's insanity. Mrs. Jane Brown, Brumfield's sister-in-law, said the defendant prior to the alleged murder, offended her by strange actions. "He called me a little girl," testified Mrs. Brown, who is 60 years old.

Mrs. L. S. Taylor testified when she went into Brumfield's office the dentist told her he couldn't work on her teeth because he had spells of blindness.

Other witnesses stated that the dentist acted strangely in his office and that he had staggering spells and pains in his eyes, slammed the doors and whistled.

Crops are being marketed in an orderly, rapid manner and liquidation of debt is taking place.

Albany's new cleanser factory opens soon, employing twenty-five men.

WE'RE GOING OUT ASSERTION OF PRES. LEE

COUNTRY THREATENED WITH NATION-WIDE STRIKE OCTOBER 30; RAILROAD LABOR LEADER STRONG FOR FINISH FIGHT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—News that the railroad brotherhood chiefs at Chicago have countenanced the nation-wide strike for October 30 aroused official Washington to action today.

Within an hour after Chicago dispatches reached the White House it was announced that President Harding had summoned the members of the labor board to Washington for a conference.

The president personally conducted the members of the public group of railway labor board to the offices of the interstate commerce commission and after spending ten minutes with them, walked back to the White House with them. After being closeted together for an hour, the conference adjourned for lunch.

To all outward appearances, the president shut the two commissions together in the room and asked them to work out a solution of the freight rate and wage controversy which has brought the nation to a situation where it is trembling on the verge of a disastrous railway strike.

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—"We're going out on the greatest railroad strike the country has ever known; nothing can prevent it now," declared President Lee, of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, as fifty general chairmen of various railway committees convened to discuss their action regarding the railroad



defiance of their threat against the wage reductions. Proposal of the railway expert for the immediate 10 per cent reduction of wages was resolutely rejected by the crisis, President Lee

a fight to a finish for life or death of our organization," he asserted. "Perhaps it's a fight to the death, but we're not going into it blindly."

PRESBYTERY OF SOUTHERN OREGON HELD AT ROGUE RIVER

The fall meeting of the presbytery of southern Oregon was held on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Rogue River church, attended by Presbyterial ministers and elders from Rogue River valley, Klamath Falls and churches as far north as Roseburg and Oakland.

Rev. Aaro Wolfe, pastor of the Rogue River church, was chosen mediator of the presbytery for the ensuing six months, to succeed Rev. E. W. Warrington, of Roseburg, who has just been called to Corvallis to become Y. M. C. A. secretary at the O. A. C. Rev. L. B. Quick, recently pastor of the Calvary Presbyterian church of Portland, will succeed Rev. Warrington at Roseburg. He supplied the Roseburg church for about a year, during Mr. Warrington's absence overseas in "Y" work during the war, and so is already well known to the Roseburg people. The Roseburg church and the entire presbytery are very sorry to lose Mr. Warrington from the work in southern Oregon, where his work has been notably successful.

Joseph W. Angell, pastor of the Fleenix church, was elected stated clerk and treasurer of the presbytery to complete the three-year term

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