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## HOPE VANISHING OF RAIL STRIKE BEING SETTLED

### EASTERN RAILWAY EXECUTIVES FORCE COLLAPSE OF JOINT CONFERENCE

Seniority Rights Blocks Possibility Of Any Agreement Being Reached On Which to Base a Settlement—Individual Roads May Act.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—The negotiations of the "Willard group" of railway executives, representing 52 American railroads and the chiefs of five railroad brotherhoods, for settlement of the railway strike, have collapsed, it was officially announced today.

A statement telling of the breakdown of the negotiations was issued by a subcommittee of five railway executives, representing the Association of Railway Executives.

In the statement the break-down is attributed to the fact that the unions represented in the conference were a unit in demanding recognition of the seniority rights of the shopmen, and as they were immovable on this point, failure of the conference was foreseen from the start. The railroads were willing to concede the mooted point of letting shop work out on contract, but it was deemed manifestly unfair to ask them to withdraw protection from the men who had stood by them during the strike and to whom was due the fact that the entire industry of the nation had not broken down.

The heads of the unions, however, have not by any means abandoned hope of settlement, as many roads, particularly the western organizations, are anxious to enter into separate agreements in order that normal transcontinental traffic may be resumed.

Despite the failure of the negotiations, Bert Jewell, leader of the striking shopmen, signified his intention of calling together a committee of 90 general chairmen of the shop crafts unions, to give further consideration to the question of separate agreements with the roads that are willing to settle on the basis of recognition of seniority rights.

Jewell issued a statement on behalf of the shopmen, putting the blame for the breakdown upon the executives, saying: "The conferences have shown that the group of roads that have been conferring, will at present, make no concessions. They stand firm on the position of the Association of Railway Executives, which refuses seniority rights."

## MRS. J. M. CLYDE PASSES AWAY AT HER HOME TODAY

Mrs. Jemima M. Clyde died at her home on Manzanita street early today, following a lingering illness of several weeks. She was 80 years old and has lived in Ashland the greater part of the time for the past 40 years. A wide circle of acquaintances here will mourn her death.

As far as is known she had no living blood relations, and her only living kin is a distant relative of her dead husband, who has always been very close to her—Albert Liggett, who is connected with a bond firm in Portland.

Mrs. Clyde was a member of the Phoenix Presbyterian church, of which her husband was pastor for a number of years and was in regular attendance there as long as her health would permit of her going that distance.

Funeral arrangements will not be completed until the arrival of Mr. Leggett from Portland tomorrow.

### IRENE CASTLE HURT WHEN HORSE FALLS

ITHACA, N. Y., Aug. 25.—Irene Castle (Mrs. Robert T. Tremaine) the famous dancer, was seriously injured here when the horse she was riding failed to take a jump and fell. Her right collar bone was broken, and she was badly bruised.

### HINDU WANTS \$1000 FOR LOSS OF HIS EAR

MARYSVILLE, Calif., Aug. 25.—The prevailing market price for human ears as gustatory delicacies is \$1000 each, according to Kishan Singh, Hindu, who is suing Santa Singh, another Hindu, for that sum for the loss of one ear which he charges Singh bit off.

The ear was not served at a dinner, but taken from Kishan Singh by force during a fight with Santa Singh. Medical treatment necessary after the struggle cost \$25 and Kishan Singh prays the court to order the ear-biting Santa Singh to pay this amount also.

## ASHLAND LEADS FOR CUCUMBERS IN ALL OREGON

The battle is on, with Ashland having a good strong lead in the involuntary cucumber contest, which is sweeping over Oregon. Albany started the ball rolling with a pretty fair-sized product that measured eight and three-quarters inches in circumference, was nine and a quarter inches long and weighed one pound and seven ounces. This was considered pretty good going, until George Tavener showed up with one that put the Albany product in the shade. The specimen which he submitted tipped the scales at two and a half pounds, measured 11 inches in length and in circumference was 1 1/2 inches.

It was expected that he could rest easy on his laurels, but this morning, Mrs. Clarence Lane, of Laurel street, brought a whopper to the Tidings office, which is in a class by itself. It weighs three pounds, four ounces, measures 11 1/2 inches from tip to tip, and is 12 1/2 inches in circumference. Portland has entered the contest with an exhibit from Mrs. Anna Phillip Cobb. She has submitted a cucumber that measures 11 inches in length and the same circumference, with a weight of two pounds. Up to date, honors rest easy with Ashland.

A mile stretch of the Pacific highway is to be paved through the town of Jefferson.

## GAS EXPLOSION DESTROYS BUILDING AND KILLS YOUTH

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Aug. 25.—A gas explosion in a drug store at Haskell, Okla., near here, resulted in the death of Ezra Dickey, 22, and the complete destruction of three store buildings and an hotel.

It is feared that others will be found dead when the debris is cleared up. A match cast into the gas main caused the explosion. The rear wall collapsed, burying Dickey beneath the wreckage.

### BUSY BEE CAUSES CRASH AND INJURY OF DRIVERS

ROSEBURG, Aug. 25.—A fuzzy, buzzing bee—a honey bee, if you will—determined to find a resting place on the nose of C. G. Sesslon, while he was driving an auto, caused a collision Wednesday on a 10-foot embankment between Sutherland and Wilbur, which resulted in the bruising and scratching of two men, and heavy damage to the colliding autos.

C. G. Sesslon, Rigby, Idaho, and G. E. Ward, No. 330 12th street, Portland, were the drivers in the cars.

### HUGHES SCORED FOR NEWBERRY DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Secretary of State Hughes was accused in the senate today by Senator Robinson, democrat, of Arkansas, of "willfully whitewashing the Newberry case." In his recent letter in defense of Senator Newberry against charges of excessive expenditures in the senatorial primary in Michigan in 1918.

Eugene planning new city reservoir to cost between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

## CHURCH BLOWN DOWN IN FIERCE ELECTRIC STORM

### ONE MAN KILLED AND TWELVE INJURED IN STORM-SWEPT LOUISVILLE

Church Topped Over on Residence, Crushing Occupant to Death—Damage of Storm Ravages Placed At \$200,000.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 25.—One man was killed and 12 seriously injured, as the result of a severe wind and electrical storm here today. The property loss is estimated at \$200,000.

George Massey was crushed to death when the Episcopal mission church was blown down upon the house in which he was living.

### ESCAPING PRISONERS WOUND TWO OFFICERS MORTALLY

LINCOLN, So. Dak., Aug. 25.—The prosecuting attorney and the sheriff of Jones county, So. Dak., were mortally wounded, and five members of a posse shot, in a fight with four escaped prisoners.

## LABOR DAY PLANS TAKE ON DEFINITE SHAPE AT MEETING

Plans for the Labor day celebration in Ashland are taking on more definite shape. The joint meeting last night at Medford of representatives of the labor unions and the Modern Woodmen and Woodmen of the World, resulted in further important decisions being made.

The celebration is not to be restricted to the members of the organizations who are sponsoring it, but will be open to the public, and everyone is invited to come out and spend the day. A number of good speakers will be on hand, although definite information has not been received as to who they will be.

It was decided at the meeting last night that two steers and five sheep would be barbecued and served to all who care to have dinner in the park.

A parade is on the program for the morning, while the afternoon will be taken up with games and sports of all kinds.

Construction of the barbecue oven will be started tomorrow and will be finished in a few days.

## ROBS NEWSPAPER OFFICE, OVERLOOKS 3 POSTAGE STAMPS

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug. 25.—A burglar, apparently unfamiliar with newspaper offices, some time Wednesday night, entered the office of the Klamath Falls Herald and, carrying the heavy cash register to a back room, proceeded to crack it. His efforts were rewarded by the finding of a bunch of keys. He overlooked three postage stamps laying on the counter underneath the cash register.

Had the burglar known anything about a newspaper office, he would have known that is the last place to look for money. In fact, the publisher was heard to remark that he would have been glad to split 50-50 with the burglar any money that he might have found.

A careful examination of the plant revealed that neither the press nor the linotype machines were removed, and the Herald will continue publication as usual.

Winchester — \$125,000 concrete bridge to be built across North Umpqua river.

Contracts for \$105,794 have been let for the Lostine-Enterprise highway.

### BASEBALL RESULTS TODAY

National League  
At Pittsburg 7-6; Brooklyn 8-8.  
American League  
At Boston 9; Cleveland 0.  
At New York 1-6; St. Louis 3-5.  
Pacific Coast League (Yesterday's Games)  
At Sacramento 3; Los Angeles 0.  
At Salt Lake 17; San Francisco 16.  
At Portland 1-7; Vernon 2-2.  
At Oakland 4-3; Seattle 9-7.

## NATIONAL STRIKE OF FIVE MILLION IS CONSIDERED

### EXPECT DEMAND TO BE MADE ON AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR

Movement Starting in Sioux City, Iowa, Calls Upon National Labor Body to Call General Strike from Coast to Coast.

SIoux CITY, Ia., Aug. 25.—Plans have been maturing for more than a month for a nationwide strike that virtually would be a labor war. This is according to John Shank, secretary of the Trades and Labor assembly here. Shank said today trades and labor assemblies throughout the nation are demanding that the executive council of the American Federation of Labor call a national strike.

More than 5,000,000 men would be involved.

The Sioux City Trades and Labor assembly has adopted the resolution unanimously and without debate.

Shank said similar endorsement of the resolution had been given by central labor bodies in Denver, Detroit, San Francisco and other large cities.

## RACING PROGRAM COMPLETED FOR THE COUNTY FAIR

If there were any doubting Thomases with respect to the quantity and quality of exhibits which will be shown at the Jackson county fair, September 13 to 16, those doubts would have been dispelled if they had been present at the meeting of the fair directors Wednesday night. The greatest problem with which they have to contend, is the housing of the products and stock offered for display.

At the meeting, Scott Woolf and Wig Ashpole, committee on horse racing, appeared and stated that they would have a fine string of "gallopers" for the races, and that a number of horses would be here today to work out for the fair. They asked what provisions had been made to stable these "blue blooded runners." The directors had not intended to build barns, owing to shortage of funds, but found it absolutely necessary and will commence work at once on 200 feet of box stalls, 12 feet wide, on the south side of the grounds to accommodate the horses. They will be quartered temporarily in other structures.

Messrs. Woolf and Ashpole say they already have 20 fast horses engaged, including some of the best on the coast, that go from here to the races at the state fair in Salem. They include horses belonging to Baker's of Grants Pass, Parker's of John Day, Or., Murphy's of Ashland, and Holbrook's of Fort Klamath.

There will be two or three galloping races each day, races for home saddle horses, and a relay race each day between the famous Murphy and Holbrook string of runners.

The speed program for the fair also includes two motorcycle races, by professionals and amateurs, auto races, and motorcycle polo each day.

The fair association is preparing to have this big program of events put on without any delay in order to get the events in each day by 5:30 o'clock, if possible. The people are sure going to get their money's worth in amusements.

The Dalles is to have a new \$100,000 tie treating plant.

## TWO ARE KILLED AND 80 ESCAPE INJURY IN WRECK

### NORTHERN PACIFIC FLYER IS DERAILED BY BOULDER ON TRACK

Engineer And a Hobo Are Killed, Fireman Is Fatally Injured, But 80 Passengers Miraculously Escape Without Injury.

SEATTLE, Aug. 25.—Engineer Jones and an unidentified man who was stealing a ride, were instantly killed, and Fireman Arnold was probably fatally injured when the westbound Northern Pacific train number one—the North Coast Limited—was derailed by a huge boulder at Wymer, 21 miles west of Yakima.

The locomotive rolled over and five coaches, containing 80 passengers, were derailed without serious injury to any of the occupants. The accident occurred on a sharp curve in Yakima canyon, where the road parallels the Yakima river.

## MCCORMICK SEES NO POSSIBILITY OF S. P. UNMERGER

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug. 25.—No possibility exists of dismemberment of the Southern Pacific and Central Pacific lines. Vice-President E. O. McCormick, of the Southern Pacific, told members of the chamber of commerce. The Central Pacific, bridging 530 miles of unproductive territory between Reno and Ogden, he said, is dependent for its existence upon traffic gathered by the Southern Pacific in the productive valleys of the Pacific slope, and turned over to it for direct haul east. Therefore, it serves as a bridge alone. He said the Central Pacific as an independent line would be unable to maintain itself.

Asked when the Westwood-Klamath Falls line would be built if the Southern Pacific retained the Central, McCormick answered that the world had the promise of Julius Kruttschnitt, chairman of the Southern Pacific board, that the Natron cutoff would be built. When that is done, he said, though there has been no promise of further construction, the Westwood line would naturally follow.

## BARBERS STAND PAT WONT CUT RATES FOR THE DOKIES

LA GRANDE, Or., Aug. 25.—Rates on barbering in La Grande are perplexing to the Ad club and others who are in charge of the great northwest Dokkie convention, which is to be held here September 1. During the war La Grande barbers raised their rates to 35 cents for a shave and 65 cents for a haircut. Repeatedly have they been implored to lower their rates, but the barbers stand pat and refuse to make any concessions.

### KANSAS MAN LOOKING FOR LOCATION HERE

J. C. Hopper, a retired banker of Hutchinson, Kans., is stopping in the city for a few weeks. Mr. Hopper is on the coast looking for an ideal place to locate, and is very much impressed with Ashland. Mr. Hopper specializes on Hereford cattle, and should be located here, he would have a fine herd of cattle and would make other breeders look well to their laurels.

Mr. Hopper expects to leave about the first of the month for San Diego, where he will visit for a few weeks, after which he probably will return home by the way of Ashland.

A want ad will sell it.

### LOCAL BOYS ARRESTED FOR BURGLARIZING STORE

Sheriff Terrill and Chief of Police Hatcher yesterday arrested Luther McCoy and Fayne Wilcox, for breaking into the P. J. Amer store on East Main street, where they stole a number of revolvers, a shotgun, some razors and a quantity of tobacco.

The boys were taken to Jacksonville by the sheriff, where they will appear before Judge Gardner in juvenile court.

The Wilcox boy ran away a few months ago and after having been gone for several weeks, showed up in northern California, and sent for money to come home on.

## DEVALERA PLANS BIG OFFENSIVE FOR TAKING FREE STATE

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Sensational and alarming reports are received here from Belfast, that Eamonn De Valera, commander in chief of the Irish republican irregulars, has broken through the regulars' lines and appeared in County Louth, where he is believed to be planning an attempt to seize the Free State.

Various reports have been given currency that De Valera was a broken man—broken in physique and spirit—and that he was lying at the point of death in an isolated cabin in the hills. His present reported activity would indicate that he was simply lying low, awaiting the psychological moment for launching a powerful offensive against the Free Staters, which it was believed would place the republican irregulars in command of the situation throughout the part of Ireland which has been designated as the Free State. The killing from ambush of Michael Collins is thought to have precipitated matters, and as De Valera stands out as the biggest figure in Ireland today, and the Free Staters, in the deaths of Griffiths and Collins, have been left without leadership, fears are felt in London that the affairs of the provisional government are in a very precarious state, which may lead England to take an openly active part against the forces of De Valera, who will accept nothing short of absolute independence for Ireland.

## BOMBS EXPLODED IN HOTEL LODGING STRIKEBREAKERS

ROODHOUSE, Ills., Aug. 25.—Investigation into the bombings here last night, which terrorized the citizens, has disclosed that none were injured.

One bomb was exploded at the roundhouse, and another at an hotel at which the strikebreakers lodged. The town was thrown into utter darkness when the wires were cut just preceding the explosions.

### WILL INVITE ASHLAND AND MEDFORD TO MOCK WEDDING

KLAMATH FALLS, Aug. 25.—Medford, Ashland and Lakeview will be asked to send delegations to attend the meeting here in connection with the arrival on September 23 of 100 San Francisco business men, who are coming in response to an invitation from the chamber of commerce. Secretary Stevenson said today.

The meeting, he said, would represent a welcome to the visitors by the whole of southern Oregon, and will include a banquet with special features for the entertainment of the guests. A mock wedding, representing the joining of Klamath with California, may be included.

### AGED MEDFORD PHYSICIAN PASSES AWAY AT HOME

Dr. George W. Stephenson, of Medford, passed away Wednesday night at his home in that city after an illness of several months.

Dr. Stephenson was well known throughout the county, having practiced in Medford for the last eight years, and had a host of friends who will regret to hear of his death.

### GASOLINE DROPS STEADILY IN FACE OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The price of gasoline has dropped steadily since Senator La Follette started his senatorial investigation of the oil industry, it is revealed by the preliminary report of Senator McNary, submitted from the manufacturers' committee.

## ASK MINES BE TAKEN OVER AND OPERATED BY U.S.

### RESOLUTION WOULD WARRANT CONDEMNATION MEASURES BY PRESIDENT

New Jersey Senator Asks That Government Be Given Power by Congress to Put An End to Industrial Turmoil by Operating Mines.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—A proposal was made in the senate today by Senator Edge, republican, of New Jersey, that President Harding be empowered by congress to institute condemnation proceedings to acquire and operate coal mines and distribute coal to meet the national emergency created by the coal strike.

It stirred the senate to a fresh discussion of the present industrial crisis. It was pointed out that there had been a collapse of every attempt made to settle the rail and coal strikes, and that the only hope of settlement appeared to rest in the application of drastic measures by the government.

### COUNTY EMPLOYE BADLY INJURED IN ACCIDENT

T. J. Card, a county employe, suffered a broken back Wednesday afternoon as the result of the large truck which he was driving, turning turtle as he was rounding a turn near Beagle on the Evans creek road.

The truck turned completely over and landed right side up, with Mr. Card in the driver's seat completely paralyzed on account of his back being broken. Just what injured the vertebrae is not known, but it is thought he was caught in some way against the steering wheel so as to cause the injury.

Mr. Card was taken to the Sacred Heart hospital at Medford immediately after the accident, where his condition is considered very grave, although not necessarily fatal. He is a resident of Medford.

### HARDING INSISTS THAT TRAINS MUST BE RUN

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—President Harding stands firmly on the policy he enunciated in his recent message to congress, that the administration will use every power of the government in maintaining transportation.

This was the only comment forthcoming from the White House when it was brought to the president's attention that the negotiations in New York to end the shopmen's strike, had resulted in apparent failure.

## MRS. WAKFIELD WANTS AFFINITY BUT SHE IS BROKE

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 25.—Mrs. Edith Huntington Spreckles Wakefield denied today that she had offered Mrs. Rodney Kendrick \$100 a month for life if she would divorce her husband. "It was Rod who offered her the monthly payments," said Mrs. Wakefield. "How could I make her such an offer? I am broke. I wish I had \$100 a month myself. I do my own housework, even the cooking and washing."

Franklyn Wakefield, the former Mrs. Spreckles' husband, refused to comment on the Wakefield-Kendrick love tangle. The divorce suit filed by Mrs. Wakefield has not come up in court yet. Only the initial papers have been filed. "The women in the case are apparently doing enough talking for 20 men," said Wakefield. "Why should I butt in at this stage of the game?"

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