

WALKOUT OF 400,000 SHOPMEN DUE TODAY

President Grable Has Decried
Maintenance of Way Trust
Until Third of July

JEWELL'S ACTION SCORED

Flouts Board's Authority, But
Rail Chiefs on Hand

AGREE TO QUIT CONTRACTS

Twelve Representatives of Roads An-
nounce Their Willingness to Cancel
These Agreements If Thereby
Strike Crisis Is Relieved

SHOP CRAFT GIVES TABLE OF MEN ON STRIKE TODAY

CHICAGO, June 30.—The fol-
lowing table prepared from in-
formation supplied by the fed-
erated shop crafts, indicates the
number of men in each craft
scheduled to go on strike at 10
o'clock tomorrow morning:

- International Association of
machinists, 40,000.
- International Brotherhood of
Blacksmiths, Drop Forgers and
Helpers of America, 10,000.
- International Brotherhood of
Electrical Workers, 12,000.
- Brotherhood of Railway Car-
men of America, 140,000.
- Repair men not included in
above, 110,000.
- Apprentices, 20,000.

CHICAGO, June 30.—Federal in-
tervention by the United States rail-
road labor board today failed to halt
the strike of 400,000 railway shop-
men called for 10 o'clock tomorrow
morning.

Flouting, according to Chairman B.
F. Hooper, the board's efforts to ef-
fect a settlement of the shopmen's
grievances before the walkout took
place, B. M. Jewell, head of the shop
crafts unions, and the six interna-
tional unions, refused to appear for
an official investigation of the
strike by the board. No further at-
tempt to forestall the strike will be
made, Chairman B. F. Hooper an-
nounced in adjourning the federal
body's inquiry.

A threatened strike of 400,000 rail-
way maintenance of way employees
was at least postponed, however, by
the board's intervention. The strike
of this group, which had been ex-
pected to parallel that of the shop-
men, will not be announced at pre-
sent, but will await further action of
the organization's executive council,
according to Jewell, secretary of B.
F. Grable, before the strike this after-
noon.

President Jewell's failure to attend
the peace conference brought severe
condemnation from the chairman of
the board who, in closing the inquiry,
declared the rail union chiefs' blood
was on "his own head."

"Mr. Jewell," flouted a govern-
ment "tribunal," concluded Chairman
Hooper, "charged with the duty and
responsibility to investigate this mat-
ter, not only in the interests of the
public, but in the interests of his own
organization, the interests of the
carriers and the railway transpor-
tation system of this country."

"He has shouldered the responsi-
bility of his own volition and the
board desires to pursue the matter no
further."

Neither Mr. Jewell, nor any of the
shop crafts heads answered the
board's summons. Instead they sent
a letter maintaining the right of the
shop men to strike and expressing the
belief that the board's hearing would
be a "hoax" and a "hoax."

Timothy Healy, president of the
stationary firemen and others likewise
failed to appear when the board's
hearing convened and subpoenas
were issued forthwith, summoning
both Jewell and Healy before the
board. Mr. Healy arrived just before
the close of the session, but Mr.
Jewell was not found and it was said
that he had left the city until after
the hour set for the walkout of his
men tomorrow.

In contrast to the complete failure
to throttle the shopmen's strike, the
labor board's inquiry met with marked
success in the case of the maintenance
of way employees, and the contract
cases of the 23 railroads also cited an-
ticipate a speedy settlement.

Twelve railroad representatives
turned the session into a testimonial
meeting as they arose, one after an-
other, and announced their willing-
ness to cancel all existing contracts
for the performance of railroad work
by outside firms. Practically all
maintained that it was their legal
right to contract such work, but ex-
pressed a desire to comply with the
board's ruling if, thereby, the strike
crisis might be relieved.

Strike Call Is Held Up
Three other union heads, in addition
to President Grable, of the Mainte-
nance of Way Brotherhood, gave as-
surance to the board that although
their organizations were taking strike
votes, no call to quit work would be
issued immediately.

The announced delay of the main-
tenance of way strike call which had
been expected tonight from the head-
quarters in Detroit, came after a
lengthy discussion between Mr. Grable
and Chairman Hooper. Mr. Grable
told the board that more than half of
the 223,000 votes had already been
cast, the results thus far show-
ing a "big majority" in favor of a
strike.

The employees' grievances, he ex-

IN TODAY'S MORNING REGISTER

The Weather
For Oregon—Saturday Fair.
Yesterday's Eugene weather—Maxi-
mum temperature, 85 degrees; mini-
mum, 47. Stage of river, 2.5 feet.

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Lookouts Go on Duty Today in Cas-
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Page 3.

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RAIL FREIGHT RATE CUT GOES IN EFFECT TODAY

TEN PER CENT REDUCTION ON
ALL OVER COUNTRY

Agricultural Commodities Will Be
Only Important Traffic Which
Slash Will Not Affect

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Freight
rates throughout the United States on
practically all commodities will be re-
duced tomorrow by ten per cent when
the carriers of the country put into
effect a series of orders adopted last
month by the Interstate Commerce
commission in the general rate case.
New schedules incorporating the re-
duction have been completed since
the decision was handed down, ac-
cording to the commission's records,
though a series of orders abrogating
rules and regulations concerning pub-
lication of new rates and like details
were necessary to prevent delays in
some instances.

Agricultural commodities will be
the only important traffic which the
10 per cent cut will not affect, rates
on these commodities having been
reduced last January. One or two
other classifications of freight have
also been given lower rates by com-
mission orders in recent months and
these are excluded from the new
cut. Railroad statisticians have
worked out the estimate that the
general rate decision will cause a de-
crease of \$250,000,000 annually in the
nation's freight bill.

COAL CONFERENCE IS TODAY

HARDING SUMMONS ALL PARTIES
TO PEACE MEETING

WASHINGTON, June 30.—All par-
ties to the bituminous coal strike and
to the suspension of work in anthracite
regions postponed action in the
situation today awaiting the confer-
ence tomorrow at which President Har-
ding has summoned to devise settle-
ment plans.

Of the 50 men who will attend the
conference here, half are miners' union
officials, and the other half are repre-
sentatives of the anthracite opera-
tors.

The delegates of the bituminous em-
ployers were still unselected tonight,
however. Mr. Hooper, president of the
national coal association, to whom the
responsibility for making up bitu-
minous representation was delegated
by President Harding, announced that
an adequate and open mind group
would be prepared.

A high government official reiter-
ated today that it was the adminis-
tration's purpose to let the partici-
pants themselves attempt to work out
a settlement in the conference.

SILK "NIGHTIE" DISPLAYED

FORDNEY SAYS IT COST \$13.40;
SELLS HERE FOR \$60

WASHINGTON, June 30.—A pink
silk nightgown, very soft and fluffy,
was displayed to the house today by
Chairman Fordney, of the ways and
means committee, and was the only
garment of home manufacturers com-
peting with foreign dealers be-
cause of a low tariff rate. The gar-
ment almost broke up the show.

Lifting it high, after he had ex-
hibited the dress, including a shawl
and a fiddle, Mr. Fordney
shouted, above the laughter, that he
hardly knew how to describe it.

"Atta boy!" a member shouted
back, "suppose you gentlemen would
like it better if there were something
in it," said the veteran tariff builder,
and the gallery joined in the laughter.

The gown, made in Belgium, cost
\$13.40; the landing cost raised it to
\$60, said the chairman.

HOUSE TAKES A VACATION

ADJOURNS UNTIL AUGUST 15 FOR
CAMPAIGN PURPOSES

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The
house of representatives adjourned to-
night at 9:40 o'clock until August 15,
thus giving members opportunity to
return home while the senate still is at
work on the tariff.

Democrats, opposing adjournment
almost solidly, forced a roll call. The
vote to quit was 171 to 43, with two
voting "present."

"The Democrats having voted with
their fingers crossed, I now move that
the house be adjourned," said Repre-
sentative Mondell, the Republican
leader. There was a shout and a wild
rush to taxicabs waiting outside to
rush members to outgoing trains.

In opposing adjournment, Democ-
rats insisted the house ought to stay
in session and act on Henry Ford's
offer for lease of Muscle Shoals.

FOUR COURTS RAZED; REBELS ARE ROUTED

Fire and Explosion Lay Great
Building in Ruins—30 Free
Statists Caught in Blast

O'CONNOR MEN PRISONERS

Isolated Firing Breaks Out at
Various Points in City

CORK IRREGULARS ACTIVE

Expecting an Attack Upon Their Po-
sitions Irregulars Are Busy Col-
lecting Provisions and Motor
Cars Preparing for a Siege

LONDON, June 30.—The four
courts building in Dublin has been
completely destroyed by fire and an
explosion, says a dispatch to the Cen-
tral News, from Dublin. Nothing
remains but the center wall on which
rested the dome, the dispatch adds.

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BANDITS FREE AMERICAN OIL COMPANY WORKERS

CONSUL SHAW REPORTS THAT
35 MEN "NO LONGER HELD"

Consul of Texas Submits Resolution
Before House Urging Inquiry In-
to Instances of Bandit Forays

WASHINGTON, June 30.—Ameri-
can workers for oil companies in the
Mexican territory had been re-
leased from restraint by bandits who
had held them for ransom on the face
of full information as to what had
occurred at the two camps raided by
the marauders.

Consul Shaw at Tampico merely re-
ported today that the 35 persons held
by the raiders at Pecera camp of La
Corona company were "no longer
held." He had previously estimated
that about half a dozen American
citizens were included in this group
and new representations that they be
protected were sent to Mexico City
by the legation.

Consul Shaw was asked for a more
detailed report of the most recent in-
cident in the oil fields. It was not
known whether the bandits had been
bought off, or whether they had been
driven off by the approach of fed-
eral forces. In view of the dearth
of information officials here con-
tinued to state since the report of the
capture of A. Bruce Bielaski, near
Cuernavaca.

Bielaski Incident Discussed
With regard to the statement made
by Mexican city newspapers that
Bielaski, confined at his own abduc-
tion, officials had nothing whatever
to say. It was pointed out, however,
that official information on the Biel-
aski incident was confined to the few
brief messages sent to the State de-
partment in Mexico City. There has
been no suggestion in any of these ad-
vices, it was said, that tended to cast
suspicion around the abduction.

As far as recent events in Mexico
may affect the question of American
recognition of the Oregon govern-
ment, the action today of Representa-
tives Connally, Democrat, of Texas, in
laying before the house a resolution
proposing a joint congressional in-
quiry into the instances of bandit
depredations against Americans, may
be significant of the impression be-
ing gained in Washington from these
incidents. There was no discussion of
the resolution, under the rules, but
Mr. Connally pointed out that if the
published reports were accurate, they
tended to cast doubt on the ability
of the Oregon government to maintain
order, while if they were not true, it
was evident that someone was seeking
to injure the standing of that govern-
ment in the United States.

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Strike or No Strike, Schedules Will
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the actual operation of the trains, the
railroad managers explained.

That work is carried out by the "big
brotherhood," whose international
presidents issued orders yester-
day that their members should con-
tinue to carry out their usual duties,
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emergency repairs might be made in
outside shops. They estimated that it
would be at least three months be-
fore a walkout of shop craft employes
would seriously impair the efficiency
of either passenger or freight trans-
portation.

"The traveling public and shippers
will not know there is a strike except
by reading about it in the newspa-
pers," declared one executive.

MURDER INTENT CHARGED
FRED BROWN, BENSON "CHAIN
MAN," HELD TO ANSWER

OMAHA, Neb., June 30.—A charge
of assault with intent to commit mur-
der has been filed against Fred
Brown, Benson "chain man."

Brown is charged with having as-
saulted H. E. Boyd, whom he is al-
leged to have held up at the point of
a revolver and made a chained pris-
oner at his back in Benson, a subur-
b, May 17, when Boyd attempted to
rescue two women who were being
held captive there.

Brown is to be brought here from
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GOVERNMENT BACKS RAIL BOARD DECREES

Administration as Mouthpiece
for White House on Eve of
Strike, Declares Stand

BODY HELD FINAL ARBITER

Jewell Ignores Summons to
Appear Before Board

TRAINS RUN, SAY OFFICIALS

Strike Not to Stop Rail Operations,
and This Same View of Situation
Is Taken by Leaders in
Congress

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The ad-
ministration, speaking today through
the White House on the eve of the
called strike of 400,000 union railroad
shop workers declared its determina-
tion to stand squarely behind the fed-
eral labor board. It is because of the
decision of the labor board that the
shop crafts men have decided to quit
work at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

The administration view set forth
in language as forcible as the
spokesmen could command, was that
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government, dealing with the disputes
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and therefore its decree must and
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