

## RIOTING IN FRISCO

### Street Car Barns Scene of Bloody Shooting Affray.

### TWO VERSIONS ARE GIVEN OUT

#### Union Men Backed by Police Are On One Side and Company On Opposite Side.

San Francisco, Sept. 12.—On Monday night a desperate encounter occurred between, on the one side, men employed by the United Railroads and on the other striking carmen and police. Five men were shot, two fatally, one of the latter being the victim of a shot fired by a policeman.

Two accounts of the affray have been furnished, which are directly opposed to each other in fixing the blame for the rioting. One account is that given by the policemen concerned in the fusillade that was poured into the band of employees of the company, and the other is that of the railway officials who investigated the matter, as they claim, in as thorough manner as possible.

The bloody battle started shortly after midnight near the United Railroad car barn at Twenty-fourth and Utah streets, and, according to the statement of the police, was the result of a plot that has been brewing among Calhoun's nonunion employees for a couple of weeks. It was the plan of the nonunion men to drive out the union pickets who have taken up quarters near the car barn and have been housed in tents there since the beginning of the strike.

Just at the stroke of midnight a United Railroad repair car was run out of the car barn. It was manned by a score of armed strikebreakers, and as it speeded noiselessly along the tracks in the direction of the union pickets all lights were extinguished. When nearly opposite the tents the first shots were fired, strikebreakers say, by the union pickets, the pickets declare by the armed men on the cars.

The version of the affair given out by the United Railroads people differs materially from the story of the police, and is in part as follows:

"The story of a plot is ridiculous. That repair car was first started out from the car barn for the purpose of making some necessary repairs to tracks and wires injured during the day's run. The men on that car when it first went out were the regular repair gang. There were no gun fighters and not one of the men was armed. When they passed the tents of union pickets rocks were thrown, breaking every window, and then shooting commenced from the tents."

"The men in the repair car rushed back to the barn for reinforcements and a trailer loaded with armed men went out to follow and protect the repair crew on its second trip. Fire was opened again when the two cars went speeding past the union picket tents and our men returned the fire."

#### SENATOR BORAH ARRAIGNED

##### Indicted for Conspiracy to Defraud Government of Land.

Boise, Sept. 12.—Federal court has opened here, and United States Senator W. E. Borah, charged with conspiracy to defraud the government in the matter of timber lands, was arraigned before Judge F. S. Dietrich, where he entered a plea of not guilty. Frank Martin, ex-attorney general of Idaho, jointly indicted with Mr. Borah, was also arraigned, but his attorneys asked three days in which to file a plea in abatement, motion to quash the indictment or to demur. It is said that the attorneys for Mr. Martin will attack the conduct of United States Attorney Wick before the Federal grand jury, which returned the indictment against their client, but it is the opinion they will have a hard time of it showing that Mr. Wick did not properly conduct himself in his efforts to bring Idaho land frauds to justice.

#### Tax Commissioner Short.

New Orleans, Sept. 12.—A \$100,000 shortage was discovered today in the accounts of the state tax commissioner of this city, and the police are searching for Charles E. Letten, chief clerk to State Tax Collector John Fitzpatrick, who is charged with the defalcation. This is the third defalcation in six months in the Louisiana tax department. The two previous shortages totaled nearly \$100,000. There is no clew to the whereabouts of Letten. He has held the position for 19 years, and no bond can be found.

#### Big Cudahy Plant Burned.

Philadelphia, Sept. 12.—The large plant of the Cudahy Packing company at Ninth street and Girard avenue was destroyed by fire today. Loss about \$200,000; beef weighing 25,000 pounds was destroyed. The fire is believed to have been caused by a spark from a passing locomotive.

#### NEW RIOT AMONG CARMEN.

##### San Francisco Police Are Accused of Shooting at Strikebreakers.

San Francisco, Sept. 13.—Another scene of riot was enacted at the Twenty-fourth and Utah streets car barn last night, following the arrest of William A. Bruce, a nonunion carman, on complaint of two young women that he had annoyed them by a remark as they passed. Bruce resisted arrest and was severely clubbed. The police allege that they were thereupon attacked by numbers of nonunion men. A riot squad of 25 patrolmen under Lieutenant Tobin came up and in a fight a score of heads were broken by clubs of the police and a number of arrests were made. Eventually the nonunion men were driven back into the car barns. The police say that the carman who started the row is an ex-convict.

Mayor Taylor has increased the Mission patrol by 22 men, in accordance with his promise of yesterday. The pickets' tent at Twenty-fourth and Potrero streets, a block from the company's barn, is to be removed. It has been a headquarters for trouble for weeks past.

The Chronicle commenting upon the furious rioting in the Mission district, when five nonunion car operatives in the employ of the United Railroads were shot by union pickets and policemen, charges flatly that the police ambushed the nonunion men and fought against them side by side with their union tormentors. The Chronicle points out that the patrolmen—Wade, Bigelow and Miller—who shot down the carmen, were appointed to the police force from the teamsters' and carmen's unions soon after the commencement of the streetcar strike, when a Union Labor police commission and a crooked chief of police were in control.

#### LAND HINDUS AT VICTORIA.

##### Monteagle Turns Back, Fearing Violence at Vancouver.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 13.—Advice from Vancouver state that the mayor of Vancouver has warned the captain of the steamer Monteagle, which has on board 114 Japanese, 149 Chinese and 941 Hindus, destined for this port, that he would be unable to guarantee a safe landing here, because the unionists have expressed their determination to resist the immigration of any more Asiatic laborers. The steamship authorities feared to assume the risk and the vessel has been turned back to Victoria, where the Asiatics will be landed.

Vancouver is reported as being comparatively quiet, but an outrage by two Chinamen yesterday has again inflamed the people. The Mongolians, while passing along one of the main streets, saw a white baby sitting on the doorstep. They snatched it up and threw it into the middle of the street, which was busy with traffic. It fell among the horses' feet and narrowly escaped death. Beyond being bruised it was not much the worse. An angry crowd started in pursuit. The Chinese had a good start and escaped. The fact that no arrests have been made has not tended to allay the temper of the people.

#### CHARGES AGAINST RUIK.

##### Said to Have Forced Grand Jury to Indict Borah.

Boise, Idaho, Sept. 13.—Judge Dietrich in the Federal court yesterday issued an order for a special grand jury to appear on Thursday, September 19. The order was issued at the instance of Judge M. C. Burch, special assistant attorney general of the United States, who is here for the purpose of inquiring into matters in connection with the Idaho land frauds.

It is understood here that the order was really the result of a plea in abatement filed by the attorneys for Frank Martin, one of the men indicted with Senator Borah and others, which plea makes serious and sensational charges of misconduct on the part of United States Attorney Ruik.

These charges are that Ruik used force and coercion in securing the indictments of Borah and his fellow defendants, and are supported by the affidavits of three of the grand jurymen.

#### Hoch's Fighting Blood is Up.

Topeka, Sept. 13.—Kansas politicians are strongly of the opinion that Governor Hoch will call a special session of the legislature if the railroads persist in their determination to ignore the 2-cent fare order. The governor has not been notified of the action of the roads except through the newspapers. He declares that Kansas will have a 2-cent fare rate or it will be cancelled in the states around her. A conference was held by Governor Hoch, Attorney General Jackson and the attorney for the railroad commission.

#### No Hope for Arbitration.

The Hague, Sept. 13.—The belief is rapidly growing among the delegates to the international peace conference that there is no hope for a permanent arbitration court, owing to the German opposition. The delegates are greatly discouraged, although the Kaiser's opposition to the plan has long been intimated.

## OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

#### FAIRGROUNDS A DELIGHT.

##### Attractive Plan of Beautifying is Being Carried Out

Salem—Not the least important of the many improvements being made at the fair grounds in preparation for the Greater Oregon State fair, September 16-21, is the transformation of the unsightly and barren wastes of dry grass and weeds into beautiful landscape effects. This is the first appeal to the artistic sense that has been attempted along this line, and, although it has been found impossible to make all the needed changes in one year, the most glaring faults have been remedied. The concessions have all been removed to one district, and dozens of unsightly shacks destroyed. New walks have been laid throughout the grounds, the idea being to combine beauty with convenience as far as possible. Buildings have been moved whenever necessary, and other conditions made to conform to the new arrangements. The walks will all be of fine gravel, dressed with granite sand.

The main improvement is noticeable in the square between the main pavilion and the dairy building, which has been moved to a site northeast of its old position. The visitor is no longer confronted with the row of candy stands and lunch counters of all sizes, ages and colors, and the expanse of dry grass which formerly assailed the eye. The only remaining relic of the old regime is the fountain, with its familiar figure in the center, but even this has been repainted and remodeled until it is hardly recognizable, and is now surrounded with a bed of flowers, and a winding path.

There are many other flower beds also, in the shape of crescents, stars and other designs, and all will be in blossom fair week. The big center bed contains large, spreading palms. Where there are no flowers green lawns have been planted. Water has been piped to this section, and the work of beauty is being rapidly completed.

A pretty feature is the statues which will be placed in this square. Just east of the main wing of the pavilion, the large, reclining figure, representing the state of Oregon, was sent last year, and will again occupy the same position. In front of the pavilion, the fountain and its small statue have already been noted. Back of this fountain, the large standing figure of Ceres, goddess of agriculture, which last year was located in the pavilion, but seemed rather cramped and out of place, will be set up. On either side of this statue two smaller images will be placed, making five pieces of statuary in all. They will be set upon suitable bases and bordered with flower beds. All these statues were secured from the Lewis and Clark exposition of 1905 in Portland.

#### Organize to Fight Railroad.

Salem—A concerted movement is on foot to effect an organization of the valley sawmill men with a view of taking up again the rate question on rough and finished lumber shipments to San Francisco bay common points. The mill men are still striving to bring about a restoration of the old rate of \$3.50 per thousand feet and, if the valley manufacturers can be brought together, it is proposed to take the matter before the Interstate Commerce commission at the earliest date possible.

#### Buys Apples at La Grande.

La Grande—Contract for the sale of more than 60,000 boxes of Grand Ronde apples at \$1.40 per box has been concluded between E. Z. Carbine, of this county, and C. E. Walker, of Kansas City. Sixty thousand boxes of apples means approximately 110 carloads. Loading of this monster order will begin as soon as the apple picking commences, or, in other words, at once.

#### Prune Dryers Start in Linn.

Albany—Prune picking is in full blast in all the orchards of this part of the state and nine dryers are running to their fullest capacity in the vicinity of Albany. The prune crop is one of the best in years and Laselle Brothers, of this city, will send 150 cars of dried prunes to Eastern markets, the biggest shipment of prunes ever made from the Pacific Northwest.

#### Malheur Wins Pardee Cup.

Ontario—E. A. Fraser has received a telegram from Mayor Lackey, of this city, who has charge of the Malheur county exhibit at the National Irrigation congress, stating that this county had been awarded the Governor Pardee silver cup and a \$200 cash prize. The exhibit was prepared and sent at the expense of the business men of Ontario.

#### Oregon Hay for Alaska.

Athens—Great quantities of fine timothy hay are being brought down from the Weston mountains, and is being sold in bales to the Preston-Parton Milling company for \$18 to \$18 per ton. This hay is loaded on cars and shipped to Seattle and Tacoma, much of which is shipped from there to Alaska.

#### HAS NEW SCHEME.

##### W. S. U'Ren Would Elect Senators by Direct Vote.

Oregon City—W. S. U'Ren, the father of the initiative and referendum, has a plan to make Statement No. 1 nearly ironclad and to make the people of Oregon dominant over the legislature and any political party as well. He proposes to have a bill enacted into law next June through the initiative by which candidates for the legislature will be instructed to sign Statement No. 1 exactly as it is written in the law. The members of the legislature are further commanded to vote for the candidate for senator who is the choice of the greatest number of people.

Mr. U'Ren has been working on such a bill for several weeks and now has it drafted and all ready to spring. He believes that if the bill becomes a law there will be no question of the members of the legislature obeying the provisions it contains.

#### Better Train Service Ordered.

Salem—Orders have been issued by the railroad commission requiring the Southern Pacific company to put on a special train out of Roseburg to make the run to Portland whenever north bound overland express train No. 12 is two hours behind schedule time of arrival at Roseburg and also to require the O. R. & N. company to run a passenger train each way daily between Portland and Pendleton, the eastbound train to leave Portland in the morning and the westbound to leave Pendleton in the morning, and requiring the trains to stop at each station, either regularly or by signal, for the accommodation of travel between these and intermediate points.

#### Must Not Invade Reserve.

Pendleton—In a letter just received by County Superintendent Wells from J. H. Ackerman, state school superintendent, the hopes of a public school for white children on the reservation are dashed. Not long since Professor Wells wrote the state superintendent if a district might be established upon the Umatilla Indian reservation. He had been asked to take the matter up by various white renters living on the reservation and who have children of school age. However, in his reply Superintendent Ackerman declared the county has no right whatever to extend its schools to the reservation.

#### Profits Pay for Land.

Jacksonville—Ten acres of fruit land within the corporate limits of Jacksonville, Oregon, cost W. I. McIntyre, a well known orchardist of that city, \$1,900 a year ago. This year he will more than have paid for the property with the proceeds of fruit sold from the tract this season. Mr. McIntyre is an enthusiastic fruit grower, who has adopted scientific methods of producing the different varieties of fruit.

#### PORTLAND MARKET.

Wheat—Club, 82c; bluestem, 84c; valley, 81c; red, 79c.  
Oats—No. 1 white, \$23.50@24; gray, \$23@23.50.  
Barley—Feed, \$23@23.50 per ton; brewing, \$24.50@24.75; rolled, \$24.50@25.50.  
Corn—Whole, \$29@30 per ton; cracked, \$30.50.  
Hay—Valley timothy, No. 1, \$17@18 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$19@20; clover, \$11; chest, \$11; grain hay, \$11@12; alfalfa, \$12@13.  
Butter—Fancy creamery, 30@35c per pound.  
Veal—75 to 125 pounds, 8@8½c; 125 to 150 pounds, 7½c; 150 to 200 pounds, 6@7c.  
Pork—Block, 75 to 150 pounds, 8@8½c; packers, 7½@8c.  
Poultry—Average old hens, 13@14c per pound; mixed chickens, 12½c; spring chickens, 12@13c; old roosters, 8@9c; dressed chickens, 16@17c; turkeys, live, 16@16½c; geese, live, 8@9c; ducks, 14c.  
Eggs—Fresh ranch, candied, 28@30c per dozen.  
Fruits—Apples, \$1@1.50 per box; cantaloupes, \$1.25@1.50 per crate; peaches, 75c@1 per crate; prunes, 60@75c per crate; watermelons, 1@1½c per pound; plums, 50@75c per box; pears, 75c@1.25 per box; grapes, 40c@1.50 per crate; casabas, \$2.25 per dozen.  
Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.25 per sack; cabbage, 1½@1½c per pound; celery, 75c@1 per dozen; corn, \$1@1.50 per sack; cucumbers, 10@15c per dozen; onions, 15@20c per dozen; parsley, 20c per dozen; pumpkins, 1½@1½c per pound; radishes, 20c per dozen; spinach, 6c per pound; squash, 50c@1 per box; sweet potatoes, 2½c per pound.  
Onions—\$2@2.25 per hundred.  
Potatoes—New, \$1 per hundred.  
Hops—Fuggles, 6½@7c per pound.  
Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 16@22c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 20@22c, according to shrinkage; mohai, choice, 29@30c per pound.

#### RIOTS MEAN EXCLUSION.

##### Trouble in Vancouver Will Help Solve Problem in U. S.

Washington, Sept. 11.—That a stringent exclusion treaty between America and Japan is measurably nearer realization than the most optimistic administration official could have believed 48 hours ago, is the judgment of the members of the diplomatic corps. This long sought object is expected to be attained, perhaps, as an indirect result of the mobbing of the Japanese at Vancouver, B. C., last Saturday night. Officials here deplore what they view as an unfortunate and unwarranted infraction of the treaty rights of the Japanese, but they do not fail to perceive at once the important bearing that this incident will probably have upon the negotiations between the State department and the Japanese ambassador, looking to the drafting of a treaty that shall limit the incoming of Japanese coolies instead of allowing the subject to be dealt with in the present loose fashion by what amount to semi-official undertakings on the part of the Japanese government to withhold passports to coolies coming directly to the United States.

#### HAGGLES ABOUT ITS BOND.

##### Standard Only Offers \$1,000,000 to Secure \$20,000,000 Fine.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—The Standard Oil company of Indiana today applied to the United States circuit court for a writ of superseas suspending the operation of the recent hearings set by Judge Landis in the United States District court, in which the penalty assessed against the company was \$20,000,000. Judge Grosscup, before whom the application was made, declined to take action until he had heard arguments from the attorneys on both sides. The arguments consumed the greater part of the day.

The attorneys for the government insisted that the superseas bond, if a writ of error were granted, should be as large as the fine assessed against the company. The attorneys for the company argued for a bond of \$1,000,000. Judge Grosscup, while not specifying the amount of the bond, declared that he thought it should be equal at least to the total value of the Standard Oil company of Indiana.

#### TROUBLE IS EXPECTED.

##### Arrival of Japanese on Monteagle Likely to Provoke Riot.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 11.—If the steamship Monteagle, due in Vancouver today with a shipload of Japanese laborers, attempts to land her men, there is serious danger of an outbreak of rioting. The temper of the Vancouver public will not permit the Japanese to be landed and the provincial authorities may temporize with the situation by refusing to admit the Orientals. Though Vancouver is quiet now, the situation has not improved, for the Japanese have purchased every available firearm both in Vancouver and New Westminster. The Vancouver authorities, becoming alarmed over the sale of weapons to the Japanese, forbade further sales, but the Orientals immediately went to New Westminster and got guns. The New Westminster authorities said they had no authority to prevent the sale of arms.

#### Coal Prices Will Rise.

San Francisco, Sept. 11.—A persistent rumor is rife to the effect that a rise in the price of coal on the Pacific coast is pending and it is said that those in close touch with the market conditions are availing themselves of the knowledge to prepare for the exigency, with benefit to themselves. Some of the leading wholesale dealers deny in positive terms that there is anything in the story. Others claim they know nothing of it and will not discuss the situation. The marked activity in shipping circles, however, coupled with the reluctance of some to discuss the matter and the emphatic denial of others seems to lend color to the report.

#### Demonstration in Seattle.

Seattle, Sept. 11.—The Japanese and Korean Exclusion league is planning to repeat the demonstration made at Vancouver last Saturday, in Seattle. A big delegation of Canadians will be brought here to take part in a monster demonstration, declared to be even greater in size than the one that wrecked the Oriental quarters in Vancouver. Local officials of the exclusion league say they will not permit any violence, but that their local demonstration will be even more remarkable than the one in Canada.

#### Only Negro Legislator Resigns.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 11.—W. H. Rogers, the only colored member of the Georgia legislature, today resigned his seat. He gave no reason, but it is believed that the passage of the negro disfranchisement bill influenced him.

#### Balloon Does Unusual Feats.

London, Sept. 11.—A successful test of the new British war balloon was made at Farnborough today in the face of a 15-mile an hour wind. The balloon performed unusual feats of maneuvering.

## DOUBLE-TRACK ROAD

### Harriman to Spend \$75,000,000 on Immediate Improvement.

### ELECTRIC POWER IN MOUNTAINS

#### Plans Approved for Low-Grade and Double-Track Line From Chicago to Pacific Coast.

Chicago, Sept. 14.—As a result of his trip throughout the West and owing to his unbounded faith in the continued prosperity of the country, E. H. Harriman has approved plans for the spending of between \$75,000,000 and \$100,000,000 to complete what he believes will be the best double-track transcontinental railway system in the country.

His plan contemplates the construction of a low-grade double-track railway from Chicago to the Pacific coast at San Francisco, Portland and Seattle, and its operation over the mountain sections by electricity, generated by water power from the Rockies and the Sierras. The completion of this enterprise practically will have the effect of adding three single-track roads, so far as capacity to handle tonnage is concerned, to the transcontinental system.

Mr. Harriman contemplates the improvement of the mountain section of the Southern Pacific by building an entirely new line for a distance of 32 miles between Rocklin and Colfax, Cal. This will have a grade of 78 feet to the mile and will be used as an up-hill track. The present line, with its grade of 116 feet to the mile, will be used as the downhill track.

The company has just completed the lengthening of all sidings on the Sierra mountains so that each will hold 42 cars and three locomotives, such as are used in taking a single freight train over the mountain division. Borings are being made and shafts sunk for the new summit tunnel, which is to be five and one-quarter miles long and which is to lower the grade by a total of 750 feet.

It is expected that 450 miles of the double tracking of the Union Pacific will be completed by the close of the year.

#### AFRAID OF LANDIS.

##### Judge Who Fined Standard May Not Grant Alton Immunity.

Washington, Sept. 14.—Judge Keneaw W. Landis, famous for having imposed the record fine on the Standard Oil company, is causing considerable uneasiness in the department of justice because of his apparent determination to prosecute the Alton railroad. The determination of the judge would not give concern, but for the fact that this road was promised immunity by the government if it would give up information which would enable the government to convict the Standard Oil company. The Alton road fulfilled its part of the contract; its evidence accomplished all that the government sought, and now the Alton is asking the government to live up to its agreement and overlook the sins of the railroad, which are contended to be of much less importance than the sins of the convicted Standard Oil company.

The curious thing about the situation is that Judge Landis is not necessarily bound by any immunity promise given by the department of justice. He knows that ex-Attorney General Moody authorized the giving of such a pledge, and he knows that, if Mr. Moody or the present attorney general had full say, the Alton road would be protected, simply and solely because of the promise of the government. But under our system of government the department of justice can not dictate to Judge Landis, nor can the president by any legal right direct this judge as to what course he shall follow. So far as criminal prosecutions are concerned, Judge Landis is supreme in his own jurisdiction, and if he sees fit to disregard the promise of immunity, there is no power in the government that can check him.

#### Try to Avert Car Famine.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 14.—Efforts to avert a repetition of the car famine of last winter were put into effect by the car service committee at an important conference here. Representatives of nearly all important trunk lines are in attendance. Conferees admit that an alarming shortage of rolling stock confronts the railroad, but refuse to state whether any line of action to avert conditions as bad, if not worse, than prevailed last winter, had been agreed upon at the conference just held.

#### Biggy is Appointed Chief.

San Francisco, Sept. 14.—The board of police commissioners today elected W. J. Biggy chief of police. Mr. Biggy served a short time as chief of police under Mayor Phelan several years ago. For the past nine months he has been an elder of the Superior court, acting as custodian of Abraham Ruef, an important factor in the local political scene.