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ENGLAND'S CITIES TROUBLED BY RIOTS

Many Are Shot in Liverpool
and Whole Nation is in Con-
dition of Unrest.

London.—The United Kingdom is facing one of the gravest crises in the clash between capital and organized labor in its history. The strike situation took on almost the aspect of civil war, when troops were compelled to fire on a mob of strikers in Liverpool.

Together with the furious street battles in Liverpool in which one constable was killed and 40 policemen, including the superintendent, were injured, and serious riots at Glasgow, comes the news of meetings of railway employees at Liverpool, Glasgow, Manchester, Bristol, Sheffield and other large cities, at which threats were made of a general strike of all railway men, transport workers and dockers, unless existing disputes are settled promptly.

At a meeting of 3000 railroad men belonging to the Midland, Great Central and Metropolitan lines it was decided to call a general strike on all the railways and tubes in the London district next Saturday unless grievances were remedied in the meantime.

Liverpool.—The strike committee at 11 o'clock Monday night declared a general strike of all transport workers, including the railway men who up to the last had refused to go out. The strike will be in effect on all the local steamboats and the Mersey Friday. The lockout threatened by the shipowners has become effective and 30,000 men were refused employment until they decide to abide by the terms of a recent agreement.

Valuation On N. P. Up \$17,000,000.
Olympia.—The valuation of the Northern Pacific operating department has been increased \$17,000,000 by the public service commission. Its true value will be reported to the state tax commission at \$137,350,000 this year as against \$110,350,450 in past years.

TWO WOMEN ASSAULTED

Posse Barely Lets Negro Safely Behind Salem Bars.
Salem, Ore.—In a ferment of excitement a mob followed Ed Majors, a paroled negro convict, up the steps of the courthouse as he was led into the jail by several heavily armed men.

Majors attacked two women within two hours in West Salem, and the entire countryside was up in arms beating the fields and woods for miles in search of the fugitive. Murmurs were heard as Majors was pulled through the door of the courthouse. The door was closed quickly on the crowd, which numbered over 500, and the mob dispersed into groups on the grounds, as Majors was searched and taken to a cell.

Northwest Urged to Awake.
Astoria, Ore.—Admonishing the Pacific Northwest country for its failure to make preparations for the opening of the Panama Canal, declaring that it is time for this state and section to awaken from its lethargy, Theodore B. Wilcox, of Portland, made one of the most stirring addresses on the opening day of the Oregon Development League meeting here.

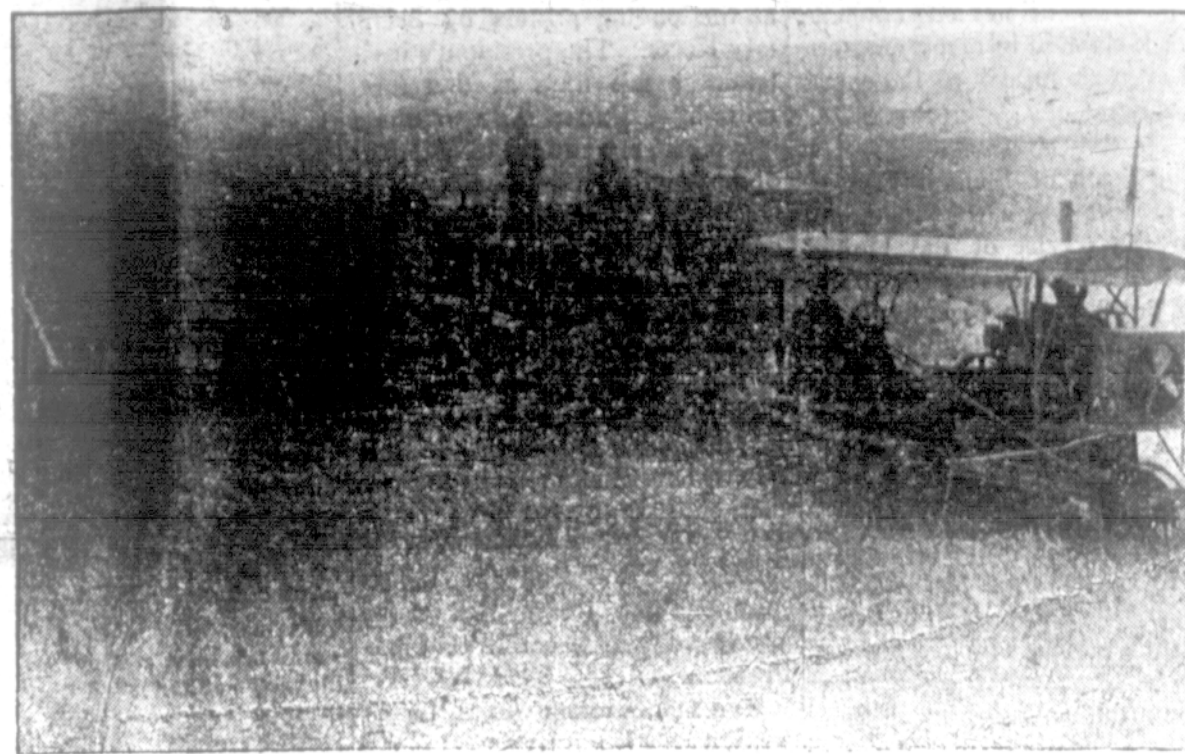
CHARLES GATES TO WED

Minneapolis Society Maid to Become Second Wife of Speculator.
Minneapolis, Minn.—With announcement here that Miss Florence Hopwood, one of Minneapolis' most beautiful society girls, is to become the wife of Charles G. Gates, son of the late John W. Gates, who died last week in Paris, no small sensation was caused, as it became known that Miss Hopwood eight months ago is alleged to have left Harold Hume Carter, son of the millionaire New York manufacturer of Carter's Ink, just two weeks before the wedding. Mr. Gates was recently divorced by his wife.

Women Jurers Called.

Tacoma.—Thirty-four women are included in the venire of 189 jurors for the September term of the superior court. This is the first time since Washington was admitted to the Union that the names of women have been drawn on the regular venire.

McNamara Pledged Support.
San Francisco.—Pledges of support to the United Garment Workers' Union, now on strike in Cleveland, O., and Jan. B. and John McNamara, under indictment at Los Angeles for alleged complicity in the wrecking of the plant of the Los Angeles Times, marked the opening session of the 17th annual convention of the International Brotherhood of Tailors, Sept. 18.



Harvesting By New Methods

C. E. Sheets, C. L. Ireland and C. L. Montgomery left Moro Tuesday morning, August 8th, at 7:45 in Mr. Sheets' Buick auto, on an inspection tour of the harvesting operations of Howell Bros., with the Holt caterpillar engine hitched to a Holt combine harvester. We found Henry and his brothers operating the machine in Labe Barnett's wheat field ten miles north of Moro.

The Howell brothers are well pleased with their new method of harvesting; they are establishing an average daily run of 40 acres, made after 8 a. m. at a known cost of but 15 cents per acre for gasoline and lubricating oils, against a cost of 41 cents per acre for horse drawn combine work, figured at 25 acres per day with a 27 horse machine, which is the number of horses being used on a machine of like capacity in their neighborhood; each horse consuming 38 cents worth of hay per day, as estimated from Eastern Oregon Land Co. figures as the amount a horse must have to do the work, and be in condition when harvest is over.

It is conceded that near 25 acres per day is the limit for horse drawn combines; that is sometimes reduced by extreme heat or damp mornings, while the 41 cents per acre is being fed regardless of no harvesting being done, while the 15 cents cost per acre stops when the machine stops.

This cost of 15 cents was tested on 150 acres for Henry Howell, going 11 sacks per acre; 250 at the same place going 9 to 10 sacks per acre; and on Labe Barnett's place, and W. H. Andrews' place, where the wheat averaged close to 8 sacks per acre.

An important consideration which we noticed during our visit to the caterpillar traction drawn combine, was the easy motion of the threshing apparatus, and the continuous power, threshing going on even when turning corners; another consideration is that those on the combine do not handle brakes of any sort, all that being done from the caterpillar engine.

There is but \$120 difference between the first cost of a caterpillar engine and 27 head of horses at \$250 per span, equipped with a \$30 set of harness, to which must be added about \$200 for chains, hitch, etc., to put them at work.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout
the State During the Past
Week.

Farmers Demand Share.

Medford.—Demanding that the county be divided into districts and that each district be pledged no much road work, outlying localities are now voicing their opposition to the \$1,500,000 bond issue to be voted on at a special election called for September 30.

Residents of the protesting sections wish to know, before they vote for the issue, whether their roads will be fixed and just how much of the money they will get.

Oil Will Replace Wood.

Springfield.—The Oregon Power Company will use oil for their boilers in the big steam electric plant in this city which supplies the entire upper Willamette Valley with electric power. The change will be made to avoid the shipment of fuel from Coquille and Wendling, made necessary as a result of the destruction by fire of the Booth-Kelly sawmill a few weeks ago, from which the power plant received its fuel.

MERLIN TO BE TERMINUS

Change of Route Is Due to Better Facilities for Terminus.

Merlin.—Considerable interest is manifested here over the reported intention of the Southern Pacific Railroad to run its branch line from this place into the Illinois Valley, and thence to Crescent City, Cal.

This change of routes is supposed to have been caused by the lack of land for terminal facilities at Grants Pass, a condition which would not prevail at Merlin, as the company already owns ample grounds, and Charles E. Short, of the townsite company, says that his company will add as much more land as may be needed.

Engineer Roberts, of the Southern Pacific, has announced that he will begin the survey at once, and that the work of construction will follow in a short time.

Will Spend \$2,000,000 in Project.

Brogan.—The Willow Creek Land & Irrigation Company has expended on its project comprising 20,000 acres of land at Brogan and Jamieson, \$1,900,000. This project was started in 1909 and a wonderful development since that time has taken place.

League Asks Rate Cut.

Salem.—To arouse interest in the towns of the Willamette Valley in a reduction of freight rates on the Southern Pacific, a plan is being formulated by the Salem Business Men's League which will result in the league sending delegates to all of the valley towns that are interested.

CASH PAID FOR TIMBER

San Francisco Capital to Develop Western Lane County.

Eugene.—Deeds transferring \$500,000 of the Willamette Valley timber from individual owners to the Wendling-Johnson Lumber Company, of San Francisco, were filed here, and cash payments made of \$555,000.

Options have been secured by the same company on conditional \$500,000 of timber, and when completed the deal will total \$1,055,000. This is the largest timber transaction made in Lane county.

The timber lies along the route of the proposed Eugene-Coos Bay extension of the Southern Pacific Railroad, where the timber purchasers have acquired the mill of the Willamette Lumber Company, and have taken options on the Gaubert mill and its holdings at Acme. This gives the company three and one-half miles of water frontage on the Willamette River for booming and milling purposes.

Trial of Superintendent Is Set.

Portland.—A. S. Briggs, superintendent of the Linton reformatory, who is charged with accepting a bribe of \$100 to release O. A. Richards before his term had expired, was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Bell. His trial was set for the afternoon of August 23.

Big Meeting at Astoria.

Astoria.—With the arrival Monday noon of all the officers and distinguished visitors began the annual convention of the Oregon Development League as a part of the Astoria Centennial celebration program.

Will Build Packing Plant at Dallas.
Dallas.—J. K. Armbray & Co. have announced plans for the construction of a prune-packing plant here. Work will be started soon on a building 50x200 feet, on the land donated by the late William Brown as a site for such a plant.

OREGON NEWS IN BRIEF

The annual Coos County Teachers' Institute is in session in Marshfield and will continue for two weeks.

In the 11 months since fire destroyed much of the town, Langlois has made wonderful progress in rebuilding.

Eight hundred and sixty acres of Elgin stump land is at present being

surveyed into 16-acre tracts, which are to be sold for fruit land.

A permanent good roads association for the purpose of advancing the interests of the county is the purpose of a movement which has been started by the North Bend Commercial Club.

Farmers have more children for every thousand of population than city folks, according to the report of Dr. Calvin S. White, state health officer, in which 33 out of 34 counties of the state are tabulated.

Application for a restraining order enjoining the secretary of state from placing the University of Oregon referendum bill on the ballot at the next general election was filed with the county clerk at Salem Monday.

Superintendent Alderman is wondering what are considered as the five leading characteristic crops of the state of Oregon. He has received an inquiry from Georgia asking for a list of the crops characteristic of this state.

A copper deposit has recently been located in the Green Mountain mining district, 17 miles east of Glendale. Dr. J. F. Reddy, of Medford, one of the best-known mining authorities in the West, declares that the property is very rich.

Death certificates as factors in the settling of insurance claims, property rights and pensions will be a feature of the coming year's work of the state health board, and the more careful registration of all deaths will be sought by State Health Officer White.

With promise of new capital to be invested for the purpose of carrying on unfinished development work, the people of Lakeport, the new town in Curry county, feel encouraged and believe that there are good prospects of the place going ahead as was at first hoped for.

That a car of apples takes no more refrigeration than a car of vegetables and that the same rates should be charged for doing it as in California, is the contention of the Rogue River Fruitgrowers' Association, which will make an effort to have the railroads make the change.

Presenting the fact that insects do more damage in the forest than do forest fires, B. I. Shannon, secretary of the Jackson County Fire Patrol Association, secured the assistance of the Medford Commercial Club in working for the establishment of a local field station at Medford by the Bureau of Entomology.

A few advance copies of the Oregon Blue Book were received from the bindery by Secretary of State Ben W. Olcott. Ten thousand will be printed and be ready for distribution in a few days. The book is compiled by Frank W. Benson and Ben W. Olcott, secretaries of state, and contains an official directory of the state, district and county officers, and the constitution.

COMPROMISE WOOL BILL AGREED UPON

Free List Bill Disagreed to,
With Free Lemons and
Meat as Cause.

Washington.—Tariff revision legislation is moving swiftly onward in Congress toward the expected presidential veto. The House, by a vote of 206 to 90, without a Democrat breaking the party alignment, adopted the conference report on the wool tariff revision bill, which imposes a flat ad valorem duty of 29 per cent on all raw wools, with correspondingly reduced rates on woolen manufactures.

The free list bill, discussed in committee as a matter subsidiary to the wool measure, was disagreed to, as were its two chief amendments, the House amendment adding lemons to the free list and the Kern Senate amendment limiting free meat and cereal products to those countries with which the United States has reciprocal trade arrangements.

Another Vote on Free List.

All its other amendments were accepted. This disagreement was reported to both houses Monday, with a view to another vote in the Senate on the Kern amendment, and the House on the lemons amendment.

Notwithstanding the desire of the Democrats to secure action on the cotton bill at this session, it is believed that Congress will not hold together for that purpose after final action is taken on either or both of the other tariff bills.

The whole tariff revision question will be settled this week, which in all probability will mark the closing of Congress. All the power of the Democratic party now in control of the House and of the effective Democratic insurgent coalition in the Senate, will be centered on the trio of tariff measures. This means, in the belief of leaders of both parties, an adjournment by the end of the week, or within a few days thereafter.

Campaign Publicity Is Agreed To.

Agreement on the campaign publicity bill was reached by the Senate and House conferees. The measure, as agreed on, will be practically the same as that adopted by the Senate, which amended the House bill by providing for publicity in primary as well as other elections. The limitation of campaign expenditures to \$1000 for congressmen and to \$10,000 for a senatorial candidate, will be retained.

Taft's Wishes Disregarded.

Disregarding a telegraphed request from President Taft for a contrary course, the Senate committee on foreign relations agreed upon an amendment to the British and French arbitration treaties, eliminating the provision conferring special powers on the proposed joint high commission.

Germany Favorable to Arbitration.

The reply of Germany to the proposition for a general arbitration treaty with the United States has been presented to the State Department by the German Ambassador. It is understood to be distinctly favorable to the principles laid down by Secretary Knox and to preclude the negotiation of a treaty with Germany similar to the pending convention with Great Britain and France, provided the United States Senate does not drastically amend those agreements.

Will Probe Stephenson Election.

A probe by the United States Senate into the methods used in the election of Senator Isaac Stephenson of Wisconsin will soon begin. A resolution providing for an investigation of Stephenson's election by the Wisconsin Legislature, which reported evidence of bribery and irregularities, and demanded that the upper House of Congress take up the matter.

National Capital Brevities.

President Taft, it was announced, will designate Thursday, November 30, as Thanksgiving Day, despite the request of bankers that the president name Thursday, November 23.

President Taft has definitely decided to visit the Pacific Coast this fall, according to authentic information from the White House.

There will be no final action on the direct election of senators at this session of Congress. The House and Senate conference committee failed to agree upon the Bristow amendment, which extends federal authority over state elections.

The "drift toward the city" in the United States is clearly shown in a bulletin just issued by the census bureau, giving the results of compilations of figures for the several divisions of the country. Taking the census of 10 years ago as the basis it is shown that in Oregon the increase in urban population has been 115.2 per cent; in Washington it has been 166 per cent; in Idaho it has been 116.2 per cent.