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A COMING STRUGGLE.

The following from the Minneapolis News is such a plain statement of the coming struggle between the railroads and the engineers, giving both sides, that we reproduce it:

In the approaching crisis between the railroad men and managers there will be involved many technical terms about schedules, runs, lay-overs and the like, which may serve to puzzle the public.

However, the main issue is simple and inasmuch as the public would hold the bag in case of a strike that issue should be understood.

The men ask an eight-hour day and say that operation can be speeded up so they can do as much in eight hours as they now do in 10. Consequently they want a higher rate of pay for the shorter day. In order to protect them in their enjoyment of the eight-hour day, the men want a high price paid for overtime. They insist that this premium on overtime is demanded with the idea that it will operate to cut down or wholly eliminate overtime, which they do not want. Briefly stated, the men want the same pay for doing the same work but they demand the privilege of doing it in eight hours instead of ten, together with a provision that will make anything over eight hours unpopular with the management of the railroads.

On the other hand, the managers declare that the desired reduction of hours with no reduction in pay is equivalent to a 20 per cent wage increase for time actually employed. Taking this factor as an increase and figuring present overtime on the present basis as to quantity and at the premium rate which the men demand, the railroads declare that to grant the men's demands would involve an added cost of \$100,000,000 a year. They seriously question if the traffic could bear this additional burden.

A strike that would tie up every freight train in the United States hangs upon the decision of these two points. The public would be the chief sufferer in case of a strike. What can the public do to prevent a strike—by promoting a get-together meeting?

PREPAREDNESS FOR PEACE.

A small paper has just been started in Portland, called Preparedness, issued by Rabbi Fishel Ben Ether, editor, and E. P. Rosenthal, publisher. It is gotten up in a striking way, a little different from others. We give a few paragraphs:

"To find Peace, oh, World! face about, turn your back on the way you are going and travel the opposite direction.

"World, oh, World! You are traveling the road of injustice; not Peace but Destruction is awaiting you at the end of the road. Retrace your steps or you will perish. Think not, oh, World! that peace can be trapped or caught. You will not bring peace with guns; you will bring it with bread. As long as there is a hungry man, so long will you be a peaceless World. All you good deeds and all your virtues, my dear World, amount to naught before the judgment, as long as there is a hungry man, a naked man, a suffering man.

"Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, succor the sick; and whatsoever you wish that men do unto you, do you even so unto them—that is the way of Peace.

"You are sick, oh, World! sick unto death with War; not as the result of not being prepared for War, but of not being prepared for Peace. You are dying, not as the result that you are not prepared to die, but because you are not prepared to live. You have built guns—and starved the people. You have taken the clothes off the backs of the little children—and have devoured the shelter of the widows—and moulded it into fortifications. You are dying because of your sin.

"Sin is like the acorn. As the oak

sleepeth in the bosom of the acorn, and at a given signal will awake, come forth and unfold into its glory, so is Hell lurking in the bosom of Sin, and at the agreed time will come forth, mouth open, swallow and destroy the sinner. But there is this difference: the oak can be choked while it is still asleep in the bosom of the acorn, and it will never awaken. The acorn can be burned and the oak is destroyed; but the result of Sin can never be blotted out, for the punishment was born simultaneously with the sin. Call not War a crime—it is a punishment. War is not the root of sin—it is the fruit of Sin. It is the result of the cause. To abolish War, Sin must be abolished. When, oh, World! will you learn to distinguish between crime and punishment for crime?

"You must become a better place to live in; you will not become better by the sword, but by love. You will have to learn the lesson, that the only way to bring about Peace is by preparedness for Peace."

MISFITS

Shakespeare wrote Shakespeare. It is to be hoped this settles it.

It will come at least as near it as the destroyers who are trying to prove that Bacon or some one else wrote the dramas of the immortal bard.

Of all literary rot the worst is that of men seeking a reputation by discrediting Shakespeare.

These fool cartoonists who have been whacking the goat should be good now, with molair at 48 cents a pound and ascending.

Leave the buttinskies alone. They are money makers.

Which also will mean higher prices for things they are used to make.

That education does not conduce to spirituality is shown in the fact that the average state university is a hot bed of infidelity.

Many of the University teachers openly attack Christianity.

The people do not bring on wars. It is done by officials who have to face the bullets themselves.

If left to a vote of the people there would be mighty few wars declared.

Munition trusts are mighty patriots on paper.

Go Down Together.

It looks as if Albany and Corvallis are going to have a little royal for the lead for rose queen.

Portland will get the queen. It is up to Corvallis and Albany to secure two of the six maids and go down to Portland, hand in hand.—Albany Democrat.

Albany Democrat. Thanks for the invitation. We haven't seen your queen candidate yet, but if she is half as good looking as ours, we are willing to go with her hand in hand.

Corvallis G-T.

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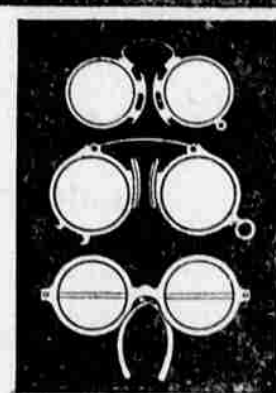
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