

CALIFORNIA NOT HURT BY STRIKE

Freight Will Not Be Held Up in That State as Result of General Strike Throughout Northwest.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 2.—That the switchmen's strike that has resulted in almost complete demoralization of freight traffic on more than a dozen roads in the northern and northwestern states, will in no way affect conditions in California, is the opinion of a majority of railroad men in San Francisco.

DAUGHTER OF O. R. & N. OFFICIAL SERIOUSLY ILL

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 2.—The police today are endeavoring to identify a well-dressed young woman who was found unconscious yesterday in Lincoln Park at the foot of Wisconsin street.

LECTURE RECITAL GREAT SUCCESS

Wednesday Study Club Holds First Open Meeting of Season—Large Audience is Delighted.

The piano lecture-recital last evening at the Baptist church under the patronage of the Wednesday Study club by Mr. William Field, was largely attended and listened to with much interest.

Probate Court. Estate and guardianship Charles L. and Ivan H. Hoekersmith—Inventory and appraisal showing property to the value of \$1000.

The Riverman

By Stewart Edward White

That evening, well after 8, Orde returned to Newmark to take dinner. "Well, I've got 'em all," said Orde as soon as the waitress had gone with the order. "But the best stroke of business you'd never guess. I roped in Heinzman."

"Good!" approved Newmark briefly. "It was really pretty decent of the little Dutchman. He agreed to let us put up our stock as security. Of course that security is good only if we win out, and if we win out, why, then he'll get his logs, so he won't have any use for security. So it's just one way of beating the devil around the bush. He evidently wanted to give us the business, but he hated like the devil to pass up his rules—you know how those old shellbacks are."

"H'm—yes," said Newmark. Orde went on: "I got into your department a little too."

"How's that?" asked Newmark, spearing a baked potato.

"Heinzman said he'd buy some of our stock. He



"Then you put it on the market come and see we have a pretty good show."

Newmark paused, his potato half-way to his plate.

"Kind of him," said he after a moment. "Did he sign a contract?"

"It wasn't made out," Orde reminded him. "I am to bring it in Monday."

They ate hungrily, then drifted out into the office again, where Orde lit a cigar.

"Now, let's see your memoranda," said Newmark.

He frowned over the three simple items for some time.

"It's got me," he confessed.

"What do you mean?" asked Orde in surprise.

"It all looks queer to me. Heinzman's got something up his sleeve. Why should he take a bond with that security from us? If we can't deliver the logs, our company fails; that makes the stock worthless; that makes the bond worthless—just when it is needed. Of course, it's as plain as the nose on your face that he thinks the proposition a good one and is trying to get control."

"Oh, no!" cried Orde, astounded. "Orde, you're all right on the river," laughed Newmark, "but you're a babe at this game."

"But Heinzman is honest," cried Orde. "Why, he is a church member and has a class in Sunday school."

The corners of Newmark's mouth were twitching quietly with amusement.

"Besides, he is going to buy some stock," added Orde after a moment.

"He was bluffing," said Newmark, "because he wanted to find out how much stock would be issued. You told him it would be a hundred thousand dollars, didn't you?"

"Why—yes, I did," Newmark laughed.

"So now he knows that if we forfeit the bond he'll have controlling interest," he pointed out. "But what I can't make out is why he's so sure we'll have to forfeit."

"I think he's just taking a long shot at it," suggested Orde, who seemed finally to have decided against Newmark's opinion.

"Not he. He has some good reason for thinking we won't deliver the logs. Why does he insist on putting in a date for delivery? None of the others does."

"I don't know," replied Orde.

"You say you surely can get the drive through by then?" Orde laughed.

"Sure! Why, it gives me two weeks' leeway over the worst possible luck I could have. You're too almighty suspicious, Joe."

Newmark shook his head.

"You let me figure this out," said he. "But bedtime found him without a solution. He retired to his room under fire of Orde's good natured rallery. Orde himself shut his door, the smile still on his lips. With a sigh he fell asleep. Some time in the night he was awakened by a persistent tapping on the door. He lit the gas and admitted Newmark in his nightgown.

"Orde," said he briefly, "didn't you tell me the other day that rollways were piled both on the banks and in the river?"

"Yes, sometimes," said Orde. "Why?"

"Then they might obstruct the river?"

"Certainly."

"I thought so!" cried Newmark, with as near an approach to exultation as he ever permitted himself. "Now, just one other thing. Aren't Heinzman's rollways below most of the others?"

"Yes, I believe they are," said Orde.

"And, of course, it was agreed, as usual, that Heinzman was to break out his own rollways?"

"I see," said Orde slowly. "You

think he intends to delay things enough so we can't deliver on the date agreed on."

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BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Dec. 2.—Armed posses today are searching for a man named Garrity, who shot and killed Hamilton Proctor in a store at Little Lake, and now a fugitive on the great Mojave desert.

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Garrity then drew a revolver, according to Berry, and shot Proctor, who died three hours later. A reward of \$200 has been offered for the capture of Garrity.

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Wednesday	.4 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	1/2 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	3 kw.h.
Thursday	.4 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	1/4 kw.h.	1/2 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	3 kw.h.
Friday	.4 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	1/2 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	3 kw.h.
Saturday	.4 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	1/2 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	6 kw.h.
Sunday	.4 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	2 1/2 kw.h.	0 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	1 kw.h.	6 kw.h.
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