

DR. R. M. BRUMFIELD ATTEMPTS SUICIDE
U. S. GOV'T TAKES HAND IN RAIL STRIKE

THROAT IS SLASHED BY GOLD BRIDGE

Convicted Slayer of Dennis Russell Nearly Successful in Attempt to Take Life—Sheriff's Premonition Leads to Discovery—Special Guard Placed in Cell.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 21.—Dr. R. M. Brumfield, convicted slayer, who tried to end his life last night by cutting his throat, was in a weakened condition today but his recovery was expected unless complications develop. Sheriff Sam Starmer said this morning he believed the dentist had cut his throat with a sharp piece of gold bridgework he had taken from his teeth. No other implement was found. Dr. Brumfield has made no statement this morning being apparently in a semi-conscious condition. Sheriff Starmer said he believed the prisoner was conscious and understood what was said to him, but that he refused to answer questions.

Carry Him to Court
"We can carry him into the court on a cot if necessary," said the sheriff. The attempt at suicide was discovered last night shortly before nine o'clock, when officers saw a pool of blood near the door of the cell. Dr. Brumfield was found lying with his feet on the floor and his head on the bed. His throat had been slashed about four inches on the left side, the cut starting at the bone back of the ear and extending downwards. It did not reach the jugular vein. The skin on the right side was scratched indicating an attempt to cut the throat on that side.

Steel Saw Is Found
Sheriff Starmer said he was reading last night when he suddenly had a premonition that his prisoner was dead. He hurried down from his house to the jail and made the discovery.

Brumfield's temperature was high throughout the night and much of the time he was delirious calling continually for his mother who is dead. He cried out that he had been shot, and said that he saw the flash and fell from his cot after the shot struck him. The search of the cell last night disclosed, hanging outside in a very dark cranny, a new saw about a foot long, with a bundle of thread or dental floss. The saw had not been used, although it is of a type to cut steel bars.

This morning Dr. Brumfield was told that he might die and asked if he wished to see anyone. "I am not afraid to die," was his only answer. He asked for water and milk. Cold

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IOWA CITY, 50 YEARS WITHOUT CHURCH, DECIDES TO ESTABLISH SUNDAY SCHOOL

DAVENPORT, Ia., Oct. 21.—Unusual interest has been aroused in Walcott, Iowa, twelve miles west of here, by the establishment of a Sunday school, the first in the history of that community. Walcott's religious sentiments have been said to be unique. Although a progressive business community with fine homes, schools and banks, the town has no churches. Since its founding, about fifty years ago, Walcott citizens are declared to have refused to support or tolerate a church. Until a few years ago, Walcott had

Wife Portland Porter Beaten and Branded By the Ku Klux Klan

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 21.—Police today were investigating a report made by P. Reynolds, a negro porter at the Union station, who said he returned home last night to find his wife beaten over the head and branded with the letter "K" in blood on her left cheek. On her bedchamber door was a note signed "K.K.K." warning the couple to leave the neighborhood. She was unable to describe her assailants other than to say they were two white men.

FEDERAL JUDGE ARRESTED FOR AUTO ACCIDENT

Pasadena Court Holds Judge Page Morris — Charged Woman Hit and No Aid Given—Bonds Reduced and Trial Set for Nov. 23.

PASADENA, Cal., Oct. 21.—Federal Judge Page Morris of Duluth, Minn., pleaded not guilty to a charge of reckless driving in the police court here today and his trial was set for November 23.

Judge Morris, who was arrested yesterday, because, according to the police, he had failed to stop and give assistance to a woman struck by his automobile or to report the alleged accident, acted as his own attorney, when his case was called today in the police court.

He pleaded not guilty, waived trial by jury and acquiesced when the court suggested November 23 as the date for trial by the police magistrate. His bonds of \$1000, provided yesterday, were reduced to \$500.

It is charged his automobile struck Mrs. Elizabeth Holmes. She was treated at the emergency hospital for a bruise on the back. The injury, according to her physician, is slight.

Judge Morris said he did not know his automobile had struck her and that he was not trying to avoid giving aid, or reporting the affair, when motorcycle officers arrested him seven blocks from the scene of the alleged accident.

Judge Morris has been sitting in a special case in Salt Lake City and expects to return there Sunday.

STRIKE ORDER GOES SAYS TEXAS CHIEF

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Oct. 21.—On being advised of the United States labor board's declaration today that there would be no strike of trainmen unless it was done in open defiance of the government, E. B. Thompson, general chairman of the conductors of the International and Great Northern railroad, declared "it won't make any difference; the order to strike has been issued and we are preparing to strike."

MINER HEAD ISSUES CALL HOWAT CLAN

Kansas Miners Asked to Return to Work By Lewis—False Leaders Flayed, and Inevitable Ruin Sighted—Unity for Battle Is Urged—Fight Industrial Law.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 21.—A call for the immediate resumption of work by Kansas coal miners who have been idle since their deposed leader, Alexander Howat, was sent to jail under the Kansas industrial court law, was issued today by President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers of America, in a letter sent to every union miner in Kansas.

Those who urged the Kansas mine workers to continue idle in violation of the joint agreement are but false leaders pointing the road to inevitable disaster, said Mr. Lewis' letter which also referred to approaching wage negotiations affecting the entire coal industry of the United States as "the battle which is to come," calling for unity among all miners.

Further, the letter asserted, it was "a deliberate falsehood" to say the international union would permit changed working conditions at the two mines or that the union was acting in sympathy with the Kansas industrial court law.

The letter added that the international union would soon institute legal proceedings to challenge all the law's provisions which labor regards as unconstitutional.

NEW OREGON JUSTICE IN ROBES, OCT. 31

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 21.—Justice John L. Rand, new appointee to the state supreme court to succeed the late Justice Henry L. Benson, will sit for the first time with the court when it meets at Pendleton for the semi-annual term of the supreme court for eastern Oregon. The session will convene October 31. Justice Rand has been instructed by Chief Justice Burnett to meet with the court at that time, and he will not appear in Salem prior to that date.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS IRISH MENAGED

LONDON, Oct. 21.—(By the Associated Press)—The negotiations between British officials and Irish leaders today barely escaped being definitely broken off and for a time it seemed possible that the Sinn Fein delegates would return to Dublin tonight, it was learned after today's adjournment was taken.

JAP SHANTUNG NOTE TO CHINA ISSUED

TOKIO, Oct. 21.—(By the Associated Press)—The foreign office today made public its recent note to China in connection with Japan's proposals for "direct negotiations" with that nation over Shantung. The text of China's reply dated October 2, was appended. Commenting on this correspondence, a foreign office official reiterated the view previously expressed in Japanese government quarters that Japan could not comprehend China's refusal to direct negotiations, in view of the fact that Japan's former note was based upon informal conversations with representatives of China.

Leaders of the Railway Workers



The announcement in Chicago by W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, that a strike would begin on October 30, following the threat of a wage reduction, came as a distinct shock to official Washington. The Labor Committee is composed of Mr. Lee, Warren S. Stone, president of the Locomotive Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors; W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, and P. C. Cashen, president of the Switchmen's Union of America.

BOY OF NINE TO BE TRIED FOR DEATH PLAYMATE

TACOMA, Oct. 21.—Prosecutor Herman Allen of Lewis county announced today that he would file charges against Herbert Coleman, the seven year old Randle boy charged with shooting to death Lynn Peters, his nine year old playmate. Mr. Allen said he had not yet decided on the charge, but that they would be such as to put the Coleman boy in the state training school for boys.

Officers will leave Chehalis this afternoon Mr. Allen said, to apprehend the boy who is accused of killing his play fellow by shooting him with a shotgun following a quarrel. "This is the strangest case I have come in contact with," Mr. Allen said, "and the problem of what to do with the boy is the hardest officers in this county have ever had to solve. After a full discussion of the case we have decided the boy should be sent to the training school for a period. It is unthinkable that one so young should be tried for murder."

U. OF O. TEAM HOLDS LIGHT PRACTICE

BERKELEY, Cal., Oct. 21.—Light signal practice was held here today by the University of Oregon football team in preparation for its Pacific coast conference game tomorrow with the University of California. The Oregonians arrived last night from Eugene.

Arms Conference Will Please Note

HICKSVILLE, N. Y., Oct. 21.—An armored, all metal monoplane, carrying 30 machine guns, and designed for attacking infantry, entrenched or in the open, left here this morning with Brook Hyde-Pierson as pilot for Washington to be inspected by army and navy officials. The plane is destined to resist all weather conditions, to carry three men and has an automatic firing device which provides for the discharge of 3,000 rounds of ammunition in four minutes.

State Highway Work To Be Rushed to Aid Unemployment Crisis

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 21.—If additional federal appropriations for highway work in the states are made available by congress immediately, Oregon will be able to expedite road work, to enhance the federal administration's unemployment program, to the full extent of the money allotted to this state plus an equal amount of state funds under the dollar-for-dollar matching arrangement, says a reply of the state highway department, on behalf of Governor Olcott to a message from Secretary of Commerce Hoover, asking what Oregon could do to furnish employment in road construction.

BOMB THROWING IS EXPECTED IN UNITED STATES

Paris Officials Declare 100 Young Communists Have Been Smuggled Into America to Cause Trouble if Sacco and Vanzetti Are Executed.

PARIS, Oct. 21.—(By Associated Press) French police officials asserted today that more than 100 members of the young communist organization in Europe had slipped through the immigration lines and reached the United States within the last two months for the purpose of "causing trouble" if the two Italians, Sacco and Vanzetti were executed for the murder of which they were convicted in Massachusetts last summer.

Many of these men, the officials said, had been refused passports at the American passport bureau in Paris, but later were able to get to America by other means. The police are working on the theory that some of these communists who failed to get through the lines were responsible for the bomb sent to Ambassador Herrick, which blew up in his home Wednesday. This theory is the result of a threat made by a young communist, who said he was an Italian at the American passport office here Monday, when the officials told him they could not give him a visa for America until he conformed with the regulations. The applicant, who gave his age as 22 years became angry when refused, exclaiming "somebody will get killed for this." A guard was immediately placed at the entrance to the office. This man, the police think, may be one of the group responsible for the bomb sent to the ambassador and the threats made against American officials in France.

Ambassador Herrick, when he returned to his office this morning found sixty-eight additional letters of protest. (Continued on Page Five)

PREMIER AND MINISTER OF PORTUGAL ASSASSINATED, BRITISH SEND WARSHIP

LISBON, Oct. 21.—Antonio Granjo, premier and minister of the interior, and Jose Carlos Maia, former minister of marine and colonies were assassinated during the military outbreak against the government Wednesday which resulted in the setting up of a new administration. Newspapers print an official note from the junta directing the national movement which placed the new government in power, vehemently protesting against the assassination of these two public officials and other devoted republicans. The note adds that those guilty should be delivered to justice.

WAR POWER USED IF MEN WALK OUT

On Failure of Labor Board to Settle R. R. Strike, Harding Administration Takes Hand—Unions Solemnly Warned Not to Strike Until Labor Board Renders Decision.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Whether to resort to the war powers of the federal government to maintain railway transportation in event of the threatened nation-wide strike of railway workers is understood to have been under consideration here today by the administration.

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—(By the Associated Press)—The United States railroad labor board today, backed by all the authority which the government can place at its disposal, called the railroads of the country and the five big unions to appear here next week, and solemnly warned the unions not to strike until the board had heard their grievances and rendered a decision.

The board's action practically means there will be no strike October 30 unless the unions should choose to openly defy the government, for it is hardly probable that a decision will be rendered by the board before that date.

W. G. Lee Will Obey. CLEVELAND, Oct. 21.—(By the Associated Press)—W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen had not received official notice of the above action at 1:30 p. m. When the dispatch was read to him Mr. Lee said:

"While I am very busy here I am perfectly willing to recognize any order from the board or any other proper authority that will tend to prevent the strike, even though it keeps me continually traveling out of Cleveland."

"I have not received an order to appear before the railroad labor board next Wednesday and if I am ordered to do so I certainly will be there," said Warren S. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. "You may also say that the other chief executives of the railroad transportation brotherhoods will attend such a meeting and will go anywhere they are ordered to appear in connection with a settlement of the strike."

Order Meeting October 26. CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—(By the Associated Press)—The United States railroad board at 1:15 this afternoon passed a resolution citing the big four brotherhoods, the switchmen's union and all railroads named in the wage reduction order of July 1, to appear before the board next Wednesday morning, October 26, at 10 a. m. They are urged to appear so that the board may determine whether or not they have been or are violating the wage reduction order. The board also said that insofar as the threatened strike is the result of

it was announced today, is sending the warship Calypso from the Mediterranean to Lisbon in consequence of the representations of British firms and British residents of the Portuguese capital. They express apprehension over the result of the recent political developments there. News received in official quarters reports quiet prevailing in Lisbon today. Looting, however, had occurred on a large scale previously, causing the British interests to request the presence of a warship. The new foreign minister at Lisbon declared that the government had adequate forces to maintain order. The streets of Lisbon were well policed today by the republican guards.