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RAILROAD WALKOUT IS CALLED OFF

R.R. STRIKE ORDER IS CANCELLED

Big Four, After All Night Conference, Cancel Strike Order for October 30th—Assurance by Hooper of No Wage Reduction for Year Vital Factor Is Claimed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.—Telegrams directing him to notify his subordinates to suspend the recent order of the railroad brotherhoods for a strike on the morning of October 30, were received today by F. H. Nemitz, a vice president of the Order of Railway Conductors, who was directing strike arrangements in the territory south of Portland, north of El Paso and west of Ogden. Notification to the brotherhood chairman under Nemitz was sent out immediately.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—The official recall of the rail strike orders issued by the switchmen, trainmen, conductors, engineers and firemen, were dispatched today when leaders of the "big five" flashed code messages to their general chairmen. The chairmen will submit the messages to the locals and the official order recalling the strike will thus permeate the country in a few hours.

The vote ending the strike came late last night after all day sessions of the union leaders. Early in the day general chairmen of each of the five organizations conferred separately. In the afternoon a joint session was held which was addressed by Ben W. Hooper of the labor board. Mr. Hooper's appearance before the board is said by union leaders to have marked the turning point which led to the final decision.

Mr. Hooper is said to have stressed the board's announcement that no further wage cuts for any class of employes would be considered until working conditions for that class of employes have been settled. He is also said to have emphasized the announcement of the rail executives made at Wednesday's hearing that no changes in either wages or working conditions would be sought except through the labor board as provided by law. Union men said they construed Mr. Hooper's remarks as indicating that nearly a year must elapse before further wage cuts could be made effective even if the roads should apply for them at once and the board should eventually approve them.

While the vote by organizations was said to have been unanimous, union men asserted today that the vote in the various unions was close and that the firemen, in particular, long remained obstinate.

The final decision seemed pleasing to union men, rail executives and the labor board alike. Union leaders pointed out that they had determined that they could not strike without opposing both the government and the labor board while they asserted their real quarrel was with the roads.

Railroad executives expressed satisfaction over the decision while members of the labor board characterized the action as one the unions will never regret and which has averted hardship and internal industrial dispute on the eve of the international conference at Washington on limitation of armament.

POSTMASTER GENERAL HAYS BADLY SHAKEN UP IN A RAILROAD WRECK

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Postmaster General Hays and a score of passengers on the midnight express of the Pennsylvania lines, for Washington were badly shaken up early this morning when the express crashed, in a heavy fog, into the rear of a local train at the Manhattan transfer in New Jersey.

Pennsylvania officials declared there had been no serious injuries,

Can't Force School Children to Dance Says Calif. Court

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Oct. 28.—Folk and other forms of dancing even though included in the curriculum as part of the regular course in physical education or gilded as exercises cannot legally be forced upon children attending the public schools of California against the objections and conscientious scruples of their parents, neither does refusal to take part in such exercises afford sufficient ground for the expulsion of pupils by boards of school trustees. The third district court of appeal here so held today in reversing a judgment of the superior court of Sacramento county.

WARS WILL END WHEN THE PUBLIC KNOW THE COST

Dr. Charles Medbury Tells Iowa Conference On Arms Limitation Something About Cost of Wars—92 Cents in Every Dollar Spent.

DES MOINES, Ia., Oct. 28.—"Let the people once thoroughly understand how much of the money they pay to the federal government goes for war purposes and war's popularity will slump far below its present low level. Dr. Charles Medbury told the Iowa conference on limitation of armament, in the opening address of the afternoon session.

"It has been computed," he said, "that the average tax paid to the government in 1920 by each person was \$43.64. In 1920 was this money spent? Here is the answer: For was past we spent 63.2 per cent of the whole; in preparation for future wars we spent 29.4 per cent of the whole.

"Out of every dollar paid to his government by the American citizen in 1920, over 92 cents went to purposes of war. For civil departments of our government we spent 4.8 per cent. When we pass from war we pass from billions.

"For public works we spent 1.4 per cent while—listen everyone who believes in God and in his fellow man—for research and public health and education and such lines of development of the people, we spent out of each dollar 1.3 cents.

"While war is costly in money the supreme cost is not in money but in lives, broken careers, shattered ideals of men and nations. For the sake of the soul of all our people there must be a new and living way an emphasis upon the cost of war."

CANAL CO. ESTABLISH THREE MORE CAMPS

The Rogue River Canal company is establishing three more construction camps near the town of Lake Creek, which are strung along the line of the ditch. Fifty men will be employed all winter at each camp in enlarging the old ditch and in putting in the small diversion dams at the north and south forks of Little Butte creek.

This will make in all eleven camps employing 450 men which the canal company has strung along the ditch between Little Butte intake and Medford. Of this number 150 men are employed at the Fish Lake dam.

although Mr. Hays expressed fear that Rush Simmons, chief inspector of the postoffice department who had been here with Mr. Hays investigating the \$1,500,000 mail robbery, had been more seriously hurt than this report indicated.

A physician who examined the postmaster general said that aside from some strained muscles and a general shaking up he had suffered no harm.

SENSATION IS PROMISED IN PRIEST CASE

Motive of Murder of Father Belknap Will Be Surprise Declares State's Attorney—Country Wide Search for Andrew Rolando, Young Italian, and Girl Companion.

LEAD, S. D., Oct. 28.—A request for the apprehension of Andrew Rolando, 22 years old, was sent to chiefs of police over the country today by the state's attorney. It was announced at police headquarters here today. Fred Westgate, of the state sheriff's office at Pierre, S. D., who made the announcement, said Rolando was wanted in connection with the death of Father A. B. Belknap, Catholic priest murdered here last Wednesday morning.

The police announced that they believed Rolando was accompanied by "a girl with a red tam o' shanter" who is wanted as an important witness. Her name is withheld.

The men named by the police bulletin are: Andrew Rolando, Italian, and Walter Pascal, an American, age not given. The girl is described as being from 15 to 17 years old. The descriptions of the suspects as published in the bulletin follow:

Rolando—Italian, 22 years old, 5 feet 8 inches, slender, light complexion; dark eyes, heavy brown hair; brown shirt; dark cap.

Pascal—American, 5 feet 8 inches, dark, smooth shaven; Roman nose; age not given.

Unknown girl—15 to 18 years of age; light complexion.

Rolando's name, which was given out last night by error as Orlando, is not the only person sought in connection with the priest's death, John Heffron, former state's attorney, who is assisting State's Attorney James Fowler, said today. The names of other persons sought are being withheld for the present, he said.

Westgate said today last night was spent by the authorities making secret investigations and he declared he was confident today he knew who the slayer was and the motive for killing the priest.

Westgate said several women were gotten out of bed during the night and their dispositions taken.

"The motive will be a surprise when it is announced," Westgate said, who added it was not until early today that the authorities discovered it. Fifteen persons were questioned under oath by Fowler and Heffron at police headquarters last night with regard to the movements of Rolando. Mrs. Rose Bertolero, Rolando's landlady and several of her boarders, testified, it was announced, that a pistol and a hammer were found in Rolando's room and that the man had been missing since Wednesday afternoon. They also testified, according to Fowler and Heffron, that a woman called early yesterday morning and asked for Rolando. The woman, according to the witnesses, seemed greatly agitated.

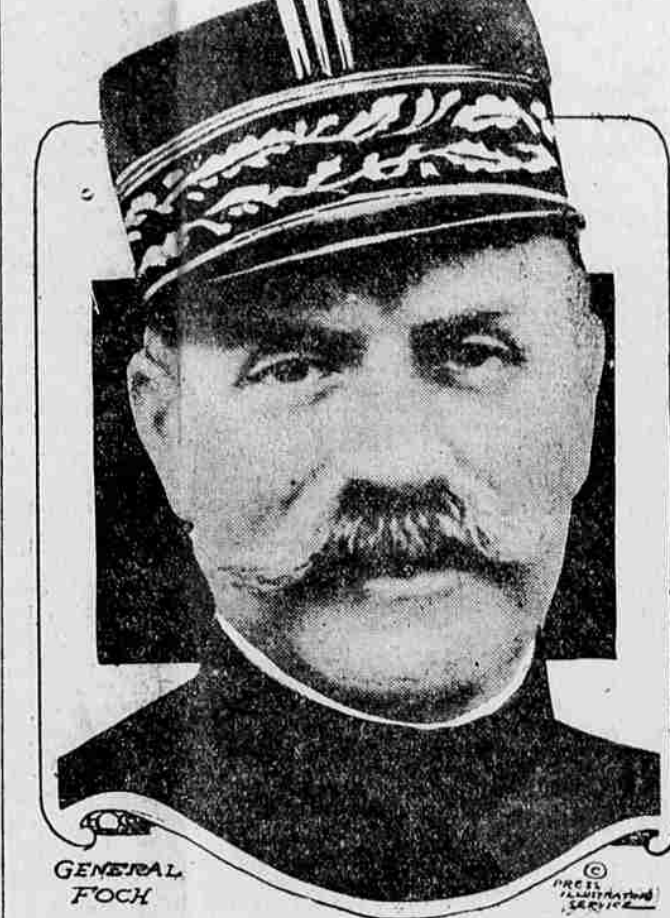
The police today announced that bloodhounds taken to the boarding house conducted by Mrs. Bertolero where Rolando lived, immediately picked up a trail and followed it to the garage at the rear of Bishop J. J. Lawler's residence. Father Belknap's automobile was kept in the garage.

ELKS' SMOKER BRINGS OUT LARGE CROWD

The local Elks lodge smoker of last night was an enjoyable affair participated in by several hundred members of the lodge from all parts of the valley, and many visiting Elks, including a delegation of about 40 from the Ashland lodge.

The entertainment consisted of a vaudeville and musical program, including a clever sleight of hand performance by Little Webster Clark, who was the lodge's guest, baritone solos by Harry Sedgwick, selections by the lodge's orchestra, four good boxing bouts with Ben Dixon as referee and Fred Champlin of Foots Creek as timekeeper, and an exhibition boxing bout.

Marshal Foch Given Tumultuous Greeting on Landing in N. Y.



NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—A mighty bombardment of cheers greeted Marshal Foch when he steamed into New York today on the liner Paris to sit with his American "brothers" at their legion's convention in Kansas City. Tumultuous thousands lined the water front to welcome the gray-haired little man, soldier of France and citizen of the world, who had held the allies' cards in the great game of war and had turned the trick.

CANAL COMPANY WORKERS HELD UP BY 2 BANDITS

The only hold up in the vicinity of Medford for a long time past took place last Tuesday night at the irrigation district construction camp of the Rogue River Canal company close to the 491 ranch, just off the hill road. The 25 employes at this camp were in their several tents just about to leave off their evening's amusement and retire when the camp was visited between 9 and 10 o'clock by two robbers.

The first known of their presence was when a man with his face masked with a handkerchief, and brandishing a revolver, entered the tent occupied by the four steam shovel men, who are the best paid employes, and demanded that they fork over their money quickly and make no noise under penalty of death. His companion robber was not seen then by the victims but he was heard outside the tent and later talking with the leading robber.

One after another the shovel men handed over their money to the masked man until he had obtained altogether \$260, several watches and some razors from them, one man alone parting with \$207. The robber was very cool but determined. When one of the victims was too slow about handing over his money the robber shoved the revolver hard into his stomach to speed him up. Another man lying on the bed with his trousers off fished in his pockets and drawing out some loose silver handed it over with the remark that it was all he had, although he well knew that nestled in one of the pockets were \$39 in bills. "That don't go," said the robber. "Fork over your big money."

"Well, if you don't believe me, look through them yourself," said the man as he tossed his trousers to the bandit.

The bluff worked, as the masked man paid no further attention to the trousers. Another victim so

Retired Salem Farmer And Colored Woman Killed, Auto Accident

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 28.—James H. Wilson, 62, a retired farmer of Salem, and Miss Ruth Wortham, 54, a colored missionary of San Bernardino, Cal., lost their lives, apparently from drowning, and Mrs. Wilson, wife of the dead man, is suffering from a crushed chest, following an accident in which the automobile in which they were riding catapulted over a steep embankment on the Jefferson road and landed in a shallow creek, five miles south of Salem, at 12:30 o'clock this morning. Mrs. Wilson will live.

MEDFORD TAX IS SAME THIS YEAR AS LAST

Budget Committee Decide On 15.9 Mills for Municipal Purposes—Keen's Opposition Kills Proposed Increase of One-Tenth Mill.

The annual tax levy for the city of Medford for next year will be the same as the present year, 15.9 mills, if the budget recommended by the budget committee is adopted. This tax levy of 15.9 mills is apportioned as follows in the tentative budget: General fund 10 mills; sinking fund, 2.5 mills; floating debt, 2.1 mills; and public library fund 1.3 mills.

The budget committee completed its labor last night. The committee is composed of the members of the city council and the following citizens: F. E. Merrick, A. L. Hill, John A. Westlund, O. C. Boggs, A. C. Hubbard, and Vernon H. Vawter. The city council finance committee at this meeting proposed an additional levy of one-tenth of a mill over last year's levy, but Councilman Keene's firm opposition to this proposed increase was successful.

This recommended budget must now be advertised twice in 20 days before the public hearing is held on it, and then the city council will pass an ordinance making whatever levy is decided upon after this hearing. The date of the hearing has not yet been set.

The tentative levy provides for the same salaries for city officers and employes as this year, and practically the same apportionment to the various departments. A new item in the budget is \$1200 for the maintenance of the city auto camp, and the fire department is given an increase of \$1750 over this year. A search through this budget shows that band concerts in the park is taken care of in the item of \$500 devoted to entertainment.

The mayor and members of the council point with pride that this year the council has retired \$38,000 worth of fire apparatus and trunk sewer bonds, \$4,000 of city bonds, and \$11,000 of improvement bonds.

Standard Oil Gets Plum. PRAGUE, Oct. 28.—Contracts giving the Standard Franco-American Oil company of Paris exclusive rights in developing oil territory throughout the greater part of Czechoslovakia have been approved by the cabinet. This company is a subsidiary of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey.

JAP SHIP SUNK, MANY DISABLED BY TERRIFIC STORM IN THE PACIFIC

SEATTLE, Oct. 28.—The freighter West Ivan was proceeding toward Yokohama today with the crew and passengers of the Japanese steamship Fukui Maru, reported sunk last night in a hurricane 1200 miles west of Cape Flattery, Wash.

The Fukui Maru, a vessel of 3087 tons, was owned by the Yamashita Kisen Kaisha. She was proceeding to Kobe, but had turned back toward Seattle several days ago, in a disabled condition, according to wireless reports.

News that she had foundered was sent by the West Ivan early this morning. All aboard were reported saved. The Fukui Maru is believed to have carried a small number of passengers.

EV'LYN THAW ATTEMPTS TO KILL HERSELF

Former Wife of Notorious Pittsburger Swallows Morphine When Sheriff Tries to Evict Her From Apartment—Tea Room Closed—Will Recover, Says Physician.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Evelyn Nesbit, one-time wife of Harry K. Thaw, took an overdose of morphine today and screamed to a marshal posted outside her apartment to evict her, that she had swallowed enough poison to kill twenty persons.

She will recover, however, a physician said, after making a hurry call and using the stomach pump. Recently, her ten-room apartment was closed. The famous ex-dancer made the attempt on her life after laborers, operating under directions of the county authorities, had begun moving her furniture into the street.

As the furniture was being moved into the street, hurried conversations over the telephone secured a few hours extension of time in which to pay overdue rents. But she failed to locate a single friend who was able or willing to advance the necessary cash.

After announcing that she had taken poison Miss Nesbit said "now I don't care what you do." An ambulance arrived in a few minutes and after antitoxins had been administered the ambulance surgeon left his patient, exclaiming from her a promise to walk up and down the length of her apartment, supported on either side by the waitresses. This, the surgeon impressed upon her attendants, was to keep Miss Nesbit from lapsing into unconsciousness.

GIVE OUT LINEUP ASHLAND GAME

The Ashland-Medford football game which will be played at Ashland tomorrow afternoon will be the hardest game of the season, and a large delegation of loyal Medford rooters is expected to attend. Several of Medford's first string men who were out of the game last Saturday, when the local team played Klamath Falls, will again be seen in action. The Ashland-Medford games are always the most interesting and the hardest fought games of the season and they promise to be exceptionally interesting this year, as both schools have first class teams. The Thanksgiving Day game will be played on the Medford field.

Medford's lineup: Ends, Bob Johnston and "Dutch" Welch, Tackles, Mansfield and Prescott, Guards, Webster and Stockman, Center, Rudy Singler, Halves, Paine and Dally, Quarter, Beeny, Full, Richard Singler.

Portland Aids Idle. PORTLAND, Oct. 28.—Under the direction of a civic committee, a corps of volunteer trucks and automobiles Monday will begin to gather donations of old clothes shoes, underwear, rubber, metal, bottles and other marketable waste, which is to be used for the relief of the unemployed of Portland.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 28.—The steam schooner Ernest H. Meyer is at Astoria, having put in there two days ago after her wireless was disabled in a storm at sea, according to advices to the owners here.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 28.—Owing to an accident to her steering gear the steamer West Keats of the Columbia Pacific Steamship company has turned back to the Columbia river after proceeding 1000 miles out on the Pacific, according to radio advices to the Chamber of Commerce today. The West Keats left here October 16 for Far Eastern ports.