

The Weather

Prediction Fair
Maximum yesterday 98
Minimum today 58

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Weather Year Ago
Maximum 98
Minimum 54

Daily—Seventeenth Year.
Weekly—Fifty-Second Year.

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R. R. LEADERS REJECT HARDING'S OFFER

EXECUTIVES STAND PAT ON RULING

Men Who Walked Out Will Not Be Given Rights of Seniority
Railroad Heads Declare in Reply to Harding's Offer—Strike Settlement Dims Away Again.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—Railway executives today rejected the proposal of President Harding that striking shopmen be reinstated without forfeiting seniority rights, but accepted conditionally the other two suggestions made by the White House for settlement of the nation wide strike.

This announcement was made by President Loe of the Delaware and Hudson after the heads of 148 roads had met here today considering Mr. Harding's program, drafted a reply and adjourned.

The reply to President Harding was put on the wire to the White House as soon as it had been drawn up by a sub-committee headed by Robert S. Lovett of the Union Pacific and approved unanimously by the general conference.

The proposals conditionally accepted were that wage decisions rendered by the railroad labor board should be accepted by all and that law suits resulting from the strike should be withdrawn by both sides for settlement by the board.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—The heads of 148 American railroads conferring here today appointed a committee to draft a reply to the proposal submitted by President Harding for settlement of the nation wide railroad strike.

The nature of the reply and the personnel of the committee were not made public, but it was learned that President Smith of the New York Central headed the committee and that Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, was another member. Both are reputed to be strongly opposed to settling the strike by reinstating former employees with seniority privileges.

Judge Lovitt of the Union Pacific, generally regarded as the dean of railway executives, was the principal speaker when the meeting reconvened after the noon recess with the text of the Harding proposals before them, embodying the provisions for reinstatement of strikers with the seniority ranking held before the walkout.

Judge Lovitt was reported to have told the executives that there was no moral reason why the roads should budge from their position, nor was there any practical reason, inasmuch as the country's railroad service was generally satisfactory.

President's Proposals
WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The text of President Harding's proposal for ending the railroad strike was made public at the White House today after the cabinet session and after the executives in conference in New York and the striking shopmen leaders in Chicago had begun consideration of it.

President Harding's proposal provides with reference to the big controversial point of seniority that "all employees now on strike be returned to work and to their former positions with seniority and other rights unimpaired."

This was revealed in an announcement.

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JOHN BLACK, FAMOUS GOLFER, NEAR DEATH RESULT OF AUTO ACCIDENT

SAN JOSE, Cal., Aug. 1.—John Black of Oakland, noted golf player who was seriously injured in an automobile accident last night, "spent a fair night, but his condition is not as satisfactory as we had hoped for," official of the Columbia hospital here where Black was taken after the accident, announced today. Herbert H. Brown, San Francisco insurance man, who was with Black in the car,

Kill Fresno Banker When He Refuses to Obey Police Order

FRESNO, Cal., Aug. 1.—Frank J. Wiens, a bank teller of Reedley, was shot and killed last night near Reedley when he failed to halt at the command of three Fresno firemen, who were hunting for the slayers of James Hardenbrook, Fresno police sergeant, who was slain early yesterday.

The firemen, W. A. Seger and C. W. Fridley, had been stationed at a bridge near Reedley by county officers and were investigating all passing motorists.

Wiens, they said, started to slow down when they hailed him and then speeded up. Both men fired at the tires, they said, but one shot apparently glanced off and struck Wiens in the heart, killing him almost instantly.

The firemen were taken into custody pending an investigation.

GRAND JURY PROBE WILL END TODAY

Asst. Attorney General Liljeqvist, Leaves Tonight and Results of Investigation Expected Soon—Only Two Important Witnesses Fail to Appear Before Jury.

The special grand jury, which for the last week has been hearing evidence on the "whitecap" activities in Jackson county last spring, moved from the federal building to the court house at Jacksonville this morning, heard a dozen witnesses before noon, and began its final deliberations at the opening of the afternoon session.

Among the witnesses called this morning were County Judge George A. Gardner, who was in the jury room but a few minutes, J. E. Hale, Arthur Burr, and Hank Johnson, the three victims of "necktie parties," Pat Bailey, deputy state game warden, Charles Harrison, a local insurance agent, Carl Beebe, a taxi driver, Roy Wilson, a cement worker, and Harry Lofland, all of this city.

Among the witnesses called Monday afternoon were Bill Jones, Carl Bowman, Clay Walker, former Medford policeman, J. A. Millard, Dr. J. P. Bray, Dwight L. Vimont, former postal employee, and William Barteau, engineer and in charge of the furnace at the Medford Hotel.

All but two of the witnesses subpoenaed for the grand jury appeared. They are Joe J. McMahon, state traffic officer, said to be in the Salem district and Paul Wright, reported to be in the Umpqua Divide country on mining business.

Assistant Attorney General Liljeqvist, who has been handling the investigation, will leave for Portland tonight.

Tom Word, department of justice chief, who had charge of the gathering of evidence in the case, left Monday night for Portland, leaving the local situation in the hands of his aides.

The grand jury, under the law, will issue a report on its findings, insofar as it deems advisable.

An inventor has patented an extra handle to be placed on a file to permit it to be moved equally easily in both directions.

Famous Dancer, Said to Have Brought Legal Action Against Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney



Mrs. Florence E. Fontaine, mother of Miss Evan Burrows Fontaine (left) has made the announcement that her daughter who is the mother of an 18 months old baby (right) had taken legal steps against Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney (insert). Young Whitney is a Yale student and member of the rowing crew, son of Harry Payne Whitney and Mrs. Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney.

LEWIS PUTS IT UP TO OWNERS OF COAL MINES

Head of United Mine Workers Asks Conference to End Walk Out—Able to Fight Indefinitely, But Anxious to Save Public.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 1.—Indiana will not attend the conference called by President John L. Lewis of the miners' union for the purpose of negotiating a wage agreement for the central competitive field, Morton L. Gould, president of the Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators' association, said today.

CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—Illinois coal operators will pass on John L. Lewis' invitation for a central competitive field conference when the state operators' scale committee meets here Friday. F. C. Honnold, secretary of the Illinois Coal Operators' association, said today.

Mr. Honnold added that his personal opinion was that "the sentiment in Illinois would be in line with that expressed by Indiana."

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 1.—The Pittsburgh Coal Producers' association today declined the proposal of John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers for a four states conference to settle the coal strike, but declared in a message to Mr. Lewis that it was willing to meet the mine workers' organization in this district to "negotiate a wage scale for the district."

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Aug. 1.—Deputy sheriffs and guards at the mine of the Locust Hill Coal and Coke company, near Point Marion, Pa., in the Fayette strike region fought with a crowd of men who tried to destroy the tippie early today. The shooting lasted more than an hour. None of the guards or deputies was wounded but searching parties were in the woods today looking for members of the assaulting party.

State troopers were hurried to the scene.

The Locust Hill mine has been working steadily since the strike began although other mines in the region are closed. Three men were killed in a fight at the mine several weeks ago.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 1.—A joint wage conference of operators and miners of the central competitive bituminous fields, to be held in

RED CROSS NURSE AND PHONE OPERATOR WHO PROVED HEROINES IN CRASH ON READING



(Upper photo) Miss Mary W. Cottrill. (Lower photo) Miss Margaret Loughman.

Miss Loughman, at her switchboard in Hammon, N. J., summoned aid from every direction never losing her nerve. Miss Cottrill, who served overseas, not only aided in rescue work, but accompanied the injured on relief train to hospitals.

NEGRO PROTESTING INNOCENCE HUNG

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Aug. 1.—Bunk Harris, negro, was taken from officers here at nine o'clock this morning and hanged in a public square following the death early today of Maurice Connelly, an insurance solicitor who was shot last night by a negro burglar.

Harris, who was arrested early today, was said by the police to have answered a description given of a man seen running from the scene of the shooting. He protested his innocence. According to the police he served a term in the Arkansas prison for burglary.

Of English invention in a slot machine that prints the fact that postage has been paid on letters instead of affixing stamps.

FRANCE SERVES BERLIN NOTICE SHE WILL ACT

Penalties of Financial and Economic Character to Be Imposed for Germany's Refusal to Continue Payments on War Debts.

PARIS, Aug. 1.—France will impose penalties of an economic and financial character upon Germany because of her refusal to continue payments on the debts contracted by her nationals with allied nationals before the war, it was said in official circles here today.

The time limit set by France will expire next Monday.

The exact nature of the penalties intended to be applied could not be learned in official quarters. It was explained, however, that no military action was contemplated. The view was expressed that the payments which are being made to German nationals by French citizens in cooperation with business dealings arranged before the war will be stopped in view of Germany's action.

BERLIN, Aug. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German reply to the French note regarding payments by Germany to the allied clearing house on account of debts contracted by German nationals with allied citizens prior to the war was telegraphed to Paris last night for presentation to the French government today.

The note reasserts that Germany finds it impossible to continue the monthly payment of 2,000,000 pounds sterling.

The argument is made that the reparations transactions and the clearing house process constitute one indivisible whole and that the German financial situation makes it impossible for the government to continue payments either on account of reparations or to the clearing house and under present conditions.

Arsenic in Pies at N. Y. Restaurant Kill Three, Over 100 Sick

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Arsenic mysteriously placed in a batch of pie dough was responsible today for the death of three persons and the illness of more than 100 who partook of the poisoned pastry in a Broadway restaurant yesterday, the medical examiners office announced after an investigation.

Charles Abramson, a baker recently discharged by the restaurant manager was held as a material witness but District Attorney Blanton announced Abramson "apparently" comes out clean of any suspicion that he was responsible for the poisoning.

OLCOTT GAINS HALL LOSES VOTE COUNT

Thus Far Recount Gives One More Vote to Governor—None of the 142 Irregularities Charged By Hall Forces in Marion County Materialize—Challenges Fall Flat.

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 1.—Governor Olcott gained one vote and Charles Hall lost one vote as the result of recounting the Marion county precincts in the recount of the ballots cast for governor in the republican primary of May 19.

In the East Gervais precinct one ballot that had been marked for both Hall and White and evidently counted for Hall was thrown out and one ballot which had been doubly marked for Olcott, rejected by the election board, was counted for Olcott.

None of the 142 irregularities charged by the Hall forces materialized.

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 1.—Irregularities, which, counsel for Senator Charles Hall, primary election contestant claimed would be brought to light in a re-check of votes in Marion county precincts failed to materialize today when the recount board slowly continued its work.

At eleven o'clock but four precincts had been recounted, Horeb, Champoug, Englewood and Fairfield. In Champoug precinct the contestant had alleged that five ballots had been cast by non-republicans and that two votes for Olcott were cast on democratic ballots. In Englewood, it was alleged that two votes had been erroneously counted for Olcott and that one other had registered in bad faith. In Fairfield precinct eleven votes were challenged. Each of the challenges proved to have been made without foundation.

Phil Neer Defeated.
SEABRIGHT, N. J., Aug. 1.—Gerard H. Patterson, Australia, defeated Philip E. Neer of Portland, Ore., 6-4, 6-0, in a third round match in the invitation singles. William M. Johnston, San Francisco, defeated Hugh G. McKelcher, New York, 6-1, 4-6, 6-0.

New Cabinet in Italy.
ROME, Aug. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—Luigi De Facta, former Italian premier, succeeded today in forming a new cabinet. It was announced this afternoon. Carlos Shanzer remains minister of foreign affairs.

FOREMAN OF OBENCHAIN JURY IS READY TO STAY OUT A YEAR

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 1.—"We'll stay out a week, a month, a year, if necessary," declared M. E. Paddock, of Long Beach, foreman of the jury which again today was to attempt to reach a decision as to the guilt or innocence of Mrs. Madalynne Obenchain, just tried for the second time for the murder of her sweetheart, J. Belton Kennedy. At the same time that Paddock expressed willingness of the jurors to continue their deliberations as long as the court desired, he said his own opinion was

CHICAGO IS TIED UP BY CAR STRIKE

20,000 Employees of Surface and Elevated Lines Walk Out—Thousands Walk to Work—Jitneys Do Land Office Business—Fight to Finish Expected.

CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—Twenty thousand motormen, conductors and guards on surface elevated lines went on strike at four o'clock this morning, and the greater part of the working portion of Chicago's near 3,000,000 persons was forced to seek improvised transportation. As usual all rolling stock available including every sort of wheeled pullable, pushable or motorized vehicle, was inadequate and the brunt of the traffic fell on "hank's mare."

Thousands started early afoot and from well before dawn streets and avenues leading to the business and manufacturing districts seethed with pedestrians. Streets in the downtown district automatically became one-way thoroughfares. But ever that action, fostered by the police department, was not enough to untangle the jams of traffic.

Hundreds of jitney busses from surrounding towns were on the job with the break of day, having been summoned days ago by Charles F. Fitzmorris, chief of police, when a strike appeared to be inevitable.

The walkout really began at 11 p. m. last night when the surface car men ending runs at that hour took their cars to the barns. From there on as runs were finished, motormen and conductors ceased work and in the early hours of the morning the number of cars on the streets gradually dwindled to zero.

Negotiations have been under way between the surface line workers and the surface line owners for several days, after posting of an order for a wage reduction of approximately 17 per cent. All efforts to bring about an agreement between the company and the workmen were announced as failures late yesterday.

Elevated Men Strike.
The elevated employees who had called a meeting for tonight unanimously voted to co-operate in the strike last night.

Early today carpenters went over the elevated lines, boarding up the entrance to the stations. The surface line tunnels beneath the Chicago river also were boarded up and guards placed around the entrances.

There was no statement from company officials as to when an effort to resume traffic would be made, but the Chicago Herald and Examiner, in a copyrighted news story published today, said the strike meant a war to the finish between the line and the employees. The newspaper said the advance guard of an army of 50,000 potential new employees had been in Chicago three weeks and that plans had been perfected for an attempt to break the strike quickly.

City authorities have prepared for use at any moment the entire police force of approximately 5,000 men and it is understood certain units of the state National Guard have been ordered to be in readiness for duty.

The strike comes just when Chicago was the gathering point for unusual thousands of visitors, attracted by the second pageant of progress, sponsored by Mayor Thompson at the municipal pier.

Liberty Bonds
NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Liberty bonds closed: 3 1/2's 101.22; second 4's 100.42; first 4 1/2's 101.34; second 4 1/2's 100.56; third 4 1/2's 100.54; fourth 4 1/2's 101.32; Victory 3 1/2's (uncalled) 100.88; Victory 4 1/2's (called) 100.46.