

MAY RUN RAILROADS BY MARTIAL LAW

BILL IS BEING DRAWN TO PROVIDE FOR THIS

PRESIDENT PLANS THIS ACTION IF STRIKE IS CALLED

Attorney General and Commerce Commission is assisting in making bill reported President has told trainmen of his plans, but brotherhood deny that they have been so informed.

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—Military operation of the railroads of the United States with the present trainmen, under military draft, is the course President Wilson contemplates, if a nation wide strike is called by the railroad brotherhoods next Monday.

Senator Newlands of Nevada, after a conference with President Wilson, has begun the preparation of such a bill. He is being assisted by Attorney General Gregory, the Interstate Commerce Commission and Congressman Adamson.

It is rumored that President Wilson last night told the brotherhood executives of his plan, but the brotherhoods deny this.

President Wilson this afternoon addressed a joint session of both houses of congress, urging speedy legislation to avert a strike, and "safeguard the life and interest of the nation."

He asked for laws providing for an eight hour day for railroads, enlarged powers to the Interstate Commerce Commission, a law similar to the Canadian disputes act, and a law empowering the president to draft trainmen into military operation of the railroads.

He asked these laws as "permanent and necessary additions to law." President Wilson outlined his efforts to prevent a strike, but said they "ended in a complete deadlock."

"The country faces a national calamity, food supplies will be stopped, commerce paralyzed and countless thousands may be brought to the point of starvation," said the president.

He told congress that he had offered an eight hour day as a basis of settlement because the "whole spirit of the time and preponderant evidence from recent economic experience," favors such a day. He declared that the railroads do not care to rely on the assurances of the president and congress. "They think best that they should be forced to yield, if they must yield," he said.

The railroad brotherhoods have int-

ended that they intend to execute their plans for a walkout next Monday unless congress passes satisfactory legislation before then. The heads of the brotherhoods say they are not authorized to rescind the strike call, but only can fix the time to strike, unless both sides previously accept Wilson's proposal. The brotherhood executives this morning agreed to reject the railroads' "final proposal"

The brotherhoods have formally protested to a bill similar to the Canadian disputes act, saying it is the "most effectual means of insuring the bondage of the workman known since the days of slavery," and gives capital time to prepare for a strike. It is not known whether or not they will fight the act if it is passed before a strike is called.

The railroads are lining up their old employees and strike breakers for an emergency. The district chairmen of the brotherhoods will leave Washington immediately, leaving to the presidents of the four orders authority to direct the strike. The railroads say the strike has been postponed. They declare the brotherhoods will not dare to strike while congress is considering remedial legislation.

Big Railroad Chiefs Oppose President Wilson in Strike Talk



Here are three presidents of great railroads and the representatives of the greatest system in the country who oppose President Wilson's suggested settlement of the railroad strike problem. Elisha Lee, assistant general manager of the Pennsylvania system, has been the spokesman of the managers committee, which has handled the strike matter for months. Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, spokesman for the railroad presidents called to Washington by President Wilson; Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern railway, most important road of the South, and Louis W. Hill, on whom has just descended the management of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific, are opposed to an eight-hour day.

PIG MAN HERE TO SEE PUPILS

AGENT OF STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE WILL VISIT ALL SCHOOLS WITH PETERSON AND GLAISYER

To interest Klamath county boys and girls in the state-wide movement to raise better pigs, L. J. Allen, state agent for the Boys and Girls Pig Club, is here from Corvallis. In company with County Agriculturist H. R. Glaisyer and County School Superintendent Fred Peterson, he will visit several sections of this county.

The better pig movement is being conducted by Oregon Agricultural College. It is the plan of the college to encourage boys and girls in all parts of the state to raise a few thoroughbred pigs. The first prize is a trip of two weeks to Oregon Agricultural College, and the second a trip to the Oregon State Fair.

The work of Mr. Allen is not restricted to hog growing, but includes work for girls in cooking and sewing and many other branches.

Thomas Infant Dies.
Helen Gladwin Thomas, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert C. Thomas, died suddenly this morning. The infant was about five months old. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at Whitlock's undertaking parlors and will be private.

Strahorn Tells Portland of Railroad Prospects

The following is taken from the Oregon Journal of Sunday:

With surveys 99 per cent completed, work on the actual construction of the Oregon, California & Eastern railway probably will begin yet this fall.

The first work is to start at Klamath Falls on the north and south line toward Bend. It will comprise some forty-one miles and tap the Klamath Indian reservation and the Sprague River Valley, which even now are in a high state of cultivation.

But this construction work depends entirely upon whether or not Klamath Falls and its people fulfill promises to Robert E. Strahorn, projector and president of the pioneering railroad which he hopes to see, built across Central Oregon to connect up five railroad lines that now stop at the very edge of the intermountain empire.

Mr. Strahorn returned yesterday afternoon from a six weeks' automobile trip through Central Oregon, Northern Nevada and California and the Rogue and Willamette valleys. He was accompanied all the way by Mrs. Strahorn, the couple finishing an even 2,400 miles by the gasoline route. So pleased were they with the pleasure part of the journey that they expect to go to their home in Spokane by the same automobile, by way of Puget Sound and across the mountains through the Yakima country. That will make their trip an even 3,000-mile circuit.

Mr. Strahorn spent nearly three weeks in the Klamath country and the region directly tributary, studying just what transportation needs are most important and what their effect would be upon development.

Before he left Klamath Falls he had the satisfaction of seeing petitioners start out to gather signatures to legalize a special election that would decide whether or not a \$300,000 bond issue should be floated to offer the railroad projector aid for the line.

Mr. Strahorn was not particularly insistent that the first construction work should be on the Klamath Falls end of the system. But so thoroughly have the people there been roused to the possibilities and benefits of the project, and so eager have they manifested

themselves that Mr. Strahorn said they probably will see the first dirt fly.

But developments in the situation around Bend are hardly less encouraging, according to the road builder's report. He said the people of Crook county have fairly outdone themselves, have secured right of way for nearly fifty miles to Millican, have donated terminal property and made other liberal proffers.

And so, when work starts on the line, the Bend portion will not be far behind the Klamath Falls part. But as for the forty-one miles that is contemplated as the immediate construction out of Klamath Falls, Mr. Strahorn said the region to be developed is already rich, and would be a money maker for the railroad almost from the start.

Out of a maze of some 2,500 miles of preliminary lines, the surveys for the miles of actual line are now complete save for some twenty-five miles. The line is fixed for the route between Bend and the junction with the Oregon Eastern at Crane; the line is fixed to the route from Bend to Klamath Falls, and it is practically completed for the route between Klamath Falls and Lakeview, save for a portion traversing several townships of hilly land. Chief Engineer N. H. Bogue is now making a reconnaissance of this portion.

So it is that by the time the localities which expect to benefit from transportation have canvassed their resources and decided what they can do toward gaining for themselves a railroad line, all the estimates will have been made, and all the lines figured as to cost and gradients and the myriad factors that enter into construction, so that the grading may follow within a few days or weeks after the word "go" is given.

The lower end of the line from Klamath Indian reservation north of the Sprague River is already under cultivation. The Sprague Valley is of rich soil, now yielding good crops. In between, for nearly forty miles, are virgin forests of magnificent timber.

Mr. Strahorn reported that reclamation of lands by drainage in the Klam-

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GERMANY EXPECTS WAR FROM GREECE

TO REGISTER FOR SCHOOL MONDAY

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL HAVE NO STUDIES FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL EXCEPT REGISTRATION AND ARRANGING COURSES

All students expecting to attend the Klamath county high school during the coming school year are requested to report for registration at the high school building Monday, September 4, during the hours 9 to 12 a. m., and 1:30 to 4 p. m. The only duties required of students on September 4th will be the filling of the registration blank and the arrangement of the individual program.

All students are required to report on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock and assume their assigned seats in the study hall at which time important announcements will be made. No text books should be purchased before Tuesday.

All who are contemplating entering college after finishing the high school course should be careful in making out their schedule of subjects. The usual requirement for college entrance includes three years of English, one year of algebra, one year of plane geometry, one year of history, and one year of some science requiring laboratory work. Students contemplating an engineering course at college should see to it that their high school courses include all the mathematics offered, together with physics and chemistry.

A course in public speaking will be offered this year. All debating work other than required in the regular English classes will be confined to this course. High school students who desire places where they may earn a part or all of their board and room expenses and persons who can offer such places are requested to communicate with Principal Bowman in person or by phone.

Ball Players Leave.
Jimmie Clarke and Frank Bowden, members of the local ball team, left this morning on the latter's motorcycle for California. Bowden expects to return in about two weeks. Eddie Bogart and Fred Carman expect to leave tomorrow to play ball with Chico next Sunday.

Back From Ridge.
Miss Willa Leonard is home from Eagle Ridge, where she has been spending a few weeks.

Keeler Bros. Employed to Prepare Bond Election

Keeler Brothers of Denver, Colo., financial agents, last evening were employed by the city council to prepare all ordinances and other papers to be used in the coming election to bond Klamath Falls for construction of the Sprague River. Councilmen Doty, Miller, Struble and Mathews voted yes on the motion to hire Keeler Brothers; Councilman Sheets voted no.

Nothing further can be done in the way of hurrying the election until attorneys for Keeler Brothers prepare the ordinance and send it to the city council. Then it will be in order for

IS MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR SUCH A WAR

Mackensen, Who Directed Invasion of Russia, to Command German-Bulgarian Troops Against Rumania, Hoping to Crush Newest Enemy Before She Can Be Assisted by Other Allied Powers.

United Press Service
LONDON, Aug. 29.—A wire from Copenhagen says that Germany believes a declaration of war by Greece is inevitable. Germany is preparing for it. A number of Greeks already are leaving Germany, according to the wire.

United Press Service
THE HAGUE, Aug. 29.—According to Berlin advices, General von Mackensen will command the German-Bulgarian operations against Rumania. Germany contemplates an invasion of Rumania, hoping to quickly paralyze and eliminate her from the war. The advices say German-Bulgarian troops are ready to act at once.

United Press Service
THE HAGUE, Aug. 29.—It is reported in diplomatic circles here that Herr von Jagow, secretary of foreign affairs, and Under Secretary Zimmerman have resigned from the German cabinet as a result of the Rumanian declaration of war.

CRATER LAKE TRAVEL HEAVIER THIS YEAR

Although travel to Crater Lake up to August 21st was lighter this year than last year to the same date, it is predicted that the number of tourists who visit the lake during 1916 will greatly exceed those who saw it last year.

The fewer number of tourists up to August 21 this year was accounted for by the fact that the park opened this year a month later than in 1915. Travel now is heavier and before the season closes no doubt will surpass the mark of last year.

To August 21st this year 6,540 persons visited the lake; last year 7,660 persons had registered at headquarters by that date.

Leave for School.
Fred D. Chapman and Miss Helen Chapman left yesterday for Everett, Wash., where they will attend the Everett high school. The former will finish high school at the end of the first semester, and will then enter the University of Washington.

Franchise for Power Co. Referred to Committee

The city council last evening referred to the light committee the franchise, which, if passed, will grant to the Keno Power Company the right to distribute electricity in Klamath Falls. The franchise was introduced by Councilman Sheets and read in full to the council.

After it was read Councilman Mathews moved to refer it to the light committee. Mathews, Sheets and Struble constitute this committee.

The franchise offered by the Keno Power company was prepared by the public service commission of Oregon. It requires that if granted by the council acceptance must be made by the power company in thirty days, that the city may use the poles of the company for municipal purposes, that the fran-

chise per property of the company in Klamath Falls cannot be sold or transferred without the consent of the council, that the best apparatus known to the scientific world must be used, that provision must be made for the utmost safety of the people of Klamath Falls, that other companies may use the poles if such use does not interfere with the service given by the Keno Power company, that the city may purchase the Keno Power company's plant in its entirety at the expiration of the franchise period.

As the matter now stands the franchise is in the hands of the light committee, which may report to the council when the committee is ready.

Several business men and other citizens were at the council meeting last evening.