

GRAY PROMISES COMPLETION OF NATRON CUT-OFF

U. P. Head Says Construction Would Follow Acquisition of Central Pacific

Completion of the Natron cutoff would follow acquisition of the Central Pacific by the Union Pacific, was the statement of Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific, in a telegram to the chamber of commerce in reply to one requesting a statement as to the attitude of the Union Pacific in connection with future construction.

The telegram follows:

Your telegram of the 25th has been received. The Union Pacific plans in connection with the development of Southern and Eastern Oregon prior to dissolution of the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger are well known. It must be manifest that an independent Central Pacific cannot operate in Oregon territory without the completion of the so-called Natron cut-off, and the Union Pacific system as a matter of course, if it ultimately secured the Central Pacific, including its Oregon lines, would complete this line. The case is pending in the federal court and the Union Pacific is not a party thereto and manifestly cannot say what else it would do until it knows what it may be permitted to do, and this it cannot know until disposition of the case.

That the rebuilding of the Southern Pacific main line from Portland south to the state line, construction of the Weed branch and other important projects were completed during Union Pacific control of the Southern Pacific, and that similar development would follow should the Union Pacific acquire the Central Pacific, was the statement of Arthur C. Spencer, attorney for the Union Pacific, as published in the Portland press.

Spencer's statement follows:

The entry of the Union Pacific into the Willamette valley and westward Oregon would afford transportation service from this section to the heart of commercial activity of the country by the shortest and most direct route possible. It is inconceivable that the Union Pacific would desire to enter this western Oregon section if it did not conceive realistic development and advantage to both the country and the railroad.

The rebuilding of the Southern Pacific main line from Portland south to the state line, the construction of the Beaverton cut-off and bridge across the Willamette and acquisition and construction of the Corvallis & Eastern line, the acquisition and construction of the line between Natron and Weed by way of Klamath Falls and of the line from Eugene to Marshfield were all conceived and prosecuted during the control by the Union Pacific of the Southern Pacific, and the development thus accomplished during the Union Pacific administration from 1901 to 1912 should be sufficient assurance of the attitude of the Union Pacific with respect to the territory involved.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 29.—In the event that the Central Pacific Railroad company is taken over by the Union Pacific as a result of the supreme court decision, separating the Central from the Southern Pacific, the first step in the new merger will be the construction of the Natron cutoff, in Southern Oregon and Northern California, according to an announcement by E. E. Calvin, vice president of the Union Pacific, made public here today.

The Natron cutoff reaches around the eastern ridge of the Siskiyou mountains through Klamath Falls and forms a low grade line from Natron, near Eugene, Oregon to Westwood, Cal., and into Nevada and was under construction at the time of the dissolution of the Hartman combine in 1912. Work was halted when the Union Pacific lost control of the Southern Pacific.

The announcement was in response to a telegram to President Carl Gray of the Union Pacific, from W. S. West, president of the Klamath county chamber of commerce, asking what possible changes might follow a Southern Pacific-Central Pacific separation.

YOUNG COUPLE WED
Ervan L. Bentley, local manager for the Western Union, and Miss Dorothy J. Arens, sister of L. O. Arens, were the principals in a quiet wedding this morning at the home of Judge R. H. Bunnell on the Merrill road. Judge Bunnell performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Arens attended.

RIDGE IS SCENE OF MINE BATTLE



Scene on one of the dumps at the Southern Illinois Coal Company mine near Herrin, where the mine war pitched battle was staged. The attackers were in the thickets at the right and on back toward a big road, while the defenders fired from the top of the ridge shown at the left. It was near the pole where the flag of truce was raised.

CARLOAD OF WOOL IS SHIPPED FROM HERE BY GROWERS

Shipment Is Made by 18 Members of Co-Operative Association; High Price Expected

Local members of the Pacific Co-operative Wool Growers' association shipped a carload of wool yesterday. Eighteen growers had clips in the carload, which weighed about 43,000 pounds.

The wool of all members in the state is pooled and sold when in the opinion of the executives of the association the price is right.

Wool at present is selling around 42 cents, but it is expected that the price for the pooled clip will be better.

According to a Sunset magazine editorial, boosting the Oregon wool pooling idea, members of last year's pool received from 4 to 8 cents more per pound than non-members.

RECITAL AT MALIN

Harry Borel's Juvenile Ensemble Will Repeat Program

Tomorrow evening Harry Borel's Juvenile Ensemble will be heard in recital at Malin where they will repeat the program recently given at the Presbyterian church. They will again be assisted by Dorothy Elliott, soprano, and Beatrice Walton, pianist. The ensemble is composed of Katherine Walton, Gordon Smith, LeRoy Moore, Bowne Henry, first violin; Helen Writz, Anna Collins, Joan Thompson, second violin; Howard Graham, Merle Swanson, third violin; Robert Cornish, Charles House, viola; Beatrice Walton, cello, and Elizabeth Bamby, accompanist. A dance will be given after the program.

HECKER ADMITS GUILT

Youthful Defendant on Stand Tells Story of Bowker Killing

OREGON CITY, June 29.—Russell Hecker testifying in his own defense today admitted that he killed Frank Bowker in a quarrel when Hecker refused to fall in with Bowker's plan to hold up a man from whom they were to purchase 15 cases of whiskey.

Testifying that Bowker declared Hecker was double crossing him and lunged at him, the youthful defendant added: "He was a bigger man than I am and I grabbed my gun and shot."

Hecker added that Bowker had also fired shots.

FRANK WARD CASE SET

Formal Order From Judge Skipworth of Eugene Names July 17

Formal order was received from Judge Skipworth of Eugene today setting the case of Frank Ward against Klamath county, for trial on July 17, at 10 o'clock a. m.

MARKET REPORT
PORTLAND, June 30.—Livestock, eggs, and butter steady.

KLAMATH WINS HONOR

Has Distinction of Having Largest Number at Short Course

Klamath county had the distinction of having the largest attendance of club members under one leader of any county represented at the Oregon Agricultural college short course, according to Frank Sexton, county club agent. This county had 41 representatives and Multnomah was second with 31.

The boys and girls were enthusiastic over the trip and feel the time was well spent. In addition to learning many useful things, some of the best-known men of the state were heard at the daily assemblies.

The Klamath delegates traveled 659 miles by motor.

BUY'S 6TH ST. BAKERY
Purchase Is Announced by Chas. H. Landis of This City

Purchase of the Sixth Street bakery and its early opening were announced today by Chas. H. Landis, who was bread baker under the former management. Landis has resided here with his family for about two years and has purchased a home with a view to remaining permanently. He says only bakery goods of highest quality will be produced.

ASKS RETURN OF CYMBALS

Loss of the cymbals loaned by the Elks during the recent baseball game staged by the business men was reported today by Secretary Stevenson of the chamber of commerce. Stevenson requests that the person who has the cymbals return them to the chamber of they may be returned to the Elks.

GOING BYE-BYE, TO SEE THE FOLKS



RAIL LEADERS FLOUT DEMAND FOR PRESENCE

Two Are Ordered Subpoenaed by Board; Maintenance Men Delay Strike

CHICAGO, June 29.—Officials of 12 railroad systems, all parties to the disputes over farming out shop work, announced their purpose of cancelling all contracts if such action would aid in averting a strike.

CHICAGO, June 30.—Leaders of the railroad shopmen whose members are on the verge of a nation-wide strike, today flouted the authority of the United States railroad labor board and refused to heed its summons for a conference with railroad executives. The board exercised its legal authority and ordered two of the leaders subpoenaed, B. M. Jewell, head of the six shop craft unions, and Timothy Healy, head of the stationary firemen and oilers. The order to the two leaders was issued after the board had convened its hearing and received a long statement from Jewell denying the board's right to compel him to be present. Only three of 19 union leaders summoned had responded but all the railroads were represented.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The White house today announced that the railroad labor board has the full and complete backing of the government. The statement said: "The board is the government when it speaks."

CHICAGO, June 30.—E. F. Grable, head of the maintenance of way brotherhood, announced after the railroad labor board investigation that he would hold in abeyance the strike call issued by his brotherhood, numbering 100,000.

Grable announced that a meeting of the executive council of the maintenance of way brotherhood would be called in Chicago July 3 to consider the situation developed by the federal inquiry today. He made this concession, he said, on the assurance of the board that the present wages would be increased at any time that increased living costs warranted. The announcement came as the first definite accomplishment of the board which yesterday stepped into the threatened railway crisis, following a call of the shop men's strike for tomorrow.

DEFEAT OF McCUMBER BY NON PARTISAN CANDIDATE SEEMS ASSURED

FARGO, June 29.—Defeat of Senator McCumber, chairman of the senate finance committee, was indicated today. Returns at noon on the republican nomination for the senate from 1509 precincts gave McCumber 65,890, while Lynn J. Frazier, non partisan candidate and former governor, had 67,541.

FEAR MOVIES LURE WORKING MEN FROM CHURCHES IN WEED

Lumber Company Head Says Competition Unfair to Ministers; Evening Show Discontinued

WEED, June 30.—Belief that moving pictures offer too much competition to churches is the reason for the discontinuance of Sunday evening film shows at the Club theatre, owned and operated by the Weed Lumber company.

This is the explanation of the notice flashed on the screen of the theatre Sunday evening, according to J. D. Tennant, vice-president of the concern. And the order is to be permanent after eleven years of Sunday night shows since the theatre was opened.

"We felt it wasn't quite fair to the ministers to allow the theatre to compete with them on Sunday nights," said Tennant. "The theatre has been featuring special film attractions for Sunday nights and this naturally has the effect of drawing people from the church."

"Blue law No, indeed, I do not think the order can be considered a blue law. The men have six other nights to go to the movies. We have no night shifts and no man is limited to Sunday nights for his entertainment."

"We are not trying to force the men to go to church. That is their own business. But it's not fair to the ministers to have the theatre draw away their attendance."

Tennant said the Sunday evening closing had been a rule of the company wherever it operated. Asked whether the arrival recently of R. A. Long of Kansas City, chairman of the board of directors, known to be a strong advocate of Sunday closing, had anything to do with the closing order, Tennant said:

"The order was decided upon before Mr. Long arrived. Naturally it was shown to him and he approved it. But that's all he had to do with it."

Long declined to comment further than that he had approved the order and referred the questioner to Tennant.

INVENTS P. O. DEVICE

Information Placard Informs Patrons of Mail Distribution

No longer do postoffice patrons need—unless they lack eyesight—to wait uninformed in the lobby, while mail distribution is going on. Postmaster McCall has arranged an information placard, which operates on the principle of a double roller curtain. The idea, he says, is original and he has been advised to get it patented.

The curtain is fixed on the wall at the rear of the lobby. At the beginning of the distribution of mail it shows only sign Number one: Watch this curtain for report of the arrival of your mail. Be Patient.

After the clerks have finished the first round this sign is hoisted to replace the other: All Ashland stage mail is in your boxes.

Sign No. Three is highly popular: Train on time.

Number Four is regretful but courteous: Train late. When the mail reaches postoffice we will advise you.

Number five fulfills the preceding promise: Train late. Mail being worked. Kindly be patient, quiet, and courteous.

Signs are posted to save interference with busy workers. Hence No. Six's curt request: Mail is being worked. Do not bother the clerks.

The information all are waiting for is contained in No. Seven: All daily papers and first class mail are in your boxes.

When the day's work is over and the foregoing signs have disappeared one by one, around the roller, this information is posted for the enlightenment of the public, and remains until distribution begins next day.

This postoffice is a business institution, not a loafing place. Please

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SENTENCES ARE METED OUT TO SIX CONVICTED

Leniency Shown as Pleas Are Changed from Not Guilty to Guilty

On the recommendations of District Attorney C. C. Brower in open court that leniency be shown in sentencing Elliott More, Ory Summers, McKinley David and Leonard Moore, who changed their pleas of not guilty to ones of guilty on the indictment brought against them charging the inciting of a riot at Chillicothe last March, Judge Leavitt imposed sentences of a \$50 fine on each one or 25 days in jail.

Brower said in his statement to the court that he felt that the best interests of the state would be obtained by this procedure. A stay of execution was granted by the court to July 13, on the showing of defendants counsel that they would have to work to earn the money to pay the fine. The bond of \$500 each is to remain in effect to guarantee the payment of the fine.

Elliott Moore, on a second indictment of assault with a pistol on George Duval, at the same time changed his plea of not guilty to one of guilty, and was sentenced by Judge Leavitt to one year in the penitentiary at Salem, with a parole providing that he must report once a month, and that should be violated any laws within the next year that the sentence imposed will automatically become effective without further procedure.

William E. Gilmore, charged by an indictment with maintaining a nuisance and with having liquor in his possession at 1019 and 1021 Main street last December, appeared in court with his counsel and changed his former plea of not guilty to one of guilty. The court imposed a fine of \$350 or the alternative of 175 days in jail, and granted a stay of execution of the sentence until September 30 for payment of fine or be remanded to jail, on the showing of the defendant that he had a wife and two children to support, that he was working at Brookings, Oregon, and that he must earn the money to pay the fine.

Brower said that by reason of the change in plea of Gilmore, thus saving the state the expense of a trial, that he felt a severe fine would accomplish the purpose of the law.

WARFARE STILL RAGES

Insurgents in Dublin Battle White Flag to State Troops

DUBLIN, June 30.—Insurgents occupying the four courts surrendered at 10 o'clock this afternoon. The surrender was preceded by the hoisting of a white flag over the building which was burning. One hundred thirty men headed by a priest, marched out. Rory O'Connor, leader was reported a prisoner. An explosion occurred at noon, scattering a shower of legal documents.

Free state troops then turned their attention to a meeting of insurgents in outlying parts of the city taking up positions in a dozen buildings and fortifying them. The city is becoming a huge fortress, hundreds of snipers are firing almost constantly, increasing the peril of the people.

Insurgents have occupied the town hall of Rathmas, a suburb of Dublin.

LONDON, June 30.—Communists are reported to be aiding the republicans at Dublin, led by members of the Industrial Workers of the World from America, and said to be receiving financial help from Moscow.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy has registered but little change in barometric conditions during the past 24 hour period.

Indications are therefore favorable for a continuance of warm weather. Forecast for next 24 hours: Continued fair and warm with moderate breeze tonight.

The Tyros recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today, as follows:
High
Low