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Weather Report.  
Oregon: Tonight and Tuesday  
fair west portion, fair and  
warmer east portion; gentle  
easterly winds.  
For the 24 hours ending at 9  
o'clock this morning: Maximum  
temperature, 78; minimum, 49;  
no rainfall; river .6 foot below  
zero, stationary.  
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## NATION-WIDE STRIKE OF STEEL WORKERS CALLED THIS MORNING

### Both Capital and Labor Day Claiming to Control of Situ- ation on First Day

Both capital and labor claimed advantage in the first day of the nation-wide strike of steel workers called to force unionization of one of America's greatest industries.

Judge Gary, head of the United States Steel corporation, refused to make a statement but various company officials in the affected districts stated that not more than ten to twenty per cent of the workers had struck in the Pittsburgh plants and that while a slightly larger percentage struck in some localities, the strike was so far a failure as an effort to tie up the industry.

Union officials declared the strike was "effective" indicating their belief that about 200,000 men were out. Reports early this afternoon indicated that the strike was effective generally in the Chicago, Ohio, Indiana and Colorado districts, was only partially effective in the Pittsburgh district and was generally non-effective in Alabama.

According to the best available information, the situation in the various steel cities this afternoon:

Strike generally effective:

Gary, Ind.; Joliet, Ill.; Wheeling, W. Va.; Pueblo, Colo.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Sharon, Pa.; Youngstown, Ohio; Martin's Ferry, Ohio; Monessen, Pa.; Johnstown, Pa.; Massillon, Ohio; East Chicago, Ind.; Fairfield, Ala.

Strike partially effective:

Pittsburgh, Clairton, Pa.; Homestead, Pa.; Braddock, Pa.; Duquesne, Pa.; Cleveland, Milwaukee, Chicago, Vandergrift, Pa.; Mercer, Pa.

Strike non-effective:

Ellyria, Ohio; Lorain, Ohio; McKeesport, Pa.; Sheffield, Ala.; Ansonia, Ala.; Canton, Ohio; Lancaster, Pa.; Zanesville, Ohio; Alliance, Ohio; Conesville, Pa.

State, county and city officials were prepared to cope with any disorders that might break out, but no disturbances have been reported today.

All steel shares showed strength and there was considerable trading on fractional increases.

#### HIGH COST OF STRIKING

Gary, Ind., Sept. 22.—A steel worker here has appealed that his alimony of \$100 monthly be cut down because the strike will prevent payment of that sum.

#### STRIKE 50 TO 85 PER CENT EFFECTIVE IN CALUMET ERA

Gary, Ind., Sept. 22.—Between 50 and 85 per cent of the 22,000 steel workers in the Calumet district answered the strike call today.

Union officials claimed 18,000 men were out. Company officials admitted less than 11,000 reported for duty.

Fires in eight of the twelve blast

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## JOSEPH KAISER DIES AT HOME HERE TODAY

### Popular Young Lawyer And Former Athlete Passes At Age Of 27 Years.

Joseph D. Kaiser, direct descendant of the Kaiser family that came to the Willamette valley in 1843, died today noon at his home 597 North Liberty street, Salem, at the age of 27 years.

He is survived by a brother, William Kaiser, of Salem, two aunts, Mrs. Eugene Eckerlin and Mrs. Margaret Huffman, of Salem, and two uncles, Gus Kaiser of Salem and George Kaiser of Portland.

Mr. Kaiser was well known in athletic circles in Salem and Eugene. He attended the Salem high school, then Willamette University and was graduated from the law department of the University of Oregon. Later he spent two years attending a law course in Chicago.

About two years ago he opened a law office in Salem but due to illness practiced in the city only one month. His father was Judge William Kaiser, associated with M. E. Pogue and Judge Slater in law practice.

The funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning from the Catholic church.

The body is at the undertaking parlors of Webb & Clough.

#### \*\*\*\*\* OUTSTANDING FEATURES OF THE STEEL STRIKE \*\*\*\*\*

Cause of strike—Refusal to recognize unions.

Demands of unions—Right to bargain for the workers as to hours, wages and working conditions.

Approximate number of employees in 1918, 238,710.

Number of plants involved in strike order—145.

Territory covered by strike—Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Colorado and Alabama.

Wages, unskilled help—Lowest, \$3.50; highest, \$6; skilled help, lowest, \$7; highest, \$70 to \$80.

Companies involved—United States Steel Corporation and its subsidiaries, including Carnegie Steel company, with 32 works; American Steel and Wire company, 35 works; American Bridge company, 14; American Sheet and Tin Plate company, 26.

#### Navy To Recruit Men For Pacific Fleet On Grounds

J. E. Adams who was formerly navy recruiting officer stationed in Salem with headquarters in the post office building, is now stationed at the state fair grounds. He will take enlistments. Just at present the navy is offering some special inducements to young men who will go into the service, with an enlistment term of two years. Mr. Adams also says that men who enlist in the aviation section for a term of three years will be given the privilege of selecting their station for training. Those who qualify for flight duty, are given an advance of 50 per cent in pay. Those who have seen service in the navy, will be permitted to go into the aviation service at the pay they were receiving when their discharge papers were given.

#### Labor Delegates Named For Economic Conference

Washington, Sept. 22.—(United Press)—The American Federation of Labor today made public the names of its delegates to the round table conference October. The names as they were submitted to President Wilson, president of the American Federation of Labor.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor.

Joseph F. Valentine, Frank Duffy, W. D. Mahoney, C. A. Bickert, Jacob Fisher, Matthew Wolf, Daniel J. Tobin, John L. Lewis, Sarah A. Conboy, William H. Johnston, Paul Scharrenberg, John Donlin and M. S. Tighe.

#### Mrs. Elizabeth Burpee Of Salem, Dies At Home

Mrs. Elizabeth Burpee, whose home is on South 22nd street, died Sunday after a lingering illness extending over a year.

Besides her husband, Henry Burpee, she is survived by six children, the oldest seven years and the youngest twins 18 months old. She was 38 years old at the time of her death, coming to this country from Boston, Mass., about eight years ago. Before moving to Salem about two years ago, the family lived on rural route 5, Salem.

The funeral services will be held Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock from the Bigdon chapel and will be conducted by the Rev. H. C. Stover. Burial will be in the City View cemetery.

#### Newspaperman And Lawyer Cleared Of Fraud Charges

San Francisco, Sept. 22.—Allan McEwen, local newspaperman, and Attorney Franklin P. Bow were today cleared of all charges against them in the Oregon land fraud cases. The men were charged with five others with using the mails to defraud. The others pleaded guilty, but Federal Prosecutor Ben F. Geis today said the government had no evidence against McEwen and Bow, and asked for a dismissal of all charges. This was done.

### PRESIDENT TARGET FOR SENATOR REED

#### Wilson's Explanation Of Voting Power Branded As "Erroneous."

Washington, Sept. 22.—(United Press)—A bitter attack upon President Wilson by Senator Reed, Missouri, marked the opening of the senate fight over the Johnson peace treaty amendment today.

The amendment would equalize the vote of the United States and Great Britain and the league of nations assembly. Reed, in a speech to the senate, declared the president's statement at San Francisco that this country with its one vote to Great Britain's six cannot be out-voted, is "erroneous to the last degree."

"The president disregards the fact that when the United States is a party in interest, it is denied the right to vote at all. In a dispute between the United States and Great Britain where neither are permitted to sit in judgment, the five British colonies and dominions are, as independent self-governing bodies, permitted to cast their votes."

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#### Agreement Upon Article X Made Today Is Report

Portland, Ore., Sept. 22.—The Portland Journal publishes a special Washington dispatch this afternoon to the effect Senator Lodge and "mild reservationists" in the United States senate have come to a complete agreement regarding article X of the league of nations covenant.

Senator McNary of Oregon is quoted in the dispatch as declaring that the agreement resulted from over Sunday conference between Lodge and "mild reservationists" and a second conference between McNary, Lodge and McNamara.

The final draft is said to have been written Sunday, and is expected to have the solid support of all republican senators and several democrats.

The article X reservation, it is understood, is confined to a declaration that the United States will not consider itself obligated to act upon the advice of the league of nations except in a constitutional way by action of congress.

#### Ostrom Speaks At Albany Bible Conference Sunday

Albany, Ore., Sept. 22.—A Bible conference conducted by some of the leading preachers and Bible students of the world began in Albany Sunday. Sessions will continue two more days, the conference concluding Tuesday evening.

The speakers at the conference Sunday were Dr. Henry Ostrom, evangelist and Bible teacher of New York, and D. W. B. Hinson of Portland.

#### Woman Driving With One Hand Wrecks Automobile In Portland; Baby Dies

Portland, Ore., Sept. 22.—While holding her three-year-old son Barney in her arm and driving with one hand, Mrs. Joseph Smith's automobile swerved into a ditch and turned over here yesterday.

The baby's skull was fractured and died soon after the accident. Mrs. Smith and her two other children were severely injured, the mother suffering a fractured arm. All will recover.

#### Congressional Probe Of Steel Strike Suggested

Washington, Sept. 22.—Investigation of the steel strike was proposed today in a resolution introduced by Senator Kenyon, Iowa. The resolution directs the senate committee on education and labor to ascertain the reasons for the strike and whether any federal action can or should be taken to meet the situation.

## Wilson Turns Eastward On Speaking Tour; Keeping In Close Contact with Strike

By Hugh Batille  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

Aboard the President's Train, Stockton, Cal., Sept. 22.—On the home stretch in his tour of the United States in behalf of treaty ratification, President Wilson today met many big crowds at California cities. Conserving his strength for the final effort to convince America that the league of nations must be accepted, the president even cut his handshaking program and did not do so much of it as ordinarily.

No speech had been scheduled for Sacramento, where the presidential special was due to arrive about 12:45. But the president received several requests that he say something from the rear

platform there, it being pointed out that the people of California's state capital would be disappointed if he did not, and that a big crowd would be on hand in anticipation of hearing him. Therefore, it was considered likely he would speak briefly there.

The White House organization aboard the presidential train is closely watching the steel strike situation. However, official comment on it was not forthcoming. Announcement of government action probably would be made in Washington, rather than aboard the train, it appeared, even though the action was based on instructions from President Wilson.

## FRISCO AND SEATTLE WILL BE FLEET BASES

### Initial Maneuvers Of Armada Demonstrate Need For More Recruits.

Washington, Sept. 22.—Puget Sound and San Francisco harbor will be the permanent bases for the battleships of the Pacific fleet, Secretary of the Navy Daniels stated today upon his return to Washington. Smaller ships will be distributed all along the coast.

Daniels said the navy was encouraged by enthusiastic receptions of the fleet all along the Pacific coast. He said there is no plane at present for an extended trip of the fleet, or for any big fleet maneuvers. It will take several months for the fleet to be overhauled, he said, and it is hardly possible any big fleet movement can be made before January.

San Francisco, Sept. 22.—With initial maneuvers of the Pacific fleet, completed, the acute shortage of man power was emphasized today by the announcement that the super-dreadnaughts New Mexico, Mississippi and Idaho will be anchored in San Pedro harbor until their crews can be recruited to sea-going strength.

These facts developed on the arrival of the Mississippi, en route to San Pedro. Commander Blackburn, its executive officer, said he believed none of the three ships could put to sea again before six months.

#### Marriage Licenses Issued In September Near Record

September bids fair to break its past record for marriage licenses and even stand in the list ahead of the month of June. Saturday six licenses were issued, making a total of 38 for the month. For the past four or five months licenses have averaged about 40 a month. These issued late Saturday afternoon were as follows: M. C. Steward, Portland, motorman, and Grace Tolman, of Salem; John D. Stettler, of Salem, foreman, and Harriet Coomes, of Salem; William M. Hardy, of Salem, laborer, and Helen Williams, route 6, Salem; Oscar W. Hoven, of Salem, a farmer, and Anna F. Humphrey, a nurse, of Salem.

#### Woman Head Of Telephone Operators Drowns Trying To Rescue Man Companion

Alameda, Cal., Sept. 22.—Miss Lillian M. Biewer, president of the Oakland Telephone Operators union, lost her life in a desperate effort to save her fiancé, Joseph Reichling, from drowning, it is now believed.

Her body was found Saturday night in deep water off Neptune Beach. Reichling's body was found early yesterday. Miss Biewer had charge of the recent coast-wide telephone strike.

#### American Sailors Landed Near Fiume, Rome Report

Rome, Sept. 22.—A party of American sailors has landed at Buzari, six miles southeast of Fiume, according to advices received here today.

#### Tunnel Blockade On S. P. To Continue To Wednesday

Redding, Cal., Sept. 22.—(United Press).—The railroad blockade at tunnel No. 2 on the Southern Pacific probably will not be broken until Wednesday night, it was learned today.

#### Socialist Mayor Refuses To Invite Royalty To City

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 22.—"To hell with royalty. Don't ask me to invite king, kaiser or czar," was the reply given today by Mayor Daniel W. Hoan, socialist, to the Association of Commerce, whose officers requested he extend an invitation to King Albert and queen of Belgium to visit this city during their tour of the United States.

#### Italian Barkentine Blows Up And Burns Off Mobile

Mobile, Ala., Sept. 22.—The Italian auxiliary barkentine City of Biloxi with a cargo of explosives, blew up twenty miles off Mobile bar last Thursday, burned to the water's edge and sank, according to reports reaching shipping circles here today. The fate of the crew is unknown.

#### Food Prices Over World Declining, Says Hoover

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## FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL STATE FAIR OPENS GATES

### First Day Crowds Indicate Record Attendance Before Week Is Finished

The big show is on. Exceeding all past events of its kind, the fifty-eighth annual State Fair opened its gates to the thousands who will visit the grounds during the week with the day's exercises dedicated to the memory of the late Governor Withycombe and the Oregon boys who gave their lives in the service of their country during the war.

## TRAFFIC RULES TO BE ENFORCED STRICTLY

### Special Police Sworn In To Assist In Handling Fair Week Crowds.

Strict compliance with the traffic ordinances will be enforced by the police and special sworn officers during the state fair, Chief of Police Varney said this morning. Due to the great crowds that are expected this week, orders have been issued for the arrest of anyone attempting to violate any of the well known ordinances.

This will apply, Chief Varney said, especially to the passing of streetcars while taking on or unloading passengers, by motor vehicles. The ordinances provide that all autos or motor vehicles shall come to a stop while a streetcar is taking on or off passengers, and that the auto is traveling in the opposite direction of the streetcar, it must stop and then continue with reasonable speed.

In the business section of the city the legal limit is 15 miles an hour and to strictly enforce this, an extra speed policeman will be placed on duty. Outside the business section, the limit is 25 miles an hour.

Officer who will be sworn for special duty in the city this week are V. N. Moffitt, Tyler Hendrick, Ralph Swartz and Paul Jones. The name of the special motorcycle cop has not been made known.

#### Guardsmen And Police Co-Operate To Protect Crowds At Fair Grounds

Taking every possible precaution, those in charge of the policing of the grounds at the fair hope to have no accidents occur on the grounds during the entire week.

"We hope to duplicate last year's record of not one injury," W. H. Golet, chief of the fair grounds police, said this morning. Chief Golet has assisted in taking care of the fair crowds for the past five years.

Under Major William G. White of Eugene, who is in charge of the 81 Oregon National guardsmen who will police the grounds, are Captain H. A. Canada, of Medford, and Lieutenant G. A. Newton of Independence.

The guardsmen were ordered to the grounds by Adjutant General Conrad Stafrin, head of the Oregon National Guard.

#### Tight Skirt Blamed For Injury To Woman Hit By Auto In Portland Street

Portland, Ore., Sept. 22.—Miss M. D. Copart blames present day fashions for an automobile accident Sunday, when an unidentified woman was slightly hurt.

Miss Copart, reporting to the police, said the pedestrian was unable to dodge the Copart automobile—due to the tight skirt she wore—and that when she tried to run out of the way her high French heels caused her to turn an ankle.

The result was the unidentified woman was bruised when the fender of the machine hit her between the French heel and the knee.

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Thousands have visited the grounds today—thousands bent on seeing what there is to see—and it is obvious to the early visitor that that is to be, as one country gentleman put it "quite considerable." And possible belief that the predictions of officials that this is to be the biggest fair ever held in Oregon are more optimistic outbursts, is obliterated when the large crowd is viewed making its way about the grounds.

Leisurely, quiet, curious, the jam of visitors is in direct contrast to the hundreds of workers on the grounds who are busy with displays, exhibits, stands, and things of a like nature. Never-ending lines of animal livers made their way through the stock barns this morning and hundreds, early this morning watched the work-outs of racing horses prior to the running races staged this afternoon.

Efforts of traffic officials failed to go away with the tips at the railroad crossing near the grounds where a carnival company was busy unloading its wagons this morning. Two steady lines of machines have inside their way to and from the grounds all during this opening day.

To take care of the overflow of exhibits, tents have been set up and everything is now in readiness, it was stated this morning. Many exhibits extraordinary are to be viewed. Josephine county's display is the only one which has not yet arrived, officials said.

Early this morning a general clean-up of the grounds, stands, and buildings was made by Boy Scouts and each morning during the fair a similar policing up will be accomplished.

"Nothing exciting has yet come to my attention—so far things have been very orderly," said Major William G. White, who is in charge of the 80 members of the Oregon National Guard who are policing the grounds. From all parts of the state, the guardsmen will be stationed about the grounds with a view to preventing any possible trouble, and the accident risk, it was said, will be reduced to a minimum.

Sport lovers from many states filled the stands to watch the races this afternoon, but the biggest crowd of the day is expected at the dedication of the new livestock coliseum which will take place this evening at 8 o'clock.

"The new coliseum is the finest thing of its kind on the Pacific coast," Mr. Lea declared this afternoon. Special services at the dedication tonight will be held for the late James Withycombe, and the boys who aided in winning the war. The services, it is believed, will be very impressive. Addresses will be made by Governor Ben W. Olcott, Chester Moore, private secretary of the late Governor Withycombe; Judge Wallace McCamant and Judge George A. Stapleton, both of Portland; P. L. Campbell, president of the University of Oregon; W. J. Kerr, president of the Oregon Agricultural college, and others. An excellent musical program, officials say, will be rendered.

## FOUR FIRES BURNING CALIFORNIA FORESTS

Oroville, Cal., Sept. 22.—(United Press).—Cinders were falling in the streets of Oroville today while ten thousand acres of timberland were burning in the foothills.

Four disastrous forest fires are spreading rapidly under the urge of a strong northeast wind.

The Swayne Lumber holdings near Blinzig are threatened. The big trestle in the Hart's mill district may go. It is 150 feet high and 200 feet long.

Six thousand acres are in flames in the Big Bend district. The fire jumped the river at Enterprise and is threatening the big Sweetman place.

