

MANUFACTURERS ARE CALLED TO ORGANIZE AGAINST FREIGHT CUT

(By Associated Press) INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 28.—Indiana manufacturers were asked today by the Public Service Commission to meet here next Friday to form an organized defense against proposed freight rate reductions by the Southern Pacific railroad, which the commission said would "place New York competitors on an equal basis with competitors as far west as the Mississippi river" on shipments to the Pacific coast.

"Indiana manufacturers and shippers who are interested in western business," said the commission's call to the Indiana manufacturers, "will be injuriously affected if the proposed reduction is allowed to become effective."

The proposed reductions affect 175 articles, including board, straw or chip, wall paper, various kinds of paper, plumb goods, earthenware and stoneware, pumps and sprayers, certain agricultural implements, clay and clay products, tile, roofing, bottles, jars, glass, bars and band iron, wire fencing, nails and stoves.

Postpone Rate Change

The lower rates were to have become effective on July 1, last, but this date was suspended by the Interstate Commerce Commission at the request of the Public Service Commission. A hearing will be held at Chicago on Sept. 12, by the Interstate Commerce Commission to consider whether the lower rates will be permitted to be established, and the Indiana Commission plans that the meeting here next Friday shall organize a defense of the present rates.

The reason given for the proposed reduction is to meet the competition of the water carriers," says the commission's call for the Friday meeting.

"However, the rates proposed are not as low as rates via the water routes and it would seem that the sole purpose of this reduction is to secure business to the Southern Pacific system at the expense of the carriers through the telegraph."

"The matter is not only important to those who are interested in the commodities affected, but it is very important insofar as the principles involved are concerned. If the Southern Pacific system is allowed to construct a defensable route to the Pacific coast, then the entire scheme of trans-continental rates must be revised. Any program of this character will be greatly detrimental to the shippers and manufacturers of this territory who depend largely on western business and who expect this business to grow."

PLAYERS FINED FOR STALLING BALL GAME

(By Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Aug. 28.—Manager Miller Huggins and four members of the New York American league club and three players of the Chicago Americans were fined by Ban Johnson, president of the American league, today in connection with the protested New York-Chicago game here on Aug. 1. Huggins drew the largest fine, \$100. The others were assessed \$25 each.

The fines against the New York players were imposed for what President Johnson termed "the disgraceful exhibition of stalling" in the contest, which resulted in a protest by the club club. The New York players fined, in addition to Manager Huggins, were Bob Meusel, Everett Scott, Waite Hoyt and Wallace Schang. The Chicago players who also were fined were Urban Faber, Rib Falk and Ray Schalk.

The game will be played over, President Johnson decided.

SCHOOL TAX LEVY TO STAY AT OLD FIGURE

(By Associated Press)

Although Richmond has one more school to care for this year than last, the Davis Worth Dennis junior high school, the tax levy as tentatively adopted by the school board at the August meeting Monday will be the same as last year, according to the announcement of officials of the board.

The rate is \$116 per hundred dollars and is divided into three general classes, 56 cents going to tuition, 43 cents to the special fund covering other school expenses, and 17 cents to retire bonds and pay interest on indebtedness.

Charles Jordan was elected president of the board; H. R. Robinson, secretary; Walter Reid, treasurer; and W. G. Bell, superintendent of schools.

The budget will be ready for publication shortly, it was stated.

INDUSTRY TO IGNORE STEP TAKEN BY FORD

(By United Press)

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Industry in general does not plan to follow the lead of Henry Ford in closing down plants because of the coal shortage and the prevailing high prices of fuel, a survey made by the United Press showed today. Some plants, however, have already curtailed operations or plan to do so soon.

The packing plants, largest industry of Chicago report that they are operating 60 per cent on oil and 40 per cent on coal. The manager of Armour & Company said that in case of total lack of coal he could operate the plant entirely with oil. This same condition, he stated, applies to other packers.

No Handicap Felt

There has been a slight curtailment of subway service in New York, but industry is not suffering much, owing to the influx of imported English coal.

Industrial leaders at both Cincinnati and Indianapolis claim they have sufficient coal supplies on hand to guarantee operation. The large manufacturing plants in Milwaukee including the Palm Olive Soap company and the Allis Chalmers Motor company see no immediate prospect of a shut down or curtailment.

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FIRST HELLO GIRL SAYS HER PATRONS RIDICULED PHONE



Mrs. W. J. Coyle, as she appeared while operating Alexander Bell's first phone.

At a charity bazaar in Baltimore in the early '30's Alexander Bell requested that his telephone, then a new idea, be tried out at a charity bazaar. Patrons were allowed to talk over it for 10 cents. Mrs. W. J. Coyle, who operated the telephone, says that only \$10 was realized, however, as most people ridiculed the invention.

OHIO AND IOWA SYNODS OF LUTHERAN CHURCH DETERMINED TO MERGE

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 28.—The merger of the Ohio and Iowa Lutheran synods was definitely undertaken, and brightening prospects for the union of these merged bodies with the Missouri Synod were recognized by a formal resolution at a session of the Ohio Synod in Salem church here.

The task of arranging the organized union of the Ohio and Iowa synods was formally placed in the hands of a committee, consisting of the leaders in the missionary, educational and publication departments of the Ohio Synod's work. This committee is to meet with a similar committee from the Iowa Synod, and arrange about the titles of property and all other details of actual unification.

The question of union with the great Synod of Missouri was brought up, rather unexpectedly, in the discussion of the annual report, of a committee on synodical relations which had been meeting with a similar committee from the Missouri body.

Agree on Doctrine

The committee, in its report, aroused deep interest by declaring that the two committees had found themselves in substantial agreement on doctrine and practices. This report was the more striking, because the division between the Ohio and Missouri Synods, about 40 years ago, was over issues of doctrine.

The committee of the Missouri and Ohio synods agreed to set forth their discussions and agreements in the form of "theses," and submit these theses to their respective synods for action.

Accordingly the committee brought before the Ohio Synod yesterday its report with a plan for the resumption of conferences between the committees of the two synods.

Prof. William Schmidt, of St. Paul, arose to his feet with a warm address urging the Ohio synod to pass a resolution affirming that the two bodies are substantially one, and otherwise "declaring the joy of the Ohio synod at the prospect of a early reunion after a separation of 50 years. The suggestion was warmly endorsed by some of the delegates, and rather withheld by others.

St. John's and Trinity churches here are affiliated with the Ohio synod, and the Werner orphans' home is owned by the synod.

Ballard Sales Company To Handle Studebakers

Notice was given Monday of the change in management of what was formerly known as the Brower Auto Sales company, at 2123 South Seventh street.

The new concern will be known as the Ballard Sales company, a branch of the same concern at Dayton, Ohio, and will be under the management of O. L. Keller. The new manager stated that the company plans to lay in a supply of automobile parts approximately \$10,000. The Ballard Sales company will be the agents for the Studebaker.

Millionaire Coal Man Dies of Heart Disease

(By United Press)

CHICAGO, Aug. 28.—Francis S. Peabody, millionaire coal man and a nationally known Democrat, died of heart trouble while hunting on his Hinsdale, Ill., estate yesterday. With a score of friends Peabody started on the first hunt of the season. After the chase was over, upon investigation his body was found in the woods with his horse standing near by. Peabody was president of the Peabody Coal company, the largest in Chicago. He was known as one of the most generous contributors to the Democratic campaign fund.

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Oddities

The crossing of the yak with common cattle as practiced in Mongolia, Siberia and Tibet produces an animal more serviceable than either of the parent stock.

The United States has an army of 123,000, scattered from Sandy Hook to Manila, from Alaska to Panama, of which only 65,000 are available within the States.

In Germany it has become a standing byword among the American troops on the Rhine, in connection with penalties, to say, "You go home on the next boat."

\$127,870 PREMIUMS WILL BE AWARDED BY COLUMBUS, OHIO, FAIR

(By Associated Press)

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Aug. 28.—Facing a trio of preliminary misfortunes, all of which, officials said, were overcome successfully, the seventy-second annual Ohio state fair opened here today with larger premium lists and more exhibits than ever in its history.

A few weeks ago, the fair grounds were visited by a \$500,000 fire. Temporary structures, and repairs to those damaged, will give the same floor space as before the fire, Secretary of Agriculture Taber said.

The rail and coal strikes, of course, were reckoned as having some effect on the big exposition, but there is enough fuel on hand to keep the fair plant running, and an increase in automobile attendance is expected to help bring up any curtailment of visitors brought about by the rail strike.

Entertainment Features

Education will be the dominant note of this year's fair. Education, the city man in agriculture, and the farmer in improved methods of tilling the soil, and in farm management, will be stressed, rather than entertainment, according to Mr. Taber.

Nine thousand dollars has been offered in total prizes for boys and girls club work, the greatest sum hung up in the history of the fair, and larger than any other state fair in the country will offer, Taber said.

This year's premium list totals \$127,870, which, also, according to Taber, is larger than any offered at any other fair in the country.

There were more than 1300 sheep on exhibition, and in the livestock exhibit, Jersey cows alone totaled 287.

MAY PROSECUTE CITIZENS

Careless handling of garbage on the part of householders in the city may necessitate filing of an affidavit and prosecution of some citizens unless the practice is stopped, according to the statement of Dr. C. E. Duffin, secretary of the board of health.

GIRDLE OF MANY COLORS IS NEW NOTE FOR FALL



This black crepe de chine frock is simply made on straight lines, but it is given color by the unique girdle which is heavily embroidered in high tones and from which a fringe of rich colors hangs below the skirt. The girdle is worn low over the hips.

By Associated Press

HAIFA, PALESTINE, Aug. 28.—Nazel al Abed, an Arab girl who played a prominent part in fomenting the revolt against French rule in Syria last May, and who later managed to escape from prison where she was serving life sentence, gave the representative of The Associated Press an interview in which she set forth her reasons for the unpopularity of the French mandate in the Near East.

"The French press," she said, "accused Charles R. Crane, former American Minister to China, of being the cause of the disorders of last May. This is absolutely false. The disorders were the direct result of the oppressive and offensive rule of the mandatory power in Syria."

"We Syrian people," she continued, "are liberty loving. We pride ourselves on the fact that we are the intellectual and moral leaders of all the Arabs. In welcoming the French Army in 1919, we had hoped that France would help us realize our aspirations for self government.

Treatment Unjust

"We have been deceived. Instead of just treatment, we find that our country is occupied by black troops, who are our inferiors; our government turned over to inexperienced French officials, who try to govern by force, and our leaders lodged in jails.

"In the face of all these abuses," she declared, "a nation can do no less than revolt and rid itself of the yoke of the oppressor."

Nazel al Abed is about 30 years of age, of commanding personality and with a great charm of manner. She was born in Damascus of a wealthy and influential family. A mission school provided her with an education which seems to have instilled into her the love of country and of independence.

During the war she served in the Red Crescent, a Turkish organization similar to the American Red Cross. Since 1919 she has been the accredited leader of all the women organizations in Syria. Because of the part she played in organizing the demonstrations in Damascus last May, which resulted in great disorders and bloodshed, she was arrested and condemned to life imprisonment. She remained in prison, however, but a short time, soon making her escape.

By Associated Press

PARIS, Aug. 28.—Members of the Allied reparations commission will spend the next three days in an effort to reach some form of compromise which would avoid a direct vote on the question of a moratorium to Germany, it was forecast today. The idea is to leave in suspense a general reparations settlement, if possible, until the projected allied conference is held in November.

Four or five plans to this end have been laid before the members of the commission and the hope was still expressed today that some temporary solution might be found by Wednesday, when Dr. Fischer and Herr Bergman, the German delegates, are to be given an opportunity for a final presentation of the German case.

Study Belgian Proposal

Serious consideration is being given to the Belgian proposal made several weeks ago under which Belgium would accept long term notes for the remaining German cash payments this year, all of which go to Belgium under a former priority agreement.

M. D. La Croix, Belgian member of the commission, had a long talk with M. Dubois, president, which was taken to mean that Belgium was not in complete accord with France on how the present crisis should be met.

French reparations circles are showing an earnest disposition to reach a compromise and there were talks today of an independent action, although officially Poincare's position remains unchanged.

Head of Rail Guard Denies Knowledge of Bomb Plot

(By Associated Press)

ELKHART, Ind., Aug. 28.—Captain John Kuespert, head of 90 men guarding New York Central railroad property here, today declared he had no information on alleged plots to blow up the local shops and quarters of strike breakers. Teh plots are reported in Chicago as having been confessed by persons held there for implication in the wreck of the Michigan Central Express last week at Gary. Captain Kuespert said he knows of only six "radicals" among the rail strikers here. New York Central officials never have admitted that any strike-breakers are being housed on railroad property here.

Deaths and Funerals

BARBARA JANE PETERS

Barbara Jane Peters, four months old, died Monday noon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Peters, 31½ South Tenth street. She is survived by her father and mother; one sister, Virginia Peters, and one brother, Dale Peters.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home. Burial will be in St. Andrew's cemetery. Friends will be welcome. Friends may call at the home of her brother, William Holinger, 323 North Fourth street.

CHARLES CHRISMAN

Charles Chrisman, 64 years old, died Saturday evening at his home, 442 South Ninth street. Mr. Chrisman had been a resident of Richmond for many years. He complained that he was feeling ill about noon, and a physician was called. The doctor was with him when he died.

He is survived by his widow, Mary, two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Draper and Miss Marguerite Chrisman.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock (city time) from the home, 442 South Ninth street. Burial will be in Earham cemetery. Rev. F. A. Dresel will officiate. Friends may call after 6:30 o'clock Monday evening.

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SHOOTS BROTHER, ESCAPES

SHOALS, Ind., Aug. 28.—Lewis Blair, 23 years old, shot and seriously wounded his brother, Lawrence, 23, Lewis escaped. Lawrence can give no motive for the shooting.

\$80,000,000 FROM INCOMES

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 28.—During the last fiscal year the Dominion government received from income tax returns approximately \$80,000,000.

FUTURE CHIEF OF STAFF.

