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NATION-WIDE RAIL STRIKE OCTOBER 30

WORKERS ON SEVENTEEN SYSTEMS TO WALK OUT.

Government Officials From President Harding Down Doing Best to Avert the Disaster.

More than half a million railroad men were Saturday ordered to initiate a strike October 30, while other unions, whose membership brings the total to about 2,000,000, have announced unofficially that they are preparing to follow suit and make the walkout general, on the same dates. Under this program the tieup would be complete, according to union predictions, by November 3. The hour has been fixed for 6 a. m. October 30, except for one Texas line, whose trainmen were authorized to go out October 22.

The strike was announced following an overwhelming vote, said to be upwards of 90 per cent, favoring a strike because of a 12 per cent wage reduction authorized by the railroad labor board of July 1, and after it was declared by the association of railway executives in session Friday that a further reduction would be sought by the railroads. It was said that the strike decision was made before the announcement of this further intended cut. Printed instructions as to conduct of the strike issued in Chicago, were dated October 14.

Divided Into Groups.

The country was divided into four groups, in which the men were authorized to walk out progressively, one group every forty-eight hours. The railroad brotherhoods Sunday night revised their list of group one railroads on which the strike would first become effective at 6 a. m., standard time, October 30, so that no eastern roads would be included.

Group two it became known Monday, will affect many sections of the country, but would strike the east hardest. The walkouts are scheduled to take place progressively by groups every forty-eight hours.

Group two, on which the strike would be effective at 6 a. m., standard time on November 1, will, it became known Monday, include the following lines:

New York, New Haven & Hartford Delaware & Hudson; Chicago & Eastern Illinois; St. Louis & San Francisco (entire system); Louisville & Nashville Nickle Plate; Erie railway (entire system); Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe (entire system); Atlantic Coast Line; Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh; Delaware, Lackawana & Western; Lehigh Valley Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis.

Burlington in Third Group.

Three of the remaining largest roads in the country are included in the third group on which the strike is set for 6 a. m., local standard time November 3. The entire Burlington system, the New York Central (lines east and west) and the Baltimore & Ohio are among those which will feel the strike blow November 3. The balance of the third and fourth groups include the remaining roads in the country.

The roads listed above include all those announced as definitely grouped. With the remainder of the third group, the railroads affected by the first three walkouts will be approximately "entire system" of "lines east and west" including numerous smaller lines.

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H. O. Condit Promoted to Be Storekeeper of the Chicago Division

H. O. Condit, for the past four or five years storekeeper of the Alliance division of the Burlington, has been promoted to be storekeeper of the Chicago division, to take effect immediately. His headquarters will be at Clyde, a suburb of Chicago. Mr. Condit left this morning via automobile for Chicago, accompanied by Mrs. Condit.

During his stay in this city, Mr. Condit has made a large circle of friends, who are pleased to hear of his promotion. He has been prominent in fraternal circles in this city during his residence here, being at present exalted ruler of Alliance lodge No. 961, B. P. O. Elks.

Scottish Rite Masons in Valley of Alliance Plan for Fall Reunion

The Alliance Scottish Rite Masons have set the date for the annual fall reunion for November 28 and 29, at which time all degrees, from the fourth to the eighteenth, will be given.

All Scottish Rite Masons are requested to be present at the Masonic Temple building at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, when plans for the reunion will be perfected. The dates have been set, but there are a number of committees to be appointed and other arrangements made.

Forecast for Alliance vicinity; increasing cloudiness tonight, slightly warmer southeast and south central portions Wednesday. Unsettled and colder.

Relatives Write the Chief of Police for Word of Paul Heise

Chief of Police C. W. Jeffers has received word from Albert Heise, Milwaukee, Wis., asking his aid in locating Paul Heise, whose brother George is very ill and hopes to see him before death comes. According to the Milwaukee man, Paul Heise is supposed to have purchased a cafe in Alliance in the early part of the summer.

"Paul stayed with us," writes the brother, "and worked for me some time in the early part of the summer. Just a few days after the Fourth of July he dressed up and went out as usual, and that's the last we saw of him. He did not take a thing with him and his clothes are still here. We thought he might be in Alliance or that someone there might know where he is, as he bought a cafe there just before he came here. He closed it before he came away, as he says business was poor."

Chief Jeffers does not know of the man wanted, but is doing his best to locate him. Heise is said to have an account in one of the Alliance banks, and it is thought he may be traced through it. Those knowing anything concerning his present location are asked to pass the news on to the authorities or to the man himself.

ALLIANCE WINS 86-6 VICTORY OVER CHADRON

COACH CRAWFORD'S PETS ARE FORCED TO BITE THE DUST

Football Team Will Play the Fast Sidney Aggregation on the Home Gridiron Friday.

The football team of the Alliance high school, accompanied by several automobile loads of rooters, went to Chadron last Friday afternoon and when they returned victory was perching on their banners. The Alliance squad trimmed Coach Crawford's gladiators to the tune of 86 to 6, in a game which was tolerably one-sided. Only in the second quarter did the Chadron team show genuine pep, but it lasted only a little while.

Garvin was the star for the Alliance aggregation, six of the touchdowns being credited to him, although the rest of Coach Prince's proteges played like wildcats. In the first half of the game the Alliance boys won most of their points on punts, but in the second half they used the forward pass most successfully, completing practically every one they attempted.

Friday of this week, on the Alliance gridiron, the high school team will play Sidney, and a big contest is anticipated. Sidney has had a successful record so far this season, having defeated both Chappell and Kimball, and tying with Gering, one of the strongest teams in western Nebraska. The Sidney players are somewhat huskier than the Alliance men, and the Sidney team has a number of experienced players, but Coach Prince and his bridron warriors are not downhearted over the prospect.

The Alliance lineup for Friday's game will include: Brennan, I. E. Fowler, I. Herman, I. G. Brown, C. Nolan, R. Purdy, R. Beal, R. Joder, D. Bailey, I. H. Garvin and Gross, I. B.

The lineup shows two or three changes from that of previous games.

Test Case of State Spud Inspection Law in County Court Here

The first case under the state potato inspection law, passed by the 1921 session of the Nebraska legislature, will be tried in Box Butte county within the next few days before County Judge I. E. Tash. A complaint has been filed in county court charging that Harry O. Wildy of Hemingford, on September 13 last, did fail and neglect, without using reasonable diligence to secure inspection, to have one carload of potatoes inspected before shipping the same, contrary to chapter III of the Nebraska session laws for 1921.

Judge Tash has not yet set a date for the hearing in the case, the result of which is being watched with great interest by potato growers and shippers all over the state. Under the state law, inspection and grading of potatoes before shipping is imperative, and it is probable that the case will be carried up to the higher courts for a decision.

Charley DeMoss expects to leave Thursday for his homestead near Walcott, Wyoming.

YOUNG MAN IS A SUICIDE AT ROOMING HOUSE

BODY FOUND BY CHAMBERMAID AT 1 P. M. MONDAY

Gave His Name as J. T. Long When He Purchased Chloroform at Alliance Drug Company

The body of a young man, aged somewhere between thirty and thirty-five years, was discovered shortly after 1 o'clock Monday afternoon by a chambermaid at the Phillips rooming house on West Second street. A four-ounce bottle, half full of chloroform, was found underneath his pillow. City Physician J. P. Weyrens, who was called, gave it as his opinion that the man had committed suicide by drinking chloroform.

It was discovered that the chloroform had been purchased at the Alliance Drug company on last Friday by a man who had given his name as J. T. Long. The law requires that purchasers of chloroform be registered by the druggist making the sale, but it is not known that the suicide gave his true name. At the time he made the purchase, he declared that he wanted it for cleaning purposes.

Mrs. J. T. Phillips, proprietress of the rooming house, told the authorities that Long came to the place about 6 a. m. Sunday and asked for a room, telling her that he had been there the previous night, but the place was filled. He asked if there was a vacant room at that hour, saying that he wished to go to bed immediately. Mrs. Phillips did not recall that he had been there previously but assigned him a room. He told her that he expected to sleep a long time, and she told him that he would not be disturbed.

The condition of the room and the bed in which Long died showed that he had been very sick, but it is not known whether this is a result of the poison that he drank or a reason for suicide.

No Relatives Known

The dead man was unknown in Alliance, although it is believed that he may have been employed as a potato picker by some of the farmers near Alliance. He was dressed in a new suit of overalls and wore a new cap. There were no papers or letters in his clothing to give a clue to his identity. He was not without funds, there being \$11.09 and a pair of dice in his pockets, as well as two packages of gum and some cigarette papers.

The suicide was a man of medium height, powerfully built, and weighed somewhere between 175 and 185 pounds. He had brown hair. His hands were those of a laborer, being well calloused.

The body was taken to the Darling mortuary. It is probable that it will be buried some time today. Photographs will be taken and sent to various cities in the hope of establishing identification. The theory of the officers is that the dead man may have relatives whom he wished to keep in ignorance of his death. The fact that he purchased new clothing, and carefully made away with all marks of identification lends color to the belief.

Chamber of Commerce Talks of Band at Its Luncheon on Monday

The Alliance chamber of commerce, at its weekly luncheon Monday noon, discussed the organizing of a band in Alliance. For several months past, notably just before the June race meet, this question has come up for discussion, but no definite action has been taken. In the past it has been found necessary to hire an outside band for any public entertainments, and on several occasions the cost has been prohibitive.

J. P. Mann, who organized a ten-piece aggregation for the harvest festival last Saturday, and managed to get them playing harmoniously with only a few days' practice, was given a vote of thanks by the members present at the luncheon for his efforts to make the festival a success. Mr. Mann said that he would be willing to undertake the organization of a band in the city, and that a boys' band looked particularly feasible. The question of support from the chamber of commerce will be discussed at a future meeting. Mr. Mann was appointed a committee of one to investigate the probable cost of a city band and make a report to the chamber of commerce. The members suggested a series of weekly concerts during the summer months. There was considerable interest evinced in this feature and it is probable that some arrangements will be made.

COUNTY TREASURER SENDING BAD NEWS TO TAXPAYERS

County Treasurer Irish is this week mailing out to taxpayers a statement of their real and personal taxes, which are due now and become delinquent December 1. The increased tax levy will bring in \$30,000 more than last year on personal taxes alone.

CRAP SHOOTING AN EXPENSIVE ENTERTAINMENT

MINIMUM FINE UNDER THE LAW A HUNDRED SIMOLEONS

Three Gamblers Are Nicked in That Amount, but Indian Companions Go to Tribal Court

Three Box Butte county men are today confined in the county jail, meditating over the injustice of a legal system which has one punishment for a white man and a different one for an Indian, when both have been engaged in the same sort of lawbreaking. It isn't a particularly pleasant topic for reflection, but they'll have plenty of time to think it over, just the same, unless they are more successful in finding friends than they were Monday afternoon, when their cases came to trial before County Judge Tash.

Saturday night the city police arrested three white men—Merle Ellis, Jack Stewart and Harry C. Lee—in the Indian camp, south of the railroad tracks. Two of the men were shooting craps with some of the natives who were inclined to take a chance. The other was playing cards—a little session of that famous American game, draw poker. The men and money were escorted to the hoosgow, and late Monday afternoon court session in order to let them know the worst.

The three men pleaded guilty to a complaint charging them with gambling for money with a game of chance. Judge Tash refreshed his mind on the provisions of the statute against gambling, and then, bidding the prisoners arise, let them have it. "I'll give you the minimum penalty," said his Honor. "One hundred dollars apiece. Just a second—and I'll figure out the costs."

The three men's faces presented an interesting study. All the hope had died out of their eyes. They had asked for an early hearing, because they wanted to get it over. From the remarks of one of them, it was plain that the very worst they expected was \$10 and trimmings apiece.

Two men were seated in the court room on the cheerful side of the railing. "If those men expect to pay your fines," said Judge Tash, "now is the time for them to step forth." The two men arose, and left the room.

Lee turned to Sheriff Miller. "Let's go on upstairs," he said. "I'm a working man—I ain't no banker's son. One hundred dollars—hell."

Stewart spoke up. "Where's the Indians?" he queried. Judge Tash favored him with a pleasant glance. "What Indians?" he asked.

"Why, the Indians who were playing with us. They really started the game. Anyway, they're just as guilty as we are. If we get handed a package like that, what are they going to get? The cops told us they'd be right here in court with us."

And then the horrible truth came out. The Indians are not governed by the same laws as the whites, at least those who live on the reservation. They are wards of the government, and the last time the government went through the formality of making peace with them, it was so written in the treaty, or settled at the council fire, that they were to have their own courts. The guilty Indians will be duly tried by Judge Iron Crow of the Pine Ridge reservation, and he may give them whatever penalty he chooses. Talk of the white man's burden—this is it! Judge Iron Crow is even now in the city, but it isn't likely that the three men who are now in jail will ever learn what happened to their boon companions.

Stuart received another blow just before he got back that \$7.50 I had in the game?" he asked. "It was right in front of me when the police showed up." He was informed it was forfeited.

Judge Tash has imposed his last fine under the minimum prescribed by the statutes. A couple of months ago, four Alliance men were brought before him for shooting craps out at the old slaughter house. The judge reasoned that the men were amply able to pay their losses, and that they were doing no harm to anything but the peace and dignity of the state. He imposed a \$15 fine, and the result was that the case was appealed—on the ground that the fine was too low. "It's the last time I'll err on the side of mercy in this kind of a case," said the judge. "These cases will probably be reversed when they reach district court."

Two of the three men arrested figured prominently in a case last Friday morning in county court, when they gave testimony which resulted in holding James Glandon, eighteen-year-old itinerant laborer, for the theft of a Ford car belonging to L. S. Wright of Hemingford. Jack Stewart and Merle Ellis testified they had purchased a tire from Glandon, who admitted stealing the car later, the tire being returned by the purchasers. Stewart notified the police and was instrumental in getting the car returned to its owner. Ellis also gave valuable testimony. Ellis is a brakeman, while

Stewart is a trapper and laborer at odd jobs during the interim between trapping seasons. None of the trio had the funds to pay the fine, and have so far been unable to find friends with that amount of money.

War Between Two Spud Buyers to Have Hearing in County Court Nov. 14

Complaint has been filed in county court by Emil G. Herman of Hemingford against James Winter of the same town, charging assault with intent to do great bodily injury. The case was set for hearing in county court this morning, but Judge Tash, at the request of the parties concerned, granted a continuance to November 14.

Both men are potato buyers. Reports of the fracas that reached the officers were to the effect that the quarrel started following an argument over the price of spuds. Herman is said to have purchased a carload at a price of 10 cents per hundred higher than Winter had been paying. Winter offered to bet him a thousand dollars, it is said, that he would lose \$100 in the sale of the spuds. One thing led to another, and when the smoke of battle had cleared away, Herman had a damaged eye, a few bruises and according to some reports, a cracked rib.

The argument reached its culmination in front of the Hemingford pool hall about 6 o'clock last Saturday. Winter is said to have made some threats against his adversary, but all this stuff will undoubtedly come out at the trial. Herman has been a Hemingford resident for years, but Winter, whose home was in Kansas, came here about a year ago.

PATRICK WELCH MEETS DEATH IN AUTO ACCIDENT

BODY OF ELLSWORTH MAN FOUND PINNED UNDER CAR.

Car Overturned in Bad Sand Pass and Forced Over Embankment a Mile From His Home.

Patrick Welsh, well known rancher residing four miles northeast of Ellsworth, was found pinned underneath the Ford car in which he had started for his home about 9:30 o'clock Sunday night. Paul Lineback and Jacob Zieg, neighbors, while en route to Ellsworth about noon Monday made the discovery, finding the body pinned in the front seat, the back of the seat holding the head down into the sand. Death was caused partly by the blow from the car overturning and partly by strangulation. He was attempting to get through a very bad sand pass just a mile from his home and probably in backing up, the front wheels were cramped and the car forced over a small embankment over which the road was laid out.

Mr. Welch was an occupant of one of the cars that collided on the Potash highway just east of Alliance some two weeks previous and was thrown twenty feet into the air lighting safely in a corn field with very slight injuries, while the other occupants of the car in which he was riding were severely injured. He also was the only occupant of the fatal smoking car on train No. 43 in the Birdsell wreck on the Burlington three years previous, and together with mix-ups in riding and breaking wild horses, has had many very narrow escapes. Mr. Welch was an excellent horse man and rode in previous years at all fairs, round ups and riding carnivals.

The deceased leaves a wife and two small daughters; his father, William Welch, and a sister, Mrs. A. J. Apple-garth.

Dr. A. Moore of Antioch, who was in Ellsworth on a professional call, when notified of the accident went to the scene and acted as coroner removing the body to his home. Funeral arrangements have not as yet been made.

Former Alliance Man Appointed Director of Fine Arts School

Prof. Paul W. Thomas, formerly of Alliance and one of the six "Thomas boys", who has been teaching music in the public schools at Merietta, Okla., for the past two years, has been appointed Director of the Epworth School of Fine Arts at Oklahoma City. Accredited instruction is given in voice, piano, saxophone, flute, clarinet, cornet, trombone, French horn, melophone, baritone, tuba, drums, elocution, drawing and painting. Prof. Thomas, who is a graduate of the Alliance schools and who has formerly directed of the Alliance band, afterwards teaching music at the Chadron state normal and at the Peru state normal, is assisted by a corps of four teachers at the Oklahoma City school—Mrs. Edla Lund, Miss Edith Bragg, Mrs. F. C. Robey and Mrs. Mary M. Allen.

Mrs. Bruce Mallory returned Monday from Kansas City, and other eastern points.

FESTIVAL DAY IN ALLIANCE BIG SUCCESS

THOUSANDS HERE FOR FREE ENTERTAINMENT

Nels Nelson of Fairview Is Winner of Ford Automobile Given Away by Merchants

The harvest festival in Alliance drew thousands of visitors to the city last Saturday. They started coming in by the automobile load early in the morning, and by 10 o'clock, the hour set for the opening event on the program, there was just barely room enough for the crowds by using both sides of the street and over half of the pavement. The crowd kept getting larger all the time until 6 o'clock, when the drawing for the Ford automobile took place at the postoffice corner at Fourth and Box Butte.

The giving away of the automobile was the chief feature of the free entertainment, although considerable interest was manifested in every other event on the program. The first number called was held by Nels Nelson of the Fairview neighborhood, who was present and claimed the car. Fairview residents were highly elated, as was the recipient of the car. It developed that he did not own a touring car, although he purchased a truck a few days previous to the drawing to haul his potatoes to market.

The program of races and other contests was in charge of members of the local T. P. A. post. The crowd was so large that it interfered somewhat with the races, although everyone was so good-humored that nobody seemed to worry about it.

Indians Were Interested.

The festival drew to Alliance hundreds of Indians from the Pine Ridge reservation, many of whom have been working in the fields in Box Butte county for several weeks past. Friday afternoon all of them broke camp and headed for Alliance, and all day Sunday they could be seen scattered along the roads headed back toward their jobs.

The Indians participated in the events arranged for them, and enjoyed their task of making fun for the city's visitors. The Indian pow-wow in the evening was one of the things that easterners go hundreds of miles to see. In Box Butte county Indian dances are not so much of a novelty as they are in some other parts of the globe, but the Pine Ridge dancers put enough pep and vigor in their performances to make them well worth looking upon. All of the men appeared in war paint, of all shades of color from lemon yellow to fiery red with dashes of purple, and all of them had the time of their lives. Most of the women were interested not only in the paint and the liberality with which it was applied, but in the beaded costumes worn by some of the men and the younger braves. The squaws, too, were bedecked in all the finery they possessed, although the fact that they were wearing their finest finery didn't stop any of them from participating in any of the events to which they were eligible.

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Long List of Prizes to Be Ruffled at Bazaar Roof Garden Next Week

The St. Agnes Academy will conduct a Bazaar at the Roof Garden, October 25, 26 and 27, admission 10c. The ticket entitles the holder to a chance on a ton of coal donated by Fred Hargarten. Dinner will be served each evening at 5:30, 50c per plate.

A pleasant dancing program will be provided for.

The following list of articles were donated towards the bazaar and a number of them will be raffled each evening:

An electric washing machine, C. A. Newberry; a thoroughbred Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. Macken; four sacks flour, Ravenna Flour Mills; a sack of every kind of goods carried, Snyder Transfer Co.; a rug, Wilson Furniture Store; kodak, Holsten's Drug Store; thirteen aprons, Harper's Department Store; bath rug worth \$8, Thiele's Drug Store; Doll worth \$8, Brennan Drug Store; fancy bottle of perfume, Alliance Drug Co.; 1 pair bed-room slippers, Baer-Alter Shoe Store; 1 pair bed-room slippers, Lowry Shoe Co.; 1 box stationery, Variety Store; 1 waist, Fashion Shop; 1 J. B. Stetson hat valued at \$10, Famous Clothing Store; 1 blanket, Horace-Bogue Store.

Business in police court has been looking up the past two or three days. After a couple weeks of comparative inactivity, the Harvest Festival and the holiday spirit brought a few within the range of the law. T. R. Haysham was arrested about 11 p. m. Saturday, and charged in police court with driving his automobile down Box Butte avenue at a high rate of speed, the while an open cutout furnished music. He was fined \$10 and costs of \$5, which were paid.