

### The Weather

Partly cloudy Friday and Saturday, probably local showers. Saturday west and southern portions.  
River stage at Fayetteville at 8 a. m. yesterday, 40.7 feet falling.

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## INCREASE OF RATES ASKED BY ROADS TO PAY WAGE AWARD

Freight Would Be Advanced 26 Per Cent; Passenger 20; Pullman Charges 50.

EXCESS BAGGAGE AND MILK ALSO INCLUDED

Southern Territory Expected To Contribute \$69,909,495 Of Required Revenue.

Washington, July 22.—To provide the additional revenues necessary to meet the \$60,000,000 increase in wages awarded by the railway labor board, the railroads of the country proposed today to the interstate commerce commission that passenger fares be advanced twenty per cent and freight rates by 26 per cent in addition to the percentage previously requested. Excess baggage rates be increased 50 per cent and the milk tariff be increased to the same level as freight rates.

The proposal of the railroads was advanced by a special committee of the commission. The committee was organized to study the proposals of the railroads and the proposals of the labor board.

Should the increases proposed today, and those previously asked for, be granted in full, freight rates would be advanced twenty-six per cent and the nation's freight bills would be increased by \$1,353,373,750. The total revenue to be added to the passenger revenue under the railway executive plan would be \$233,825,982 annually. Pullman charges would go up \$43,638,244 a year. The revenue on milk would be advanced by \$1,420,985.

The plan presented by the railroad executives disclosed that they have estimated the wage award at approximately \$62,000,000 instead of \$60,000,000. P. Thom, general counsel of the association of railway executives explained that the \$20,000,000 additional was figured on the basis of overtime allowances provided in the award.

Formal proposals of the railroads were submitted to the commission by Mr. Thom after a conference with its members. It had been worked out at a series of conferences on railroad officials here since the announcement of the wage award by the labor board at Chicago last Tuesday. The commission made no comment on receiving the proposals of the transportation act.

This proposal was submitted in the following statement of the railway executives:

"The carriers suggest that the revenues required to meet the wage award be raised in part from the toll on traffic and in part from freight train traffic by increasing rates accruing from passenger train traffic and increasing rates accruing from passenger train traffic and by increasing the percentage advances in freight revenues. The rates already applied for in the following manner:

1. All passenger fares to be increased 20 per cent with a minimum advance of ten cents per trip on any form of ticket.

General Increase Sought.

The foregoing includes: Standard local or inter-line fares, excursion, convention and fares for other special occasions computed on the multiple form of ticket; club rates on limited trains and air cars rates to be increased 50 per cent.

2. All excess baggage rates to be increased 50 per cent.

3. Milk increase all rate, both passenger and freight, same total percentage applied to both.

4. Freight and switching revenues to be increased sufficiently to yield the balance of the revenue required to meet the increased operating expenses due to the labor board award, in addition to the percentage increase already proposed."

53 Per Cent Raise In South.

The total increases from all sources of revenue in each of the three railroad classifications in the commission correspond to the estimated increase of wages in those territories, and would be as follows: Eastern \$318,729,935; Southern \$65,909,495; and western \$237,151,657.

Under the executives estimates the proposed increase in passenger rates would yield an annual return of \$111,188,900 in eastern territory \$29,828,400 in southern and \$29,332,999 in western.

The additional increase in freight rates would be 10 per cent in eastern territory \$12,926,541; 8.5 per cent in southern territory yielding \$8,798,928 and 5.2 per cent in western territory yielding \$12,551,208.

### EXECUTION SET ON BIRTHDAY.

Elroy presiding over Catawba superior court at Newton this evening, sentenced Colter Holtzclaw, young white man, convicted of killing John W. Gaubert at Terrell, this county, last December, to be electrocuted on September 24. Counsel for Holtzclaw gave notice of appeal to the supreme court. The date set for the electrocution of Holtzclaw falls on his twenty-fourth birthday.

### DANIELS BACK FROM ALASKA.

Seattle, July 22.—The dreadnaught with Secretaries Josephus Daniels and John Barton Payne aboard, returned today from Alaska, where the two cabinet members inspected coal fields, a storm today killed ten men and Edward Stahlbuck, nine and two years old, respectively. The children were in the kitchen. Their mother was in another part of the house, was not injured.

### NEWSPAN SHIP TURNS TURTLE.

San Diego, Cal., July 22.—The Mexican power schooner Jacris Conde, formerly the Japanese owned Toni Maru, drifted turtle and foundered recently at night off Mazatlan, Mexico, with the loss of forty-two lives, according to word brought here today by the motor ship Jeanette B.

## Fearing Punishment, Girl, 11, Kills Self

New York, July 22.—Preferring death to punishment by her father, eleven-year-old Angelina Scire threw herself from the window of her home into the yard four stories below. She died in the hospital here today without regaining consciousness.

Angelina believed her father was coming to punish her for quarrelling with a neighbor and the police say, when she took the fatal leap.

She left her parents this note: "I was no use. To get killed, I throw myself out the window because I need."

## COMPLETE PROBE OF VIOLENCE AT GRAHAM ORDERED

### Governor Bickett Wants All Facts of Reported Assault on Jail Sifted

Raleigh, July 22.—Governor T. W. Bickett this afternoon ordered a complete investigation of the violence in Graham occasioned by the action of the machine gunners in firing on an alleged mob which was storming the jail, resulting in a three-minute pitched battle, in which one of the spectators was killed. The following statement regarding the investigation was made, and County Attorney E. S. Parker was immediately notified by telegraph:

"In view of the action of the civil authorities of Alamance county, in due the soldiers on duty and the citizenship of the entire state to have a careful investigation made of the alleged assault in the jail in Graham and of the conduct of the trial on the night of July 19. The members of the committee to make the investigation will be announced as soon as it is ascertained that they will serve."

Verdict of the coroner's jury, in which it was held that the soldiers were not justified in firing, is the "accused" side of the investigation. The decision is in line with the idea of the adjutant general's department, which had stopped altogether at this juncture. The jury heard only the statements of Jim Ray, which throws new light on the situation. Tandy is an umpire in the Piedmont league and gave out an affidavit following the game here this afternoon. In part, the affidavit says: "Corporal Ross, who was at the machine gun posted on the front porch of the jail, first called my attention to seven or eight men who walked past in a suspicious manner, and having covered about fifty yards, turned and came back by the jail."

### Action Was Suspicious

Their actions were far from that of normal passersby, as they had their hats pulled down over their eyes and the collars of their raincoats turned up to their chins. This action cannot be attributed to the weather, as the rain had ceased some time before they arrived. They walked on up the street, passed the corner store where an arc light was shining brightly, and then, gaining the shelter of the semi-darkness on the other side of the street, hurried and ran, disappearing behind a nearby house. This caused much speculation in our minds as to what was their intention, and I cautioned my men to be on their guard, but not in any way to interfere with them. It was at this time that a lone individual was seen coming up the street, walking in a northerly direction towards the jail. He had on a raincoat, but his head was bare. When opposite the jail he was told to halt, and I immediately went out to find out his business. He said he was just coming down town to see what was up, I cautioned him to immediately repair to his own home, in view of what I had already seen and heard. He had just started to carry out my suggestion when, from across the street, came a hail of bullets passing uncomfortably close to my head.

### Machine Gun Not Fired

"Looking in the direction from which I judged the shot came, I saw two more gun flashes from the edge of the cornfield directly opposite the front door of the jail. It was then and not until then that my men, numbering ten, started firing with pistols. I saw the men were still engaging them with pistols. I could see masked forms moving about the cornfield by means of the arc light. I saw that as soon as the light faded, I gained the shelter of the top of the porch, where I met Captain Fowler, who ordered the men to cease firing, which order was promptly obeyed."

### Lightning Kills Two

Little Neck, N. Y., July 22.—A lightning bolt which struck their home during the storm today killed tennis player Edward Stahlbuck, nine and two years old, respectively. The children were in the kitchen. Their mother was in another part of the house, was not injured.

### Slovak Troops Going Home

Norfolk, July 22.—The 3,400 Slovak troops who have been quartered at the army supply depot here for the past three weeks, will leave tomorrow on the America for their native land, via Trieste.

## COX GATHERS DATA FOR FORMAL SPEECH SILENT ON HARDING

### Governor To Begin Work on Acceptance Address at Home Today

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## ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE WITHHOLDS ENDORSEMENT

### Will Present Facts of Each Nominee's Stand to Voters

Washington, July 22.—The anti-saloon league of America would not endorse any presidential candidate for election this year, but had ordered a completion of facts of the present stand of each candidate, and will make public the results of this investigation. This announcement was made by the executive committee of the organization tonight, after an all-day session in which superintendents from many of its state branches participated.

## REDS MAY GRIP EUROPE IN WAR

### Allied Aid To Poland Looms As Menace.

Washington, July 22.—Without official information regarding the decision of the Allied powers to furnish military aid to Poland, the anti-saloon league refrained today from formal expression of opinion, but unofficially professed to believe that the aid would be a source of elements of European war on a broad scale.

Army officers and officers of the state department generally were frankly pessimistic as to the ability of France and Great Britain to place armies in Poland in time to check the Russian advance before Warsaw falls and many of them were skeptical of the part of either France or Britain to put their war-weary people into the struggle.

## PICKS UP DISABLED SHIP.

### New York, July 22.—The American steamer Ozakee, Norfolk for Danzig, arrived here late today with the steamer ship Namkie from St. Nazaire, which was being towed from the wreck of the disabled ship and had been adrift for seven days when the Ozakee fell in with the disabled ship and took her in tow.

## WANDERER PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

### Chicago, July 22.—Carl Wanderer, self-confessed slayer of his wife and a "ragged" stranger who was used as a dupe to stage a fake hold up, today entered a plea of not guilty when his case was called.

## NEWS OF SON'S SUICIDE NOT TOLD STRICKEN EX-EMPRESS.

### Doorn, Holland, July 22.—Princess Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelms died yesterday for the purpose of consoling his father on the death of Prince Joachim, who resolutely committed suicide under the influence of a love affair, when and how to tell the former empress the news. The latter must be informed before the end of the week, as she is expecting Joachim to arrive Saturday with his child.

## Ohio Gets Third Nominee; Watkins Heads Dry Ticket

Lincoln, Neb., July 22.—Ohio got its third presidential candidate for the 1920 campaign when the prohibition national convention nominated Arthur S. Watkins of Germantown, Ohio, after learning from William J. Bryan that he would not accept the nomination voted him yesterday.

Mr. Watkins won on the second ballot after he and R. H. Patton, each received eighty-five votes on the first.

The vote was: Arthur S. Watkins, 108; R. H. Patton, 74; D. A. Polling, 24; C. A. Randall, 2. It took ninety-five votes to nominate.

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## GOMPERS SAYS RAILMEN DISAPPOINTED

### Sees No Signs of Strike, He Adds

Washington, July 22.—Discussing the wage award of the railroad labor board, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, in a statement tonight declared that the railroad employees are disappointed. "It is indicated that they will not strike to enforce a fairer consideration of their demands."

Mr. Gompers said that the men affected by the award had a right to be disappointed at the "first test of the wage making side of the Eech-Cummings wage of the railroad men." He said the men had been thrown to each railroad worker, and added that collectively they feel themselves morally bound to accept it.

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"I profoundly appreciate the honor done me in tendering this nomination, and I fully share in the conquest of prohibition as the permanent policy of our country, and in the strict enforcement of the Volstead act, without any weakening of its provisions. I also regret the convention's disappointment at the failure of the democratic and republican parties to pledge their candidates to such a policy, but I cannot, in justice to the prohibition party, nor to myself accept the nomination.

"The reforms that I have long advocated would make it impossible for me to focus my attention upon the prohibition question alone, and beside, I am not willing to sever my connection with the democratic party, which has so signally honored me in years past.

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## Urges Association of Nations That Would Not Impair U. S. Sovereignty—Calls President's Position Obstinate and Impracticable—Increased Production Only Solution Of High Prices, He Says—Given Big Ovation

Marion, Ohio, July 22.—Peace by a resolution of congress, and after that, an effort to form an association of nations that would not impair sovereignty, were promised today by Warren G. Harding, in his speech accepting the republican nomination for the presidency.

He declared the time had come to recognize "the failure attending assumption, obstinacy, impracticability and delay" in President Wilson's attempt to form a league of nations and that a new pathway must be found to peace and world content.

In reaching formally his party's mandate the nominee also outlines a stand for government by party, rather than by industries. Railway employes might well be accorded a status of public servants, indorsed co-operative marketing for farmers, and pronounced increased production the key to a lower cost of living.

### Shoulder Responsibilities.

"We do not mean to hold aloof. We do not mean to shun a single responsibility of this republic. We were responsible when we were today, and will be responsible tomorrow, and will be responsible for the future. Let those now responsible, or seeking responsibility, propose the surrender, whether with interpretations, apologies, or reluctant reservations—from which our rights are to be omitted. We welcome the referendum to the American people on the preservation of America."

### Start Early Celebration.

Soon after sunset the march of the first delegation brought the senator to his front door step. The celebration there scarcely was a let-up until he left the notification ceremonies on the outskirts of the city at 2 o'clock. Old friends from nearby points mixed with the participants of the march, and from the procession, gay with decorations and blarney with noise.

At the Chautauqua pavilion where the notification took place seats had been provided for 4,000, and many times that number surged about the park and surrounding fields unable to get within earshot of the speakers. The pronouncements of the candidate were received with a tumult of applause and he was cheered back to his home through crowded streets a tired, but smiling man.

Will Hays, the national chairman, presided at the ceremonies, and Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, who was chairman of the Chicago convention, formally notified by a speech rapping President Wilson's league of nations and raising the part Senator Harding had taken in preventing its unreserved acceptance.

### Emphasized Points.

Speaking slowly and with a characteristic gravity, the nominee declared his declaration of policy in the notification took place in the pavilion. Points he wished to drive home with particular force, he emphasized by aggressive gestures, and he spoke to the cheering crowd on its feet, cheering as he hammered with clenched fist to land his blows where they would tell.

His thrusts at the league of nations and at the passage of the peace treaty were met by the crowd with a half of speaking, but the presence of the responsibilities of the presidency and then, squaring his broad shoulders, he added that his confidence in the support of his countrymen should be his part of the confidence.

In his discussion of the league, he made no direct recommendation for rejection, but in detail the league of nations, he contended himself with the declaration that the league as conceived by the president was unthinkable. He passed on to state his own view of what should be done.

### Urges Law Enforcement.

In his reference to prohibition and law enforcement he said: "People ever will differ about the wisdom of the enactment of a law—there is divided opinion regarding the wisdom of the American prohibition act enacted to make it operative—but there can be no difference of opinion about honest law enforcement. Modification or repeal is the right of a free people, whose government is a government of intelligent public sentiment commands; but perversion and evasion mark the paths to the failure of government itself."

At the conclusion of the speech the senator returned to his home, but several visiting delegates not content with their first reception, called again to say good-by. Among them Mrs. Harding had been by the side of the nominee during most of the morning, he again shook hands with the callers.

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The federations, in a statement, declared that they "apparently had been unjustly discriminated against by the board without any exception for this discrimination." They received a smaller amount than other organizations and the representatives who were in this city have referred the award without a recommendation to the membership with a strike vote added, for such action as they shall decide upon.

### Favors Collective Bargaining.

Reviewing and commending briefly many other planks of the party platform, the candidate declared for collective bargaining for farmers, respectively of the disloyal, "generous federal renoy, enlargement of government aid, gratitude to veterans of the world war and maintenance of an ample navy and a small army but the best in the world."

His promise of a "party government" was reiterated by the candidates for the senate and house.

### HARPER IS APPOINTED.

The following appointments were announced by the railroad board Air Harper to New Orleans and other southern stations.

## FOR BUSINESS LOCALS GET RESULTS

106 North Second