

RAIL HEADS AND UNION LEADERS IN CONFERENCE TODAY TRYING TO END STRIKE

ROTARY CAMP SITE FOR BOYS WILL BE OPENED FOR USE MONDAY, AUGUST 14

Accommodations For 25 Boys Of City Are Ready Beginning Monday.

PLAN MOUNTAIN HIKES

Foy Tract Of 35 Acres Secured For Permanent Rotary Park.

Rotary Camp and park for boys recently established by the Gastonia Rotary club for the use of all the boys of Gastonia will be opened for use next Monday, August 14. For the past month the work of preparing the camp has been going on under the direction of Mr. J. P. Mahaffey. A tract of 35 acres was purchased on the Linwood road for the site of the camp. The camp adjoins the precipitous sides of Crowders Mountain. Hikes to the top of the peak will be one of the features of the camp life.

Plans for the remainder of the summer season have been completed and the camp site is now in readiness for the occupancy of several boys. It is hoped that the swimming will be a part of the program for the campers. As yet the dam has not been finished, but it is likely that the campers of the first week of opening will have a chance to enjoy the swimming. There has been built a fine little house at the top of the hill, and the underbrush has been cleared away from the vicinity of the pool and the house. There still remains sufficient brush to develop muscle, or to have bonfires.

It is hoped that at 9:00 o'clock Monday morning there will be 25 boys, or young men of the city in readiness at the place appointed to depart for the camp. Any boy desiring to go to the camp must report to J. P. Mahaffey at the Chamber of Commerce rooms Saturday evening.

All boys requesting entrance to the camp will be expected to pay a sum of \$4.50 for the week. All boys should have been vaccinated and inoculated. It is desired by the camp committee that all the boys in the first encampment know how to swim, because of the fact that the swimming facilities will be better later for those who do not know how.

The following is a list of the equipment suggested for all campers. If anything is omitted the camper may be put to a little inconvenience thereby.

Necessary outfit, one sweater or coat, one bathing suit, one heavy blanket, or quilt, one comb, one cheap blanket, one handkerchief, two pairs extra stockings, one sleeping garment, two suits of underwear, one bar soap in small box, one toothbrush and paste, two towels, cloth bag for laundry, cloth bag for pillow-cases, one extra pair shoes, one extra shirt, plate, knife, fork, cup and spoon, 6 inch plate and cup, preferred, one extra pair of trousers.

Special outfit not necessary, but handy if you have them.

Baseball gloves, camera and films, flashlight, musical instruments.

Don't wear Sunday-go-to-meetin'-clothes to the camp, wear heavy shoes, for hiking, and old but reliable clothing. Bring a hatchet if you have one, and a heavy weight knife.

All boys desiring to attend the first week of camp must qualify a little necessary outfit, and report same to Mr. Mahaffey between the hours of 5 and 6 on Saturday, otherwise transportation will not be furnished. The camp regulations will be based entirely on the honor system, and all boys will be expected to abide by the rulings of persons in authority. A schedule of the daily program will be published for the benefit of patrons in Saturday's Gazette.

NOTE IMPROVEMENT IN COAL STRIKE SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Improvement in the movement of coal was reported today to the Federal central coal distribution committee.

Loading of bituminous coal Wednesday, according to the committee's reports, totaled 13,404 cars, an increase of 1,200 cars over Wednesday of last week.

Utilization of the port of Charleston, S. C., for the shipment of coal to New England on barges was under consideration by the committee.

Cotton gins in Georgia, North and South Carolina, and tobacco dryers in North Carolina, were reported to be in need of fuel but committee discussions of the situation there took the view that a heavy tonnage of coal was not required and wood might be used successfully.

Some readjustments in maximum fair prices for coal at the mines has been made, it was disclosed today, a price of \$4.50 a ton having been allowed some operators in the old New River district and in the Kanawha district of West Virginia.

COTTON MARKET

CLOSING BIDS ON THE NEW YORK MARKET

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—Cotton futures closed barely steady; Spots, steady, 45 points up.

October 21.15; December 21.15; January 21.00; March 21.04; May 20.95; Spots 21.40.

Receipts 4 Bales
Price 22 Cents

More Traffic Tied Up, More Violence And Possibility Of More Walkouts Feature Strike

TWO NON-UNION EMPLOYEES KILLED IN THE RAILROAD YARDS AT CLEVELAND

No Trains Annulled, But Several East-Bound Passenger Trains Held.

ATTEMPT AT BOMBING

Dynamite Used On Southern Railway Yards At Asheville.

CHICAGO, Aug. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—Serious threats of traffic by refusal of trainmen to move trains at points where troops are on guard; renewed outbreaks of violence resulting in several deaths, and the possibility of walkouts by maintenance of way men on various roads, marked the progress of the strike of shop crafts employees as railroad heads and union leaders gathered for conferences today to consider separately President Harding's proposal for ending the strike.

Members of the "Big Four" transportation brotherhoods, upon whom train movements depend, were authorized by their chiefs to suspend work if they consider strike conditions and the presence of soldiers at terminals and junction points "unbearable."

Santa Fe switchmen joined the trainmen in their protests against working under guard and the situation on the Santa Fe at Needles, Barstow and other California points was further aggravated when the entire yard force at Fresno left its post, the men notifying the company they would refuse to return until armed guards were removed.

Although no trains had been annulled early today, several east bound passenger trains were held up. Reports from Bakersfield, Calif., indicated the walkout would spread from California to Arizona and New Mexico points on the Santa Fe.

Two non-union employees of the New York Central lines in the Collinwood yards at Cleveland, one a dispatcher and the other a call boy, were shot and killed on a street corner. Their slayer escaped.

At Hurlburt, Ark., two negro shop employees of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific, were shot and probably fatally wounded.

At Birmingham, Ala., an attempt was made to blow up a dining car used for feeding shopmen and laborers in the Frisco yards. The bomb missed its mark. The explosion occurred just before 100 men were due to arrive at the car. Police found a bundle of dynamite sticks in the yards near the cars.

Dynamite was used in an attempt to blow up shanty cars and a diner in the Southern Railway yards at Asheville, N. C.

State rangers were sent to Texarkana, Texas, in connection with strike trouble there.

A car repairer employed by the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad at Memphis, Tenn., died from gunshot wounds, received when he was attacked and robbed by two negroes while on his way to work.

Conferees were arranged between railroad and union officials in Chicago today in an effort to avert a walkout of 2,600 maintenance of way men on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul.

Posting of circulars designating shop workers as "scabs" and "Strike Breakers" was restrained in an injunction granted at St. Paul by Federal Judge Booth.

23 BOMBS EXPLODED IN A. T. AND SANTA FE YARD SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF. Aug. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)

Twenty three time bombs exploded at intervals during a three hour period early today in the stockade of the Atchafalaya, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad within two hundred yards of the company's roundhouse, according to the sheriff's office.

The bombs were buried in the ground and in exploding did no damage except for blowing much earth into the air, it was said.

None of the guards on duty was hurt. One guard reported his hat blown off.

More explosions were expected momentarily and no one was allowed in the stockade this morning.

NATIONAL MILLS PAY A GOOD DIVIDEND

Stockholders of the National Yarn Mills, Inc., at Belmont received five per cent dividend checks this week. Other Belmont mills that have paid dividends since August 1st, are the Climax, Imperial, Majestic and Chronicle.

PARIS, Aug. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—Harold F. McCormick, of Chicago, and Mrs. Alexander Smith Cochran (Madame Walska) were married today in the city hall of the sixteenth arrondissement.

South Pacific Island Lures British Youths

LONDON, July 24.—Discouraged at the outlook in this country, dissatisfied with the after war Britain, but actuated mainly by a love of adventure, about a dozen engineering students of Loughborough college are setting out on September 1 for an uninhabited Pacific island belonging to Ecuador.

Most of them are ex-officers. Among them is a nautic, D. L. David who wrote "Ya Brot." He expects to find in the new settlement work for his pen as well as his hands. A 90-ton vessel is being made ready for the expedition.

The chief means of existence they hope to find by utilizing the resources of the island itself; the development of fruit-growing and the breeding of cattle.

All hands will be required to work, although climatic conditions, it has been ascertained, are ideal and all they will need for food can be obtained without working, if they are content just to "loaf and invite their souls."

Their destined home, the adventurers say, is about 500 miles from the Panama Canal.

SANTA FE OFFICIALS FACE TIE-UP ENTIRE ROAD

Big Four Engineers, Firemen, Conductors And Trainmen Threaten To Walk Out If Armed Guards Are Used.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—Paralysis of the entire western territory of the Santa Fe system was the prospect facing officials of that railway today as a result of the sudden walkout yesterday of members of the Big Four brotherhoods, the engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen on several western divisions.

The union men explained their action was taken as a protest against armed guards on railway property and against the alleged condition of certain equipment.

Members of the Brotherhoods said they would no longer move trains through points where armed guards were stationed. Their district officials went into conference with Santa Fe executives last night, but no basis of settlement had been reported early today.

Several passenger trains, deserted by their crews, were stalled at points in Arizona or southeastern California. Some were stranded in scorchingly hot desert spots.

Locomotive ran into a turntable pit at San Bernardino, Calif., blocking entrance to the roundhouse.

At Los Angeles it was said that further conferences were possible today between brotherhood representatives and officials of the Santa Fe.

At Fresno, Calif., a fresh fruit shipper announced that his packing houses are closing today because of rail conditions and for the present no more fruit would be ordered from the growers. He advised his clients among the growers to drop their fruit.

Several fruit companies in the San Joaquin valley announced that they were not accepting fruit. Canneries had limited their immediate purchases.

Stop Manufacture And Sale Of Pistols, Says Committee American Bar Association

American Bar Association Committee On Law Enforcement Declares Pistol Serves No Useful Purpose—Laws About It Favor Criminal Against Citizen, Should Be Abolished.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Aug. 10.—(By The Associated Press.)—Declaring that the pistol "serves no useful purpose in the community today," the committee on law enforcement included in its recommendations submitted to the American Bar Association tonight one for the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of pistols, and of cartridges or ammunition designed to be used in them, "save as such manufacture shall be necessary for governmental and official use under proper legal regulation and control."

"We find that more than ninety per cent of the crimes in this country are committed by the use of pistols," continued the report of the committee, of which Judge William B. Swaney of Chattanooga, Tenn., was chairman.

"We find that the laws prohibiting the carrying of firearms or deadly weapons are ineffective—in fact, that they work to the benefit of the criminal rather than the law-abiding citizen."

Other members of the committee were Judge Marcus Kavanaugh, Chicago; former Governor Charles S. Whitman, New York; Wade E. Ellis, Washington, D. C.; and Charles W. Farnham of St. Paul.

"The criminal situation in the United States, so far as crimes of violence are concerned, is worse than that of any other civilized country," the report said. "Here there is less respect for law. From all available sources of information, we estimate that there were more than 9,500 unlawful homicides last year in this country; that in 1920 there occurred not less than 9,000 such homicides, and that in no year during the last ten years did the number fall below 8,500. In other words, during the last ten years no less than 85,000 of our citizens have perished by poisons, by the pistol or the knife, or by some other unlawful and deadly instrument.

"Burglaries have increased in this country during the last ten years, 1,200 per cent.

Lorraine's Beauty



Miss M. Forrest, just declared "queen of queens" at Metz. That means she's the prettiest girl in Lorraine.

RAILROAD HEADS ARE VOTING ON HARDING'S LATEST PEACE PROPOSAL

Two Hundred Transportation Magnates Representing Nations Biggest Roads Consider Harding's Proposal.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—(By The Associated Press.)—Two hundred transportation magnates, representing the nation's biggest railroads, gathered at Grand Central terminal today, to vote acceptance or rejection of President Harding's latest proposal for peace in the shopmen's strike.

From the start a sharp division in the voting strength was apparent, which was so clearly defined as to be almost sectional.

The eastern division appeared unalterably opposed to acceptance of the President's plan, because it provided that the question of returning strikers with security rights unimpaired should be shunted back to the United States Railroad Labor Board for final action.

President Felton, of the Chicago & Great Western, acknowledged spokesman for western and southwestern lines, was looked upon as a leader in the movement to ratify the peace proposal.

His group stands for ratification, not because they have any more faith in the decision of the labor board, but because they want the strike settled and their shops restored to normal. In addition, they want the good will of the public, which they believe, would swing to the strikers if the Association of Railway Executives should turn again a deaf ear to President Harding.

These western and southern roads have been hard hit by the strike and their managers express none of the desire for a "finish fight" apparent in the camp of the bigger eastern systems. Their reserves of locomotives are small, they have few surplus cars, and their schedules have been badly disrupted.

THE WEATHER

Cloudy and moderate temperature tonight and Saturday, probably showers near the coast.

GENERAL CONFERENCE CONSIDERS HARDING'S LATEST PROPOSAL FOR ENDING STRIKE SHOP CRAFTSMEN

SOUTHERN PUBLISHERS JULY TRAIN RECORD

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—During July, under strike conditions, the Southern Railway system did not annul a single passenger train, but operated 15,233 such trains, of which 74 per cent reached final terminal on time and 84 per cent maintained their schedule while on the Southern's rails. Announcement to this effect was made today by Vice President H. W. Miller, in charge of operation.

ROTARY CLUB HAS A FINE TIME WITH THE NEW HOPE FOLKS THURSDAY EVENING

Gastonia Club Goes Out To Country Church, Has Fine Supper And A General Good Time With People Of That Section.

The second picnic and luncheon of the Gastonia Rotary club was held Thursday afternoon with the New Hope people. Like the previous meeting held last week with the people of the Crowders Creek section, the gathering was by invitation of the people of that neighborhood. Inasmuch as the annual protracted meeting at the church was in progress this week there was an unusually large number of people present from the surrounding community, and gave the Rotarians an excellent opportunity to meet and mingle with the folks.

Arriving at the church grounds, the visitors found that as at a previous gathering, threats of rain had forced the good women of the church to spread their supper in the school house. Two large class rooms thrown together afforded an excellent improvised dining hall. As was to be expected the food was the usual bountiful assortment of good country chicken, ham, cakes, pies, custards, sandwiches, fruits, etc., etc. Everybody was looking for citron custards and chess pies, or whatever the name of the culinary delicacies. They were there a plenty. Everybody got a taste of these delicious little tarts. Then there were lots of these cute little round cherry and damson tarters, too. The ravenous Roters went after them. Iced tea and apple cider were beverages, the visitors especially showing a strong hankering for the home-brewed juice of the apple.

Following the supper, there was a short program of speeches and songs. President Woods Garland expressed the pleasure of the Rotarians at being invited to come to Old New Hope. Welcoming the visitors from Gastonia, Rev. A. McLaughlin, pastor of the church, emphasized the value of such gatherings of country and city people. He declared that such meetings did a great deal toward wiping out sectional and community jealousies. He referred to the great number of farmer residents of this community who had moved to Gastonia and other cities, declaring that if he had them all back in the neighborhood, he could build a town as large as Lowell, and maybe as big as Gastonia. Mr. McLaughlin took occasion to pay tribute to Rotary's code of ethics and motto of service.

Mr. J. H. Separk on behalf of the Rotary club thanked the good women of New Hope for the most excellent repast enjoyed. He also praised the spirit that animated the gathering together of the country and city folks, and the resultant smoothing out of prejudices.

Rev. Wm. A. Jenkins, pastor of the Concord Methodist church, present as a guest, made a few remarks about Rotary in general. He characterized Rotary as a great humanizing influence and leveler of men. He said that with the exception of his army experience, his membership in a Rotary club had meant more to him than any other influence in his life.

The last speaker of the evening was Mr. W. T. Rankin, who spoke in a reminiscent mood, recalling the names of the many men of that section who had moved to Gastonia. He told the Rotarians that these people of New Hope were the best people on earth, and likewise told the country people that the Rotarians were folks just like themselves. "They are country people moved to town," he said. "For every one of you there is a counterpart among these Rotarians."

The climax of Mr. Rankin's speech was reached in his conclusion when he prophesied that within the next 25 years, the territory between Gastonia and New Hope would be one long suburban residential section, thickly populated by farmers and citizens of Gastonia, who would own homes in the country. "I look to see," said Mr. Rankin, "a home on every five acres between here and the city."

Throughout the evening characteristic Rotary songs and repartee enlivened the proceedings. Several remained for preaching service at the church.

Extension Of Strike Among Other Unions Is Not Expected From Today's Meeting—Conference Is Desired In An Advisory Way—Railroad Executives Meet In New York.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Heads of all railway labor unions were in Washington today to consider President Harding's latest proposal for termination of the shop crafts federation strike. The general conference was sought by shop crafts leaders immediately on receipt of the second White House effort at mediation, and so far as known the shop craft executives who have been here several days have taken no step as yet toward framing their answer.

It has been repeatedly emphasized by B. M. Jewell, spokesman for the allied shop unions, that the general conference was desired in an advisory way and that extension of the strike among other railroad unions was not expected to result from today's meeting. Since the conference was called, however, members of some other rail unions at various points have refused, with the sanction of the union heads, to work under conditions prevailing due to the shopmen's strike. Protest walkouts against the use of troops and armed guards and also against alleged deterioration of rolling stock resulted and it appeared certain that this phase of the railroad problem would be given much attention by the general conference when it went into session.

Early action by the shopmen toward framing their answer to Mr. Harding's proposal that the seniority dispute be referred to the Railroad Labor Board for settlement was not expected. Mr. Jewell anticipated that it would take a day or more for the general conference to go over the ground with the shopmen. It seemed likely that the men's answer would not reach the President before next week.

Railroad executives also tackled the

government's new proposal today at their meeting in New York. There was no advance notice as to when their reply would be forthcoming. The management were first by several days to answer the President's last suggestion for a settlement and their flat rejection of his proposals as to seniority were generally known before the shopmen's acceptance was transmitted. Strike leaders here have not admitted, however, that their action on the new government proposal would be deferred until the rail executives had made known their proposition.

Since the President's new and final suggestion was made known shop craft leaders here have freely predicted that it would be rejected, although declaring themselves without the power to commit the unions on such a proposition. The executive heads of the organization in the shop crafts federation who have power to act have been engaged in conferences here preparatory to the general gathering today, and nothing has been said to alter the impression that rejection is a foregone conclusion, only the form of the answer to the president being in doubt.

Meanwhile, administration leaders have given no inkling as to the course the government will follow if it again faces rejection of its efforts to bring about voluntary termination of the strike. Congress will be in full session next week, ready, as the president desired, to take up the problem should the administration find it expedient to seek emergency legislation, but there is nothing to indicate that a definite program has been or will be prepared until the answers of both sides reach the White House.

ELEVATING THE BRIDGE AT ROZZELL'S FERRY

Southern Power Work Makes Necessary Raising Of Big Bridge—Work On Streets Of Mt. Holly Going Along.

(Special to the Gazette)

MOUNT HOLLY, Aug. 11.—Work will begin within the next two weeks on elevating the bridge over the Catawba River at Rozzell's Ferry. This bridge which is to be practically a new one when completed, will be elevated from 30 to 40 feet above the bridge at present. The back-water from the Southern Power Company's dam at Mountain Island will be 16 feet over the present bridge. Two new piers will be built and the present ones in the river will be raised to the necessary height. The new bridge when completed will be over 600 feet long. Reid & Lowe, well-known bridge builders, are bidding strongly for the work.

The board of aldermen have taken up the work of improving the streets. Chaos has been left in the wake of the laying of the water and sewer mains. This work has been completed, and the streets are being leveled and put into shape. The Woman's Club, through its president, Mrs. Honr Rhyne, has taken in charge the beautifying of the streets. Grass and shrubs are to be planted at the board and Piedmont and Northern depots.

The Southern Power Company has finished the power line from the steam plant at Mount Holly to Mountain Island. The plant here which generates about 8,000 horsepower, will transfer the power to Mountain Island and this plant will distribute it to the industrial plants in the Piedmont section of North Carolina.

A near-serious accident took place last Saturday afternoon, when a Hudson car, driven by Alex Caldwell, a negro jitney driver, collided with a Buick car driven by David Nims. The Buick car was just entering the main road from the driveway, when the car driven by the jitney driver at a high rate of speed crashed into it. Mr. Luther Nims was slightly hurt about the knees. The Buick car was badly damaged.

Personals

Mrs. C. E. Hutchison and Misses Eunice and Mar Hutchison have returned from a two weeks stay at Grove Park Inn, Asheville, and at the Park Hill hotel, Hendersonville.

Mr. C. W. Baucom left yesterday to spend several weeks visiting friends and relatives at Monroe.

Mr. Roy Spratt has returned from Richmond, Va., where he brought back his daughter, Miss Elizabeth Spratt, from St. Elizabeth hospital there.

Mr. L. G. Hunt, of Miami, Ariz., who has been spending several days visiting his brother, Mr. L. C. Hunt, here, has returned home.

Mr. Latta Johnston, who has been attending summer school at the University of North Carolina, has returned home.

BISHOP KILGO DIED EARLY THIS MORNING

Prominent Bishop Of Methodist Church Succumbs To Heart Attack After Long And Courageous Fight.

CHARLOTTE, Aug. 11.—Bishop John C. Kilgo died this morning at 1:45 o'clock at his home on the Plaza, Chatham Estates, where he had been in an unconscious condition since Thursday night of last week, when he suffered a severe heart attack.

A report from the bedside of Bishop John C. Kilgo late last night stated his pulse had been growing weaker all the evening and he was not expected to survive through the night.

Bishop Kilgo suffered a heart attack Sunday night and since then his physicians have held out little hope for his recovery, although he has rallied and showed increased strength temporarily several times. Except for rare intervals he has been in a comatose state. He began sinking during the afternoon yesterday.

The aged minister has never entirely recovered from the severe attack suffered last spring as he was on his way home from the general conference of the Southern Methodist church at Hot Springs. For several weeks he lay critically ill in a Memphis hospital. Finally he was brought home by a Memphis physician and a special nurse on a cot in the private ear of Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern Railroad, of which Bishop Kilgo was a director.

John Carlisle Kilgo was born in Laurens, S. C., on July 22, 1861, the son of James T. and Katherine Mason Kilgo. He entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1882 and afterwards continued his college studies at Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., where he was graduated with the degree of M. A. in 1892. From 1892 to 1894 Dr. Kilgo was financial agent of Wofford college and at the same time professor of philosophy in the institution. He was president of Trinity College, Durham, N. C., from 1894 to 1910, when he resigned the presidency upon being elected a bishop of the Southern Methodist church. He retained the title of President Emeritus of Trinity College until 1917, when he resigned it.

Bishop Kilgo had been a member of several of the Southern conferences and was elected a delegate to the General Conference of 1894 and re-elected to each succeeding General conference until that of 1910, at which he was elected a bishop. He was a delegate to the Ecumenical Conference, a world-wide gathering of all branches of Methodism, in 1901. This gathering is held only once in every ten years. He had been honored with degrees from a number of institutions, being made a Doctor of Divinity by Wofford and Randolph-Macon colleges, and an LL.D. by Tulane University. On December 20, 1882, John C. Kilgo was married to Miss Fannie Turner, of Gastonia, S. C., who survives him. The surviving children are Jack Kilgo, of Charleston, S. C., and Mrs. Kate Eliza and Mrs. Bailey Groome, of Charlotte.