Faced by demands from the conductors, engineers, firemen and brakemen that would impose on the country an additional burden in transportation costs of \$100,000,000 a year, the railroads propose that this wage problem be settled by reference to an impartial Federal tribunal.

With these employes, whose efficient service is acknowledged, the railroads have no differences that could not be considered fairly and decided justly by such a public body.

Railroads Urge Public Inquiry and Arbitration

The formal proposal of the railroads to the employes for the settlement of the controversy is as follows:

"Our conferences have demonstrated that we cannot harmonize our differences of opinion and that eventually the matters in controversy must be passed upon by other and disinterested agencies. Therefore, we propose that your proposals and the proposition of the railways be disposed of by one or the other of the following methods: 1. Preferably by submission to the Interstate Commerce Commission, the only tribunal which, by reason of its accumulated information bearing on railway conditions and its control of the revenue of the railways, is in a position to consider and protect the rights and equities of all the interests affected, and to provide additional revenue necessary to meet the added cost of operation in case your proposals are found by the Commission to be just and reasonable; or, in the event the Interstate Commerce Commission cannot, under existing laws, act in the premises, that we jointly request Congress to take such action as may be necessary to enable the Commission to consider and

promptly dispose of the questions involved; or 2. By arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Federal law" (The Newlands Act).

Leaders Refuse Offer and Take Strike Vote

Leaders of the train service brotherhoods, at the joint conference held in New York, June 1-15, refused the offer of the railroads to submit the issue to arbitration or Federal review, and the employes are now voting on the question whether authority shall be given these leaders to declare a nation-wide strike.

The Interstate Commerce Commission is proposed by the railroads as the public body to which this issue ought to be referred for these reasons:

No other body with such an intimate know-dge of railroad conditions has such an unquestioned posttion in the public confidence.

The rates the railroads may charge the public tor transportation are now largely fixed by this Govern-

Out of every dollar received by the railroads from the public nearly one-half is paid directly to the employes as wages; and the money to pay increased wages can come from no other source than the rates paid

The Interstate Commerce Commission, with its control over rates, is in a position to make a complete investigation and render such decision as would protect the interests of the failroad employes, the owners of the railroads, and the public

A Question For the Public to Decide

The railroads feel that they have no right to grant a wage preferment of \$100,000,000 a year to these employes, now highly paid and constituting only one-fifth of all the employes, without a clear mandate from a public tribunal that shall determine the merits of the case after a review of all the facts.

The single issue before the country is whether this controversy is to be settled by an impartial Government inquiry or by industrial warfare.

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The Bethlehem Steel Company's Offer to Serve the United States

At a time when the expenses of the Government are so enormous-

Isn't it worth while finding out the actual facts before plunging ahead into an expenditure of \$11,000,000 of the people's money for a Government armour plant?

To clear up the whole situation, and to put it on a basis as fair and business-like as we know how to express it, we now make this offer to the Government:

The Bethlehem Steel Company will manufacture armor plate for the Government of the United States at actual cost of operation plus such charges for overhead expenses, interest and depreciation as the Federal Trade Commission may fix. We will agree to this for such period as the Government may designate.

The House of Representatives voted down a proposal to empower the Federal Trade Commission to determine a fair price for armor, and allow private manufacturers opportunity to meet that price before the Government built its plant.

Isn't our proposition fair and ought it not to be accepted?

The measure is now before the United States Senate.

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If she is cultured, pure and refined these qualities will characterize the home which she creates. The higher the degree of her culture, her spurity her refinement, the more will these qualities characterize the home which she is the center.

The personality that a woman takes with her in her marriage is her rea dower. If her dower can be re kones in numerals only, no matter how many they be, wrecked indeed will be lied husband, impoverished her children. But if she prosesses industry, ge tleness, self abnegation, purity and in telligence, combined with engibility she is in berself a treasure of treas

FAMOUS PLACE NAMES.

ures .-- New York Weekly

Why Should They Not Ce Called Alike All Over the World?

It is perhaps too much to expect that a universal meridian or universal time will ever be established, still tess that universal secondary language. these things might be brought about if we could only get rid of our preju

It is not, however, too much to hope that the present confusion of place names should be got rid of Why the English and the French should persistently describe as Colombe and Mayence, cities which their bwn habitants never call anything but Koln and there is certainly no excuse for our pronouncing the name of the Bavarian capital as "Munick," as if in scorn of the dwellers therein, who call it, as nearly as English letters will reproduce the sound, "Minchen." Why should an Italian gratultously misname London "Londra?" We really ought to know how our own capital should

As to Polish place names, also Przemysl and the like, only an internation al commission could decide. - London

A Strict Dramatic Censor.

Vienna once possessed the strictest dramatic censor ever known in the person of Franz Hoegelin, who held that post in the Austrian capital at Hoegelin published a manual for the guidance of censors. "A pair of lovers the stage alone. They must always around Mavis and Betty be accompanied by a third person of class were also strictly forbilden by me. It's about Adelaider Hoegelin on the stage, and he quotes an instance of a play which be re that awful Mrs. Higginson," explained fused to pass because the author made the hero, Count Valdemar, marry a ances have unfortunately been known to occur in real life, but that is no reason why they should be allowed on the stage," be said.

popotamus can trot fast. That is why ing under Harvey's ardent glances. he is called "river borse." . The hippo's feet are kept far apart by the wide body and make paths with a ridge to only she's afraid of her mother." greatest speed when they can gallop face they send little jets of spray

Cyrus and the Persians.

The Persians of the time of Cyrus were Zoroastriaus. The Persian retigion was primitively monotheistic, and they allowed no idols or other material symbols of deity in their tem-There was less enmity on the part of the Jews against the Persians than against the other great nations with whom they came in contact, due probably to the monotheism which characterized the Persian religion. So Cyrus, whatever else may be said of him, was certainly not an idolator. Christian Herald.

Napkins become popular in France sooper than in England. At one time it was customary at great French dinners to change the napkins at every course, to perfume them with rosewater and to have them folded a different way for each guest.

Halcyon Days eyon days" are so called because it was supposed that the weather was always peaceful when the kingtisher

Hardly.

Mrs Kawler-Do you consider Alice very good looking? Mrs Blanderby Oh. Alice is pretty enough, but would not call her an Adonis Roston Transcript.

He who has conquered doubt and fear has conquered fallure -- James Al-

The Meddlers

How Their Plans, Came to Naught.

By CLARISSA MACKIE

Florida was crowded with people some gossiping, others playing bridge, still others, the younger element, findamusement in watching the tenuls

Beyond the lawn there was a sandy beach that shelved down to the wa-

The tide was coming in. In another hour it would be just right for bath-

The boom of surf sounded cool and

On the veranda Mrs. Higginson peered inquisitively at the tennis players. "Is that Amy Delarme, that girl in white bouncing around the courts?" Betty Fendon lifted her dark eyes to Mrs. Higginson's round, heated face.

"Amy is there," she admitted in a tone of dislike, "but she is not bounce ing around. She flits like a-a moth. "It's all a matter of opinion, my dear," rumbled the older woman in Adelaide there, Betty?"

Betty scanned the lawn with amused

is sitting on the beach with Professor

Mrs. Higginson uttered a sound haifway between a group and a sob. ended in a bysterical titter as she got up and tumbered toward the beach. "Poor Adelaide and st's her last chance!" sighed Betty.

Mavis Oakes looked mined. "What made you tell on her, Betty

"To pay her back for laughing at

you've got Addiside into I was hoping she would run away with the professor. He's a dear, and Adelaide is so furnir and solemn and sweet! How did she ever comto have such a parent? Betty shrugged her shoulders and

stretched her arms in allery yawn. "Suppose we go and ralk to Amy, she suggested. "Perhais we can belp Adelaide and the darling old profes Mayis followed her friend across the

The players were leaving the courts, and Amy, followed closely by the beginning of the last century. Dan Morland, met them under the As if conjured by some magician, tw

"Listen," said Betty, Beckoning the mature years," Marriages out of one's five about her. "I want won all to help

"Adelnide Higginson, the daughter

"Oh, you mean the body female and the old guy with the shell rimmed spectacles?' asked Larry Whitford. "Larry!" expostulated Mavis. "Ade

inide looks very pretty semetimes,

if her mother didn't pag so I am sure she wouldn't look so worn. Listen to bridelike. "My plan is this," said Betty, blushknow the professor is wild to marry

Adelaide, and she, poor wirl, would like "Professor Hicks is probably too bashful to propose an popement, given the opportunity am sure be

"You see." added Mavis, "if Mrs. Higginson parts them now they may never meet again. The professor is a widower, and widowers are fickle, you

"How interesting!" mattered Larry in the ear of his ladylute, but Mavis only pouted. "Let's talk about our "Humph!" scorned Man

"And so," Betty was saying earnest ly-"and so I thought we six might go over to Pendleton village and then teiephone over for Adelaide to come at once to the rectory, and another mes save to the professor, and when they get there you boys might suggest to him about the elopemen

"Ye gods!" cut in Dan Mortand, "Th man is my friend!" "Well?" defied the three girls.

"All right," he hastened to say. "He may decline, or Adelaide may, said Amy quietly.

"They may, but they won't." retor Every one laughed, and Betty blush

"What else can they do when Mrs. paid schoolteacher, so if once they are separated Adelaide's mother will see that the romance is killed dead," cried

Dan Morland thoughtfully "Well, Miss Higginson might do worse than marry Bob Hicks.

"Then you will all help?"

They promised unreceptedly The next day was Widnesday, and land's big motorcar sped away to right that Mrs. Higginson gracefully ward Pendleton village early in the gave in and blessed her children. morning. Dan Morland mas alone, and As for the six meddlers, in the co when he returned to the hotel he was of time each couple was married, and Immediately surrounded by his fellow Dr. Deems always officiated at the ger-

Directly after dinner that night *************** ty asked Adelaide if she would a over to Pendleton.

"Mr. Morland and Larry and and I," said Betty. "Your mother

not object, I am sure. "She is asleep now. She has so from neuralgia all day," said Adels

"I will go, Betty, dear." "Just slip a warm cost over pretty white frock. I'm so glad wore it, Adelaide!" cried Betty, d

wonder why," murmured laide as she went upstairs.

Mrs. Higginson was sleeping a ly, and Adelaide whisked a m cloak out of the wardrobe, twis white chiffon vell about her pale en hair, and, with blue eyes a like stars, she joined Betty and two young men in the veranda.

Over in the corner there was a ing point of light. Professor was smoking furiously. Perhaps had counted on having Adelaids himself that evening. Near by were Mavis Oakes and her

cavaller, Larry. A half hour later came a teleph

call for Larry. He returned from booth in a very vexed frame of m "I'm called over to Pendicton." explained, "Could you take me in your car, professor? All the h

"With pleasure!" cried Profe Hicks, tossing his cigar away, haps Miss Oakes would like to

"Thanks. I should love to." So the three drove away from the hotel, two of them trembling with as citement at the coming ordeal.

Professor Hicks, the innocent we shall have universal money or a deep chest tones. "Is my daughter tim of their disturbance, guided the car with his usual cool precision. "Where do you want to go?" he ed after they had entered the a

Pendleton streets. "The rectory," said Larry, Professor Hicks peered at his through the darkness.

"H'm!" he coughed suspiciously, and Larry pressed Mavis' hand and a pered: "He believes we're going to be married, you and I. Mavis. wouldn't hate the idea, would you?

No one save Larry heard her answer but from what followed it must have been entirely satisfactory to that love-

in fact, the professor had to rem them twice before they realized that the car had stopped at the rectory gate. "Will you come inside, professe pleaded Larry. In the rector's study there walter

nervous group-Betty and Amy,

a tenriully smiling Adelaide between

them, while Dan Morland and Harroy talked to the puzzled moking cles Larry beckoned Morland into whispered to Dan. "Go to it!" and Larry went into the study, leav

ing Dan Morland alone with the pro-Those within the room heard sonn of a dispute in the hall, murmured expostulations and then the deep

ble of Dan's persuasive voice. The girls looked at each other in dis-Now that Adelaide, the dear, had consented to their plan, would it not be dreadful if the professor refused to

marry Miss Higginson? pered Betty to Mavis. Mayis nodded and looked miserable There was Adelaide with a swedtly

tender smile on her lips, her thinness govered by the fleecy white frock, so And there was Professor Hicks, act-

"Balky!" It was Larry, who Marland looking baffled

Professor Hicks exchanged a with Adelaide and stiffened his si ders as he stepped forward. kind interest in my-our affairs," the

Dr. Deems came forward, surplie

laide. You will explain to them why "Oh-oh!" The exclamation, scarce ly breathed, ran from lip to the. Some how the professor found a place

said gently, "but I cannot marry

They all looked expectantly at the

"Please tell them why I cannot ask you to marry us, Dr. Deems," repeate Professor Hicks. Dr. Deems closed the prayer book upon his finger and smiled benignly

around the group "Because," be said impressively-"be cause I married them two weeks ag Consternation fell upon the six med-

The quiet Adelaide and ber gray baired lover had eloped after all, had stolen a march upon them, had not needed their intervention.

A flood of congratulations checked The six conspirators crowded around

Adelaide and her husband Dr. Deems was beaming upon them all and offering to go and break the "I am sure she will listen to reason

be said as he prepared to leave. And he never told them that it was only after he had explained to Allethe six meddlers were very busy. Mor- was worth half a million in his own

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