

GREAT TEMPER OF INDUSTRY IN NEW YORK IS DUE TODAY

Threatened Sympathetic Strike In Interest of Carmen Will Be Inaugurated When 200,000 Workers Quit Within Two Days

ACCORDING TO LEADERS THIS IS ONLY STARTER

They Announce That Before Fight Between 'Capital and Labor' Ends Fully 800,000 Wage Earners Will Join Movement

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

NEW YORK, September 27.—William B. Fitzgerald, general organizer for the central union, and other labor leaders announced last night that the threatened sympathetic strike will be called for this morning and that 200,000 workers will leave their jobs. This, they told Henry Mitchell, who with Oscar S. Straus, chairman of the public service commission, has been working to avert the stop of the industrial life of the city, is only a starter, and approximately 800,000 more workers will leave their posts later. One hundred thousand men will go out tomorrow, 100,000 on Friday and more will follow.

There is no doubt but that the labor situation here has reached an acute stage. All sorts of angles are being presented by the rapidly widening conflict between the men and the street railway. Politics is playing a more or less important part in the strike, and the leaders have been telling their followers that the fight has grown beyond a mere question of the recognition of the unions by the street railroad companies and has become a "conflict between capital and labor."

Gompers Heads Movement

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who came here from Maine, where he had been campaigning for President Wilson, for the charge of the situation for the unions, has been at the head of the movement for a sympathetic strike, which it is declared will prove the largest strike that any city ever faced.

Hardly a line of industry in Greater New York and its suburbs will not be affected by the strike. More than a million men and women ultimately will be enrolled in the ranks of the strikers, if the claims of the labor leaders are substantiated, and the tie-up of all business in the city will be almost complete.

General Organizer Fitzgerald has issued a statement in which he outlined the position of the unions. He said: "The issue is now clean cut, and we are perfectly satisfied with the situation. The question is, shall the street car men of New York and vicinity be permitted the right to organize, the same as other men and women have, untrammelled and not interfered with on the part of heartless and greedy traction corporation officials."

"Over 100,000 men march throughout the United States and Canada have this privilege, and why should it be no different in this great metropolis with out a violent protest coming from the people whose money is becoming part and parcel of the traction properties, and, in fact, the money of the very men that they are endeavoring to deprive of the rights of freedom and organization is invested in these properties and the great burden of the cost of this strike forced upon the taxpayers will have to be borne by the taxpayers of which they are a large portion."

"The violation of agreements on the part of these traction officials is no new matter to the people of this great city. Words need not be expressed to the people of New York to bear out that statement. Experience has taught them that it is so. Little regard did they have for the sacred agreement entered into on August 6 and underwritten by Mayor Mitchell and Chairman Straus of the public service commission, and which they have treated as a scrap of paper."

National Interest Aroused

"The trade unions, not alone of Greater New York, but of the entire United States and Canada, are interested in this fight, realizing that if the traction interests of this city are successful in forcing upon the men the individual contract it will establish a precedent and an excuse for other corporations to take advantage of this method with their employes."

"In the interests of the right of free assemblage and the right of men to organize we ask organized labor and all friends of liberty and justice to stand by the street car men in this fight, for if the traction interests are able to force upon them this system of individual agreements the liberty and freedom that all men have enjoyed in this country since it became a republic is endangered, and can be taken away from them through this method of coercion and intimidation."

"There will be accusations and charges made of bad faith against the street car men upon lines other than the Interborough and the New York Railway Company that agreements

VILLISTA TROOPS ADVANCING AGAIN

Bandit Leader Said To Be Moving In Direction of American Lines

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, September 27.—Special dispatches from General Parahling's headquarters at Colona Dublin, received here yesterday, reported that the Villista troops, believed to be under the command of Francisco Villa, are advancing northward in the direction of the American lines in Mexico. It is further reported that the Carranzista army, now thrown across the rail road line and farther to the west, in the vicinity of Namiquipa, is preparing to contest any forward movements by the Villista bands. Generals Garza and Ramos are said to be pursuing Villa forces in the vicinity of San Andres.

The state department yesterday admitted that confidential reports on conditions in Mexico, received by Secretary of State Lansing, declared that Villa was not in command of the troops which attempted to raid the City of Chihuahua, and it was also asserted that there were no deserting citizens of that city to the Villista bands.

Other reports from Mexico declared that wholesale executions are going on in the City of Chihuahua. Five hundred Villistas have been put to death by the de facto government since the raid upon that city. Hundreds of others have been sent to prison, according to reports made to the war department by Brig-Gen. George Bell, Jr., in command of the Fifth Brigade, with headquarters at El Paso.

VILLA ALIVE AND ACTIVE

SAN ANTONIO, September 27.—Ipolito Villa, brother of the Mexican bandit chieftain, told reporters last night that he had had direct information from his brother, who is alive and active. He declared that he knows nothing about the plans of his brother save what he reads in the newspaper.

WARREN K. BILLINGS SEEKS NEW TRIAL

Arguments Will Be Heard On Petition Next Saturday

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

SAN FRANCISCO, September 27.—Warren K. Billings, convicted of having set the infernal machine which killed nine persons during the preparedness parade here last July, has filed a petition for a new trial. Arguments will be heard Saturday.

According to the police repeated threats have been received by the authorities to blow up buildings with dynamite to murder witnesses in the dynamite trials still pending.

The threats have come in since the explosion of last summer.

RUSSIA'S RULER MEETS ENVOY FROM MIKADO

(Special Cablegram to Hawaii Ship.)

TOKIO, September 27.—According to a despatch from Petrograd, received here yesterday, Prince Kanin, special envoy of the Mikado to the czar, met the Russian emperor yesterday at the front, and presented his message from the Japanese ruler. The prince was given an opportunity to inspect the eastern battlefields, under the guidance of the czar in person. He will go to Petrograd today, where he will remain until October 2.

LATEST TYPE AEROPLANES PURCHASED BY JAPANESE

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji.)

TOKIO, September 27.—Models of the latest type aeroplane and aeroplane motor reached here yesterday from England. They will be sent to the aviation station at Tokorozawa, and will be given tests as soon as they can be assembled.

SPAIN PROTESTS AGAINST GERMAN SUBMARINE RAIDS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

MADRID, September 26.—A protest against the torpedoing of Spanish vessels by German submarines has been sent to Berlin.

have been violated on our part. To this I say we are aware and have been for some time that there is a collusion and an understanding between the traction interests of this greater city to secretly work in harmony to destroy the union of the street car men. The only reason that they have not declared war openly upon the men of the other systems is because they have been waiting for a more opportune time to crush the unions of the other systems."

Not Fighting Organized Labor

"The attitude of the heads of the railway companies has remained the same. They are inclined to disbelieve the threats of a general sympathetic strike, and insist that they will not meet the union leaders for a conference. Theodore P. Shonts, president of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, has reiterated his statement that he will not meet men who have broken their pledges to the company."

HUGHES CONTINUES ATTACK ON WILSON

Presidential Candidate Tells Ohio Audiences That President Threatened To Oust Huerta

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

CLEVELAND, September 27.—Charles Evans Hughes, Republican presidential candidate, continued his attacks upon the administration here last night before a large crowd. He issued a direct challenge to President Wilson to deny that in 1914, the President authorized John Lind, his personal representative in Mexico, to tell a minister of a "foreign country in Mexico that unless Huerta got out of the presidency of Mexico he would be put out."

Mr. Hughes made two addresses in Toledo, yesterday, in both of which he denounced the American working man and the unions for the triumph they have achieved in the past decade. He emphatically attacked the Adamson eight-hour bill, and came out in a strong statement in favor of protection to American rights abroad and a firmer hand on foreign affairs. There were a number of cheers for Wilson during the candidate's address.

In his talk here last night Mr. Hughes followed much the same line. He continued his attacks on the eight-hour law and the foreign policy of the administration, which he asserted has been spine and disgraceful.

WAR BRINGS PROSPERITY

OMAHA, Nebraska, September 27.—Charles Warren Fairbanks, Republican candidate for the vice-presidency, opened his campaign in Nebraska last night with an address in which he declared that "the prosperity which the Democrats are claiming is due to the war, while Republican prosperity was due to the normal, peaceful industries of the American people in normal times."

"The prosperity we are having now is due to the war in Europe," said Mr. Fairbanks. "It followed the wake of the war inevitably, and is not in any way due to the party in power."

A large crowd turned out for the big rally and Mr. Fairbanks was cheered when he appeared on the platform and applauded as he made his points.

PRESIDENT CASTS VOTE

PRINCETON, September 26.—President Wilson today voted for the Entente Powers has become a question of only a few days at the most.

It is also asserted in well informed circles in the Greek capital that the Entente Allies have agreed to guarantee the integrity of Greece and to loan her government enough money to equip her army and to cover the cost of re-mobilization of the Greek army.

A significant despatch to London from the Reuters correspondent in Athens says that General Mochopoulos, chief of staff of the Greek army, has resigned. He was commander of the forces of the Entente landed at Salonika, when the Entente landed its troops at that point.

MEXICANS WOULD CHANGE U. S. LAW

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

NEW LONDON, Connecticut, September 27.—The American-Mexican commission yesterday considered the cooperation of both the civil and military arms of government to prevent irritation on the border, various incidents being considered.

This was the first of a series of discussions on cooperative measures. Each side submitted a list of border raids with statements of loss of life and property.

The Mexican commissioners indicated their opinion that the neutrality laws of the United States are inadequate.

This led to a discussion of the present neutrality laws of the United States and it was suggested that a complete revision of those laws would facilitate the settlement of questions pending between the two countries.

The Mexican commissioners suggested that the law should be changed so as to discourage Americans from taking part in factional conflicts in Mexico. It was indicated that by so doing Mexico could deal more effectively with border raids, revolts and outlaws.

ARGENTINE TO SHIP WHEAT TO AMERICA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

BUENOS AIRES, September 27.—Thousands of tons of Argentine wheat are being loaded for shipment to the United States. The steamer Pampa will sail in a few days with 4000 tons and two other vessels are loading as rapidly as possible.

TWENTY-NINE KILLED IN ZEPPELIN RAID ON ENGLAND

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, September 26.—Germany's latest Zeppelin raid on England, carried out last night with a large squadron of the flyers, resulted in the killing of twenty-nine persons. Many cottages were wrecked.

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REVOLT COMPELS CONSTANTINE TO DECIDE FOR WAR

Reports From Athens Are To Effect That Greece Will Join With Entente Powers

INTEGRITY OF NATION GUARANTEED BY ALLIES

They Also Will Furnish Government With Money To Supply and Remobilize Army

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

PARIS, September 27.—With the revolutionary movement in Greece spreading like wildfire through Crete, Macedonia and Aegean Islands, came the report from circles close to King Constantine that the Greek ruler has capitulated and will declare war against the Central Powers within a few days.

Despatches from Athens to the Reuters Agency last night announced that former Premier Venizelos had reached Suda-Bay on board the steamer Herperia, which picked him up when he left the Greek capital a few days ago. The Paris, one of the leading Greek newspapers, quotes him as having said:

"The regime in Athens remains intact. I shall stand behind it politically and militarily if it moves in the right direction."

Marked Change In Athens

There is no doubt that the crisis has been passed, however, and that a marked change has come over the political situation in Athens. The French press, which has been bitterly assailing King Constantine for some time past, is absolutely silent this morning, indicating that the Greco-Entente relations have altered overnight.

Athens became jubilant over the reports that the government has finally decided to ally itself with the Allies, and that it will take that move within a short time, probably within one or two days.

Certain it is, declare these reports, that the question of Greece's entry into the war on the side of the Entente Powers has become a question of only a few days at the most.

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BLACKMAILER BAND SUSPECT RELEASED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

Some time ago, the Hawaiian Meat Company, and though not a stockholder in this corporation he admitted that he receives a bonus annually, based presumably on the company's profits. It is understood one or two more witnesses may be called Monday afternoon.

Woman Accused of Trapping Wealthy Chicago Merchant On White Slave Threat

(Chicago Press by Federal Wireless.)

CHICAGO, September 27.—Budda Gudman, alleged to be one of the members of the nation-wide band of blackmailers, recently arrested by the federal authorities, who is accused of entrapping Edward West, a wealthy merchant of this city, with a threat of revealing a violation of the Mann white slave act, was released on heavy bond yesterday. West, it is said by the police and the federal officials, believed the woman to be a fellow victim and paid heavily to avoid prosecution.

ACCUSED PLEADS GUILTY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

NEW YORK, September 26.—William Butler, one of the gang of alleged blackmailers under prosecution by the federal government, today pleaded guilty to swindling Regina Klipper of Philadelphia by posing as an agent of the department of justice and was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment in the federal prison at Atlanta.

BUTLER CONFESSES THEFT OF JEWELRY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

Says He Stole To Pay Highbinder in Honolulu

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

SAN FRANCISCO, September 26.—Nio Konitias, a huffer in the employ of T. W. Kennedy of Berkeley, has confessed to the police that he had stolen jewelry valued at \$7000 from Mrs. Kennedy.

He says that Japanese highbinder of Honolulu threatened to kill relatives of his unless they were given money, and that he stole on that account.

Most of the jewelry has been recovered.

FIRE IN OHIO TOWN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

FINDLAY, Ohio, September 27.—Fire broke out in the Findlay Carriage Company's works here last night, and spread until it threatens the whole of the business center of the town.

CATTLE SHIPPER HAS NO COMPLAINT

Inter-Island Rate Schedule Satisfactory But Handling of Stock Might Improve

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

Ramos Augustin Drummond, county supervisor and a cattle shipper of Maui, informed the public utility commission yesterday that he had no objection to the new rate schedule of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company and that he had heard no complaint by the Maui supervisors or businessmen against the schedule.

Drummond, subpoenaed Monday by C. R. Forbes, chairman of the commission, and brought to Honolulu as a witness in the inter-island rate hearing before the board, held the floor for more than an hour. His sole complaint against the Inter-Island was based, not on the company itself, but on what he deemed the careless and rather lackadaisical methods of its men in the steamer Claudine, helping load Drummond's cattle at Niu or Hana.

Auditor's Report Received

Following his examination the commission received the report of H. Gooding Field, special auditor appointed by the board to examine the books and accounts of the transportation company. The report is a voluminous one. Chairman Forbes announced that he and his son formally would study the document before finally approving and releasing it to the Inter-Island and the public.

It Will Be Taken Up for Discussion at a Special Session Scheduled for Monday Afternoon, at One Thirty O'Clock.

Drummond informed the commission that he ships about five hundred head of cattle a year from Maui, most of the shipments being from the port of Niu, where the cattle must be towed at the end of a rope out to a small boat, and carried in this to the steamer, where they are drawn aboard in what is called a sling. As a matter of fact, the sling, from his description, is rarely anything more than a rope looped about the animal's body.

Many Cattle Are Bruised

Drummond said many of his cattle were bruised in the course of their journey from his ranch to Honolulu, but he was not prepared to attach blame to the Inter-Island for this, realizing that many of his bruises probably were due to the loading methods at Niu and Hana. His complaint was that the men of the steamer often "green hands," were not careful to see that an animal was landed properly aboard the vessel, or that the rope was strong enough for the weights it was expected to lift.

Sometimes, said he, the rope would break, or the animal get loose after it was aboard the ship, and it would jump or fall into the water. In one instance recently a cow had broken a leg, causing him a loss of twenty or twenty-five dollars. In another, an animal had fallen on a laborer and broken his collar bone.

New Rate Not Detrimental

It developed that the new rate will have no detrimental effect on Drummond's business and possibly may prove beneficial. Under the old rate he paid four dollars a head for grown animals and \$2.50 a head for calves. Under the new schedule he will pay a cent a pound for full grown and young animals alike. This is based on the dressed weight. Drummond said his cattle dress to an average of about four hundred pounds.

He ships to the Hawaii Meat Company, and though not a stockholder in this corporation he admitted that he receives a bonus annually, based presumably on the company's profits. It is understood one or two more witnesses may be called Monday afternoon.

BARON Y. SAKATANI TO CALL UPON PRESIDENT

(Special Cablegram to Hawaii Ship.)

SAN FRANCISCO, September 27.—Baron Y. Sakatani, vice-president of the Japanese-American Peace Association, who attended the financial conference of the Entente Allies held at Paris, as the representative of Japan, reached New York yesterday. He will call upon President Wilson and members of the cabinet in an effort to promote the friendly relations between this country and Japan. He expects to leave for Japan from Vancouver, October 19, on board the steamer Asia.

JAPAN ORDERS TEUTON BRANCH BANK CLOSED

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji.)

TOKIO, September 27.—The branch of the German-Asian bank in Yokohama yesterday was ordered to discontinue business by the Japanese government. It was closed immediately.

The reason for this action of the government, according to statements issued by officials, is that the German bank has failed to comply with the banking regulations of this country. The main office of the bank is at Tsing Tao, China.

CHINESE LEADER THINKS HARMONY IS IMPOSSIBLE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

PEKING, September 27.—Tang Shao Yu has definitely refused to accept the portfolio of foreign minister. He says that harmony in the Chinese cabinet is impossible.

FLOUR PRICE IS RAISED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

CHICAGO, September 26.—The price of flour today advanced twenty cents per barrel, reaching the highest level since the Civil War. Standard Minnesota patent flour went to nine dollars and ten cents the barrel.

HARBOR COMMISSION HAS LIVELY SESSION

Hot Words Are Passed Between Contractor Lord and Inspector William Gregor

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

The crisis of the friction between the contractors on Piers 8, 9 and 10 and the inspector for the board of harbor commissioners, William Gregor, hints of which have appeared in the reports of previous meetings of the board, came yesterday morning, when Charles E. Forbes, chairman of the board, called a special meeting to consider the action taken the day before, and announced in The Advertiser yesterday, to bring a certain portion of the work to a standstill.

Two Questions Came Before the Board. The first was regarding the acceptance of a concrete pile, driven by the contractors, the Lord Young Company, thirty feet to a rock bottom, instead of forty feet as the specifications call for. Incidentally there came a question of veracity between Edward Lord, of the contracting firm, and Gregor, the board's inspector on the job. Lord declared that Gregor had accepted the pile, and Gregor denied this fact.

Question of Veracity

The other important question was whether the contractors would be allowed to continue the use of a suction dredge, the Kewalo, on the inner line of piles.

The feature of the meeting was the revelation of the friction between the contractors and the inspector. This had reached such a stage that Lord refused point blank to receive any further advice from Gregor. He had threatened to do this some time ago, but the matter was then smoothed over by the board.

Lord denied yesterday that he had received any instructions from Gregor regarding the piling of a concrete cylinder pile, and Gregor explained that the contractor had shown the letter containing the instructions into the bay as soon as it was handed to him the other day. The inspector added that when he gave Lord the letter the contractor lost his temper and threw the envelope into the water without opening it.

Both Men Lose Temper

The meeting grew exceedingly hot about this time, Lord losing his temper and declaring that Gregor was not telling the facts in the case. Gregor retorted by saying that he was talking and it was as much as Forbes, as chairman, would do to bring back a session of order. The discussion was as to whether the pile had been driven according to specifications. Lord declared that the idea back of the specifications was that the piles should be driven to a solid bottom, and that the rock had been reached at thirty eight feet in this instance.

"I have been told by the board to see that this cylinder goes down forty feet and I am going to do just that, without splitting hairs about the matter," said Gregor. "My orders in this and other matters have been disregarded utterly by the contractors," he added.

In speaking about the effect of the work that is being done by the dredge Kewalo, Gregor declared that the suction is endangering work on the harbor bottom, and particularly the wall at that place, by undermining. This, he asserted, will imperil the superstructure of the wharf if allowed to continue. He added that the contractors had promised not to go into that place again with the dredge, but had gone on in spite of their promise. Two cylinders had been placed in split holes, he continued, and will have to be driven deeper to make them secure.

Cylinders Finally Accepted

Lord, in his statement to the board, declared that the first objection he had heard regarding the cylinder was Monday, when the board appeared and issued an order that the work must be stopped temporarily. He said that where the character of the soil is such that a soft base can be found in forty feet the inspector had the right to allow the cylinders to be driven a less length than called for in the text of the specifications. He added that he believes that Gregor is enforcing the rules merely because he has the power to do so.

It was finally decided to accept the cylinder and deduct from its price in proportion to the difference between the depth to which it has been driven and that called for by the specifications.

E. C. Peters appeared as attorney for the contractors and Arthur G. Smith, deputy attorney general, as counsel for the board.

SIXTY-FIVE KILLED IN RAID UPON BUCHAREST

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

BUCHAREST, September 27.—The government last night issued a formal statement regarding the raid of German aeroplanes over this city Monday afternoon. Sixty were killed by the numerous bombs dropped by the squadron of German airplanes. Five persons were killed Monday night by the bombs dropped by the Zeppelin which sailed over the city, the majority of them being women and children. Little damage of a military nature was done.

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ENTENTE FORCES BREAK DOWN ALL TEUTON DEFENSE IN GREAT SMASH

Striking From Three Directions Franco-British Troops Sweep Away German Base and Compel Garrison To Surrender

FIERCE DRIVE LOSES KAISER STRONG ZONE

River d'Ancre Positions of Invading Armies Crumble Before Furious Offensive and Now Bapaume Stronghold Is Menaced

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

PARIS, September 27.—Striking from three directions the French and British troops yesterday captured the heavily fortified town of Comblès on the Germans under the command of Crown Prince Rupprecht, of Bavaria, and commander-in-chief of the German troops operating at the Somme front.

The fall of Comblès, most powerful of all the minor Teutonic positions in this section of the western front, was preceded by the capture of Thiéval and the famous Hohenzollern redoubt which for so long held back the British efforts to advance south of the River d'Ancre, Guendecourt, Morval and Fregicourt by the troops under Sir Douglas Haig, while the French were driving the Germans out of their positions between Fregicourt and Morval, completing the cutting off of the German garrison of Comblès.

Hand-to-Hand Battling

The attacks upon Comblès, launched as they were in overwhelming force, broke down the German resistance and forced the surrender of the garrison, which had been entirely surrounded by the encroachments of the Allies in their rear. As the British advanced, so did the French, and bitter hand-to-hand fighting between the Allies and the Teutons followed. It did not last long, for the strength of the allied columns completely outnumbered the Teutons.

The results of the day's fighting are as important as any that have been gained since the big drive of the Allies started last July. They now have the entire crest of the so-called plateau overlooking Bapaume in their hands, and from now on until they strike the valley of the Ancre river they will be moving down hill, commanding the German trenches from above with their artillery.

Battle All Night Long

The fighting that ended in the capture of Comblès and Fregicourt began Monday night and lasted with hardly a break during the night and through the day. By morning the British attacks from the vicinity of Morval to the north of the town and the French thrusts from the neighborhood of Le Prieux farm and Bancourt, captured the day before, had been successful in cutting the lines of communication by which the Comblès garrison had been receiving their supplies and reinforcements.

Then the Allied wave surged forward, and, heralded by an enormous outburst of artillery fire, swept over the remnants of the German trenches and obliterated them. Morning saw the villages of Morval and Les Boeux in the hands of the British, who had advanced their lines an average of 1000 yards over a width of 5000 yards. The French, while this was going forward, had driven up from the south and finally, before noon, the Allies met.

Allies Attack Comblès

Then came the concerted attack upon Comblès itself. From three directions