

CUBA'S RAILWAY STRIKE

Suffering Caused in Island—Alleged Conspirators at Odds.

Havana, Oct. 20 (Special).—The railroad strike notwithstanding the landing here of strikebreakers from New York, continues, and its effect is being more widely felt. One instance of the hardship which it has brought is that of two American families living at Los Palacios, in Pinar del Rio Province, who have addressed to Governor Magon an appeal to send them from the island...

The undersigned American citizens apply to you for protection against the consequences of the railroad strike. We are unable to get anything to eat. We have bought provisions at Havana, but are unable to get them here. We are, with our families, in the verge of starvation, as all the provisions in this neighborhood are exhausted.

The letter was turned over to Emilio Sanchez, president of the Labor Federation, and some means will be found to relieve the starving American families.

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A report reached here yesterday that General Ducas, Secretary of the Government, and subsequently released on a bond of \$10,000, had fled to Haiti. The report, which came from Santiago, was unconfirmed. A controversy has arisen between General Ducas and General Maso Parra, who also was arrested as an agitator. Each accuses the other of responsibility for the strike. The strike has been arrested as an agitator. Each accuses the other of responsibility for the strike.

The government of Panama will give to Governor Magon a medal for his work on the isthmus while he was governor of the canal zone. He has received the following cable dispatch from Señor Arce, Secretary of the Government of Panama: "General Obaldia, commissioned by the government to present to you the medal voted by the National Assembly, left here today for Havana, via Jamaica."

DOMINION PARLIAMENT CALLED.

Will Meet on November 28—The Opposition's Plans Before a General Election.

Ottawa, Oct. 20.—The Dominion Parliament has been summoned for the dispatch of business on November 28. A proclamation to this effect in a special issue of "The Canada Gazette" will be published to-morrow.

The session promises to be a long and arduous one. It will be the fourth session of the tenth Parliament of the Dominion, and the life of a Parliament is generally four years, although it can last five. As the Opposition expects an appeal to the people before another session, it will endeavor to make all the political capital possible before prorogation takes place. That has been the custom of all oppositions. Some say there will be a six months' session, others say seven, and a few go so far as to say that it will last eight months. The programme has not yet been mapped out.

COUNTRESS ZAMOYSKA SAFE.

Warsaw, Oct. 20.—Countess Zamoyska, who was thought to have been murdered on a train between here and Bialystok last week, has returned to her father's home. She refuses in any way to explain her disappearance or the finding of the blood-stained garment in the compartment of the train which she occupied.

RUSSIA NOT IN NEED OF FUNDS.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 20.—An official statement has been issued here with regard to the journey abroad of M. D. Zamoyski, the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs. It denies the reports that the journey of the Russian Minister is in connection with a projected foreign loan, and it is added that such a loan is entirely unnecessary this year.

BALLOONS IN RACE FROM ST. CLOUD.

St. Cloud, Oct. 20.—Four balloons sailed away from here today in the regular autumn competition of the Aero Club of France. Each competitor before starting handed to the secretary of the club a sealed envelope, in which was the name of the place where he expected to land. The winner will be the man who comes down nearest to his objective point. A number of men prominent in aerial navigation, including Lieutenant Frank S. Lahm, of New York, came here from Paris to witness the start.

GOULD CARS TO ENTER WASHINGTON.

System to Reach National Capital Via Electric Railway Line.

Baltimore, Oct. 20.—The Gould railroad system, whose headquarters are at Baltimore, will obtain connection with Washington by way of the Virginia shore of the Potomac River. The Western Maryland Railroad will be linked up with the Great Falls & Old Dominion Electric Railway, which extends from Georgetown to the Great Falls of the Potomac. This line is now used by both trolley and steam trains. The Washco company will build a railway terminal near the Virginia end of the ancient bridge at Rosslyn, with a large passenger station.

GASOLENE VS. DENATURED ALCOHOL.

Government Experiments Show Former's Power to Exceed Latter's.

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 20.—A series of experiments has been conducted at the United States Geological Survey fuel testing plant, at the Jamestown exposition, to determine the relative fuel value of certain fuel products. It has been found that it takes one and a half gallons of denatured alcohol to produce as much power as a gallon of gasoleine, although alcohol costs about twice as much as the gasoleine.

DAN O'LEARY'S PEDESTRIAN FEAT.

Cincinnati, Oct. 20.—Dan O'Leary, the noted long distance walker, finished a one thousand mile walk at Norwood in 7 1/2 weeks this morning. He walked one mile during each hour for one thousand consecutive hours. He is nearly sixty-five years old, but has shown no signs of faltering.

HIBBARD FOR MAYOR OF BOSTON.

Boston, Oct. 20.—Postmaster George A. Hibbard of Boston will be a candidate for the nomination of the Republican party for Mayor of the city of Boston at the coming caucuses, according to a statement issued today by the Republican City Committee. This statement adds that Postmaster Hibbard has expressed a willingness to accept the nomination.

Advertisement for Roundtab Three Collier, featuring a bottle illustration and text: "ROUNDTAB THREE COLLIERS... 1/2 each, 2 for 25c..."

VACANCIES GO BEGGING.

No Applications for Army Offices, Says Captain Hagood.

Washington, Oct. 20.—There is a short cut to a commission in the United States army without passing through the four year course at West Point, but young American college men do not appear disposed to take advantage of the opportunity. There has always been the strongest kind of pressure by young Americans to get into West Point, yet now that the way opens to secure an appointment as second lieutenant directly and without the four year course at the Military Academy, no one seems to be disposed to profit by it.

Captain Hagood, of the coast artillery, who has been specially designated to collect information for the War Department as to the causes and remedies for this remarkable situation, has this to say: "For the first time in the history of the army vacancies in the grade of second lieutenant are being begged. The artillery bill of last year authorized the appointment in the coast artillery each year for five years of sixty second lieutenants over and above ordinary casualties. Invitations were sent to the presidents of 125 of the principal technical schools and colleges requesting them to send in the names of graduates desired to be commissioned as second lieutenants in the coast artillery. After waiting six months no names have been submitted. Eighty-five vacancies in the grade exist today, and the only applications on file are about twenty enlisted men and civilians."

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JANITORS BURY HATCHET.

Big Meeting Ends Long War with Two City Departments.

Two city commissioners addressed five thousand persons last night at a mass meeting of the Janitors' Society, held in the Educational Alliance Hall, East Broadway and Jefferson street. The meeting marked the end of five years' war between the Street Cleaning Department and the Janitors' Society. The hall was packed and many were turned away.

Commissioners Darlington of the Health Department, and Bense, of the Street Cleaning Department, and executive officers of the Society were present. The meeting was held in the Educational Alliance Hall, East Broadway and Jefferson street. The meeting marked the end of five years' war between the Street Cleaning Department and the Janitors' Society.

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RECLAIMING N. Y. FARMS

Convention at Syracuse First Movement Toward National Aid.

Washington, Oct. 20 (Special).—The New York State farm convention, which it assembles at Syracuse on Wednesday, will mark the official beginning of the first movement recognized by the National Department of Agriculture for the improvement of farming conditions in any one state. The convention has been endorsed by President Roosevelt, and the movement it represents will have all the aid the federal authorities are able to give it.

President Roosevelt has written a letter to Giles Stillwell, president of the Syracuse Chamber of Commerce, in which he expresses his interest in the convention, and which explains his views on the matter fully. James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, will make an address, and Dr. J. A. Bonstedt, an expert on soils, will speak on that phase of the agricultural question.

W. E. Carr, of the division of soils, will illustrate an address with lantern slides of abandoned farms in various parts of the state. Mr. Carr will try to show that the soil of these farms is as good now as when they were deserted, and tests of the soil of particular farms will be reported. Mr. Wilson is enthusiastic over the convention, and said recently: "As a result of the convention I predict that within a year we shall hear very little of the abandoned farms in the country."

It has been shown by the figures of the census of 1900 that there were in that year 14,828 less farms in New York than in 1880. This decrease is not due to the absorption of small farms by larger neighbors, for there has been a considerable decrease in the acreage of land under cultivation.

On the contrary, in the opinion of the speaker, it will be shown that while Georgia has improved her agricultural condition greatly since 1870, when her fortunes were at a low ebb on account of the war and the troubles of the period of reconstruction, New York, which was at that time in a most flourishing condition from the point of view of agriculture, has gone backward.

The Department of Agriculture has prepared reports recently from every county in New York, and in almost every case there has been no improvement in farm values since 1900. The exceptions are noted in the case of counties like Erie, where the demands of the city of Buffalo for garden truck have led to considerable increases in the value of lands suitable for truck raising.

Oneida, a hop county, reports an increase in value, and some counties where dairy farms are in the majority also report prosperity. Among these are Ontario, formerly a hay and grain center; Delaware, Oswego, Steuben and Ulster. In Westchester, Putnam, Rockland and Orange counties there has been an increase in value, due solely to an influx of wealthy New Yorkers seeking to build up estates. This applies in some measure also to Nassau County, while Suffolk reports an increase in values owing to the demand for farms by sober and industrious immigrants.

Many counties report that there would be an improvement of conditions if help could be obtained. Among these counties are Columbia and Dutchess, which lose many farmers yearly on account of their proximity to New York. Monroe, Tioga, Steuben, Oswego and Genesee have had a good deal to contend with in this respect, as have Chenango and Ulster. Cayuga, Albany and Allegany can get no help and values are down.

NIGHT COURT NOT CLOSED EARLY.

Many Cases Cause Resolution of Magistrates To Be Disregarded.

Although the closing of the night court at 1:30 o'clock went into effect this morning, what will happen when another night like the one on Saturday comes around is a matter of conjecture. It was not until 2:15 o'clock yesterday morning that Magistrate Wable disposed of his last case.

On Saturday night and Sunday morning there were 21 prisoners arraigned. The prison pen was filled with prisoners all of the time, and the line awaiting arraignment extended outside of the courtroom.

At 11 o'clock last night there had been forty-nine cases disposed of by Magistrate Hoffman, and he announced that he would keep the court open until 3 o'clock, as has been done heretofore. When he was asked why he made this decision, instead of following the resolution of the magistrates at their last meeting to close at 1:30, he said: "There were so many cases on Saturday night that it might happen again, and I am going to hold the court open until 3 o'clock."

TOOK EVERYTHING BUT CHILD'S BANK.

Burglar Left Note Saying He Had Little Girl at Home, Too.

The apartment in which Captain August G. Ruland, his wife and little daughter live, at No. 25 West 129th street, was robbed yesterday of jewelry and other things, valued at nearly \$1,000. The burglar, or burglars, left a note behind which indicated that burglary was compulsory.

Practically everything of any value was taken, with the exception of the little daughter's china pig bank, which was in the dining room on the sideboard, and contained \$18 in various denominations, from pennies up to 50-cent pieces. On top of this bank was the following scribbled note:

"My Dear Madam: I have a sweet little girl of my own, and while I hate this kind of business, I am compelled to be in it. God bless the little one."

It was apparent that the burglar took his time about ransacking the apartment. He had partaken of a meal, which was intended for the family on their return home, and had also smoked several of Mr. Ruland's cigars, for the butts were found on the floor.

Mr. Ruland's enemy, Nathan Straus's yacht, "He came home yesterday morning, and suggested that the family visit some friends in Brooklyn. They left their apartments about noon. They returned at 8 o'clock. The robbery was committed in the interval. The police of the West 125th street station are investigating the case.

"SICKNESS NOT OF DIVINE ORIGIN."

Sermon of Chattanooga Rector Causes a Sensation.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 20.—"You are simply trying to outrun the God who is calling and olive oil if God send sickness and death as a means of chastisement," said the Rev. Hyron Molloy, rector of St. Paul's Church, this morning.

This is the leading Episcopal church in the city, besides being the wealthiest congregation, and the sermon created a sensation, to say the least. The rector disputed the generally accepted doctrine of Protestant churches, including his own, and said it was common belief that sickness and death were sent by God, this doctrine being included in the prayer book service and sung in the hymnals. He stated that he had preached this doctrine to his boys, but could not believe it after a lifetime of study. His idea of sickness and death was that it was due to bad city government and worse sewerage and drainage.

"I cannot believe," he said, "that God should send sickness and disease to waste away a beautiful child of a trusting wife and mother, and I shall not believe it after a lifetime of study, notwithstanding that I have preached it upon several occasions in 'carrying out vows taken when ordained.'"

CALLS PRISONER MEANEST MAN.

"I would like to throw you out of the window. You are one of the meanest men in New York." These words were addressed to John Vigarito, who conducts a café at Sylvan Place and 120th street, as he stood before Magistrate Crane, in the Harlem police court, yesterday, charged with stealing \$5 from Frank Rosso, who works about the former's café. Vigarito was discharged, in spite of the magistrate's denunciation. Miss Mabel De Marco, of No. 331 East 196th street, then charged he had also struck her, and Rosso was sent to the workhouse for two weeks.

OPERATORS' PAY RAISED.

Western Union to Reward Those Who Did Not Strike.

Officials of the Western Union Telegraph Company said last evening that the withdrawal of the bonus at midnight on Saturday was accepted cheerfully by the employees and that not a complaint had been received. As a reward to the men who remained at work during the strike it was said the company was going to advance their wages.

"We will show the employees that we appreciate their loyalty," said Superintendent Brooks of the Eastern District last night. "We are getting out a new wage schedule, taking the operators as individuals and paying them according to their ability and merit, which will mean a general advance all around."

It was announced by the strike leaders that W. J. Bryan would speak in aid of the strikers at a meeting in Clinton Hall this afternoon at 3:30. Daniel L. Russell, chairman of the board of strategy, said at yesterday's meeting of the Central National Union:

"I want to state frankly that if we have financial aid, such as we should have from the unions, we will win, but if the unions do not assist us promptly we will be badly handicapped. We must have financial aid, and we must have it now."

The C. F. U. appointed a committee of twenty-five to devise ways and means of aiding the strikers. W. A. Coakley is secretary of the committee and James Hatch, chairman.

"I realize," said Coakley, "that this is the greatest fight any union has had for many years. It certainly will not be the fault of the Central National Union if you do not win."

Instead of sending three delegates to the convention in Milwaukee on October 23, at which a successor to President Small will be elected, it was decided to send only one delegate, Daniel L. Russell, who was elected as delegate and W. M. Wolf alternate.

Chicago, Oct. 20.—Sylvester J. Small, deposed president of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union, was indicted and jailed by six hundred members of the Chicago local union, before whom he appeared this afternoon, in an effort to justify his action in seeking a vote on calling off the strike. Nearly a third of those present left the hall after shouting insults at their former leader when he rose to speak. Those who remained would not listen to him.

CHICKEN FRICASSEE COURT EXHIBIT.

Odor Betrayed Hoboes' Camp, and Men Are Now Held for Raid on Coop.

Stamford, Conn., Oct. 20.—An iron pot of fricassee, composed of ten chickens which, the police say, were stolen last evening from C. H. Knapp's coops in West avenue, will form an exhibit in a criminal prosecution of ten tramps in the City Court tomorrow. The fricassee was seized at noon today, when the tramps were arrested in a cosy bungalow in a woodland a few hundred yards north of the New Haven Railroad tracks and east of the Greenwich town line.

The fricassee was ready to be served, and the tramps were singing and cutting up capers about the steaming mess in pleasant anticipation of the fact that when the police broke in upon them and with drawn revolvers prevented flight.

Their arrest was due largely to the fricassee. It threw off a strong odor, and a railroad detective passing over the tracks a few hundred yards distant got a whiff of it and investigated. He found the camp and told the police here, who had been following a trail of chicken feathers from the Knapp coops to the bungalow. Two bottles of whiskey were confiscated by the police.

COLER ENCOURAGES WORK OF JEWS.

Tillie Wundoch Memorial Society Dedicates Burial Plot and Shaft in Brooklyn.

Borough President Coler, District Attorney John F. Clarke and a number of prominent clergymen and borough officials were present yesterday at the unveiling of the monument and the dedication of the three burial plots provided by the Tillie Wundoch Memorial Society, in Mount Carmel Cemetery, Brooklyn, for the purchase of which the society, through Magistrate Geisman, provided at the services. The Rev. Dr. L. M. Nicholson, of the Ninth Street Temple, offered the opening prayer and then introduced Dr. Simon R. Cohen, of the Keap Street Synagogue, who made a brief address. Mr. Coler spoke of the work of the society in providing burials for worthy Jews, and urged the laudable membership of the purchase of plots of their work. District Attorney Clarke made a brief congratulatory address.

The society was founded in memory of Mrs. Tillie Wundoch, a Brooklyn woman, who became widely known for her charitable deeds. Three plots in the cemetery have been procured and funds are being collected for the purchase of more plots. The granite shaft unveiled yesterday is inscribed with the names of the officers of the society and the dates of the unveiling, in Hebrew and in English.

LOOKING FOR A ROOM.

One Finally Found That Had Two Kinds of Air.

The sun rises. An egg-shaped bit of red gold brooks through a brick chimney from which curls up a spiral of black smoke. A soft rose red golden light mingles with the gray hue of the sky. The sun, now level with the top of the chimney, shines brilliantly behind the black smoke, and its blurred gold resembles the moon when it is mirrored in the water of a black pool in a dense forest. A light wind blows the black smoke over the chimney and higher, and the gray and golden hues of dawn drift into the blue sky of summer. A man who is seated at a bedroom window, and who has been watching the wondrous pencil of morning do this bit of nature painting, looks down into the green gardens below—they are situated in the rear of 221 Street—and is suddenly reminded that something or somebody is eagerly awaiting a parrot re-appearing call out "Good morning, pretty bird!"

The bushes in the gardens, freshened with the night dew and clustered with multi-colored flowers, greet his eyes with their homelike beauty. As a Ninth avenue "L" train, with its rumbling, grumbling, blundering, thundering roar and noise, passes by, it sends into a really beautiful room a few belongings, puts on its hat and coat and starts down 221 street in quest of a room. He climbs up a long flight of stone steps leading to the door of a handsome house—a block away from the house where he roomed—and rings the door bell. A white haired woman comes to the door, and she asks her if she has a furnished room. She replies, "No, but look at her in astonishment, and when about to descend the long flight of stone steps to the street his curiosity compels him to turn to her and say:

"Why do you keep a sign outside, 'Furnished Rooms To Let'?"

"None of your business," she answers, giving him a hard stare. He again sets forth in quest of a room. He is shown into rooms which are clean, but too small; rooms which are large but not clean; rooms with a gallery running round them, guarded by a wall of trunks, like cannon in a fort; rooms which have rugs without handles; rooms too expensive, and basement rooms, damp and unhealthy. Then he happens to enter a really beautiful room, and at \$3 a week. But even here he raises an objection. "You'll share the room with another man."

"He'll like it," says the good natured landlady to him, "it's heavenly!"

He went away from this house with regret. A landlady in a house a few doors away shows him a room, clean and well furnished, on the top floor, for \$20 a week.

"See!" she exclaimed to him as she opened the window, "I open the window at the top and bottom, then you get two kinds of air!"

He took the room.

CAMPAIGN IN BAY STATE.

Seven Candidates for Governor on Nine Tickets in Field.

Boston, Oct. 20.—With the political situation somewhat cleared by the decision of the Democratic ticket, the campaign for the state election in Massachusetts on November 5 may be regarded as fairly under way.

Seven candidates for Governor on nine tickets are in the field, including Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston, the Republican Governor, who is seeking re-election; Charles W. Bartlett, Newton, Anti-Merger; Thomas F. Brennan, Salem, Socialist-Labor; John W. Brown, Worcester, Socialist; Harvey S. Crowell, Ashburnham, Prohibition; Thomas L. Higgen, West Springfield, Independence League, and Henry M. Whitney, Brookline, Democratic, Independent Citizen and Democratic Citizens for other state offices.

There are several vacancies for other state offices on the Anti-Merger and the three Whitney tickets, but only that for Attorney General on the Democratic ticket can now be filled, which will probably be done within the next twenty-four hours.

The contest in the Democratic ranks for the party nomination and control is generally regarded as likely to result in a victory so that the Republicans, believing the state ticket secure, have planned a much less energetic campaign than for many years. Governor Guild, however, has been on the stump for about a week, and will speak a number of times before the campaign ends.

Mr. Whitney did not wait for a decision from the ballot law commission, but started his speaking tour within a few days after the Republicans, believing the state ticket secure, have planned a much less energetic campaign than for many years.

Both parties are being attacked by Mr. Higgen, the candidate of the Independence League, who will be heard frequently in his denunciation of trusts, notably the Standard Oil Company.

Whether General Bartlett, whose nomination at one of the Democratic conventions at Springfield was rejected by the Ballot Law Commission, but whose name nevertheless will appear on the ballot on an anti-merger ticket, will also be heard in support of his issue that there should be no consolidation of the Boston & Maine Railroad with the New York, New Haven & Hartford has not yet been settled.

Candidates for the three other parties, Prohibition, Socialist and Socialist-Labor, will probably hold a few rallies, but it has not been usual for them to pursue a very vigorous campaign.

From statements made by the Bartlett leaders, notably George Fred Williams, it would appear that the decision on the Whitney-Bartlett contest by the Ballot Law Commission is not regarded by them as final, and they threaten to renew the contest for control of the party in the spring convention, where delegates to the national convention will be chosen, and in the event of defeat to make an appeal to the national convention for recognition.

One of the most interesting contests, which from this distance from election day seems much in doubt, is that for District Attorney in Suffolk County, which includes Boston. District Attorney John B. Moran, who is completing a two years' term, during which he ran as a candidate for Governor on the Democratic ticket last year, is up for re-election on the ticket of the Independence League, and also on independent nomination papers. He is opposed by Joseph A. Denison, who served as his opponent in a short time and who defeated him for the Democratic nomination, and by Walter A. Webster, the Republican nominee. Mr. Moran is handicapped by a throat weakness, and his addresses will be made through the newspapers.

As usual there are many local contests throughout the state for membership in the next Legislature, but it is not expected that the Ballot Law Commission in both branches will be shaken materially.

OBITUARY.

THOMAS HILTON WILLIAMS, SR.

Thomas Hilton Williams, sr., died at his home, No. 574 Bergen avenue, Jersey City, on Saturday, after a long illness. He was fifty-nine years old. Mr. Williams was well known in business and social life in Jersey City, where he had lived nearly all his life. His family having moved to that place from Peekskill, N. Y., when he was born. He was president of the A. A. Girdling Iron Company and of the E. A. Williams & Son Brass Foundry, in Jersey City. He was also a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Engineers' Club and the Lawyers' Club. Mr. Williams was associated with the American Geographical Society of Washington, the New York Club of Jersey City. He married Miss Fannie Holden, the daughter of the late David H. Holden, at one time cashier of the Leather Manufacturers' Bank of New York.

Besides his mother, Mr. Williams leaves a wife, a son and a daughter. The funeral will be to-day at his home. The burial will be at the New York Bay Cemetery, in Jersey City.

JOHN FRANCIS McDERMOTT.

John Francis McDermott, a deputy clerk in the Court of General Sessions, died yesterday afternoon from Bright's disease at his home, No. 462 West 20th street. Before being appointed as deputy clerk in the court Mr. McDermott was an Assemblyman from the old 9th District, to which he was first elected in 1912. In the Assembly of 1894 he was a member of the Committee on the Tammany and the Committee on Claims. In 1895, while a member of the Assembly, he served on the Insurance and Public Health committees.

Mr. McDermott was born in New York City forty years ago, and was educated at the public schools and at the College of St. Francis Xavier. He leaves a wife and one child, his brother, Francis McDermott, having died at his home nine days ago from pneumonia. Mr. McDermott was a prominent member of the Tammany organization.

THE REV. GABRIEL R.