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Transfer of Big Vessels to London-New York Freight Route Cheers Shippers.

TRUNK LINE OFFICIALS CONFER ON EMBARGO

No Further Prohibitions at Present—Committee, to Meet Daily, Will Regulate Traffic.

Five large steamships of American registry have been transferred from the Pacific to the New York-London trade to relieve export freight congestion at this port, it was announced yesterday.

At the same time a conference of presidents of Eastern trunk lines decided to impose no further embargoes on transatlantic freight for the present.

The whole situation is to be left in the hands of a committee, which will meet daily until the tie-up is ended.

Three of the new steamers are the Siberia, the Manchuria and the Mongolia, recently purchased by the Atlantic Transport Line.

The other two are the Korea and the Kroenland, which have been interrupted in the New York-San Francisco tourist trade by slides in the Panama Canal.

Adds to Freight Fleet. The Siberia and the Manchuria are due here in two weeks, and the Mongolia about December 15.

The transfer of the ships, it was said at many steamship agencies yesterday, particularly in view of the fact that British registered craft may be drafted by the Canadian government to carry wheat to the West.

The results of yesterday's meeting of railway presidents called by President Rea of the Pennsylvania were summed up in the following statement by C. Curtis McCain, chairman of the Traffic Line Association:

"The situation with respect to the congested condition of railroads, particularly as relating to export traffic, recently reported yesterday at the meeting of the presidents of the various roads leading to the ports of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Norfolk and Newport News, which was held in New York, is such that the condition at each port was reviewed.

"The congestion at New York was regarded as serious, and every effort is being made to relieve the situation in the interest of all shippers and receivers.

Roads Plan Daily Conferences. It has been arranged to create a special committee of officers of New York roads who will meet daily and review conditions of each road, and, if possible, devise methods which may be immediately applied to relieve this congestion and facilitate the current flow of traffic as much as possible.

The Pennsylvania announced yesterday that it had established two special bureaus to handle the export traffic, and that there is now no tie-up of West-bound freight.

A. H. Smith, president of the New York Central, yesterday said: "The difficulty of the present export system is caused by various conditions. The principal difficulty, in my opinion, is due to the vicissitudes of ocean shipping, involving a great many details. The New York Central will not feel it necessary to put on an embargo today."

It may be necessary to put one out later on certain special commodities that accumulate faster than they can apparently be taken away by steamships.

The railway heads invited by President Rea to confer with him yesterday included Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore & Ohio; William H. Truesdale, of the Lackawanna; A. H. Smith, of the New York Central; E. E. Thomas, of the Lehigh Valley, and F. D. Underwood, of the Erie. Many other traffic officials were present.

SAYS YOAKUM SOUGHT TO HEAD 'FRISCO ROAD'

Frederick Strauss Declares Request Was Refused.

Jefferson City, Mo., Nov. 30.—Frederick Strauss, of New York, testifying today before the Missouri Public Service Commission, said that B. F. Yoakum, chairman of the board of directors of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad, had asked to be made chairman of the executive committee of the reorganized company and a member of the so-called voting trust which is to control the road following its reorganization.

Mr. Strauss, representing J. & W. Seligman & Co., of New York, one of the organization members, made his statement after S. O. Levinson, a Chicago attorney representing Yoakum, had testified that Yoakum was opposed to the voting trust "because it deprived the stockholders of control of the road."

Yoakum called at Mr. Strauss' office and asked to be included in the voting trust and to be made head of the executive committee," Mr. Strauss said, "Yoakum said he had been unjustly blamed for the conditions which brought on the Frisco receivership, and that he wanted to help in the rehabilitation of the company."

"I talked the matter over with other members of the committee, and their opinion was that the money needed for financing the reorganization could not be raised if Mr. Yoakum were a member of the voting trust and chairman of the executive committee. We therefore had to refuse Mr. Yoakum's request."

The commission is conducting hearings on a plan of a banking syndicate to reorganize the road.

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WOMEN TAG LEGISLATORS

Insist Every Representative Put Himself on Record on Suffrage.

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The National American Woman Suffrage Association announced today the selection of several new members of the honorary committee for the forty-seventh annual convention. They include the wives of several prominent Senators. Among them are Mrs. Albert B. Cummins, Mrs. Francis E. Warren, Mrs. William E. Borah, Mrs. Charles Townsend and Mrs. Moses E. Clapp.

Others prominent in the social and political life of the capital who are serving on the convention committee are Justice and Mrs. Wendell E. Stafford, Assistant Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Louis F. Post, Mrs. Ames Pinchot, Mrs. Gifford Pinchot, Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell and Dr. and Mrs. John Van Schalk, Jr.

BOWDOIN'S DRILLS GUNLESS

No Weapons Or Uniforms Required in New Military Course.

Brunswick, Me., Nov. 30.—Military drill has been added to the course in physical training at Bowdoin College. While the students will have neither guns nor uniforms, they will be required to practise infantry drill three times a week.

This is the first time since 1882 that such training has been given at Bowdoin.

FIGHT TO FINISH AT WILKES-BARRE

Railway Company Will Neither Give Nor Ask Quarter in Strike Struggle.

Wilkes-Barre, Penn., Nov. 30.—The directors of the Wilkes-Barre Railway Company today served formal notice on P. J. Shea, in charge of the street carmen's strike, that from now on the strike will be fought to a finish. The company will give no quarter and will ask none. It will fight on these lines if it takes a year.

For the present none of the old employees will be put to work, this because it is feared that the presence on the cars of the old men would lead to greater violence than has hitherto been displayed, but as new lines are opened up many of the men who have private work will be asked for their old jobs by the employers. Those men will go to work on the scale fixed by the arbitrators of last July.

The effect of additional protection afforded by the 100 extra policemen sworn in by Mayor John V. Kovak was seen today in increased riding. For once there were many men to be seen on the armored cars, and for the first time in a month there was no disorder. Even Plymouth, where the state constabulary went on duty early this morning, was quiet. Meantime the Merchants' Association, led by the Chamber of Commerce, are trying to evolve some method of bringing peace to the Wyoming Valley.

The rejection of the Chamber of Commerce proposals by the men has not discouraged that body, which is now considering the advisability of asking Judge George Gray, of Delaware, to agree to act as peacemaker. It was Judge Gray who brought peace to the coal regions after the big strike in 1902. He has the confidence of the miners, and will have the preponderant majority of the workers in this section.

P. J. Gildea and Charles R. Steese, of the State Bureau of Labor, were in the city today, but made no headway toward securing peace. They are still hopeful, however, of breaking the deadlock.

CHILI FAVORS ARBITRATION

Approves Treaty with Brazil and Argentine Republic.

Santiago, Chile, Nov. 30.—The treaty negotiated by Argentina, Chile and Brazil all last May providing for settlement by arbitration of differences which cannot be adjusted through diplomatic negotiations has been approved by the Chilean Senate.

Adoption of the treaty is approved generally by the press. The "Mercurio" asserts that the A. B. C. nations, acting in conjunction with the United States, will advance the interests of the Western world.

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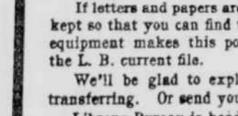
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Senator Seeks Ousting of Whole State Industrial Body—Welfare Folk Active.

Regretting that a legal technicality prevented holding members of the State Industrial Commission criminally responsible for the loss of life at the Williamsburg fire on November 6, Coroner Wagner's jury yesterday charged the commissioners with gross neglect. It held the chief inspector unfit, through ignorance, and the head of the legal division was charged with failure to act promptly against violators of the factory laws.

The jury recommends that a copy of the findings be forwarded to Governor Whitman and the Legislature. A copy also was sent to Senator Lawson, of the legislative committee, and it was learned yesterday afternoon that, after going over the report, he will request an investigation that will have for its object the removal of all the members of the commission. As soon as the verdict was made known several organizations interested in protecting factory workers announced they would call the Governor's attention to the charges.

JOURNALISM SCHOOL IS FORGING AHEAD

Necessary to Add to Faculty, Says Dr. Williams in Annual Report.

Rapid strides in the teaching of journalism have been made at the Columbia University School of Journalism, according to the annual report of Dr. Talcott Williams, director, which was given out yesterday. It has been found necessary to add to the faculty, it is stated, efforts being made in each case to obtain experienced writers and newspaper editors.

Improving the style of English written by the students of the school, at the same time keeping it suitable in the problems discussed by Dr. Williams in his report. He finds that reading the Bible and Shakespeare is helpful in learning to write suitable English.

"Every professional school has ends and a vision," Dr. Williams says, "far-reaching and high beyond the day's market, but, as Sir Henry Irving justly said, that the theatre must succeed as a business or it could not exist as an art, so a school of journalism cannot be held to preparing its students for their final task unless they are successfully taught English to sell, which proves salable while they are within its walls."

Dr. Williams then points to the responsible newspaper positions held by the graduates of the school. One is a Berlin correspondent for one of the large news agencies, another managing editor of "The Peking News," and all five are working on newspapers.

Many of the students who entered the school after having newspaper experience and without matriculating failed to graduate. Commenting on this, Dr. Williams says:

"The failure of so large a share of those who entered as non-matriculants on the basis of newspaper experience, as proposed by the late Joseph Pulitzer, is due neither to lack of ability nor lack of success in their newspaper work before they entered the school."

"But the first years of a young newspaper man are discursive to the last degree. Events prescribe a new task daily. No topic is completed. The hours are destructively long. No systematic information is acquired. Only the most diligent can study. They make progress slow but amazing; they combine the fruits of the laboratory of books and the laboratory of life. Those who do not study—and they are many—have a life in adolescence between sixteen and twenty-two or so, which is a perilous training for the development of the mind."

CANADIAN FLOUR MILLS MAY CLOSE

Government Will Not Consider Question of Compensation.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 30.—A sub-committee of the Cabinet is still engaged on the problems arising out of the wheat commandeering order, but there is no indication that there will be any compensation from the government for the sudden seizure or complications that may arise out of failure to fill contracts.

Some of the grain interests represented here believe the government will allow them to have the seized grain for immediate use if able to replace it at the government rate quickly. This would tend to prevent a tie-up of millers' and other contracts.

C. B. Waters, of the Dominion Millers' Association, stated that the Ontario mills would have to shut down unless they could get the wheat.

Port Arthur, Ont., Nov. 30.—Approximately 5,000,000 bushels of grain were transferred before dark to-night from elevators of Port Arthur and Fort William to steamers ready for movement East, according to local vessel men.

The somewhat tense feeling here yesterday over the government's order commandeering wheat had subsided today. There is a plentiful supply of boats. The elevators are well stocked, and it is estimated that loading will average from 1,000,000 to 1,500,000 bushels a day for the next ten days. Four million bushels were loaded yesterday.

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Secretary Thinks He Will Show That Ex-President Is Mistaken.

Washington, Nov. 30.—Secretary Garrison, after reading ex-President Taft's reply to his strictures to-day, began the preparation of a statement which he says will answer in detail the charges made by Mr. Taft against the Wilson administration's Philippine policy. The Secretary expects to make his statement public to-morrow.

Mr. Garrison spent practically the whole day investigating some of Mr. Taft's allegations, and expects to show the ex-President is not entirely accurate as to his facts.

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