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When to-day dawned—the crucial time, every one thought—one would have bet a fortune on a break one way or the other.

For this is what has occurred. When the President submitted his settlement plan a week and a half ago and the unions accepted it, public sentiment was almost entirely in his favor.

A strike would be upon their shoulders. But they were allowed time to consider. The President played his game harder.

Instead the roads have strengthened their stand. They are more solid today against yielding than they have been since they came to Washington.

Officials at the White House were asked to-night why the President had not consented to a meeting with the executives this afternoon.

The counter proposal of the railway managers and executives concedes absolutely nothing except a theoretical eight-hour basic day.

That the employees shall continue to work as they do now—ten hours work for ten hours pay and pro rata overtime.

That an arbitration board appointed by the President shall investigate the merits of the contentions of both sides for a period of at least three months and then report, the report to be binding only by its moral effect.

That in the interim the roads shall keep two accounts and make two reports to the Interstate Commerce Commission. One account will show the actual wage schedules and payrolls for the ten-hour basic pay day.

That the eight-hour basic day is fair and just the roads shall be compelled to pay according to such a scale with pro rata time and a half overtime from the date the arbitration board began its investigation.

The position of the roads on these terms is this: The President's plan does not secure to the men an eight-hour working day. It provides simply for an eight-hour basic pay day, which means that they work now, but get an increase in wages and overtime pay of 25 per cent. amounting to about \$50,000,000 a year.

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The American and British governments, through the Geneva award arbitration, reached a conclusion of very serious differences which otherwise might have resulted in war between the two nations.

Employees and Wilson Blamed for Crisis

In an editorial published yesterday in "The Dry Goods Economist" the obstinacy of the employees is blamed for the railroad strike crisis.

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Political Pressure Also Useless, William Z. Ripley Declares.

DOUBTS JUSTICE OF MEN'S DEMANDS

Asserts Inquiry Into Costs and Profits Is Needed Before Decision.

In an article on the present railway situation in the current issue of "The New Republic" William Z. Ripley holds out no hope of a fair adjustment of the problem by physical force or political pressure.

Concerning the justice of the railway brotherhoods' claims, Mr. Ripley is doubtful. "These trainmen's brotherhoods," he remarks, "as a whole, by reason of their skillful mass play, have during the last few years wrung substantial increases—one-third or more—in wages from the railroads, so that they constitute as unique an aristocracy in labor pay as in personnel."

8-Hour Day Demand Called a Conspiracy

J. Philip Bird, president of the Manufacturers' Association of New Jersey, writing in the August number of the "Manufacturers' Association Bulletin," calls the attempt of the labor leaders to gain an eight-hour day for railroad men a conspiracy.

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Forger's Guest, Old Prison Pal, Turns Him Up; That's Gratitude

Escaped Convict, Who "Went Straight," Is Back in Cell Again Because He Played Good Fellow to Ed Hogan, Down and Out.

Why is it that when a man's broke and knows he's broke, and the world knows he's broke—without a dime or a sou—that he will take as lively an interest in going through his empty pockets, "just to see," as a child will in exploring a Christmas stocking. Why is it?

Before some sharp trips us up with "It's human nature," let us consider Ed Lee and his friend, Ed Hogan, who, about 5 p. m. yesterday, rounded up on a bench under a tree in Battery Park.

"The wonder to me is," said Lee, "that these steel ships will float. Water don't never run up hill."

"You say you found a dollar bill!" exclaimed Hogan, alert once more to life's actualities.

"I'll look," said Lee, and methodically began turning wrong side out his trousers pockets.

"No, Ed," he said at length, regretfully, "there ain't a cent. If looks as if our party's at an end. What would you suggest?"

Hogan Springs a Surprise.

"Let's take a little walk," said Hogan.

"Might as well," agreed Lee—"walk and look for work. But there ain't a soul that can say I haven't shown you a time and shown you the town as long as the dough held out. Eh, Ed? There's nothing too good for a pal from Indiana."

Lee's mention of his hospitality seemed to embarrass Hogan. He did not reply. The two proceeded across the park, Hogan steering the way in the general direction of a park policeman near the Custom House.

"Officer," said Hogan, suddenly, "arrest this man. He's an escaped convict."

The policeman seized Lee, who was too astounded to resist.

"What have you to say about this?"

the patrolman demanded of his prisoner.

Hogan Shows His Gratitude.

"All I have to say," replied Lee, "is 'That's gratitude.'" Lee was speaking to Hogan and not the policeman.

While Hogan was rejoicing over the possibility of reaping any reward which may have been offered for Ed Lee, at Police headquarters, delivered himself of further remarks on gratitude.

Ed Lee, the guy who turned me up," he told Detective Moriarty, of the Second Branch, "was a pal of mine in the Indiana penitentiary. I went up for forgery. It was love for a good time that put me in prison, and the same love of a good time is going to put me back. I was working in a railroad office when I forged an official's name to a \$400 check. I was a millionaire for a week. The money gone, I was caught and sent up to the Michigan City prison for fourteen years.

I met Ed Hogan. I was a trusty and I used to try to make it a little easier for Ed. Well, a year ago I escaped.

I went to Dayton, Ohio, vowing to live straight. I worked hard and saved \$300. Thoughts of going into business and being somebody were beginning to filter about in my mind when my old weakness, drink, came back. I blew in my \$300 and, ashamed to stay in Dayton, I came to New York. I made my good resolutions over again, got work in a storage warehouse near Greenwich and Liberty Streets and started to save my money again.

"On Thursday I met Hogan. I hadn't seen him since our prison days. Ed was down and out. I fixed him up. We fell to drinking. I took Ed out and together we squandered my savings. The last dollar went this afternoon. Then we wandered into Battery Park. And Ed told me he hadn't had a thought of Ed. To have forgotten his prison training that way!"

WOMAN ASKS \$100,000 OF DR. JOHN W. HILL

His Former Secretary Renews Breach of Promise Suit.

Chicago, Aug. 26.—Suit for \$100,000 for breach of promise has been brought against the Rev. Dr. John Wesley Hill, former pastor of the Metropolitan Temple in New York, and prominent in politics, by Miss Lucille Covington, at one time the minister's secretary.

The praetise of the suit was filed in the Cook County Circuit Court yesterday. Dr. Hill left here for New York shortly after service on him had been obtained.

Suit for \$100,000 was brought by Miss Covington in New York on September 23, 1915, against Dr. Hill, who she alleged, had broken his promise to marry her.

At that time Miss Covington first asserted that the action grew out of business troubles between her and her employer, but later insisted that Dr. Hill had written her 200 love letters, which she threatened to produce in court. The action was finally dropped.

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Plain tailored model, in Burgundy, dark green, brown or navy, new three-quarter length fitted coat with large flat collar and wide pointed cuffs of Hudson seal fur; inset shaped girdle, button trimmed, full flare skirt with wide detachable belt.

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Exclusive straight line, coatee, belted or pleated models, many combined with satin, trimmed with beads, braid or worsted embroidery.

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Many are copies of Paris models, adaptations and our own original creations, of wool velour, duvet de laine, broadcloth, Callot checks, velour plaids or velveteen; fur, velvet or braid trimmed.

29.50 to 195.00

Special for Monday

Misses' Fur Trimmed Suits

After "Bernard," navy, dark green, seal brown or Burgundy, half-belted three-quarter length coat with shirred fulled at sides extending into pockets, convertible cape collar inset with velvet and banded with Hudson seal fur, full flare skirt.

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