

Generally fair to-day and to-morrow; little change of temperature. Highest temperature yesterday, 85; lowest, 73. Detailed weather, mail and marine reports on page 9.

BRITISH REGAIN GERMAN TRENCH NEAR POZIERES

Once Forced Out by Shelling, They Win, Despite Trench Reinforcements.

NOW HOLD WHOLE OF SECOND LINE

Fierce Fighting Now On in the Vicinity of Delville Wood.

"GREATEST ARTILLERY BATTLE OF THE WAR"

Haig's Big Guns Batter Front Northwest of Pozieres.

Lesnoy, July 27.—Pozieres was assaulted in counter attacks by the Germans to-day, but despite the fact that they seem to have brought fresh troops to the sector the British forces to-night had succeeded in further consolidating their positions in the village, had advanced a little to the north, had improved their positions in the Delville wood and at Longueval and had begun preparation by terrific artillery fire for an infantry advance northwest of Pozieres, with Thiepval as the objective.

In the fighting Wednesday night the British captured an important German trench situated to the north of the line running from Pozieres to Bazentin-le-Petit, but were shelled out of it Thursday morning by enfilading artillery fire. Another attack, however, gave the British a foothold in the southern end of the trench.

Straightening the Line.

The operation to the west is not likely to result in spectacular gains and will not make much of a showing on the map, but it is necessary to straighten out the receding curve in the British line, and to complete the work that must be done before much can be accomplished to the north and east. So bombardment proceeds with uninterrupted vigor, while the Germans reply with their producing shells.

At some points west of Pozieres where the commanders apparently considered the British preparation complete there were hand to hand encounters between the British and Germans. War Office officials replied to-night to Berlin's assertions that the British were repulsed in these encounters by saying they were simply testing operations.

Concentrate Big Guns.

The Germans have concentrated great quantities of heavy guns and a great number of troops to stop the British advance, the Daily News correspondent at headquarters is assured. The capture of Pozieres, while the completion of an important though subsidiary movement, he says. The ground won since July 1 is about twenty-four square miles. "The extent to which the British have been able to advance is a considerable triumph."

Defence continues to accumulate quantities of heavy guns and a great number of troops to stop the British advance. I am unaware whether it will be a direct thrust over the whole front or more piecemeal tactics, but I am sure it is not our intention to give the enemy much rest henceforth.

Military critics remark that the British are now in possession of the whole second line of defence in the Somme region, from July 14 to July 25. The defenders used 200 machine guns and British artillery destroyed or put out of action 170 of them.

Take Delville Wood.

One of the correspondents with the British army in the field, telegraphing from the front, says that the British were not quiet because the British had no infantry attack, but all the while the fighting was being fought and the artillery had kept up a thunderous drumbeat in what, before the offensive, would have been referred to as a violent artillery duel. So complete has the continual bombardment become that one officer, just out of duty with the transport, just out of the range of the shells, complains that he is awakened when there is a lull at night.

This morning the British put on Delville wood the heaviest concentration of shells fire in the entire area ever directed against field fortifications. Even the gunners were amazed when they found that the volume of fire per minute in preparation for the offensive was more than a thousand yards there three shells a minute falling on every yard.

Tornado of Blasts.

The purpose was to leave nothing standing—nothing living. Not a single German sniper in a tree, not a single German machine gun, but was to be put to rest by the tornado of blasts. Delville Wood has left. Trones Wood, with some reputation. The infantry on both sides there have no doubts. The British protection is shallow trenches, which are in the open field operation. A shell which tears a hole among the tops of a tree, killing a man, makes a good protection for his neighbor who is not aware of them at the time he was recognized. And the result of it all is that our patriotic young men are taken away from their families and their mark time in the heat of the Mexican border, while the President waits watchfully to decide which way he will jump next, and he calls all this "serving the Mexican people."

BE FIRM IN CRISIS, KAISER BEGS PEOPLE

Suffer in Silence, as Iron Hurricane Rages Against Army, He Urges.

'ALL MUST BEAR HUNGER' Even With Victory, "War After the War Coming," His Prophecy.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun. LONDON, July 27.—A letter from Kaiser Wilhelm passionately appealing to the German people to stand firm and unwavering no matter how the tide of battle flows has been printed in all the German papers. The letter was circulated by the semi-official Wolff News Agency.

Dated from the front in the west, the letter says in part: "The battle is raging; huge beyond all previous imagination. Rejuvenated, perfectly equipped with all they want, Russia's armies again have broken against our bulwarks in the east. This has eased the situation for Italy. France has experienced a regeneration in this war of which she hardly believed herself capable. She has dragged her dilatory English ally into joining the offensive on the Somme, and whatever inward worth the British army has it now has an abundance of artillery."

"The iron hurricane rages against our brave German men at the Somme. Negroes and white men come upon us in waves after waves. In ever fresh storms, wild and sullen. Everything is at stake. The ice cold haberdashers of the Thames yearn for our holiest things. The health and life of our women and our children are menaced. Even neutrals must bear hunger. Only the depths of the ocean now are open to us. Should we be victorious there is threatened a war after the war when the best energies and power of the nation, now expressed by its joy in arms, shall be directed to the utmost to meet war force, hatred and calumny."

"What, German people, is your duty in this hour? The army wants no excuses. It will fight until final victory. But the people at home—this is their duty: To suffer in silence, to bear their renunciations with dignity. "Those at home are not all doing their duty. Not all are alive to the tremendous seriousness of the times. Are our people at home the same people as at the beginning of the war? The writer fears not. Let us remember that it was not our intention to give the British a foothold in the southern end of the trench."

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GUARDSMEN NEEDN'T WALK.

Government Will Pay Fares of Men Who Leave Service.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun. LONDON, July 27.—Norman Prince, Kiffin Rockwell and Lieutenant de Laage fought a thrilling battle in the air with three German aviators behind the German lines on Tuesday, according to a despatch received from the front to-day.

While Prince and De Laage fought two of the Germans, Rockwell dived into the fray and attempted to cut off its retreat. The fire from his mitrailleuse raked the German machine from tail to motor. Rockwell, however, had two scores, one when he missed by a hair, and another when he hit the propeller and the second when, in the course of the manoeuvring, he found himself facing the enemy's mitrailleuse. It was a tremendous account, he says, that the British offensive has reached its high water mark. It is taken here to show conclusively that Germany is thoroughly alarmed.

BATTLES WITH DEAD AVIATOR.

American Facing Air Gun Finds German Pilot in Lifeless.

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RECORD FLYING BOAT TRIP.

Chicago Man Covers 140 Miles in Two Hours Ten Minutes.

ATLANTIC CITY, July 27.—Kenneth Jaquith, son of a Chicago banker, covered 140 miles in a flying boat this afternoon in two hours and ten minutes, starting from Essington in Philadelphia at 5.20. It was twilight when the aviator arrived and was greeted enthusiastically by a great throng when he landed in the city.

HITS WILSON'S MEXICO POLICY.

Senator Lippitt Denounces Making Soldiers Mark Time.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Senator Lippitt of Rhode Island today made a spirited attack in the Senate on the Administration's Mexican policy. He quoted the President's recent Mexican note in which the full list of Mexican atrocities was set forth and continued: "It is impossible to suppose that the American Government, which now urges these facts as an accurate account of the situation, was not aware of them at the time he was recognized. And the result of it all is that our patriotic young men are taken away from their families and their mark time in the heat of the Mexican border, while the President waits watchfully to decide which way he will jump next, and he calls all this 'serving the Mexican people.'"

WOMAN'S QUICK WIT SAVES UNDERWOOD

Flags Special Train of Erie Railroad President Just Ahead of Landslide.

Frederick D. Underwood, president of the Erie Railroad, just missed death twice within a few hours, once by luck and an inch and the other time by seconds and a woman's quick wit.

The woman who saved him and many others is Mrs. Alfred Maillet, wife of one of his employees, the section foreman at Handsome Eddy, Pa. She was at her husband's work Wednesday afternoon when she heard a dull rumbling. From a widow she saw a landslide had covered both tracks. She could hear a train as it ran up the line and stopped it. The train was a four car special, with Mr. Underwood, A. L. Mohler, president of the Union Pacific, and a party of their associates aboard. Underwood and the conductor both thanked Mrs. Maillet heartily and the railroad magnates on the special scraped their pockets to the bottoms to make a substantial gift of cash.

How an unmanageable motor truck backed off the stern of a ferryboat into the North River, creating the panic of Mr. Underwood's automobile and almost showing it into the water was related in The Sun yesterday morning. That was only a few hours after the landslide.

SUBMARINE HUNTED HERE.

Rumor That Bremen Had Arrived Stirrings Many.

The persistence of the rumor that the submarine merchantman Bremen is coming to New York inspired more than 100 persons to call up Quarantine yesterday afternoon and last night and a photographic and newspaper expedition to launch itself in the bay. "The Bremen is coming," a representative of J. P. Morgan & Co. had called up and asked to be notified the moment the Bremen appeared off there, and this incident gave hope to the submarine hunters about last night.

In a vivid flash of lightning off the Hook just after 9 o'clock the marine observation post two steamships coming in, and astern of them a thought glimpsed a submarine. It was later surmised that the nautical vision might have been the lighted deck of the New Jersey steamship Alderney, from Bombay and Cape Town by way of St. Lucia.

PRUDENTIAL STRIKE PARLEY.

Two Labor Commissions To-day Will Try to Settle Dispute.

An attempt to adjust the differences between the Prudential Insurance Company and its striking agents will be made to-day by two labor commissions. W. B. Wilson, Secretary of the United States Department of Labor, has sent Rowland B. Mahany to act as conciliator, and Col. Michael J. Reagan, of the State Industrial Commission will confer with Deputy Commissioner Frank B. Thorne and George L. Record, the strike leaders.

Record, acting for the strikers, will file a statement outlining their grievances with the New York Industrial Commission to-day. He made a lengthy speech at Lakewood last night demanding proper protection for the industrial insurance agents and calling for a legislative investigation of the Prudential.

TELLS HOW SEEGER DIED.

Barret Says Explosive Bullets From Machine Guns Hit Him.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun. PARIS, July 27.—Colonel Barret of the Legionnaires in a letter received by friends here tells how Alvin Seeger, the American warrior-poet of the Foreign Legion, was wounded horribly by explosive bullets from six machine guns which met the first wave of the French attack and caused heavy French losses at the village of Bellefontaine. He was struck in the breast, the abdomen, and the knees just as he reached the entrance to the village. Despite another American, who was killed at the same time, the Germans, Barret asserts, used no ammunition of the ordinary sort, but used explosive bullets, tear shell, and asphyxiating gas bombs.

VERMONT ROAD TO KEEP BOATS

One Line to New London and One to Providence Authorized.

Advices from Washington yesterday said that the Central Vermont railway had received authority to continue the operation of steamboats between New York and New London, Conn., and to install a similar service between New York and Providence, despite the prohibition in the Panama Canal act against such a line in this country before July 1.

The hearing on the application of the New Haven road for authority to continue control of its Sound boats was continued yesterday before the Interstate Commerce Commission. Adrian H. Bools, a government witness, testified that the New Haven runs two or three times as much for freight going out of New England, where there is no competition, as for freight going into New England, where competition exists.

\$12,000,000 MORE TO SUBWAYS.

Frederic Tells Board \$22,000,000 Will Be Needed.

An expenditure of more than \$7,750,000 for the dual subway system over the estimated cost of \$164,000,000 was authorized at yesterday's Board of Estimate meeting. The Board estimated that the Public Service Commission had reported that during this year \$22,000,000 extra must be appropriated and that the \$12,000,000 was half of it.

BUS LINE FOR CITY ISLAND.

Franchise Granted for 14 2-3 Cent Route From Pelham Bay Park.

MCORMICK GETS NO HOPE FROM HARRIS

To Lay Facts Before Wilson Public Service Board Rejects Application for 2 1-2 Cents a Mile Fare.

ALBANY, July 27.—The up-State Public Service Commission refused to-day to consider the application of the New York Central Railroad to increase its passenger rates. The commission denied the application of the road for a rehearing on the application already refused to put passenger fares in the State on a uniform two and one-half cents a mile basis except on the main line between Albany and Buffalo.

The decision quotes V. C. Paulding, the New York Central's counsel, who said in opening the case in the first instance that the railroad would not go into the question of rates because it would be embarrassing at a time when the Interstate Commerce Commission was conducting a valuation of all the railroads in the State. He said that because such a step was unnecessary, as he expected to prove that the intrastate passenger expenses exceeded intrastate revenues without considering any return on the investment.

Then, quoting the opinion of Commissioner Carr, on which the case was argued before the board, today's decision says the evidence tended to show that while on the main line, with rates ranging from 2 to 2 1/2 cents a mile, the railroad was making a fair return, there were other lines where the rates were probably unremunerative and some where they were discriminatory.

SUES FOR 4 INCHES OF LAND.

Bank Seeks to Clear Title to Broadway Property.

In an effort to establish clear title to four inches of land at 418 Broadway, which was overlooked ten years ago in a bankruptcy suit, an action was started yesterday in the Union County Court. Bank of W. H. Willes, referee in bankruptcy, \$2 Beaver street. Ten years ago Peter Banner, a commission merchant and real estate operator, died, leaving a will which gave to the Union Dime bank aggregating \$9,000 on the property at 418 Broadway. It now stands widely known, was forced into a bankruptcy suit, and the trustee discharged. It happened that before the trustee was discharged Banner had given two mortgages to the Union Dime bank aggregating \$9,000 on the property at 418 Broadway. It now stands widely known, was forced into a bankruptcy suit, and the trustee discharged.

STRIKE BREAKER DIES; 7 HURT

Loose Control of Car and Others Pile Up in Wreck.

One man was killed and seven hurt in a trolley wreck at Tremont avenue and Boston road early this morning, when a strike breaker, acting as motor-man, lost control of his car. The dead man, who was only known as B. Lorn, was guiding the first of a string of four cars that were going east on Tremont avenue. When at Boston road, where there is a sharp curve down an incline, the strike breaker failed to apply his brakes and the car jumped over the tracks and hit the pillar of the subway, which is elevated at that point. The car was demolished and the motor-man hurled headlong to the pavement. Two policemen in plain clothes, John Dugan of 15 Wadsworth place, Brooklyn, and William Dorant of 2333 Loring place, The Bronx, were hurt.

GREAT EAGLE FLIES OVER CITY

Rises Higher and Higher in Spirals and Soars to the South.

Soaring high above the city's smoke yesterday afternoon an unusually large eagle passed over lower Manhattan, Brooklyn Heights and disappeared over Staten Island. Those who first observed the great bird thought it was an eagle, but it was a condor, a species of eagle passed over lower Manhattan, Brooklyn Heights and disappeared over Staten Island. Those who first observed the great bird thought it was an eagle, but it was a condor, a species of eagle passed over lower Manhattan, Brooklyn Heights and disappeared over Staten Island.

N. Y. CARS DELAYED 137 DAYS.

Wagons, Fires, Accs. Halted Trolleys 15,340 Times in Year.

According to a report compiled by the New York Railway company, one trolley of New York during the year ending June 30, 1916, covered 24,360,000 miles, but because of vehicles getting in the way, fires or other obstructions were delayed 15,349 times for five minutes or more. This was 64 per cent of all detentions. The total number of detentions was 15,349 times, which would have delayed the traffic 157,106 minutes, or 137 days.

FARM LOAN BOARD NAMED.

Kansas, Pennsylvania, Iowa and West Virginia Represented.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—President Wilson sent to the Senate today the nominations of the four members of the Farm Loan Board, which will have general control over the farm loan bank system provided by the Federal land credit law. The men named are Judge Charles E. Lobell of Philadelphia; George W. Norris of Philadelphia; Charles E. Smith of Sioux City, Ia.; and Herbert Quick of Berkeley Springs, W. Va. The nominations are made for two four, six and eight years respectively. Messrs. Lobell and Smith are Republicans and Norris and Quick Democrats. The indications are that there will be little opposition to the appointments.

IDENTIFIED AS BOMB TOSSEY.

Case, Woman Says.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 27.—Warren C. Billings, an ex-convict in custody here, who the police believed, planted the suit case bomb that exploded at a crowded downtown corner and killed nine and wounded more than forty during the preparedness parade Saturday, was identified to-day by Miss Estelle Smith, she said he was the man she saw with a suitcase on a roof near the scene of the explosion a few minutes before the bomb burst.

750 VANLOADS OF FURNITURE BURN UP

Storage Warehouse Fire Attracts Thousands—Loss Estimated \$1,000,000.

Seven hundred and fifty vanloads of furniture were consumed last night about 10 o'clock when the building extending from 1820 to 1832 Amsterdam avenue, between 150th and 151st streets, was nearly destroyed by fire.

The two upper floors were occupied by the Uneda Storage and Van Company, and the household goods stored here, valued at \$1,500,000, were destroyed, according to Albert P. Gorman, president of the company. The building itself cost \$300,000. It was the most spectacular fire seen in the Washington Heights district and drew 10,000 persons to the scene. The Amsterdam avenue surface cars were blocked, while every piece of apparatus above Fifty-ninth street, summoned by four alarms, was used.

The smoke was so dense that the firemen had to work in relays. The reserves of the West 17th, 153d and 125th street stations had to be called out to handle the crowds, some of whom were driven from neighboring apartment houses.

BROADWAY GETS FIRE THRILL.

Fuse Blows in Subway Workshop at Shop Alarms Crowd.

A fuse blew out in the compressor room over the workshop of the new subway in Broadway between Forty-third and Forty-fourth streets last night and started a fire that spread into the street. The crowd in Broadway thought the subway was afire and workmen poured out of the excavation. An electrician led a group of volunteer fire fighters to the site of the fire and their work made it possible for the firemen to put it out as soon as they arrived. Traffic was tied up on Seventh avenue and Broadway for a short time.

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PARK AVE. HOME FOR DAVISON.

Morgan Partner Acquires 86 Foot Frontage at 60th Street.

Henry P. Davison, partner in the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., is going to join the ranks of those who by erecting splendid homes on Park avenue are making that avenue the leading rival of Fifth avenue for residential supremacy. As a site for his new home Mr. Davison has purchased the southwest corner of Park avenue and Sixty-sixth street, opposite the new residence of Arthur Curtiss James. The plot has 86 1/2 feet frontage on Park avenue and 83 feet on Sixty-sixth street. It is valued at \$1,000,000 and nearly \$1,000,000 will be erected, it is said.

MEAT FAMINE THREATENS.

Thousands of Employees of St. Louis Packing Plants Strike.

EAST ST. LOUIS, July 27.—A meat famine for St. Louis was threatened when employees of the big packing plants here went on strike to-day. Leaders assert that 4,300 workmen joined a newly organized union and that all employees will quit work unless the union is recognized.

SEA RETURNS DROWNED BOY.

Vincent Lind, 17, who lived with his parents during the summer at Pompton beach, was drowned yesterday afternoon while swimming in the ocean. An hour later his body was washed ashore near Center street, Rockaway Beach.

GIRL KITE FILER KILLED BY FALL.

Winifred Menthey, 8 years old, was flying a kite on the roof of the four story house she lived in at 609 Greene avenue, Brooklyn, early last evening when she ran over the edge and was killed by falling to the yard.

\$685,343,017 FOR NATIONAL DEFENCE

Senate Increases Army Bill Appropriations to Total of \$314,000,000.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—The Senate passed the army bill to-day and in so doing brought the total of proposed 1917 appropriations for national defence up to \$685,343,017.

This grand total for preparedness still is subject to revision, however, because the army bill will follow the naval bill into conference, where reductions are probable despite the firm attitude of President Wilson in supporting the liberal response of the Senate to the call for adequate defence.

The appropriations for preparedness as they now stand are as follows: Army \$313,970,447.10; Navy \$315,826,843.55; Fortifications \$28,748,053.40; Military Academy \$2,538,328.47; Army and Navy Department \$2,558,348.05. Total \$685,343,017.27.

Vote Amendment Defeated.

The Senate eliminated from the army bill the amendment put in yesterday by Senator Hiram, Missouri, providing for taking the votes of the soldiers on the border at the November election. An amendment offered by Senator La Follette (Wisconsin) to pay dependent families of soldiers up to a limit of \$50 a month was adopted under suspension of the rules after it had been amended to include regulars as well as guardsmen. An appropriation of \$2,000,000 for this purpose was included.

Senator Reed's amendment for taking the votes of the men in the field in the election this fall went out under peculiar circumstances. The army bill had passed from the committee of the whole in the Senate, but the bill was subject to reconsideration in the Senate. Senator Jones, Washington, expressed the opinion that the Reed amendment should provide for registration of the votes of the men in Mississippi, showed opposition. He said if the matter were to be reopened he would make a point of order against the amendment.

Principal Increases.

Pay of National Guard officers—House, \$2,225,000; Senate, \$1,400,000. Pay of enlisted men in National Guard—House, \$7,750,000; Senate, \$23,000,000. Foreign service, pay for officers, 10 per cent increase—House, \$250,000; Senate, \$317,824. Foreign service, pay for enlisted men, 20 per cent increase—House, \$800,000; Senate, \$1,000,000.

Subsistence of the army—House, \$13,000,000; Senate, \$2,000,000. Quartermaster's supplies—House, \$3,700,000; Senate, \$25,250,000. Transportation—House, \$12,000,000; Senate, \$25,000,000. Ammunition for field artillery and camp equipment—House, \$12,000,000; Senate, \$20,250,000.

Purchase of horses—House, \$3,800,000; Senate, \$2,500,000. Barracks and quarters—House, \$2,750,000; Senate, \$3,898,000.

Hospital Appropriation.

Medical Corps and hospital—House, \$2,000,000; Senate, \$4,500,000. Ordnance stores and ammunition, small arms—House, \$4,450,000; Senate, \$1,000,000. Small arms target practice and ammunition—House, \$1,200,000; Senate, \$3,940,000. Clothing, stores and supplies—House, \$6,000,000; Senate, \$11,000,000. Automatic machine guns—House, \$3,600,000; Senate, \$7,250,000. Field artillery for National Guard—House, \$2,000,000; Senate, \$6,558,000. Armored motor cars—House, \$500,000; Senate, \$1,000,000.

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FERNALD WINS IN MAINE.

Gets Republican Senate Nomination Over Guernsey.

PORTLAND, Me., July 27.—The nomination of former Governor Bert M. Fernald as Republican candidate for United States Senator to succeed the late Edwin C. Burleigh was assured to-day when the unofficial returns of Monday's special primary were practically all in. With eighteen towns and plantations missing, total votes in which would be less than 100, Mr. Fernald had a plurality of 532 over Congressman Frank E. Guernsey.

Raise for 6,000 Milk Drivers.

A possible milk famine was averted in a metropolitan district by the signing of an agreement yesterday between the Milk Dealers Association and the Milk Drivers Union. The agreement grants \$4000 drivers an average increase of \$2 a week as well as recognition of the union, demands for which the drivers were ready to strike.

CAR MEN PLAN STRIKE SPREAD TO OTHER LINES

Union Leaders Now Exhorting Third Ave. Employees to Organize.

NO VOTES FOR SOLDIERS Amendment Adopted to Provide for Families of Men on the Border.

SEEKING TO INVOLVE 20,000 MEN IN N. Y.

Agents Go Among Interboro and B. R. T. Guards, Conductors, Motormen.

WOODS SENDS BRONX "STRONG ARM SQUAD"

Sheriff O'Brien at 9 P. M. Orders Few Running Cars There Into Barns.

All New York may have to walk in a few days if the plans of the organizers of street car workers are successful. The trolley strike which started last Saturday in Westchester county and extended to The Bronx on Wednesday is expected by the organizers to receive the sympathetic support of the workers on the subway, elevated and surface transit lines in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Richmond and Queens.

That was the belief yesterday of Edwin A. Maher, Jr., vice-president and general manager of the Union Railway Company, whose lines alone have been affected thus far. When William B. Fitzgerald, the strong jawed, quiet voiced organizer of the railway men from Troy, was asked about the report after he had spent an hour with William D. Mahon, international president of the street railway men, he smiled significantly and said: "You'll see what you'll see when it happens. We are making no predictions."

This much is certain; the strikers are doing their utmost to get out the conductors and the motormen on it's Third Avenue street railway, which the Union Railway is a part. Mahon, Fitzgerald, Hugh Payne, State organizer of the American Federation of Labor, B. J. G. Brown, fourth vice-president of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and William F. Collins, another organizer of the American Federation of Labor, were all here yesterday trying to influence the Third Avenue employees to quit.

System in Seeking Convicts.

The strike leaders have a remarkable system of seeking to convert the railway men's union. All Wednesday night and all