

ARMORED TRAINS WITH LOOP HOLES

They Are Being Sent to the Schuylkill Region—Strange Men Appearing at the Collieries

Pottsville, Pa., May 31.—Armored trains containing cars with bullet-proof exteriors and provided with loopholes for rifles and revolvers, were sent to different parts of the Schuylkill coal region today. They were provided for the use of the special policemen at the collieries. That such protection is necessary is shown from the occurrences of the last three days, several engineers and watchmen who remained at work having been stationed. An official of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron company said last evening: "There will be a camp train consisting of from one to four cars at all collieries, and where the operations are isolated there will be a train for each colliery."

Pittston, Pa., May 31.—The Erie Railroad company to-day brought a trainload of cots, bedding and provisions here and distributed them at the various collieries located in and around this city. Several colored cooks accompanied the goods and a number of strange men also appeared. Many engineers, firemen and pumpmen whose night shift ended this morning, took their working clothes away from the mines. Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 31.—There is every reason to believe that the pump-runners will respond with practical unanimity next Monday to President Mitchell's order to strike unless granted an eight-hour work day and other conditions prescribed by the Shamokin convention. That the operators do not propose to yield is evidenced by the high fences and barbed wire which they have placed around the collieries. Hundreds of extra coal and iron policemen have been employed, armed principally with revolvers. These armed guardians are back of the high board fences and the barbed wire. President Mitchell is expected to arrive here late this afternoon or to-night.

DEPARTMENT STORES NOW The Teamsters' Strike Spreads to Them To-day. Chicago, May 31.—The teamsters' strike to-day spread to the department stores. Eighty-nine men working for the Fair struck and it was said that 400 more men employed by other big downtown stores would be out by to-night. The effect, it was said, would be practically to shut off the delivery of goods to customers and the bringing in of new stock. The department store teamsters' union was recently formed and is affiliated with the national organization on the same footing as the one at the stockyards. The men make the same demand as do the packers' teamsters for better hours, higher wages and recognition of the union.

Police were called to guard the Fair. Jacob Kessler, the manager of the re-establishment, attempted to address the teamsters this morning. Their business agent told Mr. Kessler that he would have to talk to the men's agent and that he could not talk to the men. "I don't recognize you," said Mr. Kessler. At this the business agent put the whistle and the teamsters to a man quit work, leaving a large guard of pickets, however, to look after their interests.

MEAT STRIKE WILL EXTEND The Teamsters Propose to Carry It to Kansas City, St. Louis, Etc. Chicago, May 31.—The beef trust packers have openly declared war on union labor. At a conference between the packers and the union leaders they refused absolutely to grant the concessions asked or any part of them and put themselves on record as unalterably opposed to the recognition of union labor in the yards.

The tie-up, which is declared complete, is to be carried to Omaha, Kansas City, until Monday before broadening the scope of the struggle. Serious trouble began for downtown hotels and restaurants to-day when members of the ice wagon drivers and helpers union refused to deliver ice to the Great Northern hotel, the Palmer House, Kinley's restaurants and the Heubner Baking company. The management of the Auditorium Hotel and Annex also was notified that no ice would be delivered after to-day if meat packers who have not signed the union agreement was used.

Killed a Blacksmith. Cincinnati, May 31.—Michael O'Donnell, blacksmith for the Emerson-Fischer carriage company, was assaulted last night by unknown parties and died to-day. O'Donnell continued at work and was recognized as a leader of those opposing the pending strike. It is supposed that his murder was done in revenge. He leaves a widow and five small children.

JOHN DECORATED PATTEN HAD 'EM Mr. Goodnow May Get the Three-eyed Peacock Feather. Peking, May 31.—The government proposes to bestow a decoration on John Goodnow, the United States consul general at Shanghai, in recognition of his services in maintaining peace in the central provinces of China in 1900.

DOWN TO 66,497 Mr. Root Issues an Order Decreasing the Size of the Army. Washington, May 31.—By direction of the president, Secretary Root has issued a general order decreasing the strength of our permanent military establishment and changing the ratio of its make-up as provided in the general order issued last May. Under the general order of last May the total strength of the army was fixed at 77,287 men. The order issued to-day reduces this figure to 66,497—a reduction of 10,790.

ROOSEVELT WOULD COME

He'll Try to Attend Convention at Minneapolis in September.

Judge Torrance Congratulated by the President on His Address.

From The Journal Bureau, Room 44, Post Building, Washington. Washington, May 31.—Judge Ell Torrance, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., was assured by President Roosevelt this morning that the president would make every effort to be in Minneapolis sometime between Sept. 22 and 26 to attend the national convention of employees and employers. The statement was made in

CORRUPTION IT HAS MADE THEM SQUIRM

Appalling Almost Beyond Belief the Revelations Made in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., May 31.—The April grand jury which has been investigating municipal corruption, made its final report to-day to Judge Douglas. The report says that "while there may have been corruption in other cities as great as we have had here, yet in no place in the world and in no time known to history has so much official corruption been uncovered and the evidence shown that all could see and understand. These revelations have been so appalling as to be almost beyond belief and it will be years before the extent of the discoveries are fully realized." "If the affairs of St. Louis had been properly administered for the past fifteen years, and if all officials had been honest, there would to-day be enough money in the treasury to put public buildings in repair, pave streets that are now unpaved, make sewers now unmade, and build new buildings so much needed. The high tax rate, the deplorable condition of public institutions, the depleted state of

FOR "THE OLD MAN"; SO GARDNER SAID

"Billy" Edwards Testifies as to Why Gardner Wanted \$1,000—A State Witness Disappears.

Democrats Angered by the President's Memorial Day Address. They Say That He Is Trying to Revive the Bloody Shirt Issue.

Washington, May 31.—Democratic politicians, especially the southern leaders in congress, are smarting under the sting of President Roosevelt's Memorial Day address at Arlington yesterday. They appear in the morning Philadelphia and New York papers in severe criticism of the address, saying it was an uncalled for, unfair attempt to revive the "bloody shirt" issue and very unwise from a political standpoint. They assert in angry

Gardner agreed to give him protection from police interference and that he received money for entering into that agreement; that Gardner made him promise not to fleece citizens of Minneapolis; that he himself went further, of his own accord, and said he would not "skin" any one who lived in either Hennepin or Ramsey counties; and promised to do his best to see the victims did not "bear" to the police. The \$1,000 proposition, Edwards says, was made on the night he was first introduced to Gardner. "Gardner asked Norbeck to step out of the room," said the witness, "and then he said to me that business was good and we could afford to pay \$1,000 so the 'old man' could have a rest. I told him that that would be agreeable to me, if Link Crossman would agree to it. Gardner said he didn't know just what we wanted, but that it must be good, if we could afford to pay that much for it. 'I don't understand it,' he said; and so I showed him how I done it. He produced a deck of cards and I showed him a trick in stud poker and explained how we skunk people with it. He said it might be all right, but he couldn't see it. 'Well, I said, 'we can see it easy enough.' Then he asked me if I skinned people who lived in town and I said no, not even people who lived in the county but only outsiders. I said we always got them their ticket or money enough to get out of town, and that I would have one of my steers stay with them until they left, so that they wouldn't go down to police headquarters and beef about being done up. "He asked how many men I would have to put to work and I told him as many as I could. I said there weren't enough in town and I would have to send outside to get them. Then he told me I would have to have ten anyway, and that they wouldn't come here, unless they were guaranteed police protection, and he replied that would be all right. He had his coat off and a star on his vest. He said him what he wore that for, sort of joking; and he said 'I need it in my business.' 'Why, you ain't a detective are you?' said I. 'I don't know you and I know all the detectives,' Norbeck had come back into the room before that and he answered me. 'He's the 'right thing' right," said I. Then Gardner told me he had the handling of the graft and the women. He said he would give me protection, but could not give us a receipt for the money. "The Big Mitt Outfit. "He asked what I would need to carry on the business, and I told him only a table, four chairs, a pack of cards and some poker chips. I said we'd have to have steers; and that I was broke and would have to get the money to start from Link Crossman. Link was there that night and Gardner says, 'Link is pretty shifty, ain't he?' says, 'Yes, he is. That's the reason I've got to go to him. He don't spend money like I do.' He knew Crossman and he promised to cry and persuade him to do it. "Did you have any talk about where you should open this big mitt joint?" asked Mr. Smith. "What does big mitt mean, anyway? I don't know the deal." "It don't mean anything," responded the witness. "The newspapers used that word, and so that's what we call it. I don't know, except the newspapers invented it. We talked about location and I said we would open up in some quiet neighborhood off the main streets." Later Gardner met Link Crossman and Howard. He had known Crossman before and had "done business with him." That time the demand for \$1,000 was cut first to \$500 and then to \$200; and Gardner had again repeated that the mayor must have at least \$100 a week. Crossman said the division was all right but refused to pay so much in advance, saying that something might happen. The \$200, however, was finally turned over. "When Gardner first talked to Crossman about it, I was there," continued the witness. "He said: 'Are you thinking of going into business?' Link Crossman said he might, that he had been talking things over with me. 'Well,' says Gardner, 'I think pretty well of the scheme and so does Edwards and Norbeck. It looks good to me.' Link asked me if I was ready to pay so much down, and Gardner told him. He said: 'If you get to the old man with \$1,000 no one can knock you. There's Tanner. He wants all the joints. I've had a awful time with Tanner, but once you've paid \$1,000, you'll be all right. No one can knock you then.' "Crossman would not do it. He said we'd have nothing to show for our money and that they might give us the horse laugh. Gardner said he'd give us his word of honor that everything would be all right if we paid the money, but Link wouldn't do it. Finally Gardner said he would talk to the mayor about it. If we paid the \$1,000, he said we could run ten weeks without bothering any more about the mayor, but that we'd have to pay him and Norbeck \$50 a week each." A State Witness Disappears. Ernest A. Wheelock, private secretary to Chief of Police Fred Ames, who is under indictment, was in court this morning, wearing a wig and a photographer's notebook. Drawing his salary from the city, he will nevertheless make a transcript of all testimony given in this case for the use of the defense. Meanwhile, the chief will worry along as best he can, without a secretary. "During the noon intermission to-day the discovery was made that one of the state's witnesses named Henderson had disappeared. He was last seen in company with a man vitally interested in the case. A bench warrant will be issued for him, and interesting developments may be expected if he can be found. Defense is Overruled. At the opening of proceedings this morning Judge Harrison ruled that it was unnecessary for the state to show the commission of any crime on the part of either Crossman or Edwards who are alleged to have paid Gardner "protection" money, holding that an agreement to protect a criminal from arrest for some crime which might be committed in the future was in itself criminal in a police officer. The other points raised by the defense in the action made late Thursday afternoon to exclude testimony were also over-ruled and the court ordered Assistant County At-

Modern Mother Goose



Old Mother Hubbard She went to the Cupboard To get her Poor Dog a bone. But a Strike was on there, And the Cupboard was bare, And so the Poor Doggie got None. Mynheer Knickerbocker He went to the locker To get his poor Cook-Stove some Coal. But he started in fright; There was no anthracite, And all he could see was a Hole.

response to an invitation from Minneapolis, presented by Judge Torrance. The president is figuring out dates for his western tour, which is to take place about that time, and said to Judge Torrance this morning that he believed his plans would take such shape as would permit him to accept the invitation. He said this would give him the greatest pleasure in the world.

The president took advantage of Judge Torrance's visit to the White House to congratulate him warmly on his speech yesterday at Arlington. In his usual impulsive and hearty manner President Roosevelt grasped in both his hands the hands of the commander, giving as he did so a sudden exclamation of approval. "Fine, magnificent, superb. It was beautiful, general," he said; "I congratulate you." Congratulations received from members of the G. A. R. and from the president are a source of great gratification to Judge Torrance.

W. W. Jermans.

BOCKMAN 2D Minnesota Showing in 120-Yard Hurdle Race at Chicago. Marshall Field, Chicago, May 31.—The first heat of the 120-yard hurdle was won by Bockman, Minnesota; Sardakia, Wisconsin, second; Freese, Illinois, third; time 16 flat.

Second heat 120 yard hurdle won by Maloney, Chicago; Porter, Beloit, second; O'Brien, Minnesota, third; time 16 flat. In the 100-yard dash the first heat was won by Hahn, Michigan; Senn, Chicago, second; Bacon, Beloit, third; time, 16 flat. Second heat won by Blair, Chicago; Nuffer, Michigan, second; Pierce, Minnesota, third; time, 10 2-5. Third heat won by Maloney, Chicago; Ed Merrill, Beloit, second; Rice, Purdue, third; time, 10 1-5. Mile run won by Keachie, Wisconsin; Perry, Michigan, second; Henry, Illinois, third; time, 15 2-5. This breaks the western intercollegiate record by 2-5.

The 40-yard run was won by Ed Merrill, Beloit; Nuffer, Michigan, second; Tibbets, Minnesota, third; time, 50 flat. One hundred and twenty-yard hurdle final heat won by Maloney, Chicago; Bockman, Minnesota, second; Sardakia, Wisconsin, third; time, 15 2-5. This breaks the western intercollegiate record by 2-5.

CABLE GONE The Other Line, However, Makes No Report of Further Disturbances. New York Sun Special Service. New York, May 31.—The cable between Puerto Plata, Haiti, and Port-de-France, which was broken when St. Pierre was destroyed, and was restored only last Tuesday, stopped working again yesterday afternoon. It was at first feared that another volcanic disturbance might have caused the break. There is another cable, however, which runs from Port-de-France to Pareta, Brazil. This cable is working, communications sent over it coming from Para by way of the Azores. It was said at the offices of the French Cable company that if there had been any further disturbances, news of it would probably have come over this cable. No such news had been received yet.

When the Haitian cable parted in the eruption which destroyed St. Pierre the company's cable steamer, Pouter Querret, which was at Port-de-France, found that the cable had parted about twenty miles out. Since then the cable has been working satisfactorily and a great deal of matter has been sent over it.

Cables are frequently "grounded" during storms in the West Indies, but never, so the cable company says, for more than an hour or two. Communication had not been restored at midnight and there is little doubt that the trouble has been caused by a break which the cable ship will have to repair again.

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