

MOMUS KNIGHTS REVEL IN MIRTH

Annual Anvil Chorus Heard at "Knockers" Banquet.

JIBES NEVER CUT DEEP

Members of Congress and Other Public Men Are Guests.

Representative Victor Murdock Makes Insurgent Speech and Representative Jameson Rings Bullseye with Assault on Dinner and Diners—Past Chief Knocker Whitehead Starts Fun and Quinlet Sings.

Halls of the mighty resounded to the clang of a gigantic hammer last night when the Knights of Momus, alias "The Knockers," met for their annual anvil chorus at a banquet at Rauscher's.

Sparks rained indiscriminately in the direction of almost every one known to public life in the Capital. Never before, with the possible exception of the Gridiron Club dinners, has there been such a whole-hearted knocking fest in Washington.

More than 300 printers, employees of the Government Printing Office, and the four local newspapers gave vent to the carefully stifled kicks of a twelve months and jollily reigned unconfined.

Never Cut Deep. Members of Congress and well-known public men were guests at the dinner, Sparring none, but never allowing their jibes to cut deep, the men who set the type and man the winning monotype and whirling linotype machines hammed to their heart's content.

In songs and timely toasts they assailed the rulers of the nation without a scruple, and those few makers of history who sat at the dinner board took it all in good spirit and returned scintillating raps for clever knock.

Representative Victor Murdock made an insurgent speech that brought tears of laughter to eyes of the Knights, and Representative Jameson rang the bullseye with a remarkably worded assault on the dinner and dinner, President Campers, of the American Federation of Labor, was "among those present," but he did not have a chance to speak. Representatives J. Van Vleeten Oloott and W. W. Wilson added to the merriment when Toastmaster Joseph C. Watson called upon them.

Passed Chief Knocker F. N. Whitehead started the fun with the following remarks:

"Momus (the son of Night) was adopted as the name of this body because the membership is largely composed of those employed on the nocturnal forces in Uncle Sam's big mill in the swamp. Our object is to meet occasionally, and in a spirit of kindly levity lightly censure each other's follies and faults.

Swat Unsuspecting Comrades. "For a few hours we turn from the grind of duty to indulge in jolly jibe and rollicking raillery; to swat unsuspecting comrades and timorous guests 'till the Achilles heel; to puncture the pompous pride of the proofer, and depress the spirits of those sour-faced, self-centered sons of sorrow, the Merg, and the Mono, men."

"Most of the fun is provided by ourselves, but occasionally a Senator or a Congressman dips in, with the usual pitiable result."

The first Congressman called upon was Victor Murdock, and he was received with an ovation.

"There are many things," he said, "about the rules of the House that I would much rather say on Monday than on Sunday. There is just one thing harder to do that I can think of than setting type when you don't know how, and that is trying to pry a Speaker loose from his chair."

He told half a dozen stories of the days when he was a printer, and closed with the following sentiment:

Must Obey Foreman. "In this world there must always be a foreman, and we who know that discipline is right, must obey him. But there is an exception. I am a subordinate, with a foreman over me, and I shall obey him, but when he is moved by selfishness, caprice, and ill will, I am not called upon to follow him, and, please God, I never shall be."

Hardly had the echo of his words died, when the Momus Quartet sang a ditty to the tune of a popular air, as follows:

MOLLY LWO. Murdock, don't be sighing, Can't you see our hearts beat true To the insurgent banner, Even tho' we're just a few? Victor Murdock, 'tis of thee; When you're far away from the scene of battle And the sound of the Speaker's gavel, The "Knockers" are with you.

When the last note sounded there was a diversion in the shape of a female of rather attractive appearance, who entered the door and demanded in frenzied accents permission to interview her husband. A committee tried to put her out, but she succeeded in getting around the hall before the Knockers realized it was part of the programme.

When they finally saw the point and

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HURLED INTO RIVER BY TRAIN.

Young Cumberland Man Dies After His Rescue.

Special to The Washington Herald. Cumberland, Md., Feb. 20.—Raymond Harris, son of Jesse Harris, of Bloomington, Md., was struck by Baltimore and Ohio train No. 14 at Bloomington Bridge last night and knocked thirty-five feet into the bed of the Potomac River.

He died soon after his removal to the Hoffman Hospital, at Keyser, W. Va. His body was taken home to-night, and the interment will be made to-morrow.

Caranions, 50c doz. Violets, 50c bunch, at Blackstone's, 14th and H.

WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia and Maryland—Rain and warmer to-day; to-morrow, partly cloudy and colder; moderate variable winds, becoming southerly.

COLD WAVE IN SIGHT.

The following special bulletin on the weather for the present week was given out last night by the Weather Bureau: "In practically all districts from the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic coast and from the Rockies over the North Pacific States the present week promises to be unusually stormy and cold.

"During Monday and Tuesday a storm area will cross the Central valleys, Great Lakes, and Atlantic seaboard, attended by heavy snow in the Upper Lake region and interior of New York and New England, by rain or snow in middle districts, and rain in the South. Following the storm, a cold wave, with clearing and fair weather, will overrid the Mississippi Valley and Upper Lakes Monday, and with diminished intensity will reach the Atlantic States Tuesday and Tuesday night.

"The second important storm of the week, that will, in turn, be followed by a cold wave, will appear over the extreme West by Tuesday, cross the Plains States and Central valleys Wednesday and Thursday, and reach the Atlantic States by Friday."

CHOATE ADDRESSES MAINE OBSERVERS

Dozen Sailors Who Escape Fate in Havana Present.

New York, Feb. 20.—Nobody had to be told to remember the Maine this afternoon at the memorial meeting which the Spanish War Veterans held at Carnegie Hall. The meeting was in commemoration of the sinking of the battle ship in Havana twelve years ago last Tuesday, and was attended by some hundreds of men who fought in the war that followed.

On the platform near Admiral Sigbee and Chaplain John P. Chadwick were a dozen or so of the sailor men who lived through the wreck. Some of them are in the navy yet.

The special purpose of the meeting was the erection of an adequate monument to the men who died on the Maine, Congressman William Sulzer made a speech on his bill, which is now pending in Washington, for the removal of the hulk from Havana Harbor. A resolution asking Congress to get to work was passed in a roar of applause.

Joseph H. Choate was the chairman of the meeting. Gen. Daniel E. Sickles sat near him on the platform.

Mr. Choate spoke of the destruction of the Maine as one of the great events of American history. "It made inevitable and irresistible," said he, "those who were killed should deserve to be placed side by side with the heroes who died on the field of battle.

"I was sadly impressed," he went on, "a year ago when I saw the battered hulk in the harbor of Havana, telling in silent horror the story of the disaster of the 15th of February twelve years ago, and I could not help thinking that it was by no means creditable to ourselves or to our government to leave it lying there."

He has already cost the government nearly \$10,000, and as he is a strong and healthy man of sixty-eight he will probably live many years in prison. He is consulted both by warders and convicts when questions of regulations and rights crop up. He is proud of the fact that he is the convict who has served the longest term in Switzerland, and probably in Europe.

PLAYING CARDS IN MOURNING.

Black Bordered Deck Used in Memory of King Leopold.

Brussels, Feb. 20.—A Belgian firm is issuing playing cards with a black border for use during the six months' public mourning for King Leopold.

BULLET MAKES GRANT NO VETERAN, HE SAYS

Dr. Blake Tells How General's Son Was Wounded by Sharpshooter at Vicksburg Forty-seven Years Ago.

Boston, Feb. 20.—To-day is the forty-seventh anniversary of the day that Maj. Gen. Frederick D. Grant was shot during the siege of Vicksburg, the event which has been the basis of the demand by Vice President Sherman that Gen. Grant be enrolled as a civil war veteran.

Dr. C. A. Blake, of West Brookfield, has come out with evidence to show that the wound received by Grant was not in the line of military duty. The man who handled the rifle was the late Caleb Perry, for many years a carpenter on the State farm at Bridgewater, and prior to that a hunter and sharpshooter of note. At the beginning of the siege of Vicksburg, Perry was stationed above the regular Union forces on the Mississippi River, with orders to shoot at all persons and craft attempting to pass him without permission. The boy Grant and a companion, on the night of February 20, 1863, were out in a canoe, returning they passed the spot where the sharpshooter lay concealed. They did not heed his warnings

to stop, and after firing in the air, he took aim and wounded young Grant.

Perry puts Gen. Grant on record as being moved almost to tears when he found that his son had unwittingly strayed into the trap set by the Union forces for Confederate soldiers, and the outcome of the affair was that Fred got more of a reprimand than had been originally intended for Perry.

Dr. Blake said to-day: "I haven't the least desire to detract one jot from Gen. Grant's fame, and for that matter, it would be impossible, since he is one of the biggest figures in the army to-day. But the fact remains, as nearly as I can determine with accuracy, as nearly as I can determine with accuracy, that he never in the war was that of a boy inhabiting his father's camp. Therefore, the idea to honor him for wounds received is ridiculous. I have every reason to believe, from Perry's account, that Grant was merely a member of his father's camp, and that he never bore the title nor the uniform of a captain."

Canon Rites for Americans.

Rome, Feb. 20.—America is to be especially favored in the matter of canonizing new saints. No fewer than ten deceased North Americans are to receive the title of blessed at the twenty-one sittings of the Congregation of Rites, to be held here during 1910. The assembly will be, in deed, very busy making new saints this year. The total number of canonizations will be 221. Ireland will get two and England one. The remainder will be apportioned among the Catholic countries.

CONNERS ON HAND WITH SLEEVES UP

Promises Murphy a Battle for State Control.

"I'LL NOT QUIT," HE SAYS

Philosophises on Politics on His Return from Florida.

"A Friend of Mine for a Lifetime Always Said That Politics Was Different from Business, and I Discover That He Is Right," Says Buffalo Chairman—Flight Transferred to Albany.

New York, Feb. 20.—Chairman William J. Conners, of the Democratic State committee, strolled into the Waldorf to-night rubund and jolly, just as though Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, had not decreed that he should be ousted from his place at the meeting of the committee to be held at the Hotel Ten Eyck, in Albany, on Thursday next. Mr. Conners had just arrived from Palm Beach. Awaiting him at the hotel were a number of State committeemen, most of whom had been there all day.

Chairman Conners had a conference with these committeemen, and then he said: "With a Twinkle in His Eye. "Yes, I returned from Palm Beach somewhat earlier than I expected. I guess you know why."

"Has Mr. Murphy got you beaten?" "I don't know," replied Mr. Conners. "I won't know until Thursday."

"If Mr. Murphy has you beaten, will you resign before a vote is taken at Albany?" "Under no circumstances," retorted Mr. Conners, "will I resign. I may be overthrown, but I don't know. I'll tell you a story about that. A friend of mine for a lifetime always said that politics was different from business. In business you be sure to close a deal, but it never was closed in politics until it was closed up. You see a politician to-day and you have to see him to-morrow to find out if he is in the place where you left him."

"Do you expect to see Mr. Murphy?" "His Position Made Clear. "I do not know whether he will call on me or not," replied Chairman Conners. "I know that I have talked with a lot of my friends, and that I am to talk with more of them to-morrow and Tuesday, and on Wednesday I shall probably go to Albany. I have not sent for anybody."

"Have you anything in addition to say to your Palm Beach statement wherein you declared that the party was to be turned over to contractors like Murphy, Guffney & Co., and that recent Supreme Court justice nominations had been put up at auction?" "I shall not add to that statement to-night," replied Mr. Conners, "but I stand by my Palm Beach statement in every particular. I may issue an additional statement to-morrow or Tuesday."

ALBANY TO BE FIGHT SCENE.

Conners and Murphy to Clash for Power in Committee.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 20.—Chairman William J. Conners, of the Democrat State committee, and Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, have engaged suites of rooms at the Hotel Ten Eyck for Wednesday. The fight to oust Chairman Conners will be transferred from New York City to the Hotel Ten Eyck on that day.

Unless Mr. Murphy changes his mind, John A. Dix will be the Murphy candidate for chairman of the Democratic State committee to succeed Mr. Conners until the fall convention meets, when Mr. Dix, in turn, will be succeeded as chairman by the man whom the anti-Conners forces really prefer.

Mr. Dix has been selected as the entering wedge in the Conners fight because he has never been prominent enough in politics to arouse political animosities.

See the list of branch offices of the want ad, department of The Washington Herald, top of first column, want page, and get "your branch" firmly fixed in your memory.

THIEF RANSACKS HOUSE.

Dwelling of Missouri Gerard Entered—While Family Was at Church.

Missouri Gerard, who lives at 47 Maryland avenue southwest, reported to the police that his house had been entered and robbed yesterday while he was at church.

Three watches, valued at \$55, and some small change was taken. The thief entered through a window in the rear of the dwelling. Detective Howett is investigating.

FALL BREAKS BOY'S NECK.

Son of New Jersey Army Officer Is Victim of Accident.

Somerville, N. J., Feb. 20.—Edwin Dunscomb, the nine-year-old son of Col. Nelson Y. Dunscomb, commander of the 10th Cavalry Regiment of New Jersey, was found dead with his neck broken in the stables back of the Dunscomb residence to-day.

The boy had been romping with his little sister in the hay mow of the stables during the morning.

DIES OF BOLO WOUND.

Robert Johnson, Hawaiian Irrigator, Passes Away at Bayonne.

New York, Feb. 20.—Robert A. Johnson, who helped to introduce irrigation into the Hawaiian Islands, died in Bayonne to-day. He was in the employ of Claus Spreckels from the time he was twenty years old, and was sent to the Hawaiian Islands, Philippines, and Japan as overseer of the sugar plantations. He was in the Philippines during the war. He was struck by a bolo in a fight, and the injury was given as the cause of his illness which resulted from locomotor ataxia.

LESLIE CLARK ARRESTED.

Prince Francis Joseph of Braganza Charges Swindle.

Berlin, Feb. 20.—Leslie Clark, representing a mining company of London, who brought here promissory notes representing \$100,000, which were given by Prince Francis Joseph of Braganza in a mining venture to a man named the Prince, who he supposed was Frederick Vanderbilt, and which were later seized by the police, has been placed under arrest.

Prince Francis charges him with complicity in a swindle.

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WALL CRUSHES EIGHT.

Four Dead and Four Seriously Hurt at Fredericktown, Mo.

Fredericktown, Mo., Feb. 20.—Four men were instantly killed and four others were seriously hurt when the brick wall of the burning Keyes building fell upon them to-day.

FIRES ON PREMIER.

Three Bullets of Fanatic in Cairo Hit Boutros Pasha.

Cairo, Feb. 20.—Prime Minister Boutros Pasha, while leaving the ministry of foreign affairs to-day, was fired at five times with a revolver by a Nationalist party fanatic of the name of Wardani. Three of the shots inflicted severe wounds. Boutros Pasha was taken at once to a hospital, where physicians said his injuries are serious. His assailant was arrested.

The Khedive, Sir Eldon Gorst, the British diplomatic agent, and others of prominence went hastily to the hospital as soon as they learned of the shooting and consoled with the prime minister.

SOLONS STAND PAT.

Smoot Says Justice Wright's Order Will Be Ignored.

Senator Reed Smoot, of Utah, chairman of the joint printing commission of Congress, said yesterday that the attitude of the Senators who are members of the joint commission toward the order issued by Justice Wright in a mandamus proceeding brought by the Valley Paper Company was unchanged.

The Senators will not appear, notwithstanding the action taken by the House instructing the Representatives who are members of the commission to appear in court next Friday in response to the summons. The situation will be unusual, especially if the court should hold that it had jurisdiction.

FIFTY DIE IN STORM.

Conditions Over British Isles Grow Worse in Two Days.

London, Feb. 20.—An exceptionally violent southwest gale, which has prevailed over the British Isles for two or three days, reached hurricane force to-day, the wind sometimes reaching a velocity of eighty miles an hour. There have been several wrecks on the coasts and a number of disasters ashore, resulting, in the aggregate, to nearly fifty deaths.

The steamer Queen, from Boulogne, with 125 passengers, vainly tried to enter Folkestone this evening. She was finally compelled to stand off at sea, where she has been tossing like a cork for hours.

The Cunard Line steamer Mauretania was compelled to lie off Queenstown for nine hours before she was able to enter and embark mails and passengers for New York. When she reached she was unable to drop the local pilot at Roche's Point, and is taking him to New York.

Severe thunder and lightning and heavy rains accompanied the gale, in many places causing floods. Miles of phone wires are down, and communication between London and many of the Northern and Western cities has been stopped. Three hundred lines are down in London. The suffragette demonstration scheduled to be held in Trafalgar Square this afternoon was compulsorily abandoned, only a handful of enthusiasts being able to face the weather. The gale is still blowing.

EX-PRINCESS' SON IN BRAWL.

Cornell Student Arrested on Charge of Fighting with Negro.

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 20.—Eugene A. Culbertson, of Budapest, a junior in the college of law at Cornell University, will be arraigned in Police Court to-morrow morning charged with threatening a negro waiter with a razor and resisting arrest.

Culbertson had a tussle with three police officers before he was jailed. Later he was released on bail.

He is the son of Raymond Culbertson, of a well-known Philadelphia family, who is at present in business in Russia. His mother was Xenia Raguzova, a Russian princess, who married his father when she was a young girl, and was disinherited.

"COOK" MAKES CONFESSION.

University of Copenhagen Considering Curious Letter.

Copenhagen, Denmark, Feb. 20.—A letter purporting to come from Frederick A. Cook has been received by the University of Copenhagen, which seems to be intended for a confession that he didn't reach the north pole.

This letter is typewritten in the third person, seemingly dictated, bears the postmark of a town in Minnesota, and is not signed.

The members of the university consistory have been summoned to meet and consider the document.

ZELAYA REACHES SPAIN.

Blames Uncle Sam for His Exile from Nicaragua.

Madrid, Feb. 20.—Ex-President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, has arrived here. He declares his intention to prove documentarily that the revolution in Nicaragua was caused by intrigues of the United States.

WOMEN MOB POLICEMEN AND WRECK STREET CARS

Use Crowbars and Axes, Fire Debris, and Rebuff Firemen Who Rush to Scene.

Philadelphia, Feb. 20.—At Lehigh avenue there were women in the mob that drove three policemen and a conductor and a motorman from a car and beat them.

They smashed the windows, wrenched the metal parts with crowbars, used knives and axes on the woodwork, ripped up the seats, and then piled the debris in the middle of the car and set it on fire.

The few policemen who got up on it were helpless. They were outnumbered 500 to 1, and if they had made a motion they would have been jumped on. A fire engine rolled up and two firemen jumped on the car and began to kick the blazing wreckage out of the car door. A woman climbed on the platform and began to beat and kick the firemen. The crowd cheered her.

The mob was held back from assaulting the firemen only by the fear of thick

BULLETS AND BRICKS FELL HUNDRED IN PHILADELPHIA

STATUS OF THE STRIKE.

Four dying, 100 in hospital, 297 cars damaged, 3 burned, 2,608 windows broken; total damage, \$5,000. Arrests, 150. Cars run during Sunday, 702; normal number, 1,004. Both strikers and company claim advantage. Showdown of strength expected to-day, when attempt will be made by company to furnish service for busy crowd. Company says only 4,000 are on strike, with 2,200 loyal. Union says 7,000 are striking, including every old employee. Transit Company accuses strikers of making trouble. Mass meeting of carmen set for 1 o'clock to-day at Lyceum Hall.

MAY EXPOSE MOVE.

Trial of Senator Allis to Be Resumed To-morrow.

Albany, Feb. 20.—When the trial of Senator Jotham P. Allis is renewed before the senate committee of the whole on Tuesday morning a determined fight will be made by Lewis E. Carr to compel Senator Conger to reveal all he knows about the distribution of the \$4,000 he claims was given to Assemblyman Jean Burnett. Counsel for Allis has been led to believe that Burnett acted as the disbursing officer who distributed portions of the \$4,000 where results would be most effective. In the event of any additional names being brought into the case in connection with the hooch fund of 1904, the investigation will be prolonged.

The expectation that Mr. Carr might be successful in bringing out the names of men other than Nixon, Burnett, and Allis gave the closing hours of the trial on Friday a sensational tinge. If Senator Conger is unmoved from his statement made on direct examination that he did not know what became of the \$4,000 after Burnett got it, the supposition is that the limit had been reached as far as exposures are concerned. If no other names are brought out, counsel on both sides feel that they can sum up their case and have the trial over by the middle of next week.

BROTHER WITNESS AGAINST SEYLER

Taken to Scene of Murder and "Bled" for Facts.

Atlantic City, N. J., Feb. 20.—The third degree, which has failed entirely to break William Seyler in his denials of any knowledge of the death of Jane Adams, has completely smashed the nerve of Orvis Seyler, his younger brother, until to-day accused by the police of being an accessory to the crime.

Within a few moments after Orvis Seyler had signified his intention to-day to give what evidence he could about his knowledge of the murder his handcuffs were removed and he was taken to the end of the pier, where he coolly marked out the spots where he stood with Alice Adams when she called to her sister to leave William Seyler on the night of February 4, and where the older Seyler stood while he held the Adams girl to prevent her leaving.

Police officials admitted to-night that they had finally cowed young Seyler into turning witness against his brother. They refuse to admit that they have secured any direct evidence of knowledge of the actual killing of the girl, but have in their possession a long statement from the young man, which is believed to include his conversations with his brother while the two were dodging the police.

PENNSY LIMITED DITCHED.

Passengers Shaken up When Five Cars Leave Ratis.

Scio, Ohio, Feb. 20.—A Pennsylvania passenger train on the Panhandle Division, was partly wrecked near here at 8 o'clock this morning, five cars leaving the rails. The passengers were shaken up, but no one was seriously injured. The train was the 24-hour Limited, running between St. Louis and New York, and had two engines. A rail had been snapped by the cold.

"Fat Boy" to Disappear.

London, Feb. 20.—The Fortune of War, an old city inn, at Pye corner, West Smithfield, which marks the spot where the great fire ceased, has closed its doors, and will shortly be demolished. It is famous for the figure of a gilded fat boy, put up in memory of the late fire of London, occasioned by the sin of gluttony.

WIN SOME INTO THEIR RANKS.

The tactics employed by the strikers were practically the same everywhere. They tried to pull loyal conductors and motormen off the cars. Sometimes they succeeded, because the carmen lost their nerve and ran, but often the car operatives showed spunk. Then the strikers would throw bricks, smashing windows and sometimes heads. They swung their clubs and rails on the tracks and blocked car lines. When the police squads got to each riot spot, there was always to be found two nonunion men trying to ward off blows and save themselves from being knocked down and stamped on.

There was nothing delicate about the methods the strikers used to-night. Time after time the police were so greatly outnumbered that they were driven back with torn uniforms. Sometimes they made arrests, but only after fifteen minutes' clubbing.

Occasionally they had to shoot. One of these incidents took place at Thirteenth and Cambridge streets. A mob stoned a car until every window was broken. A squad of police came up and charged into the crowd. A child named Violet Bezan, thirteen years old, was standing on the sidewalk. Hundreds of men and some women were yelling and throwing stones all around her. A policeman ran from the inside of the car to the front platform. He shot into the crowd several times, and one of the bullets struck the little Bezan girl in the abdomen. There is hardly a chance for her to recover. Eight others, including a policeman and a fireman, were hit with bullets or bricks in this fight, and the car was burned.

BOY'S SKULL FRACTURED.

An eleven-year-old boy, Samson Sklenow, was riding in a Franklinville car with his mother. At Eighth and McKean streets a crowd of 1,000 or more surrounded the car and began to bombard it with bricks and paving stones. The passengers got down on the floor and tried to dodge the missiles and the shattered glass. A brick hit the Sklenow boy on the side of the head and fractured his skull. He will probably die.

FIFTY POLICEMEN WERE UNABLE TO HANDLE THE MOB. THEY SHOT OVER THE HEADS OF

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Car Strike Riots Call Out 4,000 Extra Police, and Worst Is Expected.

SEVERAL OF VICTIMS DYING

Cars Are Battered In and Set Afire---Company Is Defiant.

Philadelphia, Feb. 20.—Hospitals are overcrowded with persons shot or beaten in the car strike riots that spread viciously all over suburban Philadelphia to-day and to-night.

At least one hundred got in the way of bullets or bricks or paving stones, and half of these were hurt seriously.

The outlook was so alarming late this afternoon, when the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company withdrew every one of its cars from service and sent them to the barns, that Mayor Reybun authorized Henry Clay, director of public safety, to recruit 4,000 extra policemen to-morrow, if possible. The regular force of 3,300 was utterly unable to smother the trouble to-day.

The indications are plain that the Rapid Transit Company intends to give C. O. Pratt and the striking conductors and motormen all the fighting they want, and sober-minded citizens are considering the advisability of asking the governor to lend a hand with the State constabulary. There was never a day in the strike of nine months ago when things looked as ugly as they do to-night.

Indicative of the company's attitude and of its determination to stand firm against the closed shop demand, D. T. Pierce, executive assistant to President Kruger, of the Rapid Transit Company, said to-night:

"Every one of those thousands of bricks that were thrown to-day adds to the determination of officials of this company to spend every cent in the treasury and use every bit of power they have to keep the system in operation without the use of these men who have struck. The men were treated fairly, and the conductors and motormen that were discharged had been proved guilty of dishonesty or evasion of duty."

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