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14 MEN SHOT IN BUTTE STRIKE

N. Y. RAIL STRIKERS GOING BACK AT ONCE

RUMP YARDMEN USE OLD UNIONS TO REGAIN JOBS

Failing to Get Hearing From Wage Board, Place Cause in Hands of Big Four Before Body.

Months More of Delay in Prospect Say Heads of Roads, on Account of Codifying Data.

LOSE SENIORITY RIGHT.

New York, April 21.—Railroad employes who took part in the unauthorized strike will not be reinstated with their seniority rights, it was announced tonight by J. J. Mantell, spokesman for the Railroad General Managers' association, after a conference with representatives of the four brotherhoods of railroad employes. The returning strikers will be registered as new employes, Mr. Mantell said.

Washington, April 21.—An agreement with the railroad brotherhood unions, under which the striking railroad workers in the metropolitan district of New York will return to work immediately, is announced here by Edward McHugh, spokesman for the strikers.

McHugh said he had abandoned efforts to have the case of the New York men taken up separately by the railroad labor board and that his committee would return to New York, leaving their case in the hands of the leaders of the regular brotherhoods.

Unions Irate Over Delay.

The possibility of several months' delay in the settlement of the wage demands of 2,000,000 railroad workers developed during the discussion of the matter Wednesday. E. T. Whiter, chairman of the wage committee of the association of railway executives said considerable time will be required for the roads to codify their necessary data to place before the board and that an answer to a questionnaire sent out by his association could not be obtained under three months.

L. E. Sheppard, president of the conductors' brotherhood, declared that since the dispute had been pending seventeen months, the roads had had time in which to gather all necessary information.

Declaring that the roads caused delay of the dispute by 12 months, W. N. Doak, vice president of the brotherhood of railway trainmen, said every month's delay meant the saving of millions of dollars by the roads. He warned, however, that further delay in settling the wage question will add to the unrest among the railroad workers.

Chairman Barton declared that the board would expedite matters as quickly as possible and that the sessions will continue for the present uninterruptedly.

CENSUS

Washington, April 21.—With an increase of 139,368 in its population during the last decade, Akron, Ohio, in ranking has passed Kansas City, Dayton, Memphis, Nashville, Syracuse and Albany, N. Y. Akron's increase was the largest in number thus far reported in the fourteenth census. Ranking eighty-first city in 1910, Akron's rate of growth in the last 10 years, 201.8 per cent, places it now just below St. Paul which is the next largest city, having reported this year, with 234,595.

Other figures given out by the census bureau include:

Wichita, Kan., 72,128, increase, 19,678, or 37.5 per cent.

Mansfield, Ohio, 27,824, increase, 7,056, or 34 per cent.

Dedham, Mass., 10,783 increase, 1,499 or 16.1 per cent.

BRYAN IS IN WINNING QUARTET NOW; END MAN AND MATE THIRD

Returns From Country in Nebraska Primary Overcome Half of Hitchcock Ticket's Lead Gained in Omaha; Johnson Margin Grows.

Omaha, April 21.—William J. Bryan is still tail-ender in the Nebraska Democratic primary returns, but he has jumped from the loser's column to rear man among the four winners for delegate-at-large to the party's national convention.

Not only that, but the latest returns indicate the probable election of one of his mates, Stephens, who is third in the returns so far in. These returns are from 843 precincts out of 1849, including 167 in Douglas county. and give:

Neville (H), 22,774; Shallenberger (H), 22,704; Stephens (B), 19,830; Bryan (B), 18,823; Berge (B), 18 614; Thomas (B), 17,579; Neble (H), 16,796; McNeny (H), 16,462.

Senator Hitchcock, who won the state indorsement as presidential preference, thus elected two of the delegates. Bryan is on record that he will not vote in the convention for Hitchcock for the presidential nomination.

Pershing Ran Third.

Senator Hiram Johnson continued to lead for the Republican presidential preference as the votes of the Tuesday primary found their way slowly into headquarters of the newspaper bureaus which are counting the votes. With something more than one-third of the precincts of the state reporting Senator Johnson had a lead of 8,645 votes over General Leonard Wood, his nearest competitor, with General John J. Pershing in third place.

A real contest has developed between Arthur Mullen and W. H. Thompson for Democratic national committeeman and it will require a great many more returns before the result of this contest can even be predicted by the followers of either man.

Vote as Tabulated.

The vote for the various offices as tabulated tonight shows: 686 precincts out of 1,681 outside of Douglas county give the following vote on president:

Johnson, 28,188; Wood, 19,081; Pershing, 12,199; Ross, 745.

850 precincts out of 1,849 in the state, including Douglas county, give:

Johnson, 34,418; Wood, 25,773; Pershing, 16,675; Ross, 923.

The Douglas county vote, with 167 out of 168 precincts for Democratic delegate at large was:

Neville (H) 8,006; Shallenberger (H) 7,482; Noble (H) 7,346; McNeny (H) 6,256; Stephens (B) 4,461; Berge (B) 4,135; Thomas (B) 3,571; Bryan (B) 2,874.

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STRIKERS BALK AT RETURN WITH GRUNAU IN JAIL

Chicago Yardmen Break up Meeting in Disorder When Asked to So Vote; Hoot Speakers.

Leader Finally Bailed Out and Another Rally to Pass on Strike Likely to Be Called.

Chicago, April 21.—John Grunau, leader of the outlaw Chicago yardmen's association, who was released from jail at Joliet Wednesday, after friends had deposited $10,000 bond, was expected to call a new meeting of striking switchmen to end the walkout, following the tumultuous termination of a mass meeting earlier in the day, called by a committee of strike leaders to vote on returning to work. All efforts to induce the men to vote to return to work were hooted down.

At the time of his arrest on a charge of violation of the Lever act, Gruanu refused to furnish bond, but later was released on his own recognizance, only to be taken into custody again and sent to jail on refusing to furnish bonds after federal officers charged he had violated his agreement to take no further part in the strike movement.

"Where's Grunau?" They Cry.

M. J. Kenney, R. S. Murphy and Shannon Jones, three of the strike leaders who arrived last week, made the appeal for the men to return to work, at a mass meeting of striking yardmen.

They were greeted with cries of "Sold" "Outside" and "Where's Grunau."

Jones explained that efforts to obtain the release of John Grunau, president of the Chicago association, from Joliet jail on bond, had not succeeded.

Murphy, waiving an American flag, took the floor to declare he would not fight the American government.

He was greeted with cat calls and hisses.

120 Men Go Back.

A police lieutenant declared the meeting adjourned after the strike leaders had been refused a hearing. He announced no rumpus would be permitted and the hall was cleared under police supervision.

The railroads announced that 120 men returned to work and that livestock receipts in Chicago and the movement of livestock and fresh meat to the eastern points was normal. Eleven hundred cars of coal were received.

MEN SHOT IN BUTTE SHOOT-UP

Butte, April 21.—The men shot in the strike shoot-up here this afternoon and a policeman injured by being thrown from his motorcycle, are:

ROKO LAVUS, picket, shot in back, in three places; may die.

JAMES SULLIVAN, picket, shot in back, spine broken, bullet lodged in right lung; will die.

JACK "SWEDE" M'CARTHY, picket, shot in lung; may die.

THOMAS MANNING, picket, shot in right hip; may die.

PETER BATES, picket, skull fractured.

GEORGE DRAPULIS, picket, shot in right leg.

EDWARD DYOS, picket, shot in thigh.

MIKE MILLER, picket, shot in right arm.

JAMES REGAN, scalp wounds.

FRANK FOLEY, scalp wound.

EMIL OSTOVICH, scalp wounds.

GUS KUNDA, picket, scalp wounds.

SAM HALTENEN, motorcycle policeman; knocked from motorcycle; extent of injuries undetermined.

GUS KUNDA, picket, shot in right knee.

DONALD DE LONG, picket, shot in hip, left leg, slight scalp wound.

DEPUTIES DENY THEY SHOT; COPS TELL SAME TALE

Not a Revolver Among Them Discharged, Say; Strikers Called On to Arm, Stop All Wheels.

Butte, April 21.—The Butte Daily Bulletin, official organ of the Metal Mine Workers Union, No. 800, I. W. W., which called the strike of miners, in an extra edition tonight, calls on all workers in Silver Bow county to "lay down their tools and stop the wheels of industry" in protest against the shooting of 14 pickets today.

At a mass meeting of strikers held in the Metal Mine Workers hall tonight, speakers urged the strikers "to arm yourself in self-defense."

In a signed statement tonight Sheriff O'Rourke says it is not a strike but a revolution.

Climax of Three Days' Disorder.

The shooting came as a climax to three days of violence, during which miners attempting to go to work were assaulted by pickets, street cars were stopped and patrons dragged off and beaten, shots were fired into a street car and union men who do not belong to the I. W. W. organization, were denied admission to the mines.

With the firing of the first shot Wednesday afternoon, all was frenzied excitement, and although Sheriff O'Rourke states that none of his men fired into the crowd, most of the men present were armed and there were so many shots fired that it seems remarkable that more men were not injured.

100 Revolvers Barked.

The mob which surrounded the gates of the Neversweat mine had been assembling for more than an hour at the time of the shooting. Several times officrs had been forced to display weapons to maintain order and just before the first shot, the deputies were responding to order of Sheriff O'Rourke and were trying to get the crowd to disperse when the bullet came from the boarding house. In a second a hundred or two guns were flashing and barking and although the crowds ran for cover the firing, which lasted only a minute or two, resulted in the injury of more than a dozen. Bullets apparently flew in every direction, and several who ran did

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BULLET FROM HOUSE STARTS A FUSILLADE BETWEEN DEPUTIES AND I. W. W. PICKETS

One Man Will Die, Three May; Fifteenth Victim Is Policeman, Knocked Off of Motorcycle; Miners in Ugly Humor; Police Reserves Called and Sheriff Puts 200 Deputies on Job; Supposed Abandoned Building on Anaconda Road Scene.

Butte, April 21.—Fourteen men, believed to be I. W. W. strike pickets, and one policeman are in local hospitals suffering from gunshot wounds sustained in a battle on Anaconda road near the Neversweat mine at 4:10 o'clock this afternoon. Physicians believe two of the alleged I. W. W. will die.

Police are searching for three other men said to have been wounded seriously. Striking miners are massed in Finlander Hall and the street in front of the building. Feeling runs high. Police reserves have been called out.

OCCUPANTS DENY FIRING FROM HOUSE.

County Attorney N. A. Rotering has started an investigation of the clash but has reached no conclusion as to the cause of the shooting. At his request, the police raided the Simon rooming house from which place earlier reports stated the first shots had been fired. The patrolmen found the place partially occupied, and not abandoned as was believed, and all the occupants declared that no one had fired from the building and that there had been none there during the afternoon except the usual patrons.

BULLETS PERFORATED MELIA'S HAT.

Deputy Sheriff Jack Melia informed the county attorney that the first shot fired passed through his hat as he was standing facing the gates with his back to the Simon boarding house. He declared that the bullet apparently came from an upper story window of the boarding house and that when he turned he saw a man lean from the window and shoot a second time. This bullet, he said, whizzed past Deputy Sheriff Jack Whelan, who stood close to him. Earlier in the day, the deputies stated, shots from this boarding house were fired into a street car carrying miners going to work.

SHERIFF JUST ORDERING CROWDS BACK.

Sheriff O'Rourke, who was in the crowd in front of the mine, states that he cannot account for the open breaks between the opposing forces, except that several arguments were in progress a few minutes prior to the time the first shot was fired. He declared that, as the arguments became heated, he decided to order pickets away from the mine and was ordering his men to start the crowd to moving when a shot was heard and instantly there was shooting in every direction.

MINE GUARDS OUT AFTER SHOOTING.

Officers and all sought cover and the wounds in the backs were doubtless received, he states, from the promiscuous shooting from the more dense crowd near the mine gates. Mine guards within the fences did not appear until after the exodus and then men without weapons in sight were seen on a trestle 300 yards to the east of the mine gate. No shots could have come from this trestle to the men at the gate without piercing the fence.

SEVERAL HUNDRED ON PICKET FORCE.

The shooting followed decision of Sheriff O'Rourke to increase his force of deputies to 200. He had announced that force would be met by force, if necessary, and that he would see to it that miners who wanted to work would be protected from assault by the I. W. W. pickets. The company, fearing attacks on the properties, had also increased its guards at the mines.

Several hundred pickets were sent out by the strikers this morning. They swarmed on Anaconda road and on the approaches to the mines and turned back from the workings men of the international unions not members of the I. W. W. or upon strike. A few with union cards managed to get through.

MANY MINERS BEATEN ON STREETS.

Early Tuesday morning a clash occurred in front of Finlander hall on North Wyoming street and three pickets were badly beaten when they attacked four miners carrying dinner buckets. Spectators said that a dozen or more men jumped from two automobiles and ran to the assistance of the miners who were being beaten. Two of the pickets were knocked unconscious and the others fled into their hall where they barricaded the doors.

Scattering reports throughout the day came to police headquarters of miners, metal tradesmen and hoisting engineers beaten by pickets.

The operating companies made a special effort to get engineers and pumpmen into the mines to keep them from being flooded with water. Little effort was made to get miners through the lines, and the men who patrolled the avenues to the mines in automobiles are thought to have been deputy sheriffs and special deputies ordered to protect engineers and pumpmen, so that the mines would not be flooded.

HELENA WOMAN IS BROUGHT INTO BLUEBEARD CASE

Former Waitress Linked up With Women Who Married J. R. Huirt, Then Disappeared.

Authorities who are investigating the matrimonial career of James R. Huirt, now in a Los Angeles hospital with his throat cut—the sequel to an arrest which developed indications that the man had married 27 women, some of whom have not since been heard from—are seeking for trace of Betty Pryor, a former Placer hotel, Helena, waitress, as a possible victim of the modern Bluebeard's wiles.

In this city it is beleived that the authorities are following a false trail. Miss Pryor it is understood, was in Great Falls as late as last fall. The Spokane police are working on the theory that she may have been murdered June 9, 1919, near Olympia, Wash. The Helena story of the Pryor clue is as follows:

Helena, April 21.—Betty Prior, resident of Helena for several years and a waitress in a hotel dining room, is believed to be one of the wives of James R. Huirt, alleged bigamist of Los Angeles, who is being investigated.

One of the seven missing women whom it is alleged Huirt married in the northwest, was Miss Elizabeth Pryor. It is said that she married a man who gave the name of Milton Lewis, and they were wed at Coeur d'Alene, March 5, 1919.

Advices from Spokane, which have been checked by authorities there, who are tracing Miss Pryor, following her

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MILITARY FORCE TO BACK TREATY FORCED ON TURK

San Remo Council Gets Plan From Allied Army Chiefs; Armenian Mandate Is Big Poser.

WILL ASK NORWAY AND SWEDEN TO ESTABLISH FREE ARMENIAN STATE

Paris, April 21.—The supreme council has abandoned the idea of giving the mandate for Armenia to the League of Nations, as a result of objections raised by the council of the League of Nations, and will ask neutral Norway and Sweden to help the Armenian people establish a free state. an international loan being floated to finance it, says a Havas dispatch from San Remo.

The dispatch adds that the supreme council further decided to leave a settlement of the Cilician and Syrian question to negotiations between Great Britain and France.

San Remo, April 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—The supreme council of the allies is fully prepared to execute the Turkish treaty by military force, if necessary. The council has accepted a plan drawn for the employment of the allied armies by Marshal Foch, Field Marshal Sir Henry Wilson, British chief of staff, and Gen. Badoglio, Italian chief of staff, who were present at the Wednesday morning session.

British Italian, French, Japanese and Greek military and naval experts have arrived here to take part in the framing of the military clauses for the Turkish treaty.

2,000 Troops on Hand.

Two hundred thousand allied troops now are within the border of the Turkish empire, strategically dispersed and these forces can be increased, if Turkish resistance develops formidably, to any essential number. Greece probably will supply the largest number of troops.

Supplementary naval plans were also approved by the council.

The treaty does not include the final arrangements for mandatory states. They will simply be cut apart from Turkey and disposed of by the supreme council in the future. The council has determined to leave Kurdistan part of Turkish territory for a period of two years and then decide whether to leave it with Turkey or make it a separate province under a mandate.

Arthur J. Balfour, British member of the league of nations executive council, who has been acting as the presiding officer at the council's sessions, has arrived in San Remo to represent the league of nations in discussions with the supreme council regarding the mandate for Armenia, which the league had been asked to assume.

Erzerum, which has been selected as

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Yukon River to Open About May 15, Outlook; Many Tourists Coming

Seattle, April 21.—Ice on the Yukon river is expected to break up about May 15 when the first boat of the season is scheduled to leave Lake Lebarge, according to advices received by John L. Burnside, Seattle agent of the White Pass and Yukon railway. An unprecedented tourist traffic to Alaska is looked for.

Woman Educator Dies at Senators Home on Washington D.A.R. Trip

Washington, April 21.—Maria La Sanford, of Minneapolis, professor emeritus of the University of Minnesota, who was here attending the convention of the Daughters of American Revolution, died suddenly early Wednesday at the home of Senator Nelson, of Minnesota, where she was a guest. She was born at Old Saybrook, Conn., 83 years ago.

STOCKS CRASH IN N. Y. MARKET; 42-POINT DROP IN GEN. MOTORS CLIMAX

Cotton Breaks $5 Bale; Attributed to Interior Loan Curtailing; Turnover 2,000,000 Shares.

New York, April 21.—Heavy liquidation in the stock market today sent prices plunging downward. In one of the most severe reversals of the year, leading issues, especially those of a speculative character, declined five to 15 points, while General Motors dropped 42½ points to 275.

The big crash came in the final hour, when nearly one-third of the day's extensive turnover of more than 2,000,000 shares took place. So great was the rush to sell that the ticker was 15 to 20 minutes behind in reporting transactions.

Sympathetic action marked the trading in the cotton market here and in the grain and provisions market in Chicago. There was a break of more than $5 a bale in the cotton market, attributed to prospects of better weather in the cotton belt.

From all accounts, a large proportion of the day's selling originated at interior points, confirming reports that banks, especially in the west and southeast, were again reducing "unessential loans".

It was intimated here that further curtailment of credits was in progress, this being in accord with the long-established policy of the federal reserve board.

United States Steel fell below par for the first time since the third week in March, declining to 98⅝, a loss of 2⅝ points.

PRICES SMASHED DOWN IN CHICAGO BOARD PIT; JAPAN'S FINANCES ALARM

Pork Falls $1.30, Corn 9 Cents and Oats 6; N. Y. Stock Slump Aggravates Hysteria; No Rally.

Chicago, April 21.—Excited selling smashed down prices Wednesday afternoon on the board of trade almost as much as quotations were first hoisted at the beginning of the world war. Corn droped nearly nine cents a bushel, oats six cents and pork $1.30. The flurry was attributed to uneasiness regarding Japan's financial conditions and the downward tendency of the New York stock market.

It was a case of stampede. The duration was about 15 minutes, the period which elapsed between the close of the New York market and the finish of dealings on the Chicago board of trade. When the final gong cleared the crowd of perspiring brokers from the pit, values had shown little if any power to rally and were at virtually the lowest point reached, with July corn typical at $1.58 to $1.58½, as compared with $1.66⅝ to $1.66½ at Tuesday's finish.

The bulk of the selling was ascribed to liquidation by ill-protected holders unnerved by the strain of the day's huge shrinkage in the values of securities and bonds and of staple commodities like cotton. Aggressiveness, however, was not lacking among bears in grain trade, once the stampede had started.