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LABOR WORRIED BY "OPEN SHOP" ORDER

May Seek Modification of President's Ruling.

MILLER IS STILL ON DUTY

Labor Unions Approve Conservative Course of Bookbinders in Refusing to Precipitate Strike.

An air of absolute peace and quiet prevails today at the Government Printing Office.

Members of the arbitration committee of the local bookbinders' union held a meeting in their rooms, over the cigar store on North Capitol Street, this morning, but adjourned early and departed elsewhere to hold secret sessions. Action by the Public Printer is awaited before anything definite can be done by the union.

The conference at Typographical Temple last night, was attended by Samuel Gowers, president, and Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor; J. W. Dougherty, general secretary of the International Union of Bookbinders; J. A. B. Espey, financial secretary and treasurer, and the presidents and secretaries of the four local unions of the allied printing trades.

As a result of the conference there has been some talk of an attempt to have the President's order reinstating Miller modified so that it will not have its present effect of declaring the Government Printing Office an open shop.

Difficulties in the Way.

It is difficult to imagine how this modification is to be effected. It will be recalled that the President in his first letter says:

"There is no objection to the employees of the Government Printing Office constituting themselves into a union if they so desire, but no rules or resolutions of that union can be permitted to override the laws of the United States which it is my sworn duty to enforce."

Then, in the second letter Mr. Roosevelt calls attention to the judgment of the coal strike commission to the effect that no person shall be refused employment or in any way discriminated against on account of membership or non-membership in any labor organization, and says that he heartily approves this judgment, adding:

"It is, of course, mere elementary decency to require that all Government departments shall be handled in accordance with the principle thus clearly and fearlessly enunciated."

A Strike Improbable.

It would seem that this is a sort of "stand pat" proposition not to be changed. Falling in this, the International Union of Bookbinders will have to change its own laws or order the local union to walk out. A strike now seems beyond the realms of the possible, owing to the difficulty of reinstatement of the strikers and the lack of public sympathy.

The main hope of the union men is that the Public Printer, after an investigation of the union's charges against Miller, will discharge him "for the good of the service," and that such action will receive the approval of Secretary Cortisyou and the President. This would relieve them of immediately facing a positive issue.

In the meantime several members of the women's auxiliary union have announced their intention to leave the union as soon as they are absolutely sure they can hold their positions without belonging to the union. Many of them were coerced into joining the auxiliary, and one gave up her position last fall rather than join.

Conservative Policy Approved.

Members of labor unions in Washington generally approve the course taken by the local bookbinders' organization in refusing to precipitate a strike at the Government Printing Office. At a meeting last night of the Central Labor Union, a resolution was adopted, which reads in part as follows:

"That we heartily endorse the wise and conservative action of the Bookbinders' Union in requesting prompt consideration of the charges now in possession of the Hon. F. W. Palmer, Public Printer, affecting W. A. Miller's fitness for the public service, and tender them our hearty support."

It is said that the quiet influence of President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor had much to do with the shaping of the conservative policy now being pursued by the bookbinders.

WEATHER REPORT.

It is cooler in the middle Atlantic States and somewhat warmer in the upper Mississippi Valley. Showers are indicated for the lower lake region and the Ohio Valley tonight and tomorrow, and showers are probable tomorrow in the middle Atlantic States, Florida, and locally in the east Gulf States and Tennessee. Warmer weather will prevail in Northern districts.

TEMPERATURE.

9 a. m. 69
12 m. 75
1 p. m. 76

THE SUN.

Sun sets today 7:15 p. m.
Sun rises tomorrow 4:57 a. m.

TIDE TABLE.

High tide today 11:12 p. m.
High tide tomorrow 11:32 a. m.
Low tide tomorrow 5:50 a. m., 6:12 p. m.

GEN. COBOS INTOXICATED WHEN HE ATTEMPTED TO SEIZE CITY OF PANAMA

Placed Under Arrest and Deprived of His Command. Admitted He Was Drunk When Incident Occurred.

Officer Says He Did Not Know What He Was Doing When He Tried to Capture the Civil Authorities.

It develops that the remarkable occurrence on Saturday in Panama, when Gen. Vasquez Cobos, with a force of ten soldiers, arrested several of the principal officials and attempted to capture the governor, were simply the result of a drunken spree.

General Cobos, who was the commander of the national forces on the Isthmus, has been arrested and deprived of his command and the incident is closed. Private dispatches received in this city from Panama, say that General Cobos admits that he was drunk at the time, and did not know what he was doing when he tried to capture the civil government.

Dispatches to Herran.

Mr. Herran, the Colombian minister here, received a message last night from the governor of Panama, Senor Mutis, which, without accusing Cobos of intoxication, says he arrested the chief of police, the secretary of the province, a member of the judicial tribunal, and attempted to arrest the governor himself. The dispatch refers to Cobos as the "ex" commander, which is interpreted by Mr. Herran, as meaning that Governor Mutis promptly had the riotous

"EL MOCHO" CONFIDENT OF PEACE FOR HIS LAND

New Venezuelan Minister to Call at State Department Tomorrow.

Gen. Jose Manuel Hernandez, who was recently appointed Venezuelan minister to the United States and arrived in Washington yesterday, is stopping at the New Willard.

General Hernandez, or "El Mocho," "the maimed," as he is called by his countrymen, will remain in Washington for a few days only before departing for some summer resort.

Mr. Pulido, the Venezuelan charge, called at the State Department this morning to make an appointment for General Hernandez to call there tomorrow and look after a few small matters that require immediate attention.

General Hernandez is of the opinion that the recent decisive victories of the government forces at Ciudad Bolivar will result in an early declaration of peace. With peace formally declared, General Hernandez says he is confident that his country will enter on a new era of progress and prosperity.

JUDGE LONG DEAD.

LONDON, July 28.—Judge John G. Long, American consul general at Cairo, died at Dunbar, Scotland, today after an accidental fall.

MANCHURIAN TREATY SOON TO BE RATIFIED

Instrument for Increased Trade at That Port Awaits Signatures.

Before September 1 a treaty will probably be ready for signatures which will increase the trade opportunities of the United States in Manchuria.

The opening of new ports in Manchuria to the United States has been practically arranged with the Chinese government, and only the date of opening remains to be settled. It is thought that September 1 will be agreed upon.

In spite of the stories which have been printed by London papers to the effect that Russia is interfering with the negotiations of the treaty by China and the United States, the negotiations are said to have progressed satisfactorily.

From an authoritative source it is learned that the progress of the treaty has been satisfactory, and but little time will elapse before an instrument will be signed which will be entirely satisfactory to the United States.

CHRISTIANS SUFFERED FEARFUL ATROCITIES

VIENNA, July 28.—The Uskub correspondent of "Die Zeit" wires his paper that the Austrian and Russian consuls, having made a tour of inspection of the Macedonian districts of Gosivar and Tetovo, have reported to their ambassadors that fearful atrocities have been committed on the Christian inhabitants of those districts.

general arrested and deprived of his military rank.

At no time did the affair assume a serious aspect.

The State Department received a dispatch this morning from Arthur M. Besupre, secretary of the American Legation at Bogota, Colombia. The dispatch, dated July 15, came part way by mail. It states that quiet prevailed in Bogota at that time.

A cablegram this morning from Consul General Guder, at Panama, to the State Department, reports that all is quiet today along the Isthmus.

In the cablegram he asks for sixty days' leave of absence, but the department replied that, under the present disturbed conditions, it was desired that he remain at his post.

VANUTELLI CELEBRATES MASS FOR DEAD POPE

College of Cardinals and Vatican Officials Present.

DE PIETRO A CANDIDATE

When But Fifteen His Elevation to the Throne Predicted by Aged Monk.

ROME, July 28.—At 10 o'clock this morning the first of the last three high requiem masses for Pope Leo was celebrated in the Sistine Chapel. Cardinal Serafino Vanutelli was the celebrant and was assisted by Cardinals Agliardi, Vincenzo, Satelli, and Ricardo.

These present at the mass included all the cardinals and many of the officials of the Vatican. Special pontifical prayers were offered, and the masses ended with the hymn, "Libera Me, Domine, de Morte Aeterna," and the pronouncing of the benediction.

Prepared for Conclave.

The chapel presented a slightly altered appearance, the floor having been raised to the level of the altar, the sixty-four booths for the cardinals erected, and the tables and other furniture having been arranged.

Another strong candidate for the choice of the conclave has developed in Cardinal de Pietro, cardinal-chief of the office of briefs. He is a saintly man of seventy-five, with whose career a remarkable prophecy is connected. When Pietro was fifteen years of age, and was attending a seminary at Tivoli, he had occasion one day to walk to Vicovaro, the next town.

"Chosen of God."

On his way an aged monk accosted him, and fell to the ground, kissing his feet, and saying:

"God has chosen you to be Pope. I salute you now, as I shall be dead before you are elevated to the throne."

Pietro would be a purely religious Pope, and not interested in politics.

Mass in London.

LONDON, July 28.—A requiem mass for Pope Leo was celebrated at Brompton Oratory this morning before a distinguished congregation, including many members of the house of lords and commons, members of the diplomatic corps, and members of the American Legation.

HEDGES DENIED PAY FOR LAST SEVEN DAYS

Discharged Postal Official Loses Salary From July 15.

Charles Hedges, until recently superintendent of city delivery, under the Postoffice Department, has been denied his salary for the last week of his service, prior to his discharge on the ground of having collected a per diem of \$4 when away from the department on private business.

When Hedges was discharged, July 22, he applied for an additional sixteen days' leave. Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow has now responded to the request by issuing the order that instead of getting sixteen days additional Hedges' undrawn pay covering the period between July 15 and July 27 shall be held up, pending the settlement of his accounts for expenses.

ANNE ARUNDEL DEMOCRATS MEET IN CONVENTION

(Special to The Washington Times.)
ANNAPOLIS, Md., July 28.—The Anne Arundel county Democratic convention met here this morning to nominate candidates for governor and other offices. The sentiment at this hour seems to be for Edwin Wardfield. Dr. George Wells, James P. Bannan, and Gen. Frank A. Bond, the leaders of the three strong factions in the party, however, are divided on a candidate, and some exciting times are expected before the convention adjourns.

The mention of Gorman's name this morning for the nomination for President aroused much enthusiasm, the delegates arising and cheering the Senator's name for fifteen minutes.

DR. RICHARDSON'S ACCOUNTS CORRECT

Experts Examine Late Superintendent's Books.

ADVISE SEVERAL CHANGES

Report to Interior Department Suggesting a Disbursing Officer Be Appointed for St. Elizabeth's.

The committee of experts appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, consisting of Robert R. West, chief of law and accounts division, office of the Auditor of the Treasury for the Interior Department, and Waring E. Evans, assistant chief of financial and disbursing division, Department of the Interior, to examine the books and accounts of the late Dr. Alonzo B. Richardson, superintendent of the Government Hospital for the Insane, has made its report to the Secretary of the Interior. The report indicates a careful and minute examination of every record and financial transaction of the late superintendent from the beginning to the close of his administration.

The result of the examination is that all receipts and disbursements have been properly accounted for, and that the disbursements were made in compliance with the laws and regulations governing the hospital. The committee closed, in proper form, the accounts of the superintendent to the date of his death, and have submitted the same to the Auditor of the Treasury for the Interior Department for final settlement.

Advices a Change.

The committee, in its report to the Secretary of the Interior, earnestly recommends the enactment of such legislation by Congress as will change the disbursement of the appropriations for the hospital, so that it may hereafter be made by the chief disbursing officer of the Department of the Interior, on vouchers approved by the Secretary of the Interior. The report says:

"The superintendent is, under the law, the responsible disbursing agent of the institution for these funds, in addition to his other duties (Section 4839, R. S.). In addition to the funds for the support of the institution, the superintendent makes disbursements from the appropriation for repairs and for building and grounds for the Hospital for the Insane. From a careful inspection and examination of all questions involved in the disbursement of these funds, we are of the opinion that the interests of the service and particularly of the hospital would be served should the superintendent be relieved from the responsibility of the disbursement of these funds, and that the same be made by the disbursing officer of the department under the immediate supervision and direction of the Secretary of the Interior; that there can be no doubt that the superintendent should not be continued as the responsible disbursing agent as well as the purchasing, approving, and receiving officer."

Affairs in Good Shape.

In conclusion the committee's report after making several other recommendations as to the system of keeping the accounts, states that the affairs at the hospital were found in a satisfactory and creditable condition.

Some defects in the method of keeping the accounts of the institution were discovered. The defects were of a technical nature, and emphasized the necessity for placing the disbursements in the hands of a trained expert instead of in the hands of a man engaged because of his reputation and ability as a physician and alienist.

The Government Hospital for the Insane is the only institution under the Interior Department, except the Geological Survey which has its head official as its disbursing and financial officer. The finances of all the other divisions are handled by the chief disbursing officer of the department, and that has been found by far the most effective way of doing business.

MR. PROCTER TO CONFER WITH THE PRESIDENT

Leaves for Vacation in Berkshire Hills Tomorrow.

DIX RUNS AGROUND OFF JAPANESE COAST

Transport Got Off in Two Hours and Not Much Damaged.

Quartermaster General Humphrey received the following dispatch this morning concerning the grounding of the army transport Dix:

"Nagasaki, Japan, July 25.—'Quartermaster of the Dix' reports ship went aground at Kossasima Island at 1:50 a. m. today. Got off 3:15 a. m. Is now in Yokohama. Leaking in after ballast tanks, Nos. 4 and 5. All hold dry. Ship appears not seriously injured. Will make all necessary arrangements as soon as possible. BARKER."

INCORPORATION PAPERS FOR THREE CONCERNS

Certificates of incorporation for three business enterprises were filed today in the office of the Recorder of Deeds. They are the American Railway Signal Company, with a capital stock of \$1,000,000, the National Real Estate Company, capital stock \$500,000, and the Marlon Mining and Milling Company, with a capital stock of \$300,000.

ADMIRAL BARREA DEAD.

PARIS, July 28.—Admiral Barrea died near Nice today.

COMMISSIONERS ABRIDGE PROPERTY CLERK'S POWER TO PURCHASE MATERIALS

His Recommendations Must Bear the Indorsement of the Superintendent of Property and the Auditor.

Radical Change in Office Is Thought to Be Contemplated—Mr. Macfarland's Significant Indorsement.

Commissioner Macfarland this morning appended a very significant indorsement to the report of Acting Auditor Alonzo Tweedale, submitted yesterday, wherein the administration of former Auditor James Petty and Property Clerk F. O. Beckett was severely arraigned.

In his indorsement Commissioner Macfarland sounds a note which is looked upon as prophetic by the officials in the District Building. He says:

"In approving the recommendation of the Acting Auditor, I desire to record my opinion that the Auditor and the Property Clerk should have brought this matter to the attention of the Commissioners long ago."

The consensus of opinion in District circles is that a radical change is imminent in the office of the Property Clerk. Although the recommendation of the Acting Auditor practically relieves the Property Clerk of any original jurisdiction in the matter of purchases of District supplies, it is thought probable that this office will be consolidated under the Superintendent of Property, R. D. Slams.

CHANGES IMMINENT IN CENSUS BUREAU

Mr. Langley Stated for Position of Solicitor.

Dr. S. N. D. North, director of the census, denies the report that the disbursing office of the Census Bureau is about to be separated from the bureau and made a distinct part of the Department of Commerce and Labor. The report had it that all the disbursements for the bureau were to be made from the department, and the employees were to be paid from there.

Dr. North was asked about contemplated changes in the staff of the bureau, and replied that nothing would be done until he returns from a month's visit to New London, Conn., which will begin next Sunday. The doctor tacitly admitted that some changes were contemplated, but would give no idea what they were, or the prominence of the officials involved. He was asked whether or not Appointment Clerk Langley would be among those to go, but would not say.

Mr. Langley has been slated for the position of Solicitor to the new department, but the matter has not been prominent recently, and Dr. North was asked when Mr. Langley would make the change. He replied that he might not become the Solicitor at all, but did not say upon what he based the remark.

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John R. Procter, president of the Civil Service Commission, will leave tomorrow for a vacation in the Berkshire Hills. He is expected to pay a visit to Oyster Bay, and have a conference with President Roosevelt.

Mr. Procter was asked this morning what would be the nature of the conference, but would not take the question seriously. He said that if he went to Oyster Bay it would be for social reasons, because Oyster Bay is one of the nicest places in the country to visit. He added that when talking to the President almost any subject is apt to be broached.

The opinion is that Mr. Procter and the President will discuss the Postoffice scandals, especially their civil service side. The letter of Charles Emory Smith, ex-Postmaster General, to which Mr. Procter replied in such strong terms, is likely to be a fruitful topic of discussion between the two.

Mr. Procter has taken a deep interest in the alleged civil service sins of Perry Heath while Mr. Heath was First Assistant Postmaster General, and as Mr. Heath's name is constantly recurring in the discussion of the scandals, the Commissioner may be called upon to give an explanation of just what Mr. Heath is alleged to have done. Should this be the case, Mr. Heath's future in the committee may be affected.

soners, provided the purchases are to be made in the open market.

The result aimed at is to make impossible such a condition of affairs as has been discovered during the past few weeks. No expression could be obtained from the Commissioners as to the disposition of Mr. Beckett.

The Commissioners have been greatly embarrassed through the negligence of his administration, but believe that it is a question of negligence only. Lax business methods have prevailed for a great many years, and it is this that the Commissioners intend to rectify immediately.

ECONOMY THE SLOGAN OF NEXT CONGRESS

Republicans Favor Curtailing Appropriations.

POLICY OF THE NEXT HOUSE

Hemenway, Prospective Chairman of Appropriations Committee, Likely to Adopt Cannon's Views.

A good deal of discussion has been indulged in recently among influential Republicans as to the advisability of inaugurating an economical policy in the matter of appropriations at the coming session of Congress.

"Uncle Joe" Cannon has always been of an economical disposition with regard to appropriations by Congress, and as chairman of the Appropriations Committee, has been noted for cutting down estimates for appropriations submitted to his committee. He has especially fought increases made by the Senate. But there are many others besides the Speaker-to-be who will be against the authorization of the expenditure of large sums during the first session of the Fifty-eighth Congress.

Campaign Purposes.

No conclusion has been reached as to the policy to be pursued, but there are indications of a strong desire on the part of prominent Republicans to keep down Government expenditures. Many feel that the time has come to slow up on the lavishness that has marked the expenditures of the past few years, but the proximity of a national campaign is, perhaps, the strongest incentive for a check.

Representative Hemenway of Indiana will be "Uncle Joe's" chairman of the Appropriations Committee. He has been on that committee for several years, and is in sympathy with Cannon's views, and under the influence of his predecessor will carry out his economical ideas.

Bills That Will Suffer.

Just what bills will suffer cannot now be foretold, but it is said there is a possibility of no river and harbor bill, or, if there is one, it will not be as large as usual. The public buildings bill, not being a regular appropriation bill, might also be stopped or materially curtailed.

The legislative, executive, and judicial, the sundry civil, the general deficiency, and those other bills which are in charge of the Appropriations Committee, would, under this proposed economical policy, receive the closest scrutiny by Chairman Hemenway.

CAINE MAY SUCCEED MAJOR FRANK STRONG

Stated for General Agent of Department of Justice.

Alexander C. Caine, disbursing agent for the Department of Justice, is believed to be in line for the appointment to succeed the late Major Frank Strong, as general agent for the department. If he receives the position it will be in compliance with the wish of President McKinley, who induced Mr. Caine to come to Washington to take a place in the Department of Justice.

When McKinley was inducted into office as President it was conceded that Mr. Caine would be appointed as general agent. He was the personal friend of the President and also intimate with Mr. Richards, who was named as Solicitor General. Major Strong was a Democrat, and it was thought, of course that he would be removed.

President McKinley found conditions such as made it advisable to continue Major Strong in office in spite of his politics. He had made an excellent record and much work was in hand which needed his attention. Mr. Caine was the secretary of the Ohio State senate and gave up that position to come to Washington. He was inducted then to take a position as examiner for the department. About a year ago there was a defection in the disbursing office, and Henry Rechin, the disbursing officer, was dismissed. Mr. Caine was promoted to the position. The general agency pays \$4,500 a year.

TWO MEN KILLED IN MIDLAND WRECK

Eleven Seriously Hurt, Not Far From Alexandria.

ENGINEER WAS CARELESS

Allowed Work Train to Overlap on Main Track When Limited Was Due in Few Minutes.

Two persons were killed and a number injured early this morning in a wreck on the Virginia Midland Railroad seven miles south of Alexandria. Carelessness on the part of an engineer in charge of a work train is said to have been the cause of the disaster.

The Southwestern Limited was derailed at Springfield, the engine demolished, and several of the cars were wrecked. One United States railway mail clerk was killed and three others were seriously injured. One white fireman was killed and the engineer of the passenger train was probably fatally injured.

The Dead.

The dead are: W. W. WOODWARD, mail clerk, 29 years old, of Jessup, Va.; crushed to death. WALTER BEEKES, a white fireman on the limited, crushed under the engine.

Eleven Injured.

The seriously injured are: P. A. Fontaine, mail clerk, of 810 N Street northeast.

John L. Phenson, mail clerk, of Rockwood, N. C., legs broken.

Benjamin Rollins, clerk, of 44 D Street northeast, legs crushed below the knees.

J. Frank Keller, mail clerk, of Lantz's Mills, Va., crushed.

John Lynch, of Alexandria, engineer of the work train, crushed.

Peter Harrington, of Alexandria, engineer of the limited, thrown under his engine, and probably fatally injured.

William Mahoney, conductor of the work train, leg fractured.

Frank Rust, of the limited, head cut.

Charles Henderson, of K Street northwest, a passenger, head cut.

Two other passengers, whose names could not be learned.

Carelessness of Engineer.

The accident took place at a few minutes after 7 o'clock. It appears that the work train had been on a siding at Springfield, loading ballast, and a few minutes before the limited, was due the engineer allowed the train to slip and the engine to extend over the end of the switch.

The train had not been in this position three minutes when the limited, which was half an hour late and was trying to make up the time, came tearing along. Harrington saw the engine intruding over the track and he ground down all of the brakes, but without avail. The heavy express, which had been rushing along at the rate of about fifty miles an hour, plunged into the work train.

Harrington acted the part of a hero. He could have jumped and saved himself, but he refused and remained at the throttle. The engine of the limited was thrown from the track, falling upon its side, Harrington tumbling under it. The mail cars of the passenger train were splintered and none of the seven clerks in them escaped injury. The work train was demolished.

Clearing the Track.

The trains knocked down a telegraph pole, and for some time after the accident it was impossible to get word to Alexandria of what had happened. Finally a telephone was found in working order and help was asked for. The wrecking train of the railroad was at North Garden and could not be reached. The Pennsylvania Railroad loaned its wrecking train, and in about two hours after the accident the track was cleared for business.

The engineer of the work train has made no statement as to why he allowed his train to leave the siding when he knew that the limited could not be far away. The officers of the railroad are making an investigation.

The dead and injured passengers were taken from the relief train, which had been sent to the scene of the accident, at Alexandria.

The mail clerks were hurried to Washington and taken to the Emergency Hospital, where it was found that the condition of all of them is serious.

Rollins is not expected to recover, and should he do so it is more than probable that his legs must be amputated.

The damage to the railroad consisted of two wrecked engines and several cars demolished.

INDICTMENTS EXPECTED IN POSTOFFICE CASES

The Federal grand jury has at work this morning on the Postoffice cases. At 12:30 an adjournment was taken until tomorrow at 11 a. m. The work of the jury in connection with charges preferred against several persons connected with the Postoffice Department is nearing its close. It is quite probable that several indictments will be reported in the latter part of the week.

WARSHIPS TO THE RENDEZVOUS

Dispatches have been received at the Navy Department announcing that the cruiser Prairie sailed today from Portland, and the destroyer Barry from New London for Frenchman's Bay. Both of these vessels are to take part in the navy maneuvers, which begin August 2.