

# PLAN BATTLE UPON RAILROAD'S RATES

### Baltimore and Washington Men Will Confer Soon as to Details of Campaign.

Representatives of Washington and Baltimore commercial interests will confer in this city probably Wednesday to frame up the fight against elimination of store-door freight delivery.

A. E. Beck, representing the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, of Baltimore, reported to Secretary Columbus of the local Chamber of Commerce, today that a committee of five, appointed in yesterday's mass meeting at Baltimore will meet Tuesday to consider the conference with Washingtonians. Then the Baltimore group will probably come here the following day.

Mr. Beck declared today that the railroads will have a fight for the Baltimoreans are determined to have the store door delivery maintained, they will make their contention on the lines first suggested by The Times, namely that the railroads have made this latest move because water competition is throttled.

### Baltimore Raises Fund.

Three thousand dollars has been raised in Baltimore to conduct the legal proceedings before the Interstate Commerce Commission. Mr. Beck expressed confidence in the successful result of the merchants' protest.

Washington commercial organizations will co-operate in every way possible in this move. Nothing has been done here toward raising money to assist in the legal battle but it is likely that the local bodies will contribute if further funds are needed.

In yesterday's meeting at Baltimore, the merchants expressed a desire to go through with the fight on the water competition contention.

### Fight Opens Next Week.

Mr. Beck today, in addition to meeting Secretary Columbus, called at the Interstate Commerce Commission office. The date for a hearing on the merchants' protest is not yet set, but probably will be within a short time.

The fight will be on in earnest by the middle of next week, and merchants are hopeful that by that time the arrangements for a hearing will be completed.

The Baltimore organization is busy now in collecting a mass of facts and figures to demonstrate the decline of water competition by reason of the railroad concession in the matter of rates and free store-door delivery.

### Lines Watch Developments.

The railroad and steamship lines are keeping close tabs on every move of the merchants and consequently these facts and figures will be kept secret until the contest is on before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

It developed today that representatives of both the rail and steamship lines were present at the Baltimore mass meeting and took copious notes on the proceedings.

These men were there as members of the organization and consequently could not be barred. Mr. Beck declared today, however, that the transportation companies are keeping a close watch on the merchants, apparently with the purpose of knowing the inside facts in advance of the hearing.

In case the Interstate Commerce Commission decides against the continuance of the store-door delivery, the merchants will then seek a reduction of the rates. Their claim will be based on the fact that the transportation plan amounts to increased rates.

The Baltimore traffic bureau estimates that it would cost their merchants \$50,000 a year extra if the free delivery were eliminated. This is estimated as an actual increase of from 14 to 20 per cent in rates.

Further, the bureau maintains that terminals would be congested, service would be poorer, and "irregular shippers" would have an added burden in the high charges for city delivery of parcels.

# CAN HE GET AWAY WITH IT?



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male attire, in spite of their protests that they were "just having innocent fun."

### Chicago.

Mrs. Edward F. Dunne, wife of Governor Dunne, was robbed here of jewelry worth \$700. The theft was committed in the rear room of a downtown department store.

### Bangor, Me.

A deer disputed the passage of a New York automobile party on the road between Ellsworth and Orland. The animal charged the car, smashed one of the headlights and dented the radiator.

### Chicago.

Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, who resigned as superintendent of Chicago's public schools because of friction with members of the school board, announced today that she would resign the question of withdrawing her resignation.

### Benton Harbor, Mich.

An Israelite colony here has been greatly stirred up by a hen which is said to lay eggs bearing Biblical messages.

### Jersey City.

Former Mayor Otto Wittmann, of Jersey City, has withdrawn as a candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination. His friends advised him that his candidacy was hopeless.

### FOREIGN.

### Berlin.

The 150th anniversary of the birth of John Jacob Astor, founder of the Astor fortune, was observed at Waldorf, near Heidelberg.

### Sofia.

Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A. retired, now in Sofia, sent an appeal for American aid for the Bulgarian wounded. He accuses Bulgaria's enemies of atrocities without the pale of civilized warfare.

### Paris.

The expenses of the French government for 1913, will probably total more than \$1,000,000,000. The chamber of deputies today approved the budget for the year, after a discussion extending over thirteen months, which carries \$96,000,000.

### London.

Because of the acute situation between the government and the railroad men and miners in South Africa, 10,000 troops are being held in readiness, should the occasion require their presence in the colony.

### Plauen, Germany.

Emperor William has been notified that he would bequeath to the extent of \$250,000 by the will of Hermann Knorr.

### London.

Walter H. Paine, United States ambassador to Great Britain, was the chief guest at a dinner of the Hardwicke Society.

### Frankfort-on-Main, Germany.

During a practice flight an aeroplane containing Aviator Schaefer and a mechanic named Stengel, fell. Stengel was so badly injured that he died shortly afterward.

### Vancouver, British Columbia.

Six expert ordnance engineers from two of the leading gun factories in England have arrived here on their way to Japan, where they will take charge of ordnance work at a secret plant.

### Berlin.

A fatal duel was fought at Landau, Wuertemberg, between a Prussian general and a lieutenant colonel whose names are suppressed. The general challenged because the colonel criticized him for allowing his officers to dance the turkey trot.

### Lima, Peru.

Augusto B. Leguia, former President of Peru, and his son have been arrested and sent to the penitentiary following a riot during in which six persons were wounded.

### Seven Federal Jobs Open to Candidates

Six Government positions are to be filled from eligibles secured by the Civil Service Commission in competitive examinations August 20. Two of these places are in the New York navy yard, radio electrician and radio subinspector. The others are in the departmental service. The Department of Agriculture needs a library aide, a laboratory aide in physics, and an assistant in crop acclimatization. An assistant in paleontology is wanted by the National Museum.

On August 19, the commission will hold an examination to secure eligibles for appointment as chief of the division of information, Department of Agriculture, paying \$2,500 a year.

# COMMISSIONERS FOR CITY FISH MARKET

### Appropriation for Continuance of Institution to Be Put in Next Budget.

Agreeing with the former board that a model municipal fish market is needed in Washington, the Commissioners, it is understood, will include in their annual estimates an appropriation for the institution. Inspection of the fish wharf at Eleventh and Water streets, was made by Commissioner Siddons, who has supervision of the office of the superintendent of weights, measures and markets, and yesterday afternoon.

Commissioner Siddons was pleased at the clean appearance and sanitary condition of the wharf which, since March 1, has been under the supervision of the District authority. He believes, however, that the present ramshackle structure should be replaced by modern buildings and will bring the matter before the board in the consideration of the budget.

Commissioner Siddons was accompanied on the inspection trip by Capt. Mark Brooke, Acting Engineer Commissioner; Col. W. C. Haskell, Superintendent of the District of Columbia Markets, and Ralph B. Pratt, his private secretary.

Plans for municipal fish wharf are being drawn by a committee consisting of D. E. Garges, chief clerk of the Engineer Department; Dr. W. C. Woodward, Health Officer; Col. W. C. Haskell, and Snowdon Ashford, Municipal Architect.

### Warfare at Mines Expected by Night

CALUMET, Mich., July 25.—The open statement of mine officials here that they would start operations in all shafts as soon as troops arrived in sufficient numbers to protect their workers, led to the belief today that open warfare between State militiamen and striking copper diggers would be threatened before nightfall. The entire membership of the Michigan National Guard was expected here by afternoon, and it was known that the operators would then attempt to resume work in the mines.

Immense damage to the mining properties resulted today from the action of the 18,000 strikers in forcing pumps and engines to abandon their work. Shafts are rapidly filling with water and it was believed that the mine officials would make desperate attempts this afternoon to start the pumps.

Formal notice was received today from Governor Ferris that the executive would not come to Calumet to personally direct the State troops or to make efforts to bring the warring operators and miners together. President Mahoney, of the Western Federation of Miners, who is directing the strike, last night appealed to the governor by telegraph to make a personal investigation of the industrial dispute and to use his good offices to effect a settlement.

In reply Mahoney received the following message from the governor today: "The troops are there to protect life and property. It is the duty of the State to make every possible effort to settle this dispute. This can be done without the presence of the militia. I expect that both sides will see the wisdom of asking for only what is right." Thousands of strikers gathered through the streets of Calumet at an early hour this morning but there was no attempt at violence.

### Delusions of Cranks Who Come to Capital

Writing in Case and Comment on the mental status of some cranks who have been under his observation in the Government Hospital for the Insane here, Shepherd Ivory Franz, scientific director of the institution, tells of the interesting facts about some of those who have come to the Capital to obtain the aid of the President in securing imaginary and high-salaried positions; to sell absurd patent rights, to annoy judges, Congressmen, society leaders, etc. Among the cases he describes is that of a man who called at the Capitol and represented himself as the original "Bull Moose," and another who demanded to see Uncle Sam; another who reported to detective headquarters as a new detective.

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# GOVERNMENT PLANS LOBSTER HATCHERY

### Plant to Be Constructed at Some Point Along the Rhode Island Coast.

A new lobster hatchery and propagation plant is to be constructed by the Fish Commission at some point along the Rhode Island coast, if present plans mature. The question of site and other considerations are to be taken up by Assistant Secretary Sweet, of the Department of Commerce, who will survey the coast line from a lighthouse tender.

Assistant Secretary Sweet, Inspector General George Uhler, of the Steamboat Inspection Service, and Solicitor A. L. Thurman, of the department, left Washington last night for Boston and Woods Hole. They are to conduct an investigation of the Fifth district of the Steamboat Inspection Service, with a particular view to alleged dissemination in the Boston office of the service.

Assistant Secretary Sweet will also probably visit the various lighthouses and light stations along the coast and will make a cursory inspection of the Woods Hole depot and of the New England fishery industry in general. Just when the party will return to Washington has not been determined.

### False Whiskers Trap Him.

NEW YORK, July 25.—William J. Edwards, a contractor from South Carolina, put on false whiskers to search for an absconding employe. A stranger noted the disguise and had him arrested.

### WAIT!

Only two days before Music and Dancing at Randle Highlands (next Monday night).—Advt.

# News Bulletins

### DOMESTIC.

### Baltimore.

Police Marshal Farnam has begun a search for Ambrose W. Thompson, three years old, son of Mrs. Rose Ethel Thompson, who was kidnaped two months ago from Springfield, Mass., by his father.

### San Francisco.

Lillian Farnand, aged twenty-two, was murdered by Joseph Archer, aged twenty-two, a prize fighter of Pueblo, Col., in her room at the St. Daniel Hotel.

### Eau Claire, Wis.

Edward Payson Weston has reached Eau Claire. He has but ninety-seven miles left to complete his walk from New York to Minneapolis.

### New York.

Mrs. Alpha Gerald Brooks, wife of Belvidere Brooks, vice president and general manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company, is dead at her home on West End avenue.

### New York.

Robbers blew open two safes in different sections of the downtown district. In one case the burglar secured \$400 in cash and jewelry.

### Boston.

John D. Mattford, fifty, was arrested here after a chase of over 1,500 miles from Atlanta. Gu. Mattford, is charged by the Atlanta police with kidnaping John A. Boswick, Jr., five, and Dorothy E. Boswick, nine, children of a wealthy manufacturer.

### Syracuse.

Although every attempt has been made to shroud the case with secrecy, it is learned that Mrs. Fena Flynn, the wife of Maurice B. ("Lefty") Flynn, the Yale football hero, has started a suit for divorce.

### Chicago.

Joseph Fish, wealthy head of the firm of Joseph Fish & Co., public fire insurance adjuster and socially prominent, was indicted by the July grand jury in connection with the investigation into Chicago's alleged "arson trust."

### Detroit.

Dean Davidson, employed by the department of public works, shot and killed his mother-in-law, wounded his wife, and then fired two bullets into his own head, dying an hour later.

### Arlington, N. J.

Fifty persons were injured, some seriously, as the result of an explosion in the celluloid plant of the Arlington Company at this place.

### Savannah, Ga.

James Imbrie, of New York, has purchased the Brinson railroad for a New York syndicate. This road has \$1,000,000 in common stock and \$500,000 in preferred stock.

### Chicago.

Miss Anna Pierson, twenty-three, and Miss Hilda Lindgren, twenty-six, were called into court to answer charges of masquerading in

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# Figures Show Extent Of Copper Mine Men Involved in Strike

Striking copper miners number 18,000. Surface men made idle by strike, 7,000.

Principal interests involved, Calumet and Hecla Mining Company. Mines affected number about thirty. Strikers' demands include eight-hour day, abolition of one-man drilling machines, wage increase, recognition of union, and better working conditions. Iron miners who may be affected by strike number 40,000. Iron miners' strike would involve Mesaba, Marquette, Gogebic, and Mineral Ranges.

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# MAJOR RHOADS, LONG AIDE TO TAFT, LEAVES

### Abolition of Post Results in Order to Winchester, for Cavalry Duty.

As a result of President Wilson's action in abolishing the post of military aide to the President, Major Thomas L. Rhoads, of the Medical Corps, who served as aide during the Taft Administration and the early days of the Wilson Administration, has been ordered to Winchester, Va., for duty with the provisional cavalry brigade. After completing his duties at Winchester, Major Rhoads will proceed to Philadelphia.

Major Carl R. Darnell, professor of sanitary chemistry at the Army Medical school in this city, has been ordered to the Philippines for assignment to duty. His place here will be taken by Major Reuben B. Miller, of the Medical Corps, who is now on duty with the second division of the army at Texas City, Tex.

### One Dead, Several Hurt In Wreck on Southern

The Southern railway reported a collision early today between north and south-bound passenger trains at Holton, Ga., eight miles north of Macon, in which W. A. Jackson, train porter of the south-bound train, was killed, and the engineer and fireman of both trains were injured.

One passenger, name unknown, was cut slightly about the head. The accident was caused when Jackson, by mistake, threw open the switch to the track which the southbound train was waiting.

# CUMMINGS INDORSED FOR EXCISE BOARD

### Anti-Saloon League Denounces Lee's Action as "Offense to Moral Element."

BALTIMORE, July 25.—The Sun says: "That State Senator Blair Lee has recommended and indorsed to President Wilson 'Cy' Cummings, of Montgomery county, for the position of member of the Excise Board of the District of Columbia was charged yesterday in a statement from W. H. Anderson, of the Anti-Saloon League, denouncing the indorsement of Cummings as a gross impropriety and an offense to the moral element."

Mr. Anderson, in his statement, says: "On Wednesday I received a tip that Blair Lee had recommended to President Wilson 'Cy' Cummings, of Montgomery county, for the position of member of the Excise Board of the District of Columbia. Cummings is a member of the last legislature from Montgomery county for appointment on the Excise Board of the District of Columbia.

"Yesterday I sent our attorney to Washington to secure positive information. We verified the report and then had it corroborated at the White House office."

### Indicted Minister Surrenders Himself

The Rev. James H. DePue, who was indicted by the grand jury yesterday on a charge of false pretenses in connection with the sale of stock of the Typewriter Rebuilding and Sales Company, and J. H. DePue & Co., called at the United States Attorney's office at City Hall today and surrendered himself. He gave bond in the sum of \$5,000.

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