

DEMOCRATIC POLITICIANS RESPONSIBLE

For the Great St. Louis Strike—Hope to Make Gains in the Approaching Primaries.

GOV. STEPHENS THREATENED.

World's Fair Question Brought Into the Controversy—Non-Union Men Continuing to Pour In.

ST. LOUIS, May 24.—This was the seventeenth day of the great strike inaugurated by the employees of the St. Louis Transit Company, and a settlement apparently is further away than ever, neither side to the controversy seeming willing to advance any proposition to end it. The Transit Company has resumed service on all of its lines, except the Broadway, Northern Central, Southwestern Union and the South Sixth street divisions, and attempts may be made to-day to run cars on some of these. On the lines in operation, the street railway officials assert they are daily running more cars and carrying additional passengers.

Non-Union Men Coming In.

Non-union men continue to come in from other cities, and as fast as they arrive the company puts them to work. Word was received from Cleveland that forty-two ex-employees of the Big Consolidated street railway system had been sent here to take the places of strikers.

Thus far no general sympathy strike among labor unions has been called, as had been expected there would be. The different trades and labor organizations are showing their sympathy with the strikers in another way, by contributing to their support and passing resolutions in favor of them.

Will Stop World's Fair Appropriation

Union labor has brought the world's fair question into the strike controversy. At a mass meeting held last night, a resolution was passed to the effect that all union labor throughout the United States be asked to instruct their representatives to oppose the passage of the world's fair appropriation bill unless the St. Louis Transit Company settles the strike satisfactorily to its former employees. The resolution has been wired to John B. Henderson, speaker of the house of representatives.

Two Hundred Arrests Made.

Since the strike began 200 arrests of persons, alleged to have violated the law in its connection have been made, twenty-five warrants have been issued, ten indictments reported by the grand jury and the remainder of the cases have been taken to the police and United States courts, where many of them are still pending. In most of the cases which have been tried in the police courts, the defendants have been discharged. A few of the prisoners have been released without trial, the police failing to collect the evidence for prosecution.

Governor Stephens is in the City for a Conference with the Police Authorities on the Strike Situation and met with the Board of Police Commissioners to-day.

Governor Stephens Talks.

Governor Stephens was quoted this afternoon as saying: "I am satisfied that the trouble along the street car lines and the whole spirit of anarchy which I find prevails so largely in the city of St. Louis at present is being fomented and extended by the machinations of a certain coterie of Democratic politicians who hope by their course to, in some manner, make gains in the approaching party primaries. This element is sending speakers to meetings held to express sympathy for the strikers all over the city, and if not counseling disorder it is at least materially encouraging it."

Responsible for the Effigies.

"These persons are responsible for the many effigies of myself and the police authorities dangling from poles and trolley lines on many streets. It is as a result of their movements that I have received many letters threatening my life should I continue to do my duty and provide officers to keep the peace. I desire you to say further, that if, as governor of Missouri, with all the power vested in that office for the purpose, I can put an end to the abominable condition that prevails in St. Louis, I shall employ every iota of that power."

Exposition Bill Considered.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 24.—The house committee on the Louisiana purchase exposition to be held at St. Louis, in 1903, this afternoon voted to report the exposition bill to the house without recommendation, favorable or unfavorable. The bill as perfected, pledges the government to an appropriation of \$5,000,000 and allows the government a proportionate share of the proceeds of the enterprise.

Wage Scale Conference.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 24.—Representatives of the Republic Iron & Steel Company arrived here to-day, for a conference with the wage scale committee of the Amalgamated Association, now in session. The scale proposes to advance the base from 1.4 cents on the actual sales of bar iron, to 1.5. The proposed scale has not been reported, it is understood, to demand an average increase of 10 per cent.

Aged Minister Dies.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 24.—The Rev. Dr. Richard Lea, the oldest Presbyterian minister in Pennsylvania, and probably in the United States, died to-day. Dr. Lea was 96 years of age and was ordained 64 years ago.

BITTER WORDS

Spoken by Anti-Imperialist Agitators—Laud Aguinaldo and Denounce McKinley.

NEW YORK, May 24.—A mass meeting to advocate "an American policy in the Philippines," was held to-night in Cooper Union, under the auspices of the anti-imperialist league of New York. Ernest H. Crosby presided. The speakers were George S. Boutwell, of Massachusetts; Carl Schurz and Capt. Patrick O'Farrell, of Washington. Mr. Crosby said in opening the meeting:

"In Cuba one of our fellow citizens from Indiana is accused of taking all the postal funds he could lay his hands on. Better the island be robbed by Spain than by an American and a friend of Senator Beveridge. Were Washington alive to-day he would find himself more at home in the camp of Aguinaldo than in the camp of Otis. We cannot but admire the courage of Aguinaldo and his men who have been fighting for over a year against tremendous odds."

O'Farrell Was Very Bitter.

Capt. O'Farrell, who stumped the country for McKinley in 1896, was very bitter in his criticism of the President. A series of resolutions were adopted. The resolutions, after setting forth that the administration has "committed a flagrant breach of faith and seriously discredited the profession and the character of the republic in the eyes of the world," and that the imperialistic policy, if persisted in, "will inevitably bring about the overthrow of our democratic institutions," recite the history of our relations with the Philippines and declare that "the betrayal of our allies constitutes one of the basest acts of perfidy and cruel inhumanity ever perpetrated by any tyrant in the history of the world." The resolutions continue:

Want the War Stopped.

"Resolved, That it is the plain duty of the American people to stop the bloody war against the Filipinos, to recognize their right and title to freedom and independence on the same basis on which we have recognized the rights of the Cubans, and to withdraw our armed forces from these islands as soon as they may no longer be needed to assist and protect the people thereof in setting up and maintaining an independent government."

"Resolved, That the question of imperialism overshadows in importance all other public questions that the approval or disapproval of the imperialistic policy pursued by the present administration should be the supreme issue in the coming national election, and that all American citizens having the good name and the best interests of our country and the integrity and perpetuity of our free institutions at heart should unite in an earnest effort to secure the condemnation of that policy and the sternest possible rebuke of its authors and promoters by a decisive popular vote."

ANGRY DELEGATE

At the Methodist General Conference Accus Another of Uttering a Falsehood—Day of Excitement.

CHICAGO, May 24.—This was a day of elections, attended by extremely lively debates, in the Methodist general conference. Agents of the eastern and western book concerns were named, the election for western agents resulting in the retirement of Dr. Lewis Curtis, of Chicago, over whose management of the office considerable controversy has taken place. Samuel H. Pye and A. C. Jennings were the successful candidates for the Chicago and Cincinnati offices and Homer Eaton and P. Mains were re-elected to the New York office. Following the general plan of unification and consolidation which has prevailed throughout the sessions, the conference to-day abolished the office of secretary of the Epworth League and refused to allow another secretary for the Sunday school union.

Bitter Debate Results.

It did, however, reconsider its action of a week ago in abolishing additional secretaries of the various church benevolences so far as the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society was concerned. The debate resulting in this action was quite bitter at times, the race question being brought out prominently, and once in the discussion an angry delegate accused another of uttering a falsehood. The convention, at this time, became involved in apparently hopeless parliamentary tangles and presiding Bishop Nindé, in the afternoon session, admonished the delegates not to turn the conference into a debating society. The general conference voted to adjourn sine die at 12:30 p. m. Tuesday next.

Ancient Essenic Order Elects Officers.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 24.—The seventh annual assembly of the Knights of the Ancient Essenic Order closed to-day, after electing the following officers: Thomas W. McKnight, of New York, supreme senator; Wm. M. Benham, of Pittsburgh, supreme senior seneschal; W. W. Newman, of Frederick, Md., supreme junior seneschal; H. T. Rockey, of Lancaster, O., supreme secretary; Judge Aaron McNeill, of Cincinnati, Ohio, supreme treasurer. The next assembly will be held in Cincinnati in September, 1901.

Billet Mills Close Down.

JOLIET, Ills., May 24.—Nearly 1,000 men were thrown out of work, when at noon to-day, the converter and billet mills of the Illinois Steel Company were closed for an indefinite period. Only the blast furnaces and merchant mills are now running. It is stated that the closing of tin plate mills on account of a strike is responsible for the shut down of the Illinois company's billet mills.

Detroit in Bad Condition.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., May 24.—The United States steamer Detroit, which went out of commission here yesterday, has been found to be in a very bad condition. The plates about her rudderhead were seriously defective, and there were twenty-five inches of water in her hold. Fires have been started and the pumps put in operation on board, and they will be kept going until the necessary repairs can be made.

The Big Ones Matched.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Jim Jeffries and Tom Sharkey were matched to-day to fight on August 25, before the club offering the best purse.

ENGLISH ADVANCE DELAYED

On the Banks of the Rhenoster—Pontoon Bridge Being Constructed. Railway Little Damaged.

IN THE FORM OF A CRESENT

Are the British Troops—Boer Fighting Men May Decide to Quit. Making Well Supplied.

LONDON, May 25, 3:55 a. m.—Lord Roberts' infantry advance is delayed at the Rhenoster river for a day or two by the depth of the stream which is not fordable. The banks, which are precipitous, are forty feet high. A pontoon and temporary bridge construction are under way.

The railway has not been damaged to any great extent between Kroonstad and Rhenoster. The Transvaalers have offended the Free Staters by destroying their splendid bridges when retreating to Kroonstad. The refrained from doing this on the retreat to Rhenoster, but now they are destroying the railroad and bridges almost completely north of the Rhenoster.

In Form of a Crescent.

The British troops are in the form of a crescent, with horns thirty miles apart with General French's cavalry on the left within twenty-three miles of the Vaal, and General Ian Hamilton's mounted men on the right within thirty miles of the Vaal. The center of the crescent is about forty miles from the Vaal.

Seventy or eighty miles to the left Lord Methuen is advancing up the Vaal. Boer telegrams say that 3,000 British with ten guns, are near Vrededorf, which is close to the Vaal and close to Parys. One correspondent refers to the advance as a "promenade." Another describes it as a "Boer hunt." The Free Staters are pictured as "bolting like hares" at the first sight of the British. The latter, according to one writer, do not even find women and children, as the fleeing farmers take their families with them. In consequence of the reports current among the Transvaalers that the British kidnap all children over twelve years of age.

Russians Destroyed the Bridges.

The Boer rear guard was composed of Russians to whom was committed the task of destroying the bridges. They also looted freely.

What the Boers are doing is an absolute mystery. The embargo of news out of Pretoria for the last twenty-four hours has been complete. Such shreds of information as the correspondents at Lorenzo Marques have picked up do not illuminate the Boer designs and dispositions further than that the movement toward Lydenburg continues and that a referendum of the question of continuing the war is going on among the Boer fighting men. It may be a fortnight before the results of this singular vote are fully before the Transvaal government. If the English view of Boer discouragement is one-half right, the Boers will vote to quit.

In Natal, General Dartnell's volunteers occupied Mount Prospect Monday. Lord Dundonald's cavalry is at Firmstones near Ingogo. His infantry rests at Schoenshoogte. The names are all of fateful memory in the first Boer war. The British face Laing's Nek, where the Boers, through the range glasses of the British are occasionally visible.

Farms Found Vacant.

In the march across the Biggarsburg all the farms except one were found vacant. A temporary bridge has been finished at Waschbank. Trains now go to Dundee. General Buller said the best way to celebrate the queen's birthday was to repair the railway to New Castle, and every man was put to work.

As the railway is now open north of Mafeking, an abundance of provisions is entering the town, plenty of flour and meat and a few luxuries. The telegraph messages will probably come from Mafeking direct over the northern route in a day or two.

Celebrating Victoria's Birthday.

LONDON, May 24, 10:15 p. m.—Under the stimulus of the relief of Mafeking and Lord Roberts' rapid and successful progress, the queen's birthday has been celebrated throughout the empire with unique and almost unprecedented rejoicings. The two-fold nature of the celebrations gave the occasion unusual brilliancy. The recent demonstrations only whetted the public appetite for displays of patriotic feeling and consequently to-day was chosen for all kinds of functions in connection with the war and its funds. In London and in the provincial towns there was a tri-color eruption. Every private house was decorated with miniature union jacks and a picturesque carnival procession a mile long, of cars emblematic of the war, paraded the northern suburbs of London. Torchlight processions and reviews in the garrison towns, etc., were witnessed throughout the country. The school children had a holiday and at most places there was a partial suspension of business.

The West End of London to-night is brilliantly illuminated and thousands are crowding the streets, wearing patriotic favors. In the house of commons to-day the government leader, A. J. Balfour, announced that Lord Salisbury would consider a proposal to appoint a national thanksgiving day with a suitable form of prayer, in acknowledgment of God's vouchsafing victory to the British arms.

PERSONAL BATTLE

Between Senator Spooner and Messrs. Allen and Pettigrew—Bacon Replies to Platt.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The duty of the United States towards its "island possessions" was the subject of heated discussion in the senate again to-day. Soon after the senate convened, Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, began an extended reply to the speech of Mr. Platt, delivered yesterday. His speech was largely supplemental to that which he delivered several days ago, demanding an investigation of Cuban financial affairs. His resolution, to which there is little or no opposition, under the rules, went to the committee on contingent expenses.

The remainder of the afternoon was occupied by Mr. Spooner, of Wisconsin, in concluding his speech on the Philippine question. The debate which he aroused took a turn decidedly political. He charged the so-called anti-imperialists with creating an issue which was not legitimate. Many of his statements were controverted by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, and Mr. Pettigrew, of South Dakota, and the controversy at times became almost personal.

Alaska Civil Government Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The house practically devoted eight hours to-day to the consideration of the Alaskan civil government bill, but progress was slow. Two amendments of importance were adopted. One of them authorized the secretary of war to issue permits to excavate or dredge for gold below low water mark on the beach at Cape Nome. The secretary has heretofore issued permits, but the bill, as it passed the senate, cancelled them. The house also struck out the chapter relating to arrest and bail, which permitted arrests in certain civil actions. The conference report on the Indian appropriation bill was adopted.

To Decide Groat Bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 24.—The house committee on agriculture to-day fixed next Tuesday for taking vote on oleomargarine legislation, at which time it will be decided whether the Groat bill or the substitute measure will be reported to the house.

Mr. W. E. Williams, (Illinois), offered an amendment to provide for a territorial delegate from Alaska. Both political parties, he said, were committed to the proposition that the territory should have a delegate in Congress.

Mr. Warner, (Illinois), in charge of the bill, said the committee had deemed it unwise to provide for a delegate on account of the difficulty of securing an election and the shifting character of the population. The amendment was adopted, 71 to 21.

Unearthing Frauds.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—According to information received from Havana, the authorities there are making progress in unearthing frauds against the postal revenues. A report has been received from Special Agents Seybold and Williams, in which they charge Neely with not accounting for stamps, money, property, etc., aggregating more than \$45,000. There are five counts in the indictment against Neely. One involves the appropriation to himself of stamps, money, etc., amounting to \$57,000; one for \$1,500 and one for \$300. This report will be forwarded to the counsel for the government at New York.

Young McClellan Has Ambitions.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The candidacy of Representative George B. McClellan, of New York, for the Democratic vice presidential nomination, was announced to-day by his friends in Congress. Among those who are urging Mr. McClellan's nomination are Representatives Stallings and Underwood, of Alabama; Maddox and Tate, of Georgia; Cowherd, of Missouri; Bailey and Norton, of South Carolina; Luppert, Chandler, Drigg and Fitzgerald, of New York, and Devries, of California.

In Opposition to Trusts.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—After conferring with Speaker Henderson and the members of the committee on rules Chairman Ray, of the house judiciary committee, to-day introduced a rule for the early consideration of the two anti-trust measures. The rule makes the anti-trust constitutional amendment a special order as soon as the rule is adopted, with a final vote on June 1 at 5 p. m. The anti-trust bill is to follow immediately with a final vote June 2 at 5 p. m.

Dr. Sankey Victorious.

CHICAGO, May 24.—Interest in the second day's session of the forty-second general assembly of the United Presbyterian church was centered almost wholly in the choice of moderator. Rev. J. H. Sankey, of Rochester, N. Y., was the leading candidate, but the delegates from Pittsburgh, put in a strong bid for the election of Rev. J. D. Sands, of that city. The name of Rev. D. S. Littell was also presented to the assembly. Dr. Sankey was victorious on the first ballot, receiving 126 votes to 88 for Dr. Sands.

Company Refused a Charter.

COLUMBUS, O., May 24.—The Pittsburgh Coal Company, a New Jersey corporation, with a capital stock of \$20,000,000 has been refused a charter to do business in Ohio, because one of the articles of the corporation provides that it may purchase, deal in and hold the stock of other corporations. It is expected a suit in mandamus will be filed to compel the secretary of state to issue a charter to the company.

Trial of Dynamiters Begins.

WELLAND, Ont., May 24.—The trial of Dullman, Nolan and Walsh, charged with attempting to destroy Lock No. 24, of the Welland canal, was begun here to-day. The Hon. William Gorman appeared in behalf of Dullman, Lawyer Burson, of St. Catharines, appeared for Nolan and Walsh. E. F. B. Johnson, a famous criminal lawyer of Toronto, acted for the crown.

Mob Looking for Gardner.

ATHENS, O., May 24.—At midnight a mob attacked the jail where Richard Gardner, the negro rapist, is confined. They failed to find Gardner, who was smuggled out, and the mob dispersed.

BROKERAGE FIRM GOES TO THE WALL.

Price, McCormick & Co. Fail for Thirteen Millions of Dollars—Nearly All Secured.

THEY WERE "LONG" ON COTTON

Admiral Schley's Son-in-Law a Member of the Company—Cotton Market Creates a Sensation.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Price, McCormick & Company, one of the largest brokerage houses in the city, failed to-day with liabilities estimated at \$13,000,000. The firm is a member of the stock, cotton and produce exchanges, and has branch offices in about thirty cities throughout the United States. The failure is ascribed to the fact that the firm was long on cotton in the face of a fast falling market. A notice on the doors of the offices of the company referred all inquirers to William J. Curtis and William Cromwell, assignees.

Liabilities Were Thirteen Millions.

Mr. Cromwell said late this afternoon that it was impossible to make any statement at this hour concerning the condition of the firm; that its business is very extended and covers several branch agencies. The total liabilities, he said, are about \$13,000,000, nearly all of which was secured. He added that a statement would be submitted to creditors at the earliest possible date.

The Firm is Composed of Theodore H. Price, William G. McCormick, R. G. M. Stewart Wortley and Walter W. Price, with George Crocker, of San Francisco, a special partner on an investment of \$500,000.

Son-in-Law of Schley.

Mr. McCormick is of the well known Chicago family of agricultural implement fame, and Mr. Stewart Wortley is a son-in-law of Rear Admiral Schley. The firm was organized January 2, 1897. Of the partners Mr. Crocker is now in Europe and Mr. Stewart Wortley is on his way back from Europe.

Following the announcement of the failure the cotton market became panic-stricken and broke 10 to 13 points. The extent of the decline from the highest price when the bull movement culminated had been 122 points.

Members of Produce Exchange.

Price, McCormick & Company were also members of the produce exchange. There was no formal notice of the firm's suspension made there up to 2 p. m. The firm was not a prominent operator on the produce exchange and the effect of the failure there was almost wholly sentimental. Wheat declined about 3/4 of a cent.

Assignees Curtis and Cromwell make the following announcement regarding the failure: "To the creditors of Price, McCormick & Company: Price, McCormick & Company have been compelled to temporarily suspend payment. We ask and advise that creditors holding stocks, bonds and other collateral to loans, and already well margined, hold the loans until reasonable opportunity be afforded the assignees to deal with the same, that unnecessary loss thereby be avoided."

Deep Coal Vein Reached.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., May 24.—The George's Creek Coal and Coke Company has reached the coal vein at Farmington, after shafting 247 feet. This shaft is the deepest in the country. The operations at the mine will be extended, the company owning 8,000 acres of land in and with coal.

Wire Plant at Webster.

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Murderer's Accomplice Captured.

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day, resolutions were adopted demanding ballot reform and the formation of a western auxiliary committee of fifteen to co-operate with the union committee for the promotion of ballot reform and the merit system was authorized. John Hindley, president of the chamber of commerce, presided, and addresses were made by Clinton Rogers Woodruff, of Philadelphia; George W. Guthrie, of Over McClintock and P. L. Lewis, of this city.

DENIES HIS GUILT,

Mayor Turner Claims He is Innocent of the Bribery Charges, and Will Prove It.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., May 24.—The indictment of Mayor Turner, and ex-Councilman Moore by the grand jury yesterday, is the cause of much excitement. The mayor, when seen to-day, indignantly denied his guilt, and seemed confident that he would be proven innocent. He said: "In the outset, I want to emphatically deny that I am mixed up in the case as the indictment indicates. I am certain I will have no trouble in showing my entire innocence, of any of the charges set forth in the information furnished by Grier."

He then detailed the action of the council on the Deering matter at various meetings.

Ex-Councilman Moore was as strong in his claims as was the mayor, and stated that he would prove he never accepted a bribe.

Turner is the "Reformer," who Defeated the Republicans two years ago, by ante-election promises, which he has failed to keep.

REDUCTION IN TAXES

Asked for by the Railroads Operating in the State.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 24.—The state board of public works went into session to-day to hear the reports and arguments of the railway companies of the state relative to the fixing of the assessed value of the property for taxation for the ensuing year. Every railroad in the state is asking for a reduction. The Chesapeake & Ohio and Baltimore & Ohio are assessed the highest of any, and they are making a fight to have theirs cut down. The Ohio River is also asking for a reduction. No official statement has yet been given out by the board, but it is believed very generally that if there is to be any reduction at all it will be for the Chesapeake & Ohio and Baltimore & Ohio lines. The board will be in session several days.

Kiser Arrested for Embezzlement.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., May 24.—At about 11:30 to-night Agent Dunlap, of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad in this city, caused the arrest of T. M. Kiser, late cashier in his office, on the charge of embezzling \$500. Up until recently Kiser was out of the city, but before leaving he confessed to a shortage of \$300. He failed to give bond and he is spending the night in the custody of an officer.

Gilkeson to be "It."

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE INTELLIGENCER. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., May 24.—To-night's State Journal states that, as the Democratic leaders cannot handle Tavenner, they have a scheme for both Tavenner and Holt to drop out of the gubernatorial contest, and E. M. Gilkeson is to be taken up and named by acclamation, as a compromise candidate.

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