



STRIKERS GIVE THEIR SIDE TO COUNCIL; SEEK ARBITRATION

Commissioners Will Endeavor to Have Another Conference With President Musser in Effort to Arrange Settlement Program; Trolley Men's Grievance Committee "Very Reasonable" Says Lynch

COMPANY RE-EMPLOYS 2 STRIKERS, IT ANNOUNCES

Men Have Old Standing and Will Receive 2 Cents an Hour Increase Officials State; Union Leaders Say They Know of No Men Going Back to Work; Railways Head Issues Statement

President Frank B. Musser of the Harrisburg Railway Company will again meet the City Commissioners this afternoon at Council's request to further discuss the trolley strike situation.

Council officially heard the trolley men's side of the strike this morning. Late yesterday afternoon President Musser met the Commissioners and gave the company's viewpoint of the controversy.

The net result of these two conferences was a request that Mr. Musser again meet Council to see if some plan of arbitration cannot be agreed upon. Mr. Musser consented to meet the Councilmen and a meeting has been arranged for 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Mayor E. S. Meals presided at this morning's meeting of the commissioners which was held behind closed doors. Commissioners E. Z. Gross, W. H. Lynch and H. F. Bowman attended as the city's representatives while the strikers were represented by a committee headed by Hugh L. McLaughlin and chairman of the trolley men's union grievance committee.

Various points under discussion were given yesterday afternoon by a committee from the strikers. Commissioner Lynch today in discussing this morning's conference, "but our meeting with Mr. McLaughlin and his committee was the first opportunity we've had to officially hear the strikers' story."

Will Confer With Musser "What we will endeavor to do is to confer with President Musser in the hope of getting his consent to arbitration. That's what the striking men want. Of course they desire to be recognized as a body to the extent that they may be given a chance to submit an arbitration agreement. We will make a strenuous effort to confer with Mr. Musser on this point this afternoon and inform him of the results of today's conference."

The strikers' committee was very reasonable. The strikers, according to Mr. McLaughlin, will be willing to mingle with the other men on the cars and help to operate them pending the settlement of the difficulties by arbitration.

"What we as city councilmen want to do is to get the two parties together. We're going to make every effort to do so."

Was Mr. Thorpe present at today's conference? Mr. Lynch was asked. "No, I don't know that he was expected to be. As I understood it the meeting was to be with the committee from the strikers."

What transpired at yesterday's conference with Mr. Musser? "Well, I think the gist of that is contained in today's papers. The president seemed to think there is nothing to arbitrate," said Mr. Lynch. "He dwelt particularly on the method of striking. The men quit," he pointed out. "Without warning; that they had voted on the question and went out as soon as the vote had been taken."

"Did the commissioners today present this viewpoint to Mr. McLaughlin's committee?" he was asked. "Oh, yes. But he has his side of the story, too. The men, he explained had been endeavoring fruitlessly to get interview with the head of the company for several days prior to the taking of the vote."

"Did Mr. McLaughlin's committee make any request as to whether or not the striking men be taken back?"

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THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy to-night and Saturday; slightly warmer Saturday. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Partly cloudy to-night and Saturday; slightly warmer Saturday; gentle to moderate northeast to east winds. General Conditions Pressure has increased over the Ohio Valley and from the Green Lakes eastward to the Atlantic coast and over the Pacific slope. A slight depression has appeared over Virginia. It has caused light to moderate showers in the Middle Ohio valley and in Tennessee and southwestern Virginia and scattered showers in Eastern Pennsylvania and Eastern New York. Under the influence of easterly winds temperatures are 2 to 6 degrees lower over practically all the territory east of the Lake Region. Temperatures continue high with a rising tendency between the Rocky Mountains and the Mississippi river. Temperature: 8 a. m., 74. Sun: Rises, 5 a. m.; sets, 7:22 p. m. Moon: New moon, to-morrow, 9:15 a. m. River Stage: 6.2 feet above low-water mark. Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 93. Lowest temperature, 91. Mean temperature, 82. Normal temperature, 75.

HARRISBURG GAVE THOUSANDS TO STARVING BELGIANS; WILL IT LET ITS OWN CHILDREN GO HUNGRY?

To the Editor of the Harrisburg Telegraph: I am appealing to the people of Harrisburg, through your paper, to see if it is not possible to get more money to help the families that have been left here by the men who have gone to the front. Upon investigation this morning, I found three families very much in need of help; one, a mother, about sixty years of age, who makes on an average of fifty cents a day by taking piece work home. Her son, nineteen years of age, was the breadwinner of the family, and has gone to the front with Company D. She has two other children to support on this small amount. Another case of two young women who have tried to make expenses less by giving up their little homes and renting two upstairs rooms. They have had no money of any description since the breadwinners of the family left on June 22nd. There was a small savings account and that is what they are living on, together with a small amount derived from washing, which they are taking in to do—women who were never called upon before to do work like this, but are trying to be as brave as possible, with four little children. One of the women told me she would gladly go out to work, but she has a child nine months old whom she is nursing, and, of course, this would make it impossible for her to do that.

These are only a couple of instances of a great many that are turning up each day. Many people have said to me "Why did these men go to the front and leave their families depending upon charity?" and I am enclosing you a copy of a telegram received from Major-General Wood which was sent to the different commands, and which will explain to you, if you read it carefully, why the men are not returning to their families at once. These men have put country before their families, and I think the people of Harrisburg should be patriotic enough to relieve them a little bit, and I cannot understand the lack of interest.

I have been advised by the Adjutant General's Department that the reason why the state of Pennsylvania has not paid the men for their time in camp is because it is the duty of the Federal Government to do so.

I wish you, through your paper, would make another appeal for help. I am sure it will reach the people of Harrisburg, because there is great evidence of the need of money.

MARY F. RYDER, Chairman, Pennsylvania Women's Division, National Preparedness, Red Cross.

NOTE—The Telegraph has received \$300 and has turned the money over to this fund. It will be glad to acknowledge all subscriptions.

CLARK ACT PRAISED AND CONDEMNED BY EDITORS OF STATE

Changes in Third Class City Commission Form of Government Law by Next Session of Legislature Are Indicated by Experiences of Many Cities; Failure in Some Towns; Success in Others, but Many Weak Points Have Been Developed; Politics Despite Nonpartisan Provisions

Is the commission form of government a success or failure?

Many of the prominent editors of Pennsylvania have given their views to the Telegraph on this subject and the great diversity of opinion represents public sentiment on the question.

The Telegraph this evening presents these views for the benefit of all who are making a study of the problem in cities of the third class. This important change in the government of so many of the cities of Pennsylvania has now been in force long enough to afford an opportunity for study of the new scheme of administration. It is believed the symposium here presented will be of particular interest to all the cities now under the commission arrangement.

It is almost certain that some changes in the Clark act will be made at the next session of the Legislature and it is entirely probable that some of these matters will be considered at the convention of the representatives of Third Class cities at Johnstown next month.

Many weaknesses of the commission plan have developed, and whether the scheme is abolished entirely or simply amended to overcome its defects will depend entirely upon the co-operation of the several cities concerned at the next session of the Legislature.

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PLACES FOUND ON BORDER FOR MEN NOW AT GRETNA

Guardsmen of 9th and 13th Regiments, Third Brigade, May See Service

GO TO HOMES TOMORROW

Stewart Outlines Plans For Equipping Ninth as Artillery

By Special Correspondence

Mt. Gretna, Pa., July 28.—A place in the seventh division of the National Guard of the United States made up of Pennsylvania troops has at last been found for the men in Camp Armstrong and it is probable that guardsmen of the Ninth and Thirteenth regiments of the Third brigade will be on border patrol among their comrades of the other Pennsylvania regiments.

The Ninth regiment of Wilkes-Barre will be turned into the second Pennsylvania field artillery and its numbers increased at least by 400. The 13th regiment of Berks will be known as the third artillery and it will also recruit. Both will go to their homes to-morrow. Adjutant General Stewart said that both would return to Mt. Gretna shortly.

To Absorb Battalion The separate battalion will also be absorbed, Companies K from Sunbury and F from Danville being united into one company and taking the place of a company at El Paso that will join the engineering company of the Fourth infantry. Companies D and C of the separate battalion will return in a week to be physically examined and mustered into government service. They will then aid in training the recruits as they come into the summer camp.

According to General Stewart, the Ninth regiment or the Second artillery, as it will be known, will consist of two battalions of 125 men each and will be divided into two battalions. They will use three-inch field guns. The 13th or the Third artillery will have six batteries or three battalions composed of two batteries each. It will be armed with four and seventh-inch howitzers.

"We may not be able to get the full strength, although we will try for that. But we have to get full peace strength before we go on duty," said General Stewart.

Touching on the subject of probable demotions, General Stewart said: "I can tell very little about that. It may be probable that some officers will not pass the physical examination. You can see for yourself though that the Infantry regiment has twelve captains and an artillery only six, something along the line of elimination must happen."

"ICE TEA" FOR PRISONERS LEADS TO ARREST

Carlisle, Pa., July 28.—Bringing liquor in the guise of "ice tea" to the Cumberland county jail proved costly to Lloyd Turner of this place. He was arrested and held for court on the charge. Turner had friends in jail and during the hot days brought them "ice tea" consisting of "tea" daily. Officials became suspicious and began an investigation which resulted in his arrest.

SIZZLERS AHEAD; RELIEF IS BRIEF

Bunches of Heat Just Waiting Their Chance to Creep Into Central Penna.

Due to a cool wave which moved northward from the coast of Virginia last night and was still moving to-day, Harrisburg received temporary relief from the hot wave from the west. But on the outskirts of this cool atmosphere bunches of heat are waiting to move in. It will be warmer to-morrow and according to local weather forecasts Sunday is likely to be a scorcher.

The cool wave from the South reduced the humidity and brought a drop of from two to four degrees in the temperature. Yesterday was the hottest day of the summer. The highest temperature was 93.

An Associated Press dispatch from Chicago to-day says: "Illinois and neighboring States found no relief to-day from the unusual heat wave and there was a probability that the records of 100 degrees yesterday might even be broken. In Chicago the downtown street thermometers at 2 o'clock this morning stood at 89 degrees, higher by several degrees."

3 Gangs Try to Recover Bodies of Gas Victims

By Associated Press

Cleveland, July 28.—While three gangs of fifteen men each, working in three-hour shifts, continued to-day to make repairs which will facilitate excavating the cave-in in the water works tunnel to recover the bodies of nine buried workmen killed in Monday night's explosion, the investigation into the horror begun by the city yesterday continued. About 150 shots were fired by the city yesterday to demand greater safety and increased wages for workmen when the tunnel construction job is resumed.

SPANNEL AT EL PASO AGAIN

By Associated Press

El Paso, Texas, July 28.—Harry Spannall, following his preliminary examination at Alpine yesterday on the charge of murdering his wife and Lieutenant Colonel M. C. Butler, was returned to El Paso last night where he was placed in jail for safe keeping. Again Spannall and his deputy manager to keep their movements here secret.

BREMEN CAPTURED IN HALIFAX, SAYS NEW YORK REPORT

Overdue U-Boat Said to Have Been Nabbed by British Patrolling Squadron

SISTER TO DEUTSCHLAND

High Official Writes That Submarine "Is Being Well Cared For"

Halifax, July 28.—Nothing is known here of the Bremen story further than the report from New York.

New York, July 28.—Another circumstantial report regarding the whereabouts of the German merchant submarine Bremen, long expected at some American port, is that the ship has been captured by British patrolling squadrons and is to-day tied up in the northwest arm in the harbor of Halifax, N. S.

The report of the capture, which is published here to-day, is given in a letter said to have been written by the secretary of a high Canadian official, a business man of this city. The letter is declared to have been mailed from Buffalo, N. Y., two days ago, and therefore could not have been subjected to the scrutiny of the Canadian censor.

The letter was written in confidence, it is stated, but the information it contained was divulged by the recipient to a friend in the course of an argument as to whether or not the Bremen could pass through the British barrier.

The letter says: "You seem in New York to be worried about the Bremen. There is really no cause for worry, for at the present time she is tied up in what we call the northwest arm in the harbor of Halifax and is being well taken care of."

Telegrams of inquiry sent to Ottawa and Halifax have not as yet brought any confirmation of the reported capture of the merchant submarine.

The Bremen, the second unit of Germany's proposed merchant submarine fleet, has been due for some days in an American port. Private information was to the effect that she had been ordered to make New York harbor if possible, but in the event that this was not feasible she was to go to any other American port that presented a favorable opportunity for entrance. Important mail for bankers here and probably for the merchant submarine Deutschland was said to be aboard. The long delay of the submarine Deutschland, now at Baltimore, in leaving for home, is said in some quarters to have been due to the fact that she was waiting for further instructions contained in the Bremen's mail boat.

PORTLAND HEARS IT, TOO

Portland, Maine, July 28.—A telegram saying the German underwater boat, the Bremen, had been captured and was being towed into Halifax was received in this city to-day from a Canadian source which was believed to be reliable.

DENIED BY AUTHORITIES

Ottawa, July 28.—The naval department denied to-day that there is any foundation for the story published in New York that the German submarine Bremen has been captured and taken into Halifax.

EXECUTE CAPTAIN OF MERCHANTMAN

Germans Kill Commander Who Attempted to Ram Attacking U-Boat

By Associated Press

Berlin, July 28. (By wireless).—Captain Charles Fryatt, of the Great Eastern Railway steamship Brussels, which vessel was captured by German destroyers last month and taken into Zeebrugge, has been executed by shooting after trial by a German court-martial. The death sentence was passed upon Captain Fryatt because of his alleged action in attempting previously to ram a German submarine.

Posse Meets Fugitives; One Dead; Two Wounded

By Associated Press

Laurel, Del., July 28.—Four negroes who were wanted by Maryland authorities for the murder of a negro at Vienna, Md., last night, were traced to this town this morning. In a run-in after trial by a German court-martial, a notorious "roadster," was wounded and captured. Another surrendered.

Two other members of the gang escaped and were vigorously followed by a sheriff and posse. One was drowned in attempting to swim Laurel river, but the other surrendered after being shot in the arm.

RUSSELL REFUSED PASSPORT

London, July 28.—Bertrand Russell, who recently was fined for issuing pamphlets criticizing the manner in which the government treated conscientious objections to military service and who later was deprived of his lectureship at Cambridge University, has been refused a passport to visit America. He had been invited to lecture at Harvard University. Russell's wife was formerly Miss Alis Smith, of Philadelphia.

NO APPEAL FOR CASEMENT

London, July 28.—When the court of criminal appeal met to-day to hear "a possible application" in behalf of Roger Casement, who was sentenced to death for treason in connection with the recent Dublin uprising, it was found that the defense had abandoned any contemplated action.

City's Oldest Man Dies



Joseph Montgomery, who would have been 100 years old on his next birthday, which was near at hand, died at the home of his son-in-law, Harry Fleming, 410 Cameron street, late yesterday. Death was due to old age. He was the oldest man in the city.

Mr. Montgomery was a retired printer and sign painter. He served in the Union Army during the Civil War. Last January Mr. Montgomery was carried from his home by firemen when it was destroyed by fire. He is survived by four children, Mrs. Harry Fleming, Mrs. Frank Stewart and Peter, all of Harrisburg, and Charles Montgomery, of Philadelphia. Funeral services will be held in the Reformed Salem Church Monday morning at 10 o'clock with the Rev. Dr. Ellis N. Kremer officiating. Burial will be made in the Harrisburg Cemetery.

Committee of Famed Medical Men to Join Paralysis Fight

New York, July 28.—The city health authorities and Mayor Mitchell conferred to-day in regard to the composition of a list of fifteen or twenty prominent physicians who will be invited to come to New York from different parts of the country and join the battle against infantile paralysis. The visiting physicians will receive all their expenses, and the board of estimates yesterday unanimously voted \$3,000 for this purpose.

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