

# TWO RALEIGH MEN IN LIVELY FIGHT

### Encounter Follows Dispute Over an Account—Reward for Incendiaries.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Raleigh, N. C., January 31.—There was a lively fight this morning on Fayetteville Street, near the Tucker Building corner, between W. A. Simpkins, a cotton seed buyer and Primitive Baptist preacher, and A. T. Mial, who is connected with a livery stable. The two men were engaged in conversation for some time, and suddenly the fight was precipitated by Mr. Mial disputing the statement made by Mr. Simpkins concerning an account about which there was a disagreement between the two men. The fight was

fast and furious until Deputy Sheriff Harwood rushed between them and others came to his assistance. They had some difficulty in stopping Mr. Simpkins, who insisted that he be allowed to take off his coat and go after his opponent for a fight to the finish. Mr. Mial's face came in for considerable bruising. Both went before Police Justice Watson at once and submitted. A charter was issued for The Piedmont Commission Company, of Charlotte, for cotton and other textile manufacturing, dyeing, finishing and marketing cloths and textile products generally. The capital is \$100,000, by J. H. Weddington, F. D. Alexander, S. B. Sargent, W. H. Belk, W. R. Robertson, A. P. Rhyne, the latter of Mt. Holly. The State authorities are exceedingly anxious to run down the unknown parties who have been committing outrages and arson in Madison county the past several months, and to this end Governor Kitchin has offered a reward of \$300, which is to supplement a similar reward offered by J. L. Nelson, of Madison county, who is one of the chief sufferers. On December 6 last his premises, including all outhouses and a large quantity

of lumber, were burned, the fire having been of the clearest sort of incendiary origin. It is understood that a number of expert detectives will be interested in the search for the criminals. Solicitor H. E. Norris will have to wait for a week or longer for any reply to his written demand on Superintendent R. L. Davis, of the North Carolina Antislavery League, for his evidence as to the sale of the liquor he so sensationally exhibited in the Auditorium Sunday afternoon as illustrating the flagrant violations of the prohibition law, which he charged are going on here. Superintendent Davis had declined to submit his evidence to Township Constable Byrum, who was sent to Davis for the evidence by Solicitor Norris. The fact that Mr. Davis is in the western part of the State on a temperance lecture trip will necessitate the Norris letter waiting here until his return to Raleigh. Captain Irvin C. Willis. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Franklin, Va., January 31.—Captain Irvin C. Willis died at his home here Monday evening. He was seventy-four years old and leaves a widow and six

children—Mrs. J. R. Knight, Mrs. J. C. Council and Mrs. Sallie Willis Cobb, of this place; Mrs. E. Y. Hoberson and Dr. Irvin Willis, of Norfolk, and J. W. Willis, of Baltimore. He was a Confederate veteran and was captain in command of Company A, Thirteenth Virginia Cavalry, C. S. A. He was killed at the battle of the Wilderness. He was a prominent member of the Masonic fraternity and for many years a member of the Baptist Church. The funeral will be held at the Baptist Church here Wednesday, and his remains will be buried at the cemetery here with ceremonies by the Masons and Confederate veterans. SCHOONERS FREED FROM ICE BY REVENUE CUTTER [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Cape Charles, Va., January 31.—The revenue cutter Apache to-day succeeded in freeing the three oyster schooners and Maryland oyster police schooners and Maryland oyster police schooners from their perilous position in the ice in the Tulee Sound. The vessels were towed to Crisfield by the Apache. The crews were all kept on board from their efforts to keep the ice from cutting through the sides of their boats. The Apache has gone to the relief of other small craft held in the ice in Kedge Straits.

# CABELL MAY GET MARTIN'S PLACE

### Rumored That Taft Wants Him as National Committeeman From Virginia.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, January 31.—From authority which is believed to be reliable, it was learned to-day that something tangible may come from the White House at an early date regarding the question of making Commissioner of Internal Revenue Royal E. Cabell Republican National Committeeman from Virginia in the place of Alvah Martin, of Norfolk. There have been rumors here about this matter for some time. Mr. Cabell was asked a day or two ago if he wished to say anything about it, but he declined to do so, stating that for obvious reasons he would remain silent. To-day, however, it was learned that the President would like to see him succeed Mr. Martin, but there is a feeling that should he be made committeeman it might embarrass the administration. The feeling between Congressman Siemp and Alvah Martin, on one hand, and Commissioner Cabell on the other, is said to be none too good. In addition to it is said that an effort is being made to line up the several officeholders in Virginia for Mr. Cabell, but there are some who are standing out for Mr. Martin. It is almost impossible to get a reliable statement from any source on this subject, but the fact that the White House may have something to say at an early date leads to the belief that there may be an early change in the national committeeman in Virginia, with a resultant shake-up in the G. O. ranks, there is certain to be a contest at the Chicago convention. P. H. McG.

# A Round-Up

Since the Government authorities have begun to "Round Up" a few of the men who have so long brought odium upon the name of honest labor, I have been urged by some editors to publicly define the reasons for my seven years' newspaper campaign on the tyrannies of many Labor Union Leaders. Some men endow colleges. Others build libraries. Both educational. I preferred to devote to newspapers my contributions toward education, warning the people to protect themselves against the greatest, most tyrannical and dangerous trust this country has ever seen.

Especially insidious and dangerous, because its inner plans were not understood by the average citizen, who, seeing no immediate slavery to himself, peacefully followed his own pursuits and blindly allowed the self-seeking Labor Leaders (?) to weave their web stronger as time went on. Not one word in my entire campaign has been uttered against peaceful trade associations. I have only tried to defend the several million honest and law-abiding workmen who protest against the bullying and abuse of those in power.

No one seemed to sympathize with the few thousand widows and orphans of the men murdered while faithfully trying to earn a living under God's permission but against the "orders" of the "Labor Trust." So I tried to present their cause from time to time. The healthy average common citizen is perhaps deserving of at least some of the inconvenience and loss put on him from strikes and other labor leaders' tyranny as a reward for his indifference.

I knew years ago that the plan of this big labor trust was to ultimately gain control over every workman, clerk and employe in the U. S., including farm hands and government employes.

This has been partly accomplished in some localities; then followed acts which clearly show the intent.

First, to harvest initiation fees, sometimes up to \$100.00 each to "join the union." Next, monthly dues. Say \$2,500.00 a month in a town with 10,000 "members" at 25 cents each. Next, "fines" assessed for some infraction of "rules." Then the lash of the slave driver came forth. Orders to strike; what to buy; what not to buy; how to vote; when to parade (to show power); and to contribute from the hard-earned pay envelope for strike benefits to other men forced into idleness pending negotiations between crooked leaders (?) and crooked employers who hire said leaders to call strikes on competitive jobs, thus making the workmen tools, kept idle while the chiefs scrap for control or bribe money.

One of the hardest strokes of the lash is the money forced from members to defend dynamiters, sluggers and murderers when caught. But let an honest workman, who, perchance, has been driven into "the union," dare to disobey one of these "orders" and he is taught a lesson through the slugging or dynamiting committees.

The slavery of the honest American workman is pitiable when "closed shop" full control is obtained by the tyrannical leaders. Now, observe the plan of this gang to govern men and affairs.

"Organize" every trade. Insist on closed shop. Then use the power of numbers to induce government officials to permit organizing all government employes. Some of the oaths defining that the union rules shall "precede Church, State and Family."

Then force Congressmen to pass anti-injunction laws to prevent courts from stopping proposed outrages. Force merchants to hire only "union" clerks and sell only "label" goods. Use union funds to support slugging and dynamiting crew to drive back the protesting ones or "remove" them.

Of course, in carrying out the plan for complete control by the gang, some were caught. Whenever openly exposed the men "higher up" immediately begin to assess members to protect the criminals and always rush into print with loud cries and much mock sentiment about "the brotherhood of man" and the "defense of the wage worker," with such play upon the sympathy of the people they cover their own greed for fees and insane desire to read their names in the papers.

It would be hard to convince the widows of the twenty-one murdered men in the Los Angeles tragedy, and hundreds of others, that their husbands received much benefit from "the defense of the wage worker," nor could they well understand such working of that particular brand of the "brotherhood of man" scheme.

Late events have stripped the lamb's coat from the body of the wolf and shown most clearly the lying deceit and horrible portent underneath, which I have tried time and again to explain to the public.

Men who preferred to work and support their families have been waylaid. Fingers chopped off, with the comforting assurance that "now you can set type if you will." Crow bars and heavy weights dropped on heads. Fathers beaten unconscious and many times crippled for life; little homes blown up and many and many a corpse brought to the destitute family.

These are not "occasional cases." Such crimes run literally into the thousands, and judges and juries have been threatened with death, bribed, and witnesses slugged or put out of the way.

In the Government cases now pending the witnesses must be guarded from the agents of the "Labor Trust" with its tentacles reaching to the most remote corners of our country. Don't permit yourself to be misled by the vapors of sentimental, drooling degenerates who assert that these murders are justified because "society" has oppressed workmen.

In no other country in the world are they paid as high, and as much earnest effort devoted to their welfare. Nor is there as abundant opportunity in any other country in the world for workmen to gain fortunes.

Our great railroads and industries are largely headed by former wage earners. These murders are instigated by that class of men, always in evidence, who hate success. They coolly and cruelly plan and execute assaults and murders to satisfy their own hate and show their power over the slaves who dare protest. The nightly talk of strikes, given in many a union meeting, develops the hate and murderous instinct which waits only for opportunity to carry out.

Take the Los Angeles case as an illustration. The Times had withstood about 16 years of all kinds of attacks, not because its faithful employes were underpaid. They received wages higher than the union scale, but they refused to bow down and place themselves under control of "the gang," hence they were persistently assailed and finally 21 were murdered. These men only asked to be let alone to support their families, but union leaders determined to rule over them, hence the murders.

The whole set-up of the leaders of the great "Labor Trust," the American Federation of Labor, points toward a diabolically adroit plan to secure to those leaders complete control over their own members who dare not protest, and also over all other workmen, legislators, congressmen, merchants and the balance of citizens.

Think it over and you will see in part what the tyranny would be if they were permitted to completely carry out their plans. Now that the facts are known the people can protect themselves by refusing to do any act that would add power to this aggregation. Remember, any act.

When their grip on the throat of honest labor is broken, workmen can either select better leaders, or join some of the law-abiding trade organizations.

I was not driven to write this series of articles by reason of disagreements with my own thousand workmen. No troubles have arisen between us.

They have had fifty-two weeks a year steady work for many years, are a contented, high-grade class, receiving the best wages in Michigan for like service, and protected from the frequent onslaughts of these "Labor Leaders" (?).

Mr. Gompers has repeatedly announced in public that I sought to destroy all organizations of labor. This is in line with his regular habit of distorting facts. I have for a long time been a member of the National Association of Stationary Engineers and the National Trades and Workers Association. These are non-strike and peaceful organizations which negotiate their trade agreements legally, with peace and honor.

I have given to the Trades and Workers Association a \$400,000.00 home for their old members in furtherance of an honest desire to help solve this most important industrial question. In addition, I have offered to contribute a quarter of a million dollars cash to help along a workman's movement, as defined in a letter sent Mr. Gompers Dec. 11th, 1911. Copy herewith.

December 11th, 1911. Mr. Samuel Gompers, Pres., American Federation of Labor, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:— Press reports indicate that you are greatly depressed and harassed by fear and the disrepute brought on your Federation. The query has arisen whether you are big enough to sense the movement of a great Power which guides humanity, and to conclude that the time has arrived when "Labor" should be honestly represented instead of misrepresented.

If the thought of truthful and earnest effort has come, and you honestly desire better conditions for the wage earners, may I tender to you an invitation to come out to Battle Creek for a conference with the President of the Trades and Workers Association, Mr. J. W. Bruce?

If you will permit it, your expenses will be paid from the time you leave Washington until you return. You will be put up at the Sanitarium for a week or ten days' rest and freedom from worry, as a guest, either of the Association or of myself, as you prefer.

When rested, let us consider the new movement for the workmen of America, enlisted under the banner of the National Trades and Workers Association, free from strikes, slugging, picketing, tyranny, fines, dynamiting and murder. Belonging to the American Federation of Labor are hundreds of thousands of self-respecting and law-abiding workmen who are members under pressure, and who deplore the tactics you and your associates have employed and forced upon them.

They want steady employment fifty-two weeks in the year, and do not relish being forced by strikes into idleness pending the "negotiations" between crooked labor leaders seeking bribes and crooked employers who hire said leaders to call strikes on competitive jobs, thus making the workmen tools kept idle while the chiefs scrap for control or bribe money.

You will perhaps reject this proposal, believing that strikes are a necessary weapon to preserve the rights of workmen. But the new way has been in very successful operation over two years and found to have more power than the old way. The honorable Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the National Association of Stationary Engineers and the National Trades and Workers Association perfect trade agreements without strikes, secure the highest wages and yet preserve the respect and esteem of employers and of the members themselves.

Workmen are aroused to resentment from being forced to contribute from their hard earned pay envelopes to defend known sluggers and murderers, and to being heavily fined for not obeying the orders of leaders when they know those leaders are simply using them to insure complete dominion over the daily lives of the American workman.

He seeks to maintain his position as an honest, peaceful citizen and not to be forced to affiliate with and support thugs and murderers. Personally, I have only sincere and open denunciation for the past methods of you and your associates. Nevertheless, if you are ready to join in an earnest and truthful step forward for your members and will accept this invitation in the spirit in which it is given, you will be most welcome, and will be treated with the greatest consideration we are capable of, and in addition I will agree to contribute a quarter of a million dollars in cash to the new movement.

The Trades and Workers now have a splendid \$400,000.00 home to care for their indigent members, and with the addition of the members of the American Federation of Labor and its endowment we can merit the support of the public, all working for the new day of peace with honor in the industrial field. Yours very truly, C. W. POST.

No reply has been received. It seems evident the present Leaders will not accept any offer of industrial peace which takes from them the fees, control of workmen, and curbs their trust methods.

When any combination, either of Capital or Labor, goes outside its own business and attempts to oppress, tyrannize, or forcibly dictate to others, and thereby "restrains trade," it becomes dangerous and should be prosecuted. Talk about restraint of trade.

All the capital trusts in this country couldn't bring about a minus fraction of the loss, inconvenience, misery and crime set in motion by strike conspirators. The time has come when every home-owning patriotic citizen should speak in most unmistakable terms, if liberty is to be preserved. Write President Taft asking when he will apply the law to the Labor Trust as well as the Capital Trusts.

Then write your members of Congress, telling them clearly that you will expect them to protect yourself and other common, everyday citizens by voting down the bills these Labor Trust leaders are pressing to give them more control. One is a bill to prevent courts from issuing restraining orders to stop proposed acts of violence in strikes. Another is to allow labor leaders to restrain trade without being subject to the law.

You are one of a tremendous majority, but you must tell your public officials your needs. Then they can act in your defense. Then question candidates and don't accept any equivocal answers. Insist that trade organizations can be peacefully conducted and that no laws be enacted giving leaders arbitrary control over the masses.

A few of the facts are now known and have been proven true. Many more will follow as the government investigation proceeds. Will you be patriotic and painstaking enough to write, talk and vote for your own safety? My work in the way of public and expensive paid announcements on this subject is done.

There's a Reason, C. W. POST.

# CAUGHT IN BELT, MAN LOSES LIFE

### Body Whirled Around Shafting and Every Bone Is Broken.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Cape Charles, Va., January 31.—A horrible accident occurred at Townsend, near here, this morning, when J. Benjamin Gordy, a prominent young mill owner, was caught in the machinery of his mill, when his clothing became entangled in a belt, and his body was thrown through the roof of the building as he was whirled around the shafting. Every bone in his body was broken, and he died instantly. The father of the young man had recently presented the sawmill and machinery to his son as a wedding gift. He was the father of a one-week-old child. He was twenty-four years of age. J. M. Smith, about thirty years of age, a citizen of Newport News, was taken into custody here this morning by Sergeant James Taylor while wandering aimlessly about the town. It is believed Smith boarded the Norfolk express train in some Northern city, and, after arriving here, became bewildered. When taken in charge by the officer he was in a dazed condition, and did not seem conscious of his whereabouts. His friends have been notified, and he will be sent to his home as soon as he recovers. Gordonville Social. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Gordonsville, Va., January 31.—J. A. Langhorne, of Albemarle, was a week-end guest of W. W. Osborne at Lower Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Clark S. Mullin spent several days last week with Mr. Mullin's mother, Mrs. E. B. Sampson, at Maywood. Vaughn Jones, of Petersburg, was a Springfield guest this week. Charles E. Russell, of Charlottesville, spent a few days this week at "Montebella," the home of Mrs. B. S. Brant. Miss Mary Wamhesse is spending

# TROUBLE IN RUSSIAN CHURCH

### Czar Denishes Bishop and Priest for Insubordination.

St. Petersburg, January 31.—By order of the Emperor and the Holy Synod the recalcitrant Bishop Hermogenes has been dismissed from Saratov. He was exiled to the Shirovitskiy Monastery, near the Czar's residence, for persistent insubordination in refusing to depart for Saratov in spite of repeated imperial synodical orders. Simultaneously, the sacristan, priest Heliodorus, the abbot of Tarsitsy, has been exiled to a remote monastery in the Caucasus for insubordination in stirring up the cause of Hermonogenes. Heliodorus was the cause of fanatical scenes in Tarsitsy in February, 1911, when the whole Greek Catholic parish became frenzied at his transfer by the Holy Synod to the Diocese of Viatka, decided to starve themselves unless the priest was restored to his position. The Emperor intervened and Heliodorus was permitted to remain in his own diocese.

The present sensational developments closely followed the dismissal of a priest from membership in the Holy Synod for a strongly worded telegram to His Majesty protesting against heretical innovations, among which he named the Order of Denmark, the Grand Duke's Elizabeth, widow of Grand Duke Sergius, and the assassinating of the Czar's daughter, the Princess Tatiana, in Moscow. Hermonogenes for the last week has been in the city, and a terrible storm of protest has been raised by his supporters. They initiated a movement for the immediate convocation of a church council to deal with the innovative reforms, among which were the reformation of the patriarchy, the formation of a new constitution, and the elimination of the regular clergy over the secular.

The fall and disgrace of Hermonogenes and Heliodorus, who in the past have been able to defy the ecclesiastical authorities in the state, are ascribed to antagonism on the part of Gregory Gorbunin, who is believed to be a prominent influence at the court. The reigning Emperor is a devotee of Rasputin.

# ATTITUDE OF STUDENTS.

### Resolutions Opposing Early-Rison Bill Adopted by Vote of 108 to 72.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Charlottesville, Va., January 31.—A mass-meeting of the students of the university, called by L. A. Johnson, president of the law class, was held in Cabell Hall yesterday evening. The resolutions adopted by the students, appointed yesterday for the purpose, declared against the Early-Rison bill and represented that they were adopted by the voice of the student body in a mass-meeting assembled. Speeches for the resolution were followed by remarks in opposition. The point was raised that 270 men could not be justly defined as the student body of the university, and the resolutions were amended to remove this objection. It was decided further that the resolutions should contain the actual count of votes for and against. This was done as a fair precaution to prevent any belief on the part of the public that a majority of the matriculates of the university had taken part in the meeting and to show precisely the number voting and how they voted. The resolutions as amended were adopted by a vote of 108 to 72.

One real objection of the students appeared to be that co-ordination was impracticable, and that in effort at economy, which was one of the arguments for the university as the site of the woman's college, would carry its advocates to coeducation, because it would be cheaper than co-ordination. Another main objection was that the Early-Rison bill did not in terms forbid coeducation.

Weatherford—Jenning. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Charlottesville, Va., January 31.—A beautiful home marriage was celebrated at the home of Captain and Mrs. E. F. Lockett this morning at 11:30 o'clock, when their niece, Miss Hester Jennings, became the bride of Benjamin Weatherford. The parlors were decorated in noisette plants and cut flowers. The bride was attended by her bridesmaid, Fulton Mathews, as matron of honor. The groom was attended by his best man, Fulton Mathews. The ushers were H. P. Bradshaw, of Richmond; W. E. Ellett, Harvey Hubbard, Albert Clay and Upton Giles, of Charlottesville. Rev. M. R. Cooper performed the ceremony, and Mrs. Willie Robertson played the wedding march, Miss Madeline Jenkins sang "Oh, Promise Me."

The out-of-town guests were Mrs. Marie Skelton, of Petersburg; R. S. Lockett, of Petersburg; Mrs. Paul Rutledge, of Formosa; Howard Weatherford, of Richmond; Mrs. P. Bradshaw and Mrs. Lou Jennings, of Rice. Ill Health Cause of Suicide. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, Va., January 31.—According to a private letter received here from John B. Chewning, formerly a resident of Lynchburg, committed suicide Sunday in St. Louis by taking carbolic acid. He left a letter in which he gave his health as the cause of his death to die. He is survived by a number of relatives in Lynchburg.

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[Continued From First Page.] material on the ground by the time the site can be cleared and the proper excavations made. Built by Richmond Enterprise. Colonel John Murphy is one of the most progressive and widely known citizens of Richmond. After distinguished service in the Confederate Army, he began business in a small way on the corner where he now proposes to erect a mammoth hotel, and his success has since been continuous. He is now one of the largest owners of property in that section of the city, and has been active in every movement for the upbuilding of Richmond. O'Byrhim—Houtchard. Fredericksburg, Va., January 31.—Robert O'Byrhim and Miss Irene Houtchard, both of Stafford county, came here and went to the residence of Rev. Deatur Edwards, who united the couple in marriage. They will reside in Stafford county.

# AUGUST BELMONT SENDS \$500 TO S. A. L. ENGINEER

Raleigh, N. C., January 31.—August Belmont, of New York, has sent \$500 to W. R. Bishop, of Raleigh, engineer of the Seaboard Air Line train, who was injured in the wreck recently at McKinnon, Va. Mr. Belmont was on the train in his private car, and says that his courage in sticking to his post prevented great loss of life.

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