

## 125,000 WORKERS WILL STRIKE ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Members of Unions Affiliated  
With Carmen Ratify Call  
To Walkout  
**MAYOR MITCHELL AND  
OFFICIALS CRITICIZED**  
Labor Leaders Assert 600,000  
Will Be Involved in General  
Strike in N. Y.

New York, Sept. 22.—Delegates to the Central Federated Union, representing 125,000 workers in allied trades, voted unanimously to ratify the strike called for next Wednesday by union labor leaders. This action followed a similar step taken several days ago by the representatives of 200,000 members of the United Hebrew trades.

The vote was taken after the delegates had heard a report from the conference of labor leaders, which authorized the call and speeches in favor of a general suspension of work. Among the trades represented at the meeting were bakers, milk wagon drivers, and several branches of the garment industry. It was announced that the cutters in the ladies tailoring trade have authorized their officers to call them out. This will mean it is said that 60,000 dressmakers and ladies tailors will be unable to work because of the lack of cutters. Many women from the garment industry were present and took part in the speeches and in the vote.

**Criticism Mayor And Others.**  
Ernest Bohm, secretary of the Central Federated Union, one of the speakers, criticized the action of the police, the attitude of Mayor Mitchell and the Public Service Commission.

"We must take up the cudgels with these men," Bohm said. "We are fighting a fight that is not merely local, or state, but one which is a national fight for trade-unionism and the right to organize."

Organized workers in virtually every industry in Greater New York were formally called on today to cease work at 8 o'clock next Wednesday morning in sympathy with striking transaction employees. Labor leaders assert 600,000 men and women are involved.

The call was embodied in resolutions adopted at a conference of labor leaders, representing the Federated bodies in all the bureaus of the city as well as many national and international unions. Of the eighty unions in the city, represented, it was said some already had voted in favor of a strike. The call, it was said, would be issued not only to organized workers in New York but also to those in Westchester county, in which the cities of Yonkers, New Rochelle and Mt. Vernon are situated, and would extend throughout a wide range of industries.

**Announcement of Walkout.**  
Hugh Frayne, New York State organizer of the American Federation of Labor, announced the determination to call the sympathetic walkout in the following announcement:

"It was decided by unanimous vote of the eighty unions of Greater New York and vicinity that there shall be a general suspension of all trades and industries in Greater New York and vicinity, the same to commence Wednesday, September 27, at 8 a. m."

Officers of several international unions attended the conference. Mr. Frayne said. Among those was T. V. O'Connor, of Buffalo, President of the International Longshoremen's organization.

William B. Fitzgerald, general organizer of the Amalgamated Association of Street Electric Railway employees, in charge of the traction strike, represented the carmen at the conference.

## MINNEAPOLIS PIONEER DIES IN FLOUR CITY

Minneapolis, Sept. 22.—Samuel C. Foley, 88 years old, for more than fifty years a resident of Minneapolis and one of the founders of the Minneapolis Public Library, died here today at his home. He was one of the oldest living graduates of Yale College, being a member of the class of 1854.

**JAMESTOWN CHAUTAUQUA BOOSTERS FACE DEFICIT DUE TO RAIN**  
Jamestown, N. D., Sept. 22.—Because of the storms which wrecked buildings and tents and because of bad weather conditions in general which kept away attendance, the Chautauqua association will carry a deficit for the season of 1916. At the business meeting held yesterday at Spiritwood lake, it was disclosed that considering the weather conditions the organization did reasonably well.

## Do Police Cover Up Failures by Use of Third Degree Methods?



MRS. ELIZABETH NICHOLS

Wealthy widow whose death occurred during robbery and man who may be freed from Sing Sing.

## New Arrest in Famous Nichols Case May Cause Release of Man Serving Life Term in Sing Sing.

BY K. W. PAYNE.  
New York, Sept. 22.—Use of the "black jack" and other third degree methods on suspects to cover failure of the police to solve crime mysteries is charged as the result of new developments in the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols in her palatial home here.

Arthur Waltonen, arrested at Ironwood, Mich., is said by the police to have confessed implication in the case, while Onni Talas, a frail, young boy, lies in a life imprisonment cell at Sing Sing, having been convicted of murder.

"A human life offered up in sacrifice to police inefficiency," said Charles E. LeBarbier, attorney for Talas, today, describing the case.

Mrs. Nichols, clad in silks, was found dead one evening a year ago. Jewels valued at \$17,000 had been stripped from her body.

Talas, pantry boy in the Nichols home, was arrested. On the witness once butler in Mrs. Nichols' house, entered the house, intimidated him at the point of a revolver, bound him hand and foot and left him in a different part of the house from where the body was found.

Talas, frail in body and mind, broke down and wept as he told his story. He stated that detectives, after the escape of the real culprit, took him into a room next where the body of Mrs. Nichols lay, beat him, twisted his arms, hit him with blackjacks and otherwise tortured him for 12 hours. He said he was so enfeebled he had not the will to oppose longer the demand for a confession.

And yet, with this alleged confession in the possession of the state, the most that was charged against Talas was that he had admitted Waltonen and his companions to the Nichols home, knowing they intended to commit burglary.

Talas was sentenced to the electric chair. A month ago Gov. Whitman commuted the sentence to life imprisonment.

When Waltonen was arrested at Ironwood, Mich., a pursuit which involved flight through Canada and a hairbreadth escape in the snows of Alaska, came to a sudden end!

Friends of Talas expect the boy to be freed as a result of the confession Waltonen is said by the police to have made.

## BANK STANDS PAT FOR NEATNESS; PRETTYMAN REPLACED BY TIDYMAN

The First National bank of Garrison is building a reputation for the placing of especial emphasis on neatness.  
Recently Mr. Prettyman resigned. The bank officials were not satisfied until they secured Mr. Tidyman to take his place.  
Now the officials are busy receiving congratulations on the strict manner in which they have adhered to their policy.



OWENY TALAS

## NOMINEE SPENDS BUSY DAY ON HIS SECOND BIG TOUR

Hughes Reaches South Bend, Ind., Almost Minus His Voice

## GREAT OVATIONS GREET HIM ON ALL SIDES

South Bend, Ind., Sept. 22.—Charles E. Hughes reached South Bend tonight at the end of his busiest day, almost minus his voice. He spent it in twelve speeches along the way and talked to his audience here tonight at times in a hoarse whisper. Utterly wearied, tired, and worn by the day's exertions, which included shaking of thousands of Indiana hands, the nominee faced a large audience here for his chief speech of the day.

During the day he took the program into his own hands and fashioned it anew to make it include a speech at every stopping place. At most of these places it had been arranged that he would say only a few words, but the big crowds that greeted him with cheers and applause every few minutes harkened him and he talked. His doctor stood beside him at almost every station and applied throat sprays freely between talks, but his voice was frayed and ragged long before he reached South Bend. Once, at Mrs. Hughes' suggestion, Charles W. Farnham, manager of the tour, tugged at the nominee's coat to signal him to stop, but Mr. Hughes with an emphatic gesture signified he intended to finish his address.

The nominee's private car was besieged all day by local reception committees. They came by hundreds to ride a station or two and then drop off.

When he reached South Bend tonight Mr. Hughes went to the meeting place at once—his train was half an hour late—and there discussed the Adamson law, the Mexican situation, the protective tariff, Americanism, Protection of American rights and extravagance of the administration.

## FRED KOSKI COMMITTED TO THE STATE ASYLUM

Fred Koski, a Russian, captured Thursday night by Night Captain Martineson near the stockyards, was taken yesterday morning by D. J. McGillis, state transportation agent, to Jamestown. Before he was transported, however, he did considerable damage to the furniture in his cell at the county jail.

## DESPERADO WHO SHOT TEACHER IS STILL AT LARGE

Miss Olga Dahl, Shot Wednesday by Desperate Criminal, Expected to Recover

## POSSE STILL SEARCH WOODS FOR VILLIAN

Intricate Operation Performed by Dr. John Koch May Save Girl's Life

Bemidji, Minn., Sept. 22.—With prospects for her recovery greatly improved, Miss Olga Dahl, the rural school teacher of Good Hope township, Itasca county, who was attacked and shot twice late Wednesday near her school, was resting easily tonight, following an operation, in which the two bullets were recovered from her head.

Over the countryside, where flickering torches and lanterns marked the progress of the posse of more than 200 men, searching for the young woman's assailant, the report that she probably would recover was greeted with cheers.

Every wood and every swamp of Good Hope township is being systematically scrutinized and in adjacent townships a sharp lookout for the fugitive is being maintained. This vigilance has been extended to towns many miles from the scene of the crime, as evidenced today, when three suspects were arrested in Bemidji. They were released after establishing an alibi.

Late this afternoon, Miss Dahl, who is 23 years old, had been unconscious ever since she was found, Thursday afternoon, lashed to a tree near her school. It was at the farm home of Henry Kortl, to which she was immediately taken, that the operation was performed late today by Dr. John Koch of Blackduck.

The girl regained consciousness shortly after the operation, but was unable to give more than a general description of her assailant. He was of medium height and dressed in dark clothes. Other persons had seen him late Wednesday in the vicinity of the little school house.

## NORTHWOOD WOMAN, 97 YEARS OLD, DIES

Northwood, N. D., Sept. 22.—Ellen Sorenson, aged 97 years, died at the Old People's Home. She came to this country about 38 years ago, and made her home with her eldest daughter in Wisconsin, until about a year and a half ago, when this daughter, died, and she came to Northwood, N. D., and entered the Old People's Home here. Her husband passed away about 30 years ago. She is survived by three children, Mrs. J. J. Runsvold of this city being one of these.

## DARLING RESIGNS AS CHIEF N. P. ENGINEER

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 22.—W. L. Darling, chief engineer, Northern Pacific railroad, has resigned. He will leave the company October 1.

H. E. Stevens, former bridge engineer for the company, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Darling.

Mr. Darling has been with the Northern Pacific road for many years and was one of the most prominent road construction experts in the country. He probably will carry on his profession privately.

Mr. Stevens has been in the employ of the road for a number of years. His headquarters will be in St. Paul.

## EMBDEN STATION AGENT MAY HAVE PARALYSIS

Fargo, N. D., Sept. 22.—A. Twilide, Northern Pacific station agent at Embden, is ill with a malady that doctors believe is infantile paralysis. As a result, the school of the village has been closed for an indefinite period.

Twilide was taken ill last Friday and yesterday he became partially paralyzed in the lower limbs. No doctor was called until Monday morning, when Dr. Horace Clark of Wheatland was consulted. He expressed the opinion last evening that it was a case of the plague.

The decision to close the school was made yesterday morning. The teachers, Miss Martha Brink and Miss Victoriana Hedland, returned to Fargo last evening.

## I. W. W.'S Ejected From N. P. Freight Train Start a Rifle Fight; Three Men Wounded

Lewiston, Mont., Sept. 22.—Three men were wounded seriously today in a rifle fight in Judith Gap, 45 miles southwest of here, with a band of 30 men who had been ejected from a Great Northern freight train. About 50 shots were exchanged.

The men began shooting when they were thrown off the train at Judith Gap station. Citizens armed themselves and hastened to the aid of the

## INVESTIGATION OF EIGHT-HOUR LAW EXPLAINED

Rail Heads Tell Purpose of Probe Into the Adamson Measure

## DISSATISFACTION IS EVIDENT ALREADY

Questions of Legal Nature Will Be Looked Into by Counsel for R. R.

New York, Sept. 22.—A statement issued today on behalf of the railway executives advisory committee, representing the railroads affected by the Adamson eight hour law, explained the purpose of its investigation put under way with a view to meeting the problems presented.

"The object is to ascertain, if possible; first, the effect of the law as a practicable operating problem, and second, its legal status."

The first of these inquiries is being pursued, it was stated, by the managers of the roads, through the National Conference committee of the railroads of which Elisha Lee is chairman. A study of the legal questions has been referred to the counsel of the various roads for future investigation and future "consideration."

"There is today, as there was on the day of its passage," the executives' statement says, "great concern and great dissatisfaction with the so-called eight hour act, both in principle and in manner of its enactment. There has been no change of feeling on these points, nor, indeed, could there be in the light of facts. There are various questions of policy, aside from those of operating or legal nature which must be decided. If the railway executives, on advice of counsel, should conclude that the law is invalid or even unfair, they must first consider what it is to be their attitude to their shareholders in the matter of its enforcement. They must also consider their duty to the public in asking for an increase in railroad rates as suggested by the administration. The matter must be decided, whether or not, under the so-called eight hour law, they must require men who now work less than eight hours to give a full eight hours' service. These and other questions of policy are all to be considered before decision or action."

## THE STAFF OF LIFE GOES UP AT VALLEY CITY

Valley City, N. D., Sept. 22.—The price of bread and other bakery products advanced here today. The 12-ounce loaf is now selling for six cents and 24-ounce loaf for twelve, with other products advanced accordingly.

The advance in prices here follows a similar advance by the bakers of Fargo, Grand Forks and other points, and is attributed to the high cost of flour and other material used in baking.

## NORTH DAKOTA GROWS FINE JAPANESE MILLET

A beautiful sample of Japanese millet received yesterday by the state department of agriculture and labor from the First National Bank of Ashley demonstrates that North Dakota can produce good stock feed even if the wheat crop is light. It was 5 feet tall and had well-formed heavy seed heads. It was grown by Karl Bauman.

Mrs. M. S. Pye and daughter, Miss Erma of Los Angeles, Cal., who are visiting in Mankato, were passengers on a gasoline car on the Chicago, Great Western road, when it went over a 14-foot embankment, seven miles out of Mankato. Fourteen were injured, including Mrs. Pye and daughter, but none are seriously hurt. The accident was caused by spreading of the rails.

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Mrs. Pye and daughter, who are former residents of the Capital City, visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tatley of the Grand Pacific the first part of September. The extent of their injuries were not learned.

## VILLA'S PART IN BANDIT ATTACK STILL UNKNOWN

Whether or Not Mexican Chief Is Still a Government Factor or Doubtful

## OTHER LEADERS ARE BLAMED FOR RAID

Washington, Sept. 22.—Whether Francisco Villa again has become a factor in the military situation in northern Mexico remained a question of considerable doubt tonight, despite a week's effort of the state and war departments in trying to determine the part Villa took in the Chihuahua incident last week.

Secretary Baker let it be known that war department officials do not regard as conclusive the report transmitted yesterday by Brigadier General Bell, saying Villa led the Chihuahua City attack in person, and the Mexican embassy announced receipt of official advice declaring Villa was not in the attacking force. The embassy's report came from General Trevino, commander of the attacked garrison.

"The resurrection of Villa is not true," said Ambassador Arredondo tonight. "The attack on Chihuahua City was made by a combination of juntas antagonistic to the government."

Mr. Arredondo's belief that the attack was the work of followers of several leaders is shared by many army officers. Accounts of the fight generally have described the assailants as "Villistas," but this term has grown to be employed in a general, rather than a specific sense, in Mexico and along the border.

## GEN. HAIG LEADS BRITISH FORCES TOWARD BAPAUME

Allies Again Assume Offensive on 'Somme Front in France

## RENEW ATTEMPTS TO CAPTURE COMBLES

Serbs and French Continue to Make Progress in Macedonia Theatre

LONDON, Sept. 22.—On the Somme front in France, the French and British forces again have taken the offensive and have been rewarded with additional gains. General Haig's men made progress toward Bapaume while General Foch's soldiers, who apparently had begun another effort to eject the Germans from Combles, and north of the Somme, also met with success.

After checking German attacks southeast of Combles between the Lepriez farm and Rancourt, the end of the French part of the Entente line, which almost encircles the town, the French undertook local operations on the outskirts of Combles itself. An organized and defended house was attacked and taken. In these enterprises 140 prisoners were taken.

General Haig's troops straightened out their line between Martinpuch and Flers, a distance of about one mile, by taking two of the German trenches.

It was announced officially in Paris that the number of prisoners taken by the Anglo-French forces on the Somme from July 1 to September 18 amounted to more than 55,800. Of these, 34,650 fell into the hands of the French. Berlin reports no activity on the whole of the western front.

## Reports Conflict. German and Rumanian reports as to the progress or results of the battle on the Dubradia conflict. In contradiction of the announcement from Bucharest that the forces of the Central Powers were falling back, Berlin declares that Field Marshal Von Mackensen has, by an encircling movement, broken the resistance of the Rumanians and Russians and compelled them to retreat. Berlin says strong Rumanian forces were repulsed southwest of Toprali Farl, 14 miles southwest of Constanza, on the Black sea coast.

**Victory For Russians.**  
Berlin and Vienna admit a reverse in the Carpathians in the Russian capture of the summit of Smotrec height, which previously had changed hands many times, but declare Russian attacks in Volhynia and southern Bukovina were checked. Near Lutsk, in Volhynia, the Germans repulsed the Russians in attacks, and captured many guns and machine guns, according to Berlin, and in the region of Dorna Watra, on the border of Bukovina and Roumania, attacks were frustrated.

**Serbs and French Progress.**  
Serbian and French troops continue to make progress in western Macedonia.

An Entente transport and a French submarine have fallen victims to a German submarine and an Austrian aeroplane, respectively.

British warships have been bombarding Bulgarian positions near the mouth of the Struma river in Macedonia.

## SPEAKS IN ELEVEN CALIFORNIA CITIES

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 22.—On a swing thru eleven southern California cities today that began and ended in the only congressional district in the U. S. represented by a Prohibitionist, J. Frank Hanly, the Prohibition candidate for President, urged the selection of representatives on his party ticket as a wise political move for any community. "They will be certain of better committee assignments than either new democrats or republicans because of the probable closeness of the coming House," he said.

## MASKED BANDITS ROB TRANSIENTS

New Rockford, N. D., Sept. 22.—Three transients riding on a Great Northern freight train from Minot to this city were robbed by two masked men. Henry Moll and Fred Price, both white, lost a few dollars, while a negro lost considerable cash. The robbers compelled their victims to quit the train, but they jumped on again and rode through to this city.

## FLAX FIELD WILL NET OWNER \$30 AN ACRE

Jamestown, N. D., Sept. 22.—An eighty-acre flax field owned by Willie Christ, living near New Rockford, has yielded 1,225 bushels of flax, which will net him about \$30 an acre.