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"SCAB" OPERATORS MAY JOIN STRIKE

Those in Chicago Said to Be Forming Union to Fight Incompetent Employes

NOTICE TO BROKERAGE FIRMS

Given Until This Afternoon to Accede to Demands—No Material Change in the General Situation—No Progress Made in Efforts to Bring About Peace.

Chicago, Aug. 19.—Those among the scab operators who can work wires have organized a union and are preparing to join the strike of the other union operators, because the so-called "dubs" who cannot work the wires get the same wages as themselves. The strikers say the tie-up is now complete, and the telegraph companies are using the "suit case method of sending messages from town to town.

Chicago, Aug. 19.—A committee of strikers of the telegraphers today visited the brokerage firms which have not signed the scale demanded by the union and gave them until 1 p. m. to accede to the union demands or have a strike.

Many messenger boys of the Western Union and Postal companies returned to work today. There were no material developments in the general strike situation today. Both sides report conditions as satisfactory to them. No progress is being made in the direction of peace.

Chicago, Aug. 19.—The leased wire operators in six brokerage houses where the union scale was refused, were called out late in the day.

New York, Aug. 19.—R. C. Clowry, president of the Western Union, said today that "normal conditions have been resumed. The telegraphers' strike is altogether a thing of the past."

FOR "HONORABLE" ADJUSTMENT

Gompers, Mitchell and Keefe Entrusted to Bring it About.

Washington, Aug. 19.—President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor today reported to the executive council of the federation that he, John Mitchell of Indianapolis, and Daniel J. O'Keefe of Detroit, had been entrusted by union labor with an attempt to bring about an "honorable" adjustment of the telegraphers' strike at an opportune time. Gompers was asked when he thought the time would be ripe, and replied that he could not say.

BOTH SIDES SEE GAINS.

Companies Expect Stampedes of Strikers for Old Jobs.

Chicago, Aug. 19.—Important developments in the strike of commercial telegraphers are looked for today by both disputants.

Confident the strike has spent its force and that the turning point has been reached the telegraph companies look for a stampedes of the strikers to regain their former positions.

Cheered by the reports they have received from the various cities affected the strike leaders, the telegraph companies prepared to prosecute the fight more vigorously than ever.

According to advices received at union headquarters the messenger boys and check clerks in New York are scheduled to go out today. Broker firms are expected to sign contracts with their operators or suffer the consequences of a walk-out.

Three hundred operators employed by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company through the southwest may be called out before night unless a five per cent increase in wages is granted. That is one of the trump cards which president Small expects to play. If the order is issued it will isolate Chicago from the rest of the country so far as telephonic communication is concerned.

A local representative of the company was surprised last night to hear of the contemplated strike and said he understood the whole matter had been settled by officials in New York. He declared he understood the settlement applied to the operators employed by the company throughout the country as well as in the Chicago office.

More important is the contemplated plan of the strike leader to call out the cable operators, which would isolate America from the rest of the world. It is admitted that this coup is not likely to materialize. The strike leaders themselves doubt their ability to tie up the cable service at the most important points.

The board of directors of the associated Press meets in New York today, when it is expected that terms of settlement will be discussed. General Manager Stone has asked for a conference with the former employees of the association on the eastern circuits, but the men have been advised by President Small to make no settlement that does not include all the operators of the country.

At the Chicago offices of the Associated Press last night it was said that an early morning wire brought the information that Spokane, Seattle, Walla Walla and Tacoma had been connected by thru wires with San Francisco and Salt Lake and that the entire far western division again was "open" and working on point with the other.

Federation Votes Aid.

Without a dissenting voice the Chicago Federation of Labor voted moral and financial support to the telegraphers and committees will be selected during the week to visit local unions and ask for voluntary contributions.

President Small and his colleagues were greeted with cheers when they took the floor at the meeting of the federation. None of the speakers asked for financial aid at this time but said that in all probability they would have to do so soon.

"We are going to start now," said President Small, "and begin raising a fund which we hope will reach \$2,000,000 within sixty days. We feel that with a campaign of education we can show the labor unions of the country the conditions under which the telegraph operators were compelled to work and that they will contribute liberally to our strike fund.

"It is your fight as well as ours. We do not expect to stand in the background and let you bear the brunt of the battle, but we do expect you to stand behind us. Our people are fighting hard. We couldn't get them back to work at this well admit that we are in the position of most unions when they go on a strike, we haven't got a big defense fund.

"At the next convention of the American Federation of Labor we will propose a plan to raise a gigantic defense fund of from \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000 to be held in reserve to aid any union engaged in a fight for a just cause. If employers knew we had such a fund behind us they would not force us into many strikes."

Wesley Russell, general secretary of the telegraphers' organization, said that reports received from 100 local unions showed 91 per cent had struck.

TWENTY INJURED ON C. M. & ST. P.

Passenger Train Goes Into Ditch Near Keystone, With Disastrous Results

TWO OF INJURED WILL DIE

Passenger Train No. 3 Hits Handcar and is Derailed—Trainmen All Injured, Besides Bridgemen Enroute to Rhodes—Three Passengers Also Hurt.

Special to Times-Republican.

Tama, Aug. 19.—Physicians were summoned from Tama this forenoon to assist in caring for the injured in a disastrous wreck that occurred on the Milwaukee road near Keystone, a small town thirty miles east of here, in Benton county. The report that reached here said that several people had been fatally hurt and a score injured, but the names of the dead could not be obtained from this point.

The wrecked train was a westbound passenger, due into Tama at 7:20 a. m. The train was a few minutes late, and was running at a high rate of speed when it left the track and went off an embankment eight or ten feet in height.

LATER DETAILS.

Two Trainmen Fatally Injured and Fifteen Others Seriously Injured.

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Tama, Aug. 19.—Some of the passengers on the wrecked Milwaukee train have arrived here from Keystone. They bring news that fifteen people were injured in the wreck, two of whom will die. They are not expected to survive the day. Both those fatally hurt are trainmen, one of them being mail clerk Myers.

The wrecked train was No. 3. Just east of town the engine struck a handcar, and the wreckage of the latter went under the wheels, throwing the engine and four cars from the track. The mail car rolled over and over until it entirely cleared the right of way. The engineer and fireman were both injured. The fireman being in a serious condition. Among the injured were a number of brigemen in the employ of the company, who were enroute to Rhodes, and one expressman. The baggage man and one expressman were badly injured. Mail clerk Hutchinson, of Toledo, escaped injury.

Three passengers riding in the smoking car were among the injured, but the passengers in the other cars, except the trainmen, were able to escape. The train was in charge of Conductor Lund, of Omaha.

SECTION CREW TO BLAME.

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Cedar Rapids, Aug. 19.—Twenty people were injured, five of them very seriously, in a wreck on the main line of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway half a mile east of Keystone a few minutes before 7 o'clock this morning, when passenger train No. 3, west-bound, ran into a handcar at a switch. All but three of the cars left the track.

The disaster took place on a grade twenty feet high. The fact that the engine remained on the grade was all that saved a wholesale slaughter of the passengers. The handcar, which caused the trouble, it is said had no business on the track. The section boss, who was hard of hearing, had a number of foreigners with him. It is understood, they saw the passenger train coming, but thought they could reach a side-track in plenty of time. But in this they failed and when one of the wheels on the hand car got caught in the frog, the entire gang got scared and ran for their lives, the passenger train dashing into it at full speed.

List of Injured.

Express Messenger C. T. McElwain, fracture of a rib, puncture of the lungs and condition very serious.

Postal Clerk F. C. Meyers, scalp wound and other severe injuries; condition serious.

Baggage man Deland, six scalp wounds and probably a fracture at the base of the skull; condition serious.

Conductor F. W. Stockton, seriously injured; head wound from Marion, seriously injured.

David Reynolds, Marion, bridge carpenter, badly cut on the right leg above the knee; had abrasion of the left knee.

Fireman Frank Michael, badly scalded on left leg.

Karl Mershon, Olin, probably internally injured; condition quite serious.

Harry Steinberg, news agent, severely bruised.

William Jaynes, Marion, slightly.

John Machinen, Dubuque, slightly.

Adolph Johnson, Marion, foreman bridge gang, bad injury to the right leg.

Uraio Robinson, James, Mo., painfully bruised.

Frank Jalous, Oxford Junction, slightly bruised.

William Jaynes, Marion, slightly.

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THE MORRIS CHAIR GETS INTO COURT

Big Fight in Prospect Between Patentees of Devices on Popular Piece of Furniture

MANUFACTURERS INTERESTED

Federal Court to be Scene of Great Battle Over Rights to Make—Attorney General Makes Important Ruling on Legal Indebtedness of Iowa Cities—Capital News.

Special to Times-Republican.

Des Moines, Aug. 19.—The federal court of this state is to see a big fight over the patents on the Morris chair. Depositions are now being taken at the law office of Orwig & Lane in this city, and the federal court probably at the next term will hear the case. A. Clinton, Iowa, furniture factory is vitally interested in the outcome of the suit, for it proposes to manufacture the chairs under contract.

The Morris chair, which proved popular and has given comfort to millions of weary souls, originally had no patent. It was invented for its simplicity, and the back of the chair was adjustable by the person seated in it getting up and going around behind the chair to remove a cross bar that rested in notches in a back extension of the arms.

But American genius was not content with the arrangement, and as far back as 1887 a patent was taken out on a device for adjusting the back without the person seated getting up. Since then there have been many patents on various forms of the device. Kelly Bros. secured a patent on a device such that the person seated in the chair had only to brace himself and push back and the back would adjust itself. There were no levers or anything of the kind, and the back would move forward, and the seat would move what moved forward. If a person was reclining in the chair he had but to sit up and the back would come up to him.

Then Henry Lannigan improved this by securing the same results, but with the objectionable feature of the seat moving forward or backward when the back of the chair was adjusted. Kelly Bros. claim that this is an infringement on their patent, and that is what the fight is about. Big Grand Rapids, Mich., furniture factories are awaiting the outcome of the suit, for they are under contract to manufacture the Lannigan chair if it is in his favor. Western furniture manufacturers, one in Clinton, Iowa, and others farther west, are interested in the same way. The suit may be heard before Judge Smith McPherson in this city, and in the trial of the case the entire history of the making of the Morris chair is being dug up. An old gentleman in Michigan, who got out of the first patents, in 1887, has been located, and his testimony forms part of the evidence in the suit.

By the state laying its own cement sidewalks about the state house it has managed to save some money. The work has cost the state eight cents a square foot, whereas the usual price in Des Moines is ten and a half. There is about \$600 left over of the appropriation for that purpose. Some of the granite for the replacing of the east steps to the state house have arrived and the work will be started soon after the state fair is over.

The new warehouse erected by the state back of the power plant on Grand avenue is completed and the stock of paper and other state property is being moved into it. It will be possible for the state to next make some additional room in the first house by moving out the document room under the secretary of state to the front part of the power house which will be vacated by the paper stock being moved to the new warehouse.

The work of remodeling the rooms in the basement of the state house has progressed sufficiently so that the board of parole will occupy its rooms in the east wing of the basement next Friday.

W. L. Eaton, state railroad commissioner, has again been interviewed. He is on his return trip from California and was seen the other day in Elsbet, Arizona, where he stopped off for a few days to visit former Iowa friends. In his interview in Bisbee he told the reporters that there is not the slightest danger of Iowa going for either Taft or Fairbanks. He said that both of these gentlemen had been in Iowa and the state did not warm up to them a little bit. He said the state first of all is for Roosevelt, and if Roosevelt declines to accept the Iowa delegation it will be for Cummins, hastening to say that Cummins will not be a candidate and will not be nominated, as his place is in the senate. He furthermore intimated his belief that Cummins is likely to have no serious opposition for the senate, as there is every likelihood that Allison will not run.

According to an opinion rendered from the office of the attorney general's office the law as to the limit of indebtedness of cities and municipalities does not include indebtedness that is provided for by special levy or taxation. The limit of five per cent of the taxable property applies only to general indebtedness and bonded indebtedness and does not include such things as loan warrants and street improvements, the

TAFAT AT COLUMBUS

Secretary's Speech Tonight Will Be Opening Gun in His Campaign for Presidential Nomination—Welcome is Elaborate.

GOLF BALL BREAKS LEG.

Congressman Wagner's Faulty Stroke Injures His Partner.

Norris-town, Pa., Aug. 19.—Congressman Irving P. Wagner made a new record in golf while playing on the links of the Links Golf club, when he had the misfortune to break the ankle of his partner, William H. Dixon, of Philadelphia with a golf ball.

The game was proceeding pleasantly and when the seventh tee was reached Mr. Dixon walked a few feet away as the congressman prepared to make a drive.

Mr. Wagner is a strong man and he hit the ball a vigorous blow. But his stroke was faulty and the little gutta-percha sphere took a different direction than was expected and struck Mr. Dixon on the ankle. He fell to the grass from the sharp pain and did not attempt to rise.

A physician who happened to be on the grounds went to Mr. Dixon's assistance and found that the bone of the leg had been broken by the impact of the ball.

MANUFACTURERS MEET.

Plans Being Perfected for Organization of Employers in Federation.

New York, Aug. 19.—Delegates from nineteen employers' associations in the United States met here today to form the general federation organization of employers. The movement is the outgrowth of a resolution adopted by the national association of manufacturers at its annual meeting.

CELEBRATE PILGRIMS' LANDING

President Roosevelt and Family Start From Provincetown, Mass.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 19.—President Roosevelt started on the yacht Mayflower for Provincetown, Mass., today to take part in tomorrow's anniversary celebration of the landing of the pilgrims. The president was accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Esthel and Quetin.

25 HORSES BURNED

Livery Barn Destroyed at Massillon, Ohio—Hostler Loses Life in Fire—Loss \$100,000.

Massillon, O., Aug. 19.—Bant's livery boarding stable and two residences were destroyed by fire today. Lawrence Lyne, a hostler, was burned to death and twenty-five horses were destroyed. The loss is \$100,000.

TRIED TO SAVE HAT; LOSES LIFE

Racine Man Jumps From Street Car When Head Covering Blows Off.

Kenosha, Wis., Aug. 19.—Steve McCloskey, aged 74, of Racine, gave up his life in an effort to save a straw hat. McCloskey was riding on the platform of a streetcar and his hat blew off. Without seeking to stop the car, he jumped after the hat and fell on a brick pavement. His skull was fractured.

MOORS SURPRISE FRENCH

Driven Off After Sharp Conflict, Resulting in Light Casualties.

Casablanca, Aug. 19.—A large force of Moors suddenly descended upon the French camp early Sunday morning, but were driven off after a sharp conflict. The fighting covered the front of about sixteen miles, and lasted for four hours. The casualties were light.

CRIMINAL TRAMP CAUGHT.

Assaulted Young Daughter of Rev. Whitehead, at Turnersville, Pa.

Youngstown, Ohio, Aug. 19.—A tramp who assaulted Alma, the 14-year-old daughter of Rev. J. M. Whitehead, Turnersville, Pa., Saturday night, was captured near Wick, at midnight and jailed at Meadville, Pa.

ACTRESS BUYS TROTTER.

Lotta Crabtree Pays \$300 For Ownership of Senoma Girl.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 19.—Senoma Girl, the phenomenal trotter has been sold to Lotta Crabtree, a former actress, for \$300,000.

WASHOUTS DELAY TRAINS.

Trouble on Rock Island is Most Serious in Years.

WATERLOO, AUG. 19.—CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND AND PACIFIC TRAINS, WHICH HAVE BEEN DETOURED BY WAY OF THE CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN BETWEEN WATERLOO AND REINBECK, WERE NOT EXPECTED TO USE THEIR OWN TRACKS BETWEEN WATERLOO AND CEDAR RAPIDS BEFORE TONIGHT AND PROBABLY LATER, BECAUSE OF THE WASHING AWAY OF NEARLY HALF MILE OF TRACK NEAR MT. AUBURN AND THE REMOVAL OF A BRIDGE ABOUT SEVENTY FEET IN LENGTH. IT IS THE MOST SERIOUS WASHOUT THAT THE COMPANY HAS ENCOUNTERED IN YEARS.

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Waterloo, Aug. 19.—Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific trains, which have been detoured by way of the Chicago Great Western between Waterloo and Reinbeck, were not expected to use their own tracks between Waterloo and Cedar Rapids before tonight and probably later, because of the washing away of nearly half mile of track near Mt. Auburn and the removal of a bridge about seventy feet in length. It is the most serious washout that the company has encountered in years.

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HAS HEAD CUT OFF

William Miller, a Legs Man, Also Loses Arms and Legs by Falling Under Freight at Sumner.

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