

# Garmen decide to Vote on Strike

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of hours to arbitration, for, as every street railroad man knows, an eight hour day would cut the service and would be impossible in a city geographically situated like San Francisco.

After many weeks of talking and listening, the arbitrator, Chief Justice, awarded the case upon no more able nor kindly man lives, delivering the opinion of the board, and meeting the arbitration conditions shown to exist. This was a heavy loss to the company. It added materially to the burden already very heavy.

This decision was rendered only 62 days ago. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have just been paid out as additional compensation to our men. It is an increase given by the award date several months.

When a new contract was sought by the union company, looking over the situation carefully, considered the matter and decided to continue for one year more the very high rate awarded by the arbitrator. This was a dirty refusal. They again put forth the identical demands that had just been refused and again made the identical arguments that had just been urged before the arbitrator.

The company, very naturally, declined to re-open the case that has just been tried. We pointed out to the men that the scale fixed by the arbitrator was higher than that paid by the larger scale of the company. The men decided this and declared the Oakland scale to be the highest.

The company, however, refused to consider the Oakland scale and asked the union committee to return upon consultation with the members of the union. The committee considered them not acting in good faith. The committee did not return with the Oakland scale or any other schedule. They did not want to have the company commit itself to an increased Oakland scale. But the committee had no power to fix the scale or to accept it.

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Earlier in the day Calhoun had made a statement in which he brought out the point that the men had presented but one proposition, with authority of the union, and that was the demand for the \$3 rate for the men, and that the only proposition which had been suggested by the company was the one to renew the rate fixed by the board of arbitration.

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# TELEPHONE GIRLS VOTE TO GO OUT ON STRIKE

## Only One Dissenting Vote Is Cast at Meeting of Operators

### SYSTEMS CRIPPLED Conference Committee Will Be Ready to Meet Company at Any Time

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ready and willing to meet the representatives of the corporation. When the result of the strike vote was announced in Duboce hall, at Duboce avenue and Church street, where the girls held their meeting last night, a shout of joy rent the air.

The ballot was secret, and it may never be known who the one girl who voted against a walkout.

The gratuity of the young women caused a wave of ascending enthusiasm to sweep over the meeting as the evening progressed. When Miss Alice Lynch, president of the union, called upon the girls to assert themselves and put an end to the conditions to which they were subjected the young women screamed their approval.

At the last moment they offered the company a final chance to avert a strike. It lacked just five minutes of midnight when Miss May Wheeler, the business agent, called up Manager Phillips of the telephone company and asked him if he desired to take any steps or to make an offer of any sort which might avert a strike.

Phillips replied that the company would not pay the proposed wage scale. Miss Wheeler hung up the telephone with an air of finality. In a few moments the decision to strike had been announced.

The girls were mindful of their fellow members who were on the night shift and decided that they should work through as usual until morning, so they would not be forced to make their way to their homes at that hour of the night.

Various reports heard. The meeting was called last night at 10 o'clock. Miss Lynch took the chair and stated the purposes of the meeting. She called upon the young women from the various stations to report. They told of the methods to which they objected and stated that many of the girls had been dismissed during the last few days for affiliation with the union.

The girls complain of what they term the "sweating process" which, they say, consists of an effort to force them to resign from the union.

Miss Sarah Higgs, a long distance operator, said she had been discharged from the employ of the company because during working hours she had spoken to the girl who sat beside her, Miss Agnes Hopkin, who she stated had written that they had been let out for affiliation with the union.

After the girls had presented their grievances, President W. H. Bell, Secretary William McCabe and Chairman John Walsh of the organizing committee, all of the labor council, were called upon to address the meeting.

They advised the girls not to act hastily and suggested that nothing that would make for peace be said until a final decision to strike was reached.

The leaders among the girls then took the floor and argued that matters had gone along until it was time for the girls to take decisive action. Those who stated that they had not approved and it was soon seen that a strike would be declared.

It was stated last night by Miss Lynch, president of the union, that not more than 30 girls would be at work today. This force she said would be too small to enable the company to attempt to operate its lines. It was her opinion that the company would make no attempt to operate for the present.

The company had threatened to bring some girls from the east to take the place of the strikers, but the local girls believe that no such action will be taken.

Other unions in the service of the telephone company have promised to do all they can to aid the young women to carry their point and if necessary sympathetic strikes will be called.

The operators will meet this morning at 9 o'clock at the labor temple to await any word that the company may desire to transmit.

While there has been no order for a sympathetic strike among the girls on the other side of the bay, preliminary steps toward organizing them have already been made.

President Cornelius and Secretary Bowling of the carmen's union were present and spoke at the meeting of the operators.

Miss Lynch, president of the union, said last night: "The girls are standing for what they believe to be right and as it looks to me, they cannot lose. The company cannot operate a single switch for at least two months. The operators are backed by the labor council, and it is within their jurisdiction to call a sympathetic strike. I hope that it will not be necessary to do this, and it will only be done as a last resort. The girls feel that they have the sympathy of the public and with this they will surely win."

Miss Wheeler, the business agent, said: "The company evidently thinks we have been bluffing. Well, we haven't, and we will win this strike. The girls wished to avoid a strike, but feel that they have been forced into it. We will not go back to work until our union is given full recognition and our demands are granted."

Manager Phillips of the company said last night that the company would continue to operate despite the strike.

# GENERAL KUROKI AND STAFF REACH SEATTLE

## Japanese and Americans Join in Welcoming Brown Men

### "BANZAIS" FILL AIR Famous Soldier's Carriage Covered With Flowers by Children

SEATTLE, May 2.—General Kuroki and his staff, representatives of Japan to the Jamestown exposition, arrived in this city from the orient several hours' delay on Puget sound owing to fog.

They received a picturesque welcome from local Japanese and Americans, who crowded every dock on the water front and lined the streets as the Japanese party passed through in a string of automobiles.

General Kuroki's party was taken this afternoon for a trip around the city in automobiles visiting various points of interest. In the evening a brilliant reception was given at the fashionable Rainier club, at which Governor Albert E. Mead was present.

Local Japanese are wildly enthusiastic over the coming of their great general. All of the Japanese stores in the city were closed today. Daylight fireworks were set off over Elliott bay and as the Kuroki party landed the "banzaïs" were incessant.

A hundred Japanese girls sang the national anthem and the general's carriage was almost covered with flowers presented by school children.

"Japan sends her children, many of them, to the United States to learn. We hope and believe that the United States in the future will receive them and teach them in the same spirit in which they are sent," said Kuroki in discussing the Japanese school question. The general was not inclined to discuss the action of the San Francisco school board directly.

Primary bill is passed. LANSING, Mich., May 2.—The lower house of the state legislature passed today the primary election law advocated by Governor Warner. The bill amends the existing law by providing for a popular vote on candidates for United States senator.

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# To Investigate Fire Service at Posts

## WASHINGTON, May 2.—Army orders: Captain Johnson Hagood, artillery corps, will proceed to San Francisco and Fort Worden for the purpose of consulting the commanding officers of the artillery districts of San Francisco and Puget sound and with the local district engineer officers upon matters pertaining to the fire control installations.

### First Lieutenant Paul W. Beck's signal corps, in addition to other duties, is assigned to duty in charge of the signal corps, general supply depot, Benicia Barracks.

CONSTABLE PURSUES SLAYER OF MARCOVICH. Frank Smith, the Fugitive Murderer, Is Heading for Sacramento.

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL. SACRAMENTO, May 2.—Frank Smith, the water who murdered John Marcovitch, proprietor of the Gas Kitchen, in Oakland a few days ago, is being pursued by the authorities of Sacramento county in the vicinity of Freepoint. Smith walked into a Freepoint saloon last evening and requested the bar tender to give him a drink. The bar tender recognized him from the printed descriptions and notified Constable Salacido, who started an hour afterward in pursuit. Smith is making his way to this city.

One of the Best Stories Ever Written. By Eleanor Gates is given in the May number of Sunset Magazine under the title of "Yee Wing, Powder-Man," and the illustrations by Jules Pages are as strong as the story.

ROOSEVELT WILL WRITE OF MOYER AND HAYWOOD. Meets Federation Agents and Agrees to Send Letter to Body.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—William A. Cokerly, John S. Henry and Maurice Brown, representatives of the central federation union of New York, had a talk today with President Roosevelt concerning his letter to Representative Sherman describing Moyer and Haywood as "undesirable citizens." It was learned that the president would write a letter to the union, to be read at its meeting next Sunday.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 2.—Resolutions in which the words "unfair, prejudicial and cowardly" were used in denouncement of the attitude of President Roosevelt in regard to the character of Moyer and Haywood were adopted by the Milwaukee federated trades council last night.

DYNAMITER FOUND GUILTY. WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 2.—Joseph Chucowski, who was on trial here charged with having dynamited the Welsh Congregational church at Edwinstown two years ago, was found guilty this afternoon. Stephen Savage confessed yesterday that he and Chucowski had been promised \$125 if they would blow up the church, the money to be paid by certain saloon keepers who had been refused liquor licenses.

FRANCE AND JAPAN TO EFFECT AN AGREEMENT. TOKIO, May 2.—It is semi-officially stated that a Franco-Japanese agreement to secure mutual rights in Asiatic possessions under the Lio Chang treaty probably will be concluded. The instruments will be ratified at the termination of the Russo-Japanese negotiations regarding commercial and fishing rights on the Siberian coast, now nearing a definite conclusion at St. Petersburg. It is said this will be followed by a definite Russo-Japanese agreement for the presentation of the post bellum status quo in the far east.

The two agreements are being independently negotiated and do not imply any alliance of Japan, Great Britain, France or Russia.

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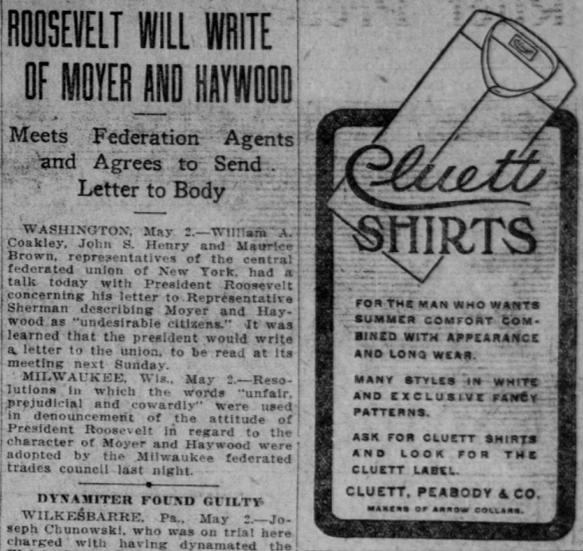
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