

Statements of Leaders in the Strife

Calhoun Appeals for Cornelius Scores the Protection of Law Calhoun Methods

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was forced to turn into the barn. The windows of the car were broken and all of its crew were injured. An additional police force was sent to the scene, and yesterday afternoon it appeared that the service could be resumed without serious danger.

At 3:25 p. m. six cars were started. The crews were attacked from the time the cars came out of the barn with bottles, stones, and rocks. Brickbats, scantlings and kegs of nails were thrown from the buildings at the cars in the street in an effort to stop the cars. At Polk street the car crews were fired upon from the sidewalks and the cars chased by a mob. At Turk and Mason streets a teamster dumped a lot of rock on the track in front of the car, which was compelled to stop, and the car was assailed fiercely by a mob in the street and by the laborers on the nearby buildings in process of construction. The men on the car were compelled to defend themselves by resisting the attacks of the mob. The car crews were hit on the head and over the body and severely hurt. The company endeavored to operate its cars in a peaceable manner and its employees were driven to protect their lives.

Every official of the United Railroads deeply regrets this mob violence and the resulting injury and possible loss of life. They especially regret that in the riot any members of the police force were injured. It is due the police to say that they sought to quell the violence of the mob. The company is engaged in a peaceful pursuit and in a lawful business. It deprecates violence, but the responsibility must rest upon those who create it.

When the news of the violence of the mob reached me yesterday morning I addressed identical letters to the mayor, board of police commissioners, chief of police and the sheriff. These letters were as follows:

Hon. E. E. Schmitz, Mayor City and County of San Francisco—Dear Sir: At 11:07 o'clock this morning the United Railroads started to operate a car from the Turk and Fillmore streets car barn. A mob of several thousand people gathered, stoned the car, broke several of its windows and injured one of the men upon it. The police failed to disperse the mob and to give due and proper protection to enable this company to carry on its business.

This company is desirous of doing everything within its power to prevent violence and bloodshed. It has a right to protection from the city and state authorities, and I respectfully request that you take the necessary steps to permit this company to conduct its business and furnish much needed transportation to this city. Respectfully, PATRICK CALHOUN, President.

May 7, 1907.

To this letter I received the following answers from the mayor and the sheriff:

Mayor's Office, City and County of San Francisco, Executive Department.

Mr. Patrick Calhoun, President United Railroads—Dear Sir: Your letter of even date informing me of the attack upon one of your cars at 11:07 o'clock this morning just received. I am very sorry that any violence occurred, and I have notified the police that the peace must be preserved at any cost. I will not countenance any action tending toward the destruction of property or injury to human beings. I have notified the chief of police that if he finds himself unable to cope with the situation with his present force of men a larger force will be secured by the swearing in of special policemen. I will also ask your former employees who are now out on strike to assist me in preventing any overt act on the part of their sympathizers, for I know they, as well as yourself, are desirous that peace should be maintained.

Assuring you that everything will be done in the interest of preserving the peace of this community, and that any one caught in the act of committing a breach of the peace will be severely dealt with, I remain, yours very truly, E. E. SCHMITZ, Mayor.

May 7, 1907.

The answer received from Sheriff O'Neil reads as follows:

Sheriff's Office, City and County of San Francisco, P. Calhoun Esq., President United Railroads of San Francisco—Dear Sir: I received your note of even date at about 3:15 p. m. I then consulted with the mayor, who then informed me that he was confident that the police force of this city could and would prevent rioting and violence, and to that end the present force would be

good enough to remark for the older members.

We assure him that this was precisely the idea of the union in offering him the Oakland scale as a compromise. Half of us were willing to stay where we were, provided the other half, the older men, got a raise. But Mr. Calhoun refused.

We do not lay all the responsibility of Mr. Calhoun's actions on Mr. Calhoun himself. He is acting on misinformation. The people around him are not telling him of facts as they are, but as they would like them to be. He ought to know how sadly he was deceived about the temper of his men. People who vote unanimously to go on strike are not dictated to by the union.

We would ask Mr. Calhoun one request, and that is to co-operate with us in keeping the peace of this city. We are law abiding citizens and we want no trouble. Therefore we would ask Mr. Calhoun to stop turning his barns into fortresses and exhibiting armed men on the streets. Nobody is going to attack the barns, and all his display of force serves to draw crowds which no power on earth can keep from becoming unruly.

Only yesterday afternoon, Mr. Calhoun, you started five of your cars through the public thoroughfares of San Francisco manned by armed thugs and ruffians who fired right and left at citizens on the streets without cause or provocation. Not only were they shooting from the cars, but they were stationed on the roof of the stockade shooting through the fence at inoffensive citizens on the streets.

You speak of the members of the carmen's union as being lawless strikers, Mr. Calhoun, but now we ask the public who are the lawless? The carmen of San Francisco or Mr. Calhoun and his thugs?

The union has advised and ordered its members to preserve peace and order. But Mr. Calhoun sends out his armed thugs and blacklegs and orders them to shoot right and left, regardless of whom they kill or maim. One inspector (Joseph Cummings by name) of the United Railroads boasts of emptying his revolver through the fence, and as a result of these reckless and unlawful acts twelve persons have been shot down like dogs. Mr. Calhoun is responsible for these unlawful acts.

He has scoured the eastern cities for thugs, blacklegs and criminals. He has brought them here and turned them loose on the inoffensive public of San Francisco—and yesterday's unlawful and criminal shooting was the result.

In the name of peace and of common sense, Mr. Calhoun, withdraw your gun fighters and do not continue to provoke rioting in our streets.

increased by sufficient special police if necessary. I believe that the police force, with the addition of any necessary specials, can best handle the situation. I am not authorized to appoint special deputy sheriffs and my present force is too small to take in any extended territory, but this office will always hold itself in readiness to assist the police department.

I believe that the appointment of a sheriff's posse would tend confusion to the situation, as the badge of such authority could be easily imitated. I also call your attention to section 2, chapter 1, article iv of the charter of the city and county: (The mayor . . . shall take all proper measures for the preservation of public order and the suppression of all riots and tumults, for which purpose he may use and command the police force. If such police force is insufficient, he shall call upon the governor for military aid in the manner provided by law, so that such riots or tumults may be promptly and effectually suppressed). If you have any other suggestions in the matter I would be pleased to hear from you. Very respectfully, THOMAS F. O'NEIL, Sheriff.

May 7, 1907.

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RUSSIANS AND CHINESE FIGHT IN THE STEERAGE

British Steamship Puts Into San Diego Harbor in Distress

SAN DIEGO, May 7.—With 921 Chinese steerage passengers at war with 219 Russian steerage passengers, all on their way from Vladivostok and Shanghai to Mazatlan and Guaymas, the British steamer Maori King put in here today in distress, and is lying at quarantine, guarded by immigration and customs officials.

Captain Duncan, who sighted the pier at Coronado, thought he could land there and got into shoal water before he knew what he was doing. He finally got inside at noon to report his condition at quarantine.

Trouble began soon after the steamer left Shanghai, and the steerage passengers threatened to take the ship and run it back to China. One of the Russians struck a Chinese and laid his hands open. The 900 Chinese attacked the 200 Russians, and before they could be separated 14 of assorted colors were wounded.

Captain Duncan is hoping to get some sort of a guard on board to help him on the rest of his journey. He is working through British Consul Hitchcock.

A guard of eight men was taken on board the Maori King tonight. The members of the guard are naval recruits, but are acting merely as citizens and not as members of the militia. In the event of trouble the captain of the Maori King will sound four blasts on the steamer's whistle as a notice that help is needed. Mayor Forward, in case rioting on the vessel be renewed, is prepared to ask Governor Gillett, who is now in Los Angeles, to call out the militia.

YOUNG THUG KILLS HIMSELF PHILADELPHIA, May 7.—Felled in his efforts to hold up, with the aid of a companion, two trolley conductors in West Philadelphia early today, and fearing that he had killed a policeman, Harold S. Jones, aged 16, shot and killed himself. His companion, G. H. Geddis, aged 18, was arrested.

ROOSEVELT HONORED NEW YORK, May 7.—President Theodore Roosevelt was elected an honorary vice president at the seventy-ninth annual meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers yesterday. President Roosevelt, it was said, made his first public speech when a young man in the engineer's room.

MAY DECLARE TRUCE IN TELEPHONE STRIKE

Officials of Company and Operators Likely to Hold Conference

OUTLOOK BRIGHTER Suggestion That the Girls Return to Work Pending Settlement

As the result of a meeting held yesterday morning in the office of the mayor, it is probable that a conference will be held tomorrow at which the Pacific telephone company and its striking employees will patch up a temporary truce which will permit of the resumption of service over the company's wires.

It was proposed by the mayor that the company recognize the union to the extent of taking back its operators with the understanding that wages, hours and other matters incorporated in the demands of the union be arbitrated. Secretary William T. McCabe of the labor council stated that this arrangement would be satisfactory to the girls and President Henry T. Scott said that he believed that after a consultation with his directors he would be in a position to accept the proposition on behalf of the company.

Yesterday's meeting was brought about by letters from Schmitz to Scott and McCabe suggesting that the temporary truce might be arranged.

Scott was the first to reach the mayor's office and as he was leaving about 10 o'clock he met the joint committee from the labor council and the telephone operators' union entering the building.

Scott greeted the committee pleasantly, but passed out without parley. Besides McCabe, the union delegation included D. Murray, chairman of the organizing committee of the labor council, Alice Lynch, president of the telephone operators' union, and May Wheeler, business agent of the latter organization.

COMMITTEE MEETS MAYOR The committee was closed with the mayor half an hour and at the termination of the conference McCabe written that he believed the company would agree to the truce. He also said the girls had practically won their fight for recognition.

In spite of the difficulty of reaching the meeting place at Page and Gough streets, there was a full attendance of the girl strikers at the session held yesterday afternoon. Only the pickets were absent.

Twenty of the clerks and stenographers employed by the company were initiated into the union, thus considerably lessening the number of the strike breakers. The new sisters were received with enthusiasm. One of them caused a ripple of laughter by remarking that the reason she had decided to cast her lot with the strikers was that a supervising operator in the west office, who had always been rated as a severe task mistress, had tried to kiss her and some of the other girls in order to keep their sympathies with the company.

A message from the Oakland operators was read. It was to the effect that the officials of the San Francisco office had asked them to take the place of the strikers and that they had refused. Assurance of sympathy with the cause of the local operators were incorporated.

It was announced that a donation of \$250 had been received from the teamsters' union, and that the bricklayers had voted to give something, but had not yet fixed the amount.

FUNDS FOR STRIKERS Letters from business men contained an aggregate of \$85 for the strike fund. One merchant, said Miss Lynch, had offered employment to a large number of the girls. Letters have been written by the secretary of the union to relatives of non union telephone girls requesting them to use their influence with the girls to get them to join the union.

The following committee was appointed to attend the meeting of the linemen: Alice Lynch, Reta Reynolds, Nellie Sweeney, May Wheeler, Kattie Corbett, Ida Sullivan, Nellie Burke, Agnes Hopkins and Martha Jensen.

Another meeting of the operators will be held at 10 o'clock this morning. The girls indulged in a little hero worship yesterday. Patrick Reynolds, who had been in the service of the company for many years as janitor at the west office, yesterday organized a union of his own and ordered himself to strike in sympathy with the operators. Reynolds had been requested to go to a nearby restaurant to secure lunch for the strike breakers and he balked.

He told the officials that by procuring food to put into the mouths of the strike breakers he was taking bread out of the mouths of more than 500 other girls. So soon as the strikers learned of the janitor's action they gave him a great ovation.

MISSIONARY UNDER ARREST HONOLULU, May 7.—W. D. Clark has been arrested here on a charge of forcery on a warrant issued in Hastings, Mich. He has been engaged in missionary work among the Koreans.

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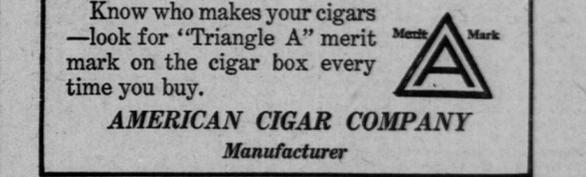
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GUATEMALAN FAVORS ARBITRATION OFFER Minister Cables Advice to Government After Conference WASHINGTON, May 7.—The Guatemalan minister, Senior Toledo Herrera, has suggested to his government by cable that it would be wise to offer to submit to arbitration the differences between Mexico and Guatemala. The minister was at the state department this afternoon and had a long conference with the officials in regard to the issue between the two countries. It was pointed out that both Mexico and Guatemala were already parties to a treaty, framed at the Panama congress at the City of Mexico, by the terms of which they agreed to submit to arbitration every issue that should arise between them with the exception of questions of national honor and those relating to hostile invasion.

FORESTERS' GRAND COURT OPENS IN GARDEN CITY Many Delegates Attend the Convention, Which Will Continue All Week SAN JOSE, May 7.—The grand court of the Foresters of America began its state session here today, with 296 delegates in attendance, officers swelling the convention membership to 325. Most of the session was devoted to routine business. J. O. Hayes welcomed the delegates on behalf of the city and Senator E. L. Wolfe of San Francisco made a reply in behalf of the Foresters. Reports of committees, hours of meeting and other similar details were settled in today's convention. In the evening a grand ball was held, at which there were about 900 people present. An extensive program has been planned by the local lodges for the entertainment of the visitors. The convention will continue during the remainder of the week, as there is a large amount of business left over from last year.

MORE RAILROADS ARE INDICTED FOR REBATING Several Companies Accused by Federal Grand Jury in New York NEW YORK, May 7.—Indictments charging violation of the Elkins anti-rebating act were handed down by the federal grand jury today against the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad, the Ontario and Western railroad, the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad and the Western transit company. All the indictments contain several counts, the largest number being in that against the Ontario and Western, which charges 30 distinct offenses. That the American sugar refining company was involved in the charges out of which grew today's indictments could not be confirmed. In fact, it was rumored that the alleged rebates were granted on shipments of commodities other than sugar. United States Attorney Stimson intimated that the sugar company was not concerned in all of the indictments and added that it might not be concerned in any of them. It is known that the grand jury investigated shipments of grain, cattle, agricultural implements, oil and other commodities. It is expected that the cases will be called for trial within a few days.

LARGE CROWDS CHEER KUROKI ST. PAUL, May 7.—Baron Kuroki and party, en route to Washington, arrived today from Seattle and departed 40 minutes later for Washington. The party did not leave the station. A large crowd greeted the distinguished guests, among them being a large number of Japanese residents of the Twin Cities, who cheered the party lustily.

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