

ARBITRATION MAY PROVE SOLUTION OF BUTCHER WORKMEN'S STRIKE

MEN HOPE SETTLED IN A FEW DAYS. PRICES ARE ADVANCING

In the Larger Cities Meats Are Demanding From One to Two Cents More Per Pound on Account of the Strike — Prices Are Stable Here.

Although the price of fresh meat has begun to soar skyward in nearly all the larger and in many of the smaller cities by reason of the big strike of the Amalgamated Association of Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, prices in Ottumwa remain practically the same as they have been for some time past, according to the statement of M. T. McClelland, of the firm of John Morrell & Co., of this city. "There is no likelihood of the prices going any higher than they are at present unless the strike should continue for a long period," said Mr. McClelland. Inquiry at all the shops of the leading meat retailers of the city shows that they are not anticipating any advance in prices unless, as Mr. McClelland says, the strike may continue for a long period, the price of beef to the retailer averages about 6 to 7 1/2 cents and pork about 7 to 7 1/2 cents and these prices are really lower today than they were some weeks ago. Ottumwa is in no danger of a meat famine and there is no danger that the price of this necessary article is to go soaring, if the statement and judgment of both the local wholesalers and the retailers of the city may be depended on.

Chicago, Ill., July 13. — Louis F. Swift, the president of Swift & Co., said today that he expected no serious scarcity in the supply of meats. The supply of fresh meat is sufficient to last fifteen or twenty days and there is enough of the cured meats, hams, bacon, etc., to last six months. He said prices have not materially advanced. Other packers spoke similarly. Porter house steak advanced two cents per pound today and other meats went up in proportion.

Kansas City, July 13.—There was a slight increase in the price of meats today as a result of the packing house men's strike. A local packing house is killing on a limited scale today and will attempt to supply the country side of the city. Four other plants have supplies to last the local trade two or three days.

Omaha, July 13.—There were practically no stock yards receipts today. Swift is slaughtering a few cattle. The prices advanced in all the packing houses again today.

St. Louis, Mo., July 13.—The effect of the strike of the packing employes in St. Louis and East St. Louis had no appreciable bearing on the meat prices here. The East St. Louis packing houses affected by the strike report that some killing is being done. The union employes of the St. Louis Dressed Beef Provision Co., the only St. Louis house affected by the strike order, struck today.

New York, July 13.—Within a few hours after the inauguration of the strike the price of beef had gone up 2 1/2 cents per pound, with indications of advancing further in a few hours. It is learned that the beef supply is very low, some dealers having only enough to last fifteen minutes when the daily purchases arrive.

Philadelphia, July 13.—As a result of the butchers' strike the wholesale price of meats has advanced one to two cents a pound. At the abattoir it is said there is little apprehension of a strike here. About 100 journeymen are employed at the stock yards and have no organized union.

Milwaukee, July 13. — The price of meat advanced from one to two cents per pound, wholesale, today. None of the Milwaukee plants are affected by the strike.

Cleveland, July 13.—The retailers here added two cents per pound to the selling price of meat today.

Boston, July 13.—New England provision interests are making arrangements to slaughter in aban-

MANY DIE IN FLOOD

Cloudburst in Hills Near Manila Causes Disastrous Flood.

MANILA, JULY 13. — A CLOUDBURST OVER THE HILLS NORTH-EAST OF MANILA HAS CAUSED A FLOOD WHICH DESTROYED SAN JUAN REL MOMT. TWO HUNDRED LIVES WERE LOST.

THE LOW LYING DISTRICTS ARE INUNDED AND THE HOMES OF THE FOREIGNERS ARE ISOLATED. TRANSPORTATION THROUGH THE STREETS IS CARRIED ON IN BOATS ONLY. THE RAINFALL IS UNPRECEDENTED AND COMMUNICATION WITH OUTSIDE PLACES IS INTERRUPTED. THE PROPERTY DAMAGE IS ESTIMATED AT \$2,000,000.

ATTEMPT TO CREMATE MINISTER AROUSES TOWN

Hawkeye, July 13. — This town is in a fever of excitement over the attempt of unknown parties to cremate Rev. Kester and family in their home in the dead of the night. Every effort to apprehend the criminals has thus far proven fruitless and it is feared that they may never be brought to justice. The feeling among the people of the town has run so high that the perpetrators of the dastardly deed would be summarily dealt with if found and their guilt proven. House Full of Smoke. At midnight Rev. Kester awoke to find the upper rooms of his residence filled with dense smoke. Rushing to the stairway which was in fact the only means of reaching the lower floor he was met by a sheet of flame. For a moment it seemed that the only alternative was to perish in the doomed house or with his wife and children jump to the ground. Then Rev. Kester happened to remember that during the day he had trained some vines on the side of the house using a ladder for the purpose and had forgotten to remove the ladder. Firebugs Escape. Fortunately the ladder was near a window and after a few moments' effort he was able to draw it to a position where he could climb out and by this means soon had his wife and children safe upon the ground. About this time a neighbor who had driven into town discovered that the house was afire and gave the alarm. The entire town was quickly aroused and through the medium of a pall brigade the fire was extinguished, although not until serious damage had been done. Investigation disclosed the fact that the house had been fired, in three places, the criminals having poured kerosene over the floor at each point. Probably ten or fifteen minutes elapsed from the time the fire was started until Rev. Kester discovered it, ample time for one firebug to make good their escape.

THE BURLINGTON'S ASSESSMENT MAY BE INCREASED

The Burlington road was the last one heard by the council. W. W. Baldwin of Burlington, appeared for it. He urged the council to take into consideration, in reaching an assessment of the Burlington property, that the sort of report of gross earnings which the council's rules require, places the Burlington in a false position when compared with the other railroads of the state. The rule in question follows: "Where the shipment, carriage or other business is carried or done by the reporting company partly within this state and partly without this state, said account or record shall contain that proportion of the full earnings upon such shipment, carriage or other business which the haul or carriage within this state bears to the entire haul or carriage."

The railroad assessment hearing before the state executive council closed yesterday afternoon. Written briefs will be submitted by some of the railroad representatives. It is probable that the assessment will be fixed and announced within two weeks.

toirs near the city to which cattle will be brought from New England and near by states. The wholesale prices have advanced one cent per pound.

Washington, July 13.—Meat prices here have gone up two cents. No men are on a strike here.

Pittsburg, July 13.—The price of meat advanced three cents per pound here today. Ninety per cent of the fresh meat supply has been cut off.

New York, July 13.—The leaders and officers of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen's union of America, nearly 5,000 of whose members struck yesterday and today are in a conference. It is reported that a plan for arbitration of the wage differences is under discussion.

Chicago, July 13. — With no sign of weakening on either side, the only hope in the butchers' strike situation today was the possibility that arbitration may intervene to prevent a labor war fraught with suffering and privation to the strikers and heavy loss to the packers.

Many More Will Quit. In addition to the 50,000 employes already on strike upwards of 30,000 more are involved indirectly and most of them will probably be made idle before night.

Girls Return to Work. Libby McNeill & Libby secured a number of girls to conduct active operations in the company's canning department. Representatives of the firm said today that many of the girls who walked out yesterday had returned.

New Men Are Hired. By noon every packing house in the stockyards, it was claimed, had men at work. Unemployed men in considerable numbers flocked to the yards asking places of employment and all competent appearing applicants were hired and put to work.

No Trouble in Chicago. Over 5,000 striking employes gathered today about the stock yards and discussed the situation. In general

FOR HIGHER SALARIES

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS BETTER COMPENSATION FOR COUNTY ATTORNEYS.

MEETING A BIG SUCCESS

Larger Attendance Than at Any Previous Convention Ever Held By State Association of County Attorneys—Morning Session.

From Wednesday's Daily. "We recommend that the laws be so changed as to require a higher compensation to be paid to county attorneys than is now provided by law," was one of the clauses in the report of the committee on law reform which was approved by the State Association of County Attorneys at the session yesterday afternoon. The report was submitted by W. H. Killpack of Council Bluffs who said that he considered they resented provisions sufficient in Pottawattamie and Lee counties owing to the fact that increased compensation is provided for where the district court is held in two places in the county. The second provision approved by the association was as follows: "That the laws be so changed that when a defendant in a criminal case has been tried for any offense which includes lesser offenses of the same nature and has been convicted of one of the lesser and included offenses and makes application for a new trial and such new trial is granted either by the trial or appellate courts, the defendant shall again be put upon trial for the highest grade of the offense charged in the indictment instead of as at present permitting the defendant to take advantage of the verdict as an acquittal of all grades of the offenses above the one found in the verdict and at the same time be not himself bound by the verdict in any particular. CLAUSES REJECTED. Clauses recommending that the laws be changed so as to permit the county attorney at any time before the submission of a criminal case to the jury, to amend indictments so as to charge the crime that was intended in the original indictment; to amend the law in regard to the taxation of the costs of civil cases to change the present law in regard to the selection of jurors; were rejected by the association. Morning Session. The annual address of President U. G. Whitney the first number of the program of the morning session will be found on page 6 of this paper. John Hammill of Britt opened the discussion on "Difficulties Encountered With the One District Road Law." The discussion covered a wide range and was very interesting. F. H. Noble of Eldora opened the discussion on "Have the Members of the Grand Jury the Right to Continue Voting on a Case Before Them Until They Secure the Necessary Number of Votes to Indict?" and H. L. Ganoe of Boone opened the discussion on "May Indictment Not Made a Matter of Record, But Lost, Be Supplied With Copy?" A number of interesting discussions were on the program for the afternoon session and the election of officers will be held. Successful Convention. One of the attorneys present stated this morning that the convention was the largest attended that had ever been held by the association not excepting the one held at Des Moines last year. About forty of the public prosecutors of Iowa are in attendance. Among those present and the counties they are from are: B. H. Mallory, Franklin; W. C. Bryant, Cass; C. J. Burlington, Butler; H. L. Ganoe, Boone; G. D. Musmaker, Adair; N. J. Lee, Emmett; E. G. Albert, Green; John Hammill, Hancock; F. H. Noble, Hardin; C. C. Upton, Howard; M. M. White, Ida; W. H. Palmer, Jackson; P. H. Cragen, Jasper; T. M. Fairchild, Johnson; C. J. Cash, Jones; T. Herrington, Kossuth; E. W. Drake, Lucas; Simon Fisher, Lyon; W. S. Cooper, Madison; F. E. Northup, Marshall; C. E. Dean, Mills; W. L. Smith, Monona; Joseph Morton, O'Brien; G. T. Struble, Plymouth; Jesse A. Miller, Polk; W. H. Killpack, Pottawattamie; F. W. Neal, Davenport; S. C. Huber, Tama; Seneca Cornell, Wapello; Oliver Gordon, Winnebago; U. G. Whitney, Woodbury; M. A. Smith, Buchanan; O. M. Mitchell, Bremer. State Bar Association. A large number of the county attorneys will remain in the city for the annual convention of the State Bar association, Thursday and Friday. The meetings will be free and the public is invited to attend.

THE WEATHER

Iowa—Local thunderstorms tonight and probably Thursday. Cooler on Thursday and in the northwest portion tonight.

Illinois—Partly cloudy with local thunderstorms Thursday and in the north portion tonight.

9 o'clock last night 65
7 o'clock this morning 66
2 o'clock this afternoon 82

WILL STAY BY PARTY

BRYAN, THOUGH NOT AT PEACE WITH BOSSES SAYS HE WILL NOT BOLT.

REASONS AND REMARKS

The Nebraskan Gives Four Reasons Why He Will Vote Ticket and Then Criticizes Action of Convention's Leaders—Sees Trusts in Power.

Lincoln, Neb., July 13. — W. J. Bryan has given out the following statement: "I shall vote for Parker and Davis, the nominees of the democratic national convention, and shall do so for the following reasons: "1. Because the democratic ticket stands for opposition to imperialism, while the republican ticket stands for an imperialistic policy. On this question the convention was unanimous, and permit me to raise the question to work itself out without the bitterness which Mr. Roosevelt's conduct has engendered. "2. Mr. Roosevelt is injecting the race issue into American politics, and this issue, if it becomes national, will make it impossible to consider economic questions that demand solution. The election of the democratic ticket will put a quietus upon this attempt and permit the race question to work itself out without the bitterness which Mr. Roosevelt's conduct has engendered. "3. Mr. Roosevelt stands for the spirit of war. He is a man of blood and iron. He believes in strenuousness and inculcates a love for warlike things. The democratic ticket stands for peace, for reason and for arbitration rather than for force, conquest, and bluster. "4. The democratic platform declares in favor of the reduction of the standing army, and as this plank was unanimously adopted, there is reason to believe that a democratic success on this subject would bring some advantage to the people. "5. Explaining his odd stand Mr. Bryan dealt with the recent convention without regard for his party, showing that he is not satisfied with conditions as they are. He said: "Wall Street Party in Ascendant. "Judge Parker stands for enough things that are good to justify me in giving him my vote, but as I have tried to point out for several months, the triumph of the Wall street element of the party denies to the country any hope of relief on economic questions. I have nothing to take back. I have nothing to withdraw from the things that I have said against the methods pursued to advance his candidacy. It was a plain and deliberate attempt to deceive the party. The New York platform was vague and meaningless, and purposely so, because the advocates of Judge Parker were trying to secure votes from among the people who would have opposed his views had they known him. If he had sent to the Albany convention the telegram that he sent to the St. Louis convention he would have had few instructed delegates from the south, and no possible chance for the nomination. But he and his managers adroitly and purposely concealed his position until the delegates had been corralled and the nomination assured. Then his friends attempted to secure a gold plank, which was overwhelmingly defeated in the committee. "After the party had rejoiced over the harmony secured by the omission of the question, and after he had secured the nomination, he injected his name as the subject at a time when he could not be taken from the ticket without great demoralization. "Methods Crooked and Indefensible. "The nomination was secured, therefore, by crooked and indefensible methods, but the democrat who loves his country has to make his decisions upon conditions as he finds them, not upon conditions as he would like to have them. "Has Not Quit Fight. "After having stated that I shall support the ticket, and after having given my reasons for so doing, I think it due to the democrats of the nation to say that while the fight on economic questions is postponed, it is not abandoned. As soon as the election is over I shall, with the help of those who believe as I do, undertake to organize for the campaign of 1908, the object being to marshal the friends of popular government within the democratic party to the support of a radical and progressive policy to make the democratic party an efficient means in the hands of the people for securing relief from the plutocratic element that controls the republican party and for the time being is in control of the democratic party. This plan of organization will be elaborated soon." Parker Prepares for Work. Esopus, N. Y., July 13. — "Rosemont" the home of Judge Parker for the first time today began to show outward signs of the coming campaign. The Dodge house has been arranged for the campaign office and telegraph and telephone lines are being put in. Encouraging News. Judge Parker received a message from Muskegoe, I. T., today stating that in the election held there today, the first in the United States after Parker's nomination, Muskegoe, claimed by the republicans, went democratic.

ALEXIEFF REPORTS BIG VICTORY AT PORT ARTHUR

LABOR CONTRACTS VOID. Milwaukee Judge Makes an Unusual Ruling in Case Today.

Milwaukee, July 13.—Contracts made by incorporated labor unions with manufacturers, prohibiting the employment of non-union workmen, are void, according to a decision announced by Judge Tudwig here today.

GIRL COMMITS SUICIDE. Miss Clara M. Gaughn, of Green Mountain, Drinks Acid.

Waterloo, July 13.—(Special)—Miss Clara M. Gaughn, aged 20 years, of Green Mountain, traveling representative of L. D. Abbott & Co., of Chicago, took carbolic acid this morning and died. Miss Gaughn has been in Waterloo since last Friday.

S. M. JONES IS DEAD

"GOLDEN RULE" MAYOR OF TOLEDO PASSED AWAY LAST EVENING.

Toledo, July 13. — Samuel M. Jones the Golden Rule Mayor died at his home last evening at 5:07 o'clock as the result of a complication of diseases. The immediate cause of his death was an abscess on his lungs. When this abscess broke, the mayor was not strong enough to throw off the poison from his system and death resulted. The mayor had suffered for years from asthma and this was the primary cause of his fatal illness. The greatest sorrow all over the city. Although many did not believe in his ideas on some problems, everybody loved and respected him. His one great stronghold with the people of Toledo was his honesty. III Only Two Weeks. The mayor was taken ill two weeks ago last Thursday, and for the last forty-eight hours previous to his death was in a comatose condition. He did not regain consciousness during that time. All the members of his family were at his bedside at the time of his death. He leaves a widow and three sons, Percy, Paul and Mason Jones. He will be succeeded as mayor by Robert Finch, president of the city council. The remains of Mayor Jones will lie in state at Memorial hall on Thursday and Friday until noon, and the funeral services will be held at the residence on Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

AWFUL TRAGEDY. Simon Riggs, of Clinton, Kills Wife and Self.

Clinton, July 13.—An awful tragedy was enacted here yesterday afternoon when Simon Riggs, foreman of the Fish wagon works and a well known man of this city, murdered his wife and then blew out his own brains. Riggs had been drinking heavily for the past three weeks and it is believed that while under the influence of liquor he committed the horrible deed. Riggs was about 45 years old and his wife, Inez Ball, a few years his junior. They leave five children.

MURDER AT DES MOINES

KING OF GREEK COLONY KILLED BY AN UNKNOWN MAN.

Des Moines, July 13.—(Special)—Martin Maloney was arrested today on suspicion of being the murderer of Solomon Bopseed, King of the Greek colony in Des Moines. Bopseed was shot by an unknown man at 11 o'clock last night as he passed the Dowden pool hall on East Court street. Great excitement prevails and violence is feared owing to the fact that twenty armed Greeks, bent upon dealing out summary punishment, spent the entire night searching for the murderer of their leader. No cause for the shooting is known. Maloney denies any knowledge of the affair.

RIOTERS ARE KILLED

TWENTY SERBIAN SOCIALISTS SHOT DOWN BY ARMY OFFICERS.

Belgrade, Service, July 13. — A serious fight took place yesterday at Kragujevats, a garrison town, between a number of socialists and army officers. The former were annoyed by the noisy celebration of the king's birthday by the soldiers. The officers used their arms and it is reported that twenty men killed were during the fight.

EXTRA!

LYNCHING IS FEARED. Mob in Columbus, Ohio, is Searching for Negro.

Columbus, Ohio, July 13.—The mob here has just been notified that a woman in the city is after a negro said to have assaulted a little white girl this afternoon.

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