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## NO PROSPECTS OF AVERTING A STRIKE.

OF THE MACHINISTS ON THE SANTA FE RAILWAY SYSTEM, SAYS PRESIDENT

JAMES O'CONNELL—ORDER WILL BE ISSUED ON OR BEFORE MAY 1—"THE COMPANY

JUMPS TO CONCLUSION THAT IT IS TO MEET DESPERATE METHODS," HE SAYS:

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—(Special.)—President James O'Connell, of the International Association of Machinists, who returned last evening from Denver, said to-day, there was no prospect of averting the strike of the machinists on the Santa Fe railway system, though the last overtures to the company are now being made pending the formal strike order which Mr. O'Connell said would be issued if at all on or before May 1. Attention was called by Mr. O'Connell to a handbill recently sent to every association machinist in the Santa Fe shops and posted conspicuously about the company's buildings for the benefit of all employes. The paper is headed in black type "Warning," and states in heavy type frequently underlined: "All members of the International Association of Machinists and all other persons who aid and abet them in carrying on a strike will be held jointly, severally and personally liable as co-conspirators for all damage done to persons in the furtherance of or carrying on of such strike, whether such member or other person participates or co-operates in doing such unlawful act or personally sanctions the same, or not."

"The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Co. has been kept fully advised as to the threats made and the proposed means devised by certain representatives of the International Association of Machinists to injure its property and interfere with its business and employes and impede the same. It intends to keep a close watch upon every person connected with the strike, and upon all proceedings, and will spare no means to that end, so as not only to impose a civil liability, but to see that all evil doers are brought to justice.

It will prosecute to judgment all suits against members of said association and other co-conspirators, for damages to its property and business growing out of any and all unlawful acts during the strike and will see that the individual property of such members and others implicated is taken to satisfy any judgment rendered. The warning closes with the statement that any interference with mail trains, bonded merchandise, and interstate commerce will be laid before the government for prosecution. Such a warning made previous to the declaration of a strike is said by the Union officials here to be a new departure in labor difficulties.

"The company jumps to the conclusion that it is to meet desperate methods," said Mr. O'Connell. "They know that we are as much opposed to violence and unfair means as they are themselves. While the handbill deserves no attention, and has of course been ignored by our men, nevertheless it is only right to say that it is an attempt at intimidation.

Many of the machinists own their houses in the neighborhood of the shops. The company wants to frighten them by threats to take their property by judgment. The machinists have nothing to do with the operation of trains, and so cannot interfere with mails and commerce. The warning is only a big bluff, but I never heard of one of this kind being used before a strike was declared. When the strike is ordered, it will go into effect throughout the system simultaneously, President O'Connell calling out the lodges by wire.

**Game Postponed.**  
PITTSBURG, Pa., April 29.—The base ball game between Pittsburgh and Chicago was postponed on account of wet grounds.

No. 46 was fifty minutes late to-day. The delay was west of the river.

Mrs. Bess Corder, wife of the popular Watson clerk, arrived home to-day after a visit with friends in Pennsylvania.

W. D. Smiley, of Walnut avenue, his many friends will be sorry to learn, is still in a most critical condition; in fact his life is despaired of.

## LICENSE QUESTION

WILL BE BEFORE COUNCIL THIS EVENING—THERE ARE MANY APPLICATIONS.

SOME WILL LIKELY BE TURNED DOWN—OUTCOME IS EAGERLY AWAITED.

A special meeting of the City Council will be held this evening. The granting of liquor licenses will be done at that time. There are a large number of applications in for license, but it is likely that some will be turned down. Some of the present applicants were refused last year, and some that were granted last year may be refused this year. The licenses must be granted before May 1.

The Council will listen to the report of the water commissioner and pay all bills properly O'K'd.

### 28,000

MEN AT WORK ON THE WORLD'S FAIR GROUNDS BY DAY AND TEN THOUSAND AT NIGHT.

WILL PUT EVERYTHING IN CONDITION FOR OPENING TO-MORROW—SUNSHINE HELPS.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 29.—Sunshine and dry weather have proven the very best allies of the road building forces at the World's Fair, just as the rainy and damp weather of the early part of the week were the greatest deterrents. The work of removing the mud and depositing the dressing of macadam and red gumbo was done at a wonderful rate. With the opening of the great exposition but one day off the enormous force of workmen, representing every craft, is working like beavers, but with steady and well directed purpose, to the end of making it present a completed appearance to-morrow. A conservative estimate places the number of workmen engaged on the grounds at 28,000 approximately. Last night 10,000 were at work and to-night the same number will be engaged. By Saturday morning there will not be a lingering evidence of unfinished conditions. The seven hundred landscape men by working day and night have brought about wonderful results in the beautification of the grounds.

By Saturday not a workman will be in sight about the grounds engaged in the task of clearing and shaping up. Weather forecaster E. H. Bowie promises a continuation of fine weather for Saturday and all indications point to a realization of the hopes of the management on a record breaking attendance.

## GOV. PEABODY.

AND WIFE ARRIVED AT ST. LOUIS THIS MORNING—WILL GIVE RECEPTION MONDAY NIGHT.

THE GOVERNOR SAYS THE MINERS' STRIKE IN COLORADO IS PRACTICALLY OVER.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 29.—Governor James H. Peabody and family and his staff, consisting of twenty-five officers, and a party of ladies, arrived in the city at 7:20 A. M. to-day.

The Governor and Mrs. Peabody will give a big reception at the Planters Hotel, Monday night, to all the exposition officials and other dignitaries in the city. While at breakfast the governor Peabody gave the following statement in regard to the mining strike that has been on in Colorado for ten months:

"The strike is practically over. Nearly all the men have returned to work at the old hours and wage schedule, and everything is quieting down. Out of the six thousand men who struck in that sympathy strike, 5,000 have gone back to their places. There are still about 400 recalcitrants who persist in their efforts to stir up trouble. These, however, will probably leave the State shortly.

## TANGLED UP

WITH CHURCH HOUSE THIS FELLOW WAS AND OFFICERS HELPED HIM TO OTHER

QUARTERS—THE YOUNG LAWYER PAID UP AND WAS LET OUT OF JAIL.

The young lawyer who has been confined in the city jail since Tuesday, put up \$8.00 this morning and was released.

Michael Dunn was arrested last night. Officers Morgan and Gould saw him on Jackson street last night rather the worse for booze, but behaving to the best of his ability. The officers started him home, but later found him hopelessly entangled with the Presbyterian church, (property) and locked him up. He paid the five dollar assessment imposed upon him by Mayor Kinsey.

## COMPLIMENTS

THICK AND FAST ARE BEING SHOWERED UPON THE PEOPLE CONNECTED WITH COUNTRY CIRCUS.

A GOOD HOUSE ENJOYED THE HIGH CLASS ENTERTAINMENT—MR. HAWLEY AND ASSISTANTS DESERVE MUCH CREDIT.

The Y. M. C. A. is to be congratulated upon the excellence of its production of the "Country Circus" at the Grand Opera House last night. Everything ran smoothly with the exception of the bar work, and only a few were delinquent in that portion of the program.

Boice and Miller, in their character work, were very funny, their duet being well received, and Miller's dancing deserved the encore it received. Doctor Yost deserves special mention for his club swinging.

Stewart and McCray, in their high diving act, merited all the applause they received. As was announced, these young gentlemen almost equal the record of the United States (Y. M. C. A.), Stewart diving six feet, and McCray five feet, nine inches.

The young ladies' drill could not be improved upon.

The Greater Fairmont Band was stationed on the stage during the entire performance, while Prof. MacArthur's orchestra occupied the pit.

The musical feature of the evening was the trombone duet by Messrs. Ridenour and Fortner, and the Glee Club's rendition of popular songs.

## FREE BEER.

FINE JOKE PLAYED ON ITALIANS ON NIGHT OF RECEPTION AT THE COOK HOSPITAL.

STREET CAR CONDUCTOR HAS TO KEEP HIS DISTANCE FROM THE CROWD NOW.

Wednesday evening, as one of the cars on the local car line was going toward Watson, a number of fashionably dressed people got off at Second street to attend the reception at Cook's hospital. There were about a dozen Italians on the car, who, when they saw the people alight, and observed the structure so brilliantly lighted up, asked the conductor what great event was taking place. They were told that 25 kegs of beer were being given away. Upon being assured that it was free and there was nothing to pay, they decided that they had ridden out their money's worth and got off at the next street. They took themselves forthwith to that center of attraction but—here the story ends for the present, but will be continued when they find that conductor.

O'BRIEN WON

Over "Kid" Carter at St. Louis Last Night.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 29.—Philadelphia Jack O'Brien was given the third round of which was to have been a 15 round bout, at the west end club last night. O'Brien sent Carter to the floor several times and had his man beaten to a pulp. In the third round the police interfered, when Carter was sent reeling to the canvas with a right hand smash. The referee gave the decision to O'Brien.

The Weather.

Rain to-night; Saturday, fair and warmer.

## TOO LARGE

TO GO UNDER F. M. & P BRIDGE IS COLUMBIA, BUT PASTIME WILL SLIDE UNDER

TO-MORROW EVENING—EXCURSION WILL BE RUN SUNDAY FROM HERE TO OPEKISKA.

To-morrow evening Captain Frank L. Ganoce will bring his steamer Pastime to Fairmont for the purpose of running an excursion Sunday, and after that time to run regularly, making two round trips daily from Opekiska to Fairmont.

This is what the people have been wanting, as it will give them a good chance to come to our city at times during the day when there is no accommodation at the present time.

The excursion for Sunday will be arranged by Col. H. T. Blair, from whom any information can be had on the subject.

The Columbia, one of the finest steamers on the upper end of the river, will also be brought up as far as it can come, but it is too large to get under the F. M. dan P. bridge.

## CLOSING EXERCISES

OF THE GRADED SCHOOLS WERE HELD THIS AFTERNOON. MANY PEOPLE PRESENT.

PROGRAMS FOR TO-NIGHT AND TO-MORROW NIGHT PROMISE TO BE INTERESTING.

To-day is the last day in the graded schools of this city for the present year.

Appropriate exercises were held in the different rooms and a large number of visitors were present.

This evening, beginning at eight o'clock, at the Normal Auditorium, the completing exercises of the Second ward grammar school will be held. The program was given in yesterday's West Virginian.

On to-morrow evening the exercises of the South Side grammar school will be held at the same place. Mr. P. Y. DeBolt is principal of this school. We give a copy of the program:

- Song—"Gentle Peace," class.
- Prayer—Rev. Stoetzer.
- Song—"Summer is Coming," class.
- Recitation—"The White Lily," Lucy Billingsley.
- Essay—"Rising Through Difficulties," Virginia Riggs.
- Select Oration—"Peaceful Industry," Arnold Mason.
- Song—"Our Emblem," class.
- Recitation—"The Newsboy's Debt," Maude Jackson.
- Recitation—"One of the Little Ones," Grace Holland.
- Instrumental Solo—Ella Mattingly.
- Oration—"Truth," Lillie Fortney.
- Recitation—"Don't Borrow," Edna Corrothers.
- Vocal Solo—"Singing in God's Acre," Mary Shinn.
- Essay—"The Mission of Books," Glenn Hamilton.
- Recitation—"The Broken Pitcher," Callie Frey.
- Select Oration—"Avarice and Usury," Ralph Jones.
- Instrumental Duet—Lena Hamilton and Virginia Riggs.
- Select Oration—"Getting the Right Start," Harry Lee.
- Recitation—"The Cow and the Bishop," Ella Mattingly.
- Song—"Come May, Thou Lovely Lingerer," class.
- Recitation—"Out to Aunt Mary's," Lorena Staats.
- Oration—"Valedictory," Harry Pitzer.
- Song—"The Flower's Birthday," class.
- Presentation of Certificates—Superintendent Joseph Rosier.
- Song—"Vacation," class.

**Shot While Insane.**  
KEYSER, W. Va., April 29.—William Baker, residing here, suddenly became insane and shot Michael Miller in the back of the neck. He was committed to jail on a charge of insanity and will be taken to the State asylum at Weston. Baker is 70 years old. Miller's wound is not considered dangerous.

**Store Changes Hands.**  
C. H. Bartlett has bought the M. C. Brant grocery on Jackson street. The invoice will be taken next week and Mr. Bartlett will take charge at once thereafter. This has been a very popular grocery and we have no doubt Mr. Bartlett will sustain its reputation as he is a hustler and has had considerable experience in the mercantile business.

## HIGHEST WORDS OF PRAISE FOR GRAFTON

## BETTER CONDITIONS

PREVAIL IN ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY—GREAT IMPROVEMENT LOOKED FOR

BY INTERNATIONAL MERCANTILE AGENCY—SPECIAL ORDERS IN FOR "EXPOSITION WEEK."

FARMERS DOING HEAVY BUYING—EVIDENCING LITTLE ALARM OVER THE FUTURE.

NEW YORK, April 29.—(Special.)—Advises from important mercantile centers to the International Mercantile Agency while reflecting disturbance due to prevalence of unseasonable weather emphasize the basic strength underlying trade conditions, with actual results considerably ahead of last year. Continued cold in the South and Southwest has retarded wholesale trade, except for boots, shoes and rubbers where an extraordinary demand is keeping factories working overtime.

Excellent business is reported at the west in Groceries, Dry Goods, Hardware, Machinery, Hats and Caps, territory tributary to St. Louis showing exceptional results because of rush orders for "Exposition week."

Low temperature, while restricting spring business, is aiding merchants to close out heavy weight goods with the result that the stock carried over will be unusually small. While advance orders are somewhat backward indications point to extraordinary activity during May if seasonable weather prevails.

Enormous demand is reported for agricultural implements, farmers evidencing little alarm over the future. Labor troubles are retarding business in Alabama, Iowa, Colorado, and parts of Pennsylvania and Ohio. This contributes uncertainty to a situation which will, however, be in a measure relieved by the agreement of the iron and mine workers, which becomes effective in Colorado June 1. That will give partial assurance of fixed conditions for two years.

In other sections more or less trouble is being experienced, although interference is not general or calculated to extend materially. This is emphasized by the apparent willingness of mining organizations to modify their requests in accordance with restricted output and some evidence of business reaction.

## PRINCE LUN

IMPERIAL COMMISSIONED TO THE WORLD'S FAIR MADE HIS DEBUT

IN ST. LOUIS SOCIETY LAST EVENING—ATTENDED WEDDING WITH PRES. FRANCIS.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 29.—Prince Lun, Imperial commissioner of China to the World's Fair, who, with his party, arrived here yesterday, made his debut in St. Louis society last evening. After a series of hurried official receptions, the Prince appeared at the wedding of Miss Marie Theresa Scanlon, to George Dexter Tiffany, at the residence of the bride's mother.

The reception of the Prince was entirely impromptu. President Francis had been invited, and while the official reception was in progress at the Washington Hotel, a telephone message came from the Scanlon residence requesting him to bring the Prince. The latter consented.

To-day the Prince will return the call of President Francis at the administration building.

**Double Tragedy.**  
AUGUSTA, Maine, April 29.—H. E. Osgood, of Hiram, Maine, while riding on the St. John express, which left Boston at 7:45 o'clock last night, shot and severely wounded his wife and then sent a bullet into his own body, which resulted in death a few hours later. The reason for the double tragedy is unknown.

Miss Laura Coen, of Pine Bank, Greene County, Pa., is visiting at the home of her uncle, Dr. J. O. McNeely, in the Fifth ward.

HAVE OUR LOCAL G. A. R. MEN MEETING ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER HELD.

PATRIOTISM RAN HIGH AND ENTHUSIASM WAS UNBOUNDED. CAPT. SHROYER PROMOTED.

JUDGE MASON'S SPEECH PRO- NOUNCED BEST OF ITS KIND EVER DELIVERED THERE.

The G. A. R. Encampment just closed at Grafton, was one of the best and most patriotic meetings in the history of the organization. Despite the disagreeable weather the attendance was exceedingly large and enthusiasm ran high. Old soldiers who are noted as being patriotic say they never knew the highest joys of patriotism until this meeting.

Wade Post, of Fairmont, was represented by a large number; it is the banner Post in the State. We are glad to know that Captain J. W. Shroyer, one of the most prominent G. A. R. men in our city, as well as in West Virginia, was promoted from Junior Vice Commander to Senior Vice Commander of the State organization.

Judge John W. Mason, another prominent member of the G. A. R., delivered the memorial address at the unveiling of the Bailey Brown monument. The Grafton Sentinel said of his speech: "This address was one of the finest of its kind ever heard in this city, and was very highly appreciated. It was the crowning glory of the encampment, and all who were fortunate enough to hear the gentleman will treasure in their memories the beautiful sentences he so gracefully combined into a glowing tribute to the veterans who still survive as well as to the many thousands who gave up their lives in the defense of their beloved country." We had intended to print the speech, but find our space limited.

All are well pleased with the way everything passed off, and the visitors all have a good word for the people of Grafton who did all in their power to make their stay a pleasant one.

The encampment next year will be held at Parkersburg, some time in May.

## FAIRMONTERS

WILL WATCH THE "STOGIES" MORE THAN EVER THIS YEAR.

OUR PEOPLE KNOW MANY ON THE CENTRAL LEAGUE TEAM.

Fairmonters will be more interested in the Wheeling Central League team this year than ever before, on account of several members of that organization being well known in this city.

Catcher "Pop" Schriver, formerly with W. V. U., and Elmer Cannon, whose home is at Mt. Morris, but who played with Mannington and Fairmont last season, are probably the two best known to local fans.

The report circulated some time ago that Cannon would not sign with Wheeling but would play again with the Mannington independent team, seems to be false. Cannon is expected to develop into one of the best pitchers in the Central League. Pitcher Sweeney and Catcher Kintworth, who were seen here last year in Sistersville uniforms, are vividly remembered by Fairmonters, who say they were very instrumental in administering the defeat suffered by "our own," on the occasion of that club's visit to this place. We venture to say that Kintworth proves himself to be the premier back-stop of the circuit.

"Bull" Smith, of Clarksburg, a one-time W. V. U. player, has been selected to guard the second station. Wheeling fans say that he is the fastest man that ever covered second base for the "Stogies."

Judge Pritchard's Successor.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—Attorney General Knox announced after the Cabinet meeting to-day that Wendell Phillips Stafford, of Vermont, had been decided upon to succeed Justice Pritchard on the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Justice Pritchard has been promoted to the bench of the Fourth Federal Circuit.