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TELEPHONE COMPANY IS REFUSED POLICE CANNOT SHOW ANY NEED OF SPECIALS

Manager Phillips of the telephone company has asked Mayor Boyd and Police Commissioner Root to give him special policemen as an outcome of the telephone company's strike.

The application for the specials was turned down "for lack of cause."

It is said that violence has been threatened by some of the striking telephone girls, that some of the girl pickets called other girls who insisted on working "mean things." Until the absolute truth of this report can be established the police commissioner and the mayor will allow no special officers to keep the girls from rioting in this fashion.

MARCH OFF WORKMEN.

Further complaint has been made that two of the striking linemen pickets intercepted a non-union lineman who had gone to work, and that after a few minutes' conversation the new workman changed his mind, and

with linked arms marched off with the pickets. The telephone company has strong reason to believe that this workman who was so cruelly waylaid marched to labor headquarters, First avenue and Post street, and joined the union.

The last bill of grievances put up to the mayor and the police commissioner by the telephone company was to the effect that a gang of ruffians assembled on Howard street and called some of the men who have taken the places of strikers "scabs."

After careful and prolonged deliberation on each grievance count of the company the mayor and the police commissioner refused to give the company the special officers asked for and continued consideration of the matter until this morning at 9 o'clock, at which time they held a consultation with the manager of the striking linemen to hear his side of the story.

STRIKE IS ORDERLY.

The manager furnished proof that the strikers had been asked to not

even use the word "scab" while talking to the men who have taken their places and not to use any vulgar language. This advice has been carried out by the men, although it was frankly stated that private citizens who sympathize with the strikers might have used the word "scab" in addressing the men working for the company on Howard street. Mayor Boyd and Commissioner Root counseled the strikers not to use vulgar language and above all things not to intimidate the men who are working.

Without hesitancy the strikers have agreed to follow this advice.

Before departing after his unsuccessful effort to get two special policemen Mr. Phillips said the company had been given special policemen in all other cities where strikes were on, that they would hold the city strictly responsible for any damage that might be done and that he would be held responsible for the strike unless the special officers were provided by the city such officers would be secured elsewhere.

MAY ASK INJUNCTION.

This in line with the rumor that the telephone company is to apply to the courts Monday for an order enjoining the strikers from declaring it unfair, boycotting it or in any way interfering with the men who are working.

It has been practically agreed that the striking telephone girls will have dodgers printed and distributed throughout the city next Monday setting forth their grievances, and asking people to aid them by not patronizing the company. In this connection a plan is on foot for the girls themselves to distribute the dodgers and to make a personal canvass of the telephone subscribers.

NEW COMPANY IN PROSPECT.

At the city hall a rumor was afloat today that Peter Larson, the millionaire mining man, contractor and banker, is at the head of a new telephone company who will apply to the city for a franchise to construct and operate an up-to-date telephone system.

The striking linemen state that the company is not calling in its men from country districts as published, because there are no country linemen except those on strike.

ASK ARBITRATION.

The Western conference has sent out a statement denying that they have committed a single act of violence against the company and that the conference has the situation well in hand and are willing at any time to arbitrate the entire matter.

The linemen also state that Ed Volk has not taken the place of the striking operators, as published.

The phone service was being given by the company is very poor and in consequence many telephones have been ordered taken out. The number of these is being swelled daily, some taking action out of sympathy for the poor service.

SUPERINTENDENT RISE TAKEN.

G. E. Bush, recently appointed superintendent of this district, said today:

"I don't believe there is any perceptible change in our service, several business men telling me it is even better than before. We have filled about 75 per cent of the strikers' places and applications are received daily. I don't believe the trouble will be very extensive and I expect it will be all right in a few days."

"What plans have you in prospect?"

"Regarding my plans, I can not say. Everything is in an unsettled state, to the best of my knowledge I shall make out of it remains to be seen."

NEW MOST LINEMEN.

"I am very sorry the linemen had to go out, but I realize they must obey instructions. When here before I knew most of them and they're good fellows. At that time they were receiving \$2.50 for nine hours' work, while now they get \$3 for eight hours. We have enough men to attend to the work now necessary and as there is no new building going on, the strike has not interrupted our work."

MAY HAVE BEEN KILLED IN TOUGH SALOON BOX

The man found murdered yesterday morning beside the river bank in Peaceful valley has been identified as George Mitchell, and the investigation of the authorities has added color to the belief that he was robbed and murdered up town—in all likelihood in the box of some tough saloon.

Identification of the dead man as being Mitchell was made by Frank Hoffman and William Down, employees of the "Twohy Bros." railroad contracting firm, and by "Kid" Decker, bartender in the Mag saloon on lower Stevens street.

Hoffman and Down worked with Mitchell in Montana, all three being employed by Twohy Bros. Mitchell as foreman of one of the gangs.

Down met Mitchell in the Combination saloon, Main avenue and Stevens street, at noon on Thursday. Mitchell was drinking at that time and had been conferring with the tough people in the down-town saloons. He showed

down \$25 in gold and had recently cashed a pay check for \$97, either in this city or Kallispell. Down cautioned Mitchell not to flash his money in the saloons, but reason had left the latter and he was not afraid to show his money if he felt so disposed.

The next time Down saw Mitchell was in the morgue last night. He had paid the penalty of chumming with men who love the privacy of the boxes of tough saloons.

When the remains of Mitchell were cared for at the morgue last night it was found that one of the blows had crushed completely through his skull and the brain protruded. This blow alone would have produced a large pool of blood immediately after it was delivered. No such pool of blood was found along the road leading into the valley and small spots of blood were all that could be found on the stones leading down the steep path from Main avenue to the river, over

which the body must have been dragged. To the officials this is ample proof that Mitchell was murdered elsewhere in the city. The fact that Mitchell while drinking persistently hangs around cheap and tough saloons lends color to the belief that the murder was committed in one of these saloons—in all likelihood in the privacy of one of the boxes.

Coroner Smith ascertained today that Matt Mole, one of the men who found Mitchell's body, and Down and Mitchell were all from the same town in Montana; that Mole and Down met yesterday and Mole identified the remains.

The police have been bringing in men all day today and Chief Woodly has been putting them through the sweating process in an effort to get at some tangible clue as to who committed the murder. Most of the men brought in were picked up among the down-town saloons.

SOTHERN TALKS OF THE STAGE AND THE WEST.

"This western country is simply marvelous. Its rapid growth during the past decade rivals the possibility of eastern imagination. Yes, you can well say that the largest popular theatrical attractions of the New York metropolis can be made to pay by a trip to the Pacific slope."

The speaker was E. H. Sothern, who opens at the Spokane theater today in two performances of Junius Huntly McCarthy's romantic drama, "If I Were King." With him were Miss Cecelia Loftus and Rowland Buckstone.

"You know both Mr. Buckstone and myself have been in Spokane before, 10 years ago, but we were not prepared for the wonderful change. But let Miss Loftus tell you what she thinks. This is her first trip," and Miss Loftus agreed with her two companions that the west was the country.

Continuing, Mr. Sothern said: "Business has been performing at Seattle for three performances at Seattle. In 'Frisco three weeks to packed houses. And so you see I can not complain. From here we go to Butte and Helena and close at Duluth next week. Oh, yes, I shall come to Spokane. I like its atmosphere. I like its people, its wealth," and he smiled reminiscently across to Mr. Buckstone.

"What do you think of two actors whose fathers played together for years and the sons have been together continuously for 15 years? Incredible? Oh, no! It's the truth, for Mr. Buckstone and myself are the two fellows in the case."

Speaking of his future plans, Mr. Sothern said that after a brief vacation the company would start rehearsing "The Proud Prince," written by Justin Huntly McCarthy. This piece will open Mr. Frohman's new Lyceum theater in New York for the winter season. The season after Mr. Sothern will join Miss Julia Marlowe.

EVIDENCE GIVEN BY MISS AUSTIN

Attorney H. M. Stephens, representing Dr. Montborne, and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Barnhart, representing the state, accompanied by their stenographers, visited Miss Austin yesterday, the object being to give Attorney Stephens a chance to determine for himself how Miss Austin feels regarding the attempt to land Dr. Montborne in the penitentiary for malpractice.

Mrs. Austin is at the home of relatives and away from the many curious people who tried to see her at the rooms in the Van Valkenburg building after the story of the forced birth of the child was published in

The Press. These visitors, many of them strangers, were rapidly making the condition of the sick woman worse and were driving those in attendance almost frantic. Since the change to the new address, Miss Austin has been gradually improving.

But little satisfaction was gained for the defense by the visit of Attorney Stephens. Miss Austin was averse to talking, and when the questions became too blunt the mother of the sick woman, who was present, interfered and abruptly ended the interview.

From present indications both sides will be ready for the preliminary hearing next Tuesday.

British Killed Celebrating Fourth.

COLOMBO, Ceylon, July 4.—While the British fort here was firing a salute in honor of American Independence Day a gun exploded, killing one soldier and injuring another. Two American cruisers were lying in the harbor at the time.

National Guard Off.

Some 60 members of Company H, Second regiment of the N. G. W., in command of Captain M. M. Richardson, left this morning for Colville. The company will participate in the celebration there by giving an exhibition drill at the ball grounds this afternoon. Tonight the boys will go under canvas on the G. A. R. camping grounds east of that town, returning to Spokane tomorrow evening.

PRESIDENT SPEAKS AT HISTORIC SPOT

HUNTINGTON, L. I., July 4.—President Roosevelt, Governor Odell and other men of note were present today and contributed their oratorical efforts to the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the settlement of the township of Huntington. It was an old-fashioned celebration, with plenty of fireworks, an elaborate display of the national colors and a flood of patriotic speeches, with the president as the central figure of the exercises and a prominent part also given to the former townsmen. It was an old-fashioned celebration, with plenty of fireworks, an elaborate display of the national colors and a flood of patriotic speeches, with the president as the central figure of the exercises and a prominent part also given to the former townsmen. It was an old-fashioned celebration, with plenty of fireworks, an elaborate display of the national colors and a flood of patriotic speeches, with the president as the central figure of the exercises and a prominent part also given to the former townsmen.

Harsh Treatment Causes Desertions.

BERLIN, July 4.—The Kleines Journal today lays the blame for the reported desertion of 105 American tars at Kiel at the feet of Admiral Cottou. The paper says that the harsh discipline of the American navy is responsible in a great measure. It further says that desertions have been so numerous in Europe that Cottou has been obliged to have sailors dispatched from America in order to handle the fleet.

Charleston, S. C.—The German cruiser Gazelle did not sail today as she intended to, but postponed sailing until tomorrow in order to remain in port and fire a national salute on Independence Day.

Saloon Right-of-Way in the City Affairs.

At the First Baptist church, corner of Lincoln street and Second avenue, in the morning at 10 o'clock the regular monthly communion service will be held. At 11 o'clock the sermon will be intended to make the congregation consider plans of work for the future. The subject will be the question, "After the Summer, What?" In the evening the service will be patriotic and the pastor will take for his subject, "The greatest issue before the American people." It is understood that he will give some attention to the question of a permanent municipal league as a means of saving the young people from the destructive work of the saloons and the present outlook for the saloons to continue to have "The Right of Way in the Present Administration of City Affairs."

1500 DISAPPOINTED BY RAILWAY COMPANY

From 1000 to 1500 Spokane people were disappointed this morning in not being able to get to Couer d'Alene and if the day had been pleasant hundreds more would have had plans frustrated.

Local road officials saw the crush coming yesterday from the sale of tickets and became frantic at the prospect of a shortage of cars. A mixup had happened and only five cars were on hand when two score were needed.

The crowd was frantic and it is a wonder that no fatality followed the attempts of many to board the already crowded platforms as the train drew out.

BUSY WORLD IN BRIEF.

Paris—The municipal council has decided to reject all bids of foreigners for supplying gas to the city, and will operate its own gas plant.

Seattle—Work will soon be resumed on warships at the Bremerton navy yard. The New York, Marblehead and Bennington are there for repair.

Pittsburg—At the coroner's investigation witnesses were sworn whose testimony tended to show that the late Recorder J. O. Brown committed suicide.

Vienna—A paper was read before the viennese Society of Physicians, giving the history of a case where cancer of long standing was completely cured by radium rays.

New York—Ex-President Grover Cleveland broke a 10 years' silence and wrote an Independence Day letter to Tammany Hall, calling attention to the power and responsibility resting upon the society.

Kansas City, Mo.—The police have raided seven gambling houses and shut up 300 slot machines, but left the poolrooms alone. The move was in conformance to the policy of the new administration.

Chicago—Seven people have died and 18 were prostrated yesterday in this city by heat, the mercury registering 94 degrees, with a humidity of 70 per cent. All through the middle west intense heat prevails.

Kaleo, S. C.—Another lead, promising to be as great as the find of last week, has been found on Poplar creek. The new camps are without capital but feel that it will come as soon as the facts are known.

New York—The building trades employers and the 19 unions of the building trades have agreed to arbitrate future troubles. One of the points in the new agreement is the abolition of the walking delegate.

Gainesville, Tex.—The water has receded from this city with only one fatality, a railroad engineer killed when a train ran into a washout. Much damage has been done to property, the railroads suffering the most.

Colorado Springs—The mill and smelters' union has declared a strike on the Standard mill of the United States Reduction & Refining company. The company has violated the agreement in not reinstating the unions since the former strike was declared off.

St. Louis—One thousand street railway employees, members of the Amalgamated association, have struck for an increased wage and shorter hours. The men number about one-third of the Rapid Transit company's employees.

Boho, Ore.—Harry Rogers, a stockman, has entered into a contract to furnish 10,000 American hares within 60 days after October 1 to the American Hare Packing & Cold Storage company. A big rabbit-proof fence will be constructed.

Paris—In discussing the application for the authorization of the Salerian guns, Premier Combes said to the senate that the order in caring for destitute children did not seek to benefit the orphans so much as the individual interests of the nation.

Detroit, Mich.—The Central Conference of American Rabbis has declared in favor of maintaining the historical Sabbath as a fundamental institution of Judaism and a special committee has been appointed to study methods of carrying that spirit into effect.

Boise, Idaho—Judge Beatty holds in favor of the contention of the Bunker Hill & Sullivan Mining company in its suit against the Empire State-Idaho company to quiet title to that portion of a lode embraced within the side lines of the Bunker Hill claim extended.

Kentville, Ky.—The Afro-American council during its closing hours ratified an address to the country at large on the race problem. It was temperate in tone. It pleads for obliterating a charge which may be made against a few from the whole race and asks for justice to the race as a whole.

Helena, Mont.—Albert Raleigh, a well known newspaper man, and Miss Mathilde Kessler, daughter of the late Nicholas Kessler, were married here yesterday after a hard chase on the part of the bride's brother and Captain Cochrane of the Twenty-fourth infantry, a former suitor for Miss Kessler's hand.

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Patrons will please take note of this change and shop early on FRIDAYS. This rule goes into effect Friday, July 10th.

ARBITRATION BOARD MEETS HERE MONDAY

The national board of arbitration representing two of the most powerful organizations in the United States will convene here next week.

James M. Lynch, president of the International Typographical union, and Frederick Driscoll, commissioner of the American Newspaper Publishers' association, representing the board, are due to arrive here Monday. They object to a look into the findings of the local arbitration board

GAVE UP \$500,000 TO GO ON THE STAGE

NEW YORK, July 4.—The sailing of 16-year-old Margery Rogers for Europe to study with the masters, preparatory to going on the stage, recalls how this plucky girl two years ago gave up \$500,000 in order to realize her ambition.

She is the daughter of George W. Rogers, Jr., clubman and artist. Three years ago she was sent to Holy Angels' convent, Fort Lee, N. J., to complete her education. Here she met several children from theatrical families among them being the daughter of Lillian Russell. These girls were to be actresses, and Margery caught the stage fever, and two years ago wrote about it to her rich uncle, Jacob

Personal.

William Gilpin, superintendent of the Columbia River Marble company is down from the quarries.

Judge Warren Fruit of Moscow and Judge E. T. Morgan of Harrison, Idaho, are spending the Fourth in the city.

Duncan Ross of Greenwood, B. C., owner of the Boundary Creek Times, arrived in the city last night to join Mrs. Ross, who has been visiting her relatives here.

Dr. E. E. Briley and wife of Scotia are in town.

Paul Clagstone, a wealthy rancher of Athol, Idaho, is in the city.

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Car Jumps Track Pittsburg Bridge.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 4.—A Pittsburg Railway company car jumped the track at the Lincoln avenue bridge at 8:30 o'clock this morning, going over into a deep ravine. The motorman and two passengers were killed and several injured.

Chief of Police Hunt of Portland has sent Mayor Boyd a copy of Portland's saloon ordinances, which allow boxes provided the partitions are not more than seven feet high. Portland does not allow ground floor cribs. Hunt thinks boxes should be abolished.

City News.

The First Spiritualists' society meets in Eagles' hall, Howard street and Sprague avenue, at 8 o'clock in the evening. Rev. Daniel W. Hunt, pastor. Subject: "Spiritualism of Early Christianity." Descriptive readings and music by Mrs. M. E. Connell.

Frank Symons and A. T. McDonald were arrested this morning by Officers Dobkins and Casey and charged with disorderly conduct. The men had trouble during the progress of a Fourth of July celebration, and did \$45 damage to the windows of the