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R. R. OFFICIALS SAY STRIKE NOW CERTAIN

Employes and Presidents Ready for Transportation Paralysis.

ASK FOR ARBITRATION

Employes Will Not Consider Any Other Way of Settling Trouble.

BULLETIN

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—"Every railroad president now in Washington believes a strike is inevitable and they are going to prepare for it," was the statement given out tonight by an authorized spokesman for the railroad heads, while a committee of the executives waited for a call from Wilson to receive them.

By United Press.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—"We are ready." This statement came this afternoon from both railroads and their employes, as the national transportation paralysis loomed larger.

The railroad management contended that they could keep sufficient trains running through loyal employes, thus preventing a milk and food famine and consequently guarding against death and desolation.

The employes claimed that the roads would be tied up tighter than a drum, though a few men might work.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—Washington stood tense tonight in the face of what appeared to be an inevitable break between the railroads of the country and the railroad employes and a resultant paralysis of business.

Throughout the day executives met, recessed, met again—and again delayed—each adjournment putting off until a later hour the transmission of the first and final proposition to the President for peaceful adjustment. Employes met three times, each time adjourning and finally putting off until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning any further consideration of the problem.

President Wilson, who waited most of the day for the proposal of the railroads, went to the capital on a sudden and mysterious visit. He conferred with Senator Newlands, chairman of the interstate commerce committee, and Senator Kern relative to legislation the nature of which was not disclosed.

Finally when the railroad executives decided at 3 o'clock to recess until 8 to 10 tonight before acting on their proposal, it appeared as though the crisis would swing into another week.

Railroad executives apparently resigned themselves to the belief that the strike is inevitable. Their proposition ignores the President's proposal for an amicable settlement, which was accepted by the employes. It stands pat for the arbitration of all matters pending dispute and it passes the problem directly back to President Wilson and the employes. Only some new suggestion offered by the executives or tremendous concession on the part of the employes appeared tonight as possible barriers to stem the disastrous trend of the negotiations.

President Wilson on his trip to the capital presumably sought to learn what legislation could be affected that might improve the outlook, but his visit only served to increase the tension and the determination of the railroad heads. They declared that they wanted no legislation, no promises of increased rates. They want and will stand out for arbitration—nothing else—they say.

Senators Newlands and Kern were called into conference with President Wilson at the White House shortly after 8:30 tonight. Soon after they had reached the White House it was said that the railroad presidents who were to have seen the president at 8:30 probably would not see him tonight.

President Holden of the Burlington at 7 o'clock issued the following statement: "The presidents' conference having concluded their discussion, the committee of eight have asked for an appointment with the President and are awaiting his pleasure."

Asked if he shared the belief that a strike is certain, A. B. Garretson, the employes' spokesman, said: "It all depends on what President Wilson is able to do."

When Senators Newland and Kern,

THE MISSOURIAN TODAY CONTAINS SIXTEEN PAGES

Today's issue of the Missouriian contains sixteen pages—the largest edition of the Missouriian ever published. There are two sections—the regular news section and a special Hall Theater souvenir section. Your paper is not complete without both sections and you will confer a favor on the management by telephoning 55 if any of your paper is missing.

BASEBALL RESULTS.

American League.

New York 10, St. Louis 6.
Detroit 2, Boston 1.
Chicago 5, Washington 3.
Philadelphia 5, Cleveland 0.

National League.

Boston 8, Chicago 3.
Cincinnati 1, Brooklyn 0.
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 3.
Pittsburg 1, New York 1 (14 innings).

Democratic leaders, went into conference with the President tonight, at the time the railroad presidents' were to see him, it was agreed that the latter would not confer with President Wilson until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Earlier in the evening railroad employes adjourned their third meeting of the day until 10 o'clock tomorrow, thus averting a chance for the call of a nation-wide strike until tomorrow.

SUFFRAGISTS WELCOME HUGHES

Hughes Talks at Denver Tonight—A Vacation and Then His Return East.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 26.—Coming to a suffrage state enthusiastic about his declaration in favor of National woman suffrage, Charles E. Hughes was greeted by almost as many women as men on his arrival here today. Union station was jammed by a crowd which wanted to catch the first sight of the Republican candidate for president.

A committee of Colorado's leading Republicans met Governor Hughes and escorted him by automobile to his hotel. Conferences with Republican leaders were to precede the first address scheduled for tonight at the Municipal auditorium. Twelve thousand persons can be jammed into this hall and an overflow was expected.

Candidate Hughes, Mrs. Hughes and the newspapermen who have crossed the continent with them will leave shortly after tonight's meeting for Estes Park, Colorado's superb mountain resort, where Governor Hughes will spend a week climbing hills and vacationing in preparation for his return to the East.

50TH G. A. R. CAMP OPENS

Blue Clad Veterans Crowd Into Kansas City—Real York Monday.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 26.—Commander in Chief Elias P. Manfort of Cincinnati arrived with his staff today for the opening of the 50th annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Headquarters for the organization was opened at the Hotel Muehlebach.

Union station was packed with blue clad veterans and their families. Each train brought a quota of old warriors. Boy Scouts were in charge of various information booths and acted as escorts to the sixty-1-ers.

The real work of the camp will not begin until Monday, when the committees begin their sessions.

In practically all the churches tomorrow will be special G. A. R. services.

KATY SLEEPER IS DERAILED

Passengers Awake When Car Leaves Track—Wreck Crew Sent For

The Katy sleeper which leaves here at midnight was derailed yesterday morning in the Katy yards. The trainmen did not know that the derail was set, and when the car left the track, the sleeping passengers were awakened.

A call was sent to Mokane for a wrecking crew, which set the big car on the track in time to make the trip last night.

Made Arrangements for Son's Entrance

J. B. Drake and son John B., of Hannibal were in the city yesterday making arrangements for the latter to enter the University in September. The son will enter the College of Agriculture.

HOLLIS EDWARDS TO WED A KANSAS GIRL

City Editor of the Tribune to Marry in Kansas City Today.

A MORNING WEDDING

Couple Will Return to Columbia—Bride Is From Topeka Kansas.

L. Hollis Edwards, city editor of the Columbia Tribune, and Miss Ruth Kackley of Topeka, Kan., are to be married at 10 o'clock this morning in Kansas City. Mr. Edwards left for Kansas City yesterday and will meet Miss Kackley and her mother there. The ceremony will be at the Baltimore Hotel.

Mr. Edwards first met Miss Kackley, who has just finished a 32 week's engagement with the North Brothers' Stock Company, in this city, when she was playing here. Other visits to Columbia at various times during the past few years ripened the acquaintance and Miss Kackley made another engagement, this time for life.

As a reporter for the Tribune, for several years, Mr. Edwards has made an excellent record as a newspaper man in this city, earning promotion to the office of city editor recently. He has also had some journalistic experience in Kansas City on the Star. He is the son of Police Judge Edwards of Columbia. Miss Kackley is the daughter of Mrs. Nell Kackley of Topeka, Kan., and has been on the stage for the past few years.

INSANE ARTIST PROVIDED FOR

Friends Give a Cottage to R. A. Blakelock, the Genius.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Aug. 26.—Ralph Albert Blakelock, the famous artist who has been confined in the state asylum here ever since he went insane over the poverty of his family seventeen years ago, is gone to a private sanitarium at Lynnwood Lodge, N. J., where his returning faculties are expected to become completely normal.

It was not until many years after he came to the asylum here that Blakelock was elected to membership in the National Academy. When he lost his mind he had been selling what he could of his now world famous and extremely valuable moonlight scenes for scarce enough to buy food for a few days.

About a year ago Blakelock showed signs of returning sanity and unmistakable evidences of the return of clouded genius. His fellow American artists started a fund to provide for him at a private sanitarium, with a cottage in which he will paint the picture marking his election to the Academy. Blakelock's family will not be with him.

CHINESE STUDENTS WILL MEET

Seventh Annual Conference to Be Held at Oberlin College.

The Seventh Annual Conference of the Mid-West Section of the Chinese Students' Alliance in the United States will take place at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, beginning with dinner on September 1, and ending with breakfast on September 9.

The program will consist of dinners, addresses, business and social meetings, tennis tournaments, English and Chinese debates, picnics, Chinese and English oratorical contest, a track meet, a musical concert, a baseball game, bazaar, banquet and a pageant.

A booklet inviting all Chinese in the Mid-West to attend the conference is being sent out. The booklet contains pictures showing the conveniences and opportunities of Oberlin College, together with a discussion of the purpose of the Alliance and a few instructions for the delegates.

The University of Missouri will be represented by Frank K. Lee, whose home is in Honolulu, T. H.

J. B. Powell Returns.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Powell returned yesterday from a three weeks' boat trip up the Mississippi River. While away they visited friends and relatives in Hannibal, Quincy, Burlington and Wapello, Iowa.

Have Moved to Nashville

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Cato and little son J. L. Jr., who lived at 805 Range Line, left yesterday for Nashville, Tenn., where they will make their new home. Mr. Cato is employed in the shoe factory there.

ALLIES STILL ASSUME OFFENSIVE ON SOMME

British Try Encircling Movement in Driving Germans From Thiepval.

A DENIAL OF REPORT

German General Declares Allies Failed in Attacks on Somme.

By United Press.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—The British left wing at Somme broke out with a new attack against the German positions defending Thiepval, capturing 400 yards more of the enemy trenches.

The beginning of the ninth week of the Somme offensive saw the British rapidly encircling the commanding positions and threatening the capture of Thiepval.

A new gain was made near the Moquet farm. German counter attacks were driven off quickly with heavy losses to the Teutonic legions.

It was also reported that the Germans were repulsed near Guillemont. Berlin reported that all British attacks last night and this morning were repulsed.

The deadlock in the Balkan fighting continued throughout yesterday. The Serbians are holding their own on the extreme Allied left and have delivered several strong counter attacks, though the Bulgarian war office reports that the Serbians in each instance have been repulsed.

Allies Gaining In "Big Push."

LONDON, Aug. 26.—The eighth week of the great battle of the Somme ended today with the Anglo-French troops everywhere on the offensive and steadily driving in upon Bapaume and Peronne. More than a score of villages and numerous fortified redoubts have fallen into the hands of Allies since the "big push" began on August 1.

The heights looking down Bahaume are now firmly in British hands. The British last night gained 400 yards in encircling movement to squeeze the Germans out of Thiepval.

At no point has the German line been breached since the offensive began. The British military officials are not disappointed at the failure to make a break in the great German defensive system, but point to the fact first rush to Paris, told a United Press forward.

German Line Isn't Broken.

STRASBERG, Germany, Aug. 26.—After eight weeks of tremendous effort and a lavish expenditure of ammunition and human flesh and blood, the Allies have not only failed to break the German line at Somme, but have not even badly bent it. General Alexander von Kluck, who commanded the German right wing in the first rush to Paris, told a United Press representative this afternoon.

Von Kluck said that the Allies merely pushed the Germans back a few kilometers here and there, showing markings to prove the statement.

Heavy Attacks At Verdun.

PARIS, Aug. 26.—A strong German reconnaissance south of Maurepas Hill No. 121 was dispersed this morning, according to the official statement this morning, which also reported violent artillery firing on the Somme front.

The Germans attempted no other attacks, but launched heavy attacks on the Champagne and Verdun sectors.

German Submarine Sinks Steamer.

LONDON, Aug. 26.—The armed British steamer, Duke of Albany, was sunk Thursday by a submarine in the North Sea, the Admiralty admitted here this afternoon. Eighty-seven of the crew were saved, while twenty-four lost their lives.

C. O. Hanes Here on Visit.

C. O. Hanes, former secretary of the Commercial Club and Retail Merchants Association, is here for a few days finishing moving. Mr. Hanes and family now live in Jefferson City where he is secretary of the Fair Dealers Association.

Married at Courthouse.

Frank Edward Johnson and Miss Gertie Jane Griggs were married in the courthouse this morning by the Reverend J. T. Nevins, pastor of the Baptist church at Shaw. Both of the young married people live in the country east of Columbia.

THE WEATHER

(Report Issued Saturday Morning).
For Columbia and Vicinity: Unsettled with thundershowers this afternoon or tonight, cooler. Sunday generally fair.
For Missouri: Unsettled with thundershowers this afternoon or tonight, except extreme north portion; somewhat cooler tonight. Sunday generally fair cooler extreme south portion.

Weather Conditions.

A continued fall in pressures over the southern Plains and lower Mississippi Valley has resulted in the formation of a slight trough of low pressures extending from Texas to the great Lakes, with the point of lowest pressure centered in eastern Kansas this morning. This has caused generally unsettled weather over the Missouri and upper Mississippi Valleys and showers over northern Missouri, Illinois, western Nebraska, southern portions of South Dakota, and Minnesota, and Michigan. Showers have continued along the Atlantic coast.

Cooler weather has prevailed from New Mexico and Kansas northward. This change will drift eastward, reaching this section late tonight.

In Columbia, unsettled weather with thundershowers will prevail this afternoon or into the night, with a change to cooler. Sunday will be generally fair.

BROWNS PLAY TODAY

Taylor Will Shift Line-Up in Game Against Wabash All Stars.

In an effort to improve the fielding of the Browns, Manager Taylor is going to shift his line-up in today's game with the Wabash All-Stars. Taylor himself will take first, switching Vogt to short and Ligon to the outfield.

In the box for the local team will be Burnett, a southpaw from Ashland. He has been twirling good ball all summer and last Sunday struck out sixteen men at Boonville.

The Wabash team of St. Louis have one of the fastest amateur teams in the state and expect to add another to their list of victories this afternoon. They have already defeated Taylorville, Bevier, Warrenton, Aurora, Jacksonville, Madison and Litchfield and have two wins over Mexico to their credit.

Their line-up today will include some of the best amateur talent in St. Louis as well as some ex-leaguers. Jackson, who will have charge of the team. Herberer, Clarahan and Block are some of the men who will attract the attention of the fans.

The two teams will line up at 3 o'clock this afternoon at Fairgrounds Park as follows: Wabash—Donahue, cf; Woods, ss; Jackson, lf; Clarahan, 2b; Gibberson, 1b; Stang, ss; Block, p; Steinkamp or Kennedy, 3b; Heberer, c. Browns—Ligon, lf; Foster, 2b; Winegar, cf; Dippold, rf; Taylor, 1b; Rutledge, cf; Vogt, ss; Davis, 3b; Burnett, p.

"ALLIED FORCES" WIN WAR GAME

Red Troops Land Safely on Long Island, Gaining Big Victory.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 26.—The "Allied forces" this afternoon effected a successful landing on Long Island. The fleet defending the American Coast has been decisively defeated, theoretically, and the greatest war game in United States naval history has ended.

The following radiogram was received this afternoon from Admiral Knight, chief umpire: "The maneuver is over. Red has accomplished its mission." This means that the transports made a safe landing.

BAD WATER MENACES ST. LOUIS

Tests Show Large Number of Colon-Bacilli in Drinking Supply.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 26.—Colon-bacilli, the germs which cause intestinal disorders, were found in large quantities in St. Louis water in tests made by Dr. F. A. Baldwin, city bacteriologist. The bacilli offered marked menace to the health of the city, especially infants, Doctor Baldwin said. He also declared that a colon bacillus may later develop into a typhoid fever germ.

Civic League to Meet.

The Women's Civic League will hold its regular meeting at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. S. Lansing, 300 College avenue. Mrs. W. B. Nowell, Sr., will be the leader. The subject for discussion will be "The Ballot—A Civic Tool."

New Voyage Difficult, Says Koenig.

BERLIN, Aug. 26.—Every new voyage to America by the Deutschland or any other merchant submarine will become more difficult, Captain Koenig said today, because of determined attempts by Allied warships to intercept one of the German undersea liners.

SALE OF TICKETS IS ABOUT A THOUSAND

Chairman Conley Thinks That 1300 Will Be Sold Before Show Starts.

TWO DAYS ARE LEFT

J. W. Schwabe, C. B. Rollins Jr., and H. M. McPheeters Led Yesterday.

By United Press.

Captain J. W. Schwabe, assisted by his army composed of C. B. Rollins, Jr., and H. M. McPheeters, captured the front trench yesterday in the assault on Fort Columbia, for the purpose of selling Hall Theater Benefit tickets.

At the meeting of the committees this morning, only four of the seven armies made reports and from all indications, the house will be sold out for the opening night, Monday, August 28.

"The committees are all hard at work," said Chairman Conley, yesterday morning, "and are waiting to bring the tickets in until they can report large sales. Competition is becoming very great among the workers, and we are confident that there will be 1,300 sold before the show starts on Monday night. At the last report, over 800 were sold, and there has been a great number bought at the box-office, so the number has reached at least 1,000."

Schwabe, Rollins, and McPheeters have a total of 114, with 29 sold yesterday. This insures them a lead, but the team of Evans, Jacks, and McHarg are a close second with 101 total.

The leading team deserves much credit. Mr. Rollins provided the car, and the committee has called upon the Westwood section of the city, and made a canvass of the residence district.

S. F. Conley is still in the lead for individual work, but he has been ruled out, because he is interested in the companies which subscribed for large numbers, and he has been representative for his companies.

The program will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. E. W. Stephens will make a ten-minute address. The show will start promptly at 8:15 o'clock. Tickets will be reserved and sold at the box-office Monday up to the time of the performance and the committees will also be at work the entire day.

The committees will report at 9 o'clock Monday morning at the Commercial Club rooms, to make a report of yesterday's work.

The tickets bought and paid for yesterday are: Mrs. Leta Miller 1, J. S. Moore 2, Columbia Daily Times 10, Abe S. Ridgeway 2, Percy Klass 2, Bill Meyer 1, Tom Kennedy 2, C. L. Torbitt 1, M. Pollock 2, Mrs. E. Baker 2, Mr. Tygart 2, R. M. McCabe 1, Gustave Dippold 1, P. C. Lydda 2, W. C. Sutton 2, J. C. Abbott 2, C. L. Criger 2, Jim Moss 1, John McMillen 1.

TRAVELED 1,500 MILES IN CAR

Party of Five Rode from North Carolina in Ten Days.

E. E. Vanatta of this city and his son, E. S. Vanatta with their wives and Miss Steere of Boston arrived in Columbia Wednesday night after a 1,500 mile trip from Shelby, N. C., where the younger Vanatta is working with the U. S. Soil Survey.

The party passed through nine states on their trip, spending ten days on the road. Their route took them through Roanoke, Va., Wheeling, W. Va., Columbus, Ohio, Indianapolis, Ind., Decatur, Ill., and Hannibal, Mo. They termed the roads excellent after leaving Roanoke.

Returns to Sacramento, Cal.

Walter Fine of Sacramento, Cal., who with Mrs. Fine has been visiting the past two weeks with his sister, Mrs. W. W. Payne and Mrs. S. P. Crump, returned to his home this morning. Mr. Fine is foreman of a railroad section on the Southern Pacific Railroad south from Sacramento. Mrs. Fine will remain here until the latter part of October.

Mrs. Carter to Move to Columbia.

Mrs. E. M. Carter, her daughter, Frances, and son, Proctor, went to Hillsville yesterday afternoon. They intend to move to Columbia shortly from their former home in Cape Girardeau. Mr. Carter is the secretary of the State Teachers' Association with his office in Columbia.