

WILSON STEPS IN AS MEDIATOR TO AVERT STRIKE

The President Called in Both Sides of the Railroad Industrial Controversy and Listened to Their Stories in the Effort to Prevent a Strike

FIRST MET THE MEN, THEN THE MANAGERS

After Confering with the Chief Executive, Garretson, Representing the 400,000 Employees, Declined to Make Statement Till End of Negotiations

Washington, Aug. 14.—The railroad managers and brotherhood leaders, deadlocked in the negotiations which threatened a nation-wide railroad strike to-day, laid their case before Pres. Wilson to-day.

There were some indications that the president might propose special arbitration before a board of 12 members, on which the four brotherhoods could be represented.

The president's conference with the men opened with a statement by A. B. Garretson outlining the demands. Then the president addressed the men, insisting that an agreement must be reached.

After being with the president two hours the representatives of the men left the White House and Mr. Garretson said they expected to see the president again later in the day after he had conferred with the managers.

There were some suggestions, purely informal, that the men were regarding the possibility of arbitration with the president himself as chief arbitrator.

It was arranged that the managers should see the president at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the White House it was said that no indications could be given out of the progress of the negotiations until after the president saw the managers.

One of the leaders of the brotherhoods characterized the conference with the president as most encouraging. He declared that the outlook for prevention of a general strike was hopeful.

MAY DIRECT STRIKE FROM NEW YORK CITY

If President's Plans Fail and Great Strike Is Called the Orders Will Be Issued from Headquarters

New York, Aug. 14.—If the president fails to persuade the railroad men and the employees to settle their differences and a general strike is called, it will be directed from headquarters here.

The final break came late yesterday after the men had been in secret session nearly six hours. Reports differed as to the reason for the failure, in view of the cheerful outlook that obtained the night before.

not arbitrate even if the railroads waived the contingent proposition. The chief objection of the men to arbitrating the railroad contingent proposition lay in their contention that the proposal entailed the wiping out of double compensation features which the men have gained during 30 years of effort.

TROOPS MAY LEAVE SOON. Remainder of Vermont Soldiers Expect Entraining Orders.

Burlington, Aug. 14.—The Central Vermont Railroad company got an order Saturday afternoon to prepare to start the rest of the Vermont troops for the front at short notice.

Captain B. S. Hyland of Rutland, commanding officer at the camp and head of a company, said the order to entrain had been expected ever since the railway received its order.

The recruiting stations at Morrisville, Middlebury and Bennington, will probably remain open until the militia of Vermont reaches its full war strength.

MAY LOSE COMMANDS

Three Vermont Troop Lieutenants Said to Be in Danger.

Eagle Pass, Tex., Aug. 14.—Three lieutenants of the 1st Vermont are reported to be in danger.

Col. Reeves requested the governor and adjutant general of the state to have a board meet to determine the efficiency of these three officers.

CARRIED OFF SAFE.

Burglars Were Rather Painstaking at Enosburg Falls.

Enosburg Falls, Aug. 14.—The Central Vermont railway's station at this place was burglarized yesterday morning.

GOES TO GERMAN SERVICE.

Dr. Byron H. Hermann, Formerly of St. Albans, Leaves This Month.

St. Albans, Aug. 14.—Dr. Byron H. Hermann, formerly of St. Albans, who spent the week end with his parents.

WELL KNOWN VETERAN

Gen. Charles J. Paine Was in the Civil War.

Boston, Aug. 14.—The death of Gen. Charles J. Paine, a well known officer in the Civil war and later owner of three successful defenders of the American cup, was announced to-day.

"How's your boy Josh getting along with his studies?" "Pleasantly," replied Farmer Corntassel. "He don't bother 'em none."

BRITISH LOST PART OF GAIN

French Captured Trenches Left of the Fay-Deine-court Road

RUSSIANS PRESS ONWARD UNCHECKED

Italians Pierced Hostile Entrenchments on the Carso Plateau

London, Aug. 14.—Attacking British positions near Pozieres on the Somme front, the Germans last night gained a foothold temporarily in a portion of the trenches taken from them yesterday.

Saturday night and Sunday the British made an advance of from 300 to 400 yards over a front of nearly a mile and also captured trenches on the plateau northwest of Bazentin-le-Petit.

Paris, Aug. 14.—French troops captured some trenches on the left of the Fay-Deinecourt road in the Somme sector last night, says the war office.

Petrograd, Aug. 14.—Along the Gallian front the Russian sweep continues unchecked, the official announcement of to-day states.

Rome, Aug. 14.—The Italian troops continued yesterday to push the Austrian troops back on the Carso plateau and east of hill 212 have pierced another stronghold of hostile entrenchments.

CLAIMS PREVIOUS OFFENSE

Says United States Used Blacklist to Suppress Opium Traffic.

London, Aug. 14.—Discussing the American protest against the blacklist on American business firms, The Times asserts that both the United States and England have used similar methods in times of peace to suppress the opium traffic.

WOMAN WAS QUICK

Saved Lives at Revere Beach by Putting on the Emergency Brake.

Boston, Aug. 14.—Quick action of Mrs. Emma Green of Bennington, Vt., probably saved the lives of three people who were knocked down by the automobile in which she and Louis E. Spencer were riding as the car swung around the corner of Chester avenue and the Revere Beach boulevard last night.

EVERYBODY OUT!

All Board of Trade Members Expected to Go to South Roylton.

Barre Board of Trade members will please remember to purchase tickets at once for self and lady and attend the fourth get-together automobile trip and supper, to be held at South Roylton Thursday evening, Aug. 17.

FOUR MEN INJURED.

When Train Catapulted Baggage Truck Against Them.

Schoego, Me., Aug. 14.—A Portland bound train on the Mountain division of the Maine Central railroad due at Schoego Lake station at 5:12 yesterday afternoon, struck a baggage truck, one end of which had been left far out on the platform, and drove it onto a party of summer visitors who were standing nearby, seriously injuring four men, three of whom are members of the New York police force.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. James Ahern, Misses Katherine, Annie, Dorothy and Doris Ahern and Wendell Ahern of Eastern avenue returned to the city this morning from an outing at Old Orchard, Me.

TWO KILLED BY TRAIN

When Automobile Struck It at State Line, N. H.

State Line, N. H., Aug. 14.—Hugh H. Mahon, 38, and Fred Hodge, 21, both of Marlboro, N. H., were instantly killed early yesterday when Mahon's automobile crashed into a rapidly moving passenger train at the Boston & Maine railroad crossing here.

PAID FOR FOLLY WITH HIS LIFE

Young Man Had Shammed Fright in the Water and When Real Danger Came His Friends Did Not Go to His Rescue.

St. Albans, Aug. 14.—Stephen Rhoard, 18 years old, employed by the St. Albans Grain company, was drowned in Lake Champlain near Shanty point yesterday noon. The body was recovered after an hour's search.

He was out in a boat with some girls at the time of the accident, and jumped from the boat to go swimming. He could not swim, but evidently misjudged the depth of the water, which at this point was seven feet deep.

St. Albans, Aug. 14.—The annual meeting of the state chief rangers and state secretaries of the Catholic Order of Foresters was held here Sunday.

AYERS FAMILY REUNION

Was Held at Plainfield With 21 Guests Present.

Plainfield, Aug. 14.—The annual Ayers reunion was held at the Ayers camp Saturday, Aug. 12, with Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Baldwin as host and hostess.

STRUCK HERD OF COWS.

Autoist Said to Be from Burlington, Killed or Injured Two.

A Burlington automobile, hurrying into Williamstown early at dusk last night, left a trail of dead cows in its wake, after colliding with a small herd belonging to the George Sprague farm.

MAKES SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS.

Granite Mutual Co. Statement Pleasing to Directors.

A record of progress probably equalled by no other Vermont fire insurance company is indicated in the 10th annual report of the Granite Mutual Insurance Co. of this city, copies of which are being distributed to policyholders and directors.

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AGED MAN HURT

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Held from St. Augustine's Church in Montpelier.

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The Aldrich public library will be closed all day Wednesday, Aug. 16, because of Bennington day.

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BIG DAY FOR CLAN AT CALEDONIA PARK

Large Number of People Enjoyed Varied Program and Event Was One of the Most Auspicious Held by the Order.

Clan Gordon's picnic, perennial harbinger of the mellowing summer, was a sanctuary for more than 1,000 fun seekers at Caledonia park Saturday afternoon.

WRECK CLAIMS FOUR OF CREW

Gloucester, Mass., Sloop Schooner Oriole Lost

PART OF CREW SAVED BY PULLING SHIP

Schooner Went Down off the Grand Banks Saturday

Gloucester, Mass., Aug. 14.—The loss of the fishing schooner Oriole with four members of her crew off the Grand Banks Saturday was announced in advices received to-day from Halifax.

SHOT IN THE TOE.

12-Year-Old Girl Careless with Brother's Rifle.

A bullet from a 22-rifle bored a hole in one toe for Miss Bertina Cerasoli at her home, 31 Berlin street, Saturday afternoon.

GIVEN GOOD SEND-OFF.

Barre Party for Cleveland Were Escorted to Their Train.

Outward bound late Saturday afternoon, some 50 Barre excursionists, most of them connected in one way or another with the Barre granite industry, and thereby qualified to boast the native stone when they arrive in Cleveland, got a hearty send-off from the Board of Trade as they betook themselves to the station.

THE RESULTS OF SPORTS.

Throwing heavy hammer—Norman McLeod 1st, 90 ft. 2 in.; Charles Keith 2d, 89 ft. 10 in.; William Riddell 3d, 74 ft. 1 in.

BARN FIRE AT CHELSEA.

Norman H. Hill Meets with Second Serious Misfortune.

Chelsea, Aug. 14.—On Sunday morning when Norman H. Hill was milking, his wife discovered that the barn was on fire and hastened to the barn and helped her husband to get the stock and tools out of the building, which was doomed.

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