

WILSON MAY TAKE HAND IN STEEL CONTROVERSY ON WORKERS' REQUEST

Union Committee Declares the Steel Corporation Is Trying to Force the Issue Before the President Can Have Opportunity to Pass On the Merits of Case

WHOLESALE DISCHARGES OF MEN ALLEGED

Meantime Instructions Have Been Sent by Union Heads That There Must Be No Strike Movement Till the Date Has Been Fixed by Committee

Washington, D. C., Aug. 29.—President Wilson is to be asked to take a hand in the controversy between the steel workers and the United States Steel corporation in an effort to prevent a general strike.

This announcement was made today by the committee of the steel workers, who charged that the steel corporation was trying to force the issue before the president could have an opportunity to pass on the merits of the controversy.

In a telegram to the union of steel workers at Gary, Ind., the committee said the workers were not to strike "under any circumstances" until the strike date had been set by the committee.

The Gary union had telegraphed that the steel workers were being discriminated against and "discharged wholesale for the purpose of forcing a strike."

The telegram wired to James Mulholland, secretary of the Gary Allied Iron and Steel Workers' union, follows: "You telegraphed notice that all striking employees who failed to return to work by the time limit set would find their places filled and that anyone who interfered with or impeded the use of railroad property would be prosecuted for having committed an offense against the United States. His action was considered the most drastic ever taken by a government agency in dealing with a labor situation."

"The executive council of the American Federation of Labor is negotiating for a conference with President Wilson. The steel companies show by their actions a determination to force the issue before the president has had chance to pass on merits of controversy. We are doing all possible to secure justice for the men and to prevent the national disaster of a general strike in the steel industry. Do not strike under any circumstances until the strike date has been set by your committee."

The steel workers have sought conferences with officials of the steel corporation to discuss wages, hours, working conditions and collective bargaining, but thus far their efforts to obtain such conferences have been unsuccessful.

THREATENING TIE-UP IN BOSTON TO SUPPORT UNION POLICEMEN

Elevated and Surface Car Men Voted Today to Walk Out If Necessary and Hotel, Restaurant and Bar Men Have Done the Same.

Boston, Aug. 29.—Eleven Boston policemen were placed on trial today by Commissioner Curtis on charges of violating department rules by joining the new police union. The commissioner has not announced his finding in the cases of eight patrolmen, including the six officers of the union who were before him on similar charges Tuesday.

Union leaders predicted today that in the event of a strike by the policemen to enforce their claim of the right to organize, the city would face on of the most complete labor tie-ups in history. Employees of the elevated and surface lines of the Boston elevated railway system at a meeting early today voted to support the policemen to the extent of a walkout if necessary, and it was announced that the hotel and restaurant employees' international alliance and the bartenders' international league had taken a similar position.

STILL INVESTIGATING THE STACY DEATH

State's Prosecuting Officers Have Not Yet Decided That Burlington Old Man Committed Suicide.

Burlington, Aug. 29.—Attorney General Frank A. Archibald, State's Attorney Allen Martin and Chief of Police C. J. Russell were in conference this morning for more than an hour regarding the developments in the mysterious shooting of William C. Stacy, Sunday night. At the conclusion of the conference, none of the officials would be quoted as to the progress of the investigation, but it was announced that the attorney-general has made two trips here within as many days, with the intention of consulting on this case both times, proves that the state is impressed with the unusual features in the case and have not adopted the temporary finding of the health officer that it was a case of suicide as their own.

The attorney-general has not reached any decision in the case, according to a statement he made this afternoon, but expects within a few days to have evidence enough at hand so that it will point clearly one way or the other, and the authorities can either go ahead on the murder theory or drop the case as one of plain suicide.

STRIKE CRUMBLING ON PACIFIC COAST

Many of the Striking Railroad Men Agree to Resume Work After Receiving Warning of Director General Hines.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 29.—The strike of railway men in the extreme west and southwest, from indications, was crumbling to-day following the warning of Walker D. Hines, director general of railroads, that if they did not operate trains by 7 a. m. to-morrow the railroad administration would undertake to do so.

San Francisco yardmen, out about 36 hours, agreed to return to work at 8 o'clock this morning. Strikers at San Jose, Tracy and Oakland returned to work last night.

Resumption of work at Los Angeles awaited approval of meetings to-day of union officers and locals they represented.

At San Francisco, where members of the big four brotherhoods are out, the engineers were said to have expressed willingness to return to work, but were bound by an agreement that all four crafts would return together, while other crafts continued to oppose a return.

Meanwhile traffic continued virtually paralyzed from Albuquerque, N. M., and Yuma, west to Los Angeles, and for a considerable distance north and south of that point on all lines.

No alleviation was reported from desert towns, dependent upon rail transportation for water for domestic purposes.

Automobiles still were being used to handle mail in many instances.

HINES WATCHES KEENLY FOR RESULTS OF HIS ORDER TO RAILROAD MEN TO RESUME WORK.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 29.—Although it was thought that the drastic action threatened by Director General Hines, together with the supporting stand taken by officials of the brotherhoods involved would hasten the return to normal conditions, developments to-day in the railroad strike situation in California and other western states were being awaited with keen interest here.

Mr. Hines in a statement addressed to "public officers, railroad officials and employees and citizens in general" in the three states named, stated that all striking employees who failed to return to work by the time limit set would find their places filled and that anyone who interfered with or impeded the use of railroad property would be prosecuted for having committed an offense against the United States. His action was considered the most drastic ever taken by a government agency in dealing with a labor situation.

STRIKE "TWO-EDGE WEAPON" DECLARED BY JAMES HENRY THOMAS, M. P. WHO HAS BEEN STUDYING AMERICA.

London, Aug. 29 (Correspondence of the Associated Press).—The strike was characterized as a "two-edge weapon," which should be used only as a last resort in enforcing workers' demands by James Henry Thomas, a member of Parliament for Derby and general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen in his first public address after returning from a visit to the United States, where he studied the labor situation.

America had strengthened her economic situation during the war and controlled or produced everything that the rest of the world required, Mr. Thomas declared. Unless England at once repaired the losses of the past four years, he said, disaster would stare the country in the face.

The speaker said he believed that the government itself did much to popularize the strike by refusing at the conciliation table to-day that they would concede to-morrow on the threat of a strike.

"The first essential is that confidence immediately be restored to the working classes," Mr. Thomas stated. "Employers must realize that the men and women who were responsible for saving the country expected fair and square dealing while workers, on their part, must not be carried away by the mistaken notion that wealth consisted in mere paper money—but must remember that the nation had to regain not only self-confidence, but the confidence of the world."

REVISING CONSTITUTION. VERMONT COMMISSION HELD FIRST MEETING AT MONTPELIER.

The first conference of the commission to suggest amendments to the constitution of Vermont was held to-day in the attorney-general's office in the new state building at Montpelier. Among the matters that will be under consideration is the change providing for legislation along the line of equal suffrage. The commission is composed of W. C. Stickney, Rutland, chairman, M. G. Morse, Hardwick, secretary, Judge S. C. Wilson, Chelsea, Alexander Dunnett, St. Johnsbury, H. W. Varnum, Jeffersonville, Robert E. Healy, Bennington, and John T. Cushing, St. Albans. Frank C. Archibald, attorney-general, is an ex-officio member of the commission.

INCORPORATION BUSINESS. THE VALLEY FAIR ASSOCIATION OF BRATTLEBORO HAS FILED A PETITION, ASKING LEAVE TO CHANGE ITS NUMBER OF SHARES OF STOCK SO THAT IT WILL HAVE 600 SHARES AT \$25 A SHARE INSTEAD OF 300 SHARES AT \$50 A SHARE. THE MATTER IS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

The Trout River Lumber company of Montgomery has filed an affidavit showing that its paid up stock is \$10,000 while the Green Mountain Lumber company of St. Johnsbury has filed a statement of its proposal of stock issue amounting to \$24,000.

At the Turn. "I don't see how I could possibly be any worse off than I am, sir." "Then cheer up. You've got nothing further to worry about."—Boston Transcript.

AUSTRIA TREATY NEARLY DONE

Document Will Be Presented to Her Delegation Next Week

COVERING LETTER NOT FINISHED

Supreme Council of Peace Conference Took Up Matter To-day

Paris, Aug. 29.—The supreme council to-day considered the Austrian peace treaty. The covering letter to accompany the treaty is as yet unfinished, but the treaty probably will be given to the Austrians early next week.

DROVE AUTO OFF FERRYBOAT INTO LAKE CHAMPLAIN

Uchre Prairie of West Alburg Was Too Anxious to Get Ashore and Nearly Paid for His Haste With His Life.

Burlington, Aug. 29.—An Overland automobile, driven by Uchre Prairie of West Alburg, plunged off the East Alburg-Swanton ferryboat into 15 feet of water last evening, and Mr. Prairie had a narrow escape from drowning, being saved by Arthur Hilliker, who was one of several hundred persons who witnessed the accident. Mr. Prairie's son jumped from the car just as the vehicle was going over the edge of the ferryboat.

The boat was approaching the East Alburg slip and Mr. Prairie started up his car, ready to drive ashore; but he put his foot on the accelerator and the car shot ahead and took the plunge into Lake Champlain when the ferryboat was 100 feet from the shore and directly in front of the boat. Great difficulty was experienced in getting the machine out of the lake.

MANY MORE ACCIDENTS WERE REPORTED TO SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE.

Harry A. Black, secretary of state, received the reports this morning of the usual number of accidents, but probably the most important report was that of an accident in which the motorcycle of Frank Nault of Barton, who was carrying Leora Ball of Barton in a sidecar attached to his motorcycle, ran into the automobile of J. Alfred Dumers on the road between Willoughby and Barton. Probably Nault's license will be revoked. Nault received a broken ankle.

Edwin Tatrow, a St. Albans reported that last evening he ran into a team, tipping the rig upside down, and that the horse ran away and the parties were unable to find it during the night.

The report of a rear-end collision between Montpelier and Barre was received at the secretary of state's office this morning, in which H. G. Bennett's automobile, operated by Rufus Bagley for the Langdon estate, was run into by an electric car of the traction company. Miss Elena Davis was in the automobile. It appears that the machine was being driven towards Montpelier and that in order to avoid another automobile the driver of the machine had to allow one wheel to cross one of the rails of the car track, after which he was unable to get the machine off the track readily. Miss Davis went back to flag the approaching trolley car, but in spite of this and the red light, the trolley car ran into the rear of the automobile. The damage done is not yet determined.

BRATTLEBORO MAN KILLED ON CROSSING

Hermon N. Gordon Tried to Avert Collision by Turning With the Train, but Was Instantly Killed.

Brattleboro, Aug. 29.—Hermon N. Gordon, 23, proprietor of a garage on Plat street, was killed instantly yesterday afternoon between 2 and 3 o'clock, the southbound White Mountain train colliding with his automobile at the Boston & Maine crossing in Brattleboro, Mass.

Mr. Gordon had been to Greenfield after some automobile parts and was on his way back when the accident happened. A house out of the view of the track, and when he got where he could see the track the train was approaching the crossing. Mr. Gordon quickly applied the brakes and attempted to turn the car so as to run parallel with the track, but was unable to do so in time to prevent running into the train. He struck against the front end of the baggage car, crushing his head and causing a multiple fracture of his left arm.

The automobile was wrecked and the glass from the windshield was thrown into the baggage car. The train was stopped and went back after the body, returning with it last night.

THREE MURDER TRIALS FOR SEPTEMBER TERM

Attorney-General Archibald May Also Take Up the State Cases Against Graham and Hanley in Present Term of Washington County Court.

Washington county court will convene at 10 o'clock Sept. 9, with Judge F. M. Butler presiding, and from the jury calendar which was published Thursday and the court calendar given below it looks like a long session of court, especially if the state cases are tried. It is expected that the Marza murder case will be tried, and that Mrs. Isabel Barker and George A. Long will be tried on the charge of murdering Mrs. Harry E. Broadwell, while there is a rumor that the attorney-general is preparing to try the Graham and Hanley cases, and there is also some other state work which will take some time at least. If the above cases are tried, it will be the heaviest session of state cases in many years.

There are 26 cases set for trial on the court calendar in addition to the 35 jury cases, published Thursday. The court cases include: David D. Fuller vs. Herbert Dean; Minnie Tromblee vs. Elizabeth Clark; John Emery vs. Elizabeth Clark; H. E. Ayers vs. Charles Zaniemi; Bianchi Granite Co. vs. Muldoon Manufacturing Co.; F. G. Howland and Alex. Gordon, executors, vs. George Liberson, Norman McDonald vs. McDonald, Cutler Co.; C. P. Hatch vs. Peter Taylor; William Guy vs. M. R. McCallis et al.; Harry Tilden, admr., vs. Frank Chase; Tina L. Bushey, admx., vs. Lawrence Farrington; Phillips & Slack vs. Gomez Figueroa Granite Co. et al.; Besie Holmes vs. H. W. Davis, C. W. Adams et al. vs. W. C. Colton et al.; Miles Block Co. vs. Barre & Chelsea railroad; Utley vs. Phelps; Fred C. Green vs. Northfield Trust Co.; Ann Riley vs. Estate of J. F. Severance; Bailey & Co. vs. Leo and Lucy Newcomb; Patrick S. Duffy vs. Pliny Wheaton; M. W. Abbott vs. P. P. Whitney; C. H. Blodgett, guardian, vs. Lou Stevens et al.; Cabot vs. Lyndonville, 84 Johnsbury; L. H. Miller vs. Allen Bell; Dunham Bros. vs. G. Tomasi; John Crozier vs. Hamilton-Garvey Lumber Co. et al.; Mary Bliss vs. Loren Fuller; H. W. Orser vs. Frank Plumley et al.; in re estate of William Littlejohn; John B. Kelley vs. A. J. Allard; W. T. Rawley vs. J. Berton Pike et al.; in re appointment of guardian of James Bianchi; Evelyn Greenleaf vs. Glenn Bradbury; J. M. Billock, admr., vs. Fremont L. Lovett; Charles A. Smith vs. Lillian Holton, et al.

EDSON—SPARRIDGE. FORMER TEACHER IN PAUQUETTE HIGH SCHOOL BRIDE IN WEDDING AT BROOKFIELD.

At the summer home of the bride in Brookfield, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, was solemnized the marriage of Miss Hazel Sparridge, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Partridge of Worcester, Mass., and Carroll Andrew Edson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Edson, the former a well-known educator of New York City. The ceremony took place in the pine grove near the Partridge cottage and was very impressive.

As the bridal party left the house for the church, Miss Sparridge, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Partridge, Worcester, Mass., sang "At Dawning, I Love You," and two little flower girls, Miss Elizabeth Proctor of Worcester, Mass., and Miss Ruth Whiting of Randolph, dressed in white, bearing baskets of sweet peas, scattered rose petals along the path that the party was to take. They were followed by the maid of honor, Miss Lucile Partridge, a sister of the bride, who was alone, and then by the bride and her father, who gave her away. In the grove the groom and his best man, William Archibald of New York, with the officiating clergyman, Rev. Fraser Metzger of Randolph, awaited them, and there the ceremony was performed, the double ring service being used.

The bride wore very beautiful in a gown of white georgette over silk, with silver trimmings, and wore a fan-shaped veil, caught with orange blossoms. Her shower bouquet was of bride's roses. The maid of honor wore a dress of embroidered net over blue satin and carried a bouquet of Lady Huntington roses.

The gifts received were many and valuable, including silver, cut glass, money and linen. The groom's gift to the bride was a platinum brooch, set with diamonds.

A large number of guests witnessed the ceremony, including many from Boston, New York, Worcester, Mass., Connecticut, Rutland, Bryn Mawr and Barre. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held in the grove, and refreshments of ice cream, bride's cake and fruit cake were served. Mr. and Mrs. Edson left at once by automobile. They are taking a wedding trip through the Adirondacks and the Thousand Islands to Quebec, and on their return will reside in New York City, where Mr. Edson is at the head of the reserve department of the national headquarters of the Boy Scouts of America.

Mrs. Edson was for two years a teacher in the Spaulding high school and won many friends here, who wish her much happiness. Two years ago she left Barre for a higher position in the schools of Connecticut and last year taught in her home city of Worcester.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Edson was the culmination of a lifelong friendship, dating from childhood in Brookfield, their early home.

RIDDEL—PIRIE. GODDARD GIRL BECOMES BRIDE OF 76TH DIVISION MAN.

Elsie E. Pirie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James K. Pirie, and Alexander G. Riddell, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Riddell, were married at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening, Rev. B. G. Lipsky officiating.

The bride is a graduate of Goddard seminary, class of 1917, and has been a teacher in the graded schools of Barre for the past two years. The groom went overseas with the 76th division in July, 1918, and later was transferred to the army of occupation, being discharged at Camp Devens in June, 1919. He is now employed at the Boutwell, Milne & Varnum company quarries.

After a short wedding tour, Mr. and Mrs. Riddell will make their home at Graniteville. No cards.

Winifred Smith of Perry street left to-day for Reading, Pa., on a business trip in the interests of E. L. Smith & Co., with which firm he is affiliated. G. M. Titus, the millionaire landowner of Muscatine, Ia., who is touring through the New England states together with his family, stopped to look over the Barre quarries and manufacturing plants to-day. Mr. Titus is making arrangements to purchase a costly mausoleum of Barre granite.

TWO ARRESTS IN STORE BREAK

Picked Up at Montpelier Junction and Brought to Barre

MOORE & OWENS STORE BURGLARIZED

Two Complete Outfits of Men's Furnishings Were Taken

Two men giving the names of Richard Bruce, having discharge papers of the Canadian army, and John B. Duca, were brought to the Barre jail early this afternoon and will be charged with breaking into the Moore & Owens store last night and stealing complete outfits of men's furnishings goods. The men were wearing the goods when arrested, and the various articles were identified by the members of the firm of Moore & Owens. Extra cuff buttons and stickpins stolen from the store were in their pockets.

The men were captured by Officer John S. Murley of the Barre police force while they were asleep on the river bank near Montpelier Junction at noon to-day. Officer Murley went to Montpelier Junction and there learned of two strange men seen coming out of the woods and loitering about the Junction. The officer hunted search and located the men not far away from the station. It is evident that they had planned to board a train under cover of darkness.

Careful inspection of the stock of goods and the disarranged boxes told only too well this morning that the young men had made a complete job of outfitting themselves. They selected fair-grade suits, both of their size 36, and left the tags except for those which were concealed where the boys did not find them. In size of foot they were nearly alike, one taking a size 7 and the other 7 1/2. In girth of neck they were only slightly apart, one taking size 15 collar and the other 15 1/2. Hats were size 7 and slightly larger. Peerless union suits of the 34 size were selected, after the young men had inspected the stock up as high as 44. Shirts of the most expensive grade were the only kind that satisfied the luxurious desires of these devotees of fashion. And so on down through the list of articles selected.

Hosiery, garters, cuff links, shirt studs, stickpins and other things which go to make the complete man according to the dictates of fashion were chosen after the most painstaking fashion, for the evidence this morning showed that the young bolshaviki had laid out various articles, such as \$4.50 shirts, only to discard them when they found something more to their liking. A counter in the rear of the store was littered with these discarded articles of clothing, while back of some suit racks were several other muddled-up articles which, on trial, had been found unsuited. The total value of the goods stolen ranges in the vicinity of \$100.

So far as the indications gave hint today, no attempt was made to tamper with the firm's office or with the safe, although the thieves were observed almost within reach of those places while they were trying on their new raiment.

The earmarks of the crime were almost conclusive proof that the work was done by amateurs and, moreover, that the break was committed by someone who was acquainted with the interior of the store more than a casual customer would be. The thieves apparently had no trouble in going to the various parts of the store where the desired articles were located, for other articles were not disturbed to any great extent.

Even more conclusive evidence that the work was done by persons well acquainted with the interior of the store was the manner of entrance. The rear door is bolted by two bolts, and on the outside is a screen door of heavy mesh which, too, was hinged securely last night when Mr. Owens of the firm was the last to leave shortly before 6 o'clock.

This heavy mesh on the screen door was ripped back sufficiently to permit of the insertion of a hand of moderate size, and by slipping the loop out of its place, and leaving the wooden door with glass panels to be attacked. Either with a chisel or with a heavy knife, the thieves laboriously went at the putty on the pane nearest the bolts and, after digging away part of the lower sash, sprung the glass outward so far that the pane broke, making an opening of sufficient size to let in an arm. The slipping of the bolts was then a matter of but a second, and the thieves found themselves inside, with hours at their disposal in looking over the stock.

The robbery was discovered this morning by Mr. Owens, who was the first to enter the store. He saw various articles of the stock laid out on the back counter, and, investigating further, he discovered the back door to be unlocked. Still more investigation revealed a pile of discarded clothing back of a suit rack, while back of some cases nearby was another collection of wearing apparel. The floor was dirty where the shoes of the burglars had brought in their accumulation of mud from Enterprise alley.

FUNERAL OF A JOHNSON. WAS HELD THURSDAY AFTERNOON—INTERMENT WAS IN HOPE CEMETERY.

The funeral of Aaron Johnson was held from the home of Peter Johnson on Vine street, off the Montpelier road, in Berlin, yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. B. G. Lipsky of the Hedding M. E. church officiating. There were many friends and relatives in attendance. The bearers were Axel Erikson, Carl Johnson, Oscar Olson and Homer Stetson. Interment was in Hope cemetery.

The floral tributes were many and beautiful and included: Pillow, "Father," from children, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Olson, Carl Johnson, and Miss Mildred Johnson; wreath, "Brother," Mr. and Mrs. Peter Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson; roses and asters, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Stetson, Miss Florence Johnson; asters, Mr. and Mrs. Axel Erikson, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Jorgen Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hendrickson, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Knutson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Knutson and family.

WIGWAM FIRE GLEAMS FOR VERMONT RED MEN

Convention of Great Council of Vermont Being Held in Barre—Reception to Visiting Members Was Given Last Night.

Iroquois tribe, No. 16, strengthened by 40 or more visiting Red Men, went into the wigwam at 8 o'clock last evening for the 14th great sun session of the great council of Vermont. The Red Men, who came from various parts of the state, carefully buried the war hatchet under the lower hills of Vermont and shortly after the council fire was lighted by Sachem Alex. Cormack the pipe of peace and contentment passed around the circle, insuring safety to the local members. Many great chiefs were included in the group, and to these men a reception, prepared by Iroquois tribesman, William W. Russell, Alex. W. Cormack and Ira E. Wright, was extended as the council fires gleamed in the great wigwam. The following chiefs were present at the gathering: Deputy Great Inochonee Charles E. Pass of Harrisburg, Pa.; Great Sachem Charles Brookton of Brattleboro, Great Senior Sagamore N. A. Norton of Lyndonville, Great Junior Sagamore H. L. Richardson of Montpelier, Great Chief of Records George E. Rock of East Barre, Great Keeper of Wampum Frank R. Dawley of Montpelier, Great Mishinewa U. S. Grant of Lyndonville and Great Guard of the Forest Ira E. Wright of Barre. Past great sachems who smoked the pipe of peace were: A. E. Humphrey of Lyndonville, F. E. Marshall of Beecher Falls, E. L. Parker of Brattleboro, M. E. Lermond of East Barre, Charles B. Carr of St. Johnsbury, Alex. Ross and William W. Russell of Barre, and E. C. Barrett of Montpelier.

With the reception over, the ceremonies of the third degree work were begun, whereupon 10 warriors were made chiefs. Refreshments of coffee and sandwiches, prepared by the ladies of the Daughters of Pocahontas, were served by 12 ladies to the great assemblage of chiefs.

Great Senior Sagamore A. G. Rutherford of Nashville, Tenn., who was expected to attend the session, telegraphed the local tribesmen in due time that, owing to illness in his family, he could not come to Barre; whereupon Deputy Great Inochonee Charles E. Pass of Harrisburg, Pa., agreed to take his place. He was speaker of the evening and entertained his tribesmen with facts about the great council of the United States, as did other great chiefs about the Vermont councils.

This morning at 7 o'clock many of the Red Men hit the trail to Graniteville by automobile to visit the quarries before assembling around the great council fire at 8:30 for a business meeting. At 10 o'clock, automobiles filled with visiting ladies of the Daughters of Pocahontas, started in the direction of Williams town Gulf, returning shortly before noon after having stopped at the numerous quarries in Graniteville.

The business session was resumed this morning, and matters of interest to the order were discussed. The convention will close this afternoon.

NOW OR NEVER IS WORD FOR BARRE INDUSTRIALLY

A Question of Only a Few Hours in Which to Raise the Amount Necessary to Secure the Peerless Knitting Mill.

While the canvassers for the Peerless Knitting Mills project are still hopeful, many of those who were expected to take large subscriptions have not come across in such a degree as to warrant the statement that we could close the project up to-day.

However, all those connected with the enterprise that have worked so hard for the last 10 days are out to-day, determined that this thing shall not go by default.

The total, by very strenuous efforts, has increased to about \$168,000, but it is still a long way from the desired amount.

It is only that grim determination that has always characterized the activities of those who have the welfare of Barre at heart that can save the situation to-day.

We are entering the final stage of the campaign, and everybody is asked to become a committee to solicit any possible prospects on this enterprise. If each one in the community would make a strenuous effort to see someone whom they think might be interested, this thing might be put over; otherwise it cannot.

Will the citizens of Barre rally in this last few hours to their duty? This is the question now. Those who have already subscribed have done so because they believe that this is an opportunity to secure a first-class investment and help their city at the same time. And there are plenty of people who are ready to help at this last minute if they could be approached, but the canvassers have had so much ground to cover and so many people to see that it has been nearly impossible to get around to them all in the brief time allotted.

If there is anybody who is interested to help and has not been seen by the committees, they are urged to drop a line to W. A. Drew or call at his office in the Howland building at once. Remember, to-morrow is the last call, and we as citizens of this busy, bustling city will be known by our actions in the next few hours. It is a question of success or failure, and we must not fail, now that we are so near the goal. Make up your mind to help put this over, and put it over right, and respond at once. You are needed, and it is your duty to help.

Call Mr. Drew on phone or leave subscriptions at the banks. If you have no blank, just use any slip of paper and sign your name.

MARRIED IN HARDWICK. JAMES DEVERS AND MISS ALICE SULLIVAN, BOTH OF BARRE.

Hardwick, Aug. 29.—One of Hardwick's young ladies, Miss Alice H. Sullivan, daughter of Mrs. J. E. Sullivan, and James Devers, a well-known young man of Barre, were married at St. Norbert's Catholic church in this place Thursday morning by Rev. Fr. Thompson of Burlington, in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. Immediately following the ceremony and amidst a shower of confetti and the like, the happy young couple started on a wedding trip. They will make their home in Barre, where the bride has been employed in an office for several years.

CITY HOSPITAL WILL BENEFIT

Will Eventually Get Half of Mrs. Fowler's Real Estate in Barre

TWO TRUST FUNDS FIRST STIPULATED

Mrs. Fowler Was Native of Barre and Graduate of the Old Academy

The Barre City hospital, named as a beneficiary in the will of Mrs. Helen (Wood) Fowler, late of Worcester, Mass., will receive, at the expiration of two trust funds, one-half of the real estate of the testatrix in the city of Barre. Mrs. Fowler was a native of Barre, a graduate of the old Barre academy, and one who had always been interested in the affairs of the city for 45 years.

The provisions of the will are that the property shall be held in trust for her husband, Rufus B. Fowler of Worcester, Mass., one of the best known patent attorneys in New England; that on the death of Mr. Fowler the income from the property shall be used for the benefit of three grandchildren of the testatrix, they being the children of Mr. and Mrs. Fowler's only son, who died several years ago; and that when the children shall have become 21 years of age the property shall be divided and that one-half shall go to the Barre hospital, with a specific bequest of \$1,000 for the purpose of establishing the Stillman Wood fund in memory of the father of the testatrix.

Mrs. Fowler's real estate in Barre consists of several parcels, the most important of which is the two-story Wood block on North Main street, occupied by the F. D. Ladd Co.'s store and Emslie's florist shop on the first floor and by the Ladd Co.'s bakery and offices on the second floor. In the old town hall, which adjoins the Wood block on the north, Mrs. Fowler owned one-half of the first floor and one-half of the land, the other half of the lower floor being owned by Mrs. Ada Taft and Mrs. Agnes Bradford, while the city of Barre owns the second story and roof. Just back of the town hall is a building formerly used as residence and now occupied as a storehouse by C. W. Averill & Co. This was the property of Mrs. Fowler, together with the contiguous territory. On Elm street, nearby, she owned the two-story wooden building which has two stores on the first floor and two apartments in the second story.

These parcels of real estate are assessed for taxation in the total amount of \$38,000.

By willing one-half of this property to the Barre City hospital, Mrs. Fowler gave evidence of her love for her native place and of her desire to place the bequest, when it shall become available, in a position where it can do a great deal of good to the old home town. The bequest will not become available for a considerable number of years, owing to the prospective lengths of the two trust funds; but the knowledge that the money will eventually become available is decidedly heartening to the trustees and all friends of the institution, who have been confronted during the past few years with many additional perplexities because of the increased cost of maintaining a hospital on the plans that were intended for the Barre institution. To be sure, the income of the bequest does but help to tide over the present exigencies, but it even now lends a very encouraging influence.

The will was filed for probate in Worcester, Mass., on Wednesday, Aug. 27, and the trustees of the City hospital have been requested to file an official notice that the institution is an eventual legatee.

Mrs. Fowler passed away on April 21, 1919, at her home in Worcester, having reached an advanced age and having been ill for a considerable time. As already stated, she was born in Barre, being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stillman Wood, whose residence was located on the site of the present Wood block, which building, by the way, was constructed by Henry Wood, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Stillman Wood. An old photograph of the street shows the trim house setting back somewhat from the street and fronted by several massive pine trees. On the south side was the old checkered store, which residence was located on the site of the present National Bank of Barre, which was razed a few years back to permit of the erection of the present Aldrich block, while on the north side was the old town hall, which remains in general appearance as it then appeared.

This Wood residence was the home place of Mrs. Fowler during the early part of her life