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**Only One at Work.**  
Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 8.—Every operator but one in the Western Union Offices here walked out yesterday, transforming the recently made peace into war.

The strike took officials of the company here completely by surprise, although they received warning Tuesday in the shape of an ultimatum.

According to the operators, one of the causes leading up to the walkout was the preference given by company officials to the word of a strike breaker over that of a union man.

**Ultimatum Treated as Bluff.**  
It seems that one of the regular operators had trouble with a strike breaker during the recent strike in San Francisco. Complaint was lodged by the strikebreaker and the case was taken up this week and the operator here was discharged. He applied for reinstatement, but his application was ignored by the manager.

The other operators took up the case and served an ultimatum on the company, saying if the discharged man was not reinstated by 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon they would all walk out. The manager regarded this as a bluff, but when the time came and no answer was given they left the keys.

Some of the operators who have walked out quote this case as typical of the company's attitude toward the men since the conclusion of the recent hostilities. They declare the company has failed to live up to its promises and charge against it in particular the treatment which women operators belonging to the union have received.

## PRICES OF STOCKS STILL GO HIGHER

Continuation of Wednesday's Tendency Shown at Opening of Market—Bears Make Raid.

## PACIFIC STEAMERS COLLIDE IN A FOG

Portland, Aug. 8.—The Portland and San Francisco liner, City of Panama enroute from Portland, with a full list of passengers, today during a fog, collided with and sank the steamer Atlantic from Goose bay with passengers and freight near the mouth of Willamette river. The passengers of the Atlantic were brought to Portland.

## MONUMENT FOR JEFF DAVIS

Last Act of Alabama Legislature Provides for a Shaft.

Montgomery, Ala., Aug. 8.—The final act of the Alabama legislature which adjourned last night was to pass a bill for the erection of a monument to Jefferson Davis near the place where he received the oath of office as president of the confederacy.

**Force Mines to Close.**  
Trinidad, Col., Aug. 8.—Being unable to secure cars on account of the trainmen's strike on the Colorado & Southern railroad 16 coal mines in this vicinity closed down, throwing out of work, 2,500 men.

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### Remains of Murdered Timber Man Are Dug Up in Colorado, SO THE OWNERS SAY

## STEVE ADAMS POINTED OUT THE IMPROVED GRAVE SAID TO HAVE BEEN HASTILY DUG.

Telluride, Col., Aug. 8.—What is said to be the skeleton of W. J. Barney, the timber man employed on the Smuggler Union mine who mysteriously disappeared in June, 1901, was exhumed yesterday near the Alta mill, 12 miles from town, by General Buckley Willis, manager of the Smuggler Union Mining company and others.

**Pointed Out by Steve Adams.**  
According to Willis's account the remains were found in an improvised grave and its location was pointed out by Steve Adams, now in jail in Idaho awaiting trial on the charge of murder. Barney incurred the ill-will of the union here by working at the Smuggler Union mine after the strike in 1901.

## GASOLINE ONE CENT LESS

Standard Oil Company Meets Competition at Detroit.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 8.—The Standard Oil company has reduced the wholesale price of gasoline 1 cent a gallon within the last twenty-four hours, and the fuel can be bought for 13 cents here. This reduction has been met by the independent concern, the Greenleaf Oil company. Kerosene remains the same price as heretofore.

In view of the recent decision of Judge Landis that the Standard Oil company must pay a fine of \$29,240,000 this drop in price is mysterious. Edward C. Conkling, local manager for the trust, refused to explain the reduction in the price.

"We have reduced the price of gasoline to 13 cents," said T. H. Stephens of the Greenleaf company. "We have no connection whatever with the Standard Oil company. We drop the price simply to meet competition."

## BATTLESHIP IN TRIAL TRIP

Connecticut, Built by the Government, Makes Average Speed of 19 Knots.

Rockland, Me., Aug. 8.—In runs over a measured mile course outside of the harbor yesterday the first battleship Connecticut, the first battleship of the class built by the government, made an average speed of 18.7 knots. The fastest mile was made in 19.31. The trial was marred by a fatal accident, L. M. Turner, a fireman from the battleship Ohio for the test, was killed by a bucket of ashes weighing 200 pounds falling on him.

## AT JAMESTOWN IN FORCE

Knights of Columbus Celebrating at Exposition Grounds.

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 8.—Monsignor Falconio, papal delegate to the United States and Governor Swanson, of Virginia were the center of attraction at the Jamestown exposition today with many thousands in attendance. Surrounding Falconio were many dignitaries among the Catholic clergy of America as well as many prominent lay members of the church.

## SPREAD TEMPERANCE CAUSE

Catholic Abstinence Union to Establish Lecture Bureau.

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 8.—According to reports read at today's session of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America, the organization now has 1,000 branches and over a million members. A lecture bureau will be established by the convention and the doctrine of temperance spread among Catholics in all parts of the United States.

## FOUND DEAD IN A STABLE

Superintendent of Construction Believed a Suicide.

## CARPISGLAM'S AID APPEAL IS ASKED FOR

### United States Commission Finds Spawn Hatches in Gills of the Fish.

## REPORTS TO MANUFACTURERS

Trip Down the Mississippi Apparently Successful in Evolving Plan to Save Button Industry.

Chicago, Aug. 8.—The private life of the clam has been penetrated. Prying muckrakers of the government's bureau of fisheries have dug into the hidden chapter in the career of the bivalves and its early history has been laid bare with a freedom calculated to cause a sensation in the west world. It is the fresh water tribe of clams, of so much importance to the pearl button industry, about which revelations are being sought in response to the beseechings of manufacturers of these indispensable articles.

It is the despised German carp, the bane of the fisherman, who is the clam's best friend in the early days of its youth, and the ill wind for the manufacturer which revealed the clam's history may blow good for the carp, his savior.

**Clam's Early Habits Revealed.**  
The National Association of Pearl Button Manufacturers met in Chicago yesterday at the Brevoort hotel, holding a special session that it might obtain new information on the subject of the clam. The manufacturers, face to face with the fact that clams were becoming extinct rapidly, had solicited the aid of the bureau of fisheries. To hear the report of the investigation by the bureau, the meeting was held yesterday.

Two authorities revealed the history of the clam, Dr. Paul Barsh of the Smithsonian institution and Dr. W. C. Curtis of the University of Missouri. They said the German carp, which preys on other fish and is exterminated whenever found, was the best friend the clam has.

This statement was brought out when they explained that when the clam spawned the spawns attach themselves to the gills or fins of fish. The manufacturers asked for the name of the fish best suited to act as orphan asylums for wandering clam spawn, and that is where the German carp won its recommendation.

**Will Keep Up the Investigation.**  
The association appointed committees to urge the states of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Kentucky and Missouri, the states most affected, to take up the cultivation of clams under proper observance at their fish hatcheries, that the relation of the clam and the carp might be determined accurately.

All of which, according to the pearl button manufacturers, goes to show that although the clam may be kept as close mounded as the proverbial clam of song and story, a \$5,000,000 industry was bound to smoke out its life history.

## NOTHING IS LEFT

### Two Big Roads Shown to Have Failed to Earn Dividends in the Last Half Year.

New York, Aug. 8.—As shown by statements issued today neither the New York Central or the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis railroads earned their dividends during the six months ending June 30, principally because of increased operating expenses.

## POLISH PRIEST IN MURDER ROLE

### Shoots Two Proprietors of Hotel at Pittsburgh, One Dying and Other is Fatally Hurt.

Pittsburg, Aug. 8.—Ludwig Seegiel, said to be an unattached Polish priest of Chicago walked into a hotel on Carson street early today and without warning whipped out a revolver and opened fire upon the two proprietors, Steven and Andrew Starynski. Steven died within an hour and physicians say Andrew cannot recover. The cause of the shooting is shrouded in mystery.

## RABBI CURSES GROUND ON WHICH ANNA MARKOWITZ WAS MURDERED

Dayton, Ohio, Aug. 8.—At the funeral of Anna Markowitz, who was assaulted and murdered Sunday night near the spot where Dona Gilman met a similar fate, the officiating rabbi formally and with ceremony cursed the ground upon which the girl had been killed. He prayed that no rain would ever fall upon it and that no flower or spear of grass would grow upon it.

He recited a psalm and then went to each member of the bereaved family and silt their garments with a knife. This was done in accordance with an ancient custom, to show that the heart is torn with grief.

Harry and Jacob Markowitz and their sister Bertha were released from jail yesterday and attended the funeral. The meeting of the members of the family was dramatic. The father and younger sister were sobbing when the sons came in. The mother shrieked with horror and fainted.

## TO PROBE BRIBERY PEACE NOT RESTORED

### Charges in Connection with \$1,569,600 Causes a Stir in Boston Town.

## COUNCILMEN ARE SUMMONED

Prosecuting Attorney Believes That Money Was Actually Paid Members for Their Votes.

## ONE DEMOCRAT IN

Boston, Mass., Aug. 8.—Every one of the 75 members of the common council will be summoned to testify in an inquiry into charges of bribery in connection with the passage recently of a loan bill for \$1,569,600.

It was intended originally by District Attorney Moran to summon all the republican members and a few democratic members, but he changed his mind because of information he received that led him to believe money was actually paid to some democratic members at the time the bill was passed.

He was told certain men who naturally would be with the administration had been paid, so he concluded to have all the members before the grand jury.

**One Democrat In.**  
Up to the present only one officeholder and democratic leader is mentioned prominently at the court house in connection with the case. This man, it is declared, is one of the most prominent democratic politicians in Boston, high in the councils of the city administration.

The man who is at the head of one of the important departments of the city made frantic efforts, it was said, to prevent Councilman Charles T. Harding from appearing yesterday before District Attorney Moran and telling his story of the alleged efforts made to induce him to vote for the loan bill.

**Diffic on Details.**  
There is a difference in the statements of Councilman Harding and Councilman Pierce before the district attorney. Pierce declared that Harding told him that a certain city department head offered him a cash consideration as a guaranty of good faith in making promises regarding the fixing of streets and money for campaign purposes.

## BURGLAR ALARM BALKS A ROBBERY

### Three Crooks Attacked by Citizens at Cleveland, Ohio and Runded Up in the Woods.

Cleveland, Aug. 8.—Three masked men last night attempted to rob the Merchant's bank at Strongsville, a suburb. They were discovered as a result of the ringing of the burglar alarm. Citizens armed with shot guns opened fire on the cracksmen and two of the latter were wounded.

All three escaped into the deep woods nearby where they are now completely surrounded by farmers armed with shot guns.

## FEARS CARDINAL MIGHT BE INSULTED

### Pope Countermands Reception Planned in Honor of Anniversary of His Coronation.

Rome, Aug. 8.—The pope today countermanded all receptions planned in honor of the anniversary of his coronation, fearing the cardinals might be insulted in the streets while on the way to the vatican.

## SIX HUNDRED SENT HOME

### Shipload of Japs Caught Stealing Over Mexican Border Deported.

San Francisco, Aug. 8.—Six hundred Japanese, the largest number ever deported from this coast, will leave on the steamer Manchuria for the orient today. The deportations consist of Japanese caught stealing over the Mexican border into the United States.

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