

## SAMUEL GOMPERS IS WITH US— WILL AI DSTRICKERS

A new impetus has been given the strike of the express drivers in the coming of Sam'l Gompers, pres. of Amer. Fed. of Labor. It is probable that Gompers will address a meeting of the strikers to be held in Musicians' hall, 175 W. Washington st., tonight.

Gompers, who is here to attend the conference of union leaders with regard to anti-trust and anti-injunction legislation, said he would give his aid to the express drivers and other men involved in strikes. He will also confer with the freight handlers about the demands they have presented to the railroads.

Gompers last night addressed Prof. Hoxie's class in economics and sociology at the University of Chicago.

The express drivers finally forced the Tribune to spike the stories it has been printing to the effect that many of the express drivers had returned to work. The Trib stories had been so strong that even E. A. Steadman, who acts as spokesman for the express companies, would not substantiate them.

Professional strikebreakers and union sympathizers clashed at Washington and Jefferson sts. last night. Policemen guarding Northern Express Co. wagon fired shots to disperse the crowd.

Employes of Seiz, Schwab & Co., Kingsbury and Superior sts., went on strike for better conditions and union wages.

## ASK CONGRESS TO REMEDY CONDITIONS IN CHI. P. O.

Charging that 400 postoffice employes were forced to quit their jobs because of the hardships imposed on them, the Illinois Federation of Labor has asked Illinois congressmen to take steps to remedy this condition.

The federation says that in their desire to hang up an efficiency record the heads of the Chicago post-

office are forcing their clerks to do more than one man's work and to work overtime in the "notoriously insanitary basement of the federal building."

The work of the clerks has been further increased by the amount of business being done by the parcel post dep't since the start of the express drivers' strike.

## WAR BULLETINS

Paris.—Lieut. Wm. Thaw of New York attached to Franco-American ying corps, brought down German Folker in vicinity of Verdun yesterday.

Paris. — French troops repulsed violent German attacks on west bank of Meuse, northwest of Verdun in last night's fighting, and made gains on east bank. French recaptured the trench lost yesterday near Thiaumont farm, east of Meuse.

London.—Gen. Brusati, commanding Italian forces compell to retreat before Austrian offensive, has been relieved on half pay.

## THREE DOLLARS A DAY SHOULD BE LOWEST LABOR PRICE

Washington, May 26.—Three dollars a day is the lowest wage that should be paid for any kind of labor in the U. S., according to the house committee on labor.

There are at present more than 120,000 government employes who receive less than \$3 a day. To give them a wage of at least that amount, the committee reported to the house the Nolan bill providing for a minimum wage of \$3 a day for all government departments.

The bill was introduced in the house by Mr. Nolan at the suggestion of the American Federation of Labor, of which he is a former official.

Dance hall license of West Chicago club, 121 S. Throop, revoked following complaints of Juvenile Protective ass'n.