

PRESIDENT CALLS HOOVER IN EFFORT TO END RAIL STRIKE

Executive Quoted as Not Without Hope in Shopmen's Deadlock.

SENATE EFFORTS FAIL. Committee Has Midnight Meeting With Executives, but Nothing Results.

WASHINGTON, July 21 (Associated Press).—President Harding un-deterred by the failures of members of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee to obtain from leading Eastern railroad executives at last night's conference a basis for settlement of the rail strike, to-day invited Chairman Ben W. Hooper of the Railroad Labor Board to Washington for a discussion of the strike situation.

The President, it was indicated at the White House after to-day's Cabinet meeting, desired to obtain from Chairman Hooper information on several points raised by the railroad executives in their discussion of the situation with Senators Cummins, Iowa, Watson, Indiana, and Kellogg, Minnesota, of the Interstate Commerce Committee.

Indications were given after the Cabinet meeting that the President and his advisers regarded the industrial situation as serious, although not without hope. It was stated, however, that the situation in neither the coal fields nor in the railroad centers was deemed sufficiently serious at the present moment to require use of Federal troops.

CHICAGO, July 21 (Associated Press).—The strike of railway shopmen to-day bore increasing external appearances of a finish fight between the union men and the rail heads, and speculation turned to what might be the next step by the Federal Government to keep up transportation.

As the strike of the 300,000 shopmen rounded out its third week, its effect on transportation was becoming increasingly evident, as reports from throughout the country told of a number of nearly 200 trains and combining of numerous others. On the one hand, however, were reports of additional replacements of strikers with increasing efforts to safeguard them, while on the other the ranks of the strikers were said by union chiefs to have remained at full strength and the number actually out has been increased by walkouts in other departments of some railroads, the latest of consequence being that by 3,000 clerks on the Chesapeake and Ohio.

Numerous reports of continued violence spread from Fresno, Cal., to Worcester, Mass., and additional troops were ordered out, making seven States in which National Guardsmen now are on duty. They are Ohio, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Kansas.

Strike ballots were ordered distributed to clerks and freight handlers on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway and clerks on the Chicago and Northwestern to-day were awaiting the outcome of a conference between their chief, George A. Worrill, and Frank Walters, General Manager of the road.

E. F. Grable, President of the Maintenance of Way Men's Union, was in Detroit to-day for a conference of the Grand Lodge of the organization. The conference was expected to determine whether the maintenance of way men would follow President Grable's peace programme.

Troops were asked of Gov. Kendall to protect Chicago Great Western property of Oklawaha, Ia., and outbreaks at Concord, N. H., caused the Governor to send State troops there. In Kansas State troops were placed on guard at Holston, North Carolina troops are on duty at Rocky Mount and Aberdeen, and plans to remove troops from Waycross, Ga., were abandoned.

One death was included in the reports of violence. It was that of a railroad guard at Burlington, Kan. He was found dead with one shell of his shotgun exploded. Two youths are dying in Buffalo after having been shot in a riot at the Erie yards.

Three employees of the Texas and Pacific at Fort Worth were flogged. A non-union employe of the Erie at Rankin, Ill., was escorted out of town and told not to return. Six men were in jail at Augusta, Ga., charged with interfering with the mails. It was alleged they delayed an Atlantic Coast Line mail train by attacking car reporters.

Restraining orders and injunctions were issued to the New York, New Haven and Hartford at New Haven, the Norfolk and Western at Cincinnati, the Pennsylvania at East St. Louis, the Kansas City Southern at Fort Smith, Ark., the Southern Pacific at Sacramento and the Union Pacific and Burlington roads at Omaha.

CITIZENS DRAFTED FOR STRIKE DUTY. American Legion and Chamber of Commerce Members Selected.

FREMONT, Neb., July 21.—One hundred and fifty leading citizens of Fremont were deputized to-day to preserve order in the railroad strike. Police, posted on every corner in the downtown district, accented men whose names were taken from rosters

DE WOLF HOPPER SUE FOR DIVORCE BY HIS FIFTH WIFE

Former Eida Surry Won't Name Anybody, Only Various Times and Places.

The fifth wife of De Wolf Hopper, who is Mrs. Edna Surry Hopper, has set in motion a divorce action against her sixty-four-year-old husband. A summons had been served on the comedian although no complaint has as yet been filed. Mr. Hopper has already been divorced four times. The latest action will come up in the Queens County Supreme Court, Long Island City.

While the comedian and his wife have been separated for a year and her friends were not surprised at her action, Mr. Hopper said in Baltimore, where he is playing, "It is a bolt out of a clear sky. I don't know anything about it and never expected it. I can't discuss it."

His friends do not expect him to contest the suit. Mrs. Hopper said: "I will file a complaint alleging misconduct at various times and places, but will not name any person. I will ask for an absolute divorce and the complete custody of Billy, our seven-year-old son."

She said if her suit were successful she would keep her stage name Hedda Hopper. She has been making her home at Douglass, L. I. and Mr. Hopper lived at the Lumbis Club since the separation. She will ask a referee and for alimony and counsel fees pending trial.

Mrs. Hopper, before her marriage to Mr. Hopper in 1913, was Edna Surry of Philadelphia. She appeared on the stage in the country girl role in "The Country Boy," and followed Ina Claire in the prima donna role in "The Quaker Girl." Then she met and married Hopper and retired to private life for four years. Since then she has appeared in nineteen motion pictures and two plays. Among the photoplays was the John Barrymore picture, "Sherlock Holmes." Her last play was "Six Cylinder Love" at the Sam Harris Theatre.

For the last two weeks Mrs. Hopper has been playing a new role in a play titled "That Day." It will go on at the Belmont Theatre early in September. Mr. Hopper, previous to his marriage to Miss Surry, had been married and divorced four times. His first wife was Ella Gardner, his second cousin on his mother's side. Then he married Ida Mosher of Boston, a member of the McCullough family, in which he played a leading role. They had one child, a boy, Edna Wallace, the dainty little singer, was his third child. She became a member of the "Edna" company and appeared with him in many of his successes, including "El Capitán."

Then for the third time he appeared in the divorce court. The following year Mr. Hopper married in Kensington, England, Miss Nella Reardon, who became his second wife. She was the daughter of a company and appeared with him in many of his successes, including "El Capitán."

His parents had intended that he should become an actor, but after acting in an amateur performance of "Conscience," at the Fourteenth Street Theatre, young Hopper decided to become a professional. He organized his own company, calling it the Criterion Comedy Company. With it he made his debut as "Tallot Champneys" in "Our Boys." The company was not successful and he was engaged by Edward Harrigan for "The Blackbird."

After this he studied singing and appeared in comic opera in minor roles until he was made chief comedian in "The Black Hussar." Mr. Hopper first became a star in 1890, and the following season brought out "Wang," his first big success. From then on he became a favorite. Among his successes are "Dr. Syn," "El Capitán," "Panjandrum," "Mr. Pickwick," "De Koven's Handstand" and the tuneful Gilbert and Sullivan operas.

of the American Legion and the Chamber of Commerce and under provisions of a State law those selected were deputized. Many of the drafted men took up the duty of guards under protest. Excitement was intense as eleven strikebreakers on the Chicago and Northwestern, who were previously driven from the city, were brought back into town as court witnesses.

TELEGRAPHERS PLAN BIG STRIKE FUND. 80,000 Asked to Contribute One Day's Pay.

ST. LOUIS, July 21 (Associated Press).—E. J. Manion, President of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, to-day addressed an appeal to the 80,000 members of the order, asking that each man give one day's pay to help the cause of the striking railroad men and striking coal miners. Mr. Manion stated his organization was the first of the railroad unions to take action along this line. He expressed the belief that the appeal would bring in at least \$200,000.

ENDS LIFE BY INHALING GAS. Samuel Ginsberg, sixty-seven years, No. 1542 Lexington Avenue, committed suicide to-day by inhaling gas in his home.

FATHER JOHN'S MEDICINE. Wards Off Summer Colds.—Adv.

WIFE WHO SEEKS SEPARATION FROM DE WOLF HOPPER



RAILROADS INSIST STRIKE HAS NOT AFFECTED SERVICE

Union Heads Declare, However, That Traffic Is Far From Normal.

Reports from the railroads having New York terminals to-day continued to assert that the strike of the shopmen and machinists had not yet affected their train service appreciably, though the strike committee at the Hotel Continental stuck to its declaration that men on the "inside" know there is accumulating an increasing number of crippled cars and locomotives which hamper the regular movement of trains.

GERMANY ACCEPTS U.S. PROPOSAL FOR ADJUSTING CLAIMS

Lusitania and Other Losses To Be Threshed Out By Commission.

BERLIN, July 21.—Germany to-day agreed to the American proposal for the establishment of an international court of adjustment to arbitrate disputes between the two countries, such as indemnity for sinking of the Lusitania and other ships in which there was loss of property and life. The court will be comprised of representatives of the United States and Germany and a neutral observer, probably a Hollander, and will meet in either Holland or Scandinavia. The difficulties arising from the Versailles Peace Treaty will be threshed out by the court.

TROOPS TAKE HAND IN TROLLEY STRIKE

Two Hundred and Fifty Arrive in Buffalo on Appeal of the Sheriff.

BUFFALO, July 21.—Two hundred and fifty State troopers were stationed in Buffalo to-day, but their exact duty could not be learned. It was believed they would be stationed at car barns, power plants and along the trolley tracks of the International Railway Company, as well as in the railroad car shops and yards to prevent further rioting by strike sympathizers.

RAILROADS PLAN THEIR OWN UNIONS

Northwestern Lines Sends Out Defiance to International Brotherhoods.

ST. PAUL, July 21.—Railroad executives of the Northwest to-day took steps to organize their own workers in defiance of international unions. "We are going to have our own organization of employes, which will not be controlled or dictated to by outside influences—men working for other lines or other interests," Ralph Budd, President of the Great Northern, said.

200 Women Bathers and Children In Panic When a Heavy Swell Tilts Bath House at the Battery

Wrecks Bridge Connecting Pavilion Pool They Were In With the Seawall.

SCRAMBLE FOR ROCKS. Calmed by Attendants and Others When Swell Subsides—One Woman Hurt.

About 200 women bathers from the lower east side were thrown into a panic in the big pool of the free bathhouse of the Battery near the Aquarium at 10.30 o'clock this morning when a powerful swell sent in by a passing liner tilted the bathhouse, throwing the shore end up on the rocks and sinking the sea end, and wrecking the bridge connecting the pool with the seawall.

The bathers thought there was an earthquake and, wildly screaming and unmindful of the kiddies with them, scrambled for the rocks. Margaret McMahon and Marie Hartman, the two attendants, sought to quiet them, but the succession of swells which followed the first big wave lent additional terror to the situation.

Many of the women were clad as Venus was when she came up out of the sea, and in this condition fought their way through water more than hip deep to the bridge, only to find that it had been carried away. The screams of the women and cries of the kiddies drew a big crowd to the seawall, among them being Patrolman Patrick Dougherty, "Buck" McNeill, Dockmaster and hero of forty rescues, and Park Foreman Thomas Coleman. The three men plunged into the water and started to drag the hysterical women out of danger. Numbers of the women were clinging to the rocks in their airy costumes as the two women attendants, who kept their heads amazingly well, worked around among them telling them that they were all right, and that the water wasn't more than knee deep.

ACCUSED IN THEFT FROM PEGGY JOYCE AGAIN IS ARRESTED

Bank Teller Charged With Stealing \$15,700 Is Locked in Tombs.

Charged with the theft of \$15,700 from the Fifth Avenue branch of the Metropolitan Trust Company, Nelson D. Basanko, former teller, and already under bail accused of stealing \$12,000 from the account of Peggy Joyce, was arrested this afternoon in the office of his counsel, George Gordon Battle, No. 37 Wall Street.

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WASHINGTON, July 21.—A Bill to provide for the payment of all American claims against Germany has been introduced by Senator Underwood (Dem. Ala.). It is the first measure of the kind to be presented in Congress. It disposes finally of all German effects taken over by the Alien Property Custodian. American claims are to be adjusted by a commission and, unless otherwise satisfied, paid out of the German property in accordance with the provisions of the Versailles Treaty and the separate peace treaty between the United States and Germany.

15-Year-Old Unmarried Mother Is Permitted by Court to Return Home From Institution With Baby

"This Girl Has Committed No Crime," Declares Judge—Schoolboy of Fifteen Is Father of Child, It Is Alleged.

Supreme Court Justice Edward R. Finch to-day allowed Minnie Mandelbaum, a fifteen-year-old unmarried mother, to leave the Lakeview Home for Unmarried Mothers at Arrowhead, S. I. and return with her seven-months-old baby to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Mandelbaum, at No. 67 East 109th Street. "This young girl has committed no crime and there is no reason why she should be committed to an institution with her child against her will," ruled Justice Finch in granting the plea. The girl's mother and her baby's father, Oliver Cromwell, and several other great men, as I recall, were born under just such circumstances and rose to fame as history shows," the Court said.

MACHINE GUNS FIRED IN STRIKE DISORDER

Trains Silent on Cause of Missouri Fustilade.

POPULAR BLUFF, Mo., July 21.—The rattle of machine-gun fire and the sound of rifle shots was heard to-day from troops guarding railroad property here. The firing died down after a few moments. Guard officials refused to give the cause of the shooting, but said no casualties resulted.

SAYS GOV. ALLEN AND EDITOR WHITE ARE BOTH WRONG

Emporia Publisher Had Defied State Executive to Prosecute Him.

TOPEKA, July 21.—"Henry" and "Bill" are both wrong, W. L. Higgins, Presiding Judge of the Industrial Court said to-day. The Judge said that Gov. Henry J. Allen was mistaken in asserting that the railroad strike sympathy card hung up in the Emporia (Gazette) by William Allen White violated the Industrial Court orders.

Furthermore, the Judge said, White was in error in declaring "the Industrial Court order is an infamous infraction of free press and free speech," and said he was going to Emporia to have a talk with White. The Governor had authorized the arrest of the editor and the warrant was expected to be issued to-day.

"No distinction will be made as to individuals, no matter what their standing may be in the State or Nation," and "I believe in the right of every citizen to express his opinion, with the exception of Mr. White's case," Gov. Allen declared. He has turned the prosecution of Mr. White over to the Attorney General.

White had displayed placards in the Gazette windows supporting the railroad shopmen's strike. He also carried a front page editor's "Gazette" Wednesday, inviting Gov. Allen to prosecute for advocating the cause of the striking railroad employees.

"The controversy is not between Gov. Allen and me, nor am I opposed to the Industrial Court," Mr. White said. "I believe in Gov. Allen's integrity and his sincerity and I believe in the idea of the adjudication of industrial disputes. I am strong for the Industrial Court. This matter in which the Attorney General and the Governor are trying to stop men from expressing any opinion about the railway strike is entirely a matter of free utterance. I believe in free speech and a free press in industrial disputes. Freedom of utterance is only valuable when it is in danger of suppression."

"A number of Kansas merchants have put placards in their windows reading that 'We are for the striking railroad men 100 per cent. We are for a living wage and fair working conditions.' These were ordered out by the Governor and the Attorney General as incendiary, violating the Antitrust Law.

"As a matter of fact I don't believe in the striking railroad men 100 per cent, although I do believe in a living wage and fair working conditions. I believe the men have a just cause and are taking a bad time to express it. So I put in my window a card reading 'I believe in the striking working men 50 per cent. We believe in a living wage and fair working conditions.' The Attorney General seems to feel that any amount of sympathy for the strikers in inciting riot and rebellion. It does not seem to me as the fundamental right of free utterance is questioned. I feel it an old-fashioned American duty to stand up and be counted for free utterance."

"It seems to me that if we cannot have free discussion of industrial disputes without inciting riot, intelligent settlement is impossible. That is all there is, so far as I am concerned, in this controversy."

UNKNOWN POISON FOUND BY DOCTOR IN JACKSON DEATHS

Medical Examiner Testifies to Mysterious Odor in Trial of Fumigator Man.

Trial of Albert J. Bradjich, vermin exterminator, for second degree manslaughter in connection with the deaths last April of Freeman Jackson and his wife at the Hotel Margaret annex, Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, was continued to-day before Judge Haskell in the County Court, Brooklyn. Assistant District Attorney Joseph V. Gallagher placed several witnesses on the stand to explain the circumstances of the fanning of the bodies and the result of an autopsy.

The rooms immediately under those occupied by the Jacksons were fumigated by the fumigator material caused death. Medical Examiner Charles Wuest, who stated that he had performed 4,500 autopsies in the twenty-five years he has been connected with the coroner's office as a Medical Examiner, said that when he performed an autopsy on the bodies of the couple he found traces of an unknown poison. He stated that he was of the opinion that Mr. Jackson had died first and that Mrs. Jackson died shortly afterward. The rooms were shortly afterward cleaned about ten hours when their bodies were discovered.

Dr. Wuest stated that he was assisted by Dr. William W. Hale, who was a witness yesterday. Dr. Hale, the witness stated, during the autopsy spoke of smelling hydrocyanic acid.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS ASSOCIATE SUPT. WHO DIED TO-DAY



POLICE TO SEARCH CITY WAREHOUSES FOR EXPLOSIVES

Commissioner Drennan Acts as Result of Greenwich Village Fire.

Five hundred uniformed firemen will be detailed to-morrow morning at nine o'clock, Fire Commissioner Drennan announced to-day, to make a careful inspection from roof to cellar of all buildings in the city used for the storage of merchandise to discover the character of their contents.

"If any violation of ordinances forbidding the storage of explosives or inflammable materials is found," the Commissioner said, "summons will be issued on the spot for an appearance in Magistrate's Court. The materials illegally stored will be confiscated summarily and removed."

"This is a warning to all those who for a few paltry dollars of gain are willing to jeopardize the lives of firemen and the lives of residents in the neighborhood of such buildings."

The Commissioner's action was taken on the report of Acting Chief Martin and the Fire Marshal as to the likelihood of the repetition of such an explosion as characterized the fire in the building of the Manufacturers' Transit Company and caused the death of Fire Lieut. Schoppmeier and the injury of more than a score of firemen and residents of the neighborhood.

M'MULLEN'S LEAD 209 IN NEBRASKA

Republican Gubernatorial Nomination in Primaries Still Undecided.

OMAHA, July 21. (Associated Press).—Adam McMullen of Beatrice, to-day led Charles H. Randall of Randolph by 209 votes with fewer than 100 precincts missing in the only doubtful contest from Tuesday's State-wide primary election, that for the Republican gubernatorial nomination.

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VOLCANO OMETEPE BREAKS OUT ANEW

Flaming Rocks and Molten Lava Rained Over a Large Section.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, July 21.—A renewed eruption of the Volcano Ometepe has broken forth, and the people in that vicinity are fleeing in panic. Flaming stones and lava are raining in the neighborhood, and large areas of woodland are being set on fire.

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LOGIC OF PSALMS MAY FREE LAMAR

Court Reserves Decision When Attorney Argues "All Men Are Liars."

The statement in the Psalms of David, admittedly loosely made, that "all men are liars," was the basis of a plea for dismissal of the indictment against David Lamar, once Wall Street operator, charged with grand larceny, which was made to-day before Judge Mancuso in General Sessions by former Judge Leonard A. Eastin. He held that the evidence did not justify the indictment, nor make out a crime.

Lamar was indicted on complaint of Mrs. Estelle Allison, of No. 140 West 54th Street. She claimed that he had defrauded her of \$4,500, which she gave him on his representation that he had to give it to the directors of an oil company for their co-operation in his efforts to sell oil wells to the Italian Government.

Judge Sullivan said that the worst to be made of it was that it was a lie, the uttering of which was not a felony. He then quoted the Psalms and added that a master judge of human character had said that to be honest as the world goes was to be one man picked out of ten thousand. "Who's prison could hold those who lie?" he asked. The Judge reserved decision.

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