

GENERAL STRIKE OF 125,000 VOTED

All Philadelphia Union Men Ordered Out After a Turbulent Day

FIGHTS IN ALL PARTS OF CITY

Police and State Constables Unable to Cover Broad Zones of Disorder—Cars Derailed and Smashed by Mob—P. R. T. Firm.

Philadelphia, March 3.—The general strike, the probabilities of which has been worrying Philadelphia for the past week and causing uneasiness over the entire country, was ordered at the meeting of the Central Labor Union. The walk-out of the 140 unions numbering fully 125,000 men will take place within a week, unless the grievances of the striking street car men, who have caused all the turmoil, are arbitrated.

The Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, as an expression of its supreme disregard of the result of the meeting, and confidence in the result of its efforts to run cars, has ordered almost the entire rolling stock into operation.

The danger lies in this, that the striking carmen will have the active help of perhaps 90,000 idle men, a restless, dissatisfied force that may produce far more disorder than the city has yet seen.

The decision of the union bosses followed a day of almost continuous rioting, in which a boy was killed and sixty persons were hurt.

The trouble spread over the southeastern section of the city and flared up generally wherever police protection was inadequate. It was one of the worst days Philadelphia has suffered since the employees of the P. R. T. went out.

The rioters congregated at the corner of Fifth and Jackson streets soon after the labor meeting adjourned and carefully prepared for the trouble that followed. Some of them first blocked open a switch with a piece of wood, while others began to harass several approaching cars with bricks and stones.

As the mob grew, the conductor of the first car became terrified at the attack and drove his car at full speed over the open switch. Careening and bounding, it zig-zagged across the street to the sidewalk, crushing those who were in its way against the brick wall of a building which crumbled as though made of paper.

A man and a boy are dead and four other boys were seriously hurt as the result.

M'KENNA, Charles, aged fourteen years; died in the Methodist Hospital from a fractured skull.

FREDERICK, John E., aged forty-five years, crushed head, leg and internally injured; died shortly afterward.

The injured are: EVERETT, William, aged fourteen years, leg and arm crushed and internally injured.

SHINSKIG, Abram, aged twelve years, general contusions.

TRAINOR, Raymond, aged ten years, general injuries.

MOORE, Edward, aged fifteen years, crushed head.

SIX LIVE ON GARBAGE.

Startling Disclosures Made on Vermont Farm.

Burlington, Vt., Mar. 1.—Disdaining to ask for town aid and too proud to beg, a family of six persons, three of them children, for three years have been living on a tiny farm in the outskirts of this city on garbage which the father of the family, seventy years old, has daily collected from yards in the city, ostensibly to feed his "pigs."

This was the startling fact revealed today when the local authorities were called in to take charge of two insane, middle aged women, both widows; their aged father and three children, a boy and two girls, four, seven and fourteen years old, respectively. To the unspeakable diet upon which the women, Mrs. Mattie Sipples and Mrs. Emery Leavitt, have subsisted for the last thirty-six months, is attributed their present insanity. Both will be sent to the State Asylum for the Insane.

The authorities found revolting conditions of squalor and disorder present in the battered farmhouse that the family occupied in a somewhat isolated section.

ZION CITY'S END.

Corporation Will Probably Pay 29 Cents on the Dollar.

Chicago, Mar. 1.—The wind-up of the Zion City receivership was fore-shadowed today, when Receiver C. D. Thomas issued a report which he stated would probably be his last. Practically all of the secured claims against the estate formerly controlled by John Alexander Dowle have been settled, and there remains property sufficient to pay the unsecured creditors about 29 cents on the dollar.

Many Drownings in New England.

Boston, Mar. 1.—The United States Volunteer Life Saving Corps reports that from May to September last, 694 persons were drowned in the New England States. Of the dead 272 were children. In Massachusetts alone 286 persons were drowned.

DR. C. W. ELIOT HIT BY \$144,000 BANK THEFT

President Emeritus of Harvard Liable as Shareholder in Cambridge Institution.

Boston, Mar. 3.—Acting on a warrant sworn out by National Bank Examiner Ellis H. Pepper, the Boston police began a country-wide search for George W. Coleman, missing book-keeper of the City National Bank of Cambridge.

A shortage of \$144,000 discovered in the accounts of the bank, disclosing a loss of nearly half the institution's entire resources, led to the closing of the bank. Ex-Gov. John L. Bates was appointed receiver.

Coleman, a young man who lived at No. 136 Magazine street, Cambridge, disappeared Friday and was later heard from in Kansas City, when he said he would return. In the mean time his absence caused an investigation, with the result that the shortage was uncovered. It was found necessary to close the bank upon vote of the directors approved by the Comptroller of the Currency at Washington. Bank Examiner Ellis Pepper took charge today.

Edwin S. Dresser, President of the wrecked bank, said: "Coleman's salary was \$12 a week. He is not supposed to have had access to one cent of the bank's funds. He never acted as paying or receiving teller, and if the other men did their duty he never handled the funds in any way. How he ever got away with the money is a mystery we are trying to solve now. I don't know whether it was by forgery by checks or how."

Among the stockholders is Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard.

Under the national banking laws the stockholders are liable to assessment if the assets are not sufficient to pay the creditors in full. As Dr. Eliot holds ten of the 1,000 shares, he is liable for a part of the defalcation.

DEFENCE OF ALLDS.

Littleton Says New York Senator Acted at Platt's Behest

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 28.—With an impassioned outburst of oratory in which he denounced the bridge companies and Senator Benn Conger as their representative as the most unspeakable band of thieves and organized corruptionists that ever befouled a commonwealth, Martin W. Littleton opened the defence of Senator Jotham P. Allds, accused of having demanded and received a \$1,000 bribe. Seemingly the defence is to follow two lines:

First—That the bridge companies were not blackmailed and held up, but were seeking victims on whom to press their bribes.

Second—That Jotham P. Allds, the implacable foe of these corruptionists on every occasion, save when he helped them kill their bill in 1901, was acting then at the direct behest of Senator Thomas C. Platt.

Counsel Littleton announced that Senator Allds had filed with the Clerk of the Senate his resignation as President pro tem.

MRS. BENJ. FLAGLER KILLED.

Her Automobile Struck by a Railroad Train Near Niagara Falls.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Feb. 28.—A New York Central passenger train going at sixty miles an hour over a grade crossing in Gratiwick, half way between Niagara Falls and Buffalo, at 1.30 o'clock p. m., killed Mrs. Martha Flagler, widow of Benjamin Flagler, and so badly injured Mrs. Morris Cohn and Mrs. George F. Nye that if one or both do not die they may never fully recover from the effects of the frightful collision between Mrs. Flagler's automobile and the train. Miss Katherine Nye, 15 years old, was only slightly hurt. Chauffeur William McPhee escaped in a similar manner, being only slightly cut.

RIOTERS CLOSE STEEL PLANT.

Bethlehem Works Shut Down Because Its Workmen Are Not Protected.

Bethlehem, Pa., Feb. 28.—The Bethlehem Steel Company closed down tonight, and it is said, will remain closed until the local police authorities are able to give protection to the men who have remained loyal to the company. This step was taken because of serious rioting early this morning, when a mob of 500 foreigners attacked the steel company employees as they were going to work, and tonight, when the same crowd made a second attack while the men were leaving the plant. The strike has been going on for some time, but the rioting became serious today for the first time.

MIDGET STOCKMAN DEAD.

Man Three Feet Five Inches Tall Dies Worth a Million.

St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 28.—Stephen Remington, financially one of the biggest but physically the smallest farmer and live stock man in Missouri, died here. He was 88 years old and his fortune was estimated at \$1,000,000. He weighed seventy-five pounds and was three feet five inches tall.

Upholds \$138,378 Inheritance Tax.

Trenton, N. J., Mar. 2.—Justice Reed in an opinion filed in the Supreme Court today sustained a collateral inheritance tax of \$138,378 levied by the Secretary of State upon the estate of the late Wesley H. Tilford, who died in New York last March, leaving a personal estate valued at \$11,626,987, of which \$7,601,962 was in shares of stocks of corporations chartered in New Jersey.

BOATS PATROLING HERKIMER STREETS

Electric Plant Flooded, 150 Houses Deserted, Shops and Schools Are Closed

VILLAGE OF 8,000 IN DARKNESS

Only 24 Hours' Supply of Drinking Water—Dynamite Being Used to Destroy Ice Jams in Mohawk Valley—The Hudson Rising.

Albany, N. Y., March 3.—The village of Herkimer, the seat of Herkimer County, is in darkness, 150 houses have been vacated and armed guards in boats are patrolling the canals that lately were streets, lest those sleeping on second story floors be drowned in their beds.

The electric lighting plant has been flooded and all the lights are out; the fires under the boilers of the pumping stations have been quenched, and there is only twenty-four hours of drinking water in sight for 8,000 people. All manufacturing plants have suspended and two schools are closed. Many fled to higher land during the day.

The village is menaced on the west by the Mohawk River and on the north and east by West Canada Creek, a affluent. On one side only is there escape. The creek has thus far risen more rapidly than the river because of an ice jam at the point where the two join.

Ice jams west of Fort Plain have caused the streets in Ilion and Frankfort to be inundated and dynamite is being used to break them up. When that happens it is feared the rush of water and ice will cause havoc, for the Mohawk River is almost solidly clogged from Fort Plain to Canajoharie.

At Fort Plain the Mohawk rose 10 feet 1 inch from 3.30 p. m. yesterday to 3.30 p. m. today. Otsego Creek, an important feeder of the river, suddenly rose many feet and caused great damage all along its route.

All that section of Hornell south of Cedar street is inundated. Water is pouring through many houses, the occupants of which were removed to places of safety during the night. For four miles below Hornell the valley is full of water from hill to hill and the river is rising every hour. The Erie Railroad reports that the Canisteo River is spread out over the valley for a distance of thirty miles and that its tracks are under water in many places.

The worst flood in ten years is working its way down the Genesee Valley from Croveland. On the Dansville and Mount Morris Railway water reached high up on the engine wheels, which threatened to flood the fire boxes. People living on the flats about Groveland have been forced to move into the second stories of their homes.

With the streams tributary to the Hudson River swollen by heavy rains and melting snow into torrents, and with the river rising at the rate of about eight inches an hour, one of the worst floods in recent years is predicted in Albany.

IDAHO SNOWSLIDES.

Mace and Burke, Buried to a Depth of Fifty Feet.

Spokane, Wash., Mar. 2.—Twenty-four persons are known to-night to be dead as the result of snowslides in the mining region of Northern Idaho. To the nineteen persons who perished in the avalanches at Mace and Burke, Idaho, are added three who died in a similar accident when the camp of the Carbonate Hill Mining Company at Mullan, Idaho, was destroyed and two killed at Dorsey, Idaho, to-day.

The fight against time and cold at Mace and at Burke has been waged bravely and persistently by the little army of men who hope to find under the heaps of ruins some who have escaped death. The rescuers have dug frantically for many hours. Every available man and boy has been pressed into service.

TRADE GONE, SUICIDE.

Boycotted Butcher Dies on Wedding Anniversary.

St. Louis, Mar. 2.—Loss of trade due to the meat boycott caused Alexander Bindebeutel, a butcher, to kill himself. His body was found in the ice box of his shop. Bindebeutel ended his life on the eighth anniversary of his wedding. His wife said her husband had spent many hours working on his books to discover a way to evade conditions which were costing him his trade.

PISA'S TOWER IN DANGER.

Scientists Investigating Flow of Water at Its Base.

Pisa, Italy, Mar. 2.—A committee of scientists is investigating the stability of the Leaning Tower, from the foundation of which water has been springing for a long time. This has resulted, it is feared, in weakening the under structure of the historic tower.

Quits the Ministry to Raise Poultry.

Verona, N. J., Mar. 2.—The Rev. Charles Little, pastor of the Verona Methodist Episcopal Church, has decided to retire at the coming Newark Conference and will devote his time to poultry raising on his farm near Cedar Grove.

WORLD NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Covering Minor Happenings From All Over the Globe

DOMESTIC.

Mrs. Annie Gill strangely disappeared from her home at Atlantic Highlands, N. J., where she lived alone in the dilapidated summer hotel built by her husband, who died four years ago.

Great floods in the Mohawk valley caused much damage to property.

Governor Hughes at Albany entertained Governor Fred. M. Warner, of Michigan.

Chancellor MacCracken of the New York University announced that he would resign on Sept. 25.

Assembly Toombs introduced a resolution calling for a special investigation by a legislative committee of all stock and produce exchanges in New York State and their methods.

General quiet prevailed in Bethlehem, Pa., where a strike is in progress; it was stated that Charles M. Schwab, president of the steel plant, would not employ strike breakers.

The New York State Board of Charities asks more than \$9,000,000 for maintenance and extension of its work.

The State Constabulary, two hundred strong, was ordered to Philadelphia to assist the local authorities in coping with the disorder incident to the car strike.

President Taft, speaking in Newark, N. J., predicted that the commission that is to revise the business methods of the government would effect a saving of \$100,000,000 a year.

Subpoenas by the Hudson County (N. J.) Grand Jury demanding the production of records of the National Packing Company, the Beef Trust, were ignored, and Prosecutor Garven said he would ask dissolution of the corporation.

WASHINGTON.

Plans were laid at a White House conference to curb any attempt by insurgents to obstruct President Taft's legislative program.

Secretary Wilson and Gifford Pinchot clashed on the stand over whether Pinchot had permission from his then superior to send the letter to Senator Dolliver criticizing President Taft.

Secretary Meyer plans to make his request for a 32,000 ton battle ship in next year's recommendations.

President Taft talked to 350 editors of foreign newspapers in the United States on immigration.

If Wade Ellis manages the Ohio campaign successfully it is said to be the intention of President Taft to have him made Chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Senator Brown delivered a speech on the income tax and Senator Beveridge discussed the mineral wealth of Alaska.

There is talk in Washington of an inquiry into conditions at the Mare Island Navy Yard, where leading officers, including the commandant, are suspected of insubordination to the Secretary of the Navy.

FOREIGN.

African fever is following the Roosevelt party; a medical missionary who lunched with its members on Monday is dying.

Suspicion that three Powers are contemplating unfriendly action against China over Tibet causes anxiety at Peking.

Col. Roosevelt practically ended his African hunt, having bagged about 500 of the larger mammals.

Premier Asquith announced in the British Commons that the Lords' veto question will take precedence of all other business except pressing financial matters, the general budget being laid aside.

Diplomats in St. Petersburg are unable to understand Russia's alleged fear of Chinese military aggression, which is given as the reason for the new proposal for a Mongolian railway.

Mr. Roosevelt declined to express his opinions on politics and public affairs generally, saying that he needed time to get in touch with the outside world.

Mrs. Roosevelt reached Naples on her way to Egypt to meet her husband.

President Madriz reports a victory over the Nicaraguan insurgents in two battles, in which the dead and wounded number 1,500.

AVALANCHE BURIED 75.

Twenty-five Families Overwhelmed in Wallace, Idaho.

Spokane, Mar. 1.—A telephone message from Wallace, Idaho, says twenty-five families, probably seventy-five persons in all, were buried under an avalanche last night. A special train left at midnight for Wallace, carrying rescuers.

Measles in Northern New York.

Malone, N. Y., Mar. 1.—There is an epidemic of measles in Northern New York. At Gouverneur there are more than 300 cases, making it necessary to close the public schools there. Here the disease is subsiding. Three children of Alvin Booth of Ellenburg died within twenty-four hours of each other and were buried in the same grave.

Net National Debt Now \$1,068,728,154.

Washington, Mar. 3.—The public debt of the United States according to a statement issued today by the Treasury Department increased \$2,007,498; during the month of February. The debt less cash in the treasury on February 28 was \$1,068,728,154.

EXPRESS BURIED IN SNOW SLIDE

Great Northern Passenger Train Swept from Track Near Cascade Tunnel

TWENTY BODIES WERE RECOVERED

Many Women Among the Fifty-One Passengers—Relief Trains Rushed from Everett, Wash., Unable to Get Within Eight Miles of Scene.

Everett, Wash., Mar. 3.—Twenty-three lives are believed to have been lost in an avalanche which buried the Spokane express on the Great Northern near here. The train, with fifty-one passengers, has been stalled in the snow near the summit of the Cascade Mountains for a week.

The private car of Mr. O'Neill, superintendent of the division, was attached to the train and was completely buried. Mr. O'Neill escaped injury, as did the greater part of the train crew.

Two passengers who escaped the snowslide walked ten miles through the drifts and driving snow and summoned help. Relief trains have been sent out from here, but are unable to get within eight miles of the scene of disaster. Wires are down and exact information is impossible to obtain.

It is reported that a work train, six locomotives and a rotary snow plow which were working to relieve the stalled train, as well as a water tank at Wellington, were also buried.

Among the passengers are many women and children. The express was standing about two miles west of the western entrance to the Cascade Tunnel when the snowslide occurred.

Later advices state that a Great Northern transcontinental mail and express train carrying no passengers and four electric motors used to pull the trains through the Cascade tunnel were also swept from the tracks and carried a hundred feet by the avalanche. Mail and express trains had been stalled for several days. It is thought that no one was on board. According to reports, there are eighteen feet of snow at the east end of the Cascade tunnel and fifteen feet at the west end.

General J. N. Gurber and W. B. Scott, general superintendent of the Great Northern, are stalled by snow at Essex, Mont.

Everett, Wash., Mar. 2.—Twenty bodies have been recovered, twenty-five persons are missing, and fifteen or twenty are injured in the avalanche at Wellington.

The avalanche swept down the mountainside just before sunrise. It was a half mile long. The cars and locomotives were buried deep and it was six hours before rescuers could reach them.

TAFT MEASURES TO BE PASSED.

President and the Congress Leaders Arrange It.

Washington, Mar. 3.—A definite agreement has been reached between President Taft and the responsible leaders in Congress as a result of which, unless the insurgents develop unexpected strength, the Administration bills will have the right of way and will be passed.

This agreement was reached at a White House conference in which President Taft, Senator Aldrich, Speaker Cannon and Senator Crane of Massachusetts took part. It was decided that every effort should be made first to pass the postal savings bank bill in the Senate without delay; second, that the House should put through the Government appropriation bills before turning its attention to the President's measures.

TAFT URGING INCOME TAX.

Appeals to Ohio Legislators Through Arthur I. Vorys.

Washington, Mar. 3.—President Taft intends to use his personal influence to secure the adoption by the state legislatures of the income tax amendment to the constitution. It was made known to White House visitors to-night that the President has written to Arthur I. Vorys, of Ohio, former campaign manager for Mr. Taft in that state, urging the adoption by the Ohio Legislature of the income tax amendment.

The President, it was said, hesitated about writing to the legislators themselves, but decided that he would communicate with them through Mr. Vorys.

WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS LOSE.

Maryland Legislature Refuses to Grant Them Votes in Baltimore.

Annapolis, Md., Mar. 3.—The bill permitting women to vote at municipal elections in Baltimore, was killed, for this session of the Legislature at least, when the House, by a vote of 67 to 23, decided to postpone indefinitely further consideration of the measure.

Guthrie, Okla., Mar. 3.—The movement for a labor party in the next state election is strong among labor leaders and Farmers' Union men. A conference was held here with that end in view, attended by G. S. Zeigler and J. L. Langston, president and secretary respectively of the State Federation of Labor, and numerous representatives of the Farmers' Union.

BIG MEAT PACKERS INDICTED IN NEW JERSEY

Six Corporations and Their Twenty-One Individual Heads Accused of Conspiracy.

Jersey City, N. J., Mar. 3.—The heaviest blow yet struck the Beef Trust, by way of punishment for arbitrarily raising the price of meat and poultry, came in Jersey City when the Grand Jury of Hudson County filed a blanket indictment charging a criminal conspiracy in restraint of trade.

Six corporations, including the National Packing Company, allas the Beef Trust, and its twenty-one directors as individuals, were indicted on the charge of unlawfully conspiring "with force and arms" to increase the prices of meats and poultry.

The corporations accused are the National Packing Company, Morris & Co., Swift & Co., Armour & Co., the Hammond Packing Company, and the G. H. Hammond Company. The individuals are J. Ogen Armour, A. Watson Armour, Arthur Meeker, Edward Tilden, L. A. Carton, Thomas E. Wilson, Thomas J. Connors, F. A. Fowler, Charles H. Swift, L. H. Heyman, James E. Bathgate, Jr., George H. Edwards, F. V. Cooper, D. E. Hartwell, Ira N. Morris, Henry P. Darlington, Lemuel B. Patterson, and A. A. Fuller.

Their indictment expressed in the terms of the old English common law, which are still employed in New Jersey, is probably the most picturesque and pungent philippic ever issued from an American court.

It places the culprits on the grill of the law, turns them over and lambasts them for the sins of two years back in a way that leaves no kind of denunciation untried.

That Pierre P. Garven, the County Prosecutor, means to follow words with deeds was demonstrated within just one minute after the true bill was delivered when a deputy sheriff was sent with a capias after Lemuel G. Patterson, of Chicago, one of the directors, who had been seen in the corridors of the Court House. Mr. Patterson had caught just one glimpse of the bulky document and then sought the friendly tube beneath the river.

Warrants for the arrest of all persons concerned, wherever they may be, are expected.

The conviction of the persons concerned would carry with in the possibility of three years in prison.

Mr. Garven, known to Northern New Jersey as "the trust buster of Bayonne," was the man who brought the Standard Oil Trust to terms and added millions to its taxes, and he has brought to book several of the railroad companies and a political machine.

WORST BLIZZARD IN YEARS.

Ninety-three Inches of Snow in New York by Measuring This Season.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 28.—The worst blizzard of years prevailed along the line of the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg division of the New York Central last night, a fifty-six mile gale piling the snow in huge drifts, in many places twelve feet deep.

Snow ploughs are in use on all railroads and trains generally are running from one to three hours late.

At Oswego the schools were closed and business was partly suspended.

Prof. W. G. Miller, head of the geological department of Hamilton College, who has recorded the fall of snow thus far this season, states that from actual measurements the fall has been 93 inches. This is phenomenal for Central New York.

BANK PRESIDENT ARRESTED.

Says Irregularities Are the Result of Absconding Nephew's Shortage.

Kansas City, Feb. 28.—Alleged irregularities of nearly \$100,000 in the books of the Bank of Holyrood, at Holyrood, Kan., resulted in the arrest here of Byron E. Church, for twenty years the bank's president.

Church came to Kansas City three days ago and was found at the Orient Hotel.

Ray Church, 26 years old, a son of the ex-bank president, was arrested with him, but was released. Maxwell Church, another son, who served as cashier of the bank, is wanted.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wholesale Prices of Farm Products Quoted for the Week.

MILK—Per quart, 4c.

BUTTER—Western extra, 31@32c; State dairy, 23@25c.

CHEESE—State, Full cream, special, 17 1/2@18c.

EGGS—State, Fair to choice, 29@33c; do, western firsts, 31@34c.

APPLES—Baldwin, per bbl., \$2.75@4.25.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, per lb., 15@24c; Cocks, per lb., 14c; Squabs, per dozen, \$2.00@5.75.

HAY—Prime, per 100 lbs., \$1.15.

STRAW—Long Rye, per 100 lbs., 80@85c.

POTATOES—State, per bag, \$1.30@1.40.

ONIONS—White, per crate, 35c@1.00.

FLOUR—Winter patents, \$5.60@6.10; Spring patents, \$5.60@6.85.

WHEAT—No. 2, red, \$1.30; No. 1, Northern Duluth, \$1.28.

CORN—No. 2, 70 1/2c.

OATS—Natural white, 52 1/2@55c; Clipped white, 53 1/2@56 1/2c.

BEEVES—City Dressed, 8@10 1/2c.

SHEEP—Per 100 lbs., \$4.50@6.50.

CALVES—City Dressed, 11@16 1/2c.

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