

ACTORS' STRIKE MAY HIT CHICAGO 'MOVIES'

Every Amusement House in City May Be Affected by Walk-out of Musicians

AWAIT WORD FROM N. Y.

By the Associated Press. Chicago, Aug. 21.—Word from New York will decide whether or not the sympathetic strike of musicians and stage hands, which closed five theatres here yesterday, will be extended to vaudeville and burlesque houses, according to Joseph F. Winkler, president of the Chicago Federation of Musicians. Mr. Winkler said there was a possibility that every theatre in Chicago, including moving picture places, would be affected by a walk-out.

"No legitimate theatre will open in Chicago unless it does so without the aid of musicians and stage hands," Mr. Winkler declared. This will affect the Powers Theatre, where "Three Wise Fools" was advertised to open tonight. Fiske O'Hara and the entire cast of "Down Limerick Way" joined the Actors' Equity Association last night. The performance of this play at the Powers Theatre was the only one given in Chicago. It was said the management of the Olympic theatre was not affiliated with the Producing Managers' Association, which accented for the performance being permitted.

A mass meeting has been called by the actors' association for tomorrow night. William Courtenay, co-star with Thomas A. Wise in "Cappy Ricks," whose performances at the Cort Theatre were halted by the actors' strike, was the principal witness today at the hearing of the injunction petition before Master in Chancery Zeisler.

New York, Aug. 21.—(By A. P.)—Broadway prophets who yesterday predicted that a conference called by playwrights soon would have striking actors and their managers once more talking art instead of unionism, today forecast a long and bitter war. A score of playwrights are still closed.

Two councils of war have been ordered for tomorrow. At one will be discussed an offer of George M. Cohan to retire from the managerial field, devote his life to the cause of the actor and contribute \$100,000 toward formation of an organization unaffiliated with the American Federation of Labor. The other session is called by the Actors' Equity Association to arouse its members to the meaning of unionism.

DREAM FORETELLS DEATH

Lancaster, Pa., Aug. 21.—Joseph H. Landec, a fireman employed by the United Telephone Company, fulfilled his wife's dream today when he plunged to his death from a little car attached to a cable into King street. Mrs. Landec, mother of a week-old baby, cried bitterly this morning when her husband left home, warning him against a death which had appeared to her in a dream last night.

TRAIN BANDITS TAKE MAIL

L. & N. Flier Halted in Tennessee Mountains—Robbers Get Away. Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 21.—(By A. P.)—Masked bandits held up Louisville and Nashville passenger train No. 7, from Cincinnati to Montgomery, Ala., between Columbia and Pulaski, early today and carried off the mail pouches.

None of the passengers was molested. The robbers, four in number, forced the engineer to cut off the mail car and run some distance with it. Covering the crew, the robbers sent the engine running wild and riddled the mail car. The amount of loot could not be determined.

The locomotive finally ran down at Wales, Tenn. Meantime the bandits made off without molesting the express car. Posses are hunting the robbers.

INCREASED PAY ASKED FOR NAVAL OFFICERS

Present Rate of Salaries Unchanged Since 1908—Hundreds File Resignations

ROOSEVELT DRAFTS LAWS

By the Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 21.—With the resignations of more than 380 permanent officers of the regular navy already submitted to the department and more arriving daily, Acting Secretary Roosevelt today began work on proposed legislation to be submitted to Congress, suggesting substantial pay increases for officers and enlisted men of the navy and marine corps.

Present pay tables became effective in 1908 and have not been revised upward since, although civilian pay has increased substantially in almost every branch of work.

High ranking officers who have given careful study to the situation believe the efficiency of the navy is seriously threatened. Most of the resignations have come from the younger officers in the lower grades, the men to whom the country looks for the leadership of its sea forces in the years to come.

These officers, receiving from \$1700 to \$3000 a year, most of them Annapolis graduates, capable of earning much higher salaries in civil life, say they find it impossible to support their families on their pay.

For the present, Acting Secretary Roosevelt said today, no action will be taken on the resignations now on file pending attempts to readjust the pay tables. Already short nearly 2000 officers on the basis of the navy's peacetime strength, Mr. Roosevelt said that unless the salary revision is obtained the navy faces the awkward choice of retaining a large number of officers against their will, with subsequent discontent, or accepting the resignations.

Grey Sails for U. S. September 16. London, Aug. 21.—Viscount Grey, the New British ambassador to the United States, will sail for New York September 16.

STEEL STRIKE HANGS ON GRANTING PARLEY

98 Per Cent of Workers Vote Walk-Out Unless Conference Is Allowed

WOULD BE NATION-WIDE

By the Associated Press. Youngstown, O., Aug. 21.—On the success of leaders of twenty-four labor unions affiliated in the steel industry in obtaining a conference with representatives of the United States Steel Corporation during the next ten days depends whether there is to be a nationwide strike of steelworkers.

Union leaders, who canvassed the strike vote here yesterday, say that 98 per cent of the men voting on the question, voted to walk out.

Instead of calling a general strike forthwith, a conference committee of six, headed by Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was instructed to try to arrange the meeting with representatives of the steel corporation in a final attempt to adjust demands made by the unions. In case of failure to obtain the conference, the committee is under instructions to set a strike date forthwith.

A meeting of the conference committee is to be held within a few days to map out a plan for approaching the representatives of the steel corporation. This meeting, it is said, may not be held until Mr. Gompers, who is en route from Europe, arrives. The date and place for the meeting was not set.

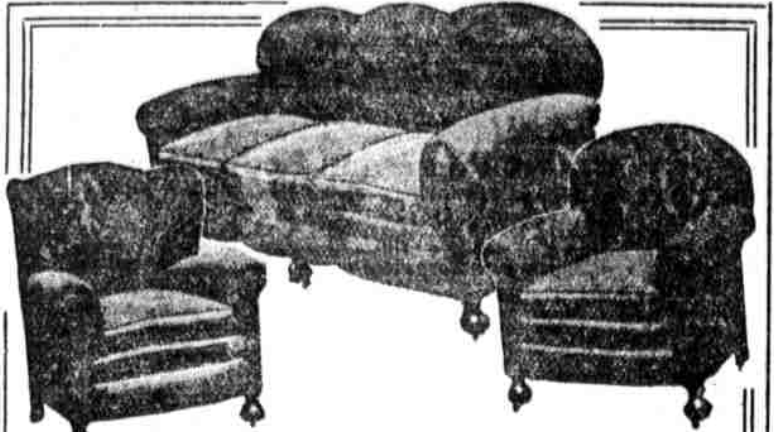
After canvassing the strike vote and deciding to seek a conference with representatives of the steel corporation, members of the committee left immediately for their homes.

In case a conference is arranged

within the ten-day period, but no agreement on the demands of the unions is reached. W. Z. Foster, member of the conference committee and its spokesman, said he did not know what would be done. The course to be pursued, he said, would have to be decided after such a situation arose.

Members of the committee said they had no assurance that the steel corporation officials would agree to a conference.

Rejected Man Kills Nurse. Denver, Col., Aug. 21.—Miss Bessie Marold, of Callicoon, N. Y., twenty-three years of age, formerly an army nurse in Camp Mills, was shot and killed late yesterday by Isadore Victor, twenty-five, whose offers of marriage the girl had rejected. The shooting occurred in the courtyard of a hospital where Victor was a patient. Miss Marold was employed as a nurse.



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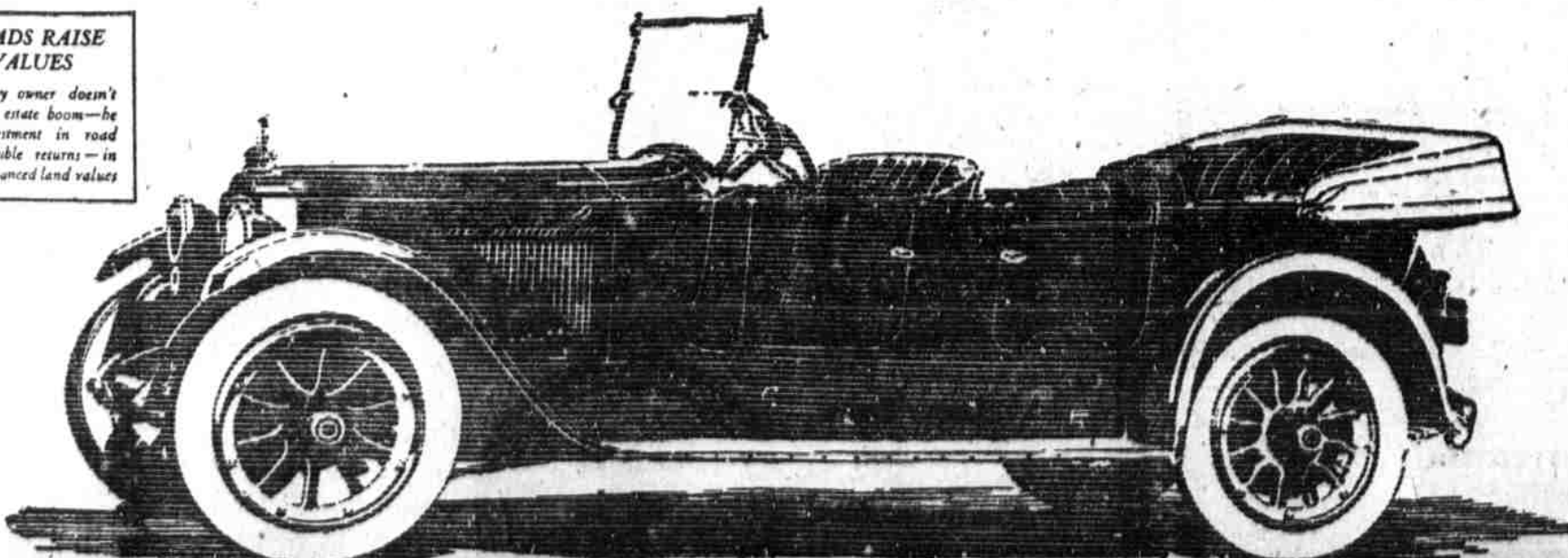
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