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STRIKE TO END TODAY, TRACY SAYS; READING HIT HARD

Shopmen and Mediator Fixing Peace Details; New Walkouts Disrupt Suburban Lines

WORKERS TO LOSE SENIORITY UNLESS THEY RETURN NOW

Sudden Desertions on P. and R. Are Severe Jolt to Commuters, Who Chafe at Delays

CONFERENCES RENEWED IN HOPE TO REACH DECISION

Officials Announce Modification of Freight Embargo—Marks First Sign of Truce

Lifting of Embargo Barometer of Strike

The P. R. R. announced today that the embargo on freight shipped to this city was being steadily lifted. The following freight now is accepted: Livestock. Perishable goods. Newsprint. Coal for hospitals and public utilities.

The railroad strike is due to end this afternoon, so far as local lines are concerned, says W. J. Tracy, mediator of the State Department of Labor. Mr. Tracy made this prediction just before he went into conference with representatives of the six shop crafts affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, which are taking part in the strike.

The conference began at 10:30 o'clock this morning at Broad Street Station, in Room 53 of the executive offices. In spite of Mr. Tracy's confidence in the reading Railway's suburban service was completely discontinued today for the first time, and the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad's West Jersey and Seashore Railroad was hampered seriously by new desertions of men.

Tracy Is Confident

Mr. Tracy had a conference with Clifford B. Connelly, commissioner of the Department of Labor of Pennsylvania, at the Bellevue-Stratford before going to the meeting of the men. "As a result of last night's conference," said Mr. Tracy, "I am confident that the entire matter will be cleared up this afternoon. I feel certain that all the men now out of the service, or at least the greater proportion of them, will return to their work before night."

Reading Cancels Trains

Officials at the Reading Terminal said that trains were running normally, but later admitted that schedules were disrupted and some trains had been canceled.

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The train which leaves Chestnut Hill at 5:30 o'clock for the short run between Chestnut Hill and the Terminal, The Trenton local, due at Spring Garden street at 9:27, failed to appear. Officials said it had been cancelled because no crew could be got for it.

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The Doylestown local trains suffered from a lack of men at the Reading branches. Only one train ran into the terminal this morning, and officials said it was reported that some would follow.

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Officials admitted the cancellation of two trains from the Reading branch. It was reported that a considerable number of firemen and engineers had gone out on the Norristown and Doylestown branches, largely hampering passenger traffic over a wide territory.

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The Pennsylvania Railroad's troubles shifted to New Jersey today. The local train, though there was no general readjustment of schedules, it was reported that men were coming back by twos and threes, and new volunteers were being added to the force already at work.

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In New Jersey, however, the Pennsylvania Railroad's shore lines were seriously hampered for the first time. Firemen and engineers went out in some extent. Their places were taken to regular runs had to be discontinued because the strike had broken up their crews.

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The men must return to work at once or forfeit all privileges and rights of seniority as employees and members of the four recognized unions and of the Brotherhood of Railroad Employees, which is an ultimatum delivered at the P. R. R. conference of railroad officials.

WHY NEW YORKERS ARE NOT HANGRY



A long line of trucks laden with foodstuffs has been a daily feature at the Municipal Pier at the foot of Vine street since the railroad strike began. The supplies, purchased here, have been rushed to New York by boat to prevent a food shortage there.

MEN ASK ALL R. R.'S TO JOIN AGREEMENT

Strikers Insist They Will Not Return Until All Heads Reach Settlement

CHEER IDLE MINE WORKERS

The general committee of the striking railroad men will enter into no agreement to end the walkout until such agreement is ratified by the heads of all railroads affected by the strike. This announcement was made by a member of the general committee at an open meeting in Eagles' Hall, Spring Garden street near Broad, this morning, and was greeted by prolonged cheering from those in attendance.

SAY ALL DEMANDS MUST BE MET

The meeting was one of the most enthusiastic yet held by the strikers. Every speaker who referred to the continuation of the walkout until all demands were granted was instantly drowned in the roar of cheers and applause.

'We'll Stay Out!' Men Shout

"No! No!" came the answering cries; "We'll stay out until we get what we want for."

Hisses Answer Questions

"The railroads have said they would try to get immediate action on our grievances by the railroad wage board. What do you think of that?"

Foster's Influence Denied

Edward P. Gowen, a Pennsylvania Railroad engineer, an ex-service man, appeared at this morning's meeting in uniform and made an impassioned speech denouncing the railroad wage board.

Strike Costs Roads \$3,000,000 Daily

Washington, April 15.—The national railroad strike is costing the railroads companies \$3,000,000 daily in reduced revenues, Director Julius H. Parnelle, of the Bureau of Railroad Economics, estimates. The total loss of the roads thus far, counting only the six days during which the strike has had nationwide effect, thus is at least \$18,000,000, not counting loss from damaged commodities.

WILSON'S CONDITION GOOD

President Suffers No Ill Effects From Cabinet Session

Washington, April 15.—(By A. P.) President Wilson suffered no ill effects from his long session with the cabinet yesterday, it was said today at the White House. It was the first meeting of his official family he had attended since he was taken ill last fall.

AFTER SUGAR PROFITEERS

McClain Says Fair-Profit Rule Must Be Adhered To

Reports of sugar profiteering as the result of the scarcity due to transportation difficulties have reached the office of Frank P. McClain, fair-profit commissioner for Pennsylvania.

AMATEUR ROBBER FLED

Masked Man Cowd Victims, but Forgot to Take Money

Just before midnight a man with a black handkerchief tied over his face and a revolver in his hand, entered the room of Edward MacLean, 1706 Junata street, and commanded: "Hands up! I want your money."

DELANY BACKERS TO MEET

Mayor and 'War Cabinet' Will Plan Anti-Vare Offensive

The administration "war board" will meet in the Mayor's reception room this afternoon to take the offensive in the fight being waged for the congressional nomination for the Third district.

ONE BOX, ONE 'STEW'

Federal Agents Say Restaurant Man Sold 'Moonshine'

When you go into a restaurant and order "a stew in a box to take home," you don't necessarily refer to the oyster species. This is clearly evidenced today in the arrest of Edward MacLean, who federal prohibition authorities charge is the proprietor of a restaurant at 2010 Columbia avenue, and with operating an illicit still.

HELD FOR SHOOTING EX-WIFE

Prisoner Accused of Wounding Her Four Times

David Kahan, Pine street near Thirtieth, accused of shooting his divorced wife yesterday, was held without bail this morning to await the outcome of the woman's injuries.

City Has \$7,185,328

The report of the city treasurer for the week ending yesterday shows a balance of \$7,185,328.04 in the city treasury, not including the sinking fund. Receipts of the week were \$221,974.38 and disbursements \$462,414.77.

DEFICIENCY BILLS RAPPED BY MAYOR

Criticizes Smith Regime for Leaving Hangover Charges From 1919

SIGNS FOR \$77,000 DEBT

The Smith administration was criticized today by Mayor Moore for leaving a legacy of debt in the form of deficiency bills totaling \$130,000, which must be paid out of this year's revenues.

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Salus Is on Rampage

Vare Lieutenant Says He Will Rule Fourth Ward Again

State Senator Samuel W. Salus is about to inaugurate the custom of having the morning mail delivered by a smiling female.

Men Quit, Women Sought

Ridley Park Hopes Gentler Sex Will Deliver Its Mail

Ridley Park borough, near Chester, is about to inaugurate the custom of having the morning mail delivered by a smiling female.

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PALMER ASSERTION OF RADICAL PLOTS VIEWED AS BLUFF

Attorney General Tells of Revolutionary Plans Without Taking Salutory Action

U. S. DEPARTMENTS SPLIT IN MATTERS OF POLICY

Government Inefficiency Seen. Congressman Scores Treatment of Raid Prisoners

By CLINTON W. GILBERT Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger

Washington, April 15.—The Moses committee of the Senate has reported in condemnation of Mr. Martens, the so-called soviet ambassador at Washington, and referred his case to Attorney General Palmer. It will be interesting to see what Mr. Palmer does about it.

The administration is divided upon the radicals. Louis F. Brandeis, assistant secretary of labor, has ruled the men cannot be deported for the mere advocacy of communist doctrine. There is reason to believe that the State Department does not wish to see the soviet ambassador deported.

The Allies are all dealing unofficially with representatives of the soviet. And it is probably convenient for the American Government to have an unrecognized representative of Russia in this country.

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People are asking here in Washington why the attorney general, knowing this, permits it to go on. Why has not his vigorous raising of his heels broken up their organization and made it impossible for them to bring about strikes and to plot revolution? And if they are not to be stopped it now, why doesn't he stop it now?

The truth is that the attorney general's recent utterances in regard to the radicals have been largely bluffs. He has acted on the theory that the best way to break this strike was to make it indisputable by calling it a radical plot. And there is a certain element of truth in the charge. There are radicals in the ranks of union labor and they are active. But their relations to this strike have been grossly exaggerated.

It has been exaggerated partly to prevent the spread of the strike and partly to cover the responsibility of the administration for the strike. "They are not to be stopped it now, why doesn't he stop it now?"

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The attorney general's policy against the radicals has been largely propaganda. The raids were made for spectacular effects. Congressman Nichols, of Detroit, has been investigating the work of the aliens gathered in by Mr. Palmer's agents in Detroit, Mich. There are 141 such aliens in the barracks at Fort Wayne. Mr. Nichols describes what he found there thus:

"I found the records of thousands of cases—all of men who are being held in this country."

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STRIKE SITUATION HERE ON ITS FIFTEENTH DAY

W. J. Tracy, state labor mediator, predicts ending of strike today. Conference all morning among Mr. Tracy, P. R. R. officials and men. Extension of passenger tie-up to Reading Railway suburban trains. Strike on Pennsylvania's seashore lines delays Atlantic City travel. No answer to P. R. R.'s ultimatum to men, backed by brotherhoods, that they must return or lose seniority standing.

FIRE MARSHAL PROBES GARAGE FIRE

Fire Marshal Elliott and Assistant Fire Marshal Christine today questioned George Conoughton, Twenty-ninth street near Girard avenue, who was a washer in the garage of the Keystone Telephone Co. which burned last night. Conoughton said he unscrewed the cap on a gasoline tank of an automobile and then walked away to get a drink. Conoughton had walked only a few feet when an explosion occurred, he said. The fire marshals believe that fumes from the gasoline tank might have come in contact with the lamp on the automobile, which was burning, thereby causing the explosion.

SHAMOKIN MINERS VOTE TO REMAIN AT WORK

SHENANDOAH, April 15.—At a meeting of the general mine committee of District 9, United Mine Workers of America, held at Shenandoah today, the men voted unanimously to remain at work and to back up district officers now negotiating a new wage scale. Similar action was taken by several local unions throughout the districts.

NAYLOR VS. QUINN IN TODAY'S GAME

Connie Sends Star Pitcher Against Yanks in Second Battle of Season

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

Shibe Park, April 15.—Connie Mack came back strong at the visiting Yankees this afternoon when he decided to use Hollie Naylor in the second game of the series. Manager Huggins selected Jack Quinn and his moist delivery to battle the home folks.

MACKMEN ARE HAPPY LOT

The Athletics were very happy over their triumph yesterday and felt that they could repeat. The players cut up like a gang of college youths when they returned to the clubhouse after the New Yorkers had been retired in the ninth, showing they had their hearts in the game.

Miller Huggins was not discouraged over the loss of the initial battle. "Errors are bound to happen in ball games," he said, "and sometimes they are very serious. Ruth's muff, just returned to me, but I can't be blamed. It was a hard chance and he made a good, honest try for the ball. You can't expect to do more than that. It was the first fly ball I ever saw Ruth drop."

'PENNY ANTE' DAY AT PENN

Students Chip in to Repay Fines of Basketball Rioters

This is "penny ante" day at the University of Pennsylvania. The basketball team of over 200 students chipped in to reimburse the two students fined for overenthusiasm after the basketball victory over the University of Chicago team about two weeks ago.

3 HELD ON ROBBERY CHARGE

Accused Men Said to Have Accompanied Bakery Bandits

Three men, alleged to be companions of the two bandits who held up the bakery of Frederick Vetter, 4143 North Third street, on April 10, were arrested today on the charge of robbery. They were each held in \$500 bail for court on the charge of robbery charge and for court on the charge of robbery charge and for court on the charge of robbery charge.

BURN NEWSBOY AT STAKE

Ohio Lad Rescued by Woman in Nick of Time

Lanester, O., April 15.—(By A. P.) An older boy who last evening attacked Charles Kneller, aged ten, a newsboy while he was carrying his route, bound papers about him and after starting a fire, left him to his fate.

LEADERS OF RAIL STRIKE ARRESTED BY AGENTS OF U. S.

Grunau and Others Are Seized in Raid on Meeting in Chicago

VIOLATION OF LEVER ACT CHARGED IN WARRANTS

Foster, Leader of Steel Fiasco, Man Behind Railroad Agitation, Says Palmer

Today's Moves in Rail Strike Told in Brief

Agents of the federal government in different sections of the country acted today in the nation-wide railroad strike.

In Chicago seven alleged leaders of the strike were arrested on a charge of violating the Lever act and twenty-four more alleged leaders are being sought.

In New York, where food prices have been mounting during the strike, the first arrest was made by the government's "flying squadron" seeking food profiteers.

Federal agents also have announced they are investigating delays of mail trains. Vigorous action will be taken, it was said, where it is found law was violated.

Announcement by Attorney General Palmer that a communist influence was behind the strike and that W. Z. Foster, leader of the late steel strike, was active in the outlaw railroad movement was followed today by details.

Meanwhile railroads are actively combating effects of the strike. In the Far and Central West conditions were reported returning to normal, which in the Midwest and East railroad officials professed to see a marked improvement in passenger service, although admitting that freight was still badly crippled.

The situation in New York seemed the most critical. Although commuters have been able to reach the city in increasing numbers, threat of a food shortage loomed.

By the Associated Press

Chicago, April 15.—Six officials of the "outlaw" railway unions were arrested today by United States marshals on warrants issued by United States Commissioner Mason, charging them with violating the Lever act.

Warrants have been issued for scores of other alleged leaders in the insurgent railroad strike, it was said at the Federal Building.

Those arrested are: Joseph Scott, trustee of the Chicago Yardsmen's Association; A. W. Casseday, secretary; Martin J. Kenney, vice president of Lodge No. 2, Chicago Yardsmen's Association; W. Larnell, trustee of the association; Fred L. Schultz, vice president of the United Engineers' Association, and Michael Elligan, treasurer of the engineers' association.

John Grunau, president of the Chicago Yardsmen's Association, the "outlaw" organization which started the strike was arrested later by federal agents who raided a meeting of the strikers here today. Grunau was arrested while he was addressing the meeting. Six others also were arrested at the same time.

United States marshals sent to Carpenter's Hall today found James H. Dodgion addressing a meeting of 150 strikers. They arrested Dodgion. Fred C. Leekwood, H. E. Creighton and Michael Platko.

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After the cabinet meeting yesterday at which this phase of the situation was discussed, the attitude of the government was understood to be that specific action through the use of government troops was unnecessary when the disclosures were fully understood. While the government has not adopted a hands-off policy, officials felt it would be better to have the strike settled, if possible, through the voluntary action of the strikers.

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