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SCRANTON, PA., MONDAY MORNING, JULY 22, 1901.

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UNION MEN ARE POLLED

Labor Leaders Want to Know if a General Strike of All Union Men is Advisable.

WOULD CASH BE BETTER

Contributions to the Cause of the Striking Amalgamated Men or a Sympathetic Calling Out of Every Union Workman in the United States is the Question Which Some of the Labor Politicians Are Referring to Their Constituents—No New Developments in the Big Steel Strike.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Chicago, July 21.—Prominent labor men in this city have received a circular which, while it has not the official sanction of the American Federation of Labor, has been sent out with the full knowledge of the officers of that organization, asking the labor leaders if, in their opinion, it is advisable to call a monster meeting of the labor leaders of the country to consider means to assist the strikers in their fight against the United States Steel corporation.

The circular merely asks for the opinion whether it would be better to assist the strikers by a general strike of the union men all over the United States or to assist them by cash contributions. The circular was only received tonight and the local men have as yet had no opportunity of replying. All replies, however, are to be made individually.

Tube Workers Organize.

Pittsburg, July 21.—The important event in the strike history of the day is the organization of the tube mill workers at McKeesport. The men who were tonight in this city after long and arduous work Assistant Secretary Tighe, of the Amalgamated association, succeeded in organizing 125 men of the National Tube Works company. At the meeting twenty-five skilled men from each of the departments were initiated into the mysteries of the Amalgamated association, and Mr. Tighe claims that within forty-eight hours enough more of the workmen will be secured to keep the entire plant closed down, affecting 9,000 men.

From Wellsville nothing has been received here except word that the situation is unchanged and the strikers say everything is satisfactory to them. It is believed, however, that an attempt will be made tomorrow to get men to work there from other points, the ten men from Vandergrift, who are said to be at East Liverpool ready to go in early in the day, being the principal men relied upon for the purpose. While the strike may not be committed any other way, there is an uneasy feeling manifest throughout the entire valley, and no one is willing to anticipate the result of the proposed attempt to put these men at work.

Shaffer Satisfied.

When seen tonight President Shaffer expressed himself as being more than satisfied with the week's results. He said:

"Things are very much better tonight than I thought they would be. More mills are shut down than we anticipated or could expect. There is more determination on the part of the men who came out than was anticipated. There has been more inclination to aid us morally than we expected on the part of other labor organizations and vastly more support from the general public than we were looking for."

Late last night I received a telegram from one of our men at Dunsmuirville saying, 'Dunsmuirville is out.' At any time within the year we could have formed a compact organization of the mill there. They have sent us dozens of letters and a number of telegrams declaring their anxiety to join our cause.

"We have lost no ground in the mills thrown idle in Pittsburg. Our organizers at Wellsville report that after the advent of a solitary worker there from Vandergrift to go into the mill on Saturday representatives of the operative workers scoured Wellsville and East Liverpool to find other men on a similar mission and found none. I can still repeat what I have said before in regard to the non-union men taking our places. 'If the United States steel corporation officials can get non-union men I will help lead the men into the mills.'"

Nothing About Plans.

Mr. Shaffer would say nothing of the plans of his association during the coming week, further than to reiterate his former statements that his programme was perfected and will be carried out to the letter. His people had been preparing for this conflict, which they foresaw for three years, and are prepared to carry on the fight for an almost indefinite period.

The twenty-two-inch mill at the Boston iron and steel plant of the National Tube company at McKeesport, will resume operations in the morning, after a shut-down lasting three weeks. The plant was closed for repairs. A great many men will be benefited by the mill resuming operations, but they were all glad to get the three weeks' vacation.

The situation as to the Downer Wood plant remains unchanged. Various rumors were in circulation throughout the town during the afternoon and evening, to the effect that the mill would get to resume operations tomorrow, but they could not be confirmed. The company officials persist in their refusal to name the date for resumption.

DEATH OF MRS. KRUGER.

Wife of Former Transvaal President Expires of Pneumonia.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Pretoria, July 21.—Mrs. Kruger, wife of former President Kruger of the South African republic, died yesterday afternoon of pneumonia, after an illness of three days. She was 67 years old.

Mrs. Kruger's long separation from her husband, combined with the death of her favorite daughter, Mrs. Smith, last week, had completely broken her spirit. Mrs. Eloff and many other members of the Kruger family were at her bedside when she passed away.

London, July 21.—"Owing to the Sunday telegraph hours in Holland," says a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Hilversum, "Mr. Kruger was not informed of his wife's death until the evening. The news was broken to him by Dr. Heysmans and Secretary Besschenot. Mr. Kruger, who had just returned from Hilversum church, burst into tears, and asked to be left alone."

"He exclaimed, 'She was a good wife. We quarrelled only once, and that was six months after we were married.' He prayed for a long time, and is now calmly sleeping, his Bible beside his bed."

"The Transvaal and Orange Free State flags flying above the white walls were draped and half-masted. Shortly before the news came a crowd of country girls had been singing a four-song outside the villa."

HEAT RECORDS ARE BROKEN ALL AROUND

Weather Bureau Cannot See Relief in Sight Save That Obtained from Local Thunder Storms.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, July 21.—A hot wave of unusual and in many instances record-breaking intensity is again prevalent over the central western part of the country and is spreading eastward and northward. The central west reported extraordinarily high temperatures to the weather bureau today.

Tombig at Chicago at 7 o'clock the thermometer had risen to 96 degrees, exceeding by several degrees anything ever before recorded at that time of the day. A serious feature is the showing made in the states of Iowa, Missouri and Kansas, where the temperatures have been 90 degrees or over for a period of over a month. For eighteen days of this time the thermometer at Kansas City registered 100 degrees or more.

The weather bureau tonight issued the following special bulletin:

"Practically the entire country was covered by the hot wave today, except the immediate Pacific coast and in the states of Iowa, Missouri and Illinois, nearly all previous high records were exceeded."

"The maximum temperature here of 100 degrees centigrade at Davenport, Iowa, and at Davenport and Dubuque, Iowa, and at Springfield, Ill., the maximum temperature of 106 degrees were two degrees above the highest previous record, while at St. Louis the maximum of 108 degrees has been equaled but once before, on August 12, 1881. At Chicago the maximum of 102 degrees equals the previous high record of July 19 of the present year. In the states of Iowa, Missouri and Kansas the duration of the scorching heat is practically without precedent, there having been practically no interruption to temperatures of 90 degrees or over since June 18, a period of thirty-four days. On eighteen days of this period the maximum temperatures at Kansas City were 100 degrees or more."

"There are as yet no indications of any relief from the abnormal heat. No rain has fallen in the corn belt for the past three days and none is in sight. It is, of course, probable that scattered local thunder storms, which are always accompaniments of protracted periods of heat, may fall at times, but no hope can be entertained at this time of any general rains or permanent relief."

CHICAGO'S WARM DAY.

Thermometer at 103 in the Shade Breaking All Records.

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Chicago, July 21.—All heat records since the establishment of the weather bureau in Chicago, thirty years ago, were broken today, the government thermometer at 4.30 p. m. registering 103 degrees. Down on the street it was 107 degrees, the highest ever recorded to add to the suffering, a hot, stifling wind, like a blast from a furnace, blew all day from the southwest. This evening the wind veered around toward the lake and caused a drop to 95 at 8.30 p. m.

Prostrations were numerous and police ambulances were kept busy taking care of persons who were overcome on the streets.

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Leavenworth, Kan., July 21.—Mrs. Mary E. Dickens, surprised last night by a woman in John Becker's police shop here last night and before the latter had recovered their compass she smashed a police wheel with a hatchet. Her boys had gambled in the place.

Syracuse Team Transferred.

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Fall River, July 21.—Fred Mason, business manager of the Syracuse baseball team, today gave out the intimation that the Syracuse team of the Eastern league had been transferred to Brockton and will open up there next Thursday against the Great team.

Great Increase for Czar's Army.

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London, July 21.—Emperor Nicholas, according to a dispatch from St. Petersburg, has issued an order that 200,000 men shall be recruited for the Russian army and navy during the present year.

Signor Crispi Very Ill.

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Naples, July 21.—Signor Francesco Crispi, the Italian statesman, is very ill. His heart is very weak.

REFORM ERA IN RUSSIA

Hopeful Grant of the Czar of More Liberal Press Regulations.

EDITORS ENCOURAGED

Their Audience with the Emperor Nicholas Was at First Followed by Disappointing Results, but Later Came the Change Which Is Now Hailed as a Forerunner of Important Developments in the Direction of Modern Progress.

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St. Petersburg, Monday, July 21.—The grant of more liberal press regulations affords additional proof that Emperor Nicholas has emancipated himself from the advisers who still hold the ideas which prevailed during the unhappy period that followed the murder of the Czar liberator, Alexander I. An instance of more benevolent reform in the following example is given: A deputational committee, led by a courageous litterateur who is no longer actively connected with the press, went before his majesty with their humble petition. "Give us a press law," they pleaded. "Let it be as your majesty may deem proper, but give us a law. Let us know where we stand. Free us from the domination of officials, whose will is their only law. Give us as much freedom as you can. We will not abuse it."

The emperor made a gracious response. The editors and publishers breathed a deep sigh of relief. But they were cruelly disappointed. The reactionary crowd gained the ear of the emperor. An artificial agitation was started. The machinery of government and the police was set in motion and the emperor was persuaded that fanatical elements only waited for the grant of a modicum of liberty in order to "attack the throne, altar and his own life."

The law now granted will restore courage to the press. Hitherto one warning from the censor has sent a panic through the editorial rooms, two have put them under the sword of Damocles and three were regarded as preliminary to extinction, which was rarely long delayed. Hitherto the authorities could shut up the newspaper at any moment. Now the first notice or warning will remain in force only a year if a second does not follow within the year; the second will expire within two years; there is not a third within that period, and the third will remain in force only three years.

This action with regard to the liberty of the press is taken by many to be a forerunner of an era of reform in Russia.

LIBERAL AID FOR MISSIONARY WORK

Enthusiastic Persons Take Off Jewelry and Drop Them Into the Contribution Box.

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Lancaster, July 21.—The closing meeting of the Christian and Missionary Alliance for the district of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and the District of Columbia, which has been in session for the past week at Rocky Springs, was held tonight. This morning Rev. A. B. Simpson, of New York, preached the annual missionary sermon and made a special appeal for contributions. Twenty-eight thousand dollars was raised in money and pledges.

Some enthusiasts took off articles of jewelry and threw the same into the contribution box as it passed among them. The contributions were made by cities, and Pittsburgh headed the list with ten thousand dollars.

MAY BE BIG SILK STRIKE.

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Paterson, N. J., July 21.—In all probability on Tuesday next every silk mill in the city will be closed down, and 25,000 to 30,000 weavers will be out on general strike. The delegates of the silk ribbon weavers of America met last night and decided that the shop committee in each mill shall make a demand on their respective employers today for a uniform scale of wages on a piece work basis. The manufacturers are to give their employees an answer by Monday afternoon, and that evening the delegates meet again and report the result of their demands. If the mill owners refuse what the weavers ask, they will most likely do a general strike as is now to follow.

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GIRLS TO FIGHT CAPITAL.

Strikers Will Open a Co-operative Women's Factory.

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Kansas City, Mo., July 21.—There will be inaugurated tomorrow morning the most radical move in the history of the struggle of labor versus capital. Twenty girls will open the Garment Workers' Co-operative factory and make their protest against millionaire employers in a competition which promises a battle to the death.

The girls start with many prominent merchants as their backers and with the contract for all the uniforms to be worn in the Labor day parade next fall, when 20,000 men will be in line.

The garment workers' factory grew out of the recent strike at Swoftford Bros. The girls called a mass meeting to lay the matter before the public. In the midst of the recital of their abuses some one from the crowd called out: "You don't quit an overall factory of your own?"

The idea took like wildfire. Mamie Zorn, president of the union, says: "We had a committee appointed and went to a lawyer and had articles of organization drawn up. A factory will be incorporated and 50,000 shares of stock issued. Preferred stock will be taken by outsiders—business men and labor unions are buying it. Common stock will be held by the girls themselves. No girl will be allowed to sell in the factory unless she owns ten shares at \$1 a share."

In the fall overalls, shirts, pants and men's shirts will be manufactured and drummers put on the road.

COMING WEEK AT BUFFALO

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Buffalo, July 21.—The cool breezes which have been such a feature of Buffalo weather for the past week proved to be quite a drawing card for the Pan-American exposition. During the coming week interesting events crowd each other in quick succession. Members of the Catholic Mutual Benevolent association will throw the streets of the Rainbow City on Tuesday, the day practically set aside as Catholic Mutual Benevolent association day. Addresses will be delivered by Archbishop Corrigan, of New York; Right Rev. Bishop McQuaid, of Rochester, and the bishop of Detroit at the exercises in the Temple of Music. Wednesday the Knights of Columbus and Utah people will unite their forces; Thursday will be Scandinavian day and Porto Rico day.

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- 1 General—Sunday at Mt. Gretna. Union Men Are Polled. More Liberal Press Regulations for Russia. The Week at the Pan-American.
- 2 General—Carbondale Department. Northeastern Pennsylvania.
- 3 Local—End of Firemen's Strike is Near at Erie. Sunday's Sermons. Vaughan and Vosburg Withdraw from Judgeship Race.
- 4 Editorial. Note and Comment.
- 5 Local—Lackawanna Machinists' Strike Called Off.
- 6 Local—West Scranton and Suburban.
- 7 Story—"Mystery of the Pump House." Financial and Commercial.
- 8 Local—Lackawanna Avenue Sewer Not Large Enough. Industrial and Labor.

THE SEA GIVES UP TWO OF ITS DEAD

Bodies of Ida Elizabeth and Annette Colburn Recovered and Sunken Pleasure Craft Lifted.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, July 21.—The bodies of the Misses Ida Elizabeth and Annette Colburn, the daughters of Arthur Colburn, of Philadelphia, who were drowned with their father in the two-masted yawl *Ventizia*, sank in Long Island sound last Thursday, are now at the establishment of a Brooklyn undertaker, awaiting orders from Philadelphia for final disposition. The bodies were found in the cabin of the *Ventizia*, when she was raised last evening, and the vessel, with the two dead, was brought to Brooklyn today by the steam derrick *Champion*, which raised the sunken craft.

So far the bodies of only the two daughters have been found, leaving those of Mr. Colburn, Captain Flint and a sailor, known as Frank, still to be located. The bodies of the two young women were in a fair state of preservation.

The yawl was raised at a point about midway between Greenwich, Conn., and Sands Point, Long Island. She is now afloat in Mcintosh's basin, Brooklyn, today, looking outwardly but little the worse for her mishap.

MURDER AT BLOOMSBURG

James Thomas, a Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Engineer, Robbed and Left Dead on the Roadside.

Special is the Scranton Tribune.

Bloomsburg, Pa., July 21.—James Thomas, an engineer on a switching engine in the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western yard, was murdered and robbed on the outskirts of the town last night.

He was out for a drive with his wife during the afternoon, and upon his return, in the early evening, put away his horse and started afoot for a neighboring farm, with the intention of buying a load of hay.

When night came on and he did not return, his wife became alarmed, and after a time some of the neighbors started out to look for him.

They came across his body alongside the road on the outskirts of the town. There was a deep gash in the side of his head, and all his money and valuables were missing. How much money he had in his pocket could not tell, but he intended to pay for the hay he was going to order, it is evident he had some.

There is no clue to the perpetrator of the deed.

Thomas was a young man, and leaves a wife and several small children. He formerly lived in Wilkes-Barre.

PEOPLE OF MISSOURI PRAYING FOR RAIN

Day Set Apart by Governor Dockery for That Purpose Was Generally Observed.

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