



GREAT STRIKE IS IN BALANCE AS MEDIATION FAILS

Board Makes Effort to Induce Brotherhoods to Arbitrate; Decision Tomorrow

WILSON LAST CHANCE If He Fails to Bring Sides Together Nation-Wide Strike Will Be Called

By Associated Press. New York, Aug. 12.—Whether a nation-wide railroad strike is to be called or prevented still hung in the balance to-day after the United States Board of Mediation and Conciliation, announcing that mediation had failed, made an effort to induce the railroad brotherhoods to arbitrate their differences with the railroad managers.

Mr. Garretson, head of the conductors' brotherhood, said after the meeting that in proposing arbitration the members of the mediation board had not informed the men whether the railroad managers had any specific questions to arbitrate and that they would propose that the mediators obtain from the managers a more definite proposition. He indicated that the arbitration proposal was a general one and that the men were withholding decision to learn if the railroad cared to be specific.

"We arrived at no decision to-day," said Mr. Garretson. "The men will meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock with the mediators and unless we find that the mediators are in a position to state definitely that the railroad will agree to arbitrate there can be no further progress in the matter."

Mr. Garretson described as "premature" a statement made by a delegate who left the meeting before it adjourned that the men had rejected the arbitration proposal and voted to lay the situation before President Wilson. He said, however, that the statement of the men was still opposed to arbitration, opposition to which they have taken on the ground that previous arbitrations have proved unfavorable.

Upon the decision of the employees as to whether the form of arbitration will be accepted depends the question of calling a nation-wide strike lies in an appeal to President Wilson to use his good offices in a last effort to bring the disputants together.

Opposed Enlargement. Announcement of the failure of mediation was made by Martin A. Knapp, member of the mediation board, after a conference with the mediators with the brotherhood chiefs which lasted more than an hour. The precise terms of the new arbitration proposal were not given, but the proposal is understood to involve an

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EXPERT SUGGESTS NEW HIGH SCHOOL FOR OLDER GIRLS

Accommodate All Boys With Additional Facilities at Technical

3 JUNIOR INSTITUTIONS Urges Immediate Relief at Central; Cost \$550,000; None on Hill

Solution of Harrisburg's much-mooted high school problem for the next ten years is suggested by Dr. James H. Van Sickle, the expert employed by the school board to make a complete survey of the situation.

The recommendations follow: New high school for girls of senior age only, to front on or near the Capitol park if possible.

Three junior high schools for the freshmen class of the high school and of the seventh and eighth grammar grades.

Cost of new high school including furnishings not to exceed \$300,000.

Cost of Technical High school additions or annex not to exceed \$175,000.

New girls' high school should be large enough to provide accommodations for at least 1,000.

Such recommendations, if carried out, sufficient to supply high school needs until 1925 or perhaps a year or two longer.

The Public View. The result of the survey was embodied in a comprehensive report yesterday afternoon to a special committee of the board consisting of the Rev. Dr. William N. Yates, and Directors Harry A. Boyer, Harry M. Ketz, Robert A. Enders, C. E. L. Brock and A. Carson Stamm.

This committee referred the report to a special committee consisting of President Stamm and Dr. F. E. Downes, city superintendent, and this committee will digest the findings and submit them with further suggestions to the school board at its next meeting.

In the meantime the public will have a chance to consider the finding of Dr. Van Sickle, with a view to expressing its views by voting upon a new high school loan in November.

The special committee appointed by the board was subdivided to facilitate the work as follows: Messrs. Yates and Bretz as a committee on "co-education and junior high schools"; Messrs. Boyer and Stamm, "building"; Messrs. Enders and Keen, "on site"; Messrs. Yates and Stamm on "experts."

Dr. Van Sickle of Springfield, Mass., was employed to make the survey and he was very ably assisted by Dr. Downes, who collected from the school, city and health board officials.

The expert in presenting his report went into comprehensive detail on the following points: The present need of relief for the Central High school; accommodations and facilities that should be provided to meet modern and approved educational methods; the work as follows: Messrs. Yates and Bretz as a committee on "co-education and junior high schools"; Messrs. Boyer and Stamm, "building"; Messrs. Enders and Keen, "on site"; Messrs. Yates and Stamm on "experts."

In reporting upon the high school situation Dr. Van Sickle of course took into consideration, the directions of the city's growth, the traffic conditions and the other possibilities which have heretofore been treated in surveys by Superintendent Snyder, the Jersey City expert and in the Arnold report to the Municipal League a year or two ago. Some of his data was upon figures that had been submitted in these reports. Dr. Van Sickle however, made a thorough inspection of the schools of the city on his behalf and visited all of the proposed or possible sites.

"I think," said he in this connection, "that I understand the nature of the problem with which the city is confronted in the development of its school system."

"FULL CREW" LAW APPEALS. The Pennsylvania Railroad Company to-day filed notice with the Public Service Commission of its intention to appeal to the Superior Court against the decision of the Commission in the so-called "locked baggage car" case. The Commission held that even though a baggage car be locked at one end of a division and not opened until the other end, the requirement of the "full crew" law a baggageman must be employed. The company also will appeal from the decision requiring it to carry the passenger coach occupied by the crew of mail trains other than at the rear of the trains.

MANY MEXICANS STARVING. El Paso, Tex., Aug. 12.—Conditions in Mexico City are bordering on anarchy because of the food shortages, according to arrivals from the capital here to-day. The refugees, all of whom are Mexicans, said rioters had seized the electric lighting and power plants outside the city and that as a result the town had been without light or street car service for more than a week.

FIREBUGS SUSPECTED. The State Fire Marshal's Department to-day assigned inspectors to investigate fires that destroyed a lively stable at Brockleyville, Jefferson county, and a house in Woodbury township, Elbert county, both of which are reported to be of incendiary origin.

ITALIAN CYCLE CORPS HELPED TO GAIN GORIZIA VICTORY



BERSAGLIERI CYCLE CORPS. The famous Bersagliere Cycle Corps of the Italian army were greatly instrumental in gaining the Italian victory over the Austrians at Gorizia. The Cycle Corps are a most mobile force, climbing heights with bicycles on their backs or taking advantage of the terrain where there are suitable roads.

TOLD HE WON'T BE PUT TO DEATH SAYS 'THAT'S FINE'

Sole Comment of Farmhand Freed of Murder Penalty by Confession

New York, Aug. 12.—News that the confession of another man would prove the innocence of Charles F. Stielow, four times rescued from the electric chair by legal stays, the last time when he had said his final prayers and was within 26 minutes of being led to death, was taken to the condemned man in Sing Sing late yesterday by Warden Osborne and Spencer Miller, the Warden's deputy and secretary.

It was Spencer Miller who, after months of observation of the man, believed Stielow's statement that he was innocent when the man was for the first time—last April—within a

Negotiations Completed For New Great Britain Loan of \$250,000,000

New York, Aug. 12.—The belief was expressed in financial circles to-day that within a fortnight official negotiations would be made for a new loan to Great Britain reported to be \$250,000,000. This loan will run for two years, according to a summary published here to-day with interest at five per cent., and the notes, to mature in two years and to be offered at 99.

FAIR NEXT WEEK. Washington, Aug. 12.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Sunday announced to-day by the Weather Bureau follows: North and Middle Atlantic States were: Moderate temperatures and generally fair until near end of week when local thundershowers are probable.

WILSON ATTACKS ARE CONTINUED

Hughes Accuses Administration of Irregularities in Customs Service

Helena, Mont., Aug. 12.—Charles E. Hughes, continuing his attacks on the administration for its appointments, to-day charged Secretary McAdoo "upon reliable information" with having replaced Henry N. Clapp, formerly confidential secretary to John G. Carlisle, with Daniel E. Finn, son of "Batterey Dan" Finn, a Tammany leader, as assistant appraiser of merchandise at New York.

Women to War on Wilson; Scatter Forces Through 12 Equal Suffrage States

Colorado Springs, Col., Aug. 12.—National woman's party leaders, following yesterday's action in adopting an election policy for the coming presidential campaign were preparing to-day to scatter their forces throughout twelve equal suffrage states.

In accordance with the plans agreed upon the campaign workers were instructed to use their best efforts to prevent the re-election of President Wilson and in states where women are entitled to vote for members of Congress, to work for the defeat of Democratic candidates. The party members are pledged to oppose the Democratic party so long as that party neglects to bring about the enactment of the Susan B. Anthony federal amendment.

Twenty-five Colorado women, former Democrats, now affiliated with the Woman's party, are awaiting a reply to their message last night to President Wilson.

THORPE AND MEALS ARE STILL AT ODDS

Labor Meeting Scheduled For Tonight; Jitneys Generally Obey Orders

Strikers claimed to-day that several men are running automobiles and hauling passengers despite the Mayor's orders that all jitneys without licenses may not operate, but Chief of Police Zell said at noon, that although some drivers were probably operating without licenses, he believes they are those who were arrested recently and whose cases have been appealed to court.

Forty-five cars were again operated to-day on the Harrisburg Railways lines. According to officials, traffic has increased materially. Organizer Thorpe declared that labor organizations in the city hold Mayor Meals and other city officials responsible for conditions that prevail at present, and declared that working people will not forget their attitude.

Mayor Meals went to Organizer Thorpe's statement said that Mr. Thorpe, in having the men call a strike should have given him a chance to bring about a settlement before the strike went into effect, and not after it was called.

Organizer Thorpe again appealed to the working people not to ride on the cars, and was pleased when he heard that some hundred steel workers had paraded in Cameron street, cheering for the striking carmen. He declared that the Federation of Labor intends to fight the jitney ordinance to a finish, and that a large number of jitneys will soon be running again. Mr. Thorpe also said some of the strikers have applied for

Adams County Case of Infantile Paralysis Has Several Unique Features

Special to the Telegraph. Gettysburg, Pa., Aug. 12.—Differing from the case of Evelyn Shindedecker, the 5-year-old daughter of Charles Shindedecker, of Fairfield, Adams county, the case differs in several particulars. The child, who is lying in bed, but cannot put any weight upon it when standing. They are: The child is a girl, and a large number of jitneys will soon be running again. Mr. Thorpe also said some of the strikers have applied for

U. S. EMPLOYEES TO LOSE PAY

Postal Clerks Serving With National Guard Cut Off Payroll; Local Men Suffer

Three Harrisburg boys, now at the front, doing army service, who held positions at the Harrisburg Post Office have been cut off the government payroll.

Edward H. Anderson, a clerk, who is a member of the Governor's Troop; First Lieutenant John P. Wilbar, and Second Lieutenant James V. Long, Jr., of Company D Eighth regiment. They will get no pay while in the army because of a Washington order just issued, but are assured of their positions when they return. A dispatch from Washington, D. C., says:

"The 3000 or more letter carriers serving the country on the border as members of the National Guard yesterday lost their government pay and dropped from the rolls for the time being, under an order issued by the First Assistant Postmaster General. While the Administration has been calling upon business organizations to continue the pay of the men serving in their country, the Government, because of the rigidity of the law and Congress's refusal to amend it, to-day forced the government employees and their families to live on the pay of a private soldier—from \$15 to \$26 a month, according to rank—instead of the salaries of from \$800 to \$1000 a year."

Child Turning Red and Dying; Swallows Ribbon

Oil City, Pa., Aug. 12.—Following the swallowing of a piece of red ribbon several weeks ago, Marion Holbrook, a year-old, is dying from internal poisoning. The case is one of the strangest in local medical records, and physicians have so far been unable to do anything for the stricken child.

FAILURE TO AID WAR STARVING IS DISAPPOINTING

Washington Keenly Feels Uncompromising Attitude of Belligerents

Washington, Aug. 12.—The uncompromising attitude of European belligerents in the negotiations through which the United States had hoped to extend relief work in the war zones is causing great disappointment among officials here. Three new notes on the subject were before the State Department to-day but none of them appeared to open any new avenue for continuation of efforts to aid the starving and homeless of the war-swept areas.

Great Britain and Austria again have declared in vigorous terms their unwillingness to concede from the regulations which have operated to

Wife Seeks Husband, Whom She Says Left Home Day After Daughter Was Born

Unable longer to support herself and infant child unaided, she declares, Mrs. John Huber, 104 South Thirtieth street, appealed to the newspapers to-day to aid in the search for her husband, whom she asserts left home August 2, the day following the birth of their tiny daughter.

Huber moved to Harrisburg from Richmond, Indiana, last January. Mr. Huber was a brakeman in the yards at Steelton. The wife is grief-stricken and is anxious to learn her husband's whereabouts.

CAN'T REACH COAL PRICE. Investigation of complaints of high retail prices for coal in Philadelphia, Pa., by the Federal Trade Commission to decide that conditions responsible are not of a character to be reached by the commission under the law.

TRAVEL IS HEAVY ON PENN HIGHWAY

Road Is in Fine Condition From Philadelphia to Pittsburgh; Set New Records

The number of automobile tourists passing through Harrisburg, greater this summer than ever before, has been augmented since Monday by scores of car owners who are "seeing Pennsylvania first" during National Touring Week. Hotel men and garage owners said to-day that overall travel has been greater this week

Parrot Swears Until Police Order Reform

Special to the Telegraph. Reading, Pa., Aug. 12.—Police officials have served notice on Mrs. Harry Jefferies, owner of a Mexican parrot named Pedro, that the bird must stop swearing at passersby. The owner of the parrot denies that Pedro uses swear words and a controversy has resulted. The woman hangs the parrot in the front yard of her home, next to the Young Women's Christian Association, and, according to complainants, its conversation knows no limits.

"How the hell are you?" the bird is alleged to ask folks passing. "Hot as hell, ain't it?" is another query credited to Pedro.

"That bird gets a refined home training," says Mrs. Jefferies. "He's 2 years old, and he never gets a chance to learn to swear. All he does is sing 90-90-90" when the girls pass. "You ought to hear him sing 'Where is My Little Dog Gone?'"

ST. SEBASTIAN SUNK. London, Aug. 12.—The Italian steamship St. Sebastian has been sunk.

GERMANS UNABLE TO STOP ALLIED DRIVE ON SOMME

Persistent Efforts Result in Heavy Loss to Attackers; Russians Move Ahead

Persistent efforts are being made by the Germans to stop the allied offensive on the Somme by counter attacking both the French and British. Heavy attacks were delivered last night on the Franco-British lines but neither was successful, according to the allied war offices.

The French were attacked both north of the Somme, near Hem wood and south of the river at La Maison-ette, the artillery stopping both attacks. The attack on the British took place north of Pozieres. London declared it was nowhere successful and resulted in heavy losses to the Germans.

Russians Press On. In Galicia the Russians are keeping up their offensive drive towards Lemberg from the southeast. After taking Stanislaw General Letchitsk is pressing on toward Halicz, the important railway junction to the north on the Diester and key position in the Lemberg defenses.

Petrograd to-day reports the crossing of the Koropice river by the Russians in the region north of Buczacz. This advance still further imperils the Stripsa line of the Teutons to the north and Halicz to the west. South of Stanislaw the Russians are also advancing.

Services for James Russ. Impressive funeral services for James Russ, widely-known hotel proprietor in the city, were held this morning at St. Patrick's Cathedral when solemn high mass was celebrated by Monsignor M. M. Hassett. The Rev. T. E. Johnson, sub-deacon and the Rev. D. P. Reardon, sub-deacon. Burial was made in the Mt. Calvary cemetery. Proprietors of the Senate Hotel and Hotel Columbus, died during the funeral. Hundreds of friends of Mr. Russ attended the services.

115 KILLED IN BLAST. London, Aug. 12.—According to a telegram from Bucharest the number of persons killed in the explosion in the powder factory at Dudesti was 115. Earlier reports stated that only 20 persons had been killed.

MOBOLIZATION CAMPS CLEARED OF GUARDSMEN

25,000 Troops. All Remaining, Are Ordered to Mexican Border

Units Get Command to Move Without Waiting For Minimum Strength

Washington, Aug. 2.—Twenty-five thousand more troops were to-day ordered to the border by the War Department. All Kentucky, Ohio and Vermont troops were ordered to move and all departmental commanders were instructed to send troops.

It was stated at the War Department that under these orders National Guard regiments now held at State mobilization points would be sent to the border without waiting until they were recruited to the mobilized strength.

War Department officials said the purpose of the movement was to relieve the trying situation of regiments

Fear Many Printers Will Be Thrown Out of Work Because of High Cost of Paper

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 12.—The danger that thousands of printers may be thrown out of work because of the high cost of white paper was said to be a serious question concerning the delegates to the sixty-second annual convention of the International Typographical Union which begins here next Monday.

The committee on laws, through whose hands all new laws for submission to the convention must first pass has been in session for several days considering about 100 amendments and new laws submitted by local unions.

WON'T TELL MEDIATOR TERMS

New York, Aug. 12.—Little prospect of the railroad managers informing the mediators upon what terms they are ready to arbitrate it was reported prior to the recent conference this afternoon and the belief prevailed that only the offices of President Wilson could prevent a strike.

18 DEAD, 40 HURT IN TROLLEY WRECK. Johnstown, Aug. 12.—Eighteen persons were killed and about forty others more or less injured at Echo, ten miles from here late this morning in a street car wreck. The injured are being brought to Johnstown.

Eight of the injured died on their way to the hospital here. Five of them were identified.

SEVEN INJURED IN ANOTHER RAID. London, Aug. 12.—An air raid on the British naval port of Dover by two German seaplanes occurred this afternoon. An official statement says that four bombs were dropped, one officer and six men being slightly injured but little material damage was done.

MRS. SAUERS RETAINS TENNIS TITLE. Reservoir Park.—Mrs. Chris Sauers won the city tennis championship for women from Miss Ruth Starry, taking both sets by scores of 6-3.

ITALIANS ADVANCING ON PLATEAU. Rome, Aug. 12.—Italian troops are advancing on the Carso plateau, the war office announced to-day. The Austrians are still holding out on the hills east of Gorizia.

EMBARK ON RHODE ISLAND. Harrisburg.—Nearly a dozen young men of Harrisburg will embark Monday on the United States battleship Rhode Island for the month's civilian cruise that has been arranged by Uncle Sam to correspond with the preparedness military training camp at Plattsburg and other points. The local boys include Harry L. Bricker, John Croman, William Britsch, Samuel Froelich, William Hilton, Edward Hilton, Russel Lindsay, Norman Lenker, William Fleisher and George A. Bacon.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. James Sims, city, and Agnes Weaver, Dauphin, Pa. license. Clarence V. Eckard and Elva M. Strickler, city. Samuel W. Scholer, Goldboro, and Rhoda Bair, city. Adam Hastings and Lucy A. Elsie, Philadelphia. Harry J. Vogel, Union Deposit, and Delia E. Snyder, Swatara.

THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and somewhat hot to-night with lowest temperature about 62 degrees. Sunday fair with moderate temperature.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair tonight and Sunday. Somewhat cooler to-night, moderate temperature Sunday. Light northwest winds.

General Conditions. The depression from the Northwest that was central north of the lake region and to-day has moved eastward to the North Atlantic coast. It caused showers mostly light in the Ohio valley and Tennessee and in the Atlantic States from Massachusetts to North Carolina, and in the upper St. Lawrence valley in the last 24 hours. Showers fell also in Florida, Alabama, on the Texas coast, and at a few stations in the West. It is 2 to 10 degrees warmer in the Atlantic and over nearly all the country west of the Rocky Mountains. In the lake region, the temperature is 15 to 20 degrees warmer than in the Mississippi valley and lower Missouri valley. A general fall of 2 to 10 degrees has occurred since last report.

River. The Susquehanna River and all its branches will fall slowly or main stationary. A stage of about 1.15 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Sunday morning.

Sun—Rise, 5:14 a. m.; Set, 7:05 p. m. Moon—Full moon, to-morrow, 7 a. m. River Stage—3.2 feet above low water mark.

Yesterday's Weather. Highest temperature, 70. Mean temperature, 65. Lowest temperature, 55. Normal temperature, 73.

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