

STEEL TRUSTS
TERMS REJECTED.

President Shaffer and his Colleagues Meet Morgan and Schwab.

Great Battle Begins—Amalgamated Association's Concessions Fail to Alter the Purpose of the Corporation—Will Stick to the Bitter End.

New York (Special).—Another effort to perfect a permanent truce between the great army of steel workers and the giant corporation which employs it has failed, and the conflicting sides are as sharply and widely divided as ever.

The leaders on either side met here and after a day of fruitless conference and discussion parted without having shown any tinge of conciliation.

The second conference was held at the home of the executive board of the Amalgamated Association, and a group of officials of the United States Steel Corporation, headed by J. Pierpont Morgan and President Charles M. Schwab.

At the end of an hour the conference parted, having failed to reach an agreement.

The second conference was participated in only by the officials of the Amalgamated Association. The following statement was given to the press:

"We, the members of the executive board of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, considering it incumbent upon us to enlighten the public, through the press, with reference to the present relations between our association and the United States Steel Corporation, present the following statement:

"The officials of the United States Steel Corporation, instead of resuming negotiations where they were suspended at the conference held on July 12 and 13, have withdrawn the propositions made at that time, and are now offering much less than they agreed to sign for them.

The following is the proposition which the United States Steel Corporation gave us as its ultimatum:

"It will be observed that the preamble states simply that the United States Steel Corporation officials will advise settlement by the underlined companies:

"Preamble, conditions under which we are willing to advise a settlement of the labor dispute.

"Tinplate Company—Should proceed under the contract signed with the Amalgamated Association as of July 1, 1901.

"American Steel Hoop Company—Company should sign the scale for all the mills owned by the American Steel Hoop Company that were signed for last year.

"American Sheet Steel Company—Company should sign the scale for all the mills of this company that were signed for last year, except the old Meadow Hill and the scales for the 'Strikers' proposition.

"We desire to preface our proposition by directing attention to the fact that it is a modification of that which was offered originally. At the last conference, as at those preceding it, we required the signature of the scales for all the mills owned and operated by the United States Steel Corporation, while in the proposition given below we ask that the scales be signed for none but those mills which are organized, and where the scales are to work have signified their desire to be connected with the Amalgamated Association.

"This modification has been made because the trust officials declared that we wished to force men into the organization against their will and desire. We therefore asked that the scale be signed for only those men who desired it.

"Now comes the proposition of the Amalgamated Association:

"We, the members of the executive board of the Amalgamated Association, hereby propose to do the following proposition as a reply to that received from the United States Steel Corporation:

"Sheet Mills—All mills signed for last year, with the exception of Saltsburg and Scottdale, and with the addition of McKeesport and Wellsville.

"Cotton Mills—All mills now known to be organized, viz: Youngstown, Girard, Greenville, Pottery, Warren, Lindsay, McCutcheon, Clark, Bar Mill, Monessen, Mingo, 12-inch, 9-inch and hoop mills of the Cleveland Rolling Mill Company.

"Tin Mills—All mills except Monessen.

"Note—All other matters of detail to be left for settlement by conference.

"We furthermore wish to state that our purpose in coming to New York was not to discuss the scales, but to present to T. J. Shaffer, and our secretary, John Williams, who have our confidence and indorsement, but in the hope of obtaining a settlement of the strike."

AHEAD IN IRON AND STEEL.

United States is Now Leads All Other Countries in Production.

Washington (Special).—The geological survey has issued a report on iron and steel at the close of the nineteenth century, prepared by James M. Swan, general manager of the American Iron and Steel Association. It shows that this country leads all other countries in the production of these articles. It puts the total world's production of pig iron in 1900 at about 40,000,000 long tons, of which the United States made 13,280,242 tons, or fully 34 per cent. The total world's production of steel for 1900 was about 26,875,000 tons, of which the United States made 10,187,322 tons, or nearly 38 per cent. The bessemer pig iron production in 1900 was 7,943,452 tons.

Salfrage Report Passes.

Montgomery, Ala. (Special).—The Constitutional Convention adopted the entire report of the committee on suffrage. The special order for the reconsideration of the Biddow amendment to the articles extending the privilege of suffrage to all foreigners who have declared their intention of becoming citizens of the United States. The convention refused to reconsider. Delegate Sanford, of Montgomery, offered an amendment to record the names of voters and number the ballots, but it was lost.

Killed His Wife and Himself.

Charleston, S. C. (Special).—Private Louis Haggerty, Tenth United States Artillery, killed his wife and then blew out his own brains in his quarters at the government barracks on Sullivan's Island. Jealousy was the cause of the tragedy. Haggerty enlisted from West Virginia.

Allies to Leave Peking.

London (By Cable).—In the House of Commons Viscount Cranborne, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated that the state of the relations between the foreign troops had been fixed for August 15.

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS.

Domestic.

A request has been made to Indian Agent Randlett at Anadorko to suppress gambling at Lawton, O. T. There is much suffering at Reno among those who failed to draw claims.

At Newport News the new Morgan Line steamship El Siglo was successfully launched. Miss Susan S. Usher, sister of Lieutenant Commander Usher, U. S. N., christened the vessel.

An amicable settlement was made in Atlantic City by the representatives of the Green Glass Bottle Manufacturers and a committee of the Blowers' Union, Judge Halsey, in Wilkesbarre, Pa., made final the preliminary injunction restraining the striking machinists from interfering with the non-unionists.

William Mallory and Zig Jones, farmers of Tazewell county, Va., quarreled over leaving a distillery, and the fight Mallory was shot to death.

Miss Albertine Stringfield, a school-teacher of Philadelphia, attempted to commit suicide by leaping into the dock.

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General Manderson, who was to have been Schley's counsel, found that he was not able to serve.

A company has been formed to erect a new hotel at Berkeley Springs, W. Va.

Darry Golden, aged 22, of Bridgeport, W. Va., was killed by a train.

Half a million dollars in gold arrived at Seattle from the Klondike.

Rain has fallen in some of the dry sections in Iowa and Nebraska.

Wm. H. Pratt, of West Chester, Pa., is accused of killing his wife as the result of a quarrel over his sale of two cows to raise money to buy diamonds for a widow.

The principal League in San Francisco is intervening in the dock strike there with good prospects of bringing about peace.

R. L. Leverton, a private in Company D, Twenty-seventh Regiment, at Fort McPherson, Ga., has been charged with assault.

All the coke concerns of the United States Steel Company were consolidated, the H. C. Frick Company becoming paramount.

James Ferguson, son of Charles Ferguson, of Baltimore, was instantly killed by a train at a crossing near Philadelphia.

Twelve hundred industrial insurance agents in Philadelphia formed a union for mutual protection.

David Macley, the oldest man in Fountain county, Pa., is dead. He was born in 1803.

A company has been formed at York to make waterproof and acidproof cloths.

George Slade has been made general manager of the Erie Railroad system.

John Shaffer was killed at Hanover, Pa., by falling from a girder.

No national banks will be established at present in Porto Rico.

E. S. Dean was fatally shot at Colburn, Va., by Sam Mullins.

While playing at hanging in Arkansas a boy braved himself, he is unrepentant. The Governor of the State may recommend the repeal of the public execution law.

The drought in the southern parts of Virginia was broken by heavy rains.

Philip Woods, colored, was killed by lightning near Richmond.

Mrs. Felix Matthias and two of her children, living near Howards Lick Mountain, ate toadstools by mistake for mushrooms, and died.

The secretary of the International Longshoremen's Union ordered a strike to close the boats of the Anchor Line at all ports.

More than twenty Princeton students who failed to pass examinations in June have been dropped to lower classes.

Foreign.

Governor Tuan, of the Shantung Province in China, issued a proclamation urging the magistrats not to allow the missionaries to exert any influence in the decision of cases.

The National Miners' Federation of France proposes a general strike in that country unless its demands are complied with.

Owing to the illness of his mother Emperor William has changed his plans and will not attend certain festivities.

Arctic fishermen brought to Vardoe, Norway, eight survivors of the exploring ships Strommaer and Famaalen.

The British transport Manila landed 600 Boer prisoners on Tuckers Island, south of the Bermuda Islands.

Commandant Hermann Steyn, a cousin of President Steyn, was killed while fighting at Ficksburg.

The yield of wheat and oats in England is somewhat below the average.

The governor of Shantung, China, is making a tour of inspection.

M. Cambon, the French ambassador to the United States, in an interview in Paris, eulogized President McKinley and praised American institutions.

Senator Puidlo, Venezuelan minister of war, has resigned. An official report says the revolutionaries were again defeated by the government forces.

The War Office was compelled to call off its boycott on the London Daily Mail, which it tried to cut off from news of the South African War.

Lord Stanley reported in the House of Commons that the cost of the war in South Africa from April 1 to August 1 was \$4,750,000.

Dr. Sutring Berson, a German, has reached a height of 35,500 feet in a balloon. The temperature was 40 degrees below zero.

Martial law has been proclaimed on the Bermuda islands, where Boer prisoners were held in a camp.

Lord Kitchener reported that the Boers were shooting British yeomen after their surrender.

A Boer commando, with two guns, has entered Portuguese territory, encamping at Guantiz.

Financial.

Utica, N. Y., has sold at auction \$165,000 4 per cent. city bonds at 109 1/4.

It is said negotiations are again on for the purchase of the Evanston Line.

The New York Subtreasury statement shows that the banks lost \$1,241,000 last week.

The Brooklyn Union Gas Company has declared a 2 per cent. quarterly dividend, payable September 3.

The Southern Cotton Oil Company will increase its capital stock from \$2,000,000 to \$1,000,000, in order to extend its business.

It is said action on the Union Pacific dividend will be taken this week, and there will be no increase in the rate.

It is said that owing to rust and heat the wheat crop of Manitoba has been reduced from 60,000,000 bushels to 147,000,000 bushels.

A dispatch from Minneapolis says estimates of Spring wheat yield by elevator men run from 150,000,000 to 210,000,000 bushels; conditions ideal.

An Iowa Central director says: "There has been no offer for our stock by Minneapolis & St. Louis interests, but there may have been some deal in the taking over of our property by Minneapolis & St. Louis, which we have not yet learned."

FAMILY SAVED
BY WOMAN'S WIT.

Persuaded Her Crazy Husband to Buy the Coffins.

COMMITTED TO INSANE ASYLUM.

Joseph Ryder, a Retired Shipmaster of Bangor, Me., Made All Preparations to Kill His Wife and Children, and So Informed the Wife—She Induced Him to Go With Her to Pick Out the Coffins.

Bangor, Me. (Special).—Joseph Ryder, of Orrington, a retired shipmaster, informed his wife on Wednesday that he had nicely arranged a burial plot for her and their son and daughter, and that he thought it best to forthwith kill all three of them and bury them all on the same day, side by side.

Only the quick wit and bravery of Mrs. Ryder averted a terrible tragedy, as the madman had a sharp ax and a rifle all in readiness to carry out his awful purpose.

The Ryders live on the shore of Sweet's Pond, in Orrington, and have always been well-to-do and respected. Captain Ryder was a fine, bright man until the Civil War, when he suffered a terrible flogging, being tied in the rigging and brutally lashed with the cat-o-nine-tails to the rigging of a ship.

He came home a wreck, physically and mentally, but seemed to have recovered, when a few years ago he suddenly became violently insane and attempted to kill his son. The boy, then about 10 years old, was obliged to leave home and go to live with neighbors, as the very sight of him goaded the father to madness.

Two months ago the town authorities took action for the removal of Captain Ryder to the insane hospital, but the old man pleaded so hard to be allowed to stay at home, where he expected soon to die, that it was thought best to give him another chance.

He called down greatly and asked his son to return home, promising never again to lay a hand against him. For a time everything went smoothly in the family, and Captain Ryder seemed to have regained his mental balance, treating his wife and children with marked kindness, but two weeks ago it was observed that he was again acting strangely.

Captain Ryder began to pay frequent visits to the little family burial plot near the house, going out early in the morning with spade and pick and working diligently all day. He made a plot a foot higher than the rest of the inclosure and sodded it neatly with grass.

When he had finished on Wednesday he went to his wife and made the startling announcement:

"Well, Mary, I have got a nice lot all ready for you. I have stood it as long as I can. Day after to-morrow I shall kill the boy and as soon as he's dead I shall kill the girl. Then, after you and I have made them fit for burial, I will kill you, and I'll have three funerals all in one day."

Had Mrs. Ryder made the slightest objection to this calmly laid plan for wholesale murder, she would doubtless have been killed then and there, but she is a woman of quick wit and strong nerve, so she immediately agreed with her lunatic husband that his plan was a good one, and promised to help him to carry it out. All that day Ryder raved around the house, sharpened the axe and handled the rifle with which he intended to kill his family. Thursday he repeated his awful announcement of death, and Mrs. Ryder said:

"Very well; let us go to Bangor and pick out the coffins. I will go with you, and I will go along with you."

"That's right," said the madman, pleased with her ready acquiescence. "We ought to do this thing well." And to Bangor they came.

At Bangor Mrs. Ryder managed to get her husband into doctor's office, and there a number of physicians examined him as to his mental condition, with the result that he was quickly placed in a cell at the new Eastern Maine Hospital for the Insane.

DEATH STRIKES PLEASURE PARTY.

Three Young People Drowned in Slipstream Bay—Desperate Struggle.

Salisbury, Md. (Special).—One of the saddest drowning accidents of the season occurred at Queponco, on Slipstream Bay. Three prominent young people lost their lives. They were: Miss Ethel Lenore Phillips, daughter of Mr. J. Chase Phillips, 3012 Baker street, Walkbrook; Mr. G. Grant Ratcliffe, a prominent lawyer of Salisbury, Md.; and Miss White, of Whitesburg, Worcester county. All of the bodies were recovered.

The three unfortunate had been bathing with Mr. S. King White, of Whitton; Miss Iris Tull, of Marion Station, Sonoma county; and Miss Abbie White, of Fowellville, Wicomico county. They were at the bathing shore on Mr. White's farm at Queponco.

The drowned ladies, in company with Mr. Ratcliffe, became separated from the other three parties and suddenly found themselves in a deep hole. The ladies became frightened, and on finding themselves going down, grabbed Ratcliffe and dragged him down with them. They never rose to the surface. Ratcliffe was naturally a good swimmer, but was unable to do anything with two frantic women clinging to him.

Boers Attack a Train.

London (By Cable).—A letter from a soldier in South Africa, dated Nylstroom, Transvaal Colony, July 6, says the Boers were attacking a train near Nylstroom, July 4. One hundred and fifty Boers attacked the train guard and 28 Gordon Highlanders were killed, 18 wounded and 6 captured. The conductor, engineer and firemen of the train were subsequently shot.

Bloodhounds on His Trail.

Shelby, N. C. (Special).—Chief of Police Jones was shot and instantly killed by Jim Lowery, a negro employed at the South Carolina and Georgia Depot.

Jones, with warrant charging Lowery with selling whiskey without a license, went to serve it. Lowery ran, firing at Jones, the bullet taking effect in the lung. Jones followed and caught him as he struck a lamp post. In the scuffle Lowery fired again, the bullet going through Jones' heart. Four bloodhounds and over a thousand people are on the negro's trail.

Collided in the Night.

Lockport, N. Y. (Special).—A Pan-American special, heavily loaded, and a regular train collided a few miles east of this city on the New York Central.

Thomas Hyland, an engineer, and George Webb, trainman, were killed, and a fireman was severely injured. The regular train was late at Medina, and received orders to run to Middleport and await the Pan-American special. When the train reached Middleport they met the Buffalo theatre train, which they thought was the special train, and to pass. The passengers of both trains were thrown into a panic by the shock.

REVOLUTION IN VENEZUELA.

Whole Country Ready to Rise Against President Castro.

Washington (Special).—The state department received the following telegram from the American legation at Caracas.

"Martial law has been declared in Venezuela by the President of the country, in consequence of the invasion of a revolutionary force from Colombia. It is reported that an army of 20,000 men will meet the invaders."

Official Confirmation.

The state department had not called on the navy department for a ship to go into Venezuelan waters. In view of the serious condition of affairs there and the unsettled condition in the neighboring republic of Colombia it is not improbable that an American warship will be sent there to protect American interests.

If a ship is called for some difficulty might be experienced in finding a suitable vessel for the mission.

About the only ship available at this time is the small gunboat Madras, fitted for the defense of the coast. The vessel, however, would not be ready to sail for about two weeks. There is not a single American warship in southern waters. In case of extreme urgency one of the battleships now in course of commission could be sent.

GOVERNMENT SUES FOR \$2,250,000.

Action Begun Against Oberlin M. Carter, His Uncle and His Brother.

New York (Special).—The first step by the Government looking to the recovery of a part of the \$2,250,000 lost in the case of the Carter family, was taken by Oberlin M. Carter, late captain of the Corps of Engineers, now serving a sentence at Leavenworth, Kan., while supervising government work in the harbor of Savannah, Ga., was taken when Marion Erwin, of Georgia, special assistant attorney general of the United States, filed bills in the United States court of the Southern District of New York and in the District of New Jersey against O. M. Carter and Lorenzo D. Carter, his uncle. Under these bills a receiver was appointed to take charge of the property in New York and New Jersey. I. Stanton Carter, brother of O. M. Carter, is also made a party to the bill.

The bill seeks a decree declaring that certain property held in New York by the Carter family was purchased with the funds entrusted to Captain Carter as a disbursing officer, and by him through conspiracy with the contractors fraudulently converted to his own use.

MOTHER AND CHILDREN HANGED.

Betsie McCray and Her Son and Daughter Lynched by a Mob.

Carrollton, Miss. (Special).—The murder of Mr. and Mrs. Taliaferro culminated here in the lynching of Betsie McCray, her son, Belief McCray and daughter, Ida McCray, all colored.

The mob was composed of about 500 white citizens of Carroll county, who marched to the jail in order, demanded the keys from Jailer Duke, proceeded to the cells of the unfortunate negroes, bound them by the neck and hands and carried them to the corporate limits of the town, where they hung them to a tree on the public road and ridged their bodies with bullets.

The mob resisted the earnest appeals of Judge W. F. Stephens and Hon. W. S. Hill, who stood on the steps of the jail and appealed to the mob in the name of the law, but they hung them to a tree on the public road and ridged their bodies with bullets.

Sherrburne, Minn. (Special).—Frederick Yost, a prosperous farmer, shot and fatally wounded Ethel Kuzick, formerly a housekeeper of his, with a second shot he killed the woman's 10-month-old child. Stepping into the road. Yost then committed suicide. Yost recently had been arrested on charges preferred by the woman.

Plan Giant Terminal Station.

Chicago (Special).—Plans for a central railroad station here, estimated to cost \$40,000,000, are being prepared to be submitted at a meeting of railway officials to be held on August 15. Eighteen of the twenty-two railroad companies with Chicago terminals have approved the scheme as drawn by Alderman Dixon and members of the Council committee appointed to investigate the question of a single terminal. The plan can be carried out as a successful conclusion.

Kentucky Author Killed.

Lexington, Ky. (Special).—Geo. E. W. Rankin, one of the best-known literary men of Kentucky, was killed in Louisville and Nashville train here. George W. Rankin was the author of "History of Lexington, Ky.," "Girty the White Indian," "The Traveling Church," "The Story of Bryan's Station," and "The Boyhood of the Dew and the Author." He was born in Louisville, Ky., February 13, 1841, and was educated in the University of Kentucky.

Two Men Killed in Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa. (Special).—William Wilson of Greentop, E. J., and Jesse Wilson of Pittsburg, employed on the new Frick building, in course of erection, were instantly killed here. The accident was caused by the sheering of a brace, while hoisting a six-ton eye beam. This caused the derrick to give way and the men were precipitated from the sixth floor to the second. A large number of workmen below narrowly escaped with their lives.

Must Pay Castellane's Debt.

New York (Special).—In the United States Circuit Court, Judge Lacombe has handed down an order directing George J. and Helen M. Gould, as receivers of the surplus income of Anna Gould, Countess de Castellane, to pay the instalments of the principal and interest past due upon three mortgages on property of the Castellanes in France. The property in question is the residence of the Castellanes on the Avenue du Bois de Boulogne, in Paris, and their chateau, which was formerly the property of the Duchess des Noailles.

Great Lightning Storm.

New Brunswick, N. J. (Special).—It is said that lightning struck John Kohlsch's barn, at Fresh Pond, setting it on fire and snuffing his ten-year-old son. Mrs. Kohlsch was just starting for help when it is asserted, a second flash struck the barn and put the fire on Kohlsch's wagon, which was coming home on the trolley car when a lash disabled the motor though the fuse and other parts seemed all right. Then, it is alleged, while the motorman was trying to locate the trouble, there was another flash and the motors started working all right.

Instantly Killed by a Train.

Clarksburg, W. Va. (Special).—Darryl Golden, aged 22, son of Irvin Golden, of Bridgeport, was killed instantly by a train at Clarksburg on the West Virginia Central. Both legs were run off at the hip.

REAR ADMIRAL
KIMBERLY OUT.

Successor on Board of Inquiry Now Named.

CORRESPONDENCE MADE PUBLIC.

It is Captain Lemly's Desire That When the Court is Closed the Sampson-Schley Controversy Shall Have Been Ended With All the Facts in the Case Brought Fully and Clearly to Public Knowledge.

Washington (Special).—The Navy Department did not announce the successor to Admiral Kimberly on the Schley court of inquiry.

The correspondence with Admiral Kimberly relative to the latter's declining to be a member of the court, and Admiral Kimberly's letter is dated West Newton, Mass., July 20, is addressed to Secretary Long, and is as follows:

Admiral Kimberly's Letter.

Sir—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a receipt of a court of inquiry which is to convene on September 12 in which I am named as a member. I regret to have to request that I may be detached from said duty, owing to disability from a weak heart and its attendant complications, being under medical treatment for the same.

Much to my mortification this is the first Department order that I am unable to honor, during a naval life of 55 years.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant.

L. A. KIMBERLY, Rear Admiral, U. S. N. (ret.).

Department Grants Request.

The reply was forwarded from Washington to-day. It is as follows:

Sir—The Department is in receipt of your letter of July 20, expressing a regret on your part at being obliged to ask that you may be detached from the duty of serving upon the court of inquiry to convene on September 12. The Department learns with regret that you are suffering from a weak heart and its attendant complications, for which you are under medical treatment. Such being the case, the Department is reluctantly compelled to grant your request.

Your letter continues: "Much to my mortification this is the first Department order that I am unable to honor during a naval life of 55 years." Let me hasten to assure you that there is no cause for mortification at this incident.

On the contrary, it affords an opportunity of which the Department gladly avails itself to congratulate you for a record so loyal to the service. Moreover, this record amply justifies the award of the Secretary of the Navy in assigning you to the grave and conspicuous duty of serving upon the court.

Permit me to express the hope that your health will continue to improve, so that in future should a less arduous duty be required of you, you may be fully able to respond.

Very respectfully,
F. W. HACKETT, Acting Secretary.

Schley's Friends Deplored.

The action of the Department in declining to modify the language of the precept so as to eliminate an expression of opinion regarding Admiral Schley's "disobedience" is looked upon by his friends as an unnecessarily harsh act. They claim that since the whole question must be tried before a court, a change in the phraseology would not have injured the case against the Admiral.

The fact is pointed out that Admiral Schley never admitted that he had disobeyed the orders of the Department. His message to the court was constrained to be such an admission, stating that the orders could not be obeyed, not that they had not been obeyed. As a matter of fact, however, the refusal to make the modification in the precept will not affect the judgment of the court in any manner.

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