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ASSAIL GOMPERS.

European Delegates Criticise American Federation.

AT TRADES UNIONS CONGRESS.

They Blame Him and His Organization For Not Joining the International Movement—He Replies Vigorously.

Paris, Aug. 31.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was the dramatic center of the first day's session of the sixth international trades unions congress...

Mr. Gompers needed all his old-time energy to repel the attack. He insisted that the problems and policies of American trade unionism were so fundamentally different...

Nevertheless, as an evidence that the United States was anxious for international cooperation, Mr. Gompers introduced a proposal favoring worldwide organization...

The clash came over the question of the exact status of Mr. Gompers and the American Federation of Labor in the conference. Mr. Gompers explained that for the present he was merely an auditor...

One obstacle in the way of affiliation, he said, was the feeling that antagonism existed in Europe toward American trade unionism. Moreover it was feared that the American workmen might be compelled to subordinate their policies to those of men knowing little or nothing about American industrial conditions and problems.

"Personally," he continued, "I have no authority to pledge the affiliation of the American Federation of Labor, but I believe it will come in time."

Mr. Gompers' statement was received coldly. Several delegates jumped to their feet to protest. Hueber, an Austrian delegate, vehemently characterized Mr. Gompers' explanation as mockery. He, like the others, had been under the impression that the Americans meant business and that Mr. Gompers was the official delegate from that country.

"We thank you for your opinions," he said pointedly, "but we do not need them. Your policies may not permit you to come to us, but one day American workmen will realize that your policies are erroneous, and you will see the necessity of joining the international confederation."

Mr. Gompers, stinging under the rebuke, but unflinching, arose to reply. "I regret," he exclaimed, "that you have misconstrued my remarks as an attack upon European trade unionism. If Europe does not want us it will be unfortunate. Nevertheless we will continue to do everything possible to attain the goal for which the human race is struggling, international fraternity and unity."

Hueber retorted that it was now seven years since the Americans began talking about joining the international confederation, and it was about time a decision was reached. "It now appears," he concluded, "that Mr. Gompers is merely on a voyage of discovery."

M. Leglen, the international secretary, ended the controversy with the statement that Mr. Gompers was only a guest, but he hoped that that official was convinced that the moment had arrived for the American Federation of Labor to join forces with their European brethren. The regular business of the conference was then resumed, and resolutions were adopted in sympathy with the strikers in Sweden and Barcelona and for an appeal to the ministers of the world to strive for the abolition of war.

Thaw Made Asylum Librarian. Mattewan, N. Y., Aug. 31.—In their search for regular occupation for Harry K. Thaw, recently recommended to the State Hospital for the Criminal Insane here, the authorities of the institution have appointed him

HARRIMAN'S OWN BULLETIN.

Says Surgeons Have Examined Him and Found Him All Right.

Arden, N. Y., Aug. 31.—Edward H. Harriman has given the following written statement to the press: "I am pursuing the course laid out before I went abroad and advised by the physicians."

"I intended taking a rest as soon as my responsibilities would permit. My treatment abroad reduced my strength and vitality and weakened my digestion."

"The most expert physicians in Munich advised me to have an examination by surgeons as a matter of precaution. This has been done very carefully by Drs. Brewer and Crile, in conjunction with Dr. Walter James and Dr. Lyle, and the whole result is that they find nothing serious and renew the advice previously obtained that I should have rest and not see many people at one time, and this I am trying to do."

"This covers the whole case, and later on, if the representatives of the press desire and there is any purpose to be accomplished, I will see them up here, but now I ask that the surveillance of the operations of my home be withdrawn not so much on account of my family or myself, but that the coming and going of my friends may not be interfered with."

"I appreciate the interest shown in my welfare by the press and my friends in all sections and perhaps by some others."

YOUNG MINISTER DROWNS.

Friend Battles Desperately to Save Him, but is Overcome.

Palau Lookout Bench, N. Y., Aug. 31.—Despite the efforts of a friend who battled pluckily with the waves for ten minutes, the Rev. Stanley W. Roberts, pastor of the Freeport Baptist church, was drowned here while swimming. The drowning and the efforts to save the clergyman were watched breathlessly from the shore by several hundred persons.

Roberts and H. C. Meyers, a young member of his congregation who tried to save him, were picked up by a life-boat just as they were about to sink, but when the boat reached the shore the classroom was dead and Meyers was unconscious.

Dr. Edwin Carman hurried from Freeport in an automobile and made every effort to revive Roberts, but after artificial respiration had been applied for fifteen minutes he gave up the task as hopeless.

Roberts was twenty-five years old, a lover of outdoor sports and was a strong swimmer. He frequently went on swimming trips with young men of his congregation, and it was said that none of them could excel him in endurance or speed in the water.

MAURETANIA'S LATEST FEAT.

Cunard Liner Clips Three Hours From Record—Landing at Fishguard.

London, Aug. 31.—A new era in transatlantic passenger traffic was inaugurated when the Mauretania of the Cunard line, after a record breaking run from New York to Queens-town, landed her passengers at Fishguard, the new port of call on the west coast of England.

The passengers were immediately taken aboard a special train of the Great Western railway and rushed to London, and the Mauretania's passengers made the voyage from New York to London in 5 days 1 hour 35 minutes, a new feat in transatlantic travel.

The Mauretania's time to Queens-town was 4 days 14 hours 27 minutes, two hours and fifty-three minutes better than her time in the trip concluded Aug. 9, which had been the record for the eastern trip.

WATCH FOR MARS ECLIPSE.

Red Planet Will Be Obscured by Moon Tomorrow Night.

Geneva, N. Y., Aug. 31.—An interesting eclipse of Mars by the moon, visible throughout the United States, will occur tomorrow evening. The phenomenon will last about an hour, beginning in the longitude of Washington at 8:42 p. m. and ending at 9:29. At places west of Washington the occultation will occur earlier and at places east of Washington later.

The eclipse will be visible to the naked eye, but the use of a small field glass, which will bring it clearly within observation, is advised by Professor Brooks.

EARTHQUAKE IN ISTHMUS.

Panama and Colon Both Feel a Severe Seismic Shock.

Panama, Aug. 31.—A severe earthquake shock was felt here, at Colon and intermediate points on the Isthmus, lasting fifty seconds.

The administration buildings of both the government and of the canal commission here and at Ancon were severely shaken, but Colonel Goethals reports that the Panama canal was not damaged.

ANTITRUST LAWS.

Drastic Measures Framed by Taft Commission.

TO STOP OVERCAPITALIZATION

Attorney General Wickersham, Secretary Nagel and Other Experts at Work on Interstate Commerce Act Amendment.

New York, Aug. 31.—Laws more drastic than any yet devised for the control of interstate corporations are being framed by President Taft's commission, now in session here.

They include swift and just punishment for the violation of the provisions of the antitrust law, which has practically become a "dead letter," and a separation of the inquisitorial and judicial powers of the interstate commerce commission.

The commission that is framing the new law includes two members of the president's cabinet, Attorney General Wickersham and Secretary Nagel of the department of commerce and labor. The attorney general has discussed at length with the president his plans for the revision of the laws, and the work of the commission is being done in accord with the president's views.

The other members of the commission are Solicitor General Lloyd W. Bowers, Representative Charles E. Townsend of Michigan and Commissioners Martin A. Knapp and Charles A. Prouty of the interstate commerce commission.

Mr. Taft has pointed out that the antitrust law is a criminal statute and should define in greater detail the evils which are prohibited under it. If the continuance of evil commercial practices is persisted in after the laws have been clearly defined and revised his desire is that swift prosecution should follow.

Attorney General Wickersham said that one of the problems was to draw the line more sharply between combinations that cannot be described as monopolies, but which are so closed under the antitrust law. The difficulty, he said, was in separating the sheep from the goats.

One of the remedies under discussion is a national incorporation act, under which the interstate corporations would escape petty state regulations, but would be held more tightly in check by the national government.

The interstate commerce act, it is said, is to be so amended that the inquisitorial work now done by the commission will be transferred to the bureau of corporations of the department of commerce and labor and the work of prosecution to the department of justice. The commission will then sit in judgment on the evidence produced.

One of the most important results of the work of the commission will be the probable restriction of bond and stock issues by interstate railways, giving the commission power similar to that lodged with the public service commission in this state. If this is done it will absolutely revolutionize railroad financing in this country.

EARL GREY LOST IN WOODS.

Canada's Governor General Nearly Falls Over a Precipice.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 31.—Earl Grey, governor general of Canada, had a narrow escape from death when lost in the woods of Jarvis Inlet, British Columbia, for five and a half hours when on a shooting expedition without companions other than his dog.

He nearly fell over a precipice in the darkness when rescued by a search party headed by Major Clark, his orderly, and Second Officer Johnston of the government steamship Quadra, one of many search parties sent into the woods after news was built along the shore line to attract the attention of the lost governor general. He was utterly exhausted when found, and his clothing was badly torn. He was brought here on the steamer Quadra.

OLDEST STEAMBOAT BURNED.

The Norwich Destroyed by Fire at Her Pier at Kingston.

Kingston, N. Y., Aug. 31.—The Norwich, said to have been the oldest steamer in active use, was burned to the waterline at her dock here. The old sidewheeler had for many decades been used to break up the ice in the Hudson river every spring at the beginning of the towing season.

The Norwich, which was built seventy years ago, was to have taken a prominent part in the Hudson-Fulton celebration this fall. The loss to her owners, the Cornell Steamboat company, is about \$50,000.

MUST STOP FIGHT

Langford-Ketchel Contest Stirs Governor Hughes.

HE CALLS ON JEROME TO ACT.

Sends Another Letter to New York Police Commissioner, Who Says He Will Not Permit the Affair to Come Off.

New York, Aug. 31.—The \$20,000 prizefight between Stanley Ketchel and Sam Langford, scheduled for Sept. 15, under the auspices of the Fairmount Athletic club, will probably not take place, owing to action taken by Governor Hughes.

The governor has written to District Attorney Jerome and Police Commissioner Baker calling their attention to the fact that prizefights are forbidden in this state by statute.

On receiving his letter District Attorney Jerome invited William Gibson of the Fairmount Athletic club and his counsel, Morris Puleston, to visit him at the criminal courts building. Mr. Gibson was on hand early, and he had a long heart-to-heart talk with Mr. Jerome and his assistant, Dan Murphy.

At the close of the conference none of the parties would discuss the matter, but Mr. Jerome called attention to the statute books and also to the fact that the governor had advised him that prizefights were barred in this state.

Additional interest was taken in the matter because Police Commissioner Baker also received a letter from the governor, and he, too, went on record as declaring that he will not permit the fight to be pulled off. It is easy to see just where the promoters of this fight stand. The Fairmount Athletic club has always, it is said, insisted on the strict interpretation of the law which regards "members" in good faith. It has also been circulated that no tickets are sold for these bouts.

When Police Commissioner Baker was seen after his conference with the district attorney he said that the police were now restrained by an injunction issued by Justice Seabury in the supreme court from interfering with the Fairmount club. It seems that some time ago Magistrate Butts in police court in discharging several defendants taken in the Fairmount club handed down an opinion which held that the Fairmount concern was a bona fide club. The supreme court injunction is now in force, but according to Commissioner Baker if the police are satisfied that the law is being violated they will interfere in spite of the restraining order.

Commissioner Baker said, "The legislature ought to pass a law permitting respectable clubs to hold sparring matches with a certain number of rounds or allow no club to hold the matches."

KEENE'S FIFTH FUTURITY.

Financier's Colt Sweep Wins Rich Stakes at Sheepshead Bay.

New York, Aug. 31.—Amid the cheers of 15,000 spectators at Sheepshead Bay race track James R. Keene's colt Sweep, a son of Ben Brush-Pink Domino, won the twenty-second running of the Futurity.

Five lengths back, ridden out with whip and heel to beat Sweep's stable mate, Greenacre, a short length for the place, started the tired Moutpelier stable's candidate, Candlerberry, also a son of the sire of Sweep.

Angerom, an added starter, was a fairly good fourth, but the other nine contestants were beaten off and well strung out over a furlong. The time for the six furlongs was 1:11 4-5. Sweep's share of the purse of \$31,000 was \$27,000.

This is the fifth time one of Keene's horses has won the Futurity.

WOMEN REFUSE A RAISE.

Ticket Agents on "L" Road in Chicago Fear It Means Discharge.

Chicago, Aug. 31.—The women ticket agents on the elevated railroad of this city have refused to accept a raise in wages. Their action is without precedent in the annals of labor union. The company offered them an advance of 5 cents a day, but they voted down the offer.

In a recent conference Clarence A. Kelch, president of the company, said he would dispense with all women ticket sellers as soon as the wages of the position were raised to \$2 a day. As the women are now getting \$1.95 a day, they refused to accept the proffered increase in salary.

BASEBALL RESULTS.

Games Played in National, American and Eastern Leagues.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. At New York—Chicago, 2; New York, 0 (11 innings). Batteries—Pfeister and Archer; Ames and Schiel.

Second game—New York, 5; Chicago, 0. Batteries—Mathewson and Meyers; Kuebach and Archer.

At Brooklyn—Pittsburg, 2; Brooklyn, 1. Batteries—Lettfield and Gibson; McIntyre and Bergen.

At Boston—Cincinnati, 5; Boston, 3 (10 innings). Batteries—Howan and Clark; Ferguson and Graham.

At Philadelphia—Philadelphia, 3; St. Louis, 2. Batteries—Moore and Dooin; Harmon and Phelps.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS. W. L. P. C. Pittsburg, 35 22 75 Philadelphia 35 31 41 Chicago, 28 38 57 St. Louis, 45 71 28 New York 49 45 66 Brooklyn, 41 70 27 Cincinnati 58 54 58 Boston, 32 55 21

AMERICAN LEAGUE. At St. Louis—St. Louis, 8; Washington, 0. Batteries—Baley and Criger; Groome and Street.

At Chicago—Philadelphia, 5; Chicago, 0. Batteries—Frank and Thomas; Scott and Owen.

At Cleveland—Cleveland, 4; Boston, 2. Batteries—Berger and Bonds; Wood and Carrigan.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS. W. L. P. C. Detroit, 30 43 63 Chicago, 33 49 39 Philadelphia 31 46 27 New York 53 45 34 Boston, 37 49 39 St. Louis, 43 65 44 Cleveland, 41 59 31 Washington 53 87 22

EASTERN LEAGUE. At Rochester—Rochester, 3; Jersey City, 0.

Second game—Rochester, 4; Jersey City, 2.

At Toronto—Newark, 4; Toronto, 2. At Montreal—Baltimore, 4; Montreal, 0. At Buffalo—Providence, 5; Buffalo, 6.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS. W. L. P. C. Rochester, 31 21 28 Buffalo, 30 45 38 Newark, 45 52 24 Montreal, 30 45 38 Providence, 35 45 35 Jersey City 55 67 34 Toronto, 45 69 47 Baltimore, 52 79 43

AMERICAN YACHTS WIN.

Easily Defeat German Challengers Off Marblehead.

Marblehead, Mass., Aug. 31.—America won a decisive victory over Germany in the first of the series of sloop boat races for the President Taft and Governor Draper cups. All three places at the top of the list were captured by the defenders of the trophies, while the three challenging boats brought up well to the rear.

The Joyette, owned by Commodore William H. Childs of the Commonwealth Yacht club, Brooklyn, won first honors, with the Ellen, owned by Charles P. Curtis of Boston, second and the Wolf, owned by Caleb Loring of Boston, third. Next came the Marguerite, one of the German challengers, and following her, more than six minutes astern, was the Hevella, while the Seacraft II, finished last.

Admiral Barandon, chairman of the joint committee of the Kaiserlicher Yacht club of Kiel and Eastern Yacht club of Boston, when asked after the race what he thought of the result said: "Oh, your boats are so much faster! It was a great surprise to me that our yachts did not do better, for this was real Kiel weather."

GIRLS DROWN TOGETHER.

Daughters of Ocean City Cottagers Victims of Sailing Boat Disaster.

Ocean City, N. J., Aug. 31.—Alice Bobsnot, aged fifteen years, and Marie Mueller, aged sixteen, daughters of Philadelphia cottagers here, were drowned while sailing in Great Egg Harbor bay, near here.

Two boys were with them in a small sailboat which drifted against a trolley bridge that crosses the bay from Sommers point. A car passing over the bridge hit the mast of the boat and caused it to capsize. The two boys saved themselves by climbing on to the bridge.

Two passengers on the trolley car jumped from the car and made every effort to reach the girls, who were carried toward the pier by the swift current.

BETTER PRICE FOR MILK.

Farmers and Dairymen Will Get Advance of Eight Per Cent.

New York, Aug. 31.—Farmers and dairymen who send their milk to New York city will receive nearly 8 per cent more than formerly for their product as the result of action taken by the Consolidated Milk exchange. The cost price was officially advanced from 3 1/4 cents per quart to 3 1/2 cents.

An increase in the price to the consumer is likely to follow.

DEATH LIST 2,000

Monterey's Flood Disaster Assumes Vast Proportions.

PROPERTY LOSS IS \$25,000,000

More Than 26,000 Persons Homeless and Many of Those Who Escaped Were Without Food For Three Days.

Monterey, Mexico, Aug. 31.—With more than a thousand bodies of victims of the flood and tidal wave recovered and buried, 2,000 is now the estimated number of flood victims throughout the valley of the Santa Catarina river. The number of homeless, many destitute, is placed at 26,500.

The Santa Catarina river at Monterey has subsided sufficiently to permit a passage into the district lying to the south, and a visit to that section revealed appalling conditions.

People who had been saved from the flood had been without food for three days, when on some cables a small amount of bread and beans was got across.

Evidence of the terrible destruction wrought by the flood were everywhere visible. Five blocks of the district were as though they had never existed, and in the remaining portion bodies were being taken from the ruins and buried by a party of gentlemen sent across for the purpose.

One of the buildings destroyed was the San Francisco church, the oldest building in the city. The barracks of the marines was washed away, and much military equipment was lost.

Reports from down the river state that many bodies have been recovered, but there are many that will never be accounted for, as the Santa Catarina bed is filled with quicksand, and many of these lost have no doubt disappeared in the sands.

The railroad property loss is estimated by officials of the lines at \$1,000,000, which added to the loss in this city makes nearly \$25,000,000 of property damage here and the vicinity.

The national bank officials estimate the loss in the business center of Monterey at \$5,000,000. The loss to the big smelter and industrial plants outside the city limits will amount to as much. The value of the eighteen blocks of buildings which were destroyed is fixed at \$3,000,000. Many of the smaller settlements in the state have been wholly destroyed or badly damaged, while the crops everywhere have been ruined.

The authorities are doing all in their power, and the federal government has sent \$50,000 in money and provisions for the relief of the sufferers. Contributions have been received from San Antonio and New York city firms which have agencies in this city and which have authorized their representatives to contribute liberally to the relief fund.

President Diaz has telegraphed \$30,000 for the relief of flood sufferers. Vice President Corral has contributed \$2,000 and Ambassador Thompson \$1,000 to the fund.

The fact that the Red Cross of the United States is to give aid to the sufferers has been learned here with profound satisfaction. On behalf of the United States government the American ambassador has sent condolences to President Diaz.

COLONEL BUSEY DROWNED.

He Was the Only Democrat Who Defeated Cannon For Seat in Congress.

Chattanooga, Aug. 31.—Colonel S. T. Busey, veteran of the civil war, banker of Upland, Ill., and the only Democrat who ever defeated Speaker Joseph G. Cannon for congress, was drowned at Montross lake, near Park Rapids, Minn.

Professor Guy Allen Tawney, Colonel Busey and the latter's niece, Miss Annie G. McChlain, went sixteen miles out from land and while trying to land a big fish (the colonel upon the boat).

Professor Tawney got Miss McChlain back onto the boat and grabbed the colonel. With Miss McChlain rowing and Professor Tawney holding an oar they tried to pull Colonel Busey to land. The oar let go when he failed. Two hours later his body was recovered.

JENNIFER CARRIES HIS O. K.

Agreement For Fight With Jack Johnson Seen Satisfactory to Him.

San Francisco, Aug. 31.—Sam Berger has received a telegram from James J. Jeffries at Cripple Creek, Colo., saying that he is willing to fight with Jack Johnson. Jeffries' expression reads: "Agreement satisfactory. Inform newspapers your action authorized by me."