

# FEED WIRES CUT AND POLES ARE CHOPPED

## Strikers Determined to Prevent Running of Cars.

### SITUATION IN NEW ORLEANS.

Street Car Lines Are Still Tied Up, but There is Hope that Trouble May Yet Be Adjusted by Arbitration.

New Orleans, Oct. 4.—Considerable destruction of property of the New Orleans Railway company was reported by the police today as having occurred during the night. It was probably the result of the statement of the company that it would attempt to start its cars after 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Feed wires were cut, poles were chopped and other methods were resorted to to make it difficult for the company to operate its service.

No attempt was made during the early morning to start cars on any of the lines. The morning papers contained advertisements asking for 1,000 motormen and conductors. They stated that only residents of New Orleans need apply. It is not considered probable that there will be numerous responses to these advertisements. Telegrams from other cities said that the company was seeking to obtain outside labor, but the company is not willing to admit this, and refers to its advertisements to show that it desires only home labor. The strikers, however, are suspicious, and today there were pickets at all the railway stations in anticipation of the arrival of foreign laborers.

The weather continues fine and the discomfort of the traveling public in getting from point to point is thereby lessened.

Efforts are being made by disinterested parties to bring the representatives of the contending factions together in a conference at the hall. Hope has not been abandoned of an amicable agreement.

If the company attempts to operate the cars other than those carrying the mail, there is likely to be serious disturbances of the peace. President Pearson, of the railway company, today sent a letter to Mayor Capdeville announcing that the company was preparing to operate its cars and that the mayor would be advised at what time and from what barn the first attempt will be made. Mr. Pearson said the company desired to be assured that there would be ample police protection. Mayor Capdeville replied at once saying that he would have sufficient police on hand whenever the company was ready to resume its service.

### FOR AMERICA'S CUP.

Lipton intimates that he will soon send another challenge.

New York, Oct. 4.—"You may expect to hear something about the challenge for the America's cup in a week or eight days."

This was a statement made by Sir Thomas Lipton to a group of acquaintances yesterday, says a London dispatch to The Herald.

A. W. Maconochie, member of parliament, who is the largest army contractor in Great Britain, was with the baronet at the time. He is sailing for America on the Fuerst Bismarck on business, which he said will affect the interests both of America and which he would not disclose.

England, but the exact nature of Mr. Maconochie, it will be remembered, gave a dinner to J. P. Morgan at the house of commons. From that dinner resulted—so the friends of Mr. Maconochie assert—the arrangement made by the shipping combination with the English government.

That Mr. Maconochie has another hand there is not the slightest doubt. That it has to do with Sir Thomas Lipton's challenge, the correspondent declares he has good reason to believe.

This reference is gathered from the following conversation:

"When does your steamer reach New York, Maconochie?" inquired the baronet of the member for Aberdeenshire.

"Next Friday," was the reply.

"Well, by that time," resumed Sir Thomas, "you will hear something of a challenge."

### Fatal Rear End Collision.

Washington, Oct. 4.—A rear end collision between two freight trains on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railway and the other on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railway, occurred this morning on the outskirts of the city resulting in the death of Fireman Y. S. Keys and Engineer J. S. Purdue.

### Constable Shot to Death.

Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 4.—L. F. Houghton, a constable, was shot and instantly killed last night by William A. Murphy, a molder in the Decatur car wheel works. The shooting occurred in a saloon on Avenue F, and was the result of a dispute over the right of the constable to search a man for a pistol.

### To Paint Roosevelt's Portrait.

New York, Oct. 4.—It is announced that John S. Sargent, the famous portrait painter, now in England, will sail late in the autumn to fill his engagement to paint a portrait of President Roosevelt. His coming visit, the first in a long period, has aroused much interest in art circles.

### LIGHT VOTE IS ONLY HOPE.

#### Republicans in Alabama Will Make Hard Fight.

Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 4.—While the new white Republican party has made nominations for congress in all of the nine Alabama districts, the conservative leaders of the party are willing to admit that a really serious fight will be made in only two of them—the fourth and the seventh. When the Democratic party was torn up a few years ago by the secession of the Populists, the allied opponents of the organized Democrats carried these two districts. They were subsequently redeemed, however, and two good democrats—Hon. Sydney J. Bowie, of Talladega, and Hon. John Burnett, of Gadsden—are their representatives in congress.

The Republicans in these districts are hinging their hopes on the small vote cast in the recent primary, as compared to the registered vote in the counties in these districts. In the fourth district the vote in the primary last month was 6,628, while the registered vote was 15,327. In the seventh district the difference was even wider, the vote in August being 6,234 and the registered vote 24,648. Statistics show that, in no election, is more than 80 per cent of the vote ever polled, and with the other 20 per cent and those who failed to pay their poll taxes subtracted, it will be seen that if Mr. Bowie receives as many votes as were cast in last month's Democratic primary he will win easily.

The status in the seventh district is not so encouraging, but the fact that there is a Republican nominee and an independent candidate to divide the anti-Democratic vote, that Mr. Burnett may have no difficulty in succeeding himself. He is exceedingly popular with the men of all parties in his district, and thoughtful politicians consider that his chance is better than that of either of his opponents.

A spirited campaign all along the line will be commenced in a few days, the first big Republican gun to be fired at Russellville by Hon. J. W. A. Smith, Republican nominee for governor, on October 6.

### LOAD OF SHOT PIERCED HEART.

#### John Makepeace Commits Suicide at Greensboro, N. C.

Greensboro, N. C., Oct. 4.—John Makepeace, a prominent and wealthy sash and blind manufacturer of Sanford, shot and killed himself here.

There was no suspicion as to his intentions until the report of a gun was heard. In his room he had placed a pillow on the floor to break his fall. A shotgun was lying by his side, and the nature of the wound was such that it was seen that he had placed the muzzle of the gun at his breast and pulled the trigger. The contents of the weapon pierced his heart and death ensued instantly.

Confirmed melancholia is supposed to have led to the rash act. His business and family relations, so far as known, were perfectly satisfactory to himself. He leaves a widow and grown children.

### Republican Nominees.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 4.—The Republican county convention of Elmore at Wetumpka has nominated Spencer J. McMorris, of Wetumpka, and Millard F. Berry, of Deatsville, for representatives in the legislature, and Norflet Ivy, of Deatsville, for superintendent of education. They will make a hard fight for the county. It has not yet been determined whether a candidate will be put up for the senate in the Elmore-Tallapoosa district.

### Large Sugar Mill Planned.

Laredo, Tex., Oct. 4.—A special from Oaxaca, Mex., says that the Plante's Development and Manufacturing company, recently organized with a paid in capital of \$500,000 gold, is planning the erection of a \$200,000 sugar mill on the line of the Vera Cruz Pacific road near Oaxaca. The company has bought a tract of land near where it is proposed to build the mill. The president of the new company is H. R. Hope, first vice president of the Carnegie Steel company.

### Noose for Father; Pen for Son.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 4.—Joe Cole, Sr., who murdered Roadmaster George Stevers on a Seaboard Air Line train near Henderson, has been convicted of murder in the first degree at Henderson, and Joe Cole, Jr., his son, was convicted of murder in the second degree. Old Cole was sentenced to be hanged and his son to serve 30 years in the penitentiary. Cole, Jr., shot Train Porter Mitchell, who was attempting to save the life of Conductor Clements.

### Contract for Battleship Awarded.

Washington, Oct. 4.—The secretary of the navy today awarded the contract for the construction of the battleship Louisville to the Newport News Ship Building company at its bid of \$3,990,000. The bureau officers, to whom the bids were referred, reported that there were no indications of combinations on the part of the bidders.

### Bank Cashier Sentenced.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 4.—A special from Brownsville, Tenn., says that "guilty and, three years in the penitentiary" was the verdict rendered this morning by the jury in the case of state vs. R. H. Anderson, cashier of the Haywood county bank, charged with receiving money in an insolvent bank with knowledge of the insolvency, and resulting in loss of money to its owners.

# REPORT ON AVERAGE CONDITION OF COTTON

## Monthly Statement of Department of Agriculture.

### AVERAGES GIVEN BY STATES.

#### Alabama Reports Decline of 2 Points, North Carolina 12, Oklahoma 15, Mississippi Only State Failing to Report Deterioration.

Washington, Oct. 4.—The second report of the department of agriculture shows the average condition of cotton on Sept. 25 to have been 58.3 as compared with 64 on Aug. 26; 61.4 on Sept. 25, 1901; 65 on Oct. 1, 1900, and a 10-year average of 68.9. The following table shows in the second, third, fourth and fifth columns, respectively, by states, the averages of condition on Sept. 25, the corresponding averages for the last 10 years:

Virginia	.73	50	73	76
S. Carolina	.68	74	67	68
N. Carolina	.68	80	63	70
Georgia	.62	68	73	72
Florida	.68	75	65	72
Alabama	.52	54	55	71
Mississippi	.63	68	66	69
Louisiana	.64	70	72	70
Texas	.47	53	51	67
Arkansas	.88	75	51	67
Tennessee	.76	72	60	70
Missouri	.73	73	61	78
Oklahoma	.61	46	57	—
Indian Ter.	.65	68	61	—

While the decline during September ranges all the way from 2 points in Alabama to 12 points in North Carolina and 15 in Oklahoma, only one state, Mississippi, fails to report some deterioration. The low estimate in Texas is fully sustained by a large amount of collateral and independent testimony in the possession of the department for which it is indebted to officials of railroads and oil mills and to other persons who occupations give them special facilities for making a testimony estimate of the situation.

### FIRE DAMP DEALS DEATH.

#### Twelve Miners Lose Their Lives at Black Diamond, Wash.

Black Diamond, Wash., Oct. 4.—An explosion of fire damp has occurred in the south end of the fourth level of the Lawson mine, badly wrecking the mine and killing 12 miners. Fortunately, no fire was started. Three bodies have been taken out. There are supposed to be nine more bodies in the mine. Three miners were injured, one badly.

The dead are: Joe Jack, Frank Ellinder, Frank Rochelle, Robert Lundberg, John Swanson, John Creghino, Simon Tersuach, Edward Actienat, — Erricco.

John Leter, Hugh Leander, Louis Berkman.

The Pacific Coast company is the owner of the mine.

Everything possible is being done to recover the bodies. The fourth level is 1,600 feet below the surface.

### ROAD TO ISSUE BONDS.

#### St. Louis and San Francisco to Increase Its Indebtedness.

New York, Oct. 4.—It is announced that at the annual stockholders' meeting of the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad to be held in St. Louis Nov. 10, a proposition will be acted upon to increase the indebtedness, not exceeding \$15,000,000, in 4 per cent gold bonds, to be secured by a mortgage or by the deposit as collateral security of the first mortgage bonds of the railroads constructed or acquired with the proceeds of the bond issue.

None of the local officers would state for what purpose the bonds will be issued further than to say the proceeds would be devoted to construction or acquisition of additional lines. It was denied that the proposed issue was connected in any way with the purchase of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois.

### Michael McGinnis Dead.

New York, Oct. 4.—Michael C. McGinnis, who, during the active years of his life, was identified with many movements to free Ireland, is dead, says a Bridgeport, Conn., dispatch to The World. For a quarter of a century he was a practicing lawyer here. Mr. McGinnis participated in the filibustering expedition that sailed 33 years ago for Cuba, to aid the insurrectionists and took part in the engagement of Rigeon Hill, in the Fenian raid that had for its object the invasion of Canada.

### Coal Prices Going Skyward.

Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 4.—Following the advance of prices of coal at East Tennessee mines, reported on Wednesday, domestic prices for coal have shot upwards in Knoxville. Jellico domestic coal is today \$4.50 per ton in Knoxville and Coal Creek domestic coal is \$4.25 per ton. Coal prices may go higher here.

### Hearst For Congress.

New York, Oct. 4.—William R. Hearst, the well known newspaper owner, has been nominated for congress by Tammany. The nomination went by acclamation.

### CANDLER'S MAJORITY 18,000.

#### Official Count Will Not Materially Change General Result.

Atlanta, Oct. 4.—The consolidated returns received from all over the state do not materially affect the standing of the two of the two contestants in the judgeship race as announced heretofore.

The later reports are about equally favorable to both candidates, and will not change the general result. The majority for Judge Candler will probably amount to 18,000 votes in the state.

Particular interest centered in the race in Coffee county, where the fight was close. In this county Candler received a majority of 500. The Populist nominees were successful in most of the contests for county offices, and but two places went to the Democrats—those of sheriff and tax receiver. Ward, the Democratic nominee for representative, gives notice of intention to contest.

The Democrats were successful in Fannin county, but in Haralson the Populists polled a strong vote, casting 750 votes for Hines for governor.

### BIG NAVAL STORES COMPANY.

#### Capitalization of Consolidated Interests Will Be \$3,000,000.

Savannah, Ga., Oct. 4.—W. C. Powell, president of the prospective consolidated naval stores company, has returned from Jacksonville, where he has attended a meeting of representatives of the independent naval stores concerns that are to be merged. When seen here he said that the capitalization of the company is to be \$3,000,000 instead of \$2,500,000, as published. It has also been determined to begin operations about January, as it is intended to effect organization about Nov. 11.

The vice presidents named in Jacksonville were for the purpose of getting a charter in Florida, but will not necessarily be those in charge of the company's affairs. The C. Downing company, of Brunswick, will be represented in the consolidation, though it will not, like the other concerns, go into liquidation and lose its identity.

### SHOT DAUGHTER FOR BURGLAR.

#### Charlie Morris Kills His Child Near Wrightsville.

Wrightsville, Ga., Oct. 4.—News has just reached town stating that Charlie Morris, a negro, shot and killed his daughter Saturday night, thinking she was a burglar.

It seems that the girl was walking in her sleep, and had gone out into the yard and was coming back into the house through an open window.

Charlie halted her twice, and as she did not answer, he shot her. She lived only a few hours.

### Great Loss to Stock Owners.

Denver, Colo., Oct. 4.—The News says today that the tremendous demand for stock cars with which to move live stock from the present scanty ranges of the west to points where food can be had for the winter has created a condition in the live stock markets of the west never before known and one that is causing great loss and inconvenience to stock owners. In Denver the market has been almost paralyzed by the inability of the railroads to supply cars and prices have been steadily declining principally because of the same reason.

### Egyptian Cotton Proves Success.

Quitman, Ga., Oct. 4.—C. N. Williams, a farmer living near here, has an acre and a half of cotton which has attracted much attention. It is Egyptian cotton, the seed of which he secured from a friend in Florida and planted as an experiment with the most satisfactory results. He states that the yield is heavier than that of short cotton and the staple is superior to that of the sea island cotton raised in this section. The staple is about 1 1/2 inches long, very fine, and has a silky luster.

### Crushed Negro's Skull.

Tifton, Ga., Oct. 4.—Two negroes employed at Norman's turpentine still, at Obe, fell out over their rations. Kid Utley accused Tom Gray of stealing his rations, and a fight ensued. Utley ran, followed by Gray, who struck him on the head with a scrape-iron, killing him instantly. Gray is still at large, though the officers have him located and will make the arrest today. A jury was summoned to hold an inquest, their verdict being in accordance with the above facts.

### Profits from Convicts.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 4.—The quarterly report of the convict bureau submitted to the governor show a short crop on the state farm, the corn being less than half. The financial statement shows the total receipts for the past 12 months were \$185,405.33, and the total expenses \$90,051.15, leaving a net profit of \$95,354.18. The profit is about \$3,000 in excess of last year.

### Earthquake Causes Panic.

Rome, Oct. 4.—A dispatch from Rome today announces that a violent earthquake was felt last night at Terni, about 50 miles from here. The inhabitants were panic-stricken and fled to open spaces. A number of houses were damaged, but there was no loss of life.

### Two Killed in Elevator Accident.

Lynn, Mass., Oct. 4.—In an elevator accident at the shoe factory of A. E. Little & Co., here early today, two persons were killed and four injured.

### COLLEGE SOCIETIES.

#### INFLUENCE OF GREEK LETTER FRATERNITIES ON STUDENT LIFE.

#### Recognized as Beneficial by the College Authorities—Growth of the Chapter House—Selecting the Members.

The opening days of the fall term are a season of peculiar interest to the college boy, now just returning to his studies after the summer vacation. This is the season when the fraternity "rushing" or "cultivating" is on, and to the student it is fraught with importance, for it largely determines the completion of the fraternities and often determines the future of many freshmen.

To the fraternities the "rushing" is important, because this year's freshmen when they become upper classmen will dictate fraternity policy, and it is important to the freshmen because the associations of the first two years in college do more than all other years to shape their characters.

The chapter house or lodge of the Greek letter fraternity has become a national feature of the college life of the United States. They are now found in all colleges and universities excepting Harvard and Princeton, where the Greek letter fraternities have never gained a foothold.

A few years ago the chapter house was peculiar to eastern institutions. Now more than half the nearly 500 chapters of Greek letter societies located at the various institutions of learning in all sections of the country are occupying chapter houses, and many of them are owned by the occupants.

To college men and students in general the fraternity is a familiar subject, but as only 1 per cent of the people in America enter college the idea is just as obscure to the great majority as the Greek letters by which the various organizations are known.

The first Greek letter society was founded at the college of William and



ZETA PSI HOUSE, YALE.

Mary in 1775. Its aims were to encourage scholarship, and these aims it has maintained until the present day. Phi Beta Kappa it is called. A hundred years ago it became merely an honorary organization, election to which depended on scholarship. From it, however, and patterned after it grew the present fraternities. They, too, were literary societies pure and simple in their early days.

There are scores of these fraternities, all designated by Greek letters which form the initials of their mottoes and representing the academic, medical and scientific courses in various colleges.

Kappa Alpha, which dates back to 1825, was long regarded as the leading fraternity. During recent years others have forged to the front. Phi Kappa Psi is said now to be one of the strongest organizations. It claims a membership of 10,000, having at this time forty chapters located in as many leading colleges and universities and twenty-five alumni associations.

Psi Upsilon is also one of the big ones, as are also Delta Kappa Epsilon and Alpha Delta Phi. Most of these have thirty or more chapters, and among their alumni are many of the brightest college men in public life.

The older Greek letter societies have alumni all over the United States who keep close watch of the high school boys about to enter college. Before the high school commencement time the prospective freshman has met some member of a fraternity in the college to which he is going and has been invited to spend the college commencement week with that fraternity.

All of the important ones have club-houses, which are often the finest buildings on the college campus, but are always the center of a life that is almost homelike. Into these more or less elaborate college homes the freshman is ushered the spring prior to his entering college, and here he is royally entertained.

But all the time he is under closest scrutiny. If he is a satisfactory candidate, he is invited to visit at the chapter house in the fall when he comes on to enter college. Again he is under the same careful scrutiny, and if he satisfies the members of the fraternity he is asked to join.

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Greene—After all, Slimset is good at heart. He prevailed upon the boys to give up smoking for a week and to give the money they would have spent for cigars and tobacco to old Derby to get him a suit of clothes. Gray—Yes; when Derby has any clothes, he always buys them at Slimset's store.—Boston Transcript.

### Two of a Kind.

"I'm a plain, everyday business man," said Meritt, and I'm nothing if not practical. Miss Whely, will you be my wife?" "I admire your frankness, Mr. Meritt," replied the fair object of his affections, "because I am inclined to be rather matter of fact myself. How much are you worth?"

### On the Surface.

It is true that a sneering face often hides a smiling heart, but it is equally true that a smiling face often covers a sneering heart. Which of these men is the most apt to live, judged by the happiness he diffuses? It is the surface of things with which we come in contact, after all.—New York News.

### No Return.

"Yes," said the cynical codger, "it is mighty easy to trade your reputation for money, but you're up against it when you try to trade back."—Baltimore Herald.

By the rectification of the India and Tibet frontier, which has now been completed, 350 square miles have been added to British territory.