

PROTECTION ASKED AND IT IS PROMISED

Rumors of Coming of Men To Take Out Street Cars, Rife Since Last Evening.

CHIEF INSTRUCTED TO SUMMON MEN

To Act as Special Officers, as Necessary—Barricade is Erected and Cots provided by Company.

It appears that the Asheville Light and Power company has provisioned the car sheds as if was expected to withstand a siege. Besides the cots that had been taken there early this morning, it was reported on good authority that two dray loads of food had been secured for the men.

THE Asheville Power and Light company this morning sent a communication to the mayor and the board of aldermen, stating that the company has experienced men for the operation of its street cars and is ready to put its cars in operation at once; and that it desires to do so; and that the company expected police protection.

On receipt of the communication the mayor and the board instructed Chief of police Lyerly to summon men according to the request and sent a communication to the company by the chief of police stating that the request for police protection would be complied with. At that time the mayor did not know whether the strikebreakers had arrived or when they would arrive; and he was not informed as to where they would be entertained. It is stated however, that cots have been taken by the company into the car barn; and this morning the company erected a barricade at the Ashland avenue entrance to the car barn, cutting off all but one track. There was an air of expectancy all morning. The street car men declared that they did not know what to expect.

Aldermen in Extraordinary Session. Immediately on receipt of the message from the Asheville Power and Light company Mayor Hankin convened the board of aldermen in extraordinary session and the message was read and considered. The company stated it was ready to operate the cars at once, that in the opinion of its officers police protection was necessary, and it was asked that this protection be provided either by regular or special policemen. After the board had decided to run the cars, Chief Lyerly would make no statement at that time as to the number of men he would dispatch or when he thought he would summon them.

THIRD DEGREE IS UNAVAILING

Negro Watchman Denies Any Knowledge of the Death of Mary Phagan in Atlanta Sunday.

Atlanta, Ga., April 29.—Search for the slayer of 14 years old Mary Phagan at the factory of the National Pencil company on Saturday night was continued today by the police. Four men are being detained at police headquarters in connection with the case, but only one of them, John M. Gant, former bookkeeper at the factory, has been formally charged with murder.

NONE BUT "PROGRESSIVES" TO BE PUT ON GUARD

Anti-Wilson Texan's Nomination Made by Mistake Withdrawn.

Gazette-News Bureau, Wyatt Building, Washington, April 29.—That "progressive" democrats are to be given preference for federal positions under President Wilson was made emphatically plain yesterday afternoon when the president withdrew the nomination of Norman H. Martin and substituted the name of J. H. Richardson. Martin was an anti-Wilson man, and according to Texas "progressives," is a thoroughgoing reactionary in politics. His name went to the senate because of an oversight on the part of Postmaster General Burleson.

BREAK IN THE RANKS OF AUBURN STRIKERS

Auburn, N. Y., April 29.—More than 150 strikers in the International Harvester twine mill went to work this morning through lines of police and despite the threats of 75 other strikers. Strike leaders are making frantic efforts to stay the break in their ranks.

BRYAN MAILING, U.S. WILL ACT

Secretary's Proposition the Utmost Concession Wilson Will Make to People of California.

PRESIDENT DESIRES TO MAKE NEW TREATY

If Denied This Opportunity by State, He Will Intervene in Federal Court Action.

Washington, April 29.—Secretary Bryan's proposition to the Californians to suspend the passage and application of anti-Japanese legislation until the president has had an opportunity to negotiate a new treaty with Japan to replace the convention of 1911 is believed to represent the ultimate concession which the administration is willing to make in deference to public feeling in California.

Assuming that one of the questions which Mr. Bryan has transmitted to the president for the California legislature is as to the probable time for negotiation of a new treaty with Japan and just how such a convention could be framed to meet the views of California without being objectionable to Japan, it may be said that such a method of settling the present issue already has been given some consideration.

MOTOR CAR HITS GIRL

Miss Bates of Augusta Fatally Hurt—All Occupants of the Car Faint.

Augusta, Ga., April 29.—Miss Ernestine Bates, 19 years old, lies in a local hospital with a fractured skull as the result of being knocked down by an automobile at Twelfth and Broad streets last night. The physicians say that she cannot recover.

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