

SOUTHERN PACIFIC REFUSES TO GRANT UNION RECOGNITION

Claims That Recognition of Federation Would Hamper Company's Service

EFFORTS BEING MADE TO AVOID A STRIKE

But It Is Open Question as to Whether Men Can Be Held In Check or Not

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—The Southern Pacific railroad company through Julius Kruttschnitt, vice-president and director of maintenance and operation of the Harriman lines, absolutely rejected today a demand for recognition of the federation of shop employes, comprising five shop craft unions and 25,000 men.

That such recognition, with its implications, would hamper the company in performing its duty to the public was the position taken by its officials. Union leaders asked for it on grounds of economy and expedition and admitted because of a feeling that greater centralization of capital and power made corresponding centralization among various unions desirable.

The unions involved had asked their general officers for permission to strike in the event of the refusal to grant recognition of the federation.

Final Answer A conference lasting over three hours was terminated by Mr. Kruttschnitt's final answer and following it the union representatives sober-faced went into session by themselves to consider the strike vote which they may accept as binding or may reject, refusing to sanction a strike.

Following the conference Mr. Kruttschnitt issued the following statement: "In the conference the question of the benefit to accrue to both the company and the men from a federation was fully presented by the international officers and the officers of the railroad company explained at length the reasons why the company cannot experience in performing its public functions if hampered by a committee vested with sufficient power to control or partially control its operations."

A railroad official tonight said authoritatively that there was no change (Continued on Page Six)

BEATTIE PLEASSED WITH PROGRESS OF HIS FIGHT FOR LIFE

Defense Apparently Makes Much Headway Toward Controverting Testimony of Prosecution's Witnesses—Beattie's Brother Loyal.

CHESTERFIELD COURT HOUSE, Va., Sept. 1.—Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., indicted for the murder of his wife, did not take the stand today in his own behalf as was expected, but the assertion was made just before court adjourned that the defense would conclude its case late tomorrow with the prisoners' testimony.

An argument ensued between counsel for both sides as to whether the cross examination of the accused also could be finished tomorrow and it was obvious that the defense wished to have the prisoner rest over Sunday before the attack upon him by the prosecution could be begun. Thomas Hancock, one of the jurors, however, spoke up in a plaintive voice to the court, saying "please consider us, judge," and the court immediately asked H. M. Smith, Jr., counsel for the defense, how many more witnesses he would introduce.

"Just Few More Witnesses." "Just a few more," said Mr. Smith, "but we will surely close our case tomorrow by placing the prisoner on the stand."

Judge Watson announced he would hold court later than usual tomorrow evening, if necessary to finish the case, but an agreement was reached to suspend judgment as to holding the night session until the testimony of the accused had been presented. Court will be delayed in the morning by the taking of a deposition from Mrs. M. C. Steger, who is ill at her home near the scene of the crime and who, it is claimed, saw the alleged bearded highwayman prowling around the day of the murder.

Testimony today was perfunctory in its character. Several women friends of the accused and his dead wife testified that the couple lived happily together. Those who testified as to the happy relations between the couple were Miss Essie Wells, Miss Louise Reams, maid of honor at Mrs. Beattie's wedding; Mrs. Trop Logan, a sister of Henry C. Beattie, Sr.; Mrs. Ella J. Bowman, a sister-in-law and housekeeper to Henry C. Beattie, Sr., for many years.

New Witness Discovered. Except for the impromptu admission of Douglas Beattie, a brother of the accused, that he could have destroyed evidence of the murder had he known that his brother was to be charged with the crime, the most in-

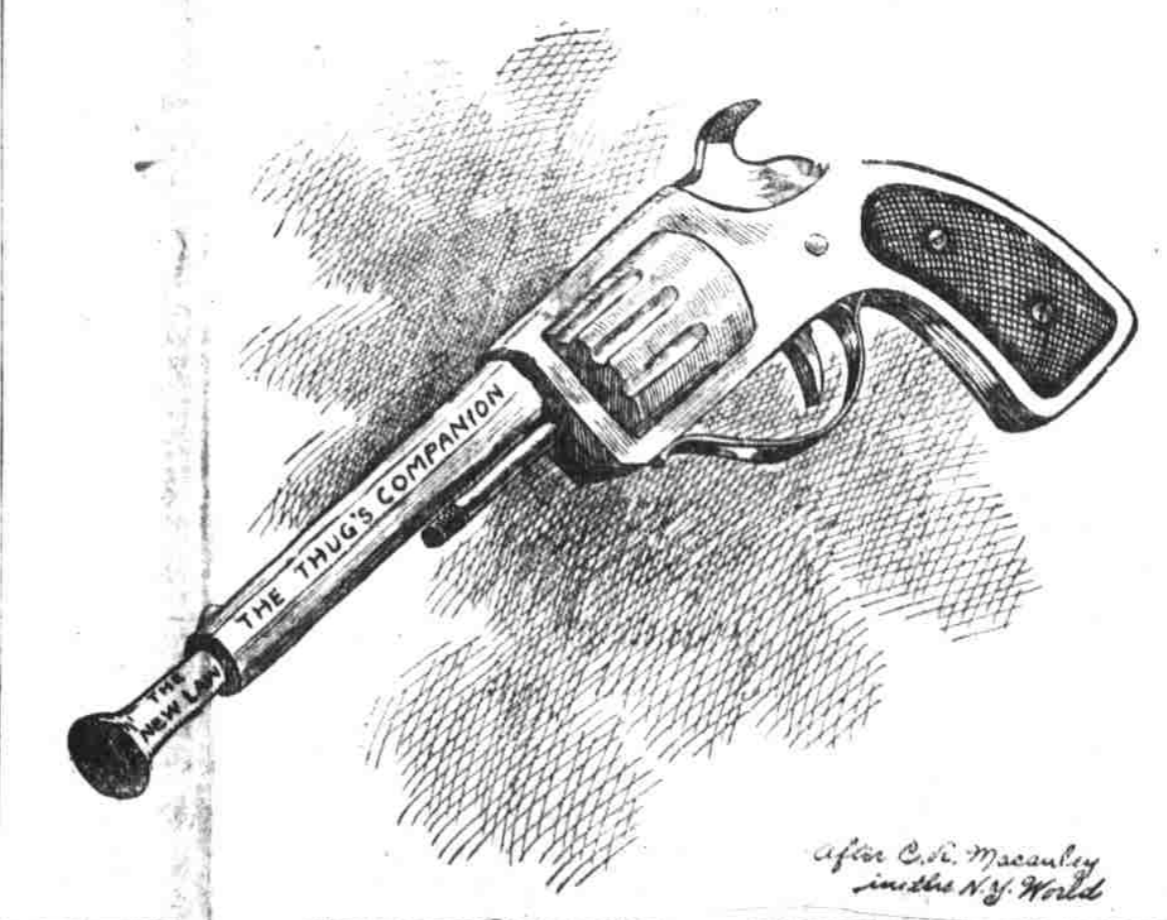
teresting development of the day was the discovery of a new witness by the defense, Joseph Casseberg, of Richmond, Casseberg, it has been rumored for some time, has had mysterious knowledge of the case. He is reported to have been on the Midlothian turnpike with another person about the same time that the murder occurred and is supposed to be the man who stopped to crank his machine and was seen by the group of boys on their way from the dance at Bon Air. If he is called as a witness and admits that he had stopped to fix his machine at that point where the boys say they saw a car with a woman on the running board and a man in front of it, the defense considers this would controvert much of the testimony tending to show that Mrs. Beattie was shot while on the running board and not in the car seat as her husband alleges.

It was rumored tonight, however, that the defense may not call Casseberg because of conflicting reports concerning his probable testimony.

Auto Experts Testify. The question of whether Mrs. Beattie was shot while standing on the running board or in the road or as her husband insists while she sat in the front seat to the left of him, again was raised today when several automobile experts testified that a large pool of blood such as was found at the scene of the crime could have trickled through the machinery of the car and flowed from the drip pan underneath to the ground. The testimony of the automobile experts was in line with the contention also that blood dripped from the machine in many places from the scene of the crime to the Owen home in Richmond, where the young husband took his dead wife. The defense introduced a score of witnesses to attack various other details in the evidence of the prosecution and tomorrow it is expected the prisoner will make emphatic contradiction of his cousin Beattie's testimony, clinging to his story at the coroner's inquest that a bearded highway man murdered his wife and that he took no part in a transaction concerning the purchase of the shot gun.

Beattie Cheerful. The prisoner was more cheerful at (Continued on Page Six)

"Spiked."



CHANGES MADE IN CENTRAL BUREAU PLAN TO MEET OBJECTIONS MADE

Committee Recommends That Plan For Establishment of Central Bureau be Given Favorable Consideration by Exchange-Buying Banks of The Country. Will Not Interfere With Legislation Now Pending.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—Changes to meet objections of bankers of certain features of the new central bureau plan for the registry of export cotton bills were made in the plan today at a conference of the members of the bills of lading committee of the American Bankers' association. With these changes effected the committee recommended that the plan for the establishment of a central bureau be given favorable consideration by the exchange-buying banks of the country.

Bankers' Representation. "At today's meeting of the committee the southern bankers were represented by Mr. Goodchaw, of New Orleans, and Mr. Haight represented the Liverpool conference. Full consideration was given to all recommendations and they were found to be based upon the following grounds: "First. That the plan would give certain advantage to exchange buyers in New York city by reason of the fact that the central bureau would be there located. "Second. That the plan in its operation would prevent the ready negotiation, acceptance and payment of drafts drawn against cotton shipments. "Third. That under the plan the

foreign buyer would not properly discriminate in the selection of his agents. "Fourth. That the plan of notification to the central bureau as proposed, might be construed as placing additional responsibility upon the exchange-buying banks for genuineness of bills of lading. To obviate the first objection it was suggested, with the assent of the representative of the foreign interests, that the central bureau instead of sending acknowledgments of each bill of lading, in response to notification should give no information to any one concerned, except only in cases where regular bills of lading had been found forged or otherwise fraudulent, thus preventing the pyramiding or accumulation of losses. The committee considered that the change thus proposed would remove the first objection. "As to the second objection the inquiry was specifically made of the representative of the foreign interests whether it was the intention of the foreign bankers to refuse or delay the (Continued on page seven)

AMERICANS PIN FAITH TO GOTCH IN THE COMING MATCH

Denies Himself to Callers on Account of His Seventy-Year-Old Mother

SHE WILL SEE SON DOWN RUSSIAN LION

Gotch Has Strength of Sandow With The Agility of an Abe Attel

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—Frank Gotch, champion wrestler of the world, practically denied himself to callers today because of his mother, who is 70 years of age and who accompanied him here from Iowa. From all over the country wrestling "fans" arrived today to see and talk to "the great Gotch," but the invincible one was busy. His mother "is old, you know, and some how it is up to me to sort of look out for her," as the champion expressed it. After Gotch's party had breakfasted and "mother was fixed up all right," the champion appeared on the mat in the gymnasium of the Chicago Athletic club, where he wrestled with Joe Rogers and Jess Westergaard for two hard falls within an hour. He appeared to have everything he ever had and just a little more. He has been taught by "Farmer" Burns.

Gotch Strong. Gotch is cautious. He is soft pawed. He is, as Eddie Smith, the referee, says of him, "oddy." And behind those sinewy muscles of iron which "Farmer" Burns has trained so assiduously, there is a world of strength. Gotch is a Sandow, plus the agility of an Abe Attel. But again there is Hachenschmidt. He is not for an instant forgotten by the Chicago wrestling fans. They have watched him work for days. They know his prowess. He is to face Gotch next Monday. And if he wins the championship it will be because Gotch cannot endure the smothering. All the experts are agreed on this. It will be the steepest as opposed to the Russian bear. Hachenschmidt is a lion. He isn't fast enough. But it will be a struggle of giants.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLER IS CAUGHT JUST AS HE IS READY TO CATCH TRAIN

Auditor of Gulf and Ship Island Railroad Had Already Bought Tickets

REFUSED TO TALK

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 1.—E. L. Hall, the auditor of the Gulf & Ship Island railroad, wanted on the charge of embezzling \$5,000 from the railroad, was arrested at the terminal station here today by local detectives while preparing to leave on an afternoon train with his wife, son and daughter for Philadelphia. Hall had already purchased his tickets. According to the officers, a search of Hall's effects revealed an exchange draft for \$58.81 issued by the First National bank of Culport on the Seaboard National bank of New York, and also a demand note for \$50 in favor of Mrs. Hall, and \$100 in currency. Hall refused to discuss the charge, but said he would return to Mississippi without requisition.

JUDGE BIGGS RESIGNS. RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 1.—Judge Crawford Biggs, judge of superior court, ninth judicial district, tonight at Durham mailed a letter to Governor Kitchin transmitting his resignation. He was elected five years ago and had three years to serve. The motive actuating him is given as financial and the desire to spend more of his time with his family.

FRESH CLERK AND THREE FRIENDS LAID LOW BY FIGHTING CONGRESSMAN

Representative Carter Uses His Fists and Cane to Advantage

INSULT ALLEGED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Representative Charles D. Carter, of Oklahoma, created a sensation in the heart of the smart shopping center here today by assaulting four clerks, one of whom he alleged insulted his 18-year-old daughter, Miss Italy Carter, who was with her father on a shopping expedition.

Having dealt summarily with the four clerks, Representative Carter, who is seven-sixteenths Indian, sent his daughter home in an automobile and proceeded to the nearest police station, where he explained the incident which led up to the trouble. He was not detained and considers the incident closed unless the four clerks demand an investigation.

Representative Carter assailed the first clerk, Joseph Josephson, with his fists, and when three of the young man's companions came to their friends' aid the Oklahoma congressman brought his walking stick into play and wielded it vigorously until he was master of the field. According to Mr. Carter his daughter describes to Josephson a certain kind of coat which she wished to purchase. He declares the clerk thought Miss Carter was unattended and sought to engage her in conversation. "Continuing his advances, which were followed by repulses," said Mr. Carter, "the young man became insulting. When I politely asked the clerk the cause of the trouble he became infuriated and said uncomplimentary things about my daughter. I told her to accompany me from the store, and as we reached the door he called me several names. I returned and prepared to strike him when he started toward me. I then gave him a good licking, as my long experience on the range as a boxer would permit. I then started to leave when three of his assistants took up the fight. I was plainly outnumbered but would not run. I struck right and left with my cane and finally routed the entire bunch.

The fight was brief but exciting until the clerks were vanquished.

THIRTY DAYS' NOTICE TO ILLINOIS CENTRAL THAT THEY WANT ALTERATIONS

Both Sides of Controversy, However, State There Will be no Strike

SECOND CONFERENCE

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—Representatives of the international unions composing the federated shop employes of the Illinois Central, which has been refused recognition by President Markham, of the railroad, today gave thirty days' formal notice to the railroad that they desire alterations in their contracts.

This move followed the communication of President Markham to the union representatives in which he refused to recognize any organization except those with which the railroad has contracts, and called attention to the clause requiring a thirty days' notice to abrogate the contracts.

The union representatives also forwarded a communication to the railroad asking for another conference with President Markham on Tuesday. He received the communication late in the day and will wait until tomorrow to formulate an answer. The union leaders are confident that he will receive them and they intend to continue their efforts to gain recognition for the federation.

The notices to the railroad are not cancellations of the contracts. They were sent in an effort to comply formally with the letter of the contracts, and union leaders say they will not delay further negotiations during the thirty-day period. Both sides indicated that a strike was not probable.

ALLEGED "BADGER" MAN. RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 1.—W. J. Murphy, a Seaboard Air line freight conductor, was arrested here late today as he alighted from his train coming from Richmond, charged with being Graham White, wanted in Albany, Ga., for the murder of a woman. Murphy, or White, is alleged to have been one of the principals in a "badger" game in Albany with his sister-in-law, Lucile Sharp, posing as his wife, in which F. M. Bass was robbed of \$90. Murphy declares that he is not the man and has started habeas corpus proceedings. Officers from Albany, who are here with requisition papers, claim they have the right man.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE OF PASSENGERS ON TRAIN GOING THROUGH TRESTLE

Engine Passed Over Safely But Tender and Coaches all go Through

ON A. C. L. RAIDROAD

WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 1.—Following rains said to have been the heaviest on record, Atlantic Coast Line passenger train No. 57, Fayetteville, N. C., to Bennettsville, S. C., plunked into a trestle two miles south of Red Springs, N. C., today. The engine passed over safely but the tender, mail, baggage and passenger coaches went through. All miraculously escaped except Conductor Alex Campbell and Express Messenger Jesse Talbot, both of Fayetteville, who were only slightly hurt.

REPORT DIDN'T SHOW WHAT WAS EXPECTED

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 1.—The bullish report on the condition of the growing cotton crop, issued by the department of agriculture today, fell flat as a market factor. At the highest the trading months after the report was out were only nineteen to twenty-two points over yesterday's close. December, the most active month on the board, rose twenty-six points following the report, just before the figures were out it stood five points under yesterday's final quotation, a little later it was twenty-one points over.

The percentage of condition of 73.2 on August 25 was more than two points under the average expectation in this market. There was a pool on the cotton exchange on the figures and the average of nearly 100 guesses in the pool was 75.8 or 2.6 points over the actual figures.

Following the reports there was heavy selling, which the gossip of the market said the was chiefly for short account. It held the market from making the advance that seemed justified, and later pared down the moderate advance made. The market closed at a net advance for the day of only eight to ten points.

NEW BANK EXAMINER IS ELECTED BY COMMISSION

Charles B. Brown Succeeds J. K. Doughton — Has Been Assistant

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 2.—The North Carolina corporation commission today accepted the resignation of J. K. Doughton as state bank examiner, and elected in his stead Charles B. Brown, who has for some time served as assistant examiner.

This leaves the position of assistant examiner vacant to be filled later. Mr. Doughton resigns to become an active member of the corporation of the Tomlinson Chair & Furniture Manufacturing company, of High Point, just re-organized, that will take over the Globe Home Furniture company business and has \$250,000 capital with \$750,000 authorized.

Mr. Doughton has been bank examiner since January 1, 1909, making a splendid record as examiner. Mr. Brown, who succeeds him, has been assistant for a year, coming from Rocky Mount. He has had extensive experience in the banking business.

ASHEVILLE BY "PASSES"

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 2.—Wm. Horton Daniel and Robert Goldstein, of Buncombe county, are two of eighty successful applicants before the supreme court for license to practice law. There were ninety-one who undertook the examination Monday. Mrs. Lillian Howe Free, of Bryson City, is one of those successful, being the second woman ever licensed in this state.



WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—Forecast for North Carolina: Fair Saturday and probably Sunday, but much change in temperature, night to moderate variable winds.

MAYOR OF WILMINGTON ARRESTED YESTERDAY

Charged With Failure to Abate Common Nuisance, "Inspired by Malice"

WILMINGTON, N. C., Sept. 1.—A sensational campaign here for better sanitary conditions culminated late today in the arrest of Mayor Jos. D. Smith and Dr. Charles T. Nesbitt, superintendent of health, charged with failure to abate a common nuisance in sewer line through the principal part of the municipality. Both were taken before a justice of the peace and promptly gave bond for their appearance at a preliminary hearing to be held next Tuesday. The city officials assert that the prosecution is inspired by malice for the purpose of discounting their efforts toward a cleaner and a healthier city.

MANY ENTRIES FOR THE GLIDDEN TOUR

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—It was announced tonight that the entries for the eighth reliability automobile tour for the Glidden trophy are growing apace, with twenty-five names already on the list. The recent announcement that Governor Hoke Smith, of Georgia, would be one of the contestants, has been received with enthusiasm by the contest board of the American Automobile association. Governor Smith in sending his formal entry, writes that he will ride the entire 1363 miles from New York to Jacksonville via Atlanta. He has a special 1912 model of a well-known car entered. His consideration is the impetus which he hopes his participation may give to the good roads movement and to this end he has invited the governors of ten states through which the tour passes, to be guests in his car while he is riding through their states. The preliminary car, it is announced, will start September 8. The entries to the tour close October 1 and the tour starts two weeks later.

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 1.—Mrs. R. C. Wall, residing on North Boylan avenue, in a fit of unaccountable despondency, it is said, attempted to commit suicide by drinking nearly an ounce of laudanum. Prompt medical attention saved her life.

WHITE SLAVE CONVICTION AGAINST MRS. JANIE NOEL

Jury Returned Verdict Late Last Night, Sentence to be Passed Today

SALISBURY, N. C., Sept. 1.—The verdict in the white slave trial was reached by the jury in Rowan superior court late tonight. Mrs. Annie Noel, the defendant, charged with the abduction of Carrie Bell Gibbs, aged thirteen years, from her home in Lexington, was convicted. Sentence will be passed by Judge Daniels tomorrow. The third day of the trial was consumed by argument of counsel. Messrs. Plummer Stewart, of Charlotte, Z. V. Walker, of Lexington, and R. T. Wright, of Salisbury, spoke for the defense, and Solicitor W. C. Hammer closed for the state. While Attorney Stewart was speaking on white slavery there was slight demonstration in the court room and a young white woman, an actress in a moving picture show, was ordered in the custody of the sheriff for taking part in the demonstration. During another speech by M. Walser there was a similar occurrence as a young white man was taken charge of by the sheriff for the same offense.

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