

McComb City Heavily Guarded After Night Of Excitement

Town Where Strike Disorders Occurred Last Night Has Quiet Down Today—Haley, Aged Striker, Probably Killed by His Friends.

Several Others Injured—Strike Breakers Spent Sleepless Night—Report From Chicago Says Some Men Are Coming Back.

By Associated Press. McComb City, Miss., Oct. 4.—After a night of excitement which reached a climax shortly after midnight by the slaying of an Illinois Central Railroad striker and a dynamite explosion near the railroad shops, McComb City awoke this morning to find her streets patrolled by state troops. At 9 o'clock comparative quiet had been restored.

Two Others Hurt.

It developed today that Carl Canton and Truly Curtis, both strikers, were shot and fatally wounded during the night while walking near the shops. They were removed to their homes. There is no clue as to their assailants.

Streets Patrolled.

The streets in the vicinity of the Illinois Central railroad shops were patrolled by the Natchez and Brookhaven companies of the Mississippi national guard. Two companies from Yazoo City and Laurel are expected to arrive at noon.

"Scabs" Ordered Out.

The non-union men were quietly escorted out of the city this morning by citizens of McComb City who openly proclaimed that "it ain't healthy in this town for scabs."

A squad of 125 strike breakers huddled in one of the railroad company buildings under a heavy guard spent a bad night, fearing an attack at any time from the outside.

Aged Striker Shot.

It is not improbable that Lem Haley, the aged striker who was shot down early this morning near the railroad shops, was a victim of armed pickets placed there by the strikers.

A young woman who says she witnessed the killing stated that Haley refused to halt when commanded, that shots followed and she saw him fall. She said Haley shouted his name as he fell and his assailant replied: "Why in—didn't you tell us Lem?"

The latter then disappeared in the darkness, she said.

Possibly Shot by Friends.

Haley's friends assert that railroad guards killed him but Sheriff Holmes expressed the belief that Haley was shot by his friends. Haley leaves a wife and two children. The inquest over his body will be held late today.

Rowdiness Caused Trouble.

Here, the entire blame for yesterday's disturbances which led to the battle near the railroad shops, is charged to the alleged rowdiness of strike breakers aboard the special train—E. M. Montgomery and Edward Harnes, strikers, received painful injuries in an encounter.

"I was standing near the in of strike breakers when it puffed in," said Deputy United States Marshall L. M. Jones today, "and saw fully a peck of stones and bricks piled on the floor of the baggage car. Before the train came to a stop a shower of rocks poured from the coaches and immediately there was a return volley of rocks from the crowd inside. A man in one of the coaches then showed a revolver through a window and leveled it at me. I drew my revolver and taking quick aim shouted to him to get back. As the train started just then a bullet from his revolver whizzed within about two feet of my head and struck an automobile occupied by two young men across the roadway. I was struck in the side by a stone thrown from the train."

Seventeen United States deputy marshals are here for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of the federal injunction secured by the Illinois Central Railroad Company.

Strikers Return to Work.

Chicago, Oct. 4.—Twenty of the carmen who left the Illinois Central shops of Burnside last Saturday when the general strike of shopmen began, returned to their work today. Railroad officials declare that dozens of men will return as many of the strikers have applied for their old places and will be taken back.

Representatives of the labor unions deny these statements and declare that the road is unable to move more than half of its freight because of impaired service due to the strike.

Despite denials of the strikers, there are about 500 men now at work in the Burnside shops.

The men were not molested when they passed through the big gates although there were small groups of strikers about the outside of the grounds. The strikers apparently have abandoned picketing.

Five hundred policemen are still guarding the railroad's property.

—Mr. W. N. H. Smith, of Raleigh, special agent for the American Central British America and Western Assurance Company, is in town.

BOMBARDING BATTERIES AT TRIPOLI TODAY

By Associated Press. Rome, Oct. 4.—It is officially stated today that Vice-Admiral Faravelli sent a message to the government stating that the bombardment of the main batteries of Tripoli commenced at 3 o'clock yesterday and continued until sunset.

The batteries replied to the Italian fire without effect.

The admiral intimates that the bombardment will be resumed today, in order to completely destroy the batteries. The greatest care was taken by the Italian gunners to avoid damaging the buildings of the town.

Only a lighthouse and one of the batteries were destroyed.

The dispatch to the government was timed at Tripoli at 7:45 o'clock last night.

Rome, Oct. 4.—The message to the government from Vice Admiral Faravelli was as follows:

"On board the battleship Benedetto Brin, Tuesday, (7:45 p. m.). A bombardment has commenced at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon upon the principal batteries of Tripoli and was continued until sunset. The batteries responded to the Italian fire but without effect. The bombardment will be continued tomorrow until the destruction of the batteries has been complete.

"Great care was taken during the bombardment not to damage the city. Only a light house upon one of the batteries was destroyed."

No Dissensions Among Powers.

Rome, via frontier, Oct. 4.—Official circles ridicule reports which are described as being circulated with the intention of inciting public opinion concerning incidents between Italy and Austria and of dissensions among the powers regarding their attitude toward Italy.

As a matter of fact, it is said, what is now happening was arranged among the states in the triple alliance with the adhesion of France and Great Britain, who are bound by the treaty of 1901 to support Italy, or at least to be neutral whenever she decides to occupy Tripoli.

It is even hinted that negotiations with Austria and Germany, which preceded the present action of Italy, led to a basis for the renewal of the triple alliance, which will expire in 1914, when, to the already existing clause, another will be added regarding the protection of Italy in her position in North Africa.

The military attaches at the embassies here are following with interest the preparation of the Italian expedition to Tripoli. The general opinion of experts is that the Italian arrangements have been conducted in a masterly manner.

Those upon whom the responsibility rests have succeeded in mobilizing at the points of embarkation one of the largest expeditions ever made by sea, in the shortest time.

The first contingent of about 20,000 men was ready to start yesterday but was delayed because of the wish of the officials to be absolutely assured against any surprise at sea.

Italian ships are patrolling between Sicily and Malta and between Malta and the "Heel" of Italy. The vessels signalled the presence of Turkish torpedo boats up to last night, when they were chased out of the patrol area, managing to escape under the protection of darkness.

It must be remembered, the officials say, that the Japanese, who had for long time prepared for their campaign, landed only 17,000 men in Korea on their first expedition. This was followed by an equal number of troops twenty days later. The operations were begun forty days after the landing of the army.

Italy purposes to land nearly 40,000 troops within a week and to begin operations.

The military officials consider the armament and equipment of the troops perfect. This equipment includes provisions of all kinds, landing boats, movable camps and field hospitals with accommodations for thirty thousand patients besides hospital ships. Turkish prisoners within Italy, who already number more than 500 and are held at Taranto, Agosta, Brindisi, Naples, Leghorn and Genoa will be assembled in the large barracks near Cezarta. There the captured ones will be prisoners of honor. The soldiers and sailors will be watched by sentinels under the discipline of their own officers and will enjoy considerable liberty. All will be well treated.

Mexico May Have New Insurrection

By Associated Press. Mexico City, Oct. 4.—El Pais today published a sensational telegram from San Antonio, Texas, to the effect that the followers of General Reyes and the deposed president, General Diaz, have established a junta in that city and await the arrival of Reyes. The telegram permits the inference that a new insurrection is to be begun.



MAMMOTH DAM AT AUSTIN
First picture of the break in the mammoth dam of the Bayless Pulp & Paper Co., a mile and a half above Austin, Pa., which loosed 500,000,000 gallons of water and obliterated the towns of Austin and Costello, Pa., causing a loss of life estimated at 1000 and doing over \$6,000,000 worth of damage to the property that lay in the path of the flood. The dam was 530 feet long, 49 feet high and 32 feet thick at the base. The break occurred suddenly and a fifty-foot wall of water was upon the doomed towns before an alarm could be given.

After Months of Discussion Spartanburg Grants Franchise to Interurban Co.

By Associated Press. Spartanburg, S. C., Oct. 4.—After months of discussion the city council by a vote of 2 last night granted to the Spartanburg & Anderson Interurban Co. a franchise to build a trolley line in Spartanburg. The franchise expires on May 2, 1939, when the franchise of the Spartanburg Railway, Gas & Electric Company, terminates. The report says of the franchise may make it unacceptable to the company which has thirty days in which to accept or reject it.

Ninety-five Per Cent Of Pellagins In Tennessee Use Corn Meal, Says Report

By Associated Press. Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 4.—That ninety five per cent of the victims of pellagra in Tennessee use corn meal is the report of the specialist appointed to investigate the malady in the state. The report was submitted to the state board of health yesterday.

Three Masked Men Held Up And Robbed Train Near Akesa, Oklahoma To-day

By Associated Press. Bartlesville, Okla., Oct. 4.—Missouri, Kansas and Texas passenger train No. 29, from Kansas City to Oklahoma City was held up by three masked men early today near Akesa, ten miles south of here.

Methodists Gather In Toronto

By Associated Press. Toronto, Oct. 4.—The fourth ecumenical conference of Methodism which convenes here today will be a most important and significant gathering. The word "ecumenical" refers to every part of the inhabited world and includes "all people who on earth do dwell."

L. W. Parker Thinks Cotton Tariff Should Also Be Revised

By Associated Press. Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 4.—Edward M. Schuster of Cleveland, O., traveling salesman, is dead; E. J. Snayley, a local liveryman and Misses S. Robinson and Stella Baker, of this place, and a chauffeur named Pape, are painfully hurt as a result of an automobile accident early this morning. The body of the car left the chassis while going at a rapid speed on a curve and the occupants were thrown out. Schuster's brother is on his way to Birmingham. He has a wife and child at home.

WICKERSHAM BEGINS FIGHT ON COAL COS.

By Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 4.—Attorney General Wickersham today by filing a brief in the federal supreme court began his fight to have the principal coal carrying railroads and coal owning companies in the anthracite coal region adjudged to be in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. An entirely different attack was made on the corporations from that in Pennsylvania where the government lost in nearly every point.

MURDERER L. J. NORRIS GETS 20 YEARS

Special to The News. Raleigh, Oct. 4.—L. J. Norris was sentenced this morning to 20 years in the penitentiary for the murder of J. B. Bissett on August 12. The verdict of second degree murder with a recommendation for mercy was returned last night. In passing sentence Judge Peebles said there should have been a first degree verdict in view of the evidence.

Goldstein Held as Murder Suspect

By Associated Press. Atlanta, Oct. 4.—S. H. Goldstein is held by the Atlanta police on a technical charge of committing larceny while detectives are investigating the death of Mrs. Bessie Satchel, also known as Bessie Bond. The woman died early last Friday at a time when it is alleged she was alone with Goldstein. The arrest was made on reports that Goldstein was seen with jewelry owned by the woman. Little is known here about the prisoner.

TO INVESTIGATE CAUSE OF THE BIG DISASTER

Matter of Passing a State Inspection Law is Being Advocated—Big Dam Had Never Been Officially Inspected by State.

Search For Bodies at Scene of Disaster Goes On—Wreckage Being Cleared Away—Roads Guarded to Keep Cut Idle Curious.

By Associated Press. Austin, Pa., Oct. 4.—In a drizzling rain Governor John K. Tener, of Pennsylvania, started today on his tour of inspection of the flood destroyed district of Austin, including the dam of the Bayless Pulp & Paper Company, the bursting of which brought death, distress and privation to this village.

Stronger than ever this morning was the general opinion that the governor's visit indicated that the state officials are looking over the situation to ascertain their authority in conducting an investigation as to the liability and responsibility for the condition of the dam.

It is positively asserted by General Felitz, vice-president of the state water supply commission, that at no time was the state made cognizant of the construction, repair or condition of the dam. It had been said that at the time the dam was repaired a year or more ago a state engineer had inspected it at the request of the company and his report was that it was unsafe. This report, General Felitz says, is untrue, "as the state has never been consulted in this connection."

State Senator Baldwin, of counsel for the Bayless Pulp & Paper Company, was among those in close touch with Governor Tener during his visit here.

Clearing Wreckage.

Aside from the governor's inspection the situation early today assumed the routine of clearing away wreckage, the search for more bodies and removal of debris to get men and laborers, but as cooks, whose services are sorely needed.

The replenishing of food supplies too is a problem for the commissary as for the railroads. The 17 nurses from the state dispensary have been worked almost to the limit of their strength, having been well as working as cooks and serving meals at the commissary because the necessary help has been unobtainable.

Burying the Dead.

There has been a remarkable absence of ceremony in the burial of the dead. There are no caulked vehicles beyond one or two undertaker's wagons. In most instances when a body is turned over to relatives a simple service is read and the casket is borne to one of the two little cemeteries here by half a dozen friends. Several of the bodies have been shipped away to other towns or cities to be buried by relatives.

Roads Guarded.

A strict guard is kept on the incoming roads and none is allowed to pass without authority. Incoming freight carry only necessary baggage or freight and passenger coaches are locked at Keating Summit to keep the idle curious from crowding aboard, and coming to Austin.

Favor Close Inspection.

New York, Oct. 4.—Edward Wegman, engineer of the New York Aqueduct Company, is on his way to Austin, Pa., where he will make an inspection of the broken dam.

The Engineering News in its issue today comments on the Austin disaster and urges editorially state supervision of the construction of all dams it adds:

"Inspection of the Austin dam by a member of the editorial staff of the Engineering News who went to the site as soon as news of the disaster was received, shows that nothing whatever was done to strengthen the dam and it was in use up to the time of the disaster, with a head of water against it usually amounting to about forty feet, by the president of the company owning the dam.

"It is our duty to say that the occurrence is without excuse and that if the dam had been built with proper precautions and proper regard for safety, the failure would never have occurred. There is no mystery in the fact of dam construction and no problems in their design whatever which competent men are not capable of solving accurately and reliably."

Fowler Will Try Again.

By Associated Press. San Francisco, Oct. 4.—It was announced here today that Aviator Robert G. Fowler, who abandoned an attempt to fly over the Sierras on his proposed trans-continental flight will make another start, this time from Los Angeles. Fowler is expected to start from the Southern city October 10, if he can get his biplane there by that time.