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## THE STRIKE SWEEPING THE COUNTRY LIKE WILD FIRE

### Exodus From Office After Office From Canada to the Gulf

### RAILROAD OPERATORS BEHIND COMMERCIAL

A Few of the Larger Cities to Which the Strike Has Already Extended Are, Detroit, Fort Worth, New Orleans, Cincinnati, Spokane, Kansas City, Springfield, Missouri. Throughout the West and South the Strike Moves With Winged Feet, and the Union Men Assert That Today It Will Extend Into the Great Cities of the East—Official Sanction Has Now Been Given the Movement, and a Desperate Struggle Is On.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
Chicago, Aug. 10.—Another surprise was sprung by the strikers this afternoon, when it was announced that they have an attorney studying the advisability of calling upon the federal government to seize and operate the properties of the strike-bound companies if they delay much longer in giving effective service to the public. Deputy President Russell said: "The act passed August 7, 1888, on the power of the Interstate commerce commission deals directly with the situation, and if a telegraph company fails to maintain its lines or operate them either wholly or in part, relief may be secured by application to the commission."

New York, Aug. 10.—It is probable that tomorrow will see this city cut off from the world by a strike of 3,000 telegraph operators employed in this city by the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies according to a statement made today by Joseph F. Ahern, president of the local union. "It is probable that New York will be involved in the strike," Mr. Ahern declared. "The union has done all in its power to prevent a strike but the Western Union has not acted fairly. I think the strike will become general throughout the country."

Mr. Ahern said that a meeting had been called for tomorrow in the Manhattan Lyceum No. 66 East 104th street at which the strike question in New York City will be considered. Indications seem to show that a conclusion of the meeting is a sympathetic strike with the 1,700 Chicago operators now out will be called.

Preparations for the strike have been made on a vast scale by both companies. The Western Union and Postal buildings are both filled with cots upon which strike breakers are to sleep. Operators will be given an opportunity to work double time and special inducements will be held out to the higher class and speedier workers.

The union men are unanimous in the belief that the Western Union Company, by its attitude of refusing to live up to its agreement with the union, is trying to force a strike so as to disrupt the union. The men say that the company for months has been preparing for a strike and is now almost ready for a lockout.

Vice-President Adams of the Postal Telegraph Company said today: "As far as we are concerned, only a part of our Chicago force has quit and we have men on the way there now to take the places of the deserters. We expect to have things in normal condition by Monday. The trouble on our lines has not spread beyond Chicago and New Orleans."

J. C. Barclay, assistant general manager of the Western Union, said: "There is nothing to arbitrate. We won't stand for outside dictation. We hope to have things running smoothly again in Chicago by Monday. We expect to have 250 men at work there by that time."

### THE STRIKE-BREAKERS ARE ARRIVING IN CHICAGO.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
Chicago, Aug. 10.—The first importation of strike-breakers in the telegraph war was announced today, when thirty of them arrived from New York and were at once hurried to the main office of the Western Union Company under guard. They probably will be kept in the building where arrangements have been made for feeding and housing them.

Business in the board of trade was greatly hampered at the opening today and the only foreign service and quotations obtained for some time were those received over leased wires of large commission houses. The grain ticker service was moving, but the men operating the sending machines were evidently far from being experts, as the reading matter and figures which appeared at the many receiving points was bulled up to such an extent that most of it required an expert to decipher even half of it.

transmission of commercial affairs to say nothing of the boards of trade and stock exchanges upon which so much depends, is very serious this morning.

Chicago is practically cut off from communication with the rest of the world, as a result of the Postal operators' walk out last night, and aside from the leased wires of the Hearst newspapers and a number of brokerage houses, there can be little information obtained from outside points, as the forces of non-union operators now at work for the two telegraph companies are so small as to render it impossible for them to transact anything but an insignificant amount of business.

According to the best reports obtained this morning the union forces in the following cities are "out": Chicago, Los Angeles, Detroit, Fort Worth, Kansas City, Denver, Cincinnati, Helena, Mont.; New Orleans, Salt Lake City, Cleveland, Butte, Mont., El Paso, Texas, Spokane, Wash., Springfield, Mo., Dallas, Tex. The fever is spreading rapidly throughout the west and south and more points are expected to join the list of strikers during the day.

Will Extend East Today.  
The union men here say that the east will be affected today without fail. They assert that there are but fifty-one employes on duty in the Western Union main office, where there were more than a thousand on Thursday and that all but ten are out at the Postal, where the regular force is about 500. The branch offices of both these companies throughout the city, to the number

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Tennessee Men Walk Out.  
Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 10.—The Western Union operators at Nashville and Memphis, Tenn., walked out at 1:30 o'clock.

Chicago, Aug. 10.—With the strike fever seemingly spreading among the commercial telegraphers throughout the country like a brush fire, the outlook for the great telegraph companies and the thousands of business houses which depend upon them for quick service in the

## PLAYING WITH DEATH IN RACE AT BRIGHTON BEACH

### HOW THIS PRIEST CAPTURED BURGLAR

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
Chicago, Aug. 10.—Aroused by a burglar alarm, Father McDonald, assistant pastor of the Holy Name Cathedral, seized a revolver and captured the intruder. The police today are hunting for his two companions, who escaped.

Rushing from the parochial residence at the sound of the burglar alarm, Father McDonald saw a man crouching near the altar rail. "Hands up, or I'll shoot," shouted the priest.

"I'll surrender," cried the man, and until the arrival of policemen he stood trembling, with uplifted hands. He gave his name as George Benson, and said he had just arrived from San Francisco. The officers found that a door to a room in which is kept a safe containing the funds of the church and a gold service valued at thousands of dollars had been broken open. The outside door set off the burglar alarm.

PRESIDENT FINLEY'S ASST PUBLISHES A LETTER.  
(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 10.—Clearly seeking to allay public feeling and re-establish an entente cordiale with the people of Alabama, J. S. B. Thompson, assistant to the president of the Southern Railway, appears in a circular letter addressed to the people of Alabama in the state newspapers today, saying that the action of the Southern in making concessions to Governor Comer and thereby securing reinstatement of its revoked state license, while not yielding any legal point, was in the interest of peace, to preserve order and in line with prior action in North Carolina and Virginia.

The Southern's license has been reinstated. It has never ceased to run trains, and no inconvenience has been or will be suffered under the agreement arrived at yesterday.

### Automobiles Driven by Dare-devils in a Twenty-four Hours Contest

### IN FIRST FOUR HOURS EIGHT MEN ARE HURT

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
New York, Aug. 10.—Before the twenty-four-hour race now going on at Brighton Beach race track was four hours old it numbered eight victims today.

Seven men were hurt, one probably fatally, when the big sharp-nosed foreign Pihan car, with Louis Strang driving it, veered suddenly at the three-quarter turn and crashed into a double fence that had been erected on the inside of the turn.

A crowd of twenty or more were leaning against the inner fence and were hurled in all directions, while fragments of the shattered fence were shot like javelins after them. The big machine bounded through the aperture it had made, running over the men it had knocked down to the ground. Some were struck by heavy rails from the fence. The injured were carried to the big tents in the inside field that serve the racers and their machines for machine shop and living quarters. Later the most seriously injured were taken to the Cony Island Hospital. A par-

### NEW TOWN OF ZEBULON CELEBRATES 1ST BIRTHDAY

### MRS. E. L. GIROUX, A WOMAN DIPLOMAT ACHIEVES TRIUMPH

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
New York, Aug. 10.—A court action yesterday revealed the fact that Mrs. Ella Rawls Reader, the woman diplomat and financier who two years ago stirred the nation by the revelation of her exploits in San Domingo, is hurrying back from Nevada, after a race across the continent, in which she outdistanced the representatives of several Boston millionaires in the dash for the control of a rich copper mine in that state. The action which revealed this latest achievement of the woman diplomat was an application by Athole B. Reader, the husband of Mrs. Reader, in the United States circuit court, for leave to reopen his suit against James B. Haggan for \$250,000 for commissions which Reader alleged were due him.

Death of Rev. J. Q. Wertz.  
(Special to The Evening Times.)  
Salisbury, N. C., Aug. 10.—John Quincy Wertz, an excellent man and Lutheran minister at China Grove, this county, died this morning at ten-thirty after a long illness of Bright's disease. He had been a minister thirty years. No funeral arrangements have yet been made. Deceased was 53 years old and leaves a wife and four children.

## RALEIGH TROOPS READY NOW FOR THE EXPOSITION

The interest in regard to the National Guard encampment at the Jamestown Exposition next week is becoming most enthusiastic now. The two Raleigh companies, these being the Raleigh Light Infantry or Company B and the Oak City Guards, Company K, and the Third Infantry Band, are all fully equipped and in line shape for the week's outing.

Major J. J. Bernard, the popular commander of the First Battalion of the Third Regiment, says that the Jamestown encampment will be one of the most successful that North Carolina troops have ever attended. The companies of Major Bernard's battalion include those of Louisburg, Lexington and the two of Raleigh.

The Raleigh troops will leave early Monday morning at 2:30 on a special train over the Seaboard Air Line, arriving at the exposition grounds about 9 o'clock of that day. The three North Carolina regiments will be encamped on Camp John Smith, just outside the front entrance to the exposition grounds.

On Wednesday, the 14th, the First Regiment will be at the exposition, after a five days' stay on the Morehead rifle range, to take part in the extensive maneuvers during North Carolina Week. Altogether, the state troops at Jamestown next week, including the three regiments of infantry, bands, hospital corps, field artillery and several divisions of naval reserves, embracing about 2,300 men, will be the largest movement of North Carolina troops since the Civil War.

Preparations have been made for one of the greatest military displays ever seen in the south, and the magnificence of this display will be one that every North Carolina citizen should take pride in witnessing. The attendance from our state at the exposition next week, from all indications, will be nothing short of tremendous. Everybody, it seems, is either going or is already there.

Below is printed a complete roster of all Raleigh members of the National Guard, who will leave on Monday morning for the Jamestown encampment:

First Battalion.  
J. J. Bernard, major; W. R. Miller, first lieutenant and adjutant; R. L. Spears, lieutenant and commissary; W. C. Harris, sergeant major.

Third Infantry Band.  
Capt. W. F. Moody, officer in charge; Gustav Hagedorn, director; A. J. Thomas, chief musician; C. B. Hart,

principal musician; J. E. Ray, Jr., drum major.  
Sergeants—F. A. Brenig, W. H. Brewer, F. V. Bithright, W. D. Simpson, Corporals—H. J. Perry, A. J. Jackson, C. N. Goodin, J. A. Park, J. W. Cheek, William Jolly, J. E. Thiem, W. S. Thomas, J. E. Sawyer, cook.  
Privates—Parker, John H., Riddle, Geo. B., Linton, Thomas S., Hatch, D. L., Peebles, C. R., Smith, L. R., Harrison, H., Dinkins, W. E., Goodwin, W. T., Clark, H. O., Wright, W. B., Royter, W. H., Bagley, W. H., Parker, T. F., Wooten, W. C., Thomas, J. J., Jr., Rose, J. P., Lennon, H.

Raleigh Light Infantry.  
Officers—W. F. Moody, captain; Z. P. Smith, first lieutenant; Ed. Fann, Jr., second lieutenant.  
Sergeants—Edward Parish, John Johnson, C. F. Cuts, J. R. Billings, C. N. Otter, S. O. Crabtree.  
Corporals—S. W. Eason, W. B. Goodwin, A. W. Perry, C. H. Wallace, Rufin Holdfield, Arthur Baker.  
Privates—Ruth, H. G., Welsh, P. G., Correll, Jno. S., Jr., Putney, Jno. E., Suggs, W. D., Pulley, H., Hunnicutt, Emmett, Woodall, Edwin L., Spence, G. W., Campbell, W. H., Thompson, R. T., Phipps, J. R., Putney, W. H., Hunter, V. V., Champion, W. C., King, Coley, Autrey, Will, Russell, Jack, Russell, Willis A., Pool, Ota, Chalmers, A. R., Parish, Henry, Munns, Walter, Hodges, John, Olive, J. J., Carver, J. D., Dixon, John, Brown, N. A., Parrish, R. B., Bridgers, E. M., Jackson, Claud, Eary, Perry, Sanderford, J. A., Truelove, Herman, Holder, W. C., Bell, Samuel, Layton, Lee, Overby, J. H., Jackson, A. G., Champion, B. F., Parrish, K. L., Layton, J. W., Jr., Watson, G. G., Wleker, Willis, Stafford, Tal, Thompson, John, Parker, B. S., Stephenson, James F.

Oak City Guards.  
Officers—Van Dalen Stronach, captain; Henry J. Hervey, first lieutenant; Louis M. Smith, second lieutenant.  
Sergeants—J. Grange Ashe, Geo. H. Holman, Will A. Jones, H. W. Davis, John S. Pescud, Jr.  
Corporals—Harding, Pell, James Powell, Paul Pittinger, Louis West.  
Privates—Arendell, H. H., Eudgingfield, J. W., Bernard, Holman, Cherry, Jos. J., Cherry, James R., Conrad, R. Bud, Cox, H. R., Duckett, Alfred, Eason, H. P., Haywood, E. B., Hayes, Carl, Horton, F. B., Hunter, Joe T., Harris, J. H., Jolly, F. M., Lancaster, W. H., Levin, M. M., Lumden, Chas. (Continued on Page Two.)

## TRAINMEN FLUNG SKYWARD BY BOTTLE OF DYNAMITE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
Ridgeway, Pa., Aug. 10.—At 2:10 o'clock this morning, while two Pittsburg & Lake Erie freight train crews were engaged in putting off some men in the yards here, a bottle which had been removed from the pocket of a fellow who would not get off, and which evidently contained nitro-glycerine, was cast down by Engineer Robinson and exploded upon the top of a box car on which half a dozen men were standing.

All but two were blown from the train to the ground, and five were hurried to the hospital. The man who caused the trouble was taken to jail, along with a companion. William S. Robinson was badly crushed.

Engineer I. J. Taylor had his face badly torn. Conductor A. K. Pierce had both legs badly lacerated and ankle sprained. Conductor Joseph D. Krebs and brakeman Earl Marsh were more or less cut about the head and face.

The man who had carried the bottle was also badly injured. His coat was blown to shreds and he was bleeding from the ears. In his pockets were found two feet of fuse.

### MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF REFORMED CHURCH.

(Special to The Evening Times.)  
Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 10.—The Woman's Missionary Society of the Reformed Church in North Carolina met yesterday afternoon in the First Reformed Church of this city. There is quite a large attendance of delegates from all parts of the state. The session yesterday afternoon was a business meeting at which officers for the ensuing year were elected. The meeting last night was presided over by the president, Mrs. C. C. Best, of Hickory. It was public, and was very largely attended. "The Vessels of the Lord" was the subject of a most interesting paper read by Miss Ida Hedrick, of Lexington. After a duet the Rev. W. W.

## TRAINMEN FLUNG SKYWARD BY BOTTLE OF DYNAMITE

Rowe, of Rockwell, made a highly interesting address. This morning and this afternoon well attended business sessions were held. Last evening the children from the Orphan Home at Crescent gave a most interesting entertainment and a neat sum of money was realized.

### GHASTLY WAY OF RAISING HIS FUNERAL EXPENSES.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 10.—To raise funds for the funeral expenses, the body of Giorgio Quaganti, one of the two Italians executed here Thursday, was placed on exhibition yesterday in McKeesport.

The uncanny show was thrown open in the morning and all day people poured in and out. So big was the crowd waiting to be admitted that street car traffic was stopped. The show was made ghastlier when the photographer took a picture of the body in the coffin which was stood on end. The picture will be sent to the murderer's wife and children in Italy.

### BROWNSVILLE TROOPS GET INTO MORE TROUBLE.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 10.—Eighteen negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, the negro organization that figured in the Brownsville affair, were arrested on the charge of disturbing the peace last night. They created a disturbance on the Barbary coast "which threatened to become a riot." The riot call was sounded for extra police.

### Assistant Hays to Be Present.

Mr. W. M. Hays, assistant secretary of agriculture, Washington, D. C., will be at the state farmers' convention to be held on Thursday, August 29. At 8:30 in the evening he will make an address on "Improvements in Rural Affairs."

## NEW TOWN OF ZEBULON CELEBRATES 1ST BIRTHDAY

The bustling little town of Zebulon, situated twenty-five miles from Raleigh, on the Raleigh and Pamlico division of the Norfolk and Southern Railway, is today celebrating its first birthday.

One year ago today, the first rail was driven and the first building started on what was then only an uninhabited spot in the backwoods. Today there are thirty comfortable and handsome residences, ten thriving stores, and many other buildings completed in the new town.

An up-to-date hosier mill is now under construction and will soon be busily at work; two large tobacco houses are going up; a bank is being built, and numerous other enterprises are being daily projected.

The hospitable Zebulon people have invited all their neighbors and friends to join with them today in their happy celebration, and are making things pleasant for all who are there. There is a liberal spread of delicious barbecue and good things from the fertile fields of that prosperous section, to which every one is gladly welcomed.

Addresses by prominent speakers on the industrial and educational features of the new town form an important part of the extensive program.

The establishment of the new eastern Wake county high school midway between Zebulon and Wakefield is another event that is being celebrated today. This school means much to this enterprising vicinity; its good results in the future being an assurance of permanent progress.

Two special trains from Raleigh carried crowds to Zebulon, and picked up many visitors along the way.

The new town of Zebulon is a dream of Col. Falcon B. Arendell. It was he who secured the property on which



Mrs. E. L. Giroux, wife of Eugene L. Giroux, the wealthy mine owner, who brought action against her in New York City. Mrs. Giroux, whose picture here appears, is a woman of striking beauty. The nature of the differences resulting in the suit is carefully concealed.

## TOWN PARTLY WRECKED BY BURSTING DYNAMITE

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)  
Detroit, Mich., Aug. 10.—A report reaches Detroit from Essex, Ont., twenty miles from Detroit, that a car of dynamite exploded there this morning, doing great damage. Many are reported killed.

Eight bodies of victims who were killed in the explosion at Essex have already been recovered.

There is not a store left standing in the town, according to reports received at the Michigan Central station in Detroit.

The town of Essex is reported to have been more than half destroyed by the explosion of a car of dynamite. The car was standing on the tracks of the Michigan Central when the explosion occurred. The Michigan Central sent a special train to the scene.

The explosion was distinctly heard in every part of Detroit, and in some places the shock was felt.

The station master and one engineer are known to have been killed. The operator at Essex wires Detroit: "It is terrible."

### FEDERAL COURT MAY LAST TEN DAYS OR EVEN LONGER.

United States Marshal Claudius Deckery passed through the city last night en route from Beaufort to Charlotte to attend the funeral of his relative, Mrs. Platt D. Walker. Mr. Deckery stated that the federal court, which has been in session for a week, will probably continue ten days or two weeks longer, as there is much on the docket yet.

The congregation of the First Baptist Church, colored, corner of Wilmington and Morgan streets, will begin to worship in the main auditorium of the new church edifice tomorrow. There will be three services during the day, at 11 a. m., 3 and 8 p. m. The public is cordially invited to all of these services.

## FOR A LECTURE ON THE FOREST RESERVE

At the regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last night, arrangements were made for a lecture on the Appalachian Forest Reserve, to be given some time soon.

The chamber also tendered its rooms to the convention of North Carolina postmasters of the fourth class, to be held in Raleigh during the month of September.

The meeting last night was of unusual interest, the matter of the Appalachian Forest Reserve, a consummation so devoutly wished for by southerners, came in for a deal of favorable discussion and efforts are to be made to learn more of the subject. With this end in view the Raleigh chamber hopes to be better able to impress congress with the necessity of the much talked of reserve.