

THE RALEIGH EVENING TIMES.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE OF FINANCIERS TODAY

Ass't Sec. of State Bacon Representing Roosevelt In New York

BIG MAGNATES MEET IN MORGAN'S OFFICE

Secretary of State Root Goes to Oyster Bay to See the President—Reported that He Intends to Resign His Portfolio Unless Something is Done at Once to Relieve the Desperate Position in Which the Trusts Are Placed—Those at the Conference Today.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Aug. 14.—Assistant Secretary of State Robert Bacon, representing President Roosevelt, has been in conference at the office of J. P. Morgan, meeting Wall street financiers in a talk regarding the financial situation.

A report was in general circulation through the financial district an hour and a half before the market opened that Secretary of State Root had attended the conference at Mr. Morgan's office. He was in the city for a few hours on his way to Oyster Bay, but denied that he had visited Wall street or taken part in any conference.

Mr. Bacon, formerly a member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., went into the Morgan offices as quietly as possible, and after a brief talk with J. P. Morgan, Jr., went into conference with the head of the banking house. They were joined by James Stillman, president of the National City Bank, and by two other financiers.

To complete the conference the telephone was resorted to, as it was not deemed wise to have many of the financial magnates gather in person. Among those said to have been called on the telephone were Jacob Schiff, of Kuhn, Loeb & Co.; James Speyer, of Speyer & Co.; George F. Baker, president of the First National Bank; John S. Kennedy and possibly William Rockefeller.

The report that Ellhu Root had visited the street was followed by one that he was about to resign from the cabinet unless the president did something to relieve the desperate straits in which the trusts find themselves.

Say Hill Still Controls N. P.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Aug. 14.—Bankers in a position to know the facts discredit the report from St. Paul that James J. Hill and his associates had lost control of the Northern Pacific.

STEAMSHIP ABLAZE WITH 3,000 ON BOARD

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Newburg, N. Y., Aug. 14.—The steamer Adirondack, of the People's Line, ablaze fore and aft, and with nearly three hundred passengers on board, was beached near Rosecon, seven miles from here on the Hudson River, early this morning on her northbound voyage.

The officers calmed the passengers, who had become almost panic stricken in the seven mile run up the river on

JUDGE LANDIS MAKES TROUBLE

Chicago & Alton Railroad Not Immune

WILL BE PROSECUTED

District Attorney Sims' Assistants Support Judge Landis in Contention that Attorney General Bonaparte Had No Authority to Promise the Road it Would Not Be Prosecuted After Furnishing Information Which Convicted the Standard Oil Company.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, Aug. 14.—Judge Landis, of the federal district court, will return from Indianapolis today, and may make the Chicago & Alton Railroad Company some trouble, despite the reports from Washington to the effect that immunity baths would be conceded to those roads which had aided in furnishing information concerning the prosecution of the Standard Oil Company recently.

There was a feeling about the federal building this morning that Judge Landis is in no mood to "lay down" in the matter of the railroad investigation, no matter what the attorney general's department might think of it. District Attorney Sims is still absent and his opinion could not be secured.

It is understood that the so-called "immunity bath" was promised by the former district attorney, Mr. Morrison, to the Alton people, in view of the fact that the testimony furnished by their officials made possible the conviction which was rounded out by the \$25,240,000 fine imposed by Judge Landis.

MRS. EVELYN THAW SEEKS NEEDED REST

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Yarmouth, N. S., Aug. 14.—Mrs. Evelyn Thaw, accompanied by a young man said to be her brother, arrived on the Prince Arthur from New York. Mrs. Thaw is going to a quiet place between Liverpool and Shelburne, where she will spend several weeks in an effort to recover her health.

WILL RAILWAY KEYMEN JOIN IN THE STRIKE?

That is the Burning Question Today.---There Are 40,000 of Them and They Can Paralyze Railroad Transportation.---Crisis Will Come if They are Ordered to Do Strikers Work

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Aug. 14.—If the 40,000 members of the Order of Railway Telegraphers join the strike of the Commercial Telegraphers it will paralyze all the transportation business as well as the commercial lines which suffered by the strike of the Commercial men.

The crisis may come when either the Western Union or Postal Company try to force the railroad operators to handle the business of the strikers.

Western Union and Postal operators are out in every big city in the country and today it is indicated that their tie-up of the telegraph business was almost complete.

In New York City scores of young women among the strikers were today doing wonderful work as pickets, persuading non-union operators to stay away from the offices and inducing strike-breakers to join the strikers.

The closing of hundreds of branch offices in the city and the inability to keep open connections with the rest of the world greatly hampered the stock markets, the brokers being without information.

The striking Postal messenger boys refused to return to work today and the company was put to great inconvenience in the delivery and receipt of the comparatively few messages it handled.

The government business at Washington was greatly affected by the strike, it being difficult to get through even messages of the greatest official importance.

Telephone companies throughout the country have indicated a disposition to handle as much telegraph business as possible and were today stringing additional wires between many cities.

Western Union's Demands on Railroads.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Aug. 14.—E. Brooks, general eastern superintendent of the Western Union, announced the determination of the officials of that company to compel the railroads to handle their business.

"We have contracts with every railroad in the east with the exception of the Pennsylvania," explained Mr. Brooks. "These companies are bound to carry our business and we will insist that they do it."

"Would not this paralyze the commercial and railroad industries of America?" Mr. Brooks was asked.

Standing the question he answered that the Western Union would simply be demanding its rights in calling on the railroads to live up to their contracts.

Railroads Will Defy W. U. Orders. Following the statement of Mr. Brooks, the public department of the New York Central issued a denial to the Western Union.

not compel them to do so; that is contract with the Western Union would not hold at such times. This is regarded as a great victory for the strikers.

Printers Endorse Telegraphers. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 14.—At an enthusiastic meeting of Atlanta Typographical Union No. 48, last night, resolutions were unanimously adopted, pledging the fullest moral and financial support of the union to striking telegraphers; appropriating \$100 for the benefit of the local C. T. U. A. and for instructing by telephone their delegates at the International Typographical Convention at Hot Springs, Ark.

Railway Men Ground N. & O. Wire. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) New Orleans, La., Aug. 14.—More serious grows the telegraphers' strike. The Postal wires were not working this noon because the railroad telegraphers have joined in the sentiment against monopolies and grounded the wire that would lead to New York.

The situation was well in hand, and reiterated with some vehemence that under no circumstances would the Western Union entertain overtures in the direction of arbitration.

The attack was made in the early morning. Fighting was centered on the artillery, the Moors trying to capture the field pieces. Had they succeeded in taking any of the guns to the hills, the French would have been driven from their position.

Operation against the Moors will be resumed as soon as the squadron of cavalry and the three hundred infantrymen who embarked yesterday at Cadix arrive at Casa Blanca. The Spanish soldiers will hold Casa Blanca, which task prevents the French troops from following up the advantages they have gained by defeating the attacking tribesmen in the recent battles.

M. Malperthy, French consul at Casa Blanca, who is at Tangier for a brief stay, says that the causes for the outbreak, antedating the outbreak, were agitation by certain Europeans in Morocco opposed to any reforms which might result in depriving them of commercial privileges unfairly obtained through favoritism.

FRENCH TROOPS PURSUE REBELLIOUS TRIBESMEN TO INTERIOR OF MOROCCO

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Tangier, Aug. 14.—The French troops at Casa Blanca have been ordered to prepare for a campaign in the interior of Morocco.

The Moors have secured from some source several pieces of artillery, which are being mounted on the hills about Casa Blanca.

WRECK TODAY AT REIDSVILLE. (City Southern Bell Telephone.) Reidsville, N. C., Aug. 14.—A wreck on the Southern Railway shortly after 8 o'clock this morning, near Reidsville, smashed several cars and, at 3 o'clock the track is not yet cleared, travel being impeded.

SIX VICTIMS OF MAD DOG EPIDEMIC

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, Aug. 14.—Six victims of the mad-dog epidemic in Danville, Ill., are in the Pasteur Institute here. Two of them are mother and son. They were bitten by the former's son, who was bitten by a dog and died several days ago from rabies. The patients are: Mrs. C. F. Davis, 44

years old, bitten on the cheek by her son Charles; Vance Davis, 23 years old, bitten by his younger brother; Frank Berger, 28 years old, infected by shaking the hand of Vance Davis; Charles Rost, 40 years old, bitten by dog; Lena Miller, 32 years old, bitten by dog; Mrs. Charles Sladel, bitten by dog.

TWO CENT RATE IN WISCONSIN

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chicago, Ill., Aug. 14.—Last night at midnight the Wisconsin two cents a mile passenger rate became effective and another reduction in rates between Chicago and points in Wisconsin, Minnesota and the upper peninsula of Michigan was made, the second in less than thirty days.

DON'T MONKEY WITH WESTERN UNION WIRES.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 14.—Supt. L. J. Maxwell this afternoon issued the following notice which has been wired to all local managers of Western Union offices:

The Sugar Market. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Aug. 14.—The domestic refined and raw sugar markets are very steady and unchanged.

HELD UP TRAIN; GOT \$25,000

St. Petersburg, Aug. 14.—Terrorists held up a train near Elizabethgrad in broad daylight today and looted the express car of \$25,000. They then made their escape unharmed.

MOORS STORM OUTPOST AND DRIVE OUT FRENCH

THE SCENE NOW IS NEW YORK

Hearing of Evidence Before Master Tomorrow

IT WILL BE LENGTHY

Mr. Franklin McNeill and Mr. H. C. Brown of Corporation Commission Left This Afternoon—Attorneys for Commission and State to Be Present.

The railway rate fight between the state and the railroad corporations has been shifted to New York. Judge Walter A. Montgomery, the standing master before whom the evidence will be submitted, left Raleigh last night for New York city in order to be ready for the hearing tomorrow.

This afternoon Mr. Franklin McNeill, chairman of the corporation commission, and Secretary H. C. Brown left. The attorneys for the commission, Judge Jas. E. Shepherd of this city, Judge R. W. Winston of Durham, and Hon. P. A. Woodard of Wilson and Hon. Walter E. Daniel of Weldon, also left today.

The attorneys for the state who have been invited to be present are ex-Governor Aycock of Goldsboro, ex-Speaker Justice of Greensboro and Col. S. G. Ryan of this city. These will probably be in New York for the hearing.

The evidence will be taken at No. 80 Broadway, and will begin at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. It is not thought that all evidence can be taken in the matter before September 25th, the date fixed by the court.

News of Battle Confirmed. (By Cable to The Times.) Paris, Aug. 14.—Dispatches from special correspondents at Tangier received here today confirm the reports of engagements between the Moors and the invaders, and make plain that the situation is more alarming than is generally appreciated.

Two hundred horsemen have forced the gates of Mazagan and are plundering the European section of the city. Few Europeans made their escape.

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FIGHT TO DECIDE MRS. EDDY'S SANITY BEGINS

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Concord, N. H., Aug. 14.—Three masters appointed by Judge Chamberlin of the superior court to determine the competency of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, head of the Christian Science Church, in connection with a suit brought by "next friends" for an accounting of her finances, began their hearings yesterday.

Led by Fanatical Priest They Route Enemy and Capture Casa Blanca

DISLODGED AFTER HUNDREDS ARE KILLED

The French Spanish Troops Force the Blacks Back by a Bayonet Attack. Natives Led Brave Charge in Face of Heavy Firing—Important Position of Defenders Recovered.

(Special Cable to The Times.) Tangier, Aug. 14.—Seven thousand Moors, led by a fanatical priest, stormed the outpost at Casa Blanca today, driving the French and Spanish defenders out of one of the stations and holding it against the foreign troops for over an hour.

Most desperate fighting was required to enable the French troops to regain the outpost. The Moors were forced back by a bayonet attack. Hundreds were killed or wounded, and the French troops also sustained severe losses.

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The bombardment of Fort Fedalia. (Continued to Page Two.)