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ENGLAND ON THE EVE OF BIGGEST STRIKE OF ALL

Workmen of Great Britain to Demand Recognition of Trades Unions

RAILROAD INTERESTS WILL FIGHT DEMAND

Students of Industrial Situation in Great Britain Believe That England is About to Witness the Greatest Labor Strike the World Has Ever Known—Sudden Stoppage of Traffic and Travel Likely to Paralyze the Business of the Country Any Time Soon—But Strike Will Not be Limited to Railway Employees—No Pecuniary Consideration Prompting It, But What the Labor People Call a Great Principle—Moneyed Interests Against Recognition of Labor Organizations.

(By Cable to The Times.) London, Sept. 23.—That Great Britain is on the eve of the greatest strike the world has ever known is the belief of many students of the present industrial situation and it would not surprise many who are well acquainted with labor conditions, particularly as applied to railroads, to see the whole country before long completely paralyzed by a sudden stoppage of railway traffic, unless the directors of the various railroads see their way clear to abandon the position they have taken in the threatened crisis, and it is argued that their pride will not permit them to do this.

The directors say there is no danger of such a strike, because they could easily fill the places of the union men by others not belonging to the union. But where are they to be had? There are few persons who place any faith in such statements and who would risk journeying in the limited service on trains run by unskilled drivers and guards. The men are not, in the meantime, demanding increased wages and shorter hours.

Must Recognize Trades Unions. The issue is a very simple one. The crux of the whole thing is summed up in one word—recognition. They merely want a committee of the directors to recognize the demand and meet a committee belonging to their trades union, to discuss their alleged grievances, with a view to an amicable settlement.

The directors decline to do this. They will not recognize any trades union and this the union is determined to have.

The men have a great general in Mr. Richard Bell, a member of parliament. He is calm and dignified in his demands on behalf of the men and they recognize his greatness and are awaiting the issue with calm determination, being confident of success. It is Mr. Bell's sensible advice to the men to wait, that has so far prevented a conflict.

The directors, Mr. Bell, argues, call in expert assistance at times; then why should not the men? Railroad and Ship Officials Caution Against It.

The feeling of the directors is thus voiced by Sir Theodore Angier: "The railway companies would be exceedingly badly advised to concede the men's demands for recognition of the trades union. An exactly similar demand was made on the shipping companies some years ago. They refused absolutely to recognize the existence of the union and insisted on dealing with their men as they themselves thought fit. A strike fol-

lowed, but the shipping companies won easily." All the railways and several classes of men, to the number of something like a quarter of a million, will now be involved.

THE MYSTERY NOT CLEARED UP.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Sept. 23.—Many curious people, mostly women, called at the Stephen Merritt burial rooms yesterday to see the body of Margaret Carter, the woman who killed herself in the home of John Jay White. Some of those who peered at the body appeared to know anything about the woman.

PRETTY GIRLS ARE LOCKED UP

Suspected of Killing Their Rich Lover

MOTIVE WAS JEALOUSY

Entire Police Force of New York Today Searching for Still Another Dark Eyed Italian Beauty Who is Believed to be Implicated in a Strange Crime in Which Jealousy and Premonitions Figure—May be a Jilted Woman's Revenge.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Sept. 23.—Two young women were arrested early today in an effort to run down the love-mad assassin of Epifanio Arcera, rich manufacturer and bridegroom of only five months, who was found dead with thirty-two stab wounds in his body, in his establishment in East One Hundred and Seventh street.

The entire police force of New York was also searching today for another pretty, dark-eyed, dark-haired young woman, known only as "Vista," who, they believe can aid in clearing up the mystery in the astounding crime in which jealousy and strange premonitions figure in a remarkable manner, and which the police believe, was inspired either by a jilted woman seeking vengeance, or a husband or suitor seeking to avenge a wronged woman.

The women arrested are Antonia Fiallo, 24 years old, and Antonia Salome, 22 years old, both of whom live at No. 334 East One Hundred and Sixth street.

Police Captain Corcoran said he had learned that Arcera had paid attention to both these women, and that his information was they had been desperately in love with Arcera.

English Spinners Coming. Washington, D. C., Sept. 23.—One of the largest delegations of European cotton spinners ever to visit America will sail for New York from Liverpool next Saturday, to attend the International Conference of Cotton Growers, Spinners and Manufacturers, in Atlanta, October 7. During their stay in America they will visit seventeen states.

ANOTHER TRUNK MYSTERY TODAY

Nude, Murdered Body of a Beautiful Woman

CONSIGNED TO THE SEA

Trunk With Girl's Body Packed in it Washed Ashore at Seattle—Not Identified There, but the Police Secure a Class-Finger Marks and Bruises Show That Death Was Due to Strangulation—Letter Found, but May be Murderer's Deceit.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Seattle, Wash., Sept. 23.—A gruesome trunk murder mystery developed in Seattle today with a beautiful but unknown young woman as the victim. Fortunately some clues also discovered by the police may lead to an early clearing up of the heinous tragedy.

Stephen Anderson, of West Seattle, found a trunk washed ashore on the beach of Fauntleroy Park. His curiosity led him to make a hasty investigation, which revealed the contents of the trunk to consist of a nude human body, Anderson hurriedly notified the coroner and the police. At the morgue it was found that the woman had been choked and strangled to death. There are deep finger prints in her neck and throat, around which one of her own undergarments had been secured and tightly tied. In the trunk with the body were numerous articles of clothing such as skirts, waists, shoes, stockings, undergarments, etc. What spaces remained after bonding and doubling the body into the trunk the murderer filled with rocks and shells from the seashore, thus hoping to weight it down so as to carry it to the bottom.

Besides the clothing which perchance may lead to the identity of the woman, the murderer bungled again, in that a letter was left mixed in with the garments. It is through the medium of this letter that the police hope to clear up the mystery, at least to the extent of establishing the identity of the murdered woman. The missive is written on the letter heads of J. B. Covington, a hay, grain and feed dealer doing business at 502 St. Peter street, St. Paul. It is addressed to Frank Covington and is signed "Edith." There are six or eight pages to the letter, the envelope of which could not be found in the trunk. The writer addressed Covington as her brother and in a common place letter, speaking of photographs sent him, etc.

There is nothing to further disclose her identity in the letter. A sheet found in the trunk bears the initials "A. S." in red ink. The body is that of a girl nineteen or twenty years of age, five feet, two inches in height, light hair and blue eyes, weight probably 125 pounds. From the condition of the body the police think the murder was committed four or five days ago, possibly a week.

CONDITION OF MR. CLEVELAND

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Sept. 23.—"My husband is resting very comfortably today. There is no cause for any worry. I am assured by his physician that he is in excellent physical condition. He partook of a hearty breakfast today and I am assured by Mr. Cleveland himself that he is feeling very well."

This was the statement made today over the long distance telephone by Mrs. Grover Cleveland when called up by the Hearst News Service and asked concerning her husband's physical condition. Mrs. Cleveland spoke in a most confident tone.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST WOMAN (By Leased Wire to The Times.) Columbus, Ga., Sept. 23.—J. J. Coleman has sworn out a warrant against Belle Anthony, a white woman, charging her with the kidnaping of his thirteen-year-old daughter, Jessie Coleman. It is alleged that the Anthony woman held the Coleman girl in her house and it is charged that the atmosphere there is not a wholesome and moral character.

MANY COMING TO COTTON MEETING

Delegates From All European Countries

MEETING AT ATLANTA

Cotton Conference Beginning October Seventh Promises to be Largely Attended by Old World Delegates—Will Begin to Arrive Last of This Week—After Conference Work is Over They Will Visit Points of Interest in Southern Cotton Growing and Spinning.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Sept. 23.—Within the next ten days there will arrive in this city from England and from all the leading countries of Europe delegates aggregating from 150 to 200 men representing the great cotton industry as it exists at the present time outside the United States. The purpose of these gentlemen is to attend the international conference of cotton growers and cotton spinners, which is to take place in Atlanta, Ga., October 7.

The English contingent of about sixty will arrive on the Campania, due at New York September 28. The Germans and others will arrive the latter part of this month. The visitors from abroad are coming in response to invitations from the American cotton manufacturers association, the national association of cotton manufacturers, the southern cotton association and the farmers educational and co-operative union. The Europeans will stand for 90,000,000 cotton spindles, while the American manufacturers, who will join in the conference, will have behind them 25,000,000 spindles more. In addition there will be abundant representation of the cotton planters of the south, the ginners, the compress companies, the cotton exchanges, the insurance companies, the railroad and steamship lines, and all the important interests allied to the great cotton trade.

The conference at Atlanta will be attended by the following delegates from Europe: From England—Messrs. Thomas Ashton, Stanley Ashworth, Albert Ashworth, Edwin Barlow, J. R. Barlow, George Buckley, Charles A. Byron, T. W. Chadwick, Heywood Chadwick, Samuel Clerg, Samuel Clough, Frank Dickens, William Dodd, John Emery, T. H. Forgan, Oscar Griffith, Thomas Hallam, G. C. Haworth, R. Holden, William Howarth, Henry O. Hutchinson, R. H. Jackson, Henry Killick, Alderman James Lawrence, Mr. Latimer, Mr. Leach, John Lonsdale, Jr., J. O. Lees, H. W. MacAllister, C. W. Macara, G. R. Marsden, John McConnell, S. H. Milnes, Samuel Newton, G. R. Newton, W. C. Nutton, W. J. Pearson, James Prestwick, Arno Schmidt, F. R. Sewell, John Shaw, Jr. (Bolton), John Sheehurst, John Smith, Randolph Smith, Ernest Stott, Harry Stott, J. B. Tattersall, J. M. Thomas, George Whitehead, Handel Whitaker, and J. Yates.

From Germany—Messrs. Arthur Arnold, Moritz Brugelmann, Herman Burkhardt, Carl Claus, Erich Faber. (Continued on Page Seven.)

TOM UPCHURCH TO HANG OCT. 23

(By Bell Telephone.) Louisville, N. C., Sept. 23.—The special term of superior court called for the trial of the negro Tom Upchurch for criminal assault upon Miss Elizabeth Perry was opened at 9 o'clock this morning and all was over by 12:30 today.

The evidence against Upchurch was conclusive, and Judge Neal sentenced him to hang on October 23. When asked if he had anything to say, the convicted man said he wanted time to see his wife and mother and get religion. There were no speeches by counsel. The jury was out five minutes. Solicitor C. C. Daniels was assisted by Messrs. Spruill & Holding of this place. Attorney W. M. Pershn, assigned by the court, defended the negro. Judge Neal commended the people for abstaining from violence and letting the law take its course.

SOUTH BREAKS FROM BRYAN

No Longer Desires His Nomination Again

HUGHES BOOM GROWING

But Taft is Yet the Strongest Republican Candidate if Roosevelt is Out for Keags and Wants Taft—Result of Canvass Made by New York World and Chicago Tribune Show Some Interesting Facts Concerning Political Sentiment in Both Parties—What It Is.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Sept. 23.—Canvasses made by the New York Times and the Chicago Tribune on the sentiment of democrats and republicans toward presidential candidates show interesting results. The canvass by the Times of the sentiment among the democrats of the solid south toward the nomination of W. J. Bryan as the party leader in the next presidential campaign shows a wavering in the lines. The demand for a southern man as head of the ticket usually made at this preliminary stage of a campaign is again strong in many parts of the south, while in others the cry is "any one but Bryan" because of his two defeats.

Roosevelt sentiment creeps out in some of the replies to the Times' inquiries, one democrat predicting that the president, if he consented to run again, "would split the solid south wide open."

Another democrat harks back to Cleveland as a possibility, while Hoke Smith gets Georgia's support. U. S. Grant and R. P. Hobson is an Alabama suggestion for the ticket. Johnson, Folk, Olay, Gray and Culbertson also get mention. The canvass of republican sentiment made by the Chicago Tribune shows that as the most active candidate in the republican ranks and with the support of President Roosevelt first choice is given to Secretary Taft. This was expected, but the most striking feature of the canvass is the strength shown by Governor Hughes. He is made an overwhelming second choice, and state leaders generally express the opinion that if the convention makes Taft the nominee Governor Hughes should be the party's candidate for vice-president for the strength he would add to a ticket. Many republicans still express a preference for Roosevelt in the hope of his becoming a candidate. Cannon, Fairbanks, Knox, L. F. Follette, Root, Woraker and Cortelyou all had sufficient support to warrant putting them in the list of possibilities.

THE PROSECUTOR IS PROSECUTED

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Boise, Idaho, Sept. 23.—United States Senator William E. Borah, who acted as one of the principal prosecutors for the state of Idaho at the recent trial of William D. Haywood, secretary of the Western Federation of Miners, was placed on trial today in the United States court here charged with conspiracy to defraud the government out of title of 17,280 acres of Idaho timber lands. Twelve other persons have been indicted with Senator Borah, but he will be the first to face a federal jury, having demanded a jury trial prior to the time he shall present his credentials as a senator next December in Washington.

THIS MILLIONAIRE DOESN'T MIND A PALTRY \$26,000.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Sept. 23.—Nonchalance marks the attitude today of Arthur P. Mason, of Larchmont, whose wife lost \$236,000 in cash and jewels in a tin box that she was carrying in a New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad train last Monday. In spite of the large amount of the loss Mr. Mason is reported as growing tired of the notoriety he and his wife have gained through it and many believe that if the case were dropped Mr. Mason would feel almost as relieved as if the box and its contents had

STANDARD MADE MOST MONEY IN R. R. REBATES

been returned to its owners. As a reason for this it was learned that Mr. Mason is more than a millionaire and the \$236,000 is a veritable "drop in the bucket," so far as his fortune is concerned. While it was reported before the identity of the box owner was discovered that the box represented the whole fortune of the loser, this proves not to be the case, as Mr. Mason personally has lost nothing. It was Mrs. Mason's money and the loss concerns her only, he says.

Mr. Mason is a son of the late E. H. Mason, who for years was head of the wooden firm of Mason & Hanson, of No. 79 Greene street. The elder Mason left a large fortune to his son.

U. S. TROOPS IN A FIGHT WITH INDIANS.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Merida, Yucatan, Mex., Sept. 23.—Word has just been received here of a battle between federal troops and a band of rebel Maya Indians near San Isidoro. Seven soldiers and a number of Indians were killed.

IT LOOKS LIKE TAFT AND BRYAN

Son Nick Thinks So, But Johnson Is a Fine Man

ROOSEVELT OUT OF IT

Longworth Repudiates That So-Called Honolulu Interview—No Probability That President Can Be Induced to Run Again Under Any Circumstances—And As to Nick's Mayoralty Candidacy, He Says, "No, Thank You!" With the Accentuation on the Exclamation Point.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Cincinnati, O., Sept. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth had a narrow escape from a train wreck just before reaching home yesterday. The locomotive of their train on the Pennsylvania Railroad, going at a slow speed, jumped the track at South Norwood station, eleven miles from Cincinnati. The cars held to the rails and no one was in any way injured.

"I am not, nor will I be, a candidate for mayor under any circumstances. I can conceive of no condition that would induce me to run, not even if nominated by acclamation."

In these words Representative Longworth set at rest the rumor that he would head the republican ticket here this fall. "An interview with you purporting to come from Hawaii said that President Roosevelt might accept another nomination if there was a unanimous demand of the people. How about it?" he was asked.

"It is a raw fake. I never had any such talk, but will reiterate what I have always said, that I don't believe there is any possible situation or combination of circumstances that could lead the president to change his mind and become a candidate. His decision is absolute and irrevocable."

"The papers say that Taft seems to be the choice of the republicans with Roosevelt out" was remarked. "I found all over the northwest an overwhelming sentiment in favor of Taft."

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Government's Lawyer Claims to Have Secured Important Evidence

SCARED STOCKHOLDERS ARE THINNING OUT

About 200 Stockholders Are Said to Have Been Withdrawn From the List Within the Last Few Months—Treasurer Tilford is Proving Such a Fruitful Witness For the Prosecution That It May Not be Necessary to Call W. G. Rockefeller to the Stand—The Great Suit of the United States Against the Oil Companies Resumed in New York Today. Evidence Adduced.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Sept. 23.—Frank B. Kellogg, the government's counsel in its suit to dissolve the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, has important evidence in his possession, it was learned today, bearing on the part railroad rebates have played in the enormous profit of the corporation in the last eight years.

Several days more will be occupied with testimony to show that the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey is practically the same corporation dissolved by the government in 1892 on the ground that it was operating in restraint of trade and that the present company is still doing business in Texas in spite of the fact that it was declared outlawed in that state at the time the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, one of its subsidiary concerns was barred from further operations there.

Several more witnesses are to be called before Mr. Kellogg turns his attention to rebates. One is William G. Rockefeller, assistant secretary of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, and still another is Wade Hampton, general auditor of the company. Subpoenas have already been served upon railroad men who are expected to throw some light upon the rebate question and they are scheduled to appear before Examiner Ferris during the next few days. Among them are Jefferson Busby, assistant comptroller of the Pennsylvania Railroad and R. W. Downing, ex-comptroller of the Pennsylvania line, and W. T. McCulloch, auditor of freight accounts of the New York Central. They have been ordered to produce certain agreements alleged to have been made between them and members of the operating staff of the Standard Oil Company or its subsidiary concerns for which Pennsylvania and the New York Central line are transporting oil.

Scared Stockholders Thin Out. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Sept. 23.—It is stated by a well-informed authority that the number of stockholders in the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey has decreased about 200 in the last few months, when the agitation and litigation involving that company have become acute.

Treasurer Tilford a Fruitful Witness. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Sept. 23.—Before the examination in the Standard Oil hearing was resumed today Attorney Kellogg said that he might not call William G. Rockefeller to the stand. He said he believed that Wesley H. Tilford, the treasurer of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, has all the information in his possession that he sought.

Mr. Tilford was recalled to the stand by Mr. Milburn, counsel for (Continued on Page Seven.)

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION AND FIRE IN NEW YORK

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Sept. 23.—Following a terrific explosion in the boiler room that shook every building in the block, flames swept a six story tea and coffee warehouse of Louis De Gross, at Nos. 73 and 75 Beach street early today, necessitating the sending in of four alarms. There were 100 men in the building at the time and several are reported to have been injured in a frantic rush to escape.

The fire spread to buildings at Nos. 386 to 188 Washington street, occupied by several wholesale manufacturing firms. After a two hours struggle the fire department got the flames under control. What caused the fire is not known, but it is believed that a steam pipe burst. The loss will be in excess of \$200,000, practically covered by insurance.

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ALABAMA MOB LYNCHES ANOTHER GORILLA NEGRO

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Mobile, Ala., Sept. 23.—Mose Dusest, a young negro, after an attempted assault on Mrs. Besler, an aged woman residing in Wheeler, a small town near Mobile, paid the penalty for his act after midnight yesterday morning and was hung to an oak tree within fifty feet of the spot where two negro criminals were lynched in September last year.

Dusest was arrested by a deputy and started for jail but a mob took the prisoner. This makes the third lynching that has taken place in Mobile in the past year, the others being lynched last September a year ago. The two victims who were hanged at the same time and both for the same offense.