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SITUATION BAD IN MINE REGION

Trouble Between Coal Union Men and Operators, Which Resulted in Bloodshed Yesterday, Has Now Reached Acute Stage--Alabama Great Southern Train Held Up at Adamsville and Strikebreakers Taken off and Driven to Woods.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)

Birmingham, Ala., July 15.—From being intense Wednesday, the situation with the coal miners and operators became critical today. Several sensational incidents and developments of all sorts mark the past 24 hours.

The biggest sensation of the day was the holding up early this morning of an Alabama Great Southern train at Adamsville, a big crowd of strikebreakers being taken therefrom and driven to the woods.

Man Riddled by Birdshot.

At Lewisburg J. D. Aderholt, a union sympathizer, a guard at the powder works, was mysteriously slain, his body being riddled with birdshot, and two special deputy sheriffs are in the county jail upon coroner's warrants charging attempted murder.

Near Adamsville the taking of strikebreakers from vans is reported. Strikebreakers seem to have begun to arrive in big crowds today. Up to this time there seemed to have been few in the district.

At Lewisburg and vicinity a strike of other coal mine operators, in sympathy with the striking miners, is reported.

From Bessemer comes the report that the furnace workers and ore miners, never before organized, are being formed into unions.

Just at daybreak this morning a train bearing 25 non-union miners who were to work today in the mines of the Birmingham Coal & Iron company at Adamsville, was held up just above Jefferson on the Alabama Great Southern by sympathizers with the striking miners and a scene of wild confusion

resulted, the strikebreakers finally being forced, it is alleged, to run from the train and take to the woods for their lives.

The train left Birmingham early this morning and had proceeded through several striking mining camps before it came in the vicinity of Jefferson. The train was guarded by seven special deputies, armed to the teeth. In addition to these deputies, there were the engineer, conductor, fireman and flagman of the train.

Swooped Down On Train.

Just as the train whistled for Jefferson, the engineer on the special train on his brakes and it was stopped. Immediately, the guards say, they saw a swarm of men, estimated at 200 and said to be fully marshalled, swoop down toward the coaches, bearing the strikebreakers. Before anything could be done to stop the mob, they had reached the train. The deputies were held up at the point of rifles, they say, and forced to drop their firearms. After the deputies had been driven away from the train, a fusillade was fired through the coach.

Mines Running, Says Manager.

A Ledger representative visited the office of General Manager James Bonnyman, of the Southern Coal & Iron company, Mr. Bonnyman said: "Our men, of course, did not fire a shot. They were simply overpowered, and I can't see how they could be the cause. You may say, however, that our mines are running, and the output is being increased daily. We will continue to run and within a few days will be in a normal condition."

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Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt.



Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, eldest daughter of William Jennings Bryan, is a talented young woman, an excellent public speaker, and is interested in the cause of democracy in general and that of her able father in particular. She was a delegate to the Colorado state convention, held at the last moment, gave her proxy to another woman.

TRYING TO BREAK BENJ. HART WILL Millionaire Left Estate to a French Woman and Relatives Don't Like It

New York, July 15.—Donald Harper, an American millionaire, died in Paris, and his estate is being administered here today on the estate of the late Mrs. Hart, who went immediately to his office in Broad street to make preparations to break the will of Benjamin Hart, the American millionaire, who died last May in Paris, disinheriting his adopted daughter and his alleged divorced wife and leaving his \$2,000,000 to a French woman, Mme. De Ble.

Evidence Will Be Spicy. The contest will be made July 30 in the surrogate's court and it promises to develop a three-cornered fight for the dead man's millions that is likely to prove as sensational as anything of its kind.

Mr. Harper is counsel for the adopted daughter, Mme. Jean Guillemin, wife of the counsel of the French embassy at Vienna and formerly a special envoy of France to the United States. Mme. De Guillemin is a sister-in-law of the Countess of Montebello. M. De Guillemin has instructed Mr. Harper to spare no expense and leave nothing undone in the attempt to break the will.

Hart Was Virginia Man. Hart was a Virginian who amassed his fortune in New York and converted it into bearing securities, and then went to Paris to live. In 1892 he adopted Isabelle Lucchesi, then three years old. He had her educated in Europe and in New York, and it was while here that she met M. De Guillemin, then on his mission to the United States.

Undue Influence Alleged. After the young girl's marriage Hart established her in a handsome mansion which he built for a French woman, Mme. De Ble, Mme. De Guillemin refused to recognize this woman socially and left Mr. Hart's house. Attorney Harper said today that the will is to be contested on the ground that the millionaire was unduly influenced by Mme. De Ble. There will also be another fight to break the will on the part of the former wife of Mr. Hart, Eliza Wright, from whom, it is alleged, he secured a divorce a good many years ago.

HITCHCOCK GOES TO OPEN THE CAMPAIGN IN WEST.

Washington, July 15.—Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock, of the republican national committee, will leave Washington for Chicago and Colorado Springs, Col., this afternoon, where he will begin the actual work of solidifying the party machine in the all-important west and middle west. Before leaving Mr. Hitchcock held a conference with Secretary Francis Curtis of the congressional committee.

OCEAN VIEW IS BURNED TODAY

Fine Wilmington Hotel Goes Up in Flames, Fire Having Originated in Greek Restaurant. "Lumina" Catches Several Times But is Saved--- Bucket Brigade Only Firefighters Available--- Regular Company Arrives too Late to Do Anything---Guests Lose Many Personal Effects.

(Special to The Times.)

Wilmington, July 15.—This morning at 7:30 fire destroyed the Ocean View hotel and several buildings in close proximity, including the restaurant, bar, tenpin alleys, etc. The "Lumina," the only big attraction, had a narrow escape from destruction, having caught several times.

The fire originated in a Greek restaurant. The guests in the Ocean View lost many personal effects. The hotel depended on the bucket brigade and the bathers and other did good work. The Wilmington fire company arrived after the fire was under control.

BEAUMONT FULL OF MEN IN ARMS

Believed That Negro Who Assaulted Little Hopkins Girl Has Been Caught

Beaumont, Tex., July 15.—Beaumont is full of men in arms. The city is filled with hundreds of armed men, due to the belief that the negro who brutally assaulted little Ada Belle Hopkins is in the hands of the officers.

About 6 o'clock last night Acting Marshal N. N. Smith and other officers caught a negro, said to be Henry Goldman, sleeping in the barn or out-house of another negro in the vicinity of the power plant. This negro was given up, it is said, by the negro who harbored him. There was talk of storming the county jail, where a number of negroes, as suspects, are confined, but Sheriff Landry solemnly assured leading citizens that the negro was not in the jail.

Passenger Trains Searched. A crowd of hundreds of men gathered at the Texas & New Orleans passenger depot and held up passenger train No. 9, westbound, about 15 minutes, while a thorough, but unsuccessful search for the negro was made. Passenger train No. 8, eastbound, was also stopped this side of the Neches river and searched for the negro. Sheriff Landry was joined here by Rangers Wright and Hamer.

SWIFT EXPRESS MEETS ACCIDENT

White Mountain Flyer Goes off Rails---One Woman Killed, Eight Passengers Hurt

Greenwich, Conn., July 15.—The White Mountain express on the New Haven & Hartford road, which left New York at 8:02 this morning, jumped the track while crossing a grade bridge over Steamboat road, 100 yards east of the station here, and one woman was killed and eight persons badly hurt.

The train was crowded with passengers from New York. It parted just back of the second coach as the three middle cars were seen to sway on the bridge. Then the three cars, as they tore along the rails, toppled over and crashed upon their sides at the very edge of the bridge structure. Passengers hurled right and left. Passengers in the three overturned cars were hurled from the seats and upon one another in heaps. Some of the seats became loosened from their fastenings and fell upon the prostrate passengers on the floors of the cars.

A fearful panic occurred in the three overturned cars. Men and women, as soon as they recovered from the shock of being flung against the sides of the cars, tried desperately to make their way out through windows and doors. The woman killed was dashed against the side of the car and was left where she lay as the others tried to get out. Townspeople Render Their Aid. Volunteers crowded about the wreck (Continued on Second Page.)

Roosevelt Tells Bill Sewall How He Feels About Things

No Use for Men Who Talk About Executive Usurpation-- Believes In Being "Strong President" Or Nothing

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Bangor, Me., July 15.—President Roosevelt has confided to his friend "Bill" Sewall, a guide in the Maine woods, that he has no regard for the little, feeble, snarling men who yell about "executive usurpation."

"I had a letter last week," said Sewall, when found busy in the hayfield, "and I judge the president is mighty glad to have the combination settled and the stress of his own official work so near over."

Reading directly from the president's letter Mr. Sewall quoted:

"I hope Mrs. Roosevelt will be better now that the strain of the presidential nomination is off. As for me, I thoroughly enjoy the job and never felt more vigorous as far as the work of the office is concerned. But it's some different from the work in the backwoods and

plains that you and I have done together in the past.

"People Know I'm Truthful."

"I said I would not accept another term and I believe the people think my word is good. I would be mighty sorry to have them think anything else. I believe in being a strong president and making the most of the office and using it without regard to the little, feeble, snarling men who yell about 'executive usurpation.'"

Admires Washington and Lincoln.

"I also believe it is not a good thing for any man to hold it too long. My ambition is, no matter in however humble a manner and no matter however far off, to travel in the footsteps of Washington and Lincoln."

Teddy Will Visit Maine.

The president promises to visit Sewall in Maine when his term concludes.

VORYS SAYS OHIO'S CERTAIN FOR TAFT

Hot Springs, Va., July 15.—"This is the time when the democrats always carry Ohio in a presidential campaign. Ohio republicans have their own troubles and they always inspire a democratic hope of an internal split and bolt. This is the time when these troubles are settled and over. If it required anything to do it, the claims that the democrats will carry Ohio this fall have completely settled all our troubles and cemented all republicans in Ohio in a determination to elect the national, state and legislative tickets by 100,000 at least."

For four hours Judge William H. Taft and A. I. Vorys, his Ohio manager, discussed the situation, with incidental reference to the speech of acceptance upon which the candidate is at work. At the conclusion of the conference, Mr. Vorys gave out the statement quoted above.

Mr. Vorys will return to Ohio, with full instructions from the candidate concerning the management of the state campaign; but in order not to interfere with the completion of the speech of acceptance he will remain here two or three days for other conferences with Judge Taft.

"IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE."

Want Advertisement in The Evening Times Finds Lost Dog After Being Lost Nearly a Month.

LOST—Very small Spotted Terrier; no tail. Answers name "Sport." Reward for return or information at The Times office. 2-41

Sport has been found and a Raleigh home made happy and all by the simple little want advertisement above. It was during the last week in June that "Sport" went away, or rather was carried away by a boy, as the story goes. No information as to his whereabouts could be secured and the above want Ad. was placed in The Evening Times on July 2. Still time went by and no word or news from "Sport," and friends said a Times' want Ad. did not pay, but the man who put the Ad. in the paper never gave up. He believed that "Sport" would some day hear of the Ad. and come back home, and so he has.

Yesterday afternoon a lady came into The Times office and reported that a little Fox Terrier, minus a tail, and answering the name of "Sport," was at her home about a mile in the country. He had been left there by a small boy and the good lady had been kind to "Sport" and taken care of him. But here is the story, the good lady in looking over an old copy of The Times office and reported that the lost had been found. The owner of the dog went out to the farm at once and brought his pet home where he had a nice bath and a good warm supper and today "Sport" is the happiest dog in town and his owner knows "IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE IN THE TIMES."

Darius Eatman is Drowned in Pond

Could Not Swim and Went Under for Third Time Soon After Boat Capsized---Tommie Howell Narrowly Escapes Same Fate As Companion.

(Special to The Times.)

Oxford, July 15.—A party of four, consisting of Messrs. Darius Eatman, Nick Cannady, Tommie Howell, of Oxford, and Hubert Potest, of Wake Forest, while out boat riding at Cannady's mill, a fishing pond about 10 miles from Oxford, and of considerable depth, at noon today, when, through some unexplainable means, the boat was capsized, sending two

of its occupants, Darius Eatman and Tommie Howell, into the water.

Mr. Eatman, who could not swim, was drowned. Tommie Howell narrowly escaped the same fate.

The tragic end of Mr. Eatman comes as a terrible shock to his friends here. He was at one time a professor at Wake Forest College. He was well educated and a man of considerable ability.

Newspaper Office Sees Row Over Young Woman Employee

Congressman Favrot's Secretary Stabbed By Jealous Linotype Operator, Who Bade Miss Bates Choose.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Baton Rouge, La., July 15.—A. H. Faust, private secretary to Congressman G. K. Favrot, and formerly editor of the Baton Rouge Times, was assaulted and dangerously stabbed by Edgar George, a linotype operator, who, until a few days ago, was employed on the Daily State. Miss Claire Bates, bookkeeper for The State, who was present when the trouble occurred, received several cuts across the face and arm while attempting to separate the two men.

Mr. Faust, who was a warm friend of Miss Bates, having known her during the publication of the Baton Rouge Times two years ago, was in the city preparatory to accompanying Congressman Favrot on a tour of the district in advocacy of the latter's reelection, and had called at the office to have a friendly chat.

George, who, it is stated, had for the past several weeks attempted to pay the young woman attention, re-

sented this manifestation of friendship and, having seen Mr. Faust go to the office several times during the past few days, telephoned Miss Bates from another part of the building, saying he wanted her to choose between himself and Faust. Miss Bates gave him some evasive answer and, turning to Faust, who was sitting near her desk, told him of the conversation.

A few minutes later George entered the room and, passing some remark to the young woman, assaulted Mr. Faust with a knife. Miss Bates attempted to separate the men and was stabbed twice before she thought to call for assistance from downstairs. Manager Ramblers, who was sitting in front of the office on the ground floor, rushed to the scene and found the men still struggling with one another. He finally separated them, but it was not until he had choked George into insensibility that the latter ceased to fight.