

TROOPS ORDERED WITHDRAWN FROM SOUTHERN SHOPS

TIE-UP OF TRAFFIC ON THE SOUTHERN AT SPENCER IS BIGGEST STRIKE NEWS OF THE DAY FROM OVER THE COUNTRY

Clyde Keever, General Foreman Of Southern Shops At Spencer, Piloted Train No. 138 Out Of Spencer Last Night—Traffic Between St. Louis and Louisville Tied Up—U. S. Marshals On Duty In Southern Yards In Atlanta.

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—Walkouts by trainmen on the Southern Railway, resulting in tie-ups in North Carolina; bombings, beatings and investigations of alleged wreck plots marked progress of the rail shopmen's strike while efforts to settle it hung suspended pending the New York meeting tomorrow of rail heads and officials of the transportation brotherhoods, mediators for the striking shopmen.

Eight companies of state troops were on duty about the shops of the Southern Railway at Spencer, N. C., where 1,700 men are out, and about the post office at Salisbury, three miles from Spencer. Troops at the post office were requested by Postmaster A. H. Boyden who alleged that open threats had been made to breach a postoffice clerk.

Tension prevailed in the situation at Spencer, but was broken by the arrival of the troops. Trainmen, switchmen and clerks held a meeting at which they decided to defer moving trains until later today, when another meeting was to be held to decide whether the walkout was to be permanent. All trains arriving at Spencer after midnight over the Southern were tied up with the exception of Number 138, which left with Clyde Keever, general foreman of the Southern shops, at the throttle.

At Atlanta 35 extra United States deputy marshals were on duty in the Southern Railway's Inman yards where yesterday a negro was perhaps fatally injured and nine others severely beaten. A party of men was reported to have attacked J. P. Feaster, a boilermaker, at Birmingham, late last night, near the Louisville & Nashville shops. Feaster, according to reports was bound and beaten.

Southern Railway clerks from Washington arrived at Knoxville, to work in the Coaster shops.

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MRS. WAKEFIELD, WIDOW OF MILLIONAIRE, WANTS TO BUY RODNEY KENDRICK

Wife Who Is Ill Is Considering the Offer Of Mrs. Wakefield.

ALL PARTIES ADMIT IT

Mrs. Kendrick Has Been Ill With Tuberculosis and Now In Wakefield Home.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 22.—An offer by Mrs. Edith Huntington Spreckels Wakefield, first wife of the late "Jack" Spreckels, California millionaire, and herself prominent in San Francisco society, to "buy another woman's husband from her for \$100 a month for the rest of her life," came to light here today and is admitted by all parties involved.

The husband whom Mrs. Wakefield is credited with having offered to "buy" is Rodney Kendrick, a newspaper artist. The wife, who is ill and admits she is "considering" the offer, said she already had given her wedding ring to Mrs. Wakefield. Mrs. Wakefield said she too planned a divorce. A statement from Mrs. Wakefield said: "It was a long time ago I told Mrs. Kendrick that I was offering her \$100 a month for the rest of her life to buy Rodney from me. She said she would think it over."

INFANTRY, REINFORCED BY MACHINE GUN, IS ON GUARD DUTY AT SHOPS

Salisbury Postoffice Under Guard As Result Of Attack On Jimison.

ORDER WILL BE KEPT

Soldiers Have Orders To Maintain the Law Whatever It Takes To Do It.

SALISBURY, Aug. 21.—All the eight companies of troops which were sent here Saturday by Governor Morrison to protect life and property in the tense situation that developed in connection with the strike of 1,700 workers in the Spencer shops of the Southern Railway, were on guard duty at Spencer and Salisbury tonight.

A proclamation issued by Governor Morrison similar to the pronouncement on the occasion of recent threatened disturbances at the Atlantic Coast Line shops in Rocky Mount, was read to a mass meeting of strikers and strike sympathizers by Mayor Wade V. Bowman today. The military authorities were requested to allow peaceful picketing by the strikers, but they were directed to "disperse all large assemblies brought together for the purpose of over-awing and intimidating, by a display of numbers, those who desire to go to work."

Five full companies and a part of the Durham machine gun company are guarding the Spencer shops and the railroad passenger station at that place, while two full companies and the Durham machine gun company were on guard duty in and around the Salisbury postoffice, having been placed there tonight by request of Postmaster A. H. Boyden because of the growing tension that developed following the attack made today upon Rev. Tom P. Jimison, Methodist preacher, who has been very active in the fight of the strikers. He was knocked down on the street here by John Sloop, a clerk in the Salisbury postoffice, and the two came to grips on the ground before they were separated.

Following this incident crowds gathered about the postoffice and open threats of lynching were heard, the declaration being made, according to Postmaster Boyden, that Sloop would be lynched, "if troops or no troops." Sloop made no statement of his reason for the attack except that he saw Rev. Mr. Jimison go into a store and get out an army mess knife and that the minister had abused enough people already. Mr. Jimison has made a number of speeches in behalf of the strikers and has encouraged Sheriff Kinder for his activities.

Late tonight the crowds had ceased to approach the Salisbury postoffice, having been prohibited by the soldiers from assembling there, and quiet prevailed in Spencer, though groups of citizens and hundreds of strikers stood about in groups observing the spectacle of troops on guard for the first time in the history of the Spencer shops.

A contingent of recruits for the workers in the shops arrived tonight and entered the shops without molestation. There are several hundred workers in the shops now, while 1,700 are on strike.

It was reported from Rev. Mr. Jimison's home in Spencer tonight that he had some temperature and was not resting well, suffering somewhat from bruises received in his encounter with Sloop. The preliminary trial of Sloop is set for 10 o'clock tomorrow.

Quiet Restored.

By 10 o'clock the streets here were practically clear of traffic and all was quiet. Col. Don Scott tonight at 7 o'clock established headquarters at the United States postoffice in Salisbury and threw out troops around this building that isolated the building for the night. In and about and surrounding the building are the companies from Charlotte and Burlington and half of the Durham machine gun commanding the entrance to the office.

This action was taken upon request of Col. A. H. Boyden, postmaster, who had information that attempts would be made on the life of John Sloop, a clerk in the office, who attacked Rev. Tom P. Jimison, strikers' friend and counselor, today. Mr. Sloop is on duty at the office tonight.

Also at 7 o'clock Colonel Scott dispatched the Concord and Winston companies of infantry and troops of unmounted cavalry from Hickory and Lincolnton, and half of the Durham machine gun company under Major Bowman to Spencer. They have instructions to keep order, whatever it takes. Picketing is to be allowed but it will be under the range of three machine guns that are being placed on advantageous ground.

Scott Addresses Strikers. Colonel Scott, accompanied by several

Ohio's Healthiest



Alice Miller, of Youngstown, has been selected by three doctors and two nurses from among 1100 babies as the healthiest in Ohio. She is 26 months old, weighs 27 pounds, is 33 1/2 inches tall and has 16 teeth.

OFFICER HOUSER MAKES ANOTHER LIQUOR HAUL

Gaffney Young Men Arrested By Federal Agent—Total Of 17 Gallons Taken—Preliminary Hearing Sept. 1.

Three young men, Charles Kendrick, Niles Pryor and Eucer Cole, giving their home address as Gaffney, South Carolina, were arrested Tuesday morning about 2:30 o'clock in their Ford touring car with 17 gallons of South Mountain liquor on the state highway between Shelby and Morganton. They were headed south. Federal Prohibition Agent E. L. Houser, and his deputies P. A. Hoyle and Frank Morrison, had blocked the main road with their two cars previous to the arrival of the rum runners. The latter traveling as fast as a muddled aged Porci could carry them failed to heed the warning of the officers to stop. They sped onward, crashing into the cars across the road. When they hit, they were probably making between thirty-five and forty miles per hour. The criminal's car got the worst of the accident, their motor falling to the ground. The machines blocking the road, suffered little damage.

Two of the cars were left on the side of the road. The other was used to bring the defendants to Gastonia. The party reached here at nine o'clock this morning. Warrants were sworn out before United States Commissioner S. S. Morris. Bonds were fixed at \$300 in each case. Unable to put up bond, Kendrick, Pryor and Cole were placed in the Gaston county jail for safe keeping. A preliminary hearing has been set for Friday, September 1st, at 4 P. M.

The above arrest is the seventeenth made by Mr. Houser and his assistants since last Tuesday. Six automobiles have been captured and a total of 92 gallons of liquor has been taken from the defendants. A large majority of the arrests have been made in the four corner section up around South Mountain. A still, making brandy, and a team of mules were taken last Friday by Messrs. Houser, Hoyle and Morrison. Those were taken to Hickory for trial before the commissioner there.

The above seventeen gallons of liquor was in four jugs, three of which were five gallon mineral water jugs. The containers were emptied into the water drain at the square at Main and South streets this morning at 9:30 o'clock.

TO DRAFT COAL CONTROL LEGISLATION IN FEW DAYS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Legislation to enable federal control of coal prices during the emergency will be drafted within a day or two, Secretary Hoover said today.

The Department of Justice, he declared, was at work upon a bill which, when completed, would be submitted to the coal distribution committee appointed by President Harding before going to one of the committees in Congress.

Two or three plans for controlling advancing coal prices are under consideration, Mr. Hoover said. It was understood that the creation of an agency for the control of coal prices along the lines of the United States Grain Corporation, which fixed grain prices during the war, was understood to be one of the alternatives.

COTTON MARKET

Receipts 22 bales
Price 22 cents

CLOSING BIDS ON THE NEW YORK MARKET

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—Cotton futures closed easy; spots quiet, 40 points down. October 22.53; December 22.52; January 22.32; March 22.35; May 22.25. Spots 22.30.

Southern Railway Passenger Trains Cleared Of Spencer With Crews Made Up Of Officials, Etc.

RAIL PRESIDENTS ARE IN NEW YORK FOR THIRD TRY AT STRIKE SETTLEMENT

Will Vote Their Answers To Measures Proposed By Five Brotherhoods.

THIRD TRY AT MEETING

First Two Meetings Have Resulted In Failure To Get Together.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—The shop craft strike entered another phase today when rail presidents from western states began to arrive for tomorrow's conference of the Association of Railway Executives, where they will vote their answers to measures proposed by the five big brotherhoods as a practical means of settling the seniority question and ending the strike.

This will mark the third nationwide assembling of rail chiefs within the last month at which the problem of strikers' seniority rights has risen to block the path of settlement. At the first two meetings plans submitted by President Harding were partly accepted, but with reservations and conditions which eliminated them as a basis for calling off the strike.

Tomorrow the rail men will face a new situation—the entrance of the Big Five brotherhoods into the negotiations, where, as mediators, they have made plain their attitude toward seniority rights as applied to their fellow workers, the striking shop craftsmen. The response of the carriers to the call sent out by T. DeWitt Cuyler, head of the association, led officials today to predict that every member road, including 201 class one lines, with over 300,000 miles of track, will be represented when the conference begins.

Heads of the sixteen rail workers' unions, including the Big Five of the running trades and others of the stationary crafts, were expected to reassemble here tonight. Although it has now been determined that the joint conference cannot be resumed before Thursday, they agreed to be in the city, within call, tomorrow, while the association of executives is in session.

ST. LOUIS-LOUISVILLE TRAFFIC TO BE TIED UP

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 22.—Traffic on the Louisville-St. Louis division of the Southern Railway will be tied up completely at 12:01 o'clock Thursday morning unless B. G. Falls, general superintendent of the western division, and representatives of the "Big Four" brotherhoods effect an agreement on the road's use of armed guards.

Mr. Falls today was in Princeton, Ind., where firemen walked out yesterday, and is expected to confer with representatives of the brotherhood. Their action cut off their four through trains from Louisville to St. Louis and trains in and out of Princeton.

The general division walkout set for Thursday morning will take in all the "Big Four" men and will affect, it was estimated, between 350 and 400 men located at terminals at East St. Louis, Ill., Louisville, Princeton, Ind., and Bloomington, Ind.

Notice of the new walkout followed a meeting of firemen and engineers yesterday afternoon. The firemen at Princeton who quit work yesterday, had walked out Saturday morning, but resumed work Sunday afternoon. According to J. F. Sheridan, division superintendent, the firemen "repudiated" their agreement of Sunday.

Regarding the claim that the walkout was based on unsafe equipment and refusal to work where the guards are located, Mr. Sheridan said: "The Kentucky and Indiana Terminal Company does our work here and the fact the Louisville men are called out disproves their 'guard' contention. The equipment undoubtedly will pass examination." The agreement of Sunday, Mr. Sheridan said, provided that the guards be zoned off and kept from the railroad yards.

HOPING FOR RETURN TO NORMAL SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Passenger trains of the Southern Railway are being kept in operation through the Spencer, N. C., yards and terminals, H. W. Miller, vice president of the road, said today, though the walkout of train service men who belong to the "Four Big Brotherhoods" has freight service at least temporarily tied up. Officials of the company are in conference with representatives of the brotherhoods at the present moment and are hopeful of getting a return to normal service, Mr. Miller said.

Deposits of tale comparing favorably with the highest grade French mineral have been discovered in Manchuria associated with magnesite.

High Officials Take Place Of Striking Engineers, Firemen; Freight Traffic Is Still Tied Up

All Trains Were Held Up At Spencer Monday Night For Hours.

TROOPS WERE ON GUARD

Washington and Atlanta Tie-Up In Traffic Is Broken Today.

SALISBURY, N. C., Aug. 22.—Troops have been ordered removed from the Southern Railway shops at Spencer, according to a telephone message received here from Spencer at 11:25 a. m. Transportation men in a meeting this morning voted to remain out as long as soldiers remained on guard duty at the shops.

Both Miller and Thompson, in their twenties, saw service during the war and fellow aviators said that Miller has a high rating as an aviator and a record singularly free from mishaps. All that Miller would say before he had food and rest was: "The plane dropped into the sea and never will be seen again."

GREENSBORO, N. C., Aug. 22.—With officials substituting for striking engineers and firemen who refused to work in and out of Spencer while state troops are on guard duty, the Southern Railway today began clearing the virtual tie-up of its passenger transportation service between Washington and Atlanta.

Freight trains, however, are not being moved, northbound movements being held at Spencer and trains for the south are stopped here.

SUPERIOR COURT IS MAKING PROGRESS

Many Cases Have Been Disposed Of In Past Two Days—Judge Webb Insists On Speeding Up The Machinery.

Gaston Superior court for the trial of criminal cases which convened Monday morning with Judge James L. Webb presiding, has been making rapid progress on the docket both Monday and Tuesday. In opening court, Judge Webb made it plain to all concerned, both attorneys and witnesses, that the large number of cases set for trial during a one week term would make it absolutely necessary for all parties who had been summoned to be right on hand all the time, so that the work of the court would not be delayed. The grand jury has been diligent in the examination of witnesses and has kept the court well supplied with bills on which trial could proceed promptly. Jail cases were taken up first and at noon today practically all had been disposed of. The court has allowed no delay of any kind in the trial of cases and good progress has been made on the docket. Following is a list of cases which have come up for trial up to noon Tuesday:

Following is the record of cases coming up for trial Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning: Monroe Hall, keeping liquor for sale, continued under former order. W. H. Blanton, e. v., defendant through his counsel, H. B. Gaston, waives bill and pleads guilty. Fine of \$50 and the costs. Sid Tritt, e. v., nol pros with leave. John Hester and Ester Ross, prostitution, defendants called and failed. Order for captus to Lincoln county. J. P. Brandon, f. and a., defendant called and failed. Judgment nisi, set a and instanter capias. H. G. Shuford, F. W. Lutz, E. P. Payne and Beatty Edwards, gambling. Defendants through their counsel, J. G. Carpenter, waive bill and plead guilty. Prayer for judgment continued upon payment of costs. Capias to issue for defendants or either of them when ordered by the solicitor or when it is made to appear to an officer of the law that the defendants or either of them have been gambling.

J. M. Weaver, assault, defendant tenders a plea of not contumacious. Judgment suspended on payment of the costs. Jim Moore, assault with a deadly weapon. Defendant through his counsel, E. R. Warren, pleads guilty. Judgment of four months on the roads. B. F. Ayers, operating car while drunk. Defendant through his counsel, E. R. Warren, pleads guilty. Judgment of 60 days on the roads. James Johnson, e. v., Plea of guilty and judgment of 60 days on the roads. Sam Short and Phil Price, gambling.

SPENCER, N. C., Aug. 22.—All passenger trains on the Southern Railway have been cleared out of the Spencer terminal with crews made up of officials and others, it was stated at the office of Superintendent of Terminals Richmond at 10 o'clock this morning. No freight trains have been moved since the walkout of trainmen last night. Members of the switchmen and railway clerks unions are holding a mass meeting this morning to decide whether the action taken by them last night in agreeing as individuals not to take trains out or go on railroad property is to be made permanent. Persons leaving the meeting shortly before 11 o'clock said that indications were that the unions would vote to make the

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THE WEATHER

North Carolina, partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday.