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NO WORK WITH TROOPS ABOUT Serious Complications in the Railroad Strike.

More Violence, With Several Deaths—The Possibility of Walkouts by Some Maintenance of Way Employes—Canadian Board Meets.

Chicago, Aug. 11—Serious threats to traffic by refusal of trainmen to move trains at points where troops are on guard, renewed outbreaks of violence resulting in several deaths and the possibility of walkouts by maintenance of way employes in some lines were reported as railroad heads and union leaders gathered for conference today to consider separately President Harding's proposal for ending the strike.

Members of the "Big Four" transportation brotherhoods, upon whom main movement depends, were authorized by their chiefs to suspend work if they consider strike conditions and the presence of soldiers at terminals and junction points "unbearable."

Western divisions of the Atchafalaya, Toluca and Santa Fe were threatened with a tie up of transcontinental trains by refusal of engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen to operate trains while troops were stationed along the line where outbreaks occurred earlier in the strike.

New York, Aug. 11—A strike ballot was ordered taken last night by General Chairman Lavelle of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers and Station Employes of the Delaware Lackawanna and Western Railroad. It was announced that 5,000 or more employes are concerned.

He said the vote had been ordered on the alleged failure of the Lackawanna officials to recognize the union, the road's continued policy of letting out contract labor, and its failure to live up to the wage decision of the railroad labor board affecting freight handlers.

Chicago, Aug. 11—B. P. Greer, vice president of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, announced yesterday following a conference with J. C. Smoot, vice president of the Maintenance of Way Union, that the controversy with the 600 maintenance of way men on the road had been settled "satisfactorily and there would be no strike."

Non-Union Men Killed. Cleveland, Aug. 11—Two non-union employes of the Erie Central in its Collinwood roundhouse were shot and killed last night. They had been standing on a street car platform when a third man, according to the police, when the latter suddenly drew a revolver and began shooting. The assailant escaped. An Agreement.

Boston, Aug. 11—It is announced that clerks, freight handlers and station men in the employ of the Boston and Maine Railroad reached an agreement with the railroad management yesterday on working conditions.

A strike vote was taken recently by these employes. A new agreement, which is to become effective on next Monday, will be signed today. According to its terms, the Saturday half holiday and certain vacation and sick leave privileges which the men say they enjoyed prior to recent rulings of the railroad labor board, are restored. The workers demand for a general wage increase of nine cents an hour was referred to the labor board.

The I. C. R. Montreal, Aug. 11—At a meeting of the Board of Conciliation in connection with the dispute between the railways of Canada and the shippers yesterday, J. Talbot, president of the board, asked the board to rule on the action of the Intercolonial Railway in paying reduced wages before the general reference to the arbitration board had been made. He said this was in violation of the law.

Alex Smith, K. C., chairman of the board, said that evidence to support the charge would have to be submitted and that meantime the board would continue with the hearing of the general reference of the proposed reduction in shippers' wages.

Mr. Talbot pressed the point and finally the board adjourned until today. Executives of the Grand Trunk, Canadian National and C. P. R. made a jointly signed statement on the issue between the companies and the shippers over the question of wage cuts made prior to the finding of the board. The statement is in answer to the minister of railway's communication on the subject.

AIRSHIP DIVES TO STREET; TWO MEN ARE KILLED Chicago, Aug. 11—Edward Schille, widely known automobile race driver, and R. J. Keller, former aviator and automobile man, were killed last night when an airplane piloted by Keller plunged into the streets of New York, about thirty miles from Chicago.

NO MORE FINES ALLOWED TO STAND Magistrate Deals With Traffic Cases and Makes Announcement.

Douglas avenue speeding cases again occupied the attention of the police court this morning. Harold Mayes was charged with speeding on August 7 and pleaded not guilty. Policeman McBrien said that automobile number 9-107 had passed along the avenue at about twenty miles an hour. Questioned by Mr. Mayes, he said the car should take forty-four and a half seconds to travel the 450 feet he had staked off. Mr. Mayes claimed that this would be a speed of about seven miles an hour instead of twelve as the law allowed and that the 450 could be traveled in 20.58 seconds. The magistrate suggested that if Mr. Mayes would bring an expert to prove his contention he would postpone the case. It was set for Monday morning at eleven o'clock.

A case against W. G. Conway, reported on a like charge was set over to a like time. A case against a man named Mr. Conway had been traveling eighteen miles an hour. F. W. Bilzard was reported for going eighteen miles an hour. His chauffeur, Lloyd Allen, explained that Miss Bilzard had been taken ill and that he was hurrying for Dr. Chipman. The case was postponed for future hearing.

Abraham Levine was charged with going eighteen miles an hour. He said he might have been going fifteen. He was fined \$10 and the fine allowed to stand. During the hearing of this case, Policeman McBrien remarked, while on the stand, that a man had pleaded guilty the other day before the magistrate and had not been convicted, this man would not be convicted either. This prompted the magistrate to make some rather pointed remarks about the duties of policemen.

J. E. Beyer was charged with going from twenty to twenty-five miles an hour. He said he did not think he had been going at that rate but might have been going fifteen. He was fined \$10 and the fine allowed to stand.

When a charge of driving past a standing street car from which passengers were alighting was read to M. T. Morley, he asked the section of the by-law dealing with this, which was done. He subjected Policeman McBrien to a rather grueling cross-examination in which he attempted to establish that in driving past the car he had not endangered life or limb. Oscar Price presented the same defense, saying that he had passed the car before it came to a stop. A fine of \$10 was imposed in each case and allowed to stand.

James Craigie and P. Barnes were again before the court, their cases having been postponed from earlier in the week. Charges were for speeding in Douglas avenue, reported by Policeman McBrien, and fines of \$10 were imposed in each case and allowed to stand.

During the hearing of the cases this morning the magistrate announced that he was all through allowing fines to stand.

KEEN CONTESTS ON ROTHESAY COURTS TODAY Nine Events This Morning in New Brunswick Tournament.

Nine events were run off in the New Brunswick tennis tournament at Rothesay this morning. The courts were in perfect condition and the weather was all that could be desired for tennis, so keen competition was the order of the day. The feature event of the morning was the play between W. T. Wood and H. M. Wood, of Seckville, in the men's singles, in which the former won. This match upset expectations to some extent, as many predicted that H. M. Wood would win. The first set went to extra games, but W. T. Wood won the match.

The results of this morning's events were: Men's Singles. W. T. Wood, Seckville, defeated H. M. Wood, Seckville, 8-6, 6-0. Men's Doubles. George Harley, Moncton, and H. M. Wood, Seckville, defeated A. L. Clarke and J. McInerney, Renfrew, 6-2, 7-5. J. V. Russell and K. Carson, Westfield, defeated J. Gilbert and Cecil West, Rothesay, 6-2, 8-6. W. R. Turnbull and F. R. Taylor, Rothesay, defeated George Holly and Arthur Schofield, Rothesay, 2-6, 6-1, 6-3. H. W. McKell, Seckville, and Stranger Crockett, Fredericton, defeated S. H. Hinton and K. Palmer, Seckville, 6-8, 6-2. Mixed Doubles. Miss Annette Holly and R. B. Starr, Rothesay, defeated Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hickman, Dorchester, 6-1, 8-6. Mrs. H. R. Babbitt, Fredericton, and George Harley, Moncton, defeated Miss

GIANTS BEATEN IN THREE STRAIGHT Now Game and Half Behind St. Louis

Launch of Possible Contender in Schooner Race—Coronation Cup Race at Halifax Called Off; No Wind.

(Canadian Press.) New York, Aug. 11.—The Giants tumbled to defeat for the third straight time yesterday, 7 to 8. The Reds fell still further away from the National League lead, as the Cardinals won an easy victory from the Braves by the score of 14 to 4, and made their third straight position more secure. Brooklyn's eighteen hits went for sixteen runs against the lonely ninth inning run of the Chicago Cubs.

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The American League team were idle. Halifax, N. S., Aug. 11.—Nova Scotia baseball results yesterday: At Kentville: Auburns, 5; Kentville, 0. At Sydney Mines: Boston Travelers, 14; Sydney Mines' Braves, 2. N. S. Boat Racing. Lunenburg, N. S., Aug. 11.—A prospective entry for this fall's Nova Scotia fishing schooner championship races, the Margaret K. Smith, was launched from the yard of Smith & Rindland here yesterday. She is said to be very much like the Mahaska, launched from the same yards this spring, but is three feet longer and will carry much more canvas. The Margaret K. Smith is 134.8 feet overall, has 28 1/2 feet beam and 11 1/2 feet depth of hold. Captain C. B. Smith, Lunenburg, is her managing officer. Captain Frank Wynne will command her.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 11.—The second race for the Coronation Cup, emblematic of the yachting championship of maritime waters, was held at here yesterday because of lack of wind. Mairie IV, the Halifax and Chester boat, has one victory over Windward of Halifax, defender of the cup. Two victories are needed to take the trophy. (Continued on page 2, seventh column)

SIR ADAM BECK FLEES MURRAY Says Latter's Report on Hydro Grossly Misleading and Worthless.

Toronto, Aug. 11.—A reply to the criticism of the Ontario Hydro Electric Power Commission, which has gained wide circulation in Canada and the U. S., through the agency of the Murray report, is contained in a "refutation of unjust statements," which the commission has issued. The Murray report was a voluminous document prepared by Messrs. Murray & Flood, former engineers of the National Light Association. It purported to be a comparison, the report states, based on an "exhaustive study" between government owned and privately controlled electrical enterprises. Its substance, however, was regarded as friends of public ownership as little less than an endeavor to discredit the hydro project.

Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the Ontario Hydro Electric Commission, has a lengthy foreword to the "refutation." He says, in part: "Mr. Murray has made definite statements purporting to be true, but which are in fact grossly misleading. He has misquoted statements, even replacing significant words therein with others. He has presented grossly misleading statements respecting even physical facts within his knowledge, and he has made comparisons between entities radically different, when even a proper recognition of the real differences would have created an impression entirely at variance with what he has reported. He has inflated costs in a manner which falsifies the conclusions. Such procedure is characteristic of the use made of much of the essential material embodied in the premises which Mr. Murray has adduced and upon which he has based his conclusions. His accounts for the worthless nature of such conclusions."

BELGIAN WINS BALLOON RACE Brussels, Aug. 11.—M. Demuyter, pilot of the Belgian balloon Belges, in the James Gordon Bennett cup race, has been declared winner, says a dispatch from Geneva, the starting point, today. He was credited with having covered a distance of 1,300 kilometres. A CHALLENGE. The Rocklands will challenge the Junior Wolves to a game on the Rocklands' diamond at 7.15 o'clock this evening.

Catherine McAvity and Don Skinner, Rothesay, 6-8, 6-2. Ladies' Singles. Miss L. Hawkins, Fredericton, defeated Miss A. Hgily, Rothesay, 6-1, 6-3. Ladies' Doubles. Miss Barbara Jack and Mrs. D. L. MacLaren, Rothesay, defeated Miss M. Tilley and Miss Elizabeth Armstrongs, Rothesay, 7-5, 6-2.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbush, "is there a bright tin pall in the shade of the alders by the brook in the hayfield?" "Yes, sir," said Hiram "it's there." "And it is filled with cold spring water, with some vinegar and molasses and a dash of oil?" "Yes, sir," said Hiram "it is so." "I'm thinking about it yesterday," said the reporter, "when the heat would oppress you?" "When it's mixed the way Hanner does it," said Hiram, "it's meat 'n' drink on a hot day."

"Don't I know it," said the reporter. "I saw a man trying to mow some grass on a vacant lot last evening and I could scarcely refrain from going over to show him how to drop the heel of his scythe and make a clean job of it. It was then I thought of the alders and the brook and the tin pall. I guess I ought to be a farmer."

NEW MATTER IN NEVINS CASE IN PROBATE S. O. S. CALLS FROM THE ADRIATIC

Allegations Made and Denied by Miss Smith Follows—Other Estates Dealt With.

The Nevins will case was re-opened this morning in the probate court before His Honor Judge McInerney and Susie Smith was subjected to some further questioning by D. Mullin, K. C., appearing for some of the next of kin of the deceased alleged testator, Charles Nevins. Some affidavits and exhibits were presented by him. They had to do with the matter of some statements alleged to have been made by one Harry W. Ralston, concerning the case.

An allegation relative to a flat in a house near Haymarket Square was denied by Miss Smith. She admitted that she and Ralston were going to buy a car together.

Other Estates. In the probate court in the matter of Frances Louis Knight, personality \$1,500, A. P. Barnhill, K. C., was sworn as executor. C. F. Sanford, proctor. In the matter of the estate of Catherine Maher letters of administration cum testamento annexo de bonis non were issued to George Keefe. The administered portion of the estate amounted to \$4,000 realty. J. B. Dever was proctor.

Letters of administration were granted to Jane Charlton of St. Martins in the matter of the estate of J. Matilda Charlton, personality \$1,000. Dr. J. R. Campbell, K. C., was proctor.

CASE POSTPONED. A case reported by Provincial Constable Crawford against a motorist for driving in the Golden Grove road while under the influence of liquor, which was to come before Magistrate Allingham this morning, was postponed until next Tuesday.

Phelix and Ferdinand WEATHER REPORT Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stuppert, Director of meteorological service. Synopsis.—The low area which moved into the western provinces from British Columbia yesterday is now centered over Manitoba, with some light diminished intensity. Showers have occurred in many districts of Saskatchewan and Manitoba, while elsewhere in Canada weather is Partly Cloudy and Warm. Maritime.—Moderate northeast and easterly winds, partly cloudy and warm today and on Saturday. New England.—Cloudy weather and moderate temperature tonight and Saturday. Fresh northeast winds.

GET TOGETHER ON REPARATIONS Belgium Hears That Accord is Anticipated

Uncertainty in London, However, as Delegates Prepare to Resume Meetings—One Report Says Germany is to Get Moratorium.

(Canadian Press Cable) Brussels, Aug. 11.—According to information received from London this morning an agreement here virtually been reached on the four main points of the reparations controversy and a general accord is now anticipated, says the French semi-official Havas Agency. It adds that the impression in London is decidedly optimistic and talk of a split has ceased.

London, Aug. 11.—Uncertainty as to whether today's official session of reparations conference here would result in a reconciliation of the French and British viewpoints sufficient to produce a working agreement prevailed as the delegates prepared for the meeting.

Premier Lloyd George left his hotel for Downing street shortly after nine a. m. for a preliminary conversation with Premier Lloyd George.

Premier Theunis, of Belgium, was said to be striving his best to effect a rapprochement between the British and the French.

Explosion at First Thought Serious, but Liner Later Announced All O. K.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 11.—A radio message received by the naval staff at Halifax, via Cape Race this morning, reported the White Star liner Adriatic, 15,608 tons, sending off S. O. S. calls. The Adriatic is on a voyage from New York to Liverpool.

Her position was given as about 800 miles east of Portland, Maine. The early messages characterized the explosion as bad and as Captain Dore was reading to locate the cause, but gave no further details. They said the liner was proceeding on her course.

Later. Two Killed, ONE MISSING. New York, Aug. 11.—Two members of the Adriatic's crew were killed, five were seriously injured, and one is missing, as the result of the explosion, according to a wireless message received at the White Star Line offices.

The message reported that the Adriatic was proceeding to New York at half speed. Coal was stored in the No. 3 hold, and officials of the line, in the absence of details, thought that spontaneous combustion may have caused the explosion. The master ruled to their aid an electrician and other employees of the engine room.

The liner later resumed full speed and is expected to reach New York on Sunday afternoon. Detroit, Aug. 11.—Harry Yost, a state trooper, dived into fifteen feet of water to recover a quart of whiskey in order to have a charge of rum-running against Fred Graham of River Rouge. A party of troopers were cruising in a seized launch laden with liquor. On being hailed he turned his boat up river and the troopers gave chase. When they drew near, Graham ran his boats into a patch of weeds, and the troopers had to commandeer a rowboat in which to follow him. There was no liquor aboard when they found him, but bubbles were rising to the surface nearby.

FOUR LITTLE ONES DIE IN FIRE THAT CONSUMES BARN

Campbell, Minn., Aug. 11.—Four children were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a barn on the farm of Ralph Stevens here yesterday.

The dead: John, Ralph and Albert Stevens, aged nine, seven and three years, and Edgar Wray, seven.

The Stevens boys' parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stevens. They left a week ago for the Twin City by automobile. The Wray lad was the son of Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Wray. It is supposed the children caused the fire while playing with matches and the fire spread so rapidly they were unable to escape.

SAY HE USED A WHIP ON THEM Colored People Make Charge in Police Court and Evidence is Heard.

Fred Secord, before the police court yesterday morning, found himself confronted by a more serious charge this morning arising out of the first one. Three colored people from Sheffield street made a complaint against him for horsewhipping them and appeared before the magistrate, related that Secord was defended by E. S. Ritchie. Mrs. Ella Williams testified that on Tuesday she accused him of going to her place, 109 Sheffield street, and struck her across the back three times with a whip. She had told him to stop, whereupon he had seized and choked her. To Mr. Ritchie she said they all were neighbors, and got along well otherwise. She said the accused had been drinking.

Joseph Hector announced that he did not wish to press the charge, but urged by the magistrate, related that Secord had gone into Mrs. Williams' kitchen snapping a horsewhip and had hit him on the hat. He had pushed Secord away and had been struck again. To Mr. Ritchie he said it had been a carriage whip.

Mrs. Flossie Laucher said she boarded with Mrs. Williams and that she had seen Secord lash Mrs. Williams with a horsewhip. The accused had turned to strike her and had said, "That's the way we do with you niggers down south." She said he had then called her a vile name.

The case was postponed until tomorrow morning at 10.15. A case against Harry Doherty, related to come up in the police court this morning, was postponed. W. M. Ryan, appearing for the prosecution, said that J. A. Barry, counsel for the defence, was engaged in another court and had asked him to agree to a postponement. Monday afternoon was set for a continuation and in the meantime Doherty's \$400 deposit holds good.

COLLISION IN ST. LAWRENCE Indo-China and the Sarmatia Clash Off Three Rivers—No Lives Lost.

Three Rivers, Que., Aug. 11.—The French cargo vessel Indo-China, en route from New York to Montreal, collided at one fifty o'clock this morning off Three Rivers with the Norwegian cargo vessel Sarmatia, going down the river. No lives were lost but both ships are grounded on sand bars and will have to be towed, the Indo-China to Montreal and the Sarmatia to Quebec, for repairs.

The Berthier rushed to their aid from Sorel, arrived here at eight o'clock. The Mekinac was already on the scene of the disaster. First Mate Gage of the Indo-China, said to the Canadian Press: "The fog on the river was very thick and there were also heavy smoke clouds. We were going very slowly when 200 metres we suddenly saw before us the flank of a steamer. It was too late for signals and the prow of the Indo-China caught the Sarmatia amidships, causing a large hole above water. Everybody was soon on deck on both ships but it is reported that the crew of the Indo-China were in force only for seven working days." During the seven days \$80,010 has been collected for stamps. Prior to the act the normal for the same period would have been \$10,500. This shows an increase of nearly \$70,000 a day.

CLOSING IN ON THE INSURGENTS One View That End of War in Ireland is in Sight.

Important Engagement Between at Cork—Reported Desertions from Irregulars—Buildings in Cork City Said to be Afire.

(Canadian Press Cable) London, Aug. 11.—The end of the war in Ireland is in sight and the fall of Cork is hourly expected, says a general headquarters bulletin from the Irish National Army troops recently landed near Cork. A despatch bearing a Cork date to the Evening News, yesterday afternoon. These troops, numbering about 1,000, which were landed in the West Passage at Youghal and Union Hall, were within ten miles of Cork City. The war is counteracting stiff opposition and the battle was the highest of the war on the Irregulars, and in the opinion of observers might last several days. The Irregulars have a full squadron of cavalry to oppose the National's advance.

London, Aug. 11.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing his paper this morning from the headquarters of the National troops, says: "An expedition is landing today on the Kerry coast which will close all the gaps and open the route on the Malinbeg-Fermeoy-Mitchellstown line, where they might be their last stand. There are many desertions from their ranks." Daily Meeting Postponed.

Dublin, Aug. 11.—The reconvening of the Daily Eireann, scheduled for August 12, was postponed yesterday until Aug. 22. Cork Buildings Afire. London, Aug. 11.—All the military and police barracks in Cork are burning, according to a report of a government aviator who flew over the Irregulars' stronghold late yesterday. A Times despatch from Dublin.

The national troops at that time had consolidated their positions near Passage West, six miles east of Cork, but had not yet invested the city. (A Dublin despatch last night said that the national forces had entered Cork.) The pilot flew over the town at a height of only about 200 yards. Little rifle firing was directed at him, but reported, much less in fact, than when he passed over Dungarvan, although the Irregulars have evacuated Dungarvan proper.

Dublin, Aug. 11.—Communication with Cork, except by sea, is still impossible, and the exact results of the fighting between the Irregulars and the provisional government forces are unknown here. It is variously stated that the National's have entered and that they have not entered the city.

There also is divergence as to the extent of the fighting. Some of the wounded brought here on a steambarge at Passage West and that the National's had to fight their way through under intense fire, one being wounded and one killed. They reported that the government troops who landed at Union Hall also are fighting their way through the hostile districts.

The crew of another vessel arriving from Cork said the admiralty house and many frequent explosions were heard. It is reported that the Irregulars have evacuated Clonmel.

STAMP TAX A MONEY MAKER FOR THE GOVT. Toronto, Aug. 11.—"The new stamp tax is certainly a money maker for the government," said J. H. Bertram, collector of customs and excise. "It is a little early yet to estimate what increase is going to come in, because the act has been in force only for seven working days."

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CHURCHILL GETS A RAP ON EXPENSES H: F. M'CORMICK WEDDED IN PARIS Further Assistance Not Needed by the British Warship Raleigh.

Halifax, N. S., Aug. 11.—The U. S. S. Olympia, bearing Admiral McCully of the American training squadron, which set out yesterday for the relief of the Raleigh on the Labrador coast, reported the harbor this morning having been ordered to return following Admirals Pakenham's advice to Washington that further assistance was not needed.