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40,000 MEN MAY BE IDLE ON THE GREAT LAKES AGAIN

Big Strike of Longshoremen is Now Said to Be Practically Certain

RECOGNITION OF UNION

Is the Rock on Which the Men and Employers Will Split—Strike Will Affect all Men in Vessels, Grain Elevators, Docks and Harbor Tugs

Detroit, Mich., May 28.—(Special)—It is now almost certain that 18,000 or 20,000 members of the International Longshoremen's Association in the lake district will go on strike within the next week or ten days.

The issuance of a strike order, doubtless, will be left to the discretion of President O'Connor. This was the position taken at a conference held with the Buffalo grain scoopers and with the coal and ore dock workers on Lake Erie.

The Longshoremen say that unless their organization is recognized in a satisfactory manner the strike will come. The present conditions, they hold, are growing intolerable.

With the Longshoremen taking part in a great lake strike there will be about 40,000 men idle. They will include the men on vessels, in grain elevators on docks and harbor tugs, and in other positions.

H. H. ROGERS' WILL

He Leaves \$100,000 to the Public Schools of Fairhaven, Mass.

New York, May 28.—The will of the late Henry H. Rogers, was filed for probate here today. The estate leaves all his property to his widow, children and relatives with the exception of \$100,000 which he bequeathed to the town of Fairhaven, Mass., for the use of the primary and grammar school of that community.

The will gives to the widow the use of the New York City residence and sets aside a trust fund of \$200,000 to \$300,000 to provide an annuity for her of \$100,000. At her death this trust fund is to be returned to the residuary estate. Mr. Rogers leaves his real estate at Fairhaven, Mass., and his real estate there to his son, Henry H. Rogers, Jr.

CARLETON ELECTION CASE WAS UP TODAY

Argument was heard before Judge McLeod in chambers this morning for the trial of the petition against the return of George W. Upham, M. P. P., as a member of the provincial legislature from Carleton county at the last by-election made imperative by the withdrawal of B. F. Smith ex-M. P. P. from the provincial arena to oppose F. D. Carvell, M. P. P., for the federal seat.

CHILDREN'S FIND LED TO ARREST

Omaha, May 28.—The police of South Omaha last night arrested three men suspected of complicity in the Union Pacific train robbery near this city last Saturday. One of the men had \$15, another \$25 and the third a smaller sum, when arrested.

JEFFRIES AS A BALL PLAYER

Chicago, May 28.—James J. Jeffries scored another victory over his old rival Jas. J. Corbett, at the South Side Park yesterday when the Jeffries team defeated Corbett's nine 8 to 6. The game was close until the last inning, when Jeffries broke up the affair with a slugging triple to left field with the bases full.

ARMED MEN HOLD UP NEW YORK CAFE

New York, May 28.—Four armed men invaded a restaurant at 307 Seventh avenue today, held up the twenty customers, and after robbing two of them of \$38 made their escape. One of the robbers guarded the door, another covered the cashier with his revolver, while the two others drew revolvers and threatened to shoot any of the patrons who might attempt to leave the place.

OCEAN LINER WENT ON ROCKS

New York, May 28.—Apparently undamaged after resting all night with her bow on the rocks near the Staten Island shore, the North German Lloyd steamer Prinzess Alice was floated at high water today. Tests of her forward compartments showed them to be tight and Captain Moller declared that the steamer was sound and would resume her voyage today.

A FLAG INCIDENT

Yesterday's St. Croix Courier says:—"An unpleasant incident occurred in connection with the Knights of Pythias parade Monday evening. The parade was led by the Washington Company. Captain Rugg was coming down Woodland to participate in the parade. He was in the lead when he was met at the depot in Calais by Chas. H. Porter, Company Captain of the Knights of Pythias. The two men were met at the depot in Calais by Chas. H. Porter, Company Captain of the Knights of Pythias. The two men were met at the depot in Calais by Chas. H. Porter, Company Captain of the Knights of Pythias.

PIRATES OF THE SULLU SEA

Capt. Charles Pfort, of the steamship Borneo, brought the startling news from Jolo that the pearling fleet of four boats belonging to B. Heaton-Ellis had been attacked by Moro while at anchor near the town of Parang.

RACE MEETING OFF

Denver, Colo., May 28.—Convinced that no satisfactory arrangement to allow betting in horse racing in Colorado can be made with the authorities, Blind John Condon, lessee of the Overland Park track announced last night that the proposed 30 day meeting at that track had been abandoned.

THE WORLD'S AGE

London, May 27.—The perennial problem of the age of the world has received a new contribution based on the antiquity of radioactive minerals. Geologists some time ago figured the age of the earth at least 250,000,000 years and the estimate held until mathematical physicists computed that the sun itself had not existed more than 115,000,000 years. The discovery of radium and the theories of radio-activities seem to be going to establish the geologists' contention. Lord Rutherford's son, R. J. Strutt, who is already an eminent scientist, announces as the result of a recent experiment with a chunk of thorium containing uranium, that the latter could not have accumulated in less than 240,000,000 years, while experiments on a larger scale, which are now going on, will probably lead to an extension of the time.

It is probable that Chief of Police Clark will send a communication to the city council with reference to the condition of outside locks-up.

DIGBY IS ANXIOUS OVER MISSING BOY

Fourteen Year Old Edmund Bain Has Not Been Seen Since Saturday Afternoon—Had Considerable Money With Him

Digby, N. S., May 28.—(Special)—The townspeople are quite stirred over the mysterious disappearance of a 14 year old boy. It appears that Edmund Bain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bain, of Mt. Pleasant, left Point Prim light and fog alarm station Saturday afternoon, telling the keeper, Captain Wm. Ellis, by whom he had been employed since last autumn, that he wanted to go to Digby to purchase some clothes and other articles.

RIVER THIEVES AT MARBLE COVE

Gasoline Launch Owners Complain of Pilfering on the Part of Unknown Persons

Owners of gasoline launches, who keep their boats in Marble Cove, are angry at the pilfering which has been going on since early in the spring. From their own accounts, they say that the thieves have taken from their boats, which they valued at about forty dollars, a quantity of gasoline, a few tools, and other articles.

FEDERATION OF LABOR HAS GONE TO PIECES

Paris, May 28.—The prestige of the general strike represented the Federation of Labor of the general strike. M. Neill, the secretary of the Federation, has announced that the union has withdrawn with the intention of reorganizing on a new basis, and without the revolutionary characteristics of the old union.

ITALIANS DISMISSED

Chatham, N. B., May 28.—(Special)—Twelve Italians arrested here on Tuesday and kept imprisoned for three days on a warrant sworn out by the agent of the G. T. P. construction party were released this morning. J. A. Haviland acted for the prisoners and the warrant was returned for a criminal offence whereas the question was one of breaking a working contract.

THE EPSOM RACES

Epson, May 28.—The Acorn stakes of 100 sovereigns for two year old colts and fillies was run here today, and won by Yellow Slave. Minstrel was second, and Blue Boy third. The Oak stakes of 500 sovereigns, for three year old fillies of 1908, distance about one mile and a half, was run and won by Terza, owned by W. Cooper. His Majesty's Princess De Games was second, and J. B. Joels Verne, third. Fourteen horses ran.

NO CANCER IN HIS

In reply to the statement of Dr. Harvey R. Goydard of the Buffalo State Cancer Laboratory, that cancer is a very common disease among trout, Mr. Hiram Hornbeam points out that cancer is not a germ disease, and is therefore not communicable; and further, that all the trout in his lake are subjected to intensive treatment, and are entirely different from the hand-picked article which so many St. John sportsmen send around to their friends on their return from a fishing trip.

SOO STEEL WORKS WILL GET BIG BOOM

Two New Immense Steel Mills to Be Erected at the Canadian Soo Expected to be Turning Out Products By November 1st

New York, May 28.—A despatch from Pittsburgh to the Times says:—"Another move toward enlarging the iron and steel industry of the United States on the borders of the Great Lakes was made when a contract was closed by the Algoma Steel Company for \$20,000,000 of heavy steel machinery to be delivered at Sault Ste. Marie, Canada, as quickly as possible. It is the intention of the Philadelphia and the Londoners back of this plant to have two immense steel mills there turning out bars and other steel products by November 1. The nature of the machinery ordered shows that the mills to be erected will be rivals worthy of even the biggest and best Pittsburgh mills. They will be by far the largest steel mills ever erected in the world.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

Not Enough Cells in Police Station to Accommodate the Prisoners—Old College Gun is No More

Fredericton, N. B., May 28.—(Special)—The body of the late W. B. Clemente, who died at Quinlan, N. Y., arrived here by the noon train today in charge of his family. It was taken to the funeral home at Springhill where interment was made this afternoon. Services were conducted by St. Peter's church by Rev. J. J. McLaughlin, who journeyed from Port Hope for the purpose of the request of the family. Mrs. Clemente has been looking forward to Frederick in the course of a few weeks.

LATE LOCALS

The argument was concluded in the arbitration between the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and the N. B. Railway Co., and the commissioners will render a decision within a month.

PARIS THEATRE RECEIPTS

They Exceeded \$9,000,000 Last Year—Some of the Profitable Plays

The receipts at the theatres, music halls, concerts and public entertainments, including boxing matches, in Paris amount last year to \$9,171,490. Although this sum is \$200,000 more than was received in 1907, it does not prove that 1908 was a better year for the entertainment world than 1907, for it includes \$200,000 received at museums and exhibitions which did not figure in last year's returns.

CHARGES OF GRAFT

Paris, May 28.—While the investigation into the scandals in the matter of naval supplies and construction appears to be more and more serious. Other instances of defective material furnished by contractors to the navy have been reported. It is under the administration of M. Pelloux and M. Thomson, bribes were offered as well as in the case of the construction of the Atlantic cable. The director of public works has asked the special committee appointed some weeks ago to look into various matters connected with the service will make a report.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, May 28.—The stock market opened with a lively demand in force and large gains resulted here and there with the whole market a fraction higher than last night. 6,800 shares of U. S. Steel were sold at the opening at 61 5/8 and 61 3/4, compared with 61 1/4 last night. The price subsequently rose to 62.

AERIAL TRAFFIC LINES TO BE FORMED

It Will Soon Be Possible to Travel Between the Big Cities of Germany By Motor Balloon—Cheaper Than Automobiles.

Washington, May 28.—That it will soon be cheaper for the great mass of the German people to ride in airships than in automobiles, seems assured from reports to the state department from the United States consul at Brunswick, which says that the German Aerial Navigation Company has established permanent airship lines in Germany and that they appear to be assured of success. The report gives the following details:—"It is the purpose of the company at the start to connect fully 30 cities. It has already received patents for its turntable motor balloons, and it will erect its first halls in Berlin, Hamburg, Cologne, Frankfurt and Leipzig. Five lines are planned connecting the largest cities in Germany, including Hamburg, Bremen, Cologne, Frankfurt and Leipzig. The consul also sends a map showing the several routes.

WHY DO STOCKS ADVANCE WHEN BIG MEN DIE?

When big men die in the financial world, the stock market has a curious habit of advancing. Commodore Vanderbilt's death sent up the price of New York Central. Jay Gould's demise was followed by a rise in the price of Union Pacific.

STANDARD'S YARN WAS BUT A DREAM

Snatching of the Mississippi River and the Illinois, was the thrilling story of the Standard Oil Company's attempt to control the river boats abate, as told in the Standard this morning. The Elaine and May Queen running madly along. The boats were at such a distance that both steamers caught fire, and a panic broke out among the passengers on the Elaine. The Queen was ablaze at the same time. In short there was a hot time generally. Enquiry from the management of the Elaine this morning and Captain Weston of the May Queen, results in the story losing its brilliancy entirely, though it does seem a pity to spoil such a "dramatic yarn. From both sides come the most emphatic denials that there was any real idea of a collision. A spark from the smoke stack of the Queen got into that steamer's boiler, also occasioning a panic, which was the extent of the fire.

FINE BEEF CATTLE

Yesterday's Sackville Tribune says:—"Early in June fifty two and three year old steers, bought last fall from leading farmers in Westmorland and Cumberland counties and since then kept on the experimental farm at Nappan, will be shipped by the farm authorities to John McLeod J. R. of the city market, St. John, by whom they have recently been purchased. These steers provide fine proof of the effectiveness of the feeding methods followed at the farm. Agriculturists who have seen them say that they make up an exceptionally nice lot of animals and should give the city people some very toothsome beef. All the steers are of good weight, the average weight, however, according to information given The Tribune by one gentleman, will probably be about thirteen hundred and fifty pounds. One gentleman in question also expressed himself as regarding the animals as a credit to the experimental farm and its manager, R. Robertson."

AT CITY HALL

The common council meets at three o'clock this afternoon to consider the report of the board of works regarding the work at the Marsh Bridge abutment and the matter of the Francis Rack & Co. lease.

PROBING SERIOUS CHARGES OF GRAFT

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MONTREAL STOCKS

Montreal, Q., May 28.—(Special)—Today's leaders in strength in the stock market include: Toronto 100, which rose to 12 1/2; Rubber 8 1/2; Ogilvie 12 1/2; and Penman, 3 1/2. Other strong features were: Canadian Steel, Lake of Woods, 13; Don, 7 1/2; Dore, 7 1/2; Lawrence, 12 1/2; Rich, 12 1/2; Montreal Street Ry., 24; Richardson, 22 1/2; Havana, 2; Scotia, 9 1/2; Pacific, 10.

CALGARY IS APPARENTLY THE HOME OF THE GRAFTER

Big Scandal Over the Erection of New \$300,000 City Hall.

Washington, May 28.—Commissioners and council operating under the Federal act between Great Britain and the United States, providing for the adoption of uniform and effective measures for the protection of the food fishes in the waters contiguous to the United States and Canada met here today at the state department. Prof. David Starr Jordan is the Canadian commissioner, while C. P. Anderson is legal adviser on the part of this government, and N. S. Gibbons on the part of Canada. The commissioners have been at work for about a year and have completed a set of regulations to govern fishing, which, if adopted by both governments, will go far towards protecting and preserving the fish and will avoid friction and strife arising from a lack of knowledge regarding the limitations put on the claims of the respective countries by the others along the border line. Recent dispatches from Canada have indicated that the agreement reached by the commissioners is in the main satisfactory to that government. As soon as accepted by both governments it will be promulgated.

CUT THEIR WAY OUT OF PRISON

Amsterdam, N. Y., May 28.—John Conroy, Giuseppe Gervasio and Joseph Damico, Italians, escaped from the county jail at Fondle last night and are still at large, although the surrounding country is being searched in search of them and the police of all neighboring cities have been notified. Conroy and Gervasio, who are under long sentences to Dannemora prison for murder, were brought from prison some days ago to testify against Frank Demafio, who is accused of complicity in the same case.

BANDITS ATTACK THE AMERICAN TROOPS

Manila, May 28.—Two private soldiers were killed and a sergeant was mortally wounded during a fight with Moro bandits on the Rouman River, May 22, according to advices received here today. According to advices the Moro surprised an outpost of the Eighteenth Infantry encamped at Neighbourly and poured a volley into the soldiers before the latter could defend themselves. The two privates were instantly killed by the first shots fired.

BALL TEAMS AND THE M. P. A. A.

In spite of the announcement from Moncton that the railway town would have no ball team in the provincial league, it is now understood that present prospects are that they will enter a team and a good one. This announcement was made today by Charles F. Tiley, one of the managers of the Marathons. Asked with reference to his team's attitude towards the M. P. A. A. and whether or not they would be governed by it, he said that so far there were no members of the team under suspension, so that they were on easy street in that regard. Whether or not they would play professionals later he was not prepared to say, that was a matter that the league would have to decide upon. Asked further if it was true that the Greeks contemplated an imported battery Mr. Tiley would not say. "There is no knowing what will be done later," was all he would say. Manager Edward Mahoney of the St. Peters was outspoken against the attitude of the M. P. A. A. in baseball and said that he didn't care whether his team were suspended or not, and that so far as the Intra-Society League were concerned, the M. P. A. A. could go right on suspending.

NEGRO FIREMAN ON A GEORGIA TRAIN

Atlanta, Ga., May 28.—Carrying a negro fireman, the first train of any sort to cross over the Georgia Railroad in more than five days an engine and a mail car, left here at 7:30 this morning. The train pulled out through a deep lane of spectators at the station but there was no demonstration. The negro fireman on the Atlanta train bore a name distinguished in Georgia, Joseph H. Brown, which is identical with that of the Governor elect, who will take office in a few weeks. The engineers upon all the trains today were the regular men who stopped work last Saturday. They returned to work with the assurance from Assistant Chief Burgess of the Order of Locomotive Engineers, that they would be protected.

NATURAL HISTORY ITEM

It is an open secret that one of the objects Director Murdoch has in view on his visit to New England is to consult the authorities on natural history at Harvard, on the latest discoveries relative to influenza and their effect upon the human system, when taken in quantities under local option, by persons accustomed to a diet of tenated skirts. They said she ought to be in a tuberculosis camp.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

A man named Roadhouse has been appointed secretary of the Ontario milk commission. Premier Whitney doubtless concluded a man named Roadhouse would not stand for any water in his.