

TORONTO HEARS MORE TALK OF A STRIKE SETTLEMENT

A CONFERENCE RUMORED

Visit of President Lee and His Actions in Queen City Are Looked Upon as Very Significant—Strike Leader Goes to Montreal to See Vice-President Murdock—A Size-Up of Situation to Date.

Nothing has been heard at the local Grand Trunk offices regarding a settlement of the strike. A persistent rumor from Toronto to the effect that an agreement had been reached is in circulation.

"We have heard nothing," said Mr. Bowker. Everything is going ahead in good shape, and there is no trouble. Freight is moving most satisfactorily.

It is understood that the track will be patrolled by the section men in this district. The roadmaster is in charge of this work, but he could not be seen today. Special constables are being sworn in here.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, July 27.—The visit of W. M. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and A. B. Garretson, of the Order of Railway Conductors, seems to have changed the entire situation regarding the strike.

Persistent rumors of an approaching settlement are in circulation. The fact that both these leaders visited Toronto and discussed the situation with the leaders here, attended a secret session of the strikers, and then went to Montreal to consult with Vice-President Murdock, is regarded as significant.

It is generally agreed here that despite all the reports to the contrary, there will be a conference with President Charles M. Hays, and if there is, a settlement of some kind will be reached before many hours.

When the strike was declared it was supposed that the local leaders were strong enough to carry the fight to a successful issue and there was no intention of calling upon the leaders in the United States, because of the feeling in Canada that they should not interfere with Canadian affairs.

The progress made since the strike was declared has been anything but satisfactory, it is said, and it is understood that the men themselves demanded the presence of the heads of the order.

It was even intimated today that if the trainmen did not reach a settlement, it would certainly be made for the conductors who are the greatest losers by the fight.

The conductors are in the minority and when the strike vote was taken the trainmen out-voted the older men.

Toronto, July 27.—The Globe says:

What may be regarded as a significant feature in the light of recent strike developments is that last night Mr. Brownlee, the transportation manager of the G. T. R., who has issued nightly accounts of the progress made by the company in re-establishing the service, blankly refused to talk at all.

In accordance with his own arrangement the city newspaper representatives called upon him late in the evening, but were informed that he had returned to his hotel. On inquiring for him there the reporters were informed that Mr. Brownlee had left instructions that he was not to be disturbed, as he had nothing to say.

When seen later, Mr. Brownlee declined to be interviewed, simply remarking as he retired to his room: "I have nothing for you tonight, gentlemen. Please let me alone."

Rumors came tonight from various quarters about settlement negotiations. The most definite was from Windsor, where it was said orders had been issued to cease hiring strike-breakers because the regular men would soon be back at work.

After most careful inquiry no basis can be found in fact for the rumors of negotiations. The strike has settled down to a test of endurance. The Grand Trunk is now undoubtedly moving freight in considerable quantities, but the strikers still assert that the movement is spasmodic, and is only possible through the unceasing labors of the higher officials of the road, who cannot long hold the train.

Boycott at Fall.

Niagara Falls, Ont., July 27.—That local merchants believe in ultimate victory for the G. T. R. strikers is evidenced by the refusal of many business men to sell goods to strike-breakers.

"Strike-breakers not served here," "No goods sold to strike-breakers," "Barbers refuse to shave strike-breakers, and in a majority of the hotels they will not be served with drinks or cigars."

The local Y. M. C. A., where the strike-breakers are housed, is experiencing trouble in securing food for the men.

Talk of Settlement.

Windsor, July 26.—It is understood here tonight that local Grand Trunk officials have received instructions not to engage any more men to fill the strikers' places. This is interpreted as the strike headquarters here to meet that the company have under consideration some plan of settlement.

Quiet at Kingston.

Kingston, July 27.—Freight trains are moving on the Grand Trunk Railway at the junction station. The western freight stalled in the yard has been moved.

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IN THE DEATH CHAIR

Young Murderer Electrocuted at Auburn, N. Y.—Three Contacts Necessary.

Auburn, N. Y., July 27.—William Gilbert, 29 years old, was electrocuted in Auburn prison early this morning. Gilbert was composed when he entered the death chamber with Chaplain Herrick, of the prison, and a priest, Father Broome.

Three contacts were necessary to cause death. There was not anything out of the regular routine of execution. Gilbert was convicted of murdering his sweetheart by shooting.

STOP-OVERS STOPPED

Railroads Decide to Cut Out the Privileges on Limited Tickets.

Chicago, July 27.—Railroads covering nearly every section of the country have decided to discontinue, after Oct. 1, the practice of granting stop-over privileges on limited tickets where ever such stop-over is operated to extend the original limits of the tickets.

The roads have been trying to reach an agreement on this point for more than a year for the reason, they say, that the practice has increased by leaps and bounds, until the prescribed limits of the tickets have been exceeded for all sorts of trivial causes.



MAJOR CARPENTER, R. C. R. Former Londoner, who is Commanding Troops of the Brockville Sent to Quell the Riot.

YARDMAN'S HAND BADLY SMASHED

A Stone Struck C. Black, Who Was Working in the East End Yards.

FIRST TROUBLE IN LONDON

It Is Not Known Who Threw the Stone—Company Issues Orders to Employees to Patrol Tracks

The first trouble of any kind that has occurred in connection with the Grand Trunk strike here took place yesterday afternoon, when Yardman C. Black, who has been working with the yard crew under Yardmaster Cloghney, had his hand smashed by a big stone, hurled by someone unknown.

Yardman Black was working at a car in a siding near the Empire Manufacturing Company's brass works, when the stone struck him.

His hand was badly smashed, and the bones shattered. He was taken to a doctor and had the injury dressed.

An Important Order.

An important order was issued this morning, ordering out all sectionmen and special constables, and the instructions were that each man is to regularly patrol one mile of track assigned to him.

Local officials will not state that they are looking for any trouble particularly, but they are taking no chances, and it is said that a large force of special constables is gathered here, in charge of Stationmaster Thos. Shaw, of this city.

This morning express No. 24 was taken to Niagara Falls in charge of Master of Transportation Crombie.

No. 4, the early morning express, due here at 3:30, is reported 10 hours late, and No. 6, due at 11:30, is 3 hours behind.

Trouble in the West.

At the station Superintendent Bowker stated that all he had been able to learn was that there was trouble west of Port Huron.

There have been persistent rumors about the city today that No. 4 was in a serious wreck, but the report could not be verified.

AN ARMED REVOLT STARTED IN CUBA

Insurrectionists Under Arms in El Caney—1,000 Troops Sent There.

Havana, Cuba, July 27.—General Miniet is officially reported in arms against the Government at El Caney, Santiago Province.

General Montegudo, of the Rural Guard, leaves Havana with a force of one thousand and war material.

General Miniet is a veteran, well-known in Santiago. His disappearance, together with that of Colonel Janet, two days ago, caused great anxiety.

New York, July 27.—Recent dispatches to the Herald from Havana correspondent have reported unrest in the island. Under date of Sunday, it was stated that there was great excitement in Santiago Province on account of the imminence of an insurrection. The disappearance of General Miniet and Colonel Janet was noted, the suspicion being prevalent that they had departed in accordance with a plan to meet at some agreed-upon place and begin revolutionary operations.

A recent political meet in Santiago in mysterious circumstances, attended by Generals Rabi and Ceborgo, of revolutionary fame, as well as a representative from General Menocal, the defeated presidential candidate, caused much comment. It generally is believed that Santiago Province was arranged to take some serious step against the Government. General Montegudo, commanding the Rural Guard, says that all measures have been taken in anticipation of an uprising.

A TRAMP'S WEARY WALK.

Galt, July 27.—A tramp who had travelled all the way from Rainy River to Galt was yesterday given six months in Central Prison. He wanted to be deported to the old country, but the magistrate told him he would have to apply to the warden at the prison.

BRAKEMEN MAY DIE.

St. Thomas, July 27.—Geo. Foote, a Wabash brakeman, fell from his train near Simcoe. He was not missed, but was found some time later by an operator. He was brought to the hospital here, and was found to have sustained probably fatal injuries.

WILLIAM MAY DISCHARGED

STORY OF SHOOTING ON SUNDAY

Evidence Went to Show That the Young Fellow Did Not Shoot Directly at His Mother and Brother—Allowed to Go With a Warning.

William May, nineteen years old, residing with his mother, Mary May, of London Township, who appeared before Squire Chittick yesterday and was committed for trial on charge of shooting with intent at his mother and a brother James on Sunday last, was discharged by Judge Elliott this morning, both the complainants having sworn that they merely intended to frighten the prisoner by bringing him into court.

May was warned that if he ever appears again on such a charge he will not be dealt with so leniently.

Mrs. May, James May and Acting High Constable Corsaut, who made the arrest, were the witnesses.

Mrs. May stated that she was out in the yard milking on Sunday morning, and on her return to the house found her elder son James teasing William. She told him to desist, but before long a bitter quarrel commenced between the pair. William went out into the yard, but later returned to the house and secured a revolver, which had been around the home for the past twenty-five years. It was an old-fashioned chamber weapon, and was exceptionally small one. The gun was produced and ordered confiscated.

Shortly after William left the house Mrs. May heard the boys quarreling again and went out to stop them. Thean ungovernable temper.

prisoner fired two shots in her direction, but not directly at her body. James interfered and, picking up a brick, threatened to knock his brother down if he did not put the gun away. He was warned to keep away, and when he advanced toward his younger brother, another shot was fired. This was also in the air and to the side, she claimed.

The Cross-Examination.

Mr. Scatcherd, in cross-examination, brought out the fact that the prisoner did not at any time fire deliberately at either the mother or brother.

James also swore that he took great pleasure in working his brother's temper up to a white heat.

Constable Corsaut told of being called to the May home a short distance from where he resides. He was told of the trouble and commenced a search of the premises for William May. He had disappeared, however, and did not return to his mother's home until after supper Sunday night. He was arrested in bed Monday morning, and after a few denials told the constable that the pistol was hidden in the driving shed. It was discovered there and had four empty chambers.

Women and children who had been a case of murder," said Mr. McKillop, "so that it would be well to keep any weapon out of the reach of a man with such a temper."

FALKIRK MAN KICKED BY HORSE

BLOATED TO ABNORMAL SIZE

One of the most peculiar cases that has ever come to the notice of local physicians is that of Hugh McEwen, a farmer from Falkirk, who was brought to the city today as a result of being kicked by a horse.

The horse's foot landed just above the windpipe and tore it slightly. Every time Mr. McEwen breathed the air instead of going into the lungs went through the hole in the windpipe, and by the time he reached the office of Dr. Hadley Williams, although he is ordinarily a small man, he looked like one that would weigh fully 300 pounds.

Dr. Williams at once removed Mr. McEwen to the hospital and stopped the hole in the windpipe.

How he is going to get all the air from under Mr. McEwen's skin is what the doctor is trying to figure out.

Asked if he thought the case was likely to prove a very serious one Dr. Williams said he could not tell yet.

ALL NEW WORK HAS BEEN STOPPED

No New Improvements Will Be Made Unless New Petitions Are Sent to Council.

PEOPLE WILL BE ANGRY

But Ald. Richter Says Matters Had Come to Such a Pass That a Halt Had to Be Called.

The decision of the special committee appointed by the council to inquire into the local improvement work, that no further work shall be done will create considerable difficulty in the board of works department.

According to figures submitted by Ald. Richter the city bylaw has contracted to lay \$135,000 worth of local improvements this year, if possible.

About \$20,000 worth has been done. It would have reached in all probability \$80,000 or thereabouts this year. City Paid 50 Per Cent.

Of this the city and the old agreement had 50 per cent of the cost, and the intersections. This was a little more than 60 per cent of the whole cost.

The new rule will lessen the expenditure a great deal so far as the city is concerned.

The percentage of the cost the city will have to pay cannot exceed 40 per cent on streets designated as principal or business streets under any circumstances. There is quite a difference between 40 and 60 per cent, and the difference will be appreciable in the tax rate.

Of course, there will be many complaints as a matter of fact there are many already, but the law is quite clear, and any property-owner who wishes to have improvements made must pay a much larger percentage than heretofore.

Reverts the Situation.

Ald. Richter stated this morning that he regretted having to bring matters to such a pass. In keeping with the resolution, all the petitioners have been notified that they may finish the work in hand, but no more will be undertaken.

"I did not intend going so far in this matter," said Ald. Richter. "At the beginning of the year I pointed out that the local improvement inebriety of the city was growing at a very rapid rate. That, with the increase in the cost of education, had run the tax rate up to excessive height. I asked the board of works to go slow. I wanted them to put down only such work as was absolutely necessary. I thought it only right that we should catch up with the rate, and put the city in a stronger financial position. Instead of doing this they went headlong into this matter, and petition after petition was passed, arriving at such a stage that the high-water mark was reached. When they would not listen to reason, I was determined they should listen to law. I think I have carried my point."

"It is not because I wanted to do this, but we had to do something. Now, we will have to go slower, and we may be able to catch up with the tax rate. Some people may blame me, but I am not particular about that. We must be careful."

In a Predicament.

Ald. Tancock is in a predicament. He will have to give orders, and stop the work, but he insists that there is much to be done that is absolutely necessary. However, it will all be stopped.

"I guess we will have to stop the work," said Mayor Beattie. "However, if the petitioners want their improvement, they must pay for it."

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ONLY EIGHT RINKS NOW REMAIN IN BATTLE FOR LABATT TROPHY

G. T. R. ACCEPTS FREIGHT FOR ALL POINTS TODAY

Business Is Brisk Says Supt. Bowker of Grand Trunk Railway.

Superintendent Bowker, of the Grand Trunk, announced this morning that freight sheds all through the district reopened today for business, and will accept freight for all points. Business, he states, is very brisk, and trains are going through regularly. Superintendent Bowker states that the company are still taking on experienced men.

STRIKE CONDITIONS AS SEEN IN CHICAGO

Accumulations in Grand Trunk Freight Houses Cleared Out Yesterday.

Chicago, July 27.—Accumulations of freight in local Grand Trunk freight houses, due to the strike, virtually were cleared out yesterday. Five freight trains were sent out yesterday, bound for eastern and Canadian points. Only a few guards were sent out with each train.

Officials of the road said normal conditions would be re-established within a few hours.

FAMOUS AMUSEMENT PARK DESTROYED

Bergen Beach Is Swept by Flames

—Destroyed in Half Hour—Loss \$400,000.

New York, July 27.—Shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday fire started in the woods just behind the amusement resort of Bergen Beach and within 30 minutes the resort was destroyed. A stiff breeze fanned the flames.

The amusement places along the board walk and the buildings along the shore, including an automaton theatre, The Casino, opera house, Stern's Hotel and the Thompson Scenic Railway were completely destroyed before the firemen arrived.

Women and children who were on the board walk at the time of the fire escaped. The loss is estimated at \$400,000.

SOME 2,000 PILGRIMS FORM PROCESSION

A Unique Aggregation Parades Chicago Streets at Close of Feast of St. Anne.

Chicago, July 27.—A procession of 2,000 pilgrims, whose homes are scattered from ocean to ocean, among them some who came from the far west, were seen from the shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre, Canada. The pilgrimages are held annually and attract pilgrims from nearly every state in the United States.

Simultaneously occurred the procession of lighted candles and the end of the novena. The pilgrims, in the procession, in the United States possessing the sacred relics. At the latter place nearly 5,000 persons made the pilgrimage.

Paralyzed claimed they were restored, and the blind asserted they were made to see.

Eighteen cures were announced at St. Anne, Chicago. Relics of St. Anne in the two American shrines, were secured from the shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre, Canada. The pilgrimages are held annually and attract pilgrims from nearly every state in the United States.

DEADLY CLOUDBURST IN DEES, AUSTRIA

Twenty-five Persons Perished in Flood That Followed Cloudburst.

Budapest, Hungary, July 27.—Twenty-five persons perished in a flood that followed a cloudburst at the town of Dees yesterday. The damage to property and crops was heavy.

THE WEATHER

Tomorrow—Fair and Warm.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, July 27.—A. m. Light to moderate variable winds; mostly fine and warm today and Thursday; a few local thunderstorms.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. Max. Min. Weather.

Calgary 68 34 Clear

Winnipeg 50 52 Clear

Port Arthur 50 52 Clear

Toronto 62 50 Clear

Ottawa 62 50 Clear

Quebec 58 50 Cloudy

Father Point 58 50 Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

The barometer is low, but the weather is fine and warm from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces.

The weather has become cooler throughout the west, and there have been light showers in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

By Tonight Finals Will Be Known in Great Bowling Contest.

BRILLIANT WORK ON LOCAL GREENS

Eddie Seagram and Bert Heaman Fought it Out—Mr. J. S. Willison Is a Winner.

Eight rinks now remain in the Labatt trophy contest, and by night the trophy holders will be known.

The rinks still in the running are: Willison, Toronto Canadas; Haire, of Paris; Tom McCurdy, of Stratford; Bert Heaman, of London Thistles; Bert Lind, London Bowling Club; Eddie Dunbar, of Guelph; Hoover, of Clinton; A. Chambers, of Aylmer; Dunbar and Chambers will play; Willison will attack up against Tom McCurdy; Bert Heaman will meet Haire, and Hoover and Bert Lind will fight it out.

The bowling this morning was most brilliant. In fact, as brilliant as has ever been seen on London greens.

Every contest was a battle, and every quartette showed superlative form. There were many thrilling finishes, and the large gallery did not want for excitement.

A Famous Battle.

Eddie Dunbar, of Guelph, and Dr. Wiley, of Brantford, had a famous battle. At the last end they were tied, and Wiley had two shots. The only chance for Dunbar was an overdraw, but he required nerve to make it, but Dunbar with his very last ball made the shot and won. Maybe the genial Guelph man was not given a reception. It truly was a brilliant shot.

Perhaps more exciting was the great struggle between Eddie Seagram and Bert Heaman. Seagram, by a magnificent shot, drew the kitty and got four shots on the sixth end, and on the next end drew another, tying the score on the last end.

The Waterloo man lay two shots, when Tony Tillmann ran the jack to the ditch and lay a shot. It was unbeatable, and Eddie Seagram himself beaten. This game was followed by a large gallery, and the players were liberally applauded.

Bert Willison, of Toronto, is one of the victors. He got away to a fine start on John Leckard, and the London skip could never get up. Mr. Willison bowled brilliantly all the way through.

Easy Work.

Haire, of Paris, had a somewhat easy time with Mr. of Brantford, and won with some to spare.

Bert Lind's famous four had an easy time with Wiley, of St. Thomas. With the score 28 to 10, the finish of the thirteenth end, it was impossible for the St. Thomas bunch to get up, and they scored a number in the last few ends.

Hoover, of Clinton, had always a lead on Armitage, of Paris, and won with something to spare. There was some fine bowling done.

Tom McCurdy and Billy Euler had a battle royal, and the game was tied up on many occasions. McCurdy finished.

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BATTLING WITH ICE

Perilous Passage of Steamer Through Riffs Eighty Feet High.

Seattle, July 27.—The steamer Mackinaw, with \$200,000 in gold bullion, picked up at Kotzebue Sound ports, picked up here from Nome yesterday. Officers of the late report the worst yet conditions in Bering Strait that have been encountered in 17 years.

Captain Frank Mills said it took twelve days to make the passage from Nome to Kotzebue Sound, when ordinarily it could be made in thirty hours.

The Mackinaw was entirely surrounded by ice from July 2 to July 17, and much progress forcing its way through rifts and flaws in the field.

In some places the ice was piled 80 feet high. At the entrance to Kotzebue Sound the way was blocked by a solid wall of ice, and much time was lost waiting for the passage to open. Captain Mills says that the cold winds blowing inland from the ice presented a mid-winter appearance.

ALL FOR LOVE

Toronto Youth Drowned Himself Because Girl Called Him a "Bum."

Lindsay, July 26.—"I plainly see that you are a bum, No. 40 can never make \$224 lappy. We are going to leave your desire incurable. For traitors drowning is a sweet death."

As a result of receiving the above telegram, Philip Wolberg, discouraged and despondent, drowned himself in the Scugog Sunday morning.

It appears that while living in Newfoundland, Wolberg courted a pretty New York girl, Miss Sarah Burnstein, and it was a case of infatuation with each other at first sight.

The parents of Miss Burnstein objected to his attentions and sought to separate the two lovers.

Telegrams were intercepted as well as other correspondence, and at last Wolberg threatened to drown his sorrows. This he did after receiving the above telegram which was signed by Nov. 35 and 21.

Wolberg decided to go to New York, and find out who sent the telegram, and changed his mind.

He formerly lived in Toronto, where the body was removed to.