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1500 MEN WENT ON STRIKE AT SPRINGHILL THIS MORNING

Every Workman Out and Officials are Keeping the Machinery Going—No Attempt to Mine Coal—Both Sides in Determined Mood—Railway Not Yet Affected

The miners and mechanics in the employ of the Cumberland Coal and Railway Company at Springhill went on strike at seven o'clock this morning, and the prospects are that there will be a long fight between the men and the employers before work is resumed.

SPRINGHILL, N. S., Aug. 9.—At a meeting of the members of lodge 480, of the U. M. W. held here last night by a vote recorded by a show of hands, it was decided to go on strike tomorrow.

Mr. McCullough, vice-president of the U. M. W., accompanied by Dan McDougall, district president, arrived in town at noon and were in attendance at the meeting, and while he contended that the men had good and sufficient reasons for quitting work, he would leave it to themselves to decide.

The following resolution was then put and unanimously carried: "Whereas, We, the mine workers of Springhill, have various grievances which we have endeavored to have adjusted by and through the machinery of conciliation, and whereas the various boards of conciliation have failed to give us the desired relief, we, the mine workers of Springhill, cease work Tuesday, August 10th, 1909, and remain idle until the Cumberland Railway and Coal Company grant the following demands:

"1st—Recognition of the union. "2nd—That 170 lbs be the standard weight of a box of coal, as decided by the Patterson board; that the miners be paid by the ton. "3rd—The establishment of a fair dockage system."

In accordance with this resolution the men walked out this morning at seven o'clock, and as the day shifted did not turn up to go to work the mines stand idle. About 1500 men are involved in the strike, including the miners and mechanics. The latter are the firemen, engine drivers, foremen, etc.

This leaves the mine without a workman, as all the employees are members of the U. M. W. Efforts are being made today to prevent disaster by keeping the pumps working, and the other necessary machinery going by the aid of the officials and office staff.

No attempt is being made at present to mine coal as there are no miners available. So far there has been no interruption of traffic on the railway operated by the company, but it is possible that sympathy with the miners may lead the railway men to take action later.

General Manager Stewart in conversation with the Star today, stated that their position in the matter had been fully stated before the Longley Board of conciliation a fortnight ago when they submitted their case to the decision of the board. As the miners had returned to be governed by the finding of the board there was nothing that the company could do to avoid the trouble. The present situation had not changed their views one iota, and they intend to adhere to the stand they have taken. The company intends to fight to a finish, but Mr. Stewart today refused to state what steps they intended to take.

It is not expected, however, that any attempt will be made to bring in outside workers at present and while the present situation continues no serious trouble with the strikers is anticipated.

The announcement was made today that all men who wish to do so may return to work under the old conditions, and that if they do not do so when the strike is ended and the men return a reduction of ten per cent. in wages will be made.

The fact that the town of Springhill is almost entirely dependent on the mine workers for existence, the strike is a very serious matter to the citizens. The men claim that they are in a position to endure a long period of idleness, and they have been promised the support of the U. M. W. As the company is equally determined the prospects are that the strike will be a long one, and the immediate future looks very gloomy to the people of Springhill.

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BIG DECREASE IN ALASKAN FISHERIES

SEATTLE, Wa., Aug. 10.—Detailed reports from Alaska salmon canneries show that in the Bristol Bay district there is a decrease of 116,285 cases this year, as compared with last year. The 1909 pack, however, shows an increase over that of 1907 of 247,000 cases.

WAS NOT ANXIOUS TO MARRY A CHINESE

So Toronto Girl Gains Undesirable Notoriety. Pathetic Fatality at Guelph—Man Fall Six Stories Down Elevator—Verdict of Accident in Cobalt Affair.

TORONTO, Ont., Aug. 10.—Morris Jackson, an employee of the Stewart Howe and Meek Co., was terribly injured yesterday afternoon by a fall of six storeys down the elevator shaft. Every rib was broken and he had severe internal injuries. He will probably die. Jackson was unmarried.

Tom Lee, a Richmond Hill Chinaman who recently chanced a ditch on his sill, failed to put in an appearance yesterday as complainant, and a warrant was issued for his arrest. The police say Tom wants to marry the young lady, and that on Saturday last he made every effort to secure his liberty on bail so as to induce her to go through a ceremony. Miss Delaney would not hear of it so Tom must answer for having her arrested.

Daniel Murphy, a laborer, was yesterday found guilty of an unmentionable offence against a small boy and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. It was his second conviction for offences of the kind.

COBALT, Ont., Aug. 10.—The coroner's jury brought in a verdict of accidental death in the case of Francis Crane who was killed on Saturday by a stone which fell down the shaft of the York-Kerning mine, striking him on the head. Crane whose home was in Ottawa, was unmarried and had been an employee of the mine for some months.

GUELPH, Ont., Aug. 10.—Thos. Webster, a night watchman, employed by the Valve Fitting Company was drowned yesterday afternoon by a falling rowlock who chanced to meet with his two companions. It is thought that he must have struck the rowlock as he was in the act of peering. A pathetic feature of the accident is the fact that his wife and child were to leave England on Friday to join him here. He had been in Canada a year.

BRIDGEVILLE, Ont., Aug. 10.—Frank Hogan, a laborer, is in jail here charged with indecent assault on little 5-year old Viola Lacey. He pleaded not guilty and will be tried next week.

TORONTO, Ont., Aug. 10.—Several hotelkeepers who lost their licenses recently have taken out restaurant licenses and on Sunday did a big business supplying the city with beer with two per cent. beer with or without sandwiches. The Lord's Day Alliance is taking action to bring the question as to the legality of this proceeding before the courts.

THOUGHT A BROKEN RIB WAS APPENDICITIS

Baseball Umpire Missed His Guess—Young Pitcher Will be Well Paid for Wrecking.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 10.—Law Moran, a pitcher with the Philadelphia team, has had a new offer by his father. Instead of getting a crisp \$100 bill for every game he wins the youngster will receive \$500 for every game in which he beats the Cubs. The elder Moran lives in Pittsburgh and he is so anxious to see the Pittsburgh club win the pennant that his new offer was made.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 10.—After working two weeks thinking he was a victim of appendicitis pain, Southern League Umpire Dan Fitzgerald submitted to medical examination yesterday, resulting in the discovery that several ribs had been broken. A foul tip in a game in Birmingham caused the injury.

FORCED TO USE TWENTY YEAR OLD PIPES

On Account of Rush of Business New Material Cannot be Secured for Gas Line in Ontario.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 10.—Because all the pipe mills of the country are too rushed with orders to accept new business for immediate delivery the Union Petroleum Co. of Buffalo, has purchased eighty miles from the National Supply Co., of Pittsburgh. This pipe was made about 20 years ago and was laid in the Port Wayne field of Indiana about 18 years ago. The pipe, however, is in perfect condition. The pipe will be laid from the Chatham gas field in Ontario to Sarnia, Ont. Only two companies bid on the order.

NICHOLAS LAGANY, DYING, ACCUSES SANDY MANALI OF SHOOTING HIM

HARVEST DAYS FOR THE COMPETITORS

This is the Time for Bringing in the Sheaves During the Present Week Subscriptions are Worth More Than They Will be at Any Later Period in the Contest

These are your harvest days now. Since the announcement of Bargain Days for last week and continuing through this week in the Sun and Star's Popularity Contest, everyone is eagerly watching developments. Not only the candidates themselves are busy comparing notes, seeing who has made a greater or less advance than themselves each twenty-four hours, but you may hear outsiders talking it over. "So-and-so is doing good work. Look what a gain they have made since yesterday. I think my votes had better go to them."

Everyone likes to back the winner, and is best pleased to help those who help themselves. You never should be idle a day now, but should feel that you have not given yourself a fair chance unless each night find you with a material advance over the one before.

Candidates should remember constantly that subscriptions during this week are worth more than at any other time during the contest. Be sure to see all who are interested in your candidacy, and secure subscriptions from them while this offer lasts.

A systematic canvass of your friends every available vote now, you may be defeated. It is an easy matter to secure votes when there is an offer like this made. Don't hold back the subscriptions until the last day of this special offer, but bring them in early this week and avoid the rush. The votes can be cast at any time during the contest.

LOOKS LIKE FAILURE FOR SWEDISH STRIKE

Street Car Employees May Return to Work

Newspapers Getting Out Hand Printed Sheets—Steamers Bringing Their Own Stevedores.

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 10.—Perfect calm prevails throughout the country this morning and there are further evidences that the general strike inaugurated a week ago will result in failure. The answer, the organ of the trades unions, is the only newspaper published this morning in regular form. The regular journals have issued small hand-printed editions. Efforts are being made with some success to improve the local street car service and the street car employees have called a meeting to consider a proposal to return to work. The company has given them until noon of tomorrow to take up their old positions. The merchants of Stockholm have announced their intention of running their delivery wagons, and it is expected that the cab service shortly will be resumed. Foreign steamers are overcoming the dock strike by bringing with them their own stevedores. There has been a big demonstration of 20,000 strikers at Gothenburg. In this city the labor leaders are without a vehicle. Physicians requiring an ambulance to remove a patient to hospital are referred by the police to the labor headquarters.

ZEPPELIN IS IN THE VERY BEST OF HEALTH

BERLIN, Aug. 10.—The rumor emanating from London that Count Zeppelin, the inventor of the dirigible balloon which bears his name, had died, is without foundation. He is not only living but he is entirely recovered from the effects of the minor operation which had been performed for an abscess on his neck. The daring aeronaut had so far recovered that he was out walking yesterday.

CAMP AND ASSEMBLY IN SESSION TODAY

F. G. Crockett is Elected Grand Patriarch

Rebekahs Present Regalia to Past Presidents—Reports of Officers Received—Wednesday's Program.

The Grand Encampment of the Maritime Provinces and the Rebekah Assembly met in annual session, the camp in Oddfellows' Hall and the Rebekahs in the Keith assembly rooms, at ten o'clock this forenoon. The Encampment register shows an attendance of seventy-five delegates, while one hundred and thirty are present at the assembly.

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DEPOSITION TAKEN LAST NIGHT BY MAGISTRATE HOLYOKE AND J. C. HARTLEY—NO HOPE FOR RECOVERY—MURDERER STILL AT LARGE DESPITE VIGOROUS SEARCH—ASSYRIAN HELD AS WITNESS

The dying deposition of Michael Lagany fixes the crime of attempted murder on a comrade named Sandy Manali. The wounded man is still alive and rallied slightly this morning but no hopes for his recovery are held out, and by the time the assailant is captured it is likely that he will have to face the charge of murder. At a late hour today Manali had not been apprehended, but a well organized search is in progress and every effort will be made to capture him and bring him to justice.

J. C. Hartley was authorized last night to act for the crown in the matter by Attorney General Hazen who is now at Fredericton. He in company with Magistrate A. D. Holyoke who took the deposition, and Chief Kelly proceeded to the hospital to take the statement of the dying man, in accordance with his previously expressed wish.

The wounded man is in a very serious condition and gave the information required with great difficulty. His statement was to the effect that he was a native of Italy but had been living in Boston for some time before coming to Carleton County about two years ago. Since then he has been in the employ of the C. P. R. as interpreter. On Saturday evening he went about a dozen other men were gathered at the house of Wallace de Merchant at Beechwood. The name of the girl Ketch was mentioned and Manali took exception to the remarks of Lagany and drawing a revolver shot at him three times. One bullet entered his abdomen, another his shoulder, and the other his arm.

Sandy Manali is positively charged with the shooting, and Sandy Larossa is mentioned as a companion of the assailant. Lagany describes Manali as of typical Italian appearance and could identify him if he saw him again.

The wounded man is under the care of Dr. Grant and Dr. Rankins, but their utmost efforts are only palliative to keep him alive and they expect that his end may come at almost any time. After the shooting Mr. de Merchant locked the doors to prevent the escape of the occupants of the house. Manali did not attempt the doors but jumped through the window, taking a portion of the frame with him. He has not been seen since. The search for him is being actively carried on by Sheriff Armstrong, Miss McRae and Constable Brown. It is believed that he has made his way across the country to the G. T. P. construction camp, a distance of twenty miles, and will seek safety among the multitude of his fellow countrymen employed there. A close watch is being kept on the railway and the camps are being searched in an effort to locate him.

A young Assyrian named Louis Nicolaia who was in the room at the time of the shooting was arrested last night by Constable Green. There is no evidence to incriminate him, but he is being held as a witness.

'YOUNG GRIFFON' IS BEATEN BY WHISKEY

Arrested for 13th Time and Sent to Bridewell Prison on Charge of Disorderly Conduct.

CHICAGO, Aug. 10.—"Young Griffon" at one time featherweight champion prize fighter of the world, who was released from the Bridewell Prison Saturday, was arrested again Sunday and was sent back to the Bridewell for the thirteenth time. Griffon was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct and yesterday he was fined \$15 and costs. Being unable to pay his fine he was sent to the Bridewell. "Whiskey has got the best of you, hasn't it?" Judge Gen. will ask the prisoner.

"Yes," he replied.

ROYAL KENNEDYBOCASIS YACHT CLUB

The quarterly meeting of this club will be held at their rooms, Masonic Building, Germain street, Tuesday, 10th inst., at 8 p. m.

These were present, Mrs. L. M. Robinson, of St. Stephen, Mrs. Grace Head, of Lunenburg, Mrs. Hattie Bayes, of Halifax. The others who will receive the regalia later. The officers' reports were received and adopted as were those of various other committees.

Selection of officers takes place at four o'clock this afternoon. (Continued on Page 4.)