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NO FEAR OF A GENERAL STRIKE

James J. Hill Discusses Railroad Conditions In States

MAKING NO MONEY

Says Big Roads There are Having Trouble to Make Ends Meet—Switchmen's Strike, He Says, Due to Rivalry of Union

Portland, Ore., Dec. 18.—In discussing general railroad conditions of the country yesterday, James J. Hill, of the Great Northern, contended that with the advance in cost of all materials required for construction and maintenance of railroads, the large railroad systems of the country are having trouble to make ends meet.

"Engineers and trainmen," said Mr. Hill, when asked concerning the agitation in the east for a general strike among railroad employees, "are among the best paid laborers in the country and their wages have been increased more in the last few years than any other class of workmen. For that reason I think the possibility of a general strike among these men is altogether remote and in fact not considered seriously by the men themselves."

The recent strike by the switchmen employed on the northern railroads was the effect more of rivalry between the two organizations of these employees, than of any other cause. The organization which ordered the walkout hoped to be successful in this way against its membership all switchmen employed on the other railroad systems that are affiliated with the order of railway trainmen. But it required only three days to place this strike where it failed to prove troublesome to railroads.

"As a result the strike exists in name only."

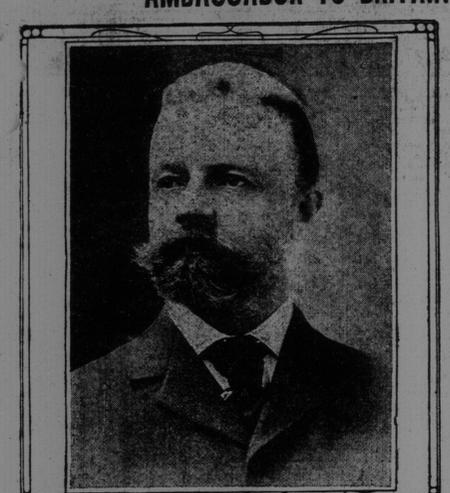
NEWFOUNDLAND FOR EXTENSION OF RAILWAY SERVICE

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 18.—The extension of railroads in the colony will be the principal business to come before the next legislature. Parliament will convene on January 20, under Premier Morris.

WEBSTER AND ATTELL FOUGHT A DRAW

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—Danny Webster of Los Angeles and Monte Attell of San Francisco bantam weight champion of the coast, fought twenty hard fast rounds to a draw last night. The decision was received with mixed feelings by the crowd, many believing that the Los Angeles lad had earned a victory. Half of the gate money will go to Johnny Murphy, former bantam weight, who is at Honolulu suffering from consumption.

LODGE MAY BE THE NEW AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN



HENRY CABOT LODGE, SENATOR FROM MASSACHUSETTS.

Washington, Dec. 18.—In diplomatic circles it is again rumored that Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, will succeed Whiteclaw Reid as ambassador to Great Britain. It is said the post was offered to Senator Lodge a year ago by President Roosevelt. It is an open secret in Washington that Roosevelt was displeased with the display of Ambassador Reid, and would have liked nothing better than to recall him if an acceptable successor could have been found.

The plan to make Lodge ambassador fell through at the time because the senator, while not absolutely declining, indicated Mr. Roosevelt to hold the appointment in abeyance. Even now Senator Lodge may not be willing to accept the post. His senatorial term will expire on March 4, 1911. There is no doubt that President Taft would be glad to send the senator to London if he would accept.

CONCLUDES IT BETTER TO RAISE BANANAS THAN REVOLUTION

NEW KING OF THE BELGIANS TENDS TO SOCIALISM

Trouble Over Leopold's Estate—The Baroness Vaughan and Her Future

Paris, Dec. 18.—An intimate friend of Prince Albert told the Matin's Brussels correspondent that the new Belgian king's ambition would be to be useful to the working men. He is in the good sense of the word a Socialist. He is an adept student of social questions and will establish the social order, according to the correspondent, with modern tolerance. "Albert will be king of a republican monarchy,"

Brussels, Dec. 18.—The court of final instance this evening granted an injunction, which was sought by the Baroness Vaughan, restraining the authorities from affixing seals on her residence. The action of the Princess Louise in attempting to have the seals affixed was due to her belief that valuable property belonging to King Leopold was in the villa of the baroness.

Paris, Dec. 18.—A despatch to the Matin from Budapest says that Princess Louise left Budapest for Brussels, at one o'clock this morning after having telegraphed Prince Albert and Princess Clementine of her intention to visit the capital.

Toronto, Dec. 18.—King Leopold in his will declared that he possessed but \$3,000,000, which he left to his children. His Majesty expressed the desire that no autopsy be performed, and said that "gift from my nephew, Prince Albert, and the members of my household, I forbid anyone to attend my funeral. My papers shall be destroyed or handed to Prince Albert." Baron Goffinet, who was private secretary to King Leopold, has been appointed executor of the will.

Paris, Dec. 18.—A special despatch to the Figaro from Brussels says that Baron Goffinet, private secretary to the late King of Belgium, denied the report that a civil marriage was performed at the death of Leopold, and admitted that a secret religious marriage probably occurred recently, although the king never specifically informed him of the fact of such a marriage. "Should this be the case, however, it would have no legal consequences in Belgium and no complications are feared."

Baron Goffinet said further that Baroness Vaughan would bring her children to Brussels today, and would be immediately to Brussels, where she would be allowed to remain unless her presence provoked a question of the revocation of the conservative association. He said that the Laurier policy of building a Canadian navy was not only a menace to Canada, but to the British Empire.

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TRAIN CRASHES INTO AN ENGINE

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ST. LOUIS SPECIAL STRUCK SWITCH ENGINE ON A CROSS-OVER—Sleepers of Another Train Go Over Bank, Two Women Hurt

Cleveland, O., Dec. 18.—Three trainmen were killed, two other trainmen fatally injured and a dozen or more passengers slightly hurt when train No. 1, known as the St. Louis special, running an hour late over the Lake Shore tracks into this city, crashed into a switch engine on a cross-over early this morning.

The dead—S. P. Adams, Buffalo, engineer on passenger train, died at St. Clair Hospital; Frank Watson, switchman on yard engine, killed outright; G. Franka, an Illinois, switchman of yard locomotive.

The probably fatally injured are—Wm. J. Burns, of Cleveland, engineer of yard locomotive; Jacob Perrier, of Collingwood, fireman on yard engine. They were taken to a hospital.

The passenger train was running at high speed and the cars were piled in a mass of wreckage. The engine added to the suffering of the injured and made the work of the rescuers particularly hard. Train No. 1 is a fast through train for Cincinnati and St. Louis. It left New York at 12:20 on Friday morning.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Train No. 52, on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, the Oriental Limited, was wrecked at 4:29 this morning at Western Springs, Ill., near Chicago. Three sleeping cars rolling down an embankment. No person was killed.

Two women passengers were the worst injured. One of them suffered a broken leg and the other a broken arm. Other passengers who were hurt received cuts from broken glass and were bruised and shaken up.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 18.—(Later)—Five persons, besides the collision between a Lake Shore passenger train and a switch engine, 7 passengers were seriously injured. The dead were all members of the crews of the trains, as follows—H. L. Adams, Collingwood, engineer of the passenger train; Frank Swales, fireman of the switch engine; John Frank, switchman of the yard crew; W. J. Burns, engineer of switch engine and an unknown man. Papers on the unknown person contained the name of G. Sealer.

A party of Vassar girls on their way home for the Christmas holidays were among the passengers and they were once plunged into the work of giving temporary aid to the injured and reassuring the frightened.

COOK'S RECORDS CAUSE EXCITED DISCUSSION

Copenhagen, Dec. 18.—The consistency of the University of Copenhagen at a secret session today received a preliminary report covering the first stage of the work of the committee which is examining the North Pole records of Dr. Frederick A. Cook. An excited discussion followed. The committee has not completed its investigation.

GRAND TRUNK RY. IS FINED \$2,700

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 18.—The Grand Trunk R. R. Company was yesterday found guilty of twenty-seven violations of the United States law in regard to the placing of safety appliances on all railway coaches, by Judge Swan, in the United States court in this city. Each of the coaches represents an unexpired car, and the penalty in each case is \$100, making a total of \$2,700 that is to be collected.

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BUFFALO END TO THE COBALT TALE

Dr. Wilkinson, Arrested in Connection With Theft of Ores, Did Business With Dentists, Making Supplies

General Bonilla is now quietly engaged in raising bananas on the farm near Belisle. A formal message from President Davila to be borne to General Bonilla yesterday was issued, assuring him of guarantees of protection of life and property in case of his return to Spanish Honduras. This message, it was declared, was sent in the interest of peace.

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Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Dr. J. E. Wilkinson, who was arrested in Toronto in connection with alleged thefts of silver ore from the Cobalt mines, is well known in Buffalo, especially among the dentists, although he has no legal residence in this city. He has been in the practice of coming to Buffalo once a month to arrange local affairs at the J. E. Wilkinson Company office. The other member of the firm, closely associated with Dr. Wilkinson, according to information gleaned locally, is W. A. Luke, who is also reported to be in Toronto at present.

Four girls and one man are at work in the Wilkinson Company's office here heating and pounding refined gold for dentists' supplies. A Canadian girl of about twenty years, is in charge of the Buffalo office for the time being, having been sent here from Toronto until after the Xmas holidays, because the former manager had recently severed his connection with the company to accept a position elsewhere.

This Toronto girl firmly declined to give out her name or identity, but said she had been associated with the Toronto office for the past three years. She said the Buffalo office received quantities of refined gold and silver from the Toronto headquarters in Lombard street. So far as she was able to tell the Cobalt ore received by the Wilkinson Company was shipped to the smelter of the concern by a steamer at Chippewa, Ont., and after having been put through the refining process was sent to Toronto for distribution.

"They never receive gold or silver ore at the Buffalo office," said the girl. "If persons, besides of the concern, do get some gold leaf, too. This is for book purposes. The other gold is beaten into the form for sale to dentists. I know nothing about the charges that the ore was stolen from the Cobalt mines. I am simply an employee and have come here from Toronto to look after the affairs of the office until after Christmas, or until a new manager has been employed."

She could not give the names of the members of the company, but said there were other dentists connected with the company.

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ASTOR PEARLS ARE NOT ALL REAL THING

Reports Show That Ninety Are Imitations—Some Money Tied Up There, Though.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 18.—Not all the Astor pearls are genuine. The report of the transfer tax collector, as filed with the surrogate yesterday shows that ninety of the pearls in the late Caroline Webster Astor's five-strand necklace were imitations. Nevertheless the necklace is appraised at \$31,000. Mrs. Astor left diamonds and emeralds worth \$180,000 additional.

Caroline Webster Astor, who died more than a year ago, was the widow of William Astor and for many years the undisputed leader of New York society.

WANT CONGRESS TO SEND THEM BACK TO WEST POINT

Utica, N. Y., Dec. 18.—The fathers of the six cadets dismissed from West Point last summer for the alleged hazing of Cadet Rodolphe Sutton are about to appeal to congress for the reinstatement of the youths. They will present considerable new evidence that Sutton was not hazed, and that the act of Colonel Hugh L. Scott, superintendent of the academy, overruled the board of inquiry which examined 153 witnesses in the case. A bill has been prepared which will send the cadets back to West Point if it passes congress. It will be introduced by a New York member and strongly backed by certain congressmen from Virginia, Missouri, Iowa, Alabama and Georgia, the other states concerned.

FIND FLAGMAN AND ENGINEER GUILTY OF NEGLIGENCE

Epip, Pa., Dec. 18.—The statement credited to Superintendent Tomkins of the Lake Shore R. R. that "somebody hinders" when speaking of the rear-end collision between the New York Central Limited and passenger train No. 10 at North-east, (Pa) near here on Monday night, when three men were killed and several others seriously injured, was given yesterday last night when the coroner's jury which has been investigating the wreck, found Engineer George J. Sleight of train No. 10 and Engineer M. L. Burger of the limited, both of Cleveland, Ohio, guilty of negligence. Many witnesses testified.

THE EMPRESS EUGENIE SERIOUSLY ILL

Widow of the Third Napoleon is Aged 83—Her Immense Fortune

New York, Dec. 18.—A Monte Carlo despatch says that the Ex-Empress Eugenie, widow of Napoleon III, is seriously ill at her villa Cyrene at Cape Martin.

Eugenie is thirty-three years old, but her interest in affairs remains intensely active. She never speaks of her health and seems to strive to keep from her mind any thought of the inevitable.

She possesses an immense fortune, which it was believed at one time, she intended to bequeath to the then Princess Ena of Battenburg, now the Queen of Spain, who was a great favorite with her. It is thought now that she will leave most of it for charitable purposes in France.