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STRIKERS DECIDE TO RESUME WORK

Breach Between Longshoremen and Steamboat Agents Healed.

Several Conferences Held and Deadlock Once Just Avoided—Men will Return to Work Wednesday.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 12.—The longshoremen's strike, which began on January 4, when 3,500 men employed in and around the cargoes of foreign steamers in the port of Boston walked out after demanding an increase in wages, was settled today, and the men will go back to work on Wednesday morning. The terms of settlement are withheld.

VIOLENT ATTACK ON THE FLAG

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 12.—Proclaiming the constitutional right of the people to tear down the Union Jack if they liked, J. W. Hawthorthwaite, M. L. A., addressed a "free speech" meeting at the Grand Theatre last evening.

Hawthorthwaite, in course of his speech said: "The majority of the working people—decide that they don't want the old rag, they have the constitutional right to tear it down and make a mop of it—to wash some of the blood stains out of it."

His remarks were greeted with loud cheers. Another little pleasantry voiced by Hawthorthwaite was that if the working men were to get their teeth in and hang on, as "company" politicians had suggested, they had better not get their teeth into a Vancouver "Bull" or they would probably die of blood poisoning.

SPARK FROM STOVE PIPE RESPONSIBLE FOR ST. STEPHEN FIRE

Special to The Standard. St. Stephen, Feb. 12.—Shortly before nine o'clock this morning fire was discovered in the dry goods and novelty store of H. A. Giberson in the Leeman building, on Water street, and before it was subdued the stock was completely destroyed by smoke and water. Mr. Giberson values his stock at \$5,000, on which there was insurance of \$1,500. The damage to the building will be about \$500, covered by insurance. The fire is supposed to have been started by a spark from a stove pipe.

RUMORS OF POSSIBLE CHOICE TO PROBE THE FARMERS' BANK CASE

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The cabinet had the question of the Farmers' Bank under consideration today and it is understood to have reached a decision. While the order in council has not been formally completed, talk in the lobby associates the name of Chief Justice Sir William Meredith with the task of investigating the circumstances under which the pirate bank began its career.

JUST KNOCK IN THE HEADS OF THE SCABS

Was Advice of Giovannitti to Textile Strikers According to Evidence of Italian Detective in Ettore Trial.

ETTOR URGED MEN TO AVOID VANDALISM.

Lawrence, Mass., Feb. 12.—"Sleep in the day time and at night prowling like wild animals and look for blood. At night you can knock for the heads of the scabs. In a few days we will be able to count the broken heads and they won't be on our side." These and other similar statements were ascribed to Arturo Giovannitti by Charles Encardo, an Italian detective, who was a witness at the continued trial today of Giovannitti and strike leader Joseph F. Ettore, who are charged with being accessories to the murder of Anna Lopizzo, killed in a riot during the textile strike here. Giovannitti, according to the witness, was addressing a crowd of strikers who had gathered on the common following a parade and demonstration on the morning of January 29th. He spoke in Italian and witness was required to give his testimony both in English and Italian that he might satisfy the court that he understood the foreign language.

All of the witnesses called by the government during the day testified as to the riots of January 15 and 29 and in some instances placed the defendants in the vicinity although in no case was there testimony tending to show that they had any active part in the rioting. George Beribel, a police officer, who described one of the riots, told of seeing Ettore about 25 yards from the place where street cars were being held up and damaged, but under cross-examination he said that the strike leader appeared to be urging the rioters to desist. Seven street railroad conductors told of the damage to their cars and the rough treatment accorded the passengers.

MACKAY-BENNETT REACHES HALIFAX WITH RESCUED MEN

Halifax, Feb. 12.—The Commercial Cable steamer Mackay-Bennett, came in this evening with the captain and five of the crew of the Lunenburg schooner Caledonia, which was bound from Lunenburg for New York with a cargo of lumber. The Caledonia sprung a leak in a fierce storm last Thursday, two days after she left port. She became ice-bound and the forecastle dipped so that in spite of all the crew could do at the pumps her decks were soon awash.

COASTWISE SHIPPING IS PARALYSED BY THE LENGTHY COLD SPELL

Vinoyard Haven, Mass., Feb. 12.—The ice fields in this vicinity remained firm today, effectually impeding all coastwise shipping, except a tug and two. Besides the vessels which are locked in the ice on Nantucket Shoals, between here and Chatham, a dozen coastwise schooners are frozen fast in this harbor.

BOYS RESPONSIBLE FOR FARNHAM BLAZE ARE ALLOWED TO GO

Sweetburg, Que., Feb. 12.—The three boys, Bernard, 14; Henry, 13, and Marchand, 11, found guilty of bringing the college of Christian Brothers at Farnham, by which that institution was razed to the ground on January 29, were this morning allowed to go under suspended sentence on bail of \$1,000 each being furnished.

EMPEROR OF CHINA RESIGNS HIS THRONE

Manchu Dynasty Abdicates After Ruling Nearly Three Centuries

Three Separate Edicts Issued Explaining Reasons for Step and Provisions for Future Status of Nobility—Yuan Shi Kai Instructed to Organize Provisional Government

Peking, Feb. 12.—After occupying the throne of China for nearly three centuries, the Manchu dynasty, represented by the child emperor Pu Yi, abdicated today. Three edicts were issued the first proclaiming abdication, the second dealing with the establishment of the republic, and the third urging the maintenance of peace and approving the conditions agreed upon by the imperial premier, Yuan Shi Kai and the republicans. The text of the first imperial edict issued by the throne at noon today is as follows: "We, the emperor of China, have respectfully received today the following edict from the hands of her majesty, the dowager empress. In consequence of the uprising of the republican army to which the people of the provinces of China have responded, the empire is seething like a boiling cauldron and the people are plunged in misery. Yuan Shi Kai was therefore commanded to despatch commissioners in order to confer with the republicans with a view to the calling of a national assembly to decide on the future form of government. Months have elapsed and no settlement is now evident. The majority of the people are in favor of a republic. From the preference of the people's hearts the will of heaven is discernible. How could we oppose the desires of millions for the glory of one family? Therefore, we, the dowager empress and the emperor hereby vest the sovereignty of the Chinese empire in the people. Let Yuan Shi Kai organize to the full the powers of the provisional republican government and confer with the republicans as to the methods of union assuring peace in the Empire and forming a great republic with the people of the Manchus, Chinese, Mongols, Mohammedans and Tibetans. Everyone Feels Relieved. At an audience yesterday the Empress Dowager touchingly thanked Yuan Shi Kai for his successful efforts in obtaining good treatment for the imperial family from the republicans. The publication of the edicts has given profound relief to everyone in Peking, both foreigners and Chinese. In consideration for abdication the republicans make the following eight pledges to the Emperor: First—The Emperor shall retain his title and shall be respected as a foreign monarch. Second—The Emperor shall receive an annual grant of 4,000,000 taels until the currency is reformed, after which he shall receive \$4,000,000 Mexican. Third—A temporary residence shall be provided in the Forbidden City and later the Imperial family shall reside in the summer palace ten miles outside of Peking. Fourth—The Emperor may observe the sacrifices at his ancestral tombs and temples, which will be protected by Republican soldiers. Fifth—The great tomb of the late Emperor Kwang-Su, will be completed and the funeral ceremony fittingly observed at the Republic's expense. Sixth—The palace attendants may be retained but the number of eunuchs cannot be increased. Continued on page two.

DETAILS OF THE PLANS FOR CADET TRAINING

Lads to be Given Six Days in Camp, Under Special Regulations for Preservation of Their Health—Careful Choice of Instructors—Rations to be Provided on Generous Scale May be Supplemented by Friends.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Colonel the Hon. Sam Hughes, has worked out many of the details for this summer's cadet training. The lads are to be given six days in camp under conditions carefully designed to safeguard their physical and moral well-being. The basis of organization will be the school. Lads from a group of schools in a township or town will be formed into a company and the companies will be combined as county regiments. The camps will be regimental ones; the boys will be trained in their own counties, in carefully selected sites. An example of the progress made is furnished by Petrolia, which has offered two excellent camp areas, the matter of drinking water being especially guarded. Winnipeg has offered a site, though the matter of water supply has not yet been arranged.

QUEBEC TO RAISE SALARIES OF THE INTERIOR SERVICE

Quebec, Feb. 12.—The Quebec government has decided to increase the salaries of its employees of the interior service. A new scale will be established according to the men's merits, the same salaries to be given to men doing the same work, however.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND WANTS A MILLION REBATE

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Urging the claims of Prince Edward Island for federal assistance on the basis of old claims, an island delegation headed by Premier Myrthoson is here to interview the government. By the terms of the old fishery award, an amount of upwards of a million dollars went to the federal exchequer. This the province claims should have gone to it instead. The delegation is renewing therefore its old standing claim to the money.

SIR EDWARD GREY MAY BE THE NEXT PREMIER

London Paper Hints at Likelihood of Mr. Asquith's Resignation

Haldane's Trip Explained as Intended to Assure Germany of England's Desire for an Entente

London, Feb. 12.—The Daily Graphic this morning suggests that Mr. Asquith is about to resign the premiership and that he will be succeeded by Sir Edward Grey. It further suggests that Secretary Haldane's mission to Berlin was to explain that although Sir Edward Grey has been credited with an anti-German policy, his accession to the premiership would not interfere with Great Britain's desire for an entente with Germany. As evidence confirming its idea, the Graphic points out that Premier Asquith's Private Secretary, Vaughan Nash, has recently been appointed to another position under the government and that no successor has been nominated, making it difficult, adds the Graphic, to avoid the conclusion that Mr. Asquith no longer requires the services of a private secretary. Viscount Haldane, the War Secretary, is understood to be declining to discuss the objects of his visit to Berlin. His return today was followed by conferences with Premier Asquith and Winston Churchill, and a prolonged cabinet council. London, Feb. 12.—The King has appointed Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a Knight of the Garter. This distinction is limited to members of royal families and a few of the highest among the nobility. It has been conferred upon Sir Edward Grey undoubtedly at the Premier's suggestion and is construed as the government's answer to the attacks, particularly on the part of Liberals, on Sir Edward's foreign policy.

WHITE PLAGUE LARGELY DUE TO LIVE STOCK

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Veterinarians all know that you cannot raise healthy calves from tuberculous cows, and yet how many thousands of children are fed milk from tuberculous cows. The health officers do not seem to realize this. This statement was made by Dr. Rutherford, veterinary director-general at a cross-section of the National Live Stock Convention held in St. Patrick's hall here tonight. The subject was "Bovine Tuberculosis." Tuberculosis, Dr. Rutherford said, was a matter of extreme importance to live stock and to the human race. Cattle were more susceptible than any other animals. It was a scientific fact that from 60 to 80 per cent of the human family have tuberculosis in some form in their systems. This was almost always traceable to cattle. Almost all tubercular people contracted the disease in infancy although in some cases it did not reveal itself till the age of seven, in the forms of spinal meningitis, or even later. The reason was that infants were more susceptible, and besides were more exposed to germs in milk. Often milk that seemed pure and free from germs when it came from the cows, proved to reek with germs in the pail. In regard to the possibility of eliminating tuberculosis from the cattle herds of the country, the speaker said that it could best be accomplished by a careful, sound, conscientious, lowered policy with the co-operation of the stock breeders.

PRESIDENT OF SHOE CONCERN ABSCONDS AND WRITES PARTNER

A. W. Shaw in Letter to J. Amick Admits that he Lost Firm's Funds in Speculation and is Now Pennyless.

Portland, Me., Feb. 12.—A. W. Shaw, founder, president and general manager of the A. W. Shaw Corporation of Freeport and Boston, shoe manufacturers, has absconded and is a self-confessed defaulter of a large amount of money. An announcement made by receivers who were appointed today, in a letter sent from Boston to J. Amick, of Freeport, his partner for 22 years, and the heaviest stockholder, Shaw wrote that he intended to commit suicide in mid-ocean. Shaw's letter to his partner was dated, New York, Feb. 11; but was mailed in Boston February 8. Shaw wrote that a year and a half ago he made \$300,000 in the stock market and lost all in an attempt to make more. He said he had used the corporation's money and as he was in ill health, he intended to board a tramp steamer bound for Europe and jump into the sea in mid-ocean. He had no means except an insurance policy which he directed his wife to collect. The extent of the defalcation is not yet known. According to Mr. Amick, the shortage is a heavy one. The capital stock of the company is \$200,000.

SHOULD PROMOTE RIFLE PRACTICE IN MOTHER LAND

London, Feb. 12.—At the meeting of the National Rifle Association today Lord Chylesmore read the correspondence which had taken place between the association and Captain Birkhead with regard to the Ross rifle, and declared that the allegation that had been made with regard to the prohibition of the Ross rifle was without the slightest foundation. The council of the association had given the Dominion authorities the opportunity of altering the Sunderland sight and had accordingly extended the time for submitting sights until the end of April. There was no discussion at the meeting with regard to this matter, although one member remarked that "rifle shooting is dying here while in the Dominion it is promoted in every possible way. Military claims are largely responsible for this." Several members urged that the Bisley ranges should be open Sundays for practice only.

LITTLE IMPROVEMENT IN CONDITION OF ICE

City Island, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Very little improvement is noticeable in the condition of ice since yesterday. By keeping in the tracks made by passing steamers tugs with their tow-ropes are getting through the ice. The crews from schooners can walk ashore from their vessels which are ice-bound in this harbor. The morning tugs passed this station on nearly schedule time.

TEMPORARY CLERKS MAY BE TAKEN ON THE PERMANENT STAFF

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Feb. 12.—Hon. L. P. Pelletier tonight gave notice of a resolution providing for the temporary employment of railway mail clerks for a period of not over a year at \$500 salary and mileage; also for the appointment of temporary railway mail clerks as permanent clerks, without salary increases, unless the necessary examinations are passed.

HUNDRED WEAVERS GO OUT WHEN RAISE IS NOT FORTHCOMING

Whitinsville, Mass., Feb. 12.—One hundred weavers employed in the Linwood cotton mill went on strike this afternoon when Supt. Amos G. Miodox refused to make immediate answer to their demand for an increase in pay.