

STRIKE HAS SPREAD TO ALL CITIES

Telegraph Systems in United States Are Paralyzed.

UNION MEN QUIT THE KEYS

Operators Desert Posts From One End of the Country to the Other.

PRESS ASSOCIATIONS ARE HIT

News Service Badly Crippled as Result of Walkout.

MORE PAY IS THE DEMAND

Whistle Blasts Sound in Hundreds of Offices and Work Ceases Despite There Has Been No General Strike Order.

THE STRIKE SITUATION. COMMERCIAL OPERATORS

—Strike has extended with great rapidity throughout the United States and telegraph business is everywhere paralyzed or badly crippled. Both Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies appear to be equally affected.

PRESS OPERATORS—AT 7:30 P. M.

New York time, Associated Press operators left their keys over the entire system, refusing to give General Manager Stone time to refer to the board of directors of the Associated Press their demand for higher wages and limitation of hours.

RAILWAY TELEGRAPHERS—L. W. QUICK

quick, general secretary and treasurer of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, issues order directing railroad telegraphers not to handle commercial messages.

Practically the entire telegraphic business of the country is tied up as the result of the strike inaugurated in most of the large cities by the operators of the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Postal Telegraph Company, and one or two other telegraph companies of minor importance.

The strike now involves not only the commercial telegraphers, but also the operators of the Associated Press in all the large cities of the country, save a few in New England and the Middle West. The strike of the Associated Press men came at the end of a day of negotiations between General Manager Melville E. Stone and officials of the telegraphers' union in New York. Owing to the radical demands of his operators, General Manager Stone asked for 24 hours in which to advise with the members of the Board of Directors of the association.

Radicals Refuse to Wait.

This request apparently was acceptable to General Secretary Russell, of the Telegraphers' Union, and to a large number of Associated Press operators who realized its reasonableness, but a number of radicals on the Texas circuit would not consent to a postponement of action on the part of the Associated Press and quit their keys. This action was followed largely throughout the country. The news report of the Associated Press, however, was not entirely crippled, the superintendents and correspondents in every section of the country managing through various channels to secure the transmission of a large volume of news to the members of the association.

Managers Stone to the Operators.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—To all operators: The men who have stood by the service in this emergency will receive their salaries and will be paid extra for the time served as a bonus until further notice. Extra men will be paid double price.
M. E. STONE, Gen. Manager.

Small, who is now en route to Chicago, where he will hold a conference on Wednesday night with General Secretary Russell and other officials of the telegraphers' organization, and possibly with President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers of America, and other leaders of the labor world who are in Chicago awaiting the arrival of President Small.

In Portland the operators of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies struck last night. The Western Union men were called out by President Brannin of the local union at 7:21 o'clock. The Postal operators left their keys at 7:44 o'clock. Both strikers were very orderly. The messenger boys struck last night at 11 o'clock after holding a meeting at which they formulated a demand for a considerable increase in pay.

The only act of violence committed in this city was an assault upon Randal White, office boy in the local office of the Associated Press. Young White was

GRAFT DEFENSE SCORES A POINT

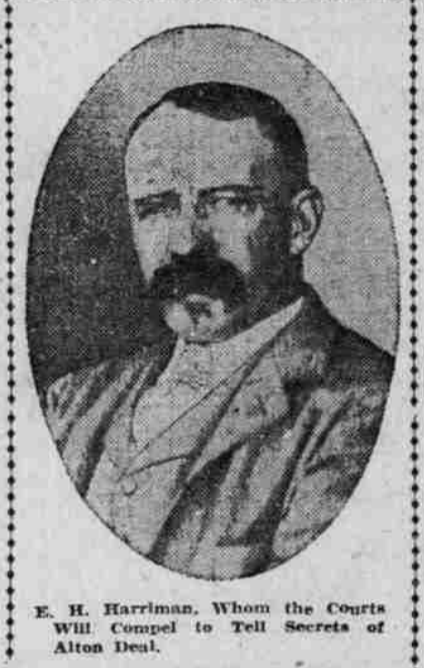
State Supreme Court Issues Order.

DUNNE MUST SHOW CAUSE

Superior Judges to Tell Why They Deny Delay Writ.

TEST LEGALITY OF JURY

Prosecution of Halsey and Glass May Come to Naught if Higher Courts Decide Indictments Defective—Hearing on Aug. 19.



E. H. Harriman, Whom the Courts Will Compel to Tell Secrets of Alton Deal.

PRESS OPERATORS ON STRIKE

A. P. Employees Quit When Wages Can't Be Raised at Once.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.—(Special.)—The telegraph operators in the employ of the Associated Press throughout the entire country went on a strike this evening because General Manager Stone was unable to comply immediately with their demand for a radical increase in wages.

Victory for Defense.

The issuance of these orders, following a long consultation of the Chief Justice and associated Justices in chambers during the afternoon, is esteemed a great victory for the joint defense in the bribery graft prosecution, as it means that the Supreme Court sees in the various grounds on which the validity of the Oliver grand jury indictments are attacked enough merit to call for arguments from the contending sides before the highest courts.

A. P. STRIKE NOT GENERAL

Many Operators in Eastern Cities Remain at Their Posts.

CHICAGO, Aug. 12.—The Associated Press operators in Chicago, New York and other leased wire points in the West and South struck at 7:30 tonight. The strike is not general, and the operators in Minneapolis, Duluth, Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Detroit and Cleveland remained at their posts.

LOS ANGELES NOT BADLY TIED

Postal Suffers More Than the Western Union.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12.—The tele-

THE OREGONIAN'S TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

The regular daily telegraph service of The Oregonian is today considerably reduced by the strike of the commercial and press operators. The regular leased wire service of the Associated Press was interrupted before 6 P. M. yesterday, Portland time. A partial service, however, was later carried over the commercial wires. Special service from Chicago also came through though not in the usual volume. The Northwest telegraph report was cut down although it was supplemented by use of the long-distance telephone. Every possible effort is being made by The Oregonian to get all the news of the world as usual despite the strike.

DECIDING WHO IS THE MAYOR

California Supreme Court Listens to Taylor's Salary Claim.

HALSEY MAY YET RECOVER

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.—Theodore V. Halsey, former agent of the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph Company, whose trial for bribery was postponed on account of his critical condition after a surgical operation, is reported to show signs of improvement today and his recovery is now expected.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 12.—The Supreme Court, shortly before 5 o'clock tonight, issued orders directing Superior Judges Lawlor, Cook and Dunne to show cause before the higher courts, en banc, at 10 o'clock A. M., Monday, August 19, why they should not issue permanent writs of prohibition restraining them from proceeding with the trials of Rudolph Schmidt, indicted for participation in street car strike violence; Assistant Counsel William M. Abbott, of the United Railroads, indicted on a charge of bribing Supervisors Theodore V. Halsey and Louis Glass, of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company, and W. I. Brobeck, of the Parkside Transit Company, similarly indicted.

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ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 12.—The American defender of the Canadian cup Seneca defeated the Canadian challenger Adele today in the second of the races.

MAKE HIM TELL WHAT HE KNOWS

Government Will Go After Harriman.

BEGINS ACTION IN THE COURTS

Bonaparte Asks That Railroad Magnate Be Summoned.

MUST EXPLAIN ALTON DEAL

Refusal to Make Reply During Interstate Commerce Hearing Prompts Attorney-General to Action—Immunity for Alton.

to avoid interference with proceedings in the lower court in the interim.

Washington, Aug. 12.—(Special.)

It was officially announced today that proceedings are to be commenced immediately in the United States courts in New York to compel Harriman to answer the questions he refused to answer when under the probe of the Interstate Commerce Commission last Spring.

This, it is stated, is the only proceedings against Harriman immediately in sight. It remains to be seen whether things will be uncovered leading to criminal prosecution.

It was determined some months ago to make the effort to force Harriman to tell everything the investigators want to know, and today's statement is merely the manifestation of the Department of Justice's readiness to begin action.

BODY BLOWS FOR OCTOPUS

Prosecution Will Continue Until Standard Oil Is No More.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—(Special.)—Where is the next "trust-busting" blow to be struck? That is the question that has been raised by the resumption of activity at the Department of Justice today. Attorney-General Bonaparte has cut in upon his vacation to come back here and set certain things in action. He will remain in Washington for two weeks before resuming his quest of recreation. During the period of his stay something important is likely to break loose.

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Postal Telegraph-Cable Company	12
Wages Paid.	
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Chiefs, per month	\$110 to \$125.00
Operators, maximum	88.00
Operators, minimum	60.00
Average	72.00
Postal Company—	
Chiefs	\$120.00
Operators, maximum	90.00
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PORTLAND UNION OPERATORS QUIT

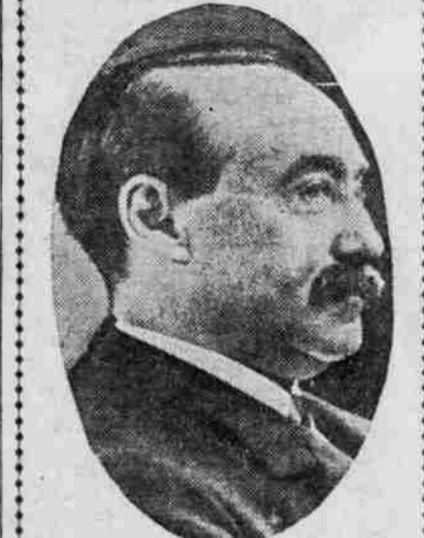
Telegraphers Strike Without Warning.

BOTH COMPANIES AFFECTED

Wires Are Kept in Operation by Limited Forces.

MESSENGER BOYS IN LINE

They Promptly Demand One-Third Increase in Wages and Walk Out—Both the Companies and the Strikers Are Confident.



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