

DOORS SHUT ON RAILROAD PARTY

Attempt to Pack Rate Convention Fails.

ANTIS ORGANIZE A BOLT

Refuse to Sign Pledge to Support Roosevelt.

POLICEMEN GUARD DOORS

Interstate Commerce Law Convention Repels Attack of Railroads' Friends—Two Factions Meet Separately.

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Refusing to stand for President Roosevelt's policy for the regulation of railroad rates, a large number of delegates to the Interstate Commerce Law Convention were barred from the convention of that organization today, and thereupon held a separate meeting to give expression to their ideas on the subject. The original convention was held in Steinway Hall, while the "anti" convention met in Music or Studebaker Hall, several blocks distant.

Aware of the alleged attempt to thwart the purpose of the convention, the delegates at Steinway Hall refused to admit delegates, although properly accredited, unless they would agree to support the President's rate plan. These delegates objected to the procedure, demanding that they be given the right of free speech, while the opposition charged they were sent by the railroads and other alleged unfair interests to pack the convention. A number of exciting scenes followed before the meetings were called to order. The number of delegates at each convention was about equal, ranging between 400 and 500. Speeches, organization and resolutions, including one which was presented in the Studebaker Hall convention, where the President to settle the dispute as to which was the regular convention, but upon which no action was taken, occupied the time of the first meeting of the convention. The convention will continue in session tomorrow, when resolutions will be adopted by the Steinway Hall convention in favor of the President's policy.

Preparing for a Bolt.

At a preliminary meeting in the Auditorium Annex, presided over by D. M. Parry, president of the National Manufacturers' Association, the so-called railroad interests declared their purpose to have free speech in the convention and to hold a "rump" convention if the other faction applied the "tank" rule. Delegates representing the coaldealers held a meeting at the Great Northern Hotel and later went over in a body to the "railroad crowd" at the Auditorium. Upon their arrival at the Auditorium, badges reading "Interstate Law Convention, Supervision, Not Commercial Revolution," were distributed. Wearing the badges conspicuously, all the delegates at the Auditorium Annex meeting, headed by D. M. Parry and Robert Lake, of Michigan, marched in a body to Steinway Hall, as the so-called "Bacon" or "regular" delegates were assembling.

Regulars Stand by Roosevelt.

While the Studebaker Hall meeting was in session, the Steinway Hall convention effected organization by election of the following officers: Chairman, W. E. Hughes, Colorado; vice-chairman, John W. Kern, Indiana; secretary, F. E. Goodrich, Indiana. The report of the committee on credentials was read and approved, and all delegates in the hall were seated. Mr. Hughes discussed the President's position as to railroad rates, saying: "This is what the people at present want; what the people of the great West want, and what we shall earnestly and persistently demand. The people of the West are not unwise of what the railroads have done for them. They have brought the comforts and luxuries of the West to every door. They hastened the development of the country, made the wheels go round. The last 25 years have brought a great change. At this time about all the public utilities of the country—transportation, insurance, food, light and water—have passed into the hands of corporations. These soulless creations of modern law own about all that is valuable now, and hold it with a grip that death never relaxes. I think I can truthfully say to you today, that unless you put the railroads under state and Federal control, neither your wealth nor well-being will be advanced in this generation nor in the next. Now this question is right up to you. We want, in my opinion, to have draft and pass resolutions upon this subject; to appoint committees from every state represented here to get the Senators from the respective legislative states with the proceedings of this convention. If they are with the President we want to know it. If they are with the corporations, we want to know it."

Antis Hotly Denounced.

Among those on the committee on resolutions were appointed J. H. Call, California, and W. A. Holmes, Kansas. A communication was received from the railroad advocates at Studebaker Hall, saying they were "the convention," and asking the "regulars" to join with them. This caused much discussion, and the "enemy" was hotly denounced by Call, of California, and others. A committee was appointed to reply to the communication, after which a resolution introduced by J. W. Kern, of Indianapolis, was adopted under suspension of the rules. It is as follows: "Resolved, That the so-called convention assembled in Studebaker Hall for the purpose of adding the railroad companies to the list of the President Roosevelt in behalf of the people has assembled without authority of this association, but fairly represents the corporate forces, and in the absence of E. C. Bacon, chairman

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TROOPS TRY TO MOVE CARS

Struggle to Avert Famine in Capital, Students Build Fort at Kharkoff, Russia is Cut Off From Rest of Europe.

PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT FORMED

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 27.—(Special.)—At a revolutionary meeting held last evening, which was attended by nearly every student and professor at the university, it was announced that a provisional revolutionary government had been formed. Those present were warned to be ready for prompt action as soon as needed. After the meeting a mob of 2000, carrying red flags and singing revolutionary songs, marched down Nevski Prospect. It was finally dispersed at the point of the bayonet. Hardly an ounce of food remains in the city and famine conditions will prevail Friday.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 26.—St. Petersburg was in a panic today, but to a large extent without reason. The most sensational rumors were in circulation, and the shopkeepers on all except a few of the principal streets closed their stores and boarded up the doors and windows, while peaceful-minded inhabitants kept within doors. Anxiety was evidenced in the whole atmosphere of the city, but so far nothing has occurred to justify these fears. There were no disorders.

General Troppoff, who has been placed in command of the St. Petersburg garrison, and given an additional division of reinforcements, declares that he is amply able to maintain order and the police are allowing the strikers to vent their enthusiasm so as to avoid a demonstration. General Troppoff instructed the police not to interfere with the parades so long as they were orderly; he gave notice tonight that he was prepared to cope firmly with any disorder. He had printed in all the evening papers a notification that the troops would tomorrow be ordered to use ball cartridges in case there should be any outbreak.

Soldiers Moving Trains.

By the greatest exertions the government today succeeded in moving trains manned by military operations on a few railroads. Traffic was resumed irregularly on the Moscow and St. Petersburg railroad and on lines from Moscow to Brest and Kazan. The first efforts were directed to the moving of cattle trains, so as to meet the pinch of approaching famine in the two capitals, and one trainload of cattle arrived at St. Petersburg and another at Moscow. A scanty supply of milk, butter and eggs is arriving in St. Petersburg over the Finland Railroad, the employees of which refuse to strike.

Rebel Fort at Kharkoff.

Picturesque details have been received of the uprising at Kharkoff, where students and strikers took possession of the locality in the center of the city containing the university, the cathedral and other buildings, threw up barricades, constructed a regular fortress and elected a provisional government, but cool heads on either side effected an arrangement which made it unnecessary for the troops to storm the revolutionary citadel, the defenders of which marched out with full honors of war.

Minor Tumults are Reported from Other Cities, but in general the strikers are adhering to their determination to make the protest in orderly fashion in order to show themselves to be fit for self-government.

Concessions Are Extorted.

The strike has proved most effective in forcing the government to speedy action on measures which have been slumbering in commission for many weeks. Wednesday night the ministers after a five hours' session finished the final draft of a law creating a responsible council of ministers and today completed the revision of the statute granting freedom of assembly, both of which will be taken to Emperor Nicholas tomorrow for signature. Tonight the ministers held another session.

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THREE LEWISTON MEN WHO ARE PRINCIPALS IN IDAHO LAND-FRAUD CASES



WILLIAM F. KETTENSCHALK, JOEL H. BENTON, GEORGE H. KESTER.

THE DAY'S DEATH RECORD

Count Tersannes, Paris. CALLEJO, Peru, Oct. 26.—Count Tersannes, Peruvian representative of the city resulted in the tearing up of the newly-laid tracks by numbers of citizens and police led by Mayor Glassman in person. The work of demolition was half way through when two directors of the company and a Deputy Sheriff arrived on the scene and made an effort to save the tracks. The Sheriff had no warrant, however, and, as armed resistance was threatened, he took no action. The company laid the track under the authority of a franchise granted some years ago. The Mayor's action is taken under a state law, which he claims, makes the franchise void.

General Sir Charles W. Wilson.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—Major-General Sir Charles William Wilson died tonight, aged 69 years.

Cunliffe Pleads Guilty.

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 26.—Edward G. Cunliffe, the Adams Express robber, today pleaded guilty to two charges of larceny, representing a total of \$101,902. Sentence was suspended until Saturday. He has no counsel. The belief is growing that Cunliffe is mentally unbalanced.

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