

CRISIS IN STRIKE REACHED TODAY

Union Leaders Demand Necessities of Life Dispensers Quit.

OPEN SHOP, FIRM DEMANDS

Arbitration Is Considered Natural Method of Settling the Trouble, But Railroad Men Declare the Union Must Be Recognized.

PHILADELPHIA, March 13.—In order to strengthen the sympathetic strike, the Central Labor Union today directed that all milkmen, bakers, grocery clerks and other dispensers of the necessities of life remain away from work tomorrow and until the grievances of the striking carmen are adjusted.

This means the reaching of the crisis in the strike whether or not this latest call is obeyed.

Attracted by a fire in a boxcar on a railway siding at Kensington a crowd of several thousand persons collected late today. Small boys threw stones at some of the police and later the windows of a number of cars were broken.

Aside from this outbreak, cars were run without molestation and there were more cars in operation than on any other Sunday since the strike began.

The police and the traction company officials agreed in the statement that the situation is improving hourly. The rough element that the company hired when the strike began is being weeded out and a better class of men now operate the cars.

Fares Show Strike Breaking.

"And we are getting the fares, too," declared an official. "Where two weeks ago 300,000 fares were collected in one day, yesterday 750,000 fares were turned in. This is, of course, accounted for in part, by the fact that they are running more cars and people are using them more freely."

The settlement of the strike is still uppermost in the minds of citizens in Philadelphia. Nearly everybody considers arbitration as the natural method, but the company insists there is nothing to arbitrate.

The officials and directors stick to their original declaration that the union will be dealt with and they are apparently just as determined today as they were three weeks ago.

Officials of the union are just as determined that the settlement will be accepted that does not include full recognition of the union.

Company Demands "Open Shop."

The company offers to take strikers back and does not demand that they shall drop their union and membership, but insists that the union shall cut no figure in any peace negotiations. In other words, the company is for the "open shop."

It is not believed that any effort to secure outside intervention or the mediation of the Civic Federation or of President Taft, or of any one else, will bear fruit.

The company officials are silent regarding yesterday's action of the Interstate Railway Company already returned to an hour the wages of motormen and conductors in Trenton, Reading, Wilmington, Charleston, Camden and Norristown. The Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company now pays 22 cents an hour, with promise of increase to 23 cents on July 1 to men employed more than one year.

The authorities look for a big break in the ranks of the sympathetic strikers tomorrow. Many already returned to work and the police canvass, it is said, shows thousands will do so tomorrow.

A superintendent of tramps shipyard declared today that, despite the extraordinary efforts of the leaders, not a single one of 6000 employees of the big plant would out.

According to police information, hundreds of the sympathetic strikers at the Baldwin Locomotive Works will return to work tomorrow.

The bricklayers and carpenters, it is said, will resume Monday or Tuesday, and other trades will follow.

ECONOMIC WARNING GIVEN

Kansas Merchant Figures Drinks in Terms of Merchandise.

POLO COLLISION FATAL

John Dustin Freeman Dies From Injuries Received at Coronado.

Colonel Hofer Recovering.

E. Hofer, the Salem editor who was injured Saturday on the East Side through being struck by a streetcar, is reported to be improving at St. Vincent's Hospital. His injuries are not serious and he is now regarded as being on the highroad to recovery.

TWELVE-YEAR-OLD PORTLAND LAD, SUPPOSED POSSESSOR OF OCCULT POWER, AND HIS MOTHER TALK OF STRANGE HAPPENINGS.



ERNEST HARPS. MRS. ANNA HARPS.

DR. GILBERT EARLS, SAYS MRS. HARPS

Mother of Mysterious Boy Is Firm in Conviction He Is No Trickster.

"CONFESSION" WAS FORCED

"Dr. Gilbert Peeked at Me Until I Was Half Crazy," Says Lad—In Physician's Home Room Is Hurlled Out of Range Oven.

That the supernatural manifestations attributed to Ernest Harps, the 12-year-old boy, were genuine, and directed by an unseen power operating through the lad, is the conviction of his mother, Mrs. Anna Harps, his kinsmen and a score of witnesses of the occurrences who have come forward with caustic disapproval of the conclusions reached by Dr. J. Allen Gilbert.

The confession Dr. Gilbert says he got from the boy was made merely to escape the rigid questioning of the investigator, according to an explanation the boy made yesterday, when telling of the surveillance he underwent in the physician's household.

Mother Tells Her Convictions.

For the first time since the strange occurrences of last October, Mrs. Anna Harps, the boy's mother, gave out her opinions relative to her son yesterday.

Investigation Is Unasked.

"Why Dr. Gilbert should even hint that Ernest is a fraud is more than I understand," she said. "In the first place nobody ever asked him to make an investigation, but when he took charge of Ernest for a month during my illness in November he saw things happen in his home that should warrant him in not calling Ernest a trickster."

ST. MARTIN'S SLAYER HELD

Charge Is Reduced to Manslaughter and Bonds Fixed at \$2000.

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MAN DIES IN JAIL

Picked Up Injured From Street, Thrust Into Cell.

NAME OF E. E. ROSS GIVEN

Seattle Policeman Finds Youth in Front of Saloon and Sends Him to Hospital, but Attendants Return Victim to Jail.

SEATTLE, March 13.—E. E. Ross, a well-dressed young man 25 years old, was found dead on the floor of the receiving hall at the city jail by his cellmates this morning.

He attempted to walk across the drawbridge over the Columbia River last night and reached the first draw when he was stopped by the watchman, who attempted to get him to go back, but he is allowed to walk over the bridge.

MAN FORGETS NAME, HOME

Vancouver Prisoner Is Puzzle, Unable to Account for Daze.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—Declaring in a whisper that he doesn't know who he is, whence he came, and unable to account for his loss of memory, a man supposed to be J. Chadwick, is detained at the City Jail here.

MILLS ADOPTING CEMENT

Raymond Plants Use It for Building, Fire Danger Less.

RAYMOND, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—The Willapa Lumber Company is installing a Grand Rapids dry-kiln in a concrete house, which will make it fireproof.

REINS TIED, MAN DRAGGED

Team Runs Away With Plow, Lander Center Farmer Hurt.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—With the reins tied around his shoulders while he was plowing near La Center yesterday, C. G. Smith, a farmer, was dragged 150 feet by the team, which was frightened when the singletree struck one of the animals on the leg.

FEE REFUSED BY OLD MAN

After Testifying Against Assailant He Does Not Want Money.

DAYTON, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—"Pride and Poverty might be the title of a little drama in real life enacted here yesterday, when Wilhelm Wiegand, 70 years old, well-known pioneer, who was assaulted and cruelly beaten by Mark Owens, a laborer, on Sunday, refused to take the \$2 witness fee due him as a prosecuting witness against his assailant.

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State College Is Examined.

STATE COLLEGE, Pullman, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—The state legislative investigating committee is now at Pullman, examining the student membership records of the institution, inquiring into the curriculum and making a general but thorough examination of the general financial and teaching policy of the college. Howard Taylor and W. C. Monday.

Pellard Suits MERCHANDISE OF MERIT ONLY Pellard Suits Lipman-Wolfe & Co.

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—Lipman, Wolfe & Co. leadership in wearing apparel for misses and little women is attained by keeping in close touch with styles, designs and fashions for their particular demand. The vogue for simplicity in these suits, expressly for young girls is exemplified by our showing of new Spring garments.

Misses' and Little Women's Tailored Suits

—In sharkskin, wale diagonal and serge, in all the pastel shades for Spring. The suits are hand-fashioned by expert tailors. The coats are 32 in. long and lined with Peau de Cygne, the skirts are made with the new plaited fashion. Our showing is very complete, the styles are exclusive. No other stores specialize in these suits.



Misses' and Women's Chic Shepherd Checks

—Pretty New Shepherd Check Suits, fashioned in strictly tailored style. The coats modeled in the 32-inch length, with in-laid collar and patent leather belt, silk lined and perfectly finished in tailoring, the skirts are full plaited. Also other styles in the very latest fashion fads for misses and little women.

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Tailored Suits of Distinction Selling at \$25

—These suits possess distinctive style touches modeled on the identical lines of foreign examples brought over to this country for that purpose. In fabrics the range is broad, embracing every well-known material; in colors you have the choice of all the Spring shades. For years this store has been known to give the best suit value for \$25. This Spring we are certain, from observation, that our claims are again well sustained. We invite your inspection of these suits. We invite comparison. It's then that the true worth of these suits will be appreciated. We pay more for materials, more for tailoring, more for lining and finishing for these suits than any other house in the City of Portland.

La Vida and W. B. Corsets Misses' Easter Hats \$5

—Miss White, an expert corsetiere from New York, is demonstrating W. B. and La Vida Corsets at our store this week. Miss White is not a saleswoman. Her mission is different. Miss White is like a physician to a patient, not like a druggist. Miss White points out to you by demonstration how properly to corset yourself in a becoming, graceful fashion, without harmful or uncomfortable results. Miss White doesn't sell corsets. Come and have a fitting. You are not obligated to purchase.

—Hats with a deal of refinement and taste trimmed in our own workroom, by some of our best trimmers. Shapes and frames entirely new with this season, and remarkably becoming and stylish. Many of the hats turn off from the face or up on one side. This gives them a very chic appearance and requires only a little trimming. There is no disputing the fact that you see five hats here to one in any other store. You could choose with your eyes shut and make no mistake.



McMasters, Representatives in the House, and Senator F. L. Allen, chairman, are the representatives of the state committee. Senator H. O. Flahback and Representative J. C. Hubbell are absent.

RAYMOND, Wash., March 13.—(Special.)—The Willapa Lumber Company is installing a Grand Rapids dry-kiln in a concrete house, which will make it fireproof. The building is 20x150 feet, divided into two compartments, one for dry heat and the other for wet heat. The capacity is 40,000 feet of lumber, or two cars, a day.

HERMISTON, Or., March 13.—(Special.)—C. A. Smith, bearing several aliases, was arrested here by Deputy Newport and taken to Pendleton on a charge of passing forged checks. Smith is said to have passed a bad check on a grocery firm before coming to Hermiston.

ON TOP OF ABSOLUTELY Sanitary Bakery THIS EARTH The Royal Bakery and Confectionery, Inc. The Great Portland Bakery That Always Invites Inspection