

MAYOR WILL KEEP LAW AND ORDER

Otherwise He Will Maintain Neutral Attitude During Teamsters' Strike.

FIRST VIOLENCE IS SHOWN

Business Agent of Union Dragged From Wagon by Drayman, Who Is Then Attacked by Union Man and Kicked in Groin.

Mayor Simon yesterday afternoon announced to a committee of 50 men, headed by M. C. Banfield, president of the Employers' Association, that as the Mayor of the city he would protect life and limb and preserve order during the teamsters' strike, but that he would not go so far as to send policemen out with strikebreakers. Neither would he favor one side or the other so far as the controversy was concerned.

No Guards Furnished.

Chief of Police Cox is ill at his home, and Mayor Simon, after the conference with President Banfield and committee, issued to Captain of Police Eady, commanding the day relief at headquarters, instructions to take every precaution to preserve order and to deal with the mob, but not to send out any officers for special guard duty in case the draymen should attempt to start business.

"As Mayor," said he, "I am sworn to uphold the law and to preserve order, but I do not like the idea of ordering policemen to accompany strikebreakers. I think that policy would incite ill-feeling and possibly lead to a riot. I am very anxious that there shall be no such outbreaks, and hope that both sides will find a means of peaceful adjustment of their difficulties. The draymen declare that they want of men who want to work, and President Banfield, who is in charge of the men who wish to work has a right to do so unquestioned by any union or any man, thus favoring the so-called open shop. I do not want to inject myself into this difficulty. Should any riot or any trouble eventuate, I shall, to the limit of my power, strive to preserve order and deal with the case as it may seem wise. My great hope is, however, is this strike will be amicably settled soon."

Mr. Banfield Issues Statement.

After the conference President Banfield said that he was satisfied with the Mayor's attitude and made the following statement: "It is true that there was a large committee of business men from the Commercial Club who called on the Mayor this afternoon demanding police protection for the men who wished to follow their vocations as teamsters for the different transfer companies in this city. There seems to be any number of men who wish to work, but are afraid of the mob continually surrounding the teams and using violence and threats, asserting unless they quit their job they will be fixed when night comes. The Mayor is heartily in sympathy with the open shop, and he wishes the citizens of Portland are determined to maintain. He stated positively that he believed any man had a right to leave his work when he saw fit, but on the other hand those leaving their work had no right to interfere with those who wish to make a living and emphasize that he would do all in his power to give the citizens of Portland all the protection in his power to give them."

Mediation Is Declined. Mr. Banfield also wrote the following letter to Rev. Benjamin Young, declaring the offer of several prominent gentlemen to act as mediators between the striking teamsters and their employers: "Dear Sir—In answer to a letter of June 4th from your committee to the Draymen's Association, who are members of the Employers' Association of the State of Oregon, I, as president of that body, desire to thank you in their behalf very sincerely for the interest you have taken in the industrial situation now existing in our city. I feel that your committee is a kindred organization to our own; trying to do what you can for the best interests of all and for the prosperity of our city at large. We will be too pleased to meet you at any date or place you may name, but so far as the Teamster's Union is concerned, we have no mission with them. They voluntarily left their vocations of labor and, recognizing their right so to do, we feel that they are no longer in the employ of any one with whom you seek conference. Therefore, we must decline to go into session with them, whose interests are diametrically opposed to those of yours and ours. Especially does this apply to foreign missionaries who seek to represent the parties bringing about the present condition of affairs. We feel, as citizens of Portland, that we know the conditions surrounding us better than strangers can possibly ascertain, and will not tolerate any interference by foreign missionaries,

but are willing and anxious to meet the citizens of Portland and give them the facts regarding present conditions so that they may be made public and all may know the principle for which we stand.

We desire conference with you at the earliest possible date, as we believe that we will both be benefited thereby. Thanking you again for th interest you have taken, we are, Yours most respectfully, THE EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION OF OREGON, M. C. Banfield, President.

First Clash Gets Two.

G. A. Rogers, business agent for the Teamsters' Union, was jerked from a wagon yesterday by L. R. Hadley, manager of the B. & O. T. Company, and rendered unconscious by striking the pavement. One of the strikers who was standing near by kicked Hadley in the groin, stretching him on the street, and out for the timely arrival of the police a serious riot would probably have resulted.

Rogers had climbed on a wagon belonging to the B. & O. T. Company and attempted to persuade a non-union driver to leave the wagon. The wagon contained a mob of men, and Hadley became angered at the interference of Rogers. When the latter refused to get off the wagon Hadley seized him by the legs and dragged him to the ground.

A report was received at police headquarters yesterday morning saying that strikers refused to allow two wagons belonging to the Post Special Delivery Company to enter the Southern Pacific freight yards. Sergeant Roberts, with a couple of men, was detailed to look into the matter, but on arriving at the yards found that the crowd of strikers had already dispersed. It was also reported that a man driving for Allen & Lewis was forcibly removed from his wagon on the East Side, but this report was not confirmed.

Picket System in Vogue.

The picket system was thoroughly established yesterday by the teamsters, and they had little difficulty in persuading the new drivers to desert their posts. The East Side Transfer Company sent out a dozen non-union drivers during the day, but with few exceptions they deserted their wagons and joined the ranks of the strikers. The Holman Transfer Company and Ericson & Collier succeeded in hiring several non-union drivers who remained on their wagons during the entire day.

Draymen Stand for Open Shop.

The draymen say they are fully determined to establish the open shop and have advertised in newspapers daily papers for teamsters to take the place of the strikers. They deny, however, that they will import regular strikebreakers from San Francisco, and maintain that their policy is to either induce the old teamsters to return or to gradually replace them with local men. The old men who wish to return will be taken back regardless of their affiliation with the union.

Sping of the situation, G. A. Rogers said: "We are gaining ground every day and the strike is practically won. While we are willing to meet the teamworkers to arbitrate any minor differences, we shall certainly not consider the open shop policy for a minute. Every day is adding more to the strike with local men. Business men of all classes believe that we should be granted a raise. I do not look for the strike to last more than a week or 10 days longer, but should it become necessary we are prepared to continue indefinitely. The transfer companies are losing hundreds of dollars every day, and I do not think they will be able to hold out much longer."

Two Foremen, one for the Holman Transfer Company and the other for the Clay-Morris Company, decided to discontinue driving yesterday, and did not take out teams as they had been doing since the strike was inaugurated. An effort is to be made by the teamsters to persuade all foremen who were formerly members of the Teamsters' Union to discontinue the practice of taking out teams. This practice is detrimental to the union.

BATHER DROWNS IN LAKE

Ed Wolcott Gets Beyond Depth. Companions Strive to Save.

BRIDAL VEIL. Or, June 6.—(Special.)—Ed Wolcott was drowned while bathing with two companions in a lake on Sand Island yesterday. He was unable to swim and got in water beyond his depth. His companions made efforts to save him but failed, being taken down by him twice.

Wolcott came from London, England, and was working in the box factory here. The body was recovered.

The department of Fomento is considering an application of Bravo Iglesias to develop the big Apurarturo waterfall in Michoacan.

SCRIBER WILL ASK STAY OF SENTENCE

Convicted Bank-Wrecker to Be Allowed 30 Days to Decide on Appeal.

TIME IS SPENT ON FARM

Letters From Depositors Who Lost in La Grande Bank Failure Offer Assistance to ex-Cashier—Effort to Balance Books.

Jefferson W. Scriber, convicted of wrecking the Farmers & Traders National Bank of La Grande, where there was discovered a shortage of \$120,000 and forged notes to the extent of \$50,000, will not be sentenced to a term in prison when the case is called in the United States Court today.

Attorneys C. W. Fulton and L. H. McMahon will ask for a reprieve of 30 days to visit his orchard at Mission Bottoms, near Salem, where he has been for the last ten days.

When Scriber was found guilty of the crimes charged in the indictments returned by the grand jury, his attorneys were granted ten days in which to determine the advisability of requesting a new trial, or appealing to the higher courts of the Government.

Scriber, who had been living on the East Side following the failure of his Union County bank, was allowed his liberty on a bond of \$15,000, and accepted an invitation from Attorney McMahon to visit his orchard at Mission Bottoms, near Salem, where he has been for the last ten days.

Scriber is reported to be gaining his shattered health and enjoying country life. He is daily in receipt of letters from depositors who lost large sums of money in the failure, offering to furnish the defaulting cashier with funds with which to carry up the case, or to apply for a rehearing. Scriber has possession of the books and papers of the defunct bank, and is daily attempting to secure a balance of the accounts which, if true, would have an influence with the court in securing a new trial.

It is plain to me that the books balance and that I never got a cent illegally, but I am not able to make it plain to anybody else," complains Scriber. Scriber will not appear in the United States Court today, but will be represented by his attorneys. Scriber is subject to a sentence of five years on each of the four indictments on which he was found guilty.

NEGRESS BREAKS FAITH

North End Resident Refuses to Expose "Friend" Before Court.

Zaza Morris, a negress of the North End, failed to make good her promise to expose the woman who stole \$25 from Joe Pippas, a Greek, and was held to answer to another charge.

Zaza was arrested several days ago, on a complaint of the Greek that she had thrown her arms about him on the street and abstracted \$25 from his pocket. The identification of the woman being unsatisfactory, and she having promised to bring the woman into court who had committed the robbery, the charge against her was dismissed.

Yesterday morning she appeared against Myrtle Morrison, another negress whom she had accused of the theft, but upon taking the witness-stand she failed to repeat her assertions and the charge against the Morrison woman fell down. The latter, when arrested, had opium in her possession, but it could not be proved that it belonged to her. A charge of being a disorderly person will be pressed against the Morrison woman.

Willow River Project Hurdled.

VALE, Or., June 6.—(Special.)—Two bonds in the sum of \$10,000 will be voted in the Brogan school project this month for the building of a public school building in the new town

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Sappington Goes to Convention. VANCOUVER, Wash., June 6.—(Special.)—W. D. Sappington, Sheriff of Clark County, has been appointed by Governor Hay as a delegate to the American Prison Association, which convenes in Washington, D. C., September 20 and October 1 and 2.

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