

TELEGRAPHERS OF S. S. STRAY ST...

Threat of Nation-Wide Walk-out Made; Messages Are Sent to Burlington.

WESTERN UNION ACCUSED

Big Company Said to Be Discharging Operators in Attempt to Discredit Control by Federal Government.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 4.—(Special.)

The threat of a nation-wide strike of telegraphers has been made. Officials of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union charge that the Western Union Company, which they say is still in charge of the operations of the telegraph, is discharging members of their organization in an attempt to discredit Government control.

They say that approximately 100 men have been discharged since August 1, 1918. In St. Louis, 25 in New York and others in Cincinnati, Atlanta, San Antonio, Wichita, Dallas and other towns.

Mr. Koenekamp said later that he thought the threatening operators would take no action pending the result of the conference.

The following telegram was sent to Mr. Burleson by a committee appointed on behalf of yesterday's meeting, consisting of Wade C. Worrell, W. F. Bibb, Edward L. Poole, J. P. Downie and J. S. Goodfellow:

"We, the undersigned, duly authorized representatives of the Commercial Telegraphers of America, in open meeting assembled in Corinthian Hall, Memphis, Tennessee, on Sunday, August 4, 1918, do hereby express our vigorous protest against the action of the Western Union Telegraph Company in dismissing a large number of its employees from its organization last week in St. Louis, Atlanta, San Antonio and other cities.

These discharges were solely because of union affiliations. We are doing all in our power to prevent a walkout, but the discharged members are aware that this action is in violation of President Wilson's proclamation of August 8, and are impatiently waiting for the government to take action by ordering the reinstatement of these telegraphers at their earliest convenience."

NEW YORK, Aug. 4.—(Special.)—Several hundred members of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America who met at Arlington Hall advised Postmaster-General Burleson in a telegram that there was danger of a strike of telegraphers unless the anti-union policy of the Western Union was abolished and membership in the union stopped.

In a telegram to the Postmaster-General, signed by officials of the union, it was asserted that telegraph offices throughout the country were short of men because more than 1000 telegraphers had been dismissed for no other reason than that they belonged to a union.

QUEEN EATS PANCAKES WITH ALLIED SOLDIERS IN ENGLAND

"All-Hands-Round" Gambols, Grand Marches and Parlor Games Popular With American Fighting Men in Great Britain.

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) LONDON, July 4.—When the Queen of England, on the occasion of the royal visit to the American Eagle Hut, a few days ago, sampled the American pancakes, she left part of her portion on the plate. A soldier, after their majesties had departed, finished it and went around boasting, "I'm the man that ate the Queen's pancake."

The Eagle Hut boasts three attractions so typically American that they are almost a curiosity in London. They are an American barber's chair, an American backboard stand and a pancake griddle.

The barber's chair was discovered "somewhere in England" after a long patient search and was bought for \$50. When the Y. M. C. A. people hear the American soldier, as he stretches out in it, say "Ah-h, that's the stuff," they know they made a good investment.

The griddle is used for cooking pancakes, which are a popular food among the American fighting men. The griddle is used for cooking pancakes, which are a popular food among the American fighting men.

Information Window Valuable. "I hate to trouble you for anything like that, sir," he apologized, "this being Sunday the stores are closed, and I've been asked out to dinner, so you see."

The "Lady Barber" Next. More Women May Take Place of Men in Shops.

Problem of Meeting Death of Help Before Proprietors—Admitting of Feminine Tonsorial Artists to Union Favored.

The secretary found he had a suit to automobile in Portland. Young Ryan is a son of John Ryan, 1018 First street, Portland.

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BOARD CONTROL EXTENDED

President Issues New Proclamation Relating to Shipping.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Aug. 4.—Maximum temperature, 75 degrees; minimum, 57 degrees. Lower reading, 5.7 feet; change in last 24 hours, 0.2 foot; total rainfall, 0.0 inch.

Table with columns: STATIONS, Minimum temperature, Maximum temperature, Precipitation, Wind direction, Wind velocity.

FORECASTS. Portland and vicinity—Fair and warmer; moderate westerly winds.

Pig Wrangling Present Costly. SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 4.—Pigs for wedding presents! The latest war gift had has had its start here, but in the one instance reported of a person desiring to make a wedding gift of pigs it was found difficult to buy the pigs.

MAJOR SHERMAN IMPROVING. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Aug. 4.—Major D. C. Sherman, of the 42d Infantry, is recovering from his wounds.

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For convenience of our depositors, our Savings Department will be open on Saturday evenings from 6 to 8 o'clock until further notice.

AMUSEMENTS. PANTAGES MAT. DAILY 2:30. "QUEEN TOWN TO BRADWAY." OAKS AMUSEMENT PARK CHAT NO. 64

Members are notified to attend the funeral services of Mrs. William H. Spear, at the Portland Crematorium, 3 P. M. Saturday, August 3, 1918.

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