

BILLY BURKE ROWS WITH FLO ZIEGFELD

Husband Sends Frantic Cable Across Atlantic.

SEPARATION IS RUMORED

Curious Ask Whether Marilyn Miller Has Come Between Folies Producer and Spouse.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
YORK HARBOR, Me., July 23.—Billy Burke has cabled 99 reproachful words to Flo Ziegfeld Jr., and those 99 words may portend separation of the famous couple.

Be that as it may, across the ocean she has flashed an ultimatum as aftermath of the Ziegfeld-Marilyn Miller row. Flo, in Paris, is frantic.

Back he cabled his adoration and a protestation of his innocence. Beseeching her to believe him, he announced that he's sailing on the next boat. Today his wife received the following cable:

"Billy, darling, I am nearly insane. Please cable me what it is all about. I am not afraid of the truth, and I swear on anything you may name there is nothing to which you can take exception. Realize my position. Naturally people try to get even with me by doing what hurts you."

"Wife's Loyalty Asked."
"I have not hesitated to tell the truth about people and have fought against what I considered to my detriment and theirs. You as my wife should stand with me and not let my enemies accomplish their purpose, whatever it may be. Wait until I am proved guilty. Will sail on first boat. You and Patricia are all that mean anything to me. Be fair, dearest. Answer. Flo."

Has Marilyn Miller come between the Folies producer and his lovely wife?
Tonight Billie Burke is pale and tired and her eyes are red with weeping.

"No," she faltered when a reporter asked her if she cared to deny the rumor that she will leave her husband.

"No, I won't deny it. I won't affirm or deny anything, simply can't talk about it. It's all very, very personal."

Cable Kept Secret.

"It's quite true that I sent my husband a cable, but the contents were for no one but him. I can't shout forth the secrets of my soul. You must let me be noncommittal."

"I once had a wild dream," she said, "to have cabled her husband in Paris, 'that you and I and the baby could be happy together, but the dream is over.'"

Miss Burke threw up her hands at the mention of Marilyn. "Don't ask me to talk of Miss Miller," she implored. "In the first place, I never said the things about her I was credited with saying, and I refuse now to exchange insults with the girl."

MISS MILLER IS EN ROUTE

Fiancee of Jack Pickford Dashing West to Wed.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
CHICAGO, July 23.—Marilyn Miller, blonde star of "Sally," accompanied by nine immediate trunk 16 bags and other impedimenta, dashed into Chicago Saturday on her way to Los Angeles, where she says she will become the bride of Jack Pickford on August 1, rain or shine.

Mary was bubbling and belied the recent doleful utterances of her Boston physician that she was a nervous wreck and tottering on the verge of the grave. She is the picture of health and her only difficulty seemed to be her difficulty of parting with which to express her admiration for Pickford.

And she is going to have the word "happy" spoken out right loud at the marriage ceremony.

"Jack is my only boss," she said, "and I intend to obey him. Flo Ziegfeld in Paris and I hope he stays there."

Miss Miller also told of the unfriendly attitude of Billy Burke, who in private life is the wife of Ziegfeld. "I wish I did not have to be under Ziegfeld's management," she continued. "Jack's all the manager I want."

While here Miss Miller stopped at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Sweeney. "Ma" Miller also was there, slightly indisposed but very glad to see her alone. "Ma" Miller, a sister Claire and a maid will accompany Marilyn to Los Angeles. They left over the Santa Fe last night.

STAR TO STAY WITH SHOW

Miss Miller Expected to Quit Soon After Marriage.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
BOSTON, Mass., July 23.—Marilyn Miller today in Chicago said she would continue despite her row with Flo Ziegfeld Jr. in the Ziegfeld musical production, "Sally," in which she has the title role. But it was learned on excellent authority here that soon after Marilyn violates the anti-marriage clause of the five-year contract by becoming Mrs. Jack Smith (Pickford) she will leave the "Sally" show and Ziegfeld management.

Mary Eaton was said to be slated to take her place. Miss Eaton began rehearsing Miss Miller's part on cabled orders, it was said about the time the controversy of the star with her producer over the forthcoming marriage to Pickford began. She now knows the role perfectly. As a dancer she has been compared favorably with Miss Miller and she is held to excel Marilyn in vocal ability.

NEW PHOTOS ILLUSTRATING LOS ANGELES HAMMER MURDER.



Top (left to right)—Chief of Police Lewis D. Oaks; Lieutenant Grant J. Roberts; seated, Detective Herman Cline, grilling Mrs. Peggy Caffee, who accompanied Mrs. Phillips on the murder trip, according to her own story, and was an eyewitness of the slaying. Below—Mrs. Albertine Tremaine Meadows, the 26-year-old widow, who was beaten to death with a hammer on a lonely road near Los Angeles and for whose murder Mrs. Cline Phillips is being held.

RAILROAD SHOPS QUIET

STRIKERS SIMPLY KEEPING TAB ON WORK.

Rail Lines Report No Breakdowns Mar Heavy Week-End Travel and Trains Are on Time.

Despite the fact that 4000 workmen are on strike, Sunday in the vicinity of Portland's railway shops and yards was as quiet as any rural New England Sabbath.

A few straggling pickets and small squads of policemen and railroad guards who stayed about the shop entrances were the only outward evidence that a strike was in progress.

Southern Pacific officials, in substantiation of their claim that the strike has not affected their lines, point to an exceptionally heavy week-end traffic, with special excursions to both Newport and Tillamook beaches. Engines were provided for all trains, no delays or breakdowns were experienced, and all trains were running on time, officials stated.

Pickets are becoming scarce, special agents of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle system stated, and few of the strikebreakers are even accosted when coming to or going from work. The strikers seem content simply with keeping tab on the work that is being done in the shops and allowing the non-union men to work if they see fit.

Union officials are as optimistic as rail heads. They confidently expect to win, because, they say, the strikebreakers are not trained workmen and cannot keep the motive power and rolling stock of the roads in workable condition. No desertions have been reported from the union ranks.

Two meetings of strikers are scheduled. One will be held tonight and another tomorrow night, at the Labor Temple. E. F. Grow, international representative of the machinists' union, will address both gatherings. Tuesday night's meeting will be open for the wives and families of the strikers.

Financial as well as moral support was promised the striking railway workmen when the 1100 members of the Willamette lodge of the Maintenance of Way and Shop Laborers' brotherhood yesterday voted to donate one day's pay every two weeks to the assistance of the workers who are out of employment. The financial secretary of the lodge was instructed immediately to send a check for \$200 to the heads of the local strikers' organization.

The Maintenance of Way men, in a formal resolution adopted at the meeting, condemned the action of the railway labor board and held that the wages offered the shop men were below those on which American workmen could live decently.

FEDERAL COURSE IN DOUBT

Every Possible Strike Contingency Studied by President.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 23.—The government's future course in the railway labor board and held that the wages offered the shop men were below those on which American workmen could live decently.

Marilyn Miller is on her way to Los Angeles, Jack Pickford and marriage. Theatrical gossip instantly related that Ziegfeld will cancel his contract with Miss Miller following her marriage in defiance of his objections.

BOARD GIVES UP PEACE EFFORTS

No New Move Is Planned, Says Mr. Hooper.

VIEWES GIVEN HARDING

President Declared to Be Well-Informed on All Angles of Railroad Walkout.

CHICAGO, July 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—No further action toward ending the railway shopmen's strike is contemplated by the United States railroad labor board at this time, Ben W. Hooper, chairman of the labor board, announced tonight in his statement to the conference with President Harding at Washington. Asked whether any new plans looking toward a settlement of the strike had been made, he dictated the following formal statement:

"My trip to Washington was mainly for the purpose of furnishing the president with the fullest information possible in regard to the strike situation."

"As might be supposed, the president seeks to know this situation from every angle, from the viewpoint of the carriers, the employees, the labor board and the public."

"There is nothing else that can be said just now other than to answer the question asked me by saying that no further action by the labor board is in contemplation at this time."

While Mr. Hooper was meeting the government officials in Washington, B. M. Jewell, another strike leader, was in conference with James J. Davis, secretary of labor, at Mooseheart, Ill.

At the end of the meeting and before departing for Washington, Mr. Davis expressed the belief that the strike could be settled at once if the roads would restore the seniority rights of the strikers and the labor board would take up the other questions in dispute.

No Serious Obstacle Found.

In commenting on the attitude of the roads and the strike leaders, Mr. Hooper asserted that his investigation had convinced him that "no serious obstacle is to be found to peace," except restoration of seniority rights to the strikers.

Further progress was seen in the statement issued last night by Mr. Jewell, however, in which he said: "There are three principal issues now preventing a possible settlement of the railway controversy which are found in the refusal of the railway executives:

"1. To discontinue contracting out work."

"2. To establish a national board of adjustment."

"3. To continue seniority rights of employees who suspended work."

It was pointed out that this list of demands contained only one of the original three grievances which resulted in the strike call—that relating to the discontinuance of outside contracting—and it was indicated that almost every road in the country already had agreed to stop this practice.

Wage Demands Omitted.

The omission of the original demands relating to wages and rules governing seniority, however, the belief being expressed that the shopmen finally had decided to agree to a rehearing of these points by the labor board. It was also pointed out to this which averted a threatened strike by approximately 400,000 maintenance of way men at the time the shopmen walked out.

W. L. McKinnon, labor member of the board, who was largely instrumental in avoiding threatened strikes of maintenance of way men, said that he had no objection to the original three grievances which he will confer here tomorrow with W. P. Noone, representing the station clerks, freight handlers and express and station employees who meet here Tuesday.

It was reported also that the general chairman of the union composed of railway and steamship clerks, freight handlers and express and station employees will meet here Tuesday.

SERIOUS SITUATION FACED

Passenger Schedules in New York Are Reported Dragging.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)
NEW YORK, July 23.—That the metropolitan district is being faced with a serious transportation situation due to the shopmen's strike was indicated today by the increasing number of serious delays on the railroad entering New York terminals. Passenger schedules were reported to be dragging from two to five hours and in one case a rush train to New York City was held up for 10 hours.

While railroad executives continued to reiterate that they were in control of the situation and no emergency was expected, strike leaders asserted that gravest kind of transportation emergency now exists which will threaten the new business boom in the cradle unless the strike is settled at once.

Survey of the situation made by the labor bureau, economic advisers to the striking shop craft unions, showed that the car supply is "so inadequate that three results are shown to be almost inevitable, as follows:

"First, an emergency pooling of rolling stock under federal control."

"Second, a resurrection of priorities control over shipments as exercised during the war."

"Third, the shutting down of non-essential industries and a throttling of the business revival."

"The only alternative of these measures is complete confusion and hardship, which would be worse."

Pointing out that the pooling of rolling stock would have had to be made if there had been no strike because of the condition of the roads and equipment, the report added:

"This is no time for a few hard-boiled executives to choose for a finish fight to destroy the unions."

Railroad executives said that their position was unchanged and that they intended to fight it out with the shop craft unions. They said they were gradually getting new men to fill the places of the strikers and that they would be able to keep up sufficient repairs on equipment to keep the trains moving.

CAR POOLING IS ADVOCATED

New Business Revival Is Declared Endangered in Cradle.

NEW YORK, July 23.—The present "transportation emergency" will threaten the new business revival in the cradle if the railroad strike continues much longer, said David Williams, secretary of the central strike committee tonight. He based his



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statement on figures submitted by the Labor Bureau, Inc., showing, he asserted, that the following measures are almost inevitable in dealing with the crisis:

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GRIEVANCES HELD SAVED

Shop Men Said to Have Proposed Strike Since April, 1921.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 23.—That the railroad shopmen have been preparing for the strike now in progress since April, 1921, and waited 16 months because of desire to "accumulate enough grievances to support a demand for a nation-wide strike," were statements made today by P. J. Condon, vice-president of the International Association of Machinists, at a public meeting here.

Of the 1100 decisions handed down by the labor board, the speaker

listed 700 as favorable to the railroads and 400 as "dominantly in favor of our side," but of the latter, he said at least 300 were "into effect by the railroads and therefore 'didn't mean anything.'"

Asserting that the strike leaders were well satisfied with the situation, Mr. Condon said:

"It generally takes from 30 to 60 days to make a shop strike effective, but before this one had been on ten days more than 250 trains had been cancelled out of Chicago, the West Virginia non-union coal mines were bottled up and the iron and steel industry were crying for help and we have hardly started yet."

DAIRIES TO BE VISITED

Specialists Will Visit Herds in Cowitz County.

KELSO, Wash., July 23.—(Special.)—A livestock tour will visit Cowitz county next Tuesday, following a day spent in Clark county. Dairies to be inspected in Cowitz county include those of R. M. Luok and John Bogart at Woodland; C. A.

Dr. S. B. Nelson, director, and Don Magruder, dairy specialist with Washington State college, are in charge of the tour and will give instruction to the dairymen of the state with proper breeding methods and to show some of the better-bred animals of the state.



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