

QUICK DECLARES MESSAGE FORGERY

Head of Railway Telegraphers Did Not Instruct Men Not to Handle Business.

SENDS DENIAL TO SINKS

Southern Pacific Discharges Operator for Tampering With Wires. Union Expels Two Members Who Returned to Work.

LOCAL STRIKE SITUATION.

Grand Secretary-Treasurer Quick, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, in a letter confirms the telegraphic message instructing railway telegraphers not to handle Western Union business was a forgery.

Arbitration Disturbed by Men.

Striking commercial telegraphers here do not endorse over the report from Chicago that Samuel Gompers and others recognized labor leaders were negotiating for an arbitration of the trouble between the telegraphers and the telegraph companies.

Causes Trouble on Railroad Lines.

But the bogus message, undoubtedly the work of a radical strike sympathizer, has created a serious trouble on both the Oregon Railroad & Navigation and the Southern Pacific lines in this state.

Inspector Catches Morse.

"We were satisfied that some malicious work was being done on the Western Union wires between this city and San Francisco, and resolved to get the culprit," said Superintendent Klippel last night.

Answering Want Advertisements

In The Oregonian today on the classified pages are a number of "Help Wanted" advertisements where employers are making attractive offers for the right kind of help.

Young Woman Clerk Insulted.

"One of my young women clerks was insulted this afternoon by one of the striking telegraphers," said Manager Du-mars of the Western Union, last night.

prevent it he had seized the young woman by the arm and pulled her across the sidewalk. I promptly released the girl from the fellow's grasp and warned him not to repeat the performance or I would cause his arrest.

For the first time since its operators walked out on a strike Monday afternoon, the Associated Press had its leased wire in operation last night throughout the Northwest.

Last night the striking telegraphers reported having induced one of the strike-breakers employed in the Western Union office to quit his position.

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Strikebreaker Quits Job.

Yesterday these tactics were so effectively employed in one instance that the strikebreaker, being promised a position in a real estate office, returned to the telegraph office and tendered his resignation.

It has been learned by experience that applicants who give full particulars as to previous experience, reference, age, and salary expected, always receive more consideration and are most likely to get the positions.

It would be well for you to read the "Help Wanted" advertisements in today's Oregonian.

delivering all messages that were received. This office is bearing the brunt of the messenger boys' strike, for the reason that the messengers at the Postal office are not members of the union and are not interfered with in the performance of their duties.

Mail bulletins are being received at strikers' headquarters in the Esmond Hotel from many Pacific Coast and Eastern cities, reporting that both telegraph companies all over the country are handling but a limited amount of business.

Deserters Expelled From Union.

Operators Stone and Underwood, who deserted the union Friday to return to the employ of the Western Union have not only been expelled from membership in the Commercial Telegraphers' Union but they were denounced for their action in the following resolutions which were adopted at a meeting of the strikers yesterday.

Resolved, That Local No. 92, C. T. U. of A., hereby expels these two dishonored members, C. E. Stone and Ira Greenwood, for the reasons specified in the foregoing.

At the meeting of the strikers yesterday morning, William R. Logus, a member of the City Council at Oregon City, addressed his remarks to the strikers and assured them that they had the sympathy of the public with them in their strike.

Brokers' Service Interrupted.

The brokerage firm of Overbeck & Cooke Company, of this city, has been very fortunate. At no time since the strike began has the firm's private wire service with the East been interrupted.

First Division Pacific Squadron in Orient Coming to San Francisco.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—The Navy Department has been advised of the arrival at Yokohama today of the cruisers of the Pacific fleet, comprising the first division of the Pacific cruiser squadron.

Is Entertained by Business Men of Honolulu, When He Advocates Improvement Pearl Harbor.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 17.—Among the arrivals from Honolulu on the steamer Asia, which arrived here today, were Oscar K. Straus, Secretary of Commerce and Labor, who has been inspecting conditions in Hawaii, and K. Ishii, secretary of the Japanese Foreign Office, who will visit the principal cities of this country before returning to the Orient.

STEP OFF RAILROAD TIES

Nebraska Officials Go Over Line of Missouri Pacific.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 17.—In the investigation of the complaints of the condition of the Missouri Pacific Railroad tracks, made by the National Railway Trackmen's Union, three members of the Nebraska Road Commission walked nine miles along the line east of Lincoln today, counting ties and inspecting rails.

Members of the commission were Dr. Hudson J. Winnett, Judge Joseph Williams and Henry T. Clark, who were accompanied by J. L. Shepherd, of Scott, Kan., and H. A. Vurpils, of Chicago, vice-president of the National Union Railway Trackmen.

Russians Colonizing in Mexico.

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 17.—Negotiations are pending here for the purchase of 150,000 acres of land to be colonized by Russian—20,000 "Mojaks" who are to leave Western Russia soon to be joined by 2000 now at Los Angeles.

Metzger & Co., headquarters Brauer's hand-painted art china, 342 Wash. st.

TAFT CLOSES SHIP

Bids Farewell to Assistants in War Department.

STARTS ROUND THE WORLD

Trip of 30,000 Miles Promises to Be of Great Diplomatic and Commercial Importance—Gives Out an Interview.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Ready for his trip of about 20,000 miles, which will take him round the world, perhaps settle the future of the Philippines, bring him in contact with three Emperors and be of great diplomatic as well as commercial importance, William H. Taft, Secretary of War, brought his first down on his desk with an expression of relief to-night and bade farewell to his subordinates in the War Department.

In midst of his rush of detail today, he took time to discuss various matters in form of an interview. He said he would discuss tariff, trusts and railroads in his speech to be made at Columbus, Ohio, Monday night.

UNCLE SAM'S NAVY SECOND

AMERICAN FLEET PLACED NEXT TO TOP OF LIST.

In Ships With High-Power Guns and Armor, United States Vessels Are Superior to All.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The annual issue of P. T. James' fighting ships in 1907, one of the recognized authorities on naval matters, puts the United States second among the naval powers, and Great Britain first.

CRUISERS REACH YOKOHAMA

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—A telegram received by the Treasury Department reports that the revenue cutter Manning yesterday ran upon an uncharted rock near Valdez, Alaska.

Cutter Manning His Rock.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Government officials are inclined to discredit the Honolulu story that Layman Island has disappeared and attribute it to a probable mistaken reckoning by the captain of the schooner Olsen who made the report.

Astoria Teachers Examined.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—The examination of applicants for county and state teachers certificates was completed today. Certificates were issued as follows: First grade—Mrs. M. H. Hudson, Mrs. Margaret G. Barry, Misses Esther Larson, Rose A. Matson, Gertrude Havard and J. Fred Sante.

California Boy Is Victor.

OMAHA, Aug. 17.—Walter Stanton, of California, defeated Guy Buckles, of Omaha, yesterday in a fierce 20-round fight. Stanton was aggressive throughout. Buckles was three all but out, but Stanton was unable to follow up his advantage.

Seven-jewel Elgin watch, 16 size, 20-year case, \$2.75 Metzger, 342 Wash. st.

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CUT RATES

To advertise our new and wonderfully successful Alveolar Method, we will do work at cut rates for

30 DAYS

A ten-year guarantee with all work. Examination free. Silver fillings, 50c; crowns (22k), \$3.50 to \$5.00; bridgework (per tooth), \$3.50 to \$5.00. Plates as low as \$5.00. Everything first class. Lady attendant

Boston Dentists 201 1/2 Morrison St., Opp. Postoffice.

Perfect Combustion

of fuel is possible only in a perfectly constructed stove. Every portion of the fuel that is combustible is burned in JEWEL stoves and ranges and every particle of the heat is utilized.



\$1 Down, \$1 a Week Buys a Jewel Range

A Range that will meet every desire of the housewife. Large, strong, non-warping tops, big fire-boxes hold fire over night, grates can be used for coal or wood, and the specially-designed heat-distributing flues are easy to get at and easy to clean out.

WE ARE ALSO AGENTS FOR THE GREAT AJAX RANGE ON SALE NOW AT \$33.00

POWERS THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY DIGNIFIED CREDIT FOR ALL FIRST AND TAYLOR

FROM DENVER TO SEATTLE

Air-Line Rail Project to Develop Coal Mines Along Route.

EARTHQUAKE IN SAN JUAN

Two Shocks Felt—People Are Awakened, but No Damage Done.

A Sale You Should Not Miss at The House of Highest Quality

Pianoseekers' Greatest Chance to Save But Only a Few More Days Remain

We have been forced to continue the San Francisco Emergency Sale a few days longer. Practically all of the 117 pianos received in the previous shipment have been disposed of, but the letter below, from our San Francisco store, tells briefly the story of another week's sacrifice selling.

Eilers Music Company THE BIG PIANO STORE 1130 VAN NESS AVE., SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. August 16th, 1907. \$200 PIANOS NOW \$114 \$400 PIANOS NOW \$228 \$500 PIANOS NOW \$285

How any seriously inclined piano-seeker can afford to pass this chance to secure a splendid piano of long-established prestige (and there are nearly two dozen leading makes to select from), at a saving of almost one-half the regular retail cost, is something that would be hard to understand.