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DECISIVE MOVE BY CORPORATION
Big Plant at McKeesport Will Be Taken Out.
Moral and Financial Support Will Be Given by American Federation of Labor—Battle for the Cause of Unionism.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 9.—There were gravely important developments in the strike situation today. The United States Steel Corporation moved decisively in the strike campaign with a peremptory order directing that the Dewees-Wood plant at McKeesport be dismantled and removed to Kiskimewa valley. The Dewees-Wood works is one of the oldest and best known plants in Pennsylvania. It was founded nearly forty years ago and its shops and mills covered from twelve to fourteen acres. It employed an average of 800 men. The plant cost several million dollars. The sentiment of the citizens and officials of McKeesport has been against the steel corporation and it is believed here that the latter preferred to get out rather than to make any attempt to resume.

President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, after two days' conference with President Shaffer and his associates, issued a formal statement tonight, specifically holding the federation to the moral and financial support of the Amalgamated Association. His written review of the trials of events leading up to the industrial quarrel sustains the course of the Amalgamated Association and declares that nothing remains for labor but to battle for the cause of unionism. President Gompers would not say just what the Federation of Labor proposed to do. It is presumed, however, that all federation men engaged in the iron and steel trades will be called out with the Amalgamated men. Less than twenty-four hours must elapse before the general strike order of President Shaffer becomes effective. One estimate prepared here says 45,000 men are now idle under the first strike call, and the general call will increase the number to 125,000.

THE STRIKE IN FRISCO.
Steamship Companies Not Worried Over Walkout of Sailors.
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—Marine cooks, waiters and bakers walked out today. There were seventy of them, sixty of whom were employed by the Pacific Coast Steamship Company. This latest phase in the strike does not seem to worry the steamship owners, who say they can secure sufficient men to take the place of the strikers. Unless the seamen's union interposes an objection, the board of public works will begin to clean the streets Sunday with teamsters who own their own teams. Two vessels left port today with non-union crews. The steam collier Maltever sailed with a non-union crew for Tacoma and will not return until the end of the strike. The Columbia, of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, put to sea with a part cargo and a number of passengers. She secured a non-union crew last night and despite the vigilance of the strikers' pickets, substitutes were placed on board between midnight and dawn.

ASSISTANCE FROM MUNCIE.
MUNCIE, Ind., Aug. 9.—Tomorrow the first consignment of wages from the working iron mill employees of Muncie will be sent to Pittsburgh to aid the steel workers. The strike fund and like packages will be sent from Anderson, Marion, Elwood and other gas belt towns. About \$30,000 will be sent from the gas belt.

WILL AID STEEL STRIKERS.
CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—The union steel workers in South Chicago tonight voted to donate five per cent of their wages to strikers as long as the strike may last.

RIVAL ROADS AGREE.
President Mellon Makes Statement Regarding Plans of Northern Pacific.

LEWISTON, Ida., Aug. 9.—President Mellon, of the Northern Pacific and party, arrived today on a special train and spent two hours in the city. The party includes Marvin Huggitt, president of the Chicago & Northwestern, Mr. Mellon is en route to the coast. He gave out the statement that interested roads had definitely decided on building the Lewiston-Idaho line, an extension of the Clearwater line from Siltes to Grangeville, the extension of the Lapwai branch from Caldwell to Keuterville, Idaho county, and the ex-

ension of a branch line into the Clearwater white pine belt. Construction on none, he said, however, would be commenced this year. His statement regarding the joint action of the roads in the plan is the first assurance given out by the Northern Pacific that the Clearwater fight is no longer a reality, and that the interests of rival roads are now one.

DECISION ON RAILROAD TRANSPORTATION CHARGES
Adverse Decision to Maximum Rates Fixed by South Dakota Railroad Commission.

SIOUX FALLS, S. Dak., Aug. 9.—Judge Garland, of the United States court, today filed his decision in the South Dakota railroad rate case. He declares that the schedule of maximum rates and charges for transportation of freight and passengers fixed by the state railroad commission is in violation of the United States constitution in that it would operate to confiscate the property of the railroad companies without due process of law.

INJUNCTION GRANTED.
Oregon Short Line Restricted From Interfering With San Pedro Co.

SALT LAKE, Aug. 9.—By an injunction granted at Carson City, Nev., today, the Oregon Short Line is restrained from interfering in any way with the San Pedro Company (Senator Clark's road) on the line of Lincoln county, Nevada. As the San Pedro road has claimed the right of way on the surveyed line of the Short Line, the latter will be unable to continue its work of construction until the injunction is settled, at least.

COPPER MINE SOLD.
Big Price Paid for British Columbia Property.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 9.—The Britannia copper mine, located on the Howe sound, thirty miles from Vancouver, has changed hands. The majority of the stock has been purchased by Montana people through George H. Robinson, a mining engineer of Butte. The price paid was \$1500 a share, at which rate the local valuation of the mine would be \$600,000. It is stated that August Heine, of Butte, will ultimately become connected with the syndicate.

CANADIAN CENSUS.
Increase of Population Shown Since Last Returns.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 9.—A special from Ottawa says: The census returns will show the population of Canada to be in round figures 5,000,000. This will be an increase of about 800,000 over the figures of 1891, which were 4,200,000 over those of 1881. The increase is disappointing. It is hinted in official circles that an explanation of this is that the returns from 1891 especially for the province of Ontario, were stuffed.

DEMURRER IS SUSTAINED.
PORTLAND, Aug. 9.—In the case of George Whitney Moore and George William Moore against A. B. Hammond, John C. Stanton and the Astoria Company to recover a share of certain bonuses and subsidies secured for the building of the railroad from Astoria to Goble, Judge Bellingier today rendered a decision sustaining the demurrer to the bill of complaint.

NATIONIZED THE TOWN.
Joint in Unionville Demolished by Thirty Women.

UNIONVILLE, Mo., Aug. 9.—At Mendota, a town of 1000 people on the Iowa state line today, thirty women "Nationalized" a joint run by John Murray. The women emptied all the liquor found in the place into the gutter and demolished the fixtures.

CIVIL SUIT FILED.
SALEM, Ore., Aug. 9.—Attorney-General Blackburn and District Attorney Hart, today filed a civil suit against the former state land board, and Sylvester Pennoyer, George W. McBride, Phil Meacham, for the recovery of \$30,932, a shortage caused by the former clerk of the board, George W. Davis.

BOERS TAKE REVENGE.
LONDON, Aug. 9.—According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Lourenco Marques, the Boers are reported to have captured and shot in cold blood a lieutenant and trooper of Steynackers Horse in revenge for their being instrumental in shooting a Boer dispatch rider.

DESTROYED BY FIRE.
CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Aug. 9.—The entire business portion of Rantoul was destroyed by fire this afternoon. Thirty-six business firms were burned out. The loss is \$100,000.

BOYCE PAYS THE DEATH PENALTY
Wife Murderer Hanged at Tacoma Yesterday.

COLLAPSED AT THE LAST
Doomed Man Broke Down When March to the Gallows Began—Was Great Corner Player—History of the Crime.

TACOMA, Aug. 9.—Eben L. Boyce was executed on the fifth floor of the court-house this morning for wife murder. He slept soundly from 2 to 5 o'clock and even then had hopes of a stay of execution. He collapsed when summoned for the march to the gallows, but was revived, and as he stood on the scaffold said, "I am a soldier still." The execution was perfect, his neck being broken by the fall. The drop fell at 7:06 and the heart ceased beating in fourteen minutes.

STORY OF THE CRIME.
Boyce Shot His Wife to Death in Cold Blood.

TACOMA, Aug. 9.—The crime of which Eben L. Boyce was convicted was committed in Tacoma on February 10, 1900, at 6 o'clock in the evening. He went into the restaurant at 197 South Tenth street where his wife was employed as cashier and shot her in cold blood. Boyce had reached the city only an hour before on the Victorian, and had been drinking heavily all the way down. When he opened the door of the restaurant his wife saw the look of determination in his face and screamed in terror. Boyce pulled a double action Colt's revolver and opened fire. The first shot shattered her arm, she turned to run into a private box behind the counter. The second shot struck her in the left breast and she fell to the floor. Without a word he advanced to the prostrate body of his victim and placed the revolver against her breast and fired the third shot. As he left the restaurant he walked down Tenth street toward the Tacoma hotel but was overtaken by Officer Neidham and quietly submitted to arrest. He said he hoped he had done a good job.

ORDERS THE ARREST OF CHIEF CLERK DIMMICK
Warrant Issued Upon Request of Secret Service Agent Hazen—Not Yet Arrested.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—United States Court Commissioner Heacock has upon the request of Secret Service Agent George W. Hazen, issued a warrant for the arrest of Walter D. Dimmick, former chief clerk of the United States mint in this city, charging him with embezzling \$30,000 in gold coin, the loss of which was discovered early last month. Dimmick was chief clerk at the time of the robbery, but was dismissed by Superintendent Leach recently. Dimmick has no been arrested.

HENRY OF ORLEANS DEAD.
Was Coming to Wis American Heiress—Succumbs to Long Illness.

SAIGON, French Cochinchina, Aug. 9.—Prince Henry of Orleans died at 6:30 p. m. today.

WAS TO MARRY AN AMERICAN.
Prince Orleans is the oldest son of the Duke of Chartres and a cousin of the Duke of Orleans. He was born in 1867 and was not married. The prince had been dangerously ill for some time past. He was on his way to the United States by way of San Francisco, and was to have passed some time at Newport next autumn. His name has been mentioned as a suitor for the hand of the eldest sister of the young King of Spain, the Infanta Maria de Las Mercedes, who was married in February of the present year to Prince Charles of Bourbon, son of the Count of Caserta.

STRIKE AFFECTS SHIPPING.
Order of City Front Federation Obedied by the Men.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—About 750 members of the Marine Cooks and Stewards Association joined the ranks of the strikers today. The association comprises all the men on passenger vessels in what is known as the steward's department. The Oceanic Steamship Company, the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company and the Pacific Coast Steamship Company will be most affected by the association's decision to participate in the

strike ordered by the City Front Federation. The prominent grain merchants of this city are in conference now with the labor leaders. They are endeavoring to get some sort of a concession by which stevedores will be allowed to unload grain barges and to load grain ships at Port Costa. They argue that otherwise the farmers will suffer great loss, although entirely innocent of any offense against organized labor.

About 130 apprentice boys employed at the Union Iron Works quit work at the request of the Machinists Union. There are still about twenty-five apprentices in the works but they will probably also come out. This step was taken by the union to still further cripple the Union Iron Works. The apprentices who are employed in the Risdon and Fulton Work shops went out last Monday.

FORECAST OF THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM
Senator Vest's Opinion on What It Should Contain in Nineteen Hundred and Four.

SWEET SPRING, Mo., Aug. 9.—Senator George G. Vest, in an interview today, said the principal planks of the Democratic platform of 1904 should be: First, declaration for a graduate income tax. Second, unrelenting opposition to the trusts. Third, declaration against imperialism and colonial system. "It would be suicidal," said the senator, "to thrust the silver issue forward again."

OLD FRIENDS WILL GREET M'ARTHUR
Milwaukee Sends a Warm Greeting to the General at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—S. M. Greene, a prominent business man of Milwaukee, has arrived here as the bearer of a greeting from the people of Milwaukee to General MacArthur who is expected to arrive from the Philippines on the transport Sheridan within a few days. Milwaukee is MacArthur's former home, and in recognition of the splendid war record made by him during the last few years the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association of that city is anxious to extend him a warm welcome home.

SWEPT BY A STORM.
Tornado Does Much Damage in Gosper County, Nebraska.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 9.—A special to the World-Herald from Elwood, Neb., says: Last night a rain, wind and hail storm swept over Gosper county, Nebraska. The rain varied from one to five inches and caused much damage, while hail fell so heavily in spots that it formed cakes of ice a foot thick. Four miles north of Elwood a tornado passed through the country, leveling farm buildings and scattering grain in stacks for miles about the country. Horses and cattle were picked up and dashed about like toys.

SUED FOR DIVORCE.
David Nation Wants to Be Separated From His Better Half.

MEDICINE LODGE, Kas., Aug. 9.—David Nation today brought suit for a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Carrie Nation, the temperance crusader. Mr. Nation alleges that his wife held him up to public ridicule, neglected her family duties and abandoned his home.

THE WEEK'S FAILURES.
NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—Dun's Review tomorrow will say: Failures for the week were 173 in the United States against 177 last year, and 21 in Canada against 23 last year.

ROOSEVELT AS A HUNTER.
COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Aug. 9.—Vice-President Roosevelt returned last night from Eastern Colorado, where he has been on a week's coyote hunt, and brought a number of skins with him.

ROYALTY WEDS.
ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 9.—Prince Peter, of Oldenburg, was today married to Grand Duchess Olga Alexandrovna, the youngest sister of Emperor Nicholas.

WILL VISIT EXPOSITION.
CANTON, O., Aug. 9.—President McKinley will visit the Buffalo exposition September 3.

WHEAT MARKET.
PORTLAND, Aug. 9.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 56½.
TACOMA, Aug. 9.—Wheat, bluestem, 57½; club, 56.
CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—Wheat, December, opening, 72½@73; closing, 72½.

OFFICIALS ARE MUCH CONCERNED
Affairs in Southern Republics Causing Apprehension.

SITUATION REGARDED GRAVE
War Between Colombia and Venezuela Can Scarcely Be Avoided—Official Advises at Washington Not Yet at Hand.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—The situation in Colombia and Venezuela continues to occupy much of the attention of officials here today, and while it is not felt that affairs had reached a serious aspect yet it was appreciated that both official and unofficial advices indicated a condition of affairs which might mean war between Colombia and Venezuela, complicated by revolutionary outbreaks in both countries. A more serious aspect of the matter was presented in a press dispatch from Wilhelmstadt, stating that Colombia again had invaded Venezuela. There was no official confirmation as to this, but it is thought probable that there is little chance of avoiding an open conflict between those two countries, as the invasion by Colombia would be in itself an act of war. But authorities here prefer to take a conservative view of the situation until official advices are at hand.

THE KILLING OF HUMBERT.
Luigi Gianotti Confesses to Being an Accomplice of Bressi.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—A dispatch from Rome says Anarchist Luigi Gianotti, who is charged at Milan with being an accomplice of Bressi in the assassination of King Humbert, has confessed to his complicity in the crime. He admits that he left Paterson, N. J., in company with Bressi and that they went together to Monza, near Milan. Gianotti started a street row at Monza the day of the murder in order to distract the attention of the police while Bressi attacked the king.

ADDRESSES BIG AUDIENCES.
South Carolina Senators Talk to Their Constituents.

GREENVILLE, S. C., Aug. 9.—Senator McLaurin today addressed 2000 people at Oakway, near Westminster. The principal part of Senator McLaurin's audience was made up of farmers and they applauded liberally.

SENATOR TILLMAN'S MEETING.
UNION, S. C., Aug. 9.—Senator B. R. Tillman spoke at a big meeting here today. He discussed "commercial Democracy" advocated by Senator McLaurin without personal bitterness or abuse.

ROOSEVELT ROYALLY WELCOMED.
VICTOR, Col., Aug. 9.—Victor fully made preparation today for the discourteous treatment of Vice-President Theodore Roosevelt during his campaign last fall, fully 20,000 people giving him an enthusiastic welcome.

RUMOR NOT CONFIRMED.
LONDON, Aug. 9.—The war office has received no advices giving color to the rumor circulated by a news agency that Lord Kitchener has been wounded in a skirmish with the Boers.

EFFORTS TO END THE STRIKE.
Committee Leaves New York to Confer With Strikers in Chicago.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—It is reported at the offices of the National Metal Trades Association in this city that a strong effort will be made to end the machinists' strike in Chicago and Henry W. Devans, secretary of the National League, has gone west for that purpose.

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