

STRIKERS TO FORCE ISSUE AT CHICAGO

Will Undertake to Bring About Meat Famine in Effort to Force Packers to Come to Time.

President Donnelly Declares Boycott Against All Meat and Orders Strike.

MEAN TO FIGHT TO A FINISH

No Matter From What Source Meat is Received, It Will Be Regarded as Unfair by Men.

Chicago, Sept. 2.—"A meat famine will be forced at all costs. It is the best weapon with which to fight the trust packers, although it may not be welcomed by the independents."

In these words, President Donnelly, of the butchers' national organization, today declared a boycott against all meat, and announced that union men will quit in all packing establishments immediately, regardless of where livestock is secured.

Donnelly's announcement was made at the conclusion of a meeting of the allied trades conference board.

The executive board of the Retail Meat Dealers' Association of Chicago had just been in conference with Mr. Donnelly and his associates, having come to ask certain concessions for the independent packers and to seek authority to attempt to bring about a meeting between the packers and representatives of the strikers.

By ignoring these latest attempts at peace, and by adopting such an aggressive step, the strike leaders demonstrated their intention to make it a fight to a finish.

The following statement was given out by President Donnelly:

"The conference board, representing all organizations involved in the present packing house strike, has taken action to place all meats on the unfair list. This order goes into effect on Saturday evening, September 3, at 5:30. The order will be sent to every packing house in the country, and no member of the meatcutters' and butcher workmen will be allowed to dress any animal until the strike is settled. This action is the result of the request that the public refuse to eat meat, and no person, no matter in what capacity employed in handling meat, must handle the same after 5:30 p. m. Saturday. The packers have resorted to extortion as the result of the strike, buying livestock on the hoof for almost nothing and charging almost any price for the dressed product. The public will now be given an opportunity to retaliate by refusing to eat meat until such time as they can produce the same at a fair market price."

Indications are that the five independent packers within the stockyards inclosure will join the big packers in their fight, while those outside will endeavor to continue operations with union crews. Two of their number received consignments of cattle at an outside railroad yard today, and will have them driven to the yards through the streets. Within the yards the independents are obviously preparing for war, a wagonload of cots having been taken to one plant.

The union switchmen employed by the Chicago Junction railway in handling stockyards business will send a committee to the packers today to urge a plan of settlement, the details of which are not yet known.

Secretary Malloy, of the switchmen, declared there would be no strike, because the Chicago Junction Railroad Company has a force of strikebreakers ready to step into their places.

MEETS AWFUL DEATH.

Montana Woodhauler Pinned Down by Logs He Tried to Chain.

Boulder, Mont., Sept. 2.—Dragged to death more than 100 yards and crushed beneath the load of logs he was attempting to chain more securely, William Ramsey, an aged woodhauler of

Stringtown, met a horrible fate in the lonely hills 12 miles from the village.

Ramsey was **One Historical Rocky** by neighbors nearly two weeks ago, but as he was in the habit of making long stays in Butte, nothing was thought of his absence until his horses with parts of their harness attached were found roaming about the woods. Search was at once instituted, and the body was found where Ramsey was known to have been logging in the hills. When discovered the remains of the unfortunate old man were in an advanced stage of decomposition, so much so that they were removed with great difficulty.

Ramsey had evidently been trying to tighten the chain which bound his load of logs when the chain broke and part of the load fell across his body. In the old man's death throes, or in his efforts to escape from the weight which pinned him to the ground, he had kicked and dug away the ground several feet around the log. The scene tells a silent story of a terrible death in the fastness of the lonely woods near Lowlands, where no sound answered his cries save the echo of his own voice. Ramsey was a German, 60 years of age, and had no relatives in this country.

FIGHTS FOR BODY OF SISTER.

Queer Man in Clearwater Wilds Heard Command From Heaven.

Missoula, Mont., Sept. 2.—Officers have brought in A. B. Cooper, an alleged insane man, who is charged with refusing to permit the dead body of his sister, Mrs. John Kendall, to be removed by her husband, John Kendall, from Cooper's lonely cabin in the wilds of the Clearwater country. Cooper, who once was an inmate of the Warm Springs asylum for the insane, is a religious fanatic, and declared he had received a command from God to bury his sister on the hillside overlooking his cabin.

Mrs. Kendall was in the last stages of tuberculosis, and in the hope that mountain life would benefit her she was taken to the cabin of her brother, in the Clearwater country. She died shortly after her arrival, and her husband began immediate preparations to remove her body to civilization for interment. The demise of the woman apparently inflamed Cooper, for, seizing a rifle and a revolver, he defied the husband to remove the corpse. Two prospectors living with Cooper were also covered by the weapon of the demented man and compelled to dig a grave.

Kendall made his escape, and hastened to Darby, 30 miles distant, secured the services of Sheriff Joshua Pond. Cooper, when found by the sheriff, was busily constructing a rude coffin out of lodge poles. Cooper made no resistance to arrest, and readily consented to accompany Sheriff Pond to Darby. Cooper, who is known as "Long-Haired Cooper," from the fact that he wears his hair long, braided nearly to his waist, has always lived on the edge of civilization, and has been regarded as queer.

MONTANA MAN SUICIDES.

Shot Himself in the Eye With Small Rifle.

Butte, Mont., Sept. 2.—A Miner special from Malta, Mont., says: Word was received here on Friday from the Cunningham ranch near Wagner, that Jackson Trask, a well known character, had committed suicide. The remains were found sitting erect in a chair by J. A. Ebaugh with a 22-caliber rifle grasped by the barrel in the right hand. He had evidently placed the muzzle to his right eye and pulled the trigger.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Pacific Coast.

At Tacoma—Tacoma, 3; Seattle, 0.
At San Francisco—Oakland, 3; Portland, 2.
At Los Angeles—Los Angeles, 5; San Francisco, 2.

Pacific National.

At Spokane—Spokane, 6 Salt Lake, 4.
At Butte—Butte, 6; Boise, 10.

National.

At Chicago—Chicago, 4; St. Louis, 2.
At Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh, 2; Brooklyn, 11.

American.

At Washington—Washington, 2; Chicago, 1.
At New York—New York, 12; Detroit, 6.

ACTION NEAR LIAO YANG IS STILL ON, BUT RESULTS AS YET ARE UNDECISIVE

Kuropatkin Has Withdrawn His Forces to North Bank of Taitze, Which Is Out of Its Banks.

Reports Reach Tokio That the Russian Casualties in the Recent Fighting Will Reach 30,000, While During Last Two Days Czar Lost 5,000—Japs Are Devoting Their Energies to Cutting Off Russian Retreat.

Lack of definite information from the seat of war continues up to Saturday morning, and nothing further regarding the situation at Liao Yang is known beyond the fact that Kuropatkin has withdrawn the main portion of his forces to the north or right bank of the Taitze river, and, according to the latest advices, the action is still in progress.

There is a disinclination in St. Petersburg to believe that Liao Yang has been abandoned, and at the same time it is declared the position Kuropatkin now occupies is the one he had prepared and fortified and where he has all along planned to make his second stand, instead of directly in and around Liao Yang, with the river at his back, as had been believed. It is thought by Russian experts that in attacking Kuropatkin's present defenses the Japanese are facing an almost impossible task, especially with their forces divided by the river.

Tokio, Sept. 2.—A few additional details of the progress of the battle at Liao Yang reached Tokio late today.

Kuroki's right continues to pursue the attack at Helying-tai, seeking ground whence their guns will dominate the railroads. The troops under Kuroki are jaded and weary, but in spite of this they attacked with spirit. The Japanese are confident. They already have swept back the strong Russian force with which they have been engaged, and it is probable when the details are known that it will be found a great tragedy was enacted today along the Taitze.

A private dispatch received here reports that great fires are raging at Liao Yang. This statement is not confirmed officially. These fires are believed to be the result of the Japanese shelling, or from the efforts of the Russians to destroy their stores preparatory to the evacuation of Liao Yang, with the additional hope of injuring the city as a future Japanese base.

The opinion that the Russian casualties in the recent fighting will reach 30,000 is confidently expressed in high quarters here.

It seems the Japanese avoided a direct assault upon Liao Yang itself, but devoted their energies to the troops outside the city and to an effort to cut off the Russian retreat. Liao Yang is strongly fortified and it is probable the Japanese will not attack the city directly, until they have succeeded in isolating it.

Advices reaching Tokio say that the Taitze is flooded and can not be forded, and therefore, as pointed out in the Associated Press dispatches from St. Petersburg, "the river itself becomes an important factor in the general scheme of the Russian defense."

Dispatches from both Russian and Japanese sources indicate that the troops on both sides are jaded and weary after many days of fighting, and it is pointed out in consequence that a temporary lull in the active struggle would not be surprising.

The opinion prevails in Tokio that the Russian casualties in the recent fighting will reach 30,000, while the Russian losses August 31 and September 1 are given in official reports as 5,000 killed or wounded.

The report from Marshal Oyama that he was engaged Thursday with the Russian center would indicate that at least a portion of Kuropatkin's army is still on the south bank of the Taitze river. It is not definitely announced that the Japanese have occupied Liao Yang.

It is expected the main strength of Oyama's forces to the southward will succeed this morning in crossing the Taitze river. Kuroki yesterday captured a portion of the heights commanding Helying-tai and it is hoped he will dominate the railway today. The Russians appear to be gathering at the

careful analysis of official reports shows that the Russians merely have been driven into their last line of defenses, where they will probably make desperate resistance. Three Japanese armies are closing around them."

CLEM WAS TOO HASTY.

Turned Back Money Needed by Quartermaster Department.

Washington, Sept. 2.—Colonel John M. Clem, chief quartermaster of the Philippine division, has been reprimanded by General Humphrey, quartermaster general, for his action in turning into the United States treasury the sum of \$423,000 as the "unexpended balance" of the appropriations for the last fiscal year, when, as stated at the war department, the money was actually needed to meet the expenses of army transportation and other work of the quartermaster's department.

It is said the service was embarrassed by Clem's action, as it seriously interfered with the work of the quartermaster's department. The money, having been turned into the treasury, is now beyond the control of the war department and the officers, and it will have to be reappropriated by congress to meet existing obligations.

It is not unlikely Colonel Clem will be relieved of his present duties and recalled to the United States.

PUPILS TO PICK HOPS.

Centralia Schools Will Not Be Opened at Usual Time.

Centralia, Wash., Sept. 2.—Opening of the Centralia schools will be delayed about three weeks this year to allow pupils who go hop-picking to return to town before the school opens. So many people from this vicinity go to the hop yards for an outing that the school attendance would be very much lowered were school to start during picking time.

The faculty and board this year expect the attendance will go high above the biggest previous mark. Many pupils have moved into town during the past vacation. About 25 teachers will be employed and every grade up to the high school will be doubled, there being three primaries and second grades. Superintendent Van Tine will have charge of the schools again this year. Messrs. Wagner and Sebastian being principals.

MONTANA LANDS FOR SALE.

Northern Pacific Places Large Tracts on Market at Advanced Prices.

Butte, Mont., Sept. 2.—A Missoula special to the Miner says: Advances have been received here to the effect that the Northern Pacific will throw several thousand acres of western Montana railroad lands upon the market about October 15.

Owing to the rapid increase in land valuations the company found it necessary to withdraw these lands from the market last spring in order to rearrange the price lists.

The land department has been at work on them for months and all of the classifications have practically been made. Most all of the land in Missoula county west of the city is owned by the company. Their holdings include valuable ranch property, timber and mineral lands.

SOLD TO UNION PACIFIC.

Chicago & Alton Road Absorbed by Harriman Interests.

Chicago, Sept. 2.—The News today says: "The Chicago & Alton railway passed to the ownership of the Union Pacific by purchase of the Alton line by the Harriman interests. Chicago now has another line of railway in direct connection with San Francisco."

"At Kansas City the Union Pacific system connects with the Chicago & Alton and gives either Harriman line a through route from Denver, completing a direct route from Chicago to San Francisco."

A Remarkable Family.

Peru, Ind., Sept. 2.—The family of Mr. and Mrs. George Schiott, at Mexico, five miles north of this city, is a remarkable one from the fact that there are 51 members of it, and death has never entered the family circle.

George Schiott is 76 years of age, and his wife is 68. They have six sons and five daughters, most of them married, and their grandchildren number 33.

The 51 members of the family met in reunion Saturday at the old homestead.

ROOSEVELT TO WIN, SAYS BEVERIDGE

Indiana Senator Believes Republican Candidate Will Receive Greatest Majority Since the Civil War.

Declares That His Own State is Safe and That Vote Will Be Increased.

WATTERSON SANGUINE, TOO

Says He is Satisfied that the Independent Voters of the Country Will Elect the Democrat

Oyster Bay, Sept. 2.—Senator J. W. Beveridge of Indiana, after a conference with President Roosevelt, which he said was principally of a personal nature, gave the following interview:

"I dislike to make political predictions, but it appears to me the fight practically has been won by the republicans, unless there should be a democratic landslide, and there are no indications of such. I believe Roosevelt will be elected by the largest majority a president ever received since the civil war. I believe Parker will be defeated even more decisively than Bryan."

"As to Indiana, I do not care to talk. We have been steadily increasing our gains in that state for several years. In the last election we had a majority of 35,000. I see no reason why we should not increase that majority this fall. Of the four congressional districts now held by the democrats, I think we shall capture at least one."

WATTERSON IS SANGUINE.

Believes Judge Parker Will Surely Be Successful Candidate.

Esopus, Sept. 2.—There was much surprise at Rosemount tonight when correction was made of the statement yesterday that Alton B. Parker had completed his arrangements for a St. Louis trip. It is now announced Parker has changed his mind in regard to the trip, and in all probability will not visit Rosemount again during the campaign. It is understood good reasons were presented to Parker in argument against the proposed trip, and abandonment of the program is the result.

So far as known, Parker will make no speeches during the campaign.

Henry Watterson spent some time at Rosemount today talking over the campaign with Parker. After the conference Watterson said he felt confident of the election of Parker. He said the independent voters probably would decide the election, and that independent voters were going to Parker every day.

ALASKAN CONVICTS ESCAPE.

Two Bad Men Get Loose at McNeil's Island Pen.

Tacoma, Sept. 2.—Harry Chester and W. Weinberg, two desperate convicts, escaped from the federal penitentiary on McNeil's island this afternoon. They have been traced some distance in the woods and bloodhounds put on their trail. Both convicts were sentenced at Nome.

Stop Fighting for Harvest.

New York, Sept. 2.—A Korean from the Russian headquarters at Ham-beung 40 miles north, states that the Russians have abandoned further military movements until the crops are harvested, says a Herald dispatch from Gensan.

They are busy collecting and storing large quantities of barley and rice for the coming winter.

Commissioner Wright Will Resign.

Washington, Sept. 2.—Carroll D. Wright, commissioner of the bureau of labor, today said that he would resign from office at the end of the present year. He will thereafter devote his attention to his duties in connection with the presidency of Clark college.