



WAR DECLARED

Chicago Teamsters to Continue Strike.

BLOODSHED IS FEARED

Seven Express Companies Refuse to Reinstale Their Striking Drivers.

MILITIA TO BE CALLED OUT

Large Number of Teamsters Will Be Called Out and a Possibility of Increased Rioting Threatens the City in Some of the Districts.

Chicago, May 24.—All prospects of peace in the teamsters' strike have disappeared and it will be open war from this time on. The last conference looking toward a peaceful adjustment was held tonight between James B. Barry, business agent of the express drivers' union and the local managers of the seven express companies. The conference was brief and pointed. Barry opened the negotiations by saying: "Our position is this: I want all the men reinstated, except those guilty of violence. I cannot do anything different. That is what our local union want, and is what the local officers told me to do. That is all I can do. The men told me they all want to go back to work in a body or they won't go back at all. That is the position of the union and the union officials." The reply of the representatives of the express companies was brief: "Our position as to reinstatement of men is the same as it has been for four years, and will be so four years from now, as it is today. We will not take them back under any circumstances."

This brought the conference to a close, and all parties concerned left immediately left the hall. The spread of the strike today was not as large as was anticipated, it being understood in many quarters that there was still a possibility of peace being reached.

Tomorrow it is expected that the bulk of the drivers employed by 55 concerns belonging to the lumbermen's union exchange will walk out. The possibilities of increased rioting is vastly enlarged by the spread of the strike to the lumber district. The territory which generally goes under this designation extends along the river from east to west about three miles, and for a mile to the north and south of the stream. It is a district noted for fierce mobs which marched through it during former strikes and is the place which invariably causes more trouble than any other part of the city.

City officials and Sheriff Barrett feel hopeless tonight as being able to maintain order in the lumber district, and at the same time protect wagons in the downtown districts. There is no doubt but there will be a call for the United States troops immediately. Sheriff Barrett stated tonight that he was determined at the first outbreak of rioting to make a call to Governor Deen for military assistance. In all about 4000 men will be called if occasion arises. Every precaution has been made for prompt response by the national guards and a large contingent of riot cartridges have been received. These differ from the ordinary rifle bullet in that they contain three buckshot in place of a single steel bullet. General Scott is in Chicago tonight looking over the situation.

MODIFICATION OF INJUNCTION.

Judge Hunt Modifies Decision in Nipper-Parrott Case.

Butte, May 23.—A special from Helena to the Miner says:

"Just before the adjournment of court, Judge Hunt directed counsel to prepare a modification of the injunction in the big Nipper-Parrott case, which was done, and which was agree-

ble to both parties. This will probably be signed and made public tomorrow. Judge Hunt from the bench expressed a desire to go to Butte and make an inspection of the mines, that he might become more familiar with the workings, especially in that he will have a great deal of such matters before him for adjudication. Both companies through their counsel extended an invitation to him to visit their properties, and will be accepted in the near future."

CUPOLA WORKERS STRIKE.

Want More Pay, Less Hours and Most Everything in Sight.

New York, May 23.—Demands backed by a threat to strike June 1 have been made by the cupola tenders, helpers, and laborers in the iron foundries of New York, Kings, Richmond and Westchester counties and in Hoboken, Jersey City, Elizabeth and Bayonne. They now demand a new wage scale and the closed shop, with \$3 a day as the minimum for cupola tenders and \$2 minimum for helpers and laborers; a nine hour work day, time and a half pay overtime and double time for work done on holidays.

STRIKE IN HONOLULU.

Strike Still Unsettled but Authorities in Control.

Honolulu, May 23.—The situation at Lahaina is quiet. The strike is reported unsettled, but the authorities are now thoroughly in control. Owing to a break to the overland communications from the wireless station on the island of Maui to Honolulu, there has been practically no communication with Lahaina today.

The Japanese consul in a message which was brought overland tonight says there will be no further trouble.

PHILADELPHIA GAS

Leasing of City Gas Plant Made a Political Issue.

CITY OFFICIALS DISCHARGED

Mayor Weaver Announces That It Will Be a Bitter Fight to the End, Which Means That the Political Battle Now on Will Be Carried to Polls.

Philadelphia, May 24.—In the effort to defeat the consummation of the plan to lease the city gas works to the United Gas Improvement Company for 75 years for \$25,000,000, Mayor Weaver today dismissed from office David J. Smyth, director of the department of public works. The mayor announced that he was in a bitter fight to the end, which means that the political battle is now on and will be carried to the polls next November.

In the fight against the gas lease and the republican organization the mayor called in as consul Elihu Root and former Judge James Gordon of this city. Frederick J. Shoyer, director of the department of supplies by direction of the mayor was suspended, pending an investigation. Arthur H. Morrow, assistant director of the department, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

STRETCHED HEMP.

Murderer of Duke Serigus Enjoyed a Necktie Party.

St. Petersburg, May 23.—Ivan Kaleff, who murdered Grand Duke Serigus, was hanged this morning. While on the scaffold Kaleff made a speech in which he said:

"It is said that I asked for a pardon. It is a lie. I am faithful to traditions of the people's will. I do not ask any favors. I am glad to die."

People's will is the name formerly born by the party identical with the present social revolutionists.

TRAMPS ARRESTED.

Believed to Have Been Implicated in Train Wreck.

Topeka, May 23.—Two tramps were arrested today by detectives of the Santa Fe railroad charged with trying to wreck the Santa Fe passenger train last night at Pauline station, 100 miles south of here. The Santa Fe officials refuse to say what evidence they have against the men.

PROTECT FRUIT

Novel Experiment Used in California.

THE WORM NUISANCE

The Worm Pest is Becoming an Important Subject in California.

NOVEL EXPERIMENT USED

Cut or Army Worms That Have Been Increasing by the Millions Have Been a Constant Source of Annoyance, but a New Method Discovered.

Colton, May 23.—The orange groves above Highgrove, three miles southeast of Colton, will present by evening one of the strangest spectacles in all this sunny southland. All day today men have been busy bringing to the groves sticky fly paper and making it ready for the gang of Japs who wrap with this fly destroyer the trunks of every tree, from the ground some distance up. In the orchards are men with shears pruning the branches, that not a one may touch the earth.

Cut or army worms which have been increasing by the millions in the last few weeks, with the continuation of cool, damp weather, have attacked the orange trees. In the last few days hosts of the worms have invaded the orchards of Highgrove, and it was discovered that they are destroying not only the next year's orange crop, but the late variety of fruit which is still on the trees. In several orchards they were found in such immense quantities yesterday that it became evident that measures must be taken at once to stay the destructive work of these pests.

Horticultural Commissioner S. A. Pease inspected the orchards in that vicinity yesterday. He stated that the situation is indeed a serious one. Mr. Pease directed that wagonloads of cull fruit be laid on the ground under the trees, in the hope that the worms would devote themselves to the discarded oranges until sprayers could be put to work to make the trees impossible for them to live.

But early this morning the fly paper scheme was suggested. It was tried and proved most effective. The worms were unable to cross the sticky width of fly paper and as the trees were trimmed so that the branches did not touch the ground it seems that, though a singular one, a solution for the difficulty has been found.

INTERNAL REVENUE.

Receipts This Year Show Decrease Over Last Year.

ELECTION AT ST. JOHNS.

Cows, Whisky and Bonds Voted Upon by the People.

St. Johns, May 23.—Special election at St. Johns passed off quietly. Little more than one-half the legal voters coming out, the total vote being 262 out of a possible 428. The question of bonds carried 213 for to 39 against. On the question of licensing saloons the vote was 101 for and 147 against. The cow question stood 142 to shut them up, as against 101 opposed. The vote on the saloon and cow question was only for the information of the council as to the wishes of the people, and not binding in any way on the council.

The bonds, although carried by a large majority, are considered to be yet in danger, as the ballot did not read the same as the published call,

and although the council, before printing the ballot, consulted with Attorney Green and were advised by him that they were within the law, there seems to be a serious difference of opinion as to the matter. However, the council will go ahead in the matter unless some one stops it with an injunction.

INSURANCE TOO HIGH.

Prominent New York Firms Organize An Insurance Company.

New York, May 23.—Schemes are under consideration by the United Real Estate Owners' Association of this city to form a co-operative fire insurance company for its members who represent property valued at \$20,000,000. Several local bodies are combined in the united association, comprising a membership of 8000 property owners. According to the latter the old line fire insurance companies are charging them too high rates for policies on brick structures.

Regulating Rates.

Washington, May 23.—The senate committee of the interstate commerce today closed the hearing on regulation of railway rates but will devote the remainder of the week to consideration of report and other suggestions to facilitate proceedings when congress convenes.

Presbyterians Unite.

Fresno, May 23.—By a majority of 27 the Cumberland Presbyterian general assembly today adopted the majority report declaring union with the northern Presbyterian church.

Railroad Severed.

London, May 23.—A Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph wires that the railroad to Vladivostok has been severed as a result of which the fortress is isolated.

DEFAULTING BANKER

Angry Mob Wants Money From Goldfield Bank.

OFFICERS TO BE ARRESTED

All Day Long the Streets Were Crowded With Depositors—Warrants Issued for President and Cashier of the Defunct Banking Institution.

Goldfield, May 23.—The report of the committee appointed by the stockholders to investigate the affairs show an unfavorable condition in connection with the Goldfield Bank and Trust Company which closed yesterday.

Warrants were issued and placed in the hands of the sheriff for the arrest of J. Young, president, and James R. Boal, cashier, who are charged with embezzlement, and Francis Burton, promoter, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. All day long the streets have been crowded with angry and excited depositors. Mrs. Burton is a confirmed invalid. She denies absolutely any connection with her husband with the bank, other than a depositor.

SMUGGLING CHINESE.

Mexican Government Asked to Assist the United States.

Washington, May 23.—Secretary Metcalf of the department of commerce and labor has made a request upon the state department with which it has complied, that the Mexican government be asked to assist the American immigration inspectors on the Texas border in their efforts to prevent the wholesale smuggling of Chinese across from Mexico into the United States. The secretary bases his request upon a report from T. F. Schumacher, inspector in charge at El Paso, Tex. This shows that in Jaunra, Mexico, across the river from El Paso, there are three Chinese firms or companies engaged in this smuggling.

SECRETARY HAY IS WELL.

Attending Physicians Give Him Clean Bill of Health.

Bad Neuheim, May 23.—The dilation of Secretary Hay's heart, a functional disorder for which he came here to be treated, has according to Prof. Gobel, nearly disappeared. The professor pronounced Hay a well man.

ALASKAN FIRE

Alaska City is Wiped Out By Fire.

WHITE HORSE BURNED

Large Ware House of White Pass and Yukon Company is Saved.

LOSS WILL BE OVER \$250,000

Disastrous Fire Practically Wiped Out the Business Portion of the Town of White Horse in Alaska Destroying Business Houses and Hotels.

Vancouver, B. C., May 23.—A fire today practically wiped out all the business portion of White Horse in Alaska, entailing a loss of over \$250,000. The fire burned six houses, destroying all the hotels, restaurants and lodging houses in the town. The hotels and lodging houses were crowded with people waiting for the opening of navigation, so as to proceed to Dawson, nearly all of whom lost all of their personal effects and baggage and are without food or shelter, as all the food supply in the town was contained in the stores that were burned.

The fire started in a small store on First avenue, between Elliott and Main streets, and destroyed every building within two blocks. The large warehouse of the White Pass & Yukon Co. caught fire several times but the flames were extinguished. A strong wind was blowing at the time. The citizens all turned out and fought the flames but were powerless against the wind and the inflammable material of the buildings.

FOUND A TORPEDO.

Eugene High School Boy Finds It Will Explode.

Eugene, Ore., May 23.—John Bogard, a student of the Eugene high school, carries a badly lacerated left hand as the result of his curiosity. While walking along the Southern Pacific railroad, young Bogard saw an object lying on the ground beside the track. Curiosity prompted him to pick it up to examine it. He then placed it on the rail and began to pound it with a rock, when suddenly it exploded with a loud report. It was a torpedo used by the railroad men to signal trains. It was feared young Bogard would lose the thumb and one finger, but they will probably be saved.

TO FIGHT CLAM LAW.

Aberdeen Packer Fined for Non-observance of Closed Season.

Aberdeen, Wash., May 23.—P. F. Halferty, proprietor of the Sea Beach Packing Company, has been arrested and fined \$10 for violating the law for the protection of clams and crabs, passed by the last legislature. Mr. Halferty had clams in his possession after May 1, at which time the law went into effect. As he has a business dependent on a large supply of clams, and employs a force of some 30 people, it is of vital interest to him to be able to secure plenty of the bivalves, and he proposes to make this a test case, carrying it up to the superior court, and even higher if necessary.

WILLIAM APPOINTS JUSTICE.

Emperor of Germany Names a Jurist for Supreme Court.

Berlin, May 23.—Baron Rudolph von Seckendorf has been chosen by Emperor William for chief justice of the imperial supreme court, although his appointment has not yet been gazetted. Since 1889 the Baron has been under secretary for the Prussian ministry, an official peculiar to the Prussian cabinet having to do with general ministerial business and not with that of any one department. Prior to this appointment Baron von Seckendorf was in the ministry of justice in

charge of the international law division and of the rules of court procedure. He is reputed to be a man of large attainments and especially gifted with the power to dispose of business quickly.

MANUFACTURING BOMBS.

Promoters Threaten an Armed Raid Into Austria.

Vienna, May 23.—The trial has begun here of several irridentists recently arrested at Trieste on the charge of belonging to a secret society, the object of which was to promote an armed raid into Austria under the leadership of General Ricciotti Garibaldi, from the Italian frontier town of Udine for the purpose of causing a popular uprising and the separation of Trieste and the coast lands from Austria. The irridentists are further accused of manufacturing bombs and circulating revolutionary pamphlets. The trial is exciting great political interest.

AMERICAN AMBASSADOR.

Whitelaw Reid Will Have Imposing Palace in London.

New York, May 23.—Dorchester house in Park lane is now being made ready with all possible speed for the occupancy of Ambassador Whitelaw Reid, cables the London Herald correspondent.

During the last few days terms of rental are said to have been agreed on and a large staff of servants has been engaged.

No private residence in London has, the correspondent adds, such a commanding site as Dorchester house, and none is better adapted to entertaining. Its entrance is nearly opposite Stanhope gate, by which many of the fashionable folk enter Hyde park for their Sunday promenade.

SEVENTEEN KILLED

Explosion of Fire Damp in Tunnel Causes Death.

Vienna, May 23.—According to news received from Lienz, in Styria, 17 persons have been killed by an explosion caused by fire damp in the Bosruck tunnel there. The explosion took place in the lower galleries on the southern side of the tunnel. There were 17 men in the tunnel at the time and it is feared that all have died. Several attempts at rescue were made, but all of them failed, the members of the rescue party having been overcome by the gases. The completed portion of the tunnel was not damaged. The tunnel is being bored through the Bosruck mountain in connection with a second railway to Trieste.

ALL WORKMEN PERISHED

Several Attempts to Rescue the Workmen Have Failed the Members of the Rescue Party Being Overcome by the Gases from Explosion in Mine.

Albuquerque, N. M., May 23.—Jose Gonzales, nephew of the late Cardinal Gonzales of Mexico, is dead at his home here. He was one of the revolutionists who overthrew Emperor Maximilian and brought about his execution. During the revolution Gonzales was captured and sentenced to death. The order was revoked, but his hair turned white in what he thought was his last night of his life.

Gonzales quarred with his family, after the revolution and came here. After his resources became exhausted he became a cigarmaker.

PROMINENT MEXICAN DEAD.

They Have Found It.

London, May 23.—A Shanghai correspondent of the Morning Post says that it is learned from trustworthy sources that Togo's fleet is still off Masampho on the southeastern coast of Korea.

Killed in Train Wreck.

Kharkoff, May 23.—As the result of the wrecking of a train near Losavaya today many persons were killed or injured.