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STRIKE WILL BE ENDED IN FOUR DAYS

BOTH SIDES SAY BATTLE WILL CLOSE REGATTA ATTRACTS THOUSANDS

Telegraphers and Companies Each Claim Victory—All Railroad Operators Will Walk Out Unless Some Agreement Is Reached.

Astoria Thronged Now With Visitors Drawn From All Parts of State Who Will Attend Water Events and County Fair.

Business Men Sign Petition to President Asking for Peace—Strikers Believe They Cannot Lose Any of the Points Asked.

Portland Fleet Is Arriving—Power Races Will Surpass Any Former Event—Festivities Open Monday Morning.

(Journal Special Service.)
New York, Aug. 31.—Following the signing of the petition by 50,000 business men asking President Roosevelt to use his influence to restore telegraphic conditions to the state to which the business interests of the country are entitled, it is said some mysterious influence is at work to bring about a settlement of the strike.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Astoria, Or., Aug. 31.—Preparations for the thirteenth annual regatta and county fair are now practically completed and Monday morning will see one of the gayest throngs that ever visited this city to celebrate the popular event.

There is reason to believe that unless there is a quick settlement the railroad telegraphers will become involved. J. J. Small, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' union, received a message from Chicago that within 48 hours the relations between the railroad telegraphers and railroads have become greatly strained, and he expressed the opinion that unless conditions were remedied the telegraphers will walk out.

Tomorrow afternoon and evening the Norwegian saengerfest will attract thousands of those who are now assembling here for a few days of recreation and entertainment and then the regatta and fair proper will begin in earnest the following morning. A grand time is promised everybody and Mayor Wise as well as the officials of the affair are doing their utmost to make all feel welcome when they arrive.

The telegraphers' strike will come to an end in four days both companies and striking operators agree. But each side asserted that the other side would give in.

The fleet of yachts and power boats from Portland are expected here hourly and it is supposed that the forerunners will arrive this afternoon. Indications are that the power boat races this year will surpass anything ever attempted in that line in Pacific northwest waters and possibly on the Pacific coast. There are more fast boats now in operation than ever before in the last regatta or ever before and this has stimulated particular interest in these events.

Superintendent Brooks Brags, Union said he felt confident the strikers would capitulate before next week. "Empty pockets will send them back to work in the morning we can handle our business as usual," he said.

Word has been received from Portland that among the power boats will be J. C. Alingworth's Rochester, John Wolff's Vixen, Walter Honeyman's Nancy and half a dozen others. These boats are expected to arrive here tomorrow morning and during the day.

The telegraphers' strike received the greatest boost since its inauguration today when it was announced that a conference of New York business men, disgusted with the conduct of the Postal and Western Union companies since the strike began, were about to appeal to President Roosevelt for relief.

The saengerfest is drawing large crowds from all parts of the Pacific northwest and friends from Seattle, Tacoma, Everett, and other Washington cities, going to swell the attendance. Several hundred visitors came from Portland on this morning's train and another large delegation is

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TURKEY MUST NOT DROP, DECLARES SHANAHAN

Secretary of Humane Society Serves Notice on Federated Trades Council That Aeronaut Cannot Carry Live Fowl Up in Balloon.

FIRST CRUISER HAS ARRIVED

Warship Arrives at San Diego and Will Be Stationed at San Francisco—Second Torpedo Flotilla Is Definitely Selected for Pacific Service.

(Journal Special Service.)
San Diego, Aug. 31.—The United States cruiser St. Louis arrived in this harbor last night from the Atlantic coast station, being the first of the warships which were ordered to join the fleet to be stationed in the Pacific ocean to arrive on this coast.

Newport, R. I., Aug. 31.—There has been a great deal of conjecture about which torpedo-boats would be sent to the Pacific coast with the fleet to be commanded by Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans. This was settled when it was announced this morning that the second torpedo flotilla was appointed to the station in the Pacific.

OFFICIALS OF ASTORIA REGATTA AND SAENGERFEST



CHARLES H. CALLENDER, ADMIRAL. L. A. LARSEN, LEADER NORWEGIAN SINGERS. W. M. SCHIMPER, PRESIDENT.

ELECTROLYSIS IS EATING UP PIPES

Dr. Raffety Proposes a Simple Remedy to Save Water Mains of the City.

Electrolysis, an electro-chemical decomposition that is eating up water mains all over the city, will be corrected if a plan suggested to the water board this morning by Dr. C. H. Raffety, one of the members, is found practicable. Dr. Raffety has spent considerable time in an effort to solve the electrolysis problem and when he broached the subject at the board meeting was promptly put on a committee to see what relief can be given.

So far as known no city in the United States has adopted such a plan, although many of them are complaining of the gradual rusting away of the pipes. Three hundred dollars' worth of copper and a few weeks' work, Dr. Raffety says, is all the expense the city need go to.

The doctor's plan is to belt the main with copper strips at certain intervals with a copper wire running the length of the pipe to conduct the current away from the iron.

Worked Well in Albina. The only practical demonstration of the proposed method so far made and one which proved a success was that adopted in the former Bates private water system in Albina. Mr. Bates found his pipes rusting from electrolysis and decided to try the copper plates and copper wire. He was never troubled again from electrolysis.

Joined With Electric Current. Every time a car crosses the Bull Run pipe on the Mount Scott line an electric current is sent bounding along the main. The effect is said to be worse in winter owing to the excessive moisture.

Dr. Raffety in outlining the plan to the board this morning said: "Scientific investigation of the peculiar decomposition caused by exposure of water mains to electric currents shows that the pipes are only affected where electricity enters them and where it leaves them again. The chemical explanation of the phenomena is simple. It is an established scientific phenomenon that when electricity is conducted through water it separates the hydrogen from the oxygen—the chemical elements composing water—and the electricity enters the pipe it chooses a point where there is moisture, a well-known characteristic of electricity. The elements are separated by the electricity, the hydrogen is freed and the oxygen oxidizes or rusts the iron pipe. This continual rusting and perforating the pipe usually making a small hole less than a half inch in diameter.

Must Eat Very Fast. "The rusting or oxidation of the pipe takes place faster than the pipe would rust on the surface where it is merely exposed to the oxygen in the air, for the oxygen separated from the water by the electro-chemical process is almost pure."

Now I propose to encircle the pipe with a belt of copper at places where electric lines cross the water mains; fasten a copper wire to the band leading to a plate in a bed of coke in the ground. This will draw off the electricity without affecting the pipe. It is a simple device and I should like to see it tried."

H. Willeit, a Grand avenue business man, proposes to lay pipes on streets other than those on which there are car tracks as a remedy. For instance, he says he sees no particular reason why pipes should not be placed on East Sixth instead of Grand avenue where they would not be exposed to electric currents from a street car line.

HANGS ON NAIL BY FINGER RING

Long Beach Woman Meets With Mishap While Standing on Chair.

(Journal Special Service.)
Los Angeles, Aug. 31.—Mrs. Laura Scales of Long Beach was the victim of a peculiar mishap yesterday. While standing on a chair placing a jar of fruit on a high shelf she lost her footing. As she fell a gold band ring on her finger caught on a projecting nail in the wall, and for several minutes her entire weight hung on the finger. It was nearly cut off by the encircling ring before she got free, and she still suffers intensely.

FORTY DOLLARS IS PRICE OF CHILDREN

Peasant Attempts to Market Babes at Avellino and Is Put in Jail.

(Journal Special Service.)
London, Aug. 31.—A Rome dispatch brings a story of an attempt to sell children in the market at Avellino. A peasant and his wife brought two of the children, twins, 4 months old, and in the market offered to sell them for \$40 each. The babies were plump and healthy and were bought by a man who offered the price required. He was taking the children to the coast to sell them in and arrested both buyer and sellers.

GIGANTIC REBELLION BREWING IN CHINA

(Journal Special Service.)
Peking, Aug. 31.—The shadow of a gigantic rebellion hovers over the imperial palace. With the arrival of Yuan Shi Kai, commander of the chief Chinese forces, there began today an unusual series of deliberations concerning the condition of the empire. The imperial family believes the Chinese are bent upon unseating the Manchu dynasty.

Officials Appointed. (Journal Special Service.)
Oyster Bay, Aug. 31.—The president today announced the appointment of William M. Cutler, colonel of the mint at San Francisco; August E. Muentzer, collector of internal revenue in California; and Edward Sweeney, superintendent of the mint at San Francisco.

CAN YOU READ?

The Sunday Journal is for every one who can read, old and young. Features to every one's taste will be found in this greatest of all newspapers. A few of them are submitted for your approval.

YOU WILL LAUGH

All your sides ache when you see the comic supplement. Joyful, darling Maud meets with a mishap, but her revenge is sweet. Jimmy and Zu-Zu!!! Bunk and the Fairy—and others.

WOMAN ESCAPES FROM HYPNOTIST

Wealthy Californian Claims That Evil Spell Held Her Four Months.

(Journal Special Service.)
Galveston, Texas, Aug. 31.—Mrs. Carlisle Westbrook, wife of an exporter of San Francisco and owning a large estate in her own name in California fruit lands, has been rescued by the police from a man giving the name of Oscar Krueger, a student in hypnotism, who claimed her as his wife. The couple were living together in a hotel in Houston, the woman supporting the home.

The woman declares Krueger hypnotized her four months ago and that the spell was not broken until a few days ago, when she found herself in Houston. She is the mother of three sons, she declares, and her married life has been happy. She met Krueger in San Francisco in the early part of May at a performance. She started for home on writing her husband of the unusual series of deliberations concerning the condition of the empire.

SINGER FINED FOR DISPLEASING KING

Madame Melba Mars Appears in Police Court With Her Manager.

(Journal Special Service.)
Marinbad, Aug. 31.—A sequel of King Edward's displeasure at the theatrical performance here last evening, when his majesty left the theatre in disgust owing to the vileness of the songs, was seen in police court today.

Herr Laska, manager of the theatre, and Melba Mars, the woman singer, were brought to court and the latter fined \$12 for having given an objectionable song. Laska escaped, as he was ignorant of the woman's intention to sing such a song. The woman's defense was that she believed she was making the performance more attractive.

Peary's Hunt Abandoned.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
New York, Aug. 31.—The crew of Peary's steamer Roosevelt will start for home today and the Roosevelt will spend the winter at its present berth. This confirms earlier reports that Peary's fourth trip in search of the pole is abandoned for one year.

WILL FORCE COMPANY TO DO PAVING

Streetcar Rails Will Be Torn Up by City Unless Corporation Lives Up to Terms of Its Franchise and Completes Work.

Improvement of Thoroughfares Delayed for Months by Dilatory Tactics of Transportation Company—Council to Get Busy.

Drastic measures are being contemplated by the city authorities in dealing with the street improvement question over the tracks of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company are concerned. In the past large street improvement projects have been held up by the company through their failure to lay new tracks according to the specifications of the street committee and the executive board.

At the present time paving contracts are being held up and hindered until the approach of winter will put their completion over to another season, but in the future the executive board will take the situation by the horns and complete its improvements whether or no.

Will Tear Up Tracks. It has been decided according to one member of the executive board the next time a paving contract is ready to begin laying pavement after the contract has been duly let by the city authorities and the work provided for by the council, that if the street railway company has not done its share of the improvement by laying new rails according to the requirements of the city, then the tracks will be torn up and the city will proceed to pave the whole street just as though no tracks had been on the street.

In the belief of the executive board the council recently rendered by City Attorney Kavanaugh regarding the voidable condition of the franchises held by the streetcar company gives the city ample power to enforce improvements.

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HARRIMAN DUE HERE TOMORROW

Railroad Magnate Today Is Touring Through Great Wheat and Irrigation Belts of Crook County—Special Sent to Shaniko.

Trip Out by Way of Detroit Given Up—Bend, Prineville and Madras and Tributary Country Are Being Visited by Party.

E. H. Harriman and his party touring central Oregon will come out via Shaniko tonight and arrive in Portland some time Sunday morning. A rush order was received today at noon from General Manager J. P. O'Brien, who is with Harriman, directing the Southern Pacific operating department to send a special train to Shaniko. The train, including Pullman and baggage cars, left Portland at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

It has evidently become desirable for the railroad magnate to proceed north from Madras to Shaniko rather than to come out via Minto pass to Detroit, on the Corvallis Eastern, where his own special train has been awaiting him since Thursday evening. The party reached Bend today, and from there telephone communication with Portland was secured and the orders of Mr. O'Brien were dispatched.

Will See Wonderful Country. The Harriman party is today seeing the country in the region of Bend, Prineville and Madras, where there are evidences in plenty of the great bonanza already there and more that could be developed for a railroad if built into that country. Their intention has been to look over the Deschutes Irrigation & Power company's segregation, visit the great sheep ranch of the Bend win land & Livestock company near Prineville, and give Mr. Harriman an idea of what could be expected from a country that would yield grain, grass and livestock such as are produced

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ALTON GIVEN IMMUNITY FOR STANDARD REBATES

Attorney-General Bonaparte Will Extend Whitewash to All Railroads Involved With Oil Trust in Cases Now Pending in Courts.

(Journal Special Service.)
Washington, Aug. 31.—It is understood that Attorney General Bonaparte has decided that the Chicago & Alton railroad has gained immunity from prosecution for giving rebates to the Standard Oil company. It was for accepting these rebates that the Standard Oil company was recently fined \$29,500,000 by Judge Leland of Chicago.

According to the report, the formal decision of the attorney general will be announced next week. Until this announcement is made the course followed by Bonaparte in arriving at this conclusion can only be conjectured. It is understood that the assistance rendered by the road in convicting the Standard will be given as the reason for the immunity bath.

BLOODHOUNDS AS SLEUTHS

Commissioner Bingham of New York Police Will Add Corps of Dogs to Force to Capture Men Who Have Created Reign of Terror.

(Journal Special Service.)
New York, Aug. 31.—Police commissioner Bingham has practically decided, if experiments now being made with bloodhounds prove successful, to add a corps of the four-footed detectives to the force in this city.

For three weeks at a small town up state bloodhounds have daily been used to follow the trails of malefactors, and when the commissioner has received a complete report as to the achievements of the dogs, he will come to a decision as to the employment of the animals in running down murderers and other criminals in New York.

It is set forth that perpetrators of many deeds of violence that have shocked the residents in recent months, especially crimes against women and children, might now be behind bars had been hunted by bloodhounds. It is believed by Commissioner Bingham that the dogs to this state of affairs.

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