

A. F. L. IS NEW FACTOR IN STRIKE

ESTRADA MASSES HIS FORCES FOR ATTACK ON ZELAYA'S ARMY

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New Orleans, Dec. 14.—Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, is in the hands of a rabid pro-revolution mob, according to a cablegram, apparently authentic, from Greytown late today.
The streets are thronged with excited Nicaraguans. Shouting mobs are parading before the palace, crying "Hurrah for Estrada and Taft!"
Bluefields, Nicaragua, Dec. 14 (by wireless to Colon).—Provisional President Estrada has abandoned the defensive and is massing his forces for an attack upon the Zelayans, according to advices brought from the revolutionists' camp today. The impending battle, which promises to be the most important of the revolution will probably be fought at Recero, 12 miles from Rama.
General Vasquez, Zelaya's most trusted lieutenant, is in command of the dictator's forces at Recero. It is against his troops that Estrada's attack will be directed.
General Chamorro of the revolutionary party, who has successfully maintained a siege of Greytown, where the Zelayan general, Toledo, is encamped with several hundred men, will be Estrada's chief dependency in the engagement. Chamorro, it is stated, has received orders from his chief to rush his command to a rendezvous that has been established, where he will be joined by the troops of Generals Fornes Diaz and Matuy.
General Mena, with a considerable body of revolutionists, now lies at Guadalupe, on the Mara river, within striking distance of Vasquez. According to the prearranged plan of battle, he is to detour with his command to a position behind Recero, and while the combined forces of Estrada, Chamorro, Diaz and Matuy are directed against Vasquez he will strike from the rear.
The light gunboat Bianca, which is in the hands of the revolutionists, lies near Recero. The boat is equipped with Hotchkiss guns, which it is believed will be utilized in the general attack.
Estrada's sudden determination to assume the offensive is the result of an urgent appeal from sympathizers with the revolutionary movement in Mexico and the United States, in addition to its Nicaraguan sponsors. His consular representative at Washington, Senor Carrillo, particularly urged the result of an appeal from sympathizers with the revolutionary movement in Mexico and the United States, in addition to its Nicaraguan sponsors. His consular representative at Washington, Senor Carrillo, particularly urged the result of an appeal from sympathizers with the revolutionary movement in Mexico and the United States, in addition to its Nicaraguan sponsors.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 14.—Announcement was made this morning at switchmen's strike headquarters that delegations from 11 organizations of the railway department of the American Federation of Labor will meet in St. Paul at 10 o'clock Saturday morning in obedience to a call from President Gompers to take the matter of assisting the switchmen in their strike. Whether or not this forecasts a general sympathetic strike on the part of the allied railway unions, excepting the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and the O. R. C., cannot be learned at this hour but it is freely predicted.
President Hawley of the switchmen said the matter of a sympathetic strike "will be up to the convention when it meets, but I will say the convention has been called for that purpose."
The organizations that will be represented at the conference will be the following: International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths and Helpers, Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, Switchmen's union of North America, International Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, United Association of Steamfitters, Association of Fireworkers, International Brotherhood of Railway Electricians, Brotherhood of Railway Telegraphers, Brotherhood of Railway Freight Handlers, International Association of Boiler Makers and Iron Shipbuilders of America, International Association of Machinists, International Association of Fireworkers, International Brotherhood of Railway Electricians.
President Gompers may attend the convention, which will be presided over by H. B. Pyham, president of the railway department of the American Federation of Labor.

SPOKANE OFFICIALS SAY STRIKE BROKEN

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Spokane, Wash., Dec. 14.—Despite the fact that no local strikers have returned to work the officials of the railroads involved in the switchmen's strike declared today that conditions were again normal, and that the strike had been broken, so far as they were concerned.
The adjustment of difficulties by the use of nonunion men in the local yards has averted a fuel famine in this city. Many trainloads of coal are being rushed here from the north and east.
Leaders of the strikers declared today that they did not intend to go back to work unless the railroads acceded to their demands. The local railroad officials declare they are being swamped with applications for positions and do not intend to take back any of the dissatisfied switchmen.

BUTTE SWITCHMEN ARE STANDING PAT

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Butte, Mont., Dec. 14.—A man reported for work today, though at a joint meeting of the Order of Railway Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, held here last night, authority was given the striking switchmen to return to work at their own risk without jeopardizing their rights as members of the union. It was further decided that the strike would be continued.

OREGON ELECTRIC GIVES SCHEDULE

Morning Service Between Portland and Wilsonville Is Announced.
Residents of Wilsonville, who have been complaining of inadequate train service on the Oregon Electric in the mornings, will have four trains to Portland between 5:45 a. m. and 10 a. m. on and after Thursday morning.
Two new trains will be added to the Wilsonville-Portland service, both local, one leaving Wilsonville at 5:45 a. m. and reaching Portland at 8:30 a. m. and the other leaving Wilsonville at 5:40 a. m. and reaching Portland at 7:30 a. m. In addition to these there are the regular trains from Salem, one of which arrives at Wilsonville at 1:45 a. m. and Portland at 3:40 a. m., and another leaving Salem at 3:55 a. m., Wilsonville at 5:55 a. m. and arriving in Portland at 11 a. m. The present Forest Grove service will be unchanged.
This service will, it is believed, greatly help the Wilsonville commuters who have been asking for better early morning service into Portland for several months.

Nominations Confirmed

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Washington, Dec. 14.—The government officials who have been conducting the inquiry here into the Cunningham coal land entries in Alaska, left today for Washington. The hearings are to be resumed after the holidays, subject to the call of Special Commissioner W. J. McGee. It was announced today that the hearings would probably be resumed first at Cleveland, Ohio, and later would be taken up at Minneapolis and at New York city.
The inquiry taken in Spokane places the coal entries in such a position that if the general land office desires to make trouble for the claimants, many claimants can be rejected. It is not believed, however, that the land office intends to do this.
Disinterested spectators who have followed the hearing closely believe that the claim, made in the beginning, that the entries were dummies representing the Guggenheims, has been disproved by the testimony.
The investigation has been somewhat restricted in scope. Although partnership arrangements are said to have existed affecting the original entries and the development of claims, all the claimants profess to hold claims for their own individual benefit.
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TWENTIETH CENTURY LIMITED WRECKED; 3 DEAD; 30 INJURED

Erie, Pa., Dec. 14.—The Twentieth Century Limited train No. 26, east bound, on the Big Four, running as the second section of the Twentieth Century from Chicago and bound from St. Louis for New York, ran into passenger train No. 10 on the Lake Shore railroad at Northeast, Pa. Three men were killed, seven others were injured and probably 25 were cut and bruised. The dead were foreigners returning to their homes in Europe.
According to the account of persons aboard the relief train sent from here, No. 10, from Chicago for New York, had not made the siding at Northeast in time to give clearance for the approach of the flyer. A stop had been made at Northeast, delaying the train. The rear coach, No. 10, was splintered by the heavy engine, hauling the Twentieth Century train. The breakdown of the engine on an earlier train, it is learned, caused No. 10 to be stopped in block at Northeast. When the Twentieth Century came along efforts to bring it to a standstill were not successful.
Relief trains were rushed from Erie and Conneaut, Ohio, with nurses and physicians. Hospitals at both places were prepared to take care of any injured persons. At 3:40 this morning a relief train arrived bearing the mutilated bodies of three Italians and seven persons severely injured.
A blizzard was largely responsible for the wreck. It prevented the engineer of the Limited from seeing the other train's lights until too late to avoid a collision. Furthermore, the rails were coated with sleet, which made it im-

possible to stop the train in the usual distance.
The dead are:
ANTON LUND, 19 years old, Holyville, Cal., en route to Copenhagen, Denmark.
JOHN CLAIR, 45 years old, Cedar Point, Kan., en route to France.
FRANCIS BERNARD, 32 years old, Cedar Point, Kan., en route to France.
List of Injured Persons.
The following partial list of injured persons was given out:
W. E. Burr, New York; bruised.
Clayton Chapman, Elyria, Ohio; rib fractured.
E. L. Clageson, Jamaica Plains, Mass.; leg fractured, hands cut.
Frank F. Cook, Green Bay, Wis.; legs cut, ribs fractured.
Elsale, Cincinnati; slightly bruised.
T. J. Hadding, Cleveland; head bruised.
Mrs. Edna Losluf, New York city; head bruised.
M. Masters, Cincinnati; head bruised.
George P. McEnigle, Indian Harbor, Conn.; slightly bruised.
W. L. McFadden, 306 Purday street, Buffalo; left shoulder broken.
A. H. Whitney, Dunkirk, New York; spine injured, face cut.
Unknown Italian, slightly bruised.
Persons aboard the Limited were hardly aware that a collision had occurred, as the engineer of the Flyer, on seeing the rear signal lights of No. 10, applied emergency brakes in time to avoid damage to his train except for the destruction of the pilot and headlight of the engine. Traffic was delayed about two hours.

LAND OFFICE COULD MAKE CUNNINGHAM TROUBLE--WILL IT?

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WHITMAN SHERIFF STANDS HIS GROUND

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Colfax, Wash., Dec. 14.—The scrap between Sheriff Carter and the county commissioners, relative to the turning down of a \$100 cost bill presented by the sheriff, for expenses incurred in obtaining evidence against illicit booze sellers, is still on, the commissioners standing pat on their refusal to allow the bill. The sheriff, however, has been reinforced by the Farmers' union, which passed a unanimous resolution at a county meeting, requesting the board to stand behind and support the sheriff in his efforts to break up bootlegging and bootleggers in Whitman county, and we further request that they offer a reward of \$100 for evidence leading to the arrest and conviction of any horse thief operating in the county.

WILL THE DUBB FAMILY EVER TRIUMPH?



NEW PHASE IN RIVER DISASTER

Coroner's Jury Recommends Investigation of Action of the Boat's Crew.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Rainier, Or., Dec. 14.—An investigation by the grand jury of the action of the officers and crew of the steamer Lurline in connection with the overturning of the launch Hendrickson and the drowning of four persons was yesterday recommended by the jury called by Coroner Frank H. Sherwood of Columbia county.
The survivors of the boat accident testified that the steamer Lurline passed within about 500 yards from where they were struggling in the water, shortly after the accident occurred; that they yelled for help and that the steamer Lurline threw its searchlight upon them, but did not stop to pick them up.
Captain Johnson and Pilot Charleston of the Lurline testified that they were changing reliefs and did not hear or see anything of the accident. They also testified that they did not know where the watchman was at that time. The jury went into secret session and brought in the following verdict:
"That the four of the party of seven met their death by reason of drowning and exposure, caused by the upsetting of a boat on the Columbia river on Sunday morning. And we as the jury recommend as follows:
"That the actions of the officers and crew of the steamer Lurline in regard to this accident be investigated by the grand jury, and we also recommend that it is our opinion that it is the duty of the grand jury to investigate the qualification of Amos Card as to his running a boat on the Columbia river filled with passengers.
The body of Lee Harbour was sent to Mayer last night for burial. The bodies of Selma and Anna Hendrickson were sent to Quincy this morning. The body of Grace Waud is still at the morgue pending instructions from relatives at Aberdeen.

ALL FIREMEN ASK BETTER TREATMENT

What Firemen Want.
The firemen's wants may be briefly summed as follows:
Systematic exercise such as is provided by a drill tower to increase fire fighting efficiency.
One hundred and twenty-four hours work a week instead of 136 as at present.
Some means of making men on watch comfortable, such as would be provided by a stove in quarters now absolutely without heat of any kind.
Ventilation for sleeping apartments, and repairs to the roofs so that rain will not soak the beds as at present.
More recognition of their rights as American citizens to speak their wants plainly instead of being threatened with loss of their positions; also a discontinuance of alleged favoritism.
Pay for firemen incapacitated for service by injuries received at fires, instead of having the pay stopped and the firemen pay the cost of care for their own injured according to present system.

CAR FERRY AND CREW IN DANGER

Vessel Ashore Near Fort Burwell, Ont., Burns Signals of Distress.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Fort Burwell, Ont., Dec. 14.—The car ferry Ashabula grounded on the shoals off this point at noon today and is flying signals of distress. A high wind is blowing and it is impossible to get boats from the shore to her aid.
The crew from the life-saving station at Port Stanley is being rushed here by special train. They are bringing their boats with them.
Heavy seas are breaking over the stranded ferry, and there is grave danger that she will go to pieces before the arrival of the life savers. The number of persons on board the apparently doomed craft is not known.

CEMETERY FILLED; NO PLACE TO BURY WALLA WALLA'S DEAD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 14.—Heavy cemetery filled, Walla Walla faces a shortage of burying space, and the city council tonight will consider some plan to enlarge the present cemetery.
Several offers have been made to supply land, some adjoining the cemetery, but the price on all has been prohibitive. There are less than a dozen lots left in the cemetery at present.

FALSE TO TRUST; GETS SIX YEARS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Oakland, Cal., Dec. 13.—John S. Delaney, attorney for former Public Administrator George Gray, was sentenced today to serve six years in the San Quentin penitentiary. Delaney was found guilty of embezzlement while serving as attorney to the administrator. He was accused of stealing \$15,000 from the estate of the late John Hite Cook.

TROUBLES OF BROKAW'S AIRED

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 14.—Through Attorney McIntyre, his counsel, William Gould Brokaw, the millionaire whose wife is suing him for divorce and asking alimony of \$40,000 with an additional monthly stipend of \$500, yesterday charged in court that the suit was instituted merely to extort money from him. McIntyre indicated that if the money demanded as alimony in the suit were paid the action would be dropped immediately.
This charge was branded as untrue and followed by Attorney McIntyre, for the plaintiff. He asserted that the feeling between Brokaw and his wife, and brother had become so bitter about the marriage of the couple that he feared it would result in physical violence.
Under cross-examination Mrs. Brokaw testified that she had no conversation with her husband on the subject of the divorce, and that she had no conversation with her husband on the subject of the divorce, and that she had no conversation with her husband on the subject of the divorce.

LEOPOLD HAS BARE CHANCE FOR LIFE

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Brussels, Dec. 14.—An official bulletin issued from the bedside of King Leopold indicates that he is gaining in strength and shares the optimism expressed by his physicians regarding his chances to survive the operation that was performed shortly after midnight. The aged monarch's vitality and recuperative powers have amazed the corps of physicians who are attending him.
Princess Louise, who was estranged from her father, is waiting at Cologne for permission to come to the king's bedside. Although her desire to be near him has been expressed repeatedly to the king, he has refused to grant her petition.
The Belgian senate today passed the new military bill, in accordance with the desire of the king. Should the attempt to gain in strength, the measure probably will be brought to him tomorrow for the royal signature.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Brussels, Dec. 14.—An official bulletin issued at 11 o'clock this morning stated that King Leopold had been operated upon successfully by Drs. Thirard, Stenon and Delage. The operation was performed at 1 o'clock this morning.
According to the statement of one of the physicians, the king has a bare chance of recovery. This hope is based upon the fact that the intestinal obstructions which are supposed to have been the source of the monarch's illness were "reversed." No trace of a tumor, it was stated, was found.
Physicians Had Little Hope.
The king had rested well early in the night, and when the physicians awakened him to prepare for the operation, he faced the ordeal bravely. Not until the attendants started to administer the anesthetic did he exhibit any signs of nervousness or fear. At this juncture, however, the physicians were compelled to assure him that the operation was not usually considered dangerous. They actually feared, it was stated later, he would not survive the attending shock.

Princess Clementine, Leopold's favorite daughter, insisted upon remaining in the room while the operation was performed. She bore up bravely until the surgeons had finished their task. As she left the room she swooned.
In spite of the cheerful predictions of the physicians that the king had a fair chance to recover, the public generally believes he will never leave the "Palms" pavilion, near the deserted castle, which he has occupied since he sold the royal furniture and works of art. The "Palms" is the house of the Baroness Vaughan, whose alleged relations with Leopold have furnished material for a score of books that have been on the lips of Belgians for years. The baroness yesterday withdrew from the house, at the request of Cardinal Mercier, who administered the last sacrament to the king.
It was reported today that when Leopold believed himself to be dying he expressed his wish that the king should have pursued in the Congo and declared that if he survived his illness he would make amends to his African subjects for the cruelties that marked his reign.

BIG INCREASE IN PROPERTY VALUE

Figures Announced Today by County Clerk Are Encouraging.

County Clerk Fields this morning filed in the city auditor's office a statement showing the value of all taxable property in the city of Portland to be \$231,907,545. This is an increase of \$15,171,435, over last year's figures, which were \$216,736,110.
The five-million levy fixed by Mayor Simon this year will therefore bring into the city treasury for the maintenance of various municipal departments the sum of \$11,586,827. Besides this amount there will be nearly \$500,000 available from the general fund, so that the city will have more than a million and a half dollars to pay expenses with during the coming year.

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