

PEACE NEAR CHICAGO STRIKE

Day's Development Shows That Both Sides Look for Peaceful Settlement.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Dec. 3.—Settlement of the Chicago garment workers' strike, which during the eight weeks' struggle has involved 5,000 workers and has cost the city nearly \$3,000,000, was tonight believed to be near. If it is settled at this time it will be a drawn battle.

The impression that peace is imminent grew out of today's developments. This afternoon a civic committee on which both strikers and employers were represented tentatively accepted a proposal from Hart, Shaffner & Marx, the biggest of the struck firms, which later was considered by a committee of the labor unions. This committee in turn referred the agreement to a committee of shop foremen who are the advisory board of the strikers.

While no definite statement of their attitude is as yet obtainable, the impression is general that they will approve the plan. The plan, if they do approve, will then be laid before the strikers in mass meeting for final acceptance or rejection. It is believed that the vote will be for peace.

Although only 15,000 of the striking garment workers are employees of the Hart, Shaffner & Marx firm, and although the other concerns engaged have taken no active part in the peace negotiations, it is pretty well understood that peace with the Hart firm will mean an end to the warfare which has cost both employers and their workers dear.

The salient feature of the proposed settlement is the abandonment by the strikers of their demand for a "closed shop." On the part of the employers, too, there are big concessions, notably one that the principle of collective bargaining by the workers is to be established. As clearly as is yet known, the terms of the Hart, Shaffner & Marx firm are:

Settlement by arbitration, the firm to select one arbitrator, the strikers one and the two to choose a third.

No discrimination against strikers, but no preference to be shown them over other employees.

Questions to be debated: Shop conditions, wages, working hours.

LIBERALS LEAD IN ENGLISH ELECTION

(By the International News Service.) London, Dec. 3.—Largest tabulations in the election results give the Liberals 26 members, the Unionists 25 and the Laborites 5. There were 60 contests in all, and of these 52 showed no changes, the Unionists gaining five seats and the Laborites one.

The standing of the parties up to date is as follows: Government coalition—Liberals 61; Laborites 17; Irish Nationalists 5; Total 83. Opposition: Unionists 62.

The Unionists gained six seats from the Liberals and one from the Laborites. These seats were Sanford, South; Ashton-Udder-Tyne, Kings Lynn, Grimsby; Worrington and Darlington, and Wigton.

Through the serious flooding of all parts of the country, electioneering is being carried on with difficulty, the roads in many places being impassable, and the candidates unable to reach meeting places.

This election result is disappointing to both sides, but if returns continue to favor the Unionists the government may be compelled to look to the Irish Nationalists for government support.

In London the Liberals succeeded in regaining Peckham, which had gone against them in a bye-election during the controversy over the licensing law.

The defeat of A. Bonar Law, in the northwest division of Manchester, was another blow to the government, as he was one of the chief exponents of tariff reform.

Almeric Paget, who married Pauline Whitely of New York, succeeded in holding Cambridge for the conservatives.

PUSH CLUB FORMED IN ALAMEDA PARK

Hustling residents of the Alameda Park district got together last Thursday night at the home of O. L. Ferris on the Alameda and organized a push club for the improvement of the park.

The organization meeting had been provided for at a preliminary meeting held in the early part of last month.

The new club has already arranged with the Portland Railway, Light & Power company for better electric light service. Progress is also being made by the special committee of the club, which has been endeavoring to secure the installation of arc lights at important street intersections in the district.

O. L. Ferris reported that the Portland Gas company has taken his contract to provide gas for the residents of Olmsted Park within the next 60 days.

A nominating committee to name candidates for the various club offices was appointed. The election of officers for the coming year will be held at the next meeting of the club.

MUSIC TEACHER FINDS BEST VOICE IN WORLD

Richmond, Ind., Dec. 3.—Professor Aurelio Borrias, head of the vocal music department at Earlham college, claims to have found the most wonderful voice in the world. It is the voice of Fred Debut of Peru, Ind., who has a great career awaiting him. His voice is baritone and some day his fame will rival that of the great Caruso. He is marvelous. I met him at Marion, Ind., where he sought instruction, and I heard him sing. Ah, such a voice! I went into raptures.

SCALDED FIREMAN OUT OF HOSPITAL

Harry Peterson, the fireman on the Astoria & Columbia river railroad, who was scalded when the train was wrecked by going through an open switch Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock, was discharged yesterday from St. Vincent's hospital. He was scalded on the back and arm, but the burns were not serious.

NEW YORK SAYS TO BE WORLD'S FAIR IN ITSELF

Plans for Holding World's Fair in Gotham in 1913 Have Been Given Up—Business Interests Oppose.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Dec. 3.—New York is not to have a world's fair in 1913 nor at any other time perhaps. The city has appointed some time ago by the mayor to consider the scheme has decided that the city does not need a fair.

Among other drawbacks was that there was no suitable site near the city, that the business and commercial interests are generally against the scheme, that it would conflict with the fair to be held either in San Francisco or New Orleans in 1915, to celebrate the opening of the Panama canal, and that the public had had in the past few years a surfeit of such amusements anyway.

An assembly of this size would be too unwieldy, however, according to many prominent statesmen, for various reasons. Formerly the question of getting more representatives in the political chamber would tax the ingenuity of all architects. It was necessary to remodel the chamber after the reapportionment of 1900, when 85 members were added and at that time the chamber was extended to just as large a size as possible. There are now 400 seats in the chamber. It is barely possible that a misapprehension measure will be passed at this session of congress, but the Democrats will endeavor to delay it until they are in control.

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THE CENSUS IS GOING TO DO FOR

Members Will Probably Be Result of Recount of the Country.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 3.—With an increase of from 50 to 75 members of the representatives indicated by the returns of the 1910 census the present house is beginning to wonder just how to handle the reapportionment proposition.

Under the present basis of representation—one representative for every 192,167 inhabitants—the new house would have about 457 members. If the census officials estimate of a total population of about 22,000,000 is right.

An assembly of this size would be too unwieldy, however, according to many prominent statesmen, for various reasons. Formerly the question of getting more representatives in the political chamber would tax the ingenuity of all architects. It was necessary to remodel the chamber after the reapportionment of 1900, when 85 members were added and at that time the chamber was extended to just as large a size as possible.

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QUEEN'S MAIDS FEEL ECONOMICAL STREAK WHEN SALARIES ARE CUT; NEW REGULATIONS ARE PENDING IN COURT.

Queen's Maids Feel Economical Streak When Salaries Are Cut; New Regulations Are Pending in Court.

(United Press Leased Wire.) London, Dec. 3.—King George, or rather Queen Mary, is busily engaged in planning drastic reforms about the court which will not only result in a more economical and efficient management of the royal household, but which will lead to the correction of many abuses which have grown up within the last quarter of a century or so.

One of the most important of the new regulations is one by which the four chief officials of the household, namely the lord chamberlain, the master of the household, the master of the horse, and the lord steward, will meet at regular periods to confer on the working of their respective departments, and to settle questions which are constantly arising between them.

Under the old regime, when the work of, say, the master of the horse's department brought that official into conflict with the two others, the matter was referred to the king's secretary for his majesty's instructions in the matter.

The number of equerries and lords-in-waiting in residence is to be reduced, but the number of non-resident equerries who are put on the list in rotation every fortnight for attendance at the palace will be increased. This regular rotation of the equerries will be putting an extra work on the officials affected by it.

It is the wish of both King George and Queen Mary that the mistress of the robes should resume chief control of her majesty's household, and, in consequence, the Duchess of Devonshire will be a great deal at court. When the court is at Windsor castle, her grace will be in residence; but when her majesty is at Buckingham palace, the duchess will, of course, reside at Devonshire House.

The number of hours will in future be notified by the mistress of the robes when their attendance at court is required, and when the court is at Windsor, one of the maids will always be required to be in attendance.

Queen Mary intends to revert to the old custom of giving a dowry of 1000 to a maid of honor when she marries, but against this, her pay will be reduced by a hundred a year. Queen Alexandra raised the pay of her maids of honor by a hundred a year, but stopped the dowry money.

Queen's Maids. In the new reign the "maids" will receive three hundred a year each, instead of four.

Queen Alexandra had only four maids of honor, whilst Queen Victoria had 10. Queen Mary will probably appoint six, but not more than two will be attendance at the same time. Her majesty will present each of her maids with a gold and pearl locket which the maid must always wear when she is in attendance.

Several new regulations are pending in connection with the work of the lord chamberlain's department. One of the most important of these deals with the granting to societies and institutions the right to use the prefix "Royal." All institutions which are properly entitled to use the prefix are registered in the books at the lord chamberlain's office, but a great many use it who are not entitled to do so, for the simple reason that it acts as a great help in obtaining subscriptions. Except in one or two glaring instances of misappropriation of the prefix, no trouble was taken in the late reign to investigate the rights of any society or institution to style itself "Royal," and numbers of societies availed themselves of this state of affairs to do without proper authority, but under the new regulations they will no longer be able to do so, already one institution has been peremptorily ordered to cease designating itself "Royal," and, as a result, several others, not entitled to use the prefix, have voluntarily dropped it.

Immense Preserves. Some idea of the enormous extent of the royal game preserves at Sandringham may be gathered from the fact that in every year now the total bag has steadily increased until the huge figure of 16,000 head has been reached. But the record for the royal estate is much higher than this, the best year being, we believe, in 1897, when 14,000 pheasants, 4000 partridges, 850 hares, 400 woodcock, wild duck, teal and snipe, and over 6000 rabbits were bagged. An all-round sporting property Sandringham holds its own among the best in the country, though at the big partridge drives on the neighboring estate of Holkham some 15 or 16 miles eastward, the records are larger than at Sandringham, Lord Leicester's estate being a better partridge manor than the royal domain.

Savior George. The king is more likely to be known in history as "Savior George" than as "Farmer George"—always remembering that George is the Greek word for farmer, or, in the matter of the royal farms, it is his majesty's intention to maintain the traditions established during the last two reigns. At the Slough cattle market this month there will be 35 bullocks of various breeds offered for sale in the king's name and one of them will be selected to be bought in for the Christmas dinner table of the court. No less than 250 sheep—Hampshires and cross breeds—will be put up at the same time, this number being actually larger than has been available at the fat stock sale in some recent seasons. But the part of the sale in which his majesty will probably take the most interest will be the bacon hog of the Berkshire strain, there being four scores of them ready for market. When the king, as he is apparent, first set up farming in the Norfolk demesne, he bought a stock of black pigs for the purpose of systematic breeding, being convinced that in this department a good deal more might be done in the south and west of England than has been done

CATHERINE JOHNSON, OF GYPSY ROYALTY, FRACTURES ARM IN ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE.

Catherine Johnson, of Gypsy Royalty, Fractures Arm in Attempt to Escape.

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) Elizabeth, N. J., Dec. 3.—Catherine Fillable Johnson, Elizabeth's gypsy princess, who, although in her "teens," has had a career filled with romance, is suffering from a fractured arm at the Trenton street home for girls, following a desperate attempt to escape from the institution. She succeeded in breaking down the door of her room, and attempted to lower herself from the third floor of the building to the ground, but she dropped only a few feet when the rope broke and she fell heavily to the earth. She was found a short time later unconscious. Her condition is critical.

Catherine first came into the limelight about two years ago. She was an unusually attractive waif and the authorities finally permitted the Johnson tribe of gypsies, which makes their headquarters here, to adopt her. Subsequently she was married to Ed Johnson, son of the chief of the tribe.

For a time bliss reigned, but within a year the couple became estranged. The girl fled from the gypsies, who were traveling through New England, and returned to this city. She charged her erstwhile friends with cruelty.

By the International News Service. New Orleans, Dec. 3.—Mrs. Miles Poinexter, wife of the United States senator-elect from Washington, passing through New Orleans tonight, told of a narrow escape from bullets of Costa Rica soldiers in Port Lila during a riot caused by dissatisfied laborers imported from San Domingo. She was with a party of sight-seers walking in the street when they were surrounded by fighting factions.

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MRS. POINDEXTER HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH IN COSTA RICA

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LOCOMOTIVE PICKS UP CARRIAGE; NOBODY HURT

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 3.—A ride on the crotch of a locomotive, from which perit took all the joy of the novelty, fell to the lot of William Fleming and Phoebe Schick, while returning from a country visit.

At a railroad crossing a passenger train struck their carriage, tearing it away from the horses and wedging it fast upon the engine pilot without jolting them. Before the train could be stopped Fleming and Miss Schick had been carried far down the road.

Miss Schick was badly lacerated and sustained internal injuries. She is in a critical condition.

POPULAR SONGSTERS FOR PRESS CLUB SHOW

Adding a dash of local color to the brilliant professional vaudeville program that has been prepared for the initial sabbal of the Portland Press club at the Hellig theatre December 18, will be the song number to be contributed by Mrs. Rose Bloch-Bauer, Portland's popular songstress.

Although the date of the box office sale has not yet been announced, the entertainment committee of the club has already orders for more than 800 tickets for the performance. These early orders indicate the interest being manifested by the public in the coming show.

PUG GOOD DODGER BUT LOSES FIGHT

(United Press Leased Wire.) New Orleans, Dec. 3.—In a 10-round fight, which was mostly dodges and clinches on the part of Charley Harvey, the Boston bantam, Johnny Coulon got the best of the fight when the New Orleans Athletic club.

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