



DOUBLE ON THE W. & C. R.

Trainmen Quit the Road's Employ Because the Crews Were Reduced.

SATISFIED MEN GIVE OUT STATEMENT.

Calderhead, Passenger Agent of Road, Says the Men Can All Do as They please—Company Insists That Lack of Business Necessitates Its Action.

Because they claim Manager Mc Cabe of the Washington & Columbia railroad has issued an order directing the crews on freight trains not to be reduced.

Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen rescind the order, six brakemen and conductors have quit work.

According to the statements of Calderhead, the order reducing the number of brakemen on freight trains from two to one was issued Sunday.

Following day the committee from the brotherhood called upon Manager McCabe, but their request that the reduction be not made was refused on the ground of lack of business on the part of the present time.

Manager McCabe was in Waltsburg tonight on business connected with the strike and could not be interviewed.

B. Calderhead, general freight passenger agent of the road, said he was not familiar with the purported agreement. When informed that six men were expected to quit before this morning, he said:

"We can find men to fill their places within an hour."

Trains on the road were running on schedule time last night.

Train from Walla Walla, on the C. R., arrived here at 3 o'clock tonight, having been delayed on account of the strike of the trainmen.

Statement is made to the East Oregonian by those who brought the train that the usual reduction of the crews from two brakemen to one, on account of a scarcity of business at this time of the year, is the cause of the strike.

The train came to Pendleton with three cars and the accommodation for each today, and the reduction of the crews at this season of the year is a frequent occurrence.

Some of the officials of the road say the strikers are in Pendleton to day and the train was brought in by a crew, and will leave on time tomorrow.

BRYAN'S BIRTHDAY.

Home the Scene of Many Hearty Congratulations.

Lincoln, Neb., March 19.—The refrain of numerous letters and telegrams of congratulation came today from the household of William Jennings Bryan and that this is the birthday of the democratic presidential candidate, Mr. Bryan having been born here March 19, 1856.

Mr. Bryan is at present enjoying excellent health notwithstanding the fact that he has been "going" the greater part of the delivering addresses and lectures in various parts of the country.

CENTRAL IOWA TEACHERS.

Iowa Town Scene of Important Educational Meeting.

Carroll, Iowa, March 19.—This place has capitulated to an invasion of school teachers who have come to attend the fourth annual convention of the Central Iowa Teachers' Association.

Among the prominent educators whose names appear on the program for papers or addresses are President R. D. Harlan of Lake Forest University; Superintendent William I. Crane, of Marshalltown; State Superintendent R. C. Barrett, W. N. Clifford, of Council Bluffs; Professor F. E. Bolton, of Iowa University and Miss Alice Wilson, of Des Moines.

AGAINST MINERS.

Grand Jury Does Its Best to Please the Coal Bosses of West Virginia.

Charleston, W. Va., March 19.—The federal grand jury today reported 185 indictments against the miners for resisting officers. Sheriff Cunningham has been given the warrants and has a strong posse. Trouble is feared.

FIRE IN MASSACHUSETTS.

Destroys Leighton Shoe Factory at a Loss of \$300,000.

Pepperill, Mass., March 19.—Fire early this morning destroyed the Leighton shoe factory at a loss of \$300,000.

PRESIDENT ESTES ARRESTED

CHARGED WITH STRIKING ON CHARTERED ROAD.

Appeared in Police Court This Morning and Was Remanded Until Tomorrow.

Victoria, B. C., March 19.—President George Estes, of the United Trainmen, has been arrested charged by the Canadian Pacific railroad with attempting to order a strike on a chartered road. He is charged under the penal code and under the post-office act as the charter carries the mail.

CEMENT RAILROAD TIES.

Important Experiments Now Being Conducted With New Discovery.

Detroit, Mich., March 19.—Railroad officials are much interested in experiments that are being conducted on the Pere Marquette road and the Michigan Central in the use of railroad ties made of Portland cement. The manufacturers claim for their invention that the cement tie is practically indestructible, and therefore an assurance of a great reduction in first cost as well as that of maintenance.

Wood blocks of varying thicknesses are shinned between the tie and the rail. These act as a cushion to receive and distribute the vibration and can be quickly replaced without removing or disturbing the tie. These blocks are chemically treated, so as to make them indestructible. They are held to the cement ties by spikes driven into holes in the cement filled with wooden plugs, these plugs being inserted before the cement has set and hardened.

SCORES NEW YORK HERALD.

German Statesman Declares That Germany Wants No Territory in South America—Blames Paper for Recent Difficulties.

Berlin, March 19.—Von Buelow, in the reichstag today reiterated his declaration that Germany wants no territory in South America. He says the difficulties in the recent Venezuelan situation is largely due to the nonsensical calumniations of the New York Herald.

GOLD BRICK STOLEN.

Express Car Entered at Detroit and \$20,000 Worth of Gold Taken.

Detroit, Mich., March 19.—A Pacific Express car in the Wabash yards, was entered last night and a bar of gold in transit from the West to the Philadelphia mint, was stolen, said to be worth \$20,000. The president of the express company has been telegraphed for.

WANTS SIAM TIN.

J. Pierpont Morgan Negotiating for a Concession of the Entire Tin Mines of That District.

London, March 19.—A Calcutta dispatch says J. Pierpont Morgan is negotiating for a concession of the entire tin mining industry in Siam.

TEXTILE CONFERENCE.

A Strike is Threatened at Lowell, Mass.—20,000 Affected.

Lowell, Mass., March 19.—A textile conference today is considering the demands of the operatives for a 10 per cent raise in wages. If no decision is made a strike will probably be called immediately. Twenty thousand workers are affected.

MANY PEOPLE IN ARKANSAS SURROUNDED BY THE FLOOD

Memphis Filled With Homeless, Destitute People Who Have Beer Driven From Home by the Water.

Memphis, Tenn., March 19.—The crest of the flood is passing. The river rose four-tenths of a foot in the past 24 hours. It is now seven feet above the danger line.

An attempt will be made this afternoon to rescue a hundred passengers on two trains of the Frisco & Cotton Belt lines, whose situation is becoming more perilous. The back water rose in North Memphis four inches last night, where 600 are now homeless.

Washington, March 19.—The weather bureau predicts heavy rains in the Mississippi valley tonight. It warns Memphis to take all precautions possible.

Memphis, March 19.—A wind storm is sweeping up the river from the south, causing general alarm.

RESUMED HIS ARGUMENT.

Attorney for Northern Securities Company Contends That the Big Merger Has Benefited the Public.

St. Louis, March 19.—Judge Young, attorney for the Northern Securities Company, resumed his argument before the United States court of appeals this morning. He confined his remarks to a general denial of the charges made by the government, through Assistant Attorney-General Beck. He contends that the \$400,000,000 merger has benefited the people of the Northwest, in as much as it has caused a reduction in the freight rates of many commodities.

Mast Is Stepped.

Glasgow, March 19.—The mast of the Sharnock III was stepped today. The yacht is undoubtedly attracting more attention than any other challenger.

WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS OPEN ANNUAL CONVENTION AT NEW ORLEANS

Call for the Convention Shows That 11,125,000 Women Are in Possession of Complete Suffrage.

New Orleans, La., March 19.—The thirty-fifth annual convention of the National Woman's Suffrage Association was opened today in the Athenaeum, with a large attendance of delegates and all the national officers.

"When to the women of Australia are added those of New Zealand, and of Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Idaho, it will be found that 11,125,000 English-speaking women are at the present time in possession of the complete suffrage, and all, except those of Wyoming, have been enfranchised within the past ten years.

Following the reading of the call, Mrs. Catt presented the honorary president, Susan B. Anthony, who was greeted with the most enthusiastic applause. When the hand-clapping had subsided sufficiently for her to be heard the venerable leader of the equal suffrage movement delivered a brief address in the course of which touching reference was made to her co-worker in the early days of the suffrage movement, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who passed away since the last convention of the organization.

The opening session of the convention concluded with the annual address of the president, which was full of interesting facts and figures and was received with applause by the great gathering of women.

"It is especially appropriate that the advocates of this important reform should assemble in Louisiana in honor of the action taken by this state in 1898, when its constitutional convention incorporated a clause giving to tax-paying women a vote on all questions of taxation submitted to the electors; in commemoration of the splendid use they made of this privilege at the election held to secure to New Orleans the completion of its drainage and establishment of a sewerage system and free water supply, and in celebration of the recent decision of the state supreme court which has declared invalid the act of the last legislature that proposed to take the large fund for this purpose out of the hands of the legally appointed board. It is fitting, therefore, that these victories should be celebrated in the state which made them possible.

"Never in the 50 years of this movement have its advocates had such a victory to record as was achieved in Australia in June, 1902. Almost the first act of the parliament of the federation was to confer the full federal suffrage carrying with it the right to a seat in the parliamentary body, on all qualified women of the entire commonwealth. This one act enfranchised about 800,000 women. At this time in only two of the six states

continuous stream of refugees coming here, who are protected from the water by levees only fear to remain in their homes longer.

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WINS FAMOUS CASE.

Settlement Finally Made in Disposition of the Benjamin Harrison Estate.

Indianapolis, March 19.—Colonel Russell Harrison, son of ex-President Harrison, has won his famous case through a settlement based on the decision of the circuit court, made late yesterday. The suit was for the disposition of the property of the Harrison estate made by the children of President Harrison's first wife, as against the claims of his second wife.

Arrives in Porto Rico.

San Juan, P. R., March 19.—Alice Roosevelt landed this morning and was met by Governor Hunt and family, and driven to the palace, where she held an informal reception. She leaves Wednesday for an inland trip.

GRAIN MARKETS.

Quotations Furnished by Coo Commission Company, 120 Court Street—B. E. Kennedy, Local Manager.

Chicago, March 19.—Wheat and corn steady; no pronounced tendency up or down. Stock market feverish over the slump in S. P. stock last night and today; this stock dropped from 67 at closing yesterday evening, to 66 1/2 at closing today. Money tighter at 5 1/2 and 6 per cent.

Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Minneapolis, March 19, and New York, March 19, showing prices for various months and grades.

Wheat in Chicago. Chicago, March 19.—Wheat—74 1/2 @ 1/4c per bushel.

TO FEAST FRANCIS.

Conquering Missourian to be Committed on His Successful Mission. New York, March 19.—Members of the Missouri Society have completed arrangements for a dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria tonight in honor of ex-Governor D. R. Francis, who has just returned from Europe where he has been interesting the various governments in the St. Louis exposition, of which he is president.

BURDICK CASE DEVELOPMENTS

A POLICEMAN IS SAID TO HAVE AIDED PENNELL. Police Are Searching for a Letter Written by Mrs. Pennell to Burdick—Positive Proof That Pennells Were Drunk When Killed.

Buffalo, March 19.—The counsel for Mrs. Hull and Mrs. Burdick this morning denied emphatically that Mrs. Hull was in other than her usual health notwithstanding the current reports of her illness. The police are working to further establish Pennell's conviction of the crime.

The police are searching for another letter said to have been written by Mrs. Pennell to Burdick, asking him to take his wife back for the sake of their children and to stop the divorce proceedings, saying: "Unless you do, it will be the death of us all."

Reports are current today that it is now definitely known that Pennell had an accomplice. From a man inside the detective department comes the story that a policeman did the killing. That he had been hired by Pennell and that the man had been shadowed for several days.

The district attorney now has positive proof that on the day that the Pennells were killed both drank a large quantity of whiskey. In the hospital the vomiting condition of the woman's stomach prior to her death showed a sufficient quantity to produce intoxication. Pennell's will, to be filed in the probate court today, shows that he carried \$250,000 insurance.

JOHN BULL IS ALARMED. Fears Effect of Cuban Treaty on His Trade—Member of Parliament Quotes It as Instance of Attack on British Foreign Trade.

London, March 19.—In the house of commons last night Charles McArthur, liberal unionist, moved a resolution declaring that the recent developments in the financial and commercial policies of foreign countries, leading to the exclusion of British trade where it was previously established, called for the serious consideration of the government in order to safeguard the trade of the empire.

He referred particularly to the effect of the Cuban reciprocity treaty, and urged that a special tax be levied on bounty-fed ships visiting British ports and that closer commercial relations be established with the colonies.

DELEGATES SELECTED. County Court Appoints Five From Umatilla to Attend Good Roads Association.

J. E. Magers, of Portland, secretary of the State Good Roads Association, sent a request to the county court that not less than five delegates be appointed by the court to attend the National Good Roads convention, which will be held in St. Louis from April 27 to May 2. The court this morning complied with the request by appointing the following gentlemen from this county: Leon Cohen, of Pendleton; W. M. Scott, of Hellix; C. A. Barrett, of Athens; Robert Jamieson, of Weston; Lewis Bowler, of Milton; W. S. Goodman, of Free-water; and E. B. Bambers, of Ukiah.

Dallas will vote on the extension of her water system on April 1.

CUBAN TREATY IS RATIFIED

By a Vote of Fifty to Sixteen the Senate Approves Action of the House.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS ARE ALSO PASSED.

Senator Morgan Offers Resolution Declaring for Free Trade Between the United States and Insular Possessions—Thinks Abuses of Taxation Should Cease.

Washington, March 19.—The Cuban treaty has been ratified in the senate by a vote of 50 to 16. Voting began at 3 o'clock. The committee amendments are adopted. A motion to strike out the five-year clause was defeated.

Relative to Alaska. Washington, March 19.—The senate this morning agreed to the resolution authorizing the committee on territories or the sub-committee to sit during the recess at such places as it may desire, to consider bills relative to Alaska.

Morgan's Remarks. Washington, March 19.—Congressional record this morning contains the few remarks made by Senator Morgan in opposition to the canal, which required 96 pages.

Morgan Wants Free Trade. Morgan offered a resolution which went over under the rules, which declares that the abuses of the powers of taxation in the United States should cease; that trade and commerce with and between the insular possessions should be free and unrestricted; that Cuba should be invited to adopt a like policy with all places under American jurisdiction. It also touches upon the governmental restriction of monopolies.

President Roosevelt today received another gold invitation to come West, from the Union League Club, of San Francisco. It asks him to be the club's guest and was presented by Colonel Pippy, the club's president.

STREET CAR MEN MAY STRIKE. Officials of San Francisco Union Meet to Discuss Matter of Arbitration.

San Francisco, March 19.—The street car men met Manager Chapman at 1 o'clock today and made a proposition to waive the matter of compensation to the men for loss of time if the company would waive calling on the men to sign student cards. The men are to be put back immediately and an arbitration of the affairs made by Grand Master Mahon of Chicago and Calhoun for the company. If this is not accepted all of the men will quit work tomorrow.

Bailou Bound Over to the Federal Court—Hart Charged With Same Offense.

Brenner Bailou was yesterday afternoon bound over for trial by Commissioner Hailey on the charge of selling liquor to the Indians, and was remanded to jail to await trial.

There was the testimony of one Indian to the effect that Bailou sold him the whiskey, against Bailou's testimony that he did not. There is said to have been circumstantial evidence tending to indicate that Bailou was guilty.

The examination of Dan Hart, charged with the same offense, is in progress this afternoon.

SENTENCE APPROVED.

Private Gregory Must Serve Six Months at Alcatraz Island.

Walla Walla, March 19.—Sentence passed upon Private Melvin E. Gregory, Troop E, Third Cavalry, by a general court-martial convened at Fort Walla Walla, has been approved by the reviewing authority of the department of the Columbia. Private Gregory was found guilty of seizing a carbine and belt holding cartridges and pursuing a fellow soldier with intent to do him bodily harm, and assaulting and striking him with a heavy wooden stool. He was sentenced to be dishonorably discharged from the service of the United States, forfeiting all pay and allowances due him, and to be confined at hard labor at Alcatraz Island, Cal., for a period of six months.

Connecticut Y. M. C. A. Derby, Conn., March 19.—The Young Men's Christian Associations of Connecticut began their annual convention here today and will remain in session until Sunday. The program includes many excellent speakers and the outlook is bright for a highly successful gathering.

The highest mountain in the world is at least 35,000 feet; that is 9,000 feet higher than Mount Everest.