

DRIVEN FROM KEY BY STRIKING MOB

Non-union Operator in Wisconsin Has
to Flee for Life.

Wires Tamped With in Suspicious
Manner—Strikers Blame Incom-
petent Operators—Western Union
Office at Arkansas City, Kans.,
Burned by Firebugs.

Chicago, Aug. 29.—Attacked by a
mob of striking telegraph operator,
John Laux, a non-union operator in
charge of the Postal company's office in
Waukegan, Wis., was forced to leave
his key yesterday and flee for his life.
The office was closed last night.

When the strike order was issued
Mr. Laux refused to walk out. He was
visited Tuesday by a committee of
strikers from Chicago and urged to join
in the fight against the companies, but
he refused. Yesterday a large crowd
of strikers went to Waukegan and pro-
ceeded to the office. As it entered Mr.
Laux escaped through a rear door and
hid under a barn, where he remained
for several hours while the strikers
searched for him. Telegraph blanks
and others papers were torn up and
thrown around the office and the strik-
ers completed the job by nailing a big
sign across the door with the word
"scab" printed on it in large letters.
The Western Union office in Waukegan
is closed, the operator having quit
when the strike was ordered.

In spite of the efforts of the telegraph
companies to discover the men who are
tampering with the telegraph wires,
more trouble was experienced last night
than at any time since the strike began.
There is practically no trouble in send-
ing messages East from Chicago, but
the service to the Pacific coast and to
the Southwest is uncertain.

"If the telegraph companies got com-
petent operators they would have less
trouble with their wires," said Sec-
retary Wesley Russell. "We know of a
dozen cases where incompetent oper-
ators have burned out the wires."

At the offices of both telegraph com-
panies the usual information was given
that all business was being handled
promptly.

Dispatches from Arkansas City, Kan.,
today stated that the Western Union
office there was completely destroyed
by fire. All the records, furniture and
instruments were destroyed and the local
authorities say the fire was of inci-
dinary origin.

LUKENS IS WITNESS.

Subjects to Severe Examination in
Glass Bribery Trial.

San Francisco, Aug. 29.—State Sen-
ator Russell Lukens was a witness yester-
day in the trial of Louis Glass for
bribery and was subjected by Assistant
District Attorney Heney to an examina-
tion which could not have been more
severe had he been placed on the stand
by the other side.

Senator Lukens was preceded in the
witness chair by Benjamin A. Pendle-
ton and Eugene T. Thurston, Jr., who
were members of the city council of
Oakland in the fall of 1905 when the
Home Telephone company was seeking
a rival franchise in that city against
the efforts of the Pacific States com-
pany to maintain its monopoly.

Mr. Pendleton and Mr. Thurston testi-
fied to hospitalities extended to them
by Agent Halsey, of the old company,
and by Lukens, who was in its employ-
ment as a lawyer, but no testimony
was forthcoming of any improper offer
being made to them. The prosecution
will conclude today.

Deep Enough, but Not Too Deep.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 29.—The state-
ment contained in yesterday's dispatches
from Washington that most of the
water for anchorage in Puget sound is
more than 60 fathoms and that hence
all of the naval vessels coming to the
coast cannot be accommodated here has
called forth the protest of Senator Piles,
members of the chamber of commerce
and others. They point out that the
government charts show the harbor at
Bremerton and vicinity has an average
depth of about seven fathoms, with an
extreme depth of 24 fathoms.

Will He Trust Lawyer?

Georgetown, Ky., Aug. 29.—Caleb
Powers, in commenting on the propo-
sition made by Governor Beckham to
furnish W. S. Taylor with a military
escort to protect him if he comes here
to testify in the Powers case, said: "If
Taylor refuses to come to Kentucky
will he agree to let any competent law-
yer in the state, agreed upon by three
non-partisan Democrats in the state
not actively engaged in politics, try his
case if appointed as special judge?"

Cleveland Is Very Ill.

New York, Aug. 29.—It is announced
that Grover Cleveland has again been
attacked by acute indigestion, and has
consequently relinquished his idea of
visiting his summer home in New
Hampshire. Mrs. Cleveland has re-
turned to Princeton from New Hamp-
shire with their children.

JAPAN WILL NOT FIGHT.

Luke Wright Says She Has No Money
for Gigantic War.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 30.—Luke E.
Wright, ex-ambassador to Japan and
prior to that governor of the Philip-
pines, returned to this country today
on the steamer Minnesota. Speaking
of Japanese conditions, Mr. Wright
said:

"There will be no war between this
country and Japan. In the first place
I do not believe that Japan is able
financially to wage such a war as a con-
flict with America would involve. Pe-
sides, it is a fact that the Japanese gov-
ernment is sincerely in favor of peace
and will bend every effort to keep the
relations between the two governments
amicable."

"I hope nothing will happen that
would induce this government to con-
sider giving up possession of the Philip-
pines. We must retain those islands
and develop them as they are capable
of being developed. Furthermore, we
need them to strengthen our trade re-
lations with the Orient."

ITO'S REFORM PLAN.

Would Get Greater Revenue From
Corea Out of Land.

Tokio, Aug. 29.—An important state
council which was to have been held
today has been postponed until Friday,
owing to the fact that some of the min-
isters and elder statesmen from out of
town have been detained on account of
the recent flood and consequent damages
to the railways. The council has been
specially called to consider Marquis
Ito's plan of Korean policy, necessitated
by the new relations established by the
last convention between Corea and
Japan.

The details of Marquis Ito's plans are
unknown, but the fundamental points
are believed to consist in effecting a
thorough reform in the land system,
which is now in a chaotic condition,
and also the establishing of a new sys-
tem of judiciary and police on the Jap-
anese plan. These measures will
naturally be considerable of a drain on
the Japanese treasury. It is thought
that Marquis Ito plans to ask an extra
annual outlay of a little over 1,000,000
yen for a period of five years.

Scared Foreigners Flee.

Pittsburg, Aug. 30.—With their
houses slipping and creaking and win-
dows breaking, several hundred fore-
igners have deserted their homes at
Port Vue, a suburb, fearing death in a
landslide which threatens to bury Scott
street and 25 dwellings. The trouble
is caused by the digging of a new rail-
road cut 100 yards below. The earth
between the cut and the hillside where
the houses stand is underlain by a soft
shale soapstone, and the whole mass is
slowly moving towards the cut. The
past 24 hours 100 yards of Scott street
dropped 30 feet below its original level.

Anarchy Rules French Navy.

Paris, Aug. 30.—A full report of the
senatorial commission on the explosion
March 12 at Toulon, which destroyed
the battleship Iena, just published,
charges that the disaster is directly
traceable to irresponsibility, general
indifference and lack of harmony pre-
vailing in the navy. The report de-
mands the inauguration of several re-
forms, and says that the various branches
of the naval service are divided by
jealousy and there is no superior au-
thority. Each branch works apart, re-
sulting in a state of anarchy.

Want American Education.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 30.—Tactai
Wan, a mandarin of the second rank,
came to Seattle today on the Hill liner
Minnesota in charge of a party of ten
young men and six young women, pick-
ed by the Chinese government for edu-
cation in this country. The girls will
be taken by the mandarin to Wellesley
for a five year course of training and
the young men are to enter Yale and
Columbia universities. Some will be
graduated as engineers and the others
given a preliminary training for diplo-
matic missions.

Criticise the President.

Boston, Aug. 30.—The 100th anni-
versary of the abolition of the slave
trade was observed by representative
colored citizens of the country who were
attending the annual meeting of the
Nicaragua Movement society. At the
evening meeting an address was adopted
calling upon colored voters to oppose
any candidate for president endorsed by
Roosevelt. The address severely criti-
cised the president and the governor of
Georgia.

Oppose Anti-Japanese Agitation.

Boston, Aug. 30.—The Boston cham-
ber of commerce today adopted resolu-
tions deprecating agitation as tending
to call forth all feelings between the
United States and Japan. It declared
opposition to any legislation intended
to discriminate against Japan or her
citizens.

Will Trap Hostile Moors.

Casa Blanca, Aug. 30.—General Drude
has decided to dispatch a portion of the
French force five miles south to endeavor
to trap the Moors. The preliminary
trials of 60 prisoners charged with as-
sault, pillage and connivance
with hostile Moors has begun.

Sultan May Be Killed.

London, Aug. 30.—The Tangier cor-
respondent of the Tribune telegraphs
under reserve that there is a rumor that
Sultan Abdul Aziz has been assassinated
in the palace at Fez.

Mazagan Acclaims New Sultan.

Tangier, Aug. 30.—It is announced
that the sultan's brother has been ac-
claimed sultan by the entire population
of Mazagan.

HAPPENINGS GATHERED IN AND AROUND WASHINGTON, D. C.

PREPARE TO MOVE BIG FLEET.

President Orders Navy Department to
Complete All Details.

Washington, Aug. 27.—President
Roosevelt has issued official orders to
the Navy department to arrange all de-
tails of the forthcoming cruise of Ad-
miral Robley D. Evans' battleship fleet
to the Pacific. This order has been issued
with instructions that each bureau
head will be directed to take up its par-
ticular line of work in order that the
16 battleships may be in prime condi-
tion to start from Hampton Roads
about September 1.

The bureau chiefs will undoubtedly
be expected to make estimates and re-
port on their line to the department.
It has been estimated roughly that the
coal supply necessary for the fleet, in
addition to the amounts being sent to
the Pacific, will be something over
100,000 tons.

Provisions and supplies will be ar-
ranged for, and all possible attention
will be given that everything be in
readiness when Admiral Evans takes
command early in December.

SAYS WEST NOT WORRYING

Does Not Know Wall Street Says
Secretary Wilson

Washington, Aug. 31.—Secretary of
Agriculture James Wilson has returned
to Washington after an absence of
several weeks in the West, bringing
glowing accounts from that section of
the country.

"The West is not worrying over fu-
ture panics or hard times, but is send-
ing money to the East right now," he
said. "The people out there do not
know Wall Street exists except as they
read about it in the newspapers. The
grain crops are generally good this
year, and less Western money is going
into Canada than last year. There is
some fear of another coal famine dur-
ing the coming winter."

Speaking of politics, Mr. Wilson
said: "Everybody I talked to out West
was favorable to Roosevelt, and will in-
sist upon the nomination and election next
year of a man who will carry out his
policies."

Woman to Aid Uncle Sam.

Washington, Aug. 31.—With the
appointment temporarily to the immi-
gration service of Miss Helen M. Bullis,
of New York, who recently has been
connected with the Travelers' Aid soci-
ety, the government will bend its en-
ergies toward the detection of the system-
ized "white slave" traffic, believed to
exist in the United States.

Thus far, the immigration service has
been unable to make any headway
against the evil. Miss Bullis has re-
presented to Commissioner General Sar-
gent, head of the immigration service,
that she will be able to gain the evi-
dence necessary, not only to check the
importation of women and girls for
immoral purposes, but to bring to jus-
tice the men who are getting rich
through the infamous business.

Consuls Get Promotion.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Church
Howe, of Nebraska, consul general at
Montreal, has been appointed consul at
Manchester, England. Albert R. Mo-
raretz, of Arizona, consul at Bahia,
Brazil, has been appointed consul gen-
eral of the district of Central and South
America, at a salary of \$5,000. The
following other consular appointments
have been made: Augustus E. Ingram,
of California, consular clerk at Callao,
to be consul there; Lorin A. Lathrop,
California, transferred from Bristol to
Cardiff; Rea Hanna, California, con-
sul at Iquique; Thomas W. Voetter,
New Mexico, consul at Saltillo; Jacob
E. Conner, Iowa, consul at Sigon;
James V. Long, Pennsylvania, consul
at Venice.

Give Settlers Their Patents.

Washington, Aug. 29.—The Interior
department is revoking the orders of
Secretary Hitchcock suspending thou-
sands of public land entries in the
West, and as soon as possible all en-
tries where proof is complete and
against which no charges are pending
will be passed to patent. Hundreds of
thousands of acres were tied up by Mr.
Hitchcock's orders of suspension, and
there is not a single word of evidence
in the files of the department to justify
this action in the great majority of
cases.

Bill for Increase of Pay.

Washington, Aug. 29.—A joint board
composed of Acting Secretary Newber-
ry, of the navy, General Ainsworth,
of the army, and Assistant Secretary of
the Treasury Beekman Winthrop, has
completed a bill for recommendation to
congress providing for a general increase
of pay for officers and men of the navy,
army and revenue cutter service. The
bill provides for increases ranging from
10 per cent in the highest grades up to
25 per cent in the lowest.

Make Sure Taft Can Go Through.

Washington, Aug. 28.—In anticipa-
tion of Secretary Taft's late arrival at
Vladivostok the gunboat Chattanooga
has put into that port to make sure
that it will be possible for Mr. Taft to
enter that port on a gunboat or similar
ship as late as the middle of next No-
vember.

Mrs. Kirk Gets Appointment.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Mrs. Ella B.
Kirk, of St. Johns, has been appointed
assistant station at the Hoopa Valley,
Cal., Indian school.

TRIALS CAN GO ON.

Officials Know No Reason for Delay
in Oregon Cases.

Washington, Aug. 29.—So far as offi-
cial Washington is aware, there is no
known reason why the Oregon land
fraud trials should not be immediately
resumed, nor is there any known reason
why they cannot be concluded before
December 1. It is the expectation of
the officials here that District Attorney
Bristol will soon begin the prosecution.
The Hermann case will wait until F.
J. Heney can drop his graft work at
San Francisco, for it was he who worked
up this case and it is his desire to
conduct the prosecution in person. All
others, it is believed, will be conducted
by Mr. Bristol. There has been some
delay, because Mr. Heney had in his
possession some facts and evidence re-
quired by the government prosecutor,
but Mr. Heney some time since prom-
ised to forward this matter to Mr. Bris-
tol, and it is presumed all necessary
data is now in the hands of the district
attorney.

Both the Department of Justice and
the Interior department are anxious
that all pending land cases in Oregon
shall be cleared up without further de-
lay.

Help Japs Going to Canada.

Tokio, Aug. 29.—The clause of the
emigration protection law, making ships
carry emigrants subject to official per-
mission, which has hitherto been lim-
ited to vessels destined for Hawaii or
South America, will be made to operate
in regard to similar ships destined for
Canada on and after the first of Sep-
tember. This will have no effect in
reducing the number of emigrants who
are already under certain restrictions
but is aimed principally toward assur-
ing the safety and interests of officially
recognized emigrants.

Examine Officers for Promotion.

Washington, Aug. 30.—The follow-
ing board of officers is appointed to
meet at Fort Lawton, Wash., for the
examination of such officers as may be
ordered before it to determine their fit-
ness for promotion: Major W. Y.
Stamper, Third infantry; Captain H.
A. Smith, Third infantry; Captain
John W. Barker, Third infantry; First
Lieutenant Jesse R. Harris, assistant
surgeon; First Lieutenant John Bosley,
assistant surgeon.

New Northwest Postmasters.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Postmasters
appointed: Oregon—Pleasant Hill,
Mathias E. Furrow, vice R. A. Brad-
ford, resigned. Washington—Bee,
Dora Pahl, vice Margaret N. Gulsteth,
resigned; Blewett, Donald B. MacLen-
nan, vice William H. Resburg, re-
signed; Havillah, Lorenzo A. Gladson,
vice M. H. Schweikert, resigned; Rich-
land, John H. James, vice William R.
Lamb, resigned; Rolling Bay, John J.
Arnold, vice C. E. Carleton, resigned.

Not Coming to Portland.

Washington, Aug. 30.—It is not the
present intention to send the battleship
fleet to Portland because naval officers
fear there is not sufficient depth of
water on the bar, but practically the
whole fleet will visit Puget Sound. The
ships will anchor opposite Seattle.
Because of the extreme depth at Ta-
coma, no stop will be made there.

Northwest Postal Affairs.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Washington
postmasters appointed: Hover, Thomas
H. Dry, vice H. A. Hoyer, resigned;
Pacific Beach, Arthur O'Nicholas, vice
James G. Avery, resigned. Rural
routes 1 and 2 have been ordered es-
tablished November 1 at Adams, Uma-
tilla county, Oregon, serving 700 peo-
ple and 152 families.

Prepares Way for Big Fleet.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Captain
Usher, of the cruiser St. Louis, reports
sailing yesterday from Acapulco, Mex-
ico, for San Diego, Cal., on his way
to San Francisco. He has been quickly
looking into the resources of various
South American ports in anticipation
of the cruise of the battleship fleet next
winter.

Confer on Standard Case.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 29.—Frank B. Kel-
logg, special counsel for the govern-
ment, conferred with the president to-
day, supposedly on the detail of the
suit to dissolve the Standard Oil com-
pany, of New Jersey, the hearing of
which comes up in New York Septem-
ber 3.

Panther for Pacific Repair Ship.

New York, Aug. 28.—The transform-
ing of the auxiliary cruiser Panther
into a repair ship to accompany the
Atlantic fleet to the Pacific has begun.
The Panther will have a complete forg-
ing room, foundry and machine shop.

Build More Huge Ships.

New York, Aug. 29.—The Times to-
day says: The next naval appropri-
ation bill presented to congress will re-
commend that two and perhaps four
battleships of at least 20,000 and per-
haps 25,000 tons be authorized.

Banks to Make Statement.

Washington, Aug. 28.—The control-
ler of the currency has called for a
statement of the condition of national
banks at the close of business on Aug-
ust 22.

Bucketshop Men Are Indicted.

Washington, Aug. 30.—The grand
jury has indicted five brokers on a
charge of conducting bucket shops.

EVIDENCE PILES UP.

San Francisco Supervisors Bribed by
Telephone Company.

San Francisco, Aug. 28.—Secretary
Treasurer F. W. Eaton, of the Pacific
States Telephone & Telegraph company,
was called to the stand yesterday by
the prosecution in the case of the Glass
bribery trial. He testified again to the
drawing by him of about \$50,000
worth of checks in February of 1906 for
which no vouchers were turned in. He
did not know who ordered the checks
drawn or who signed them. The re-
cords thereof were destroyed in the fire.

Cashier William J. Kennedy was
called. He testified to the drawing of
\$10,000 and \$5,000 checks in February,
and told of the subsequent return to
the company of \$7,000 or \$7,500 in-
ferentially comprising the bribe mon-
ies returned by several supervisors on
demand of Halsey, after the granting
of the Home Telephone company's fran-
chise application, according to the
claim of the prosecution.

Mr. Heney introduced memoranda
from five local banks showing the with-
drawal of approximately \$50,000 in
February, corresponding to the total
amount alleged to have been paid to
the supervisors at that time. Thomas
E. Sherwin, formerly traveling auditor
of the telephone company, testified to a
similar \$50,000 entry on the books of
the corporation, which he was auditing
when they were destroyed in the fire.

JUDGES FOR HAGUE COURT.

United States Proposes the Allotment
Among Nations.

The Hague, Aug. 28.—The United
States delegation announces its willing-
ness for all countries on the American
continent, including the United States,
to have four judges of the new interna-
tional court appointed for the 21 coun-
tries of this continent, on the under-
standing that this reduces the number
of judges to 15. It is understood that
the Americans hope Asia will be al-
located two judges and Europe nine.

The examining committee has com-
pleted the first reading of the revised
version of the American permanent tri-
bunal proposition. Mr. Choate ex-
plained some doubtful jurisdictional
points. The Mexican delegation an-
nounced that it opposed the court be-
cause it is impossible to secure equality
for all countries in the appointment of
judges.

Ruy Barbosa, of Brazil, made a long
speech in which he protested against
the appointment of judges as projected
in the American proposition. He in-
sisted that this question must be settled
in a manner which fully recognized the
equality of the powers. The meeting
was then adjourned until September 2.

TREELESS IN TEN YEARS.

Secretary Wilson Predicts Future Un-
less Forests Are Saved.

Chicago, Aug. 28.—Secretary of Agri-
culture James Wilson, who was in Chi-
cago today on his way to Washington
after inspecting the government forest
preserves in the West, declared that if
better care, more general propagation
and a fostering of conditions are not ob-
served, the forests of the country will
practically be wiped out in ten years.
"Forest fires," he said, "should be
guarded against, and for that protection
the government has employed thou-
sands of men to watch for fires. A per-
son can ride for miles through Michi-
gan, Wisconsin and Minnesota and see
barren sections where formerly grew
great pine forests. Fires have wiped
out millions and millions of dollars'
worth of the best of hardwood."

"President Roosevelt has done much
for the preservation of the forests. He
has added more than 150,000,000 acres
to the forestry reserves and would have
made more had not the last congress
cut him down. He appreciates more
than many private citizens the great
worth of our forests. The East is de-
pendent entirely upon our Western for-
ests for its best timber."

Bomb Sent to Cortelyou.

Philadelphia, Aug. 28.—The ex-
plosion of what appears to have been a
large percussion cap in a package ad-
dressed to the secretary of the treasury,
George Cortelyou, created excitement
in Nicetown, a subsection of the Phila-
delphia postoffice, today. The box,
which was collected from a box in the
northern section of the city, was re-
ceived by Mr. Roberts, a clerk, who
says it was four inches long by two
inches wide. What was inside the
package, aside from the explosive, the
officials will not say.

Big Fire in Frisco.

San Francisco, Aug. 28.—The book
and printing establishment of John B.
McNicholl, at 615 Sansome street, was
totally destroyed by fire last night. The
firm of Bacigalupi Rossi & Co. and
Main & Winchester, adjoining on San-
some street, also suffered severely, as
did Greenwood, Heise & Co. and H.
Rothenberg, on the Washington street
side. The total loss is estimated at
\$60,000.

Has Columbia Name Plate.

San Francisco, Aug. 28.—After toss-
ing for weeks over miles and miles of
water, the shattered name plate of the
ill-fated Columbia has been picked up
on the ocean shore by the wife of an old
sailor who cruised in the wrecked ves-
sel when she was one of a proud fleet
on the Atlantic coast. It was Mrs. A.
Gibson who recovered the broken name
plate of the Columbia. Mr. and Mrs.
Gibson live at Edgemar on the ocean
shore near Mussel rock.

Europeans Leave Capital.

Fez, Morocco, Aug. 28.—The Euro-
pean residents of Fez, excepting the
Germans, left here yesterday for El
Arish. They were escorted by troops.

IS INNOCENT, SAYS SCOTT

Took No Part in Bribery Work in
San Francisco.

President of Pacific States Telephone
Company Gave No Authority to
Glass—Heney Pursues Purpose to
Fasten Responsibility for Buying
Supervisors.

San Francisco, Aug. 27.—President
Henry T. Scott, of the Pacific Tele-
phone & Telegraph company, was re-
called to the stand when the Glass
bribery case was resumed yesterday.
Under questioning by Assistant Dis-
trict Attorney Heney, Mr. Scott testi-
fied that prior to the earthquake and
fire of 1906 F. A. Pickernell, assistant
to the president of the American Bell
Telephone company, took no active
hand in the conduct of the Pacific
States corporation, but immediately
thereafter he set about the formation
of plans for rebuilding the wrecked
plant. The purpose of this testimony
was, on the part of the prosecution, to
ambush any prospective defense to
shunt the bribery blame onto the
shoulders of Mr. Pickernell.

Mr. Scott, answering a series of ques-
tions designed to clinch in the jury's
minds the asserted fact that General
Manager Glass was in complete con-
trol of the company during the alleged
bribery period, said that he (Scott) be-
tween the date of his election to the
presidency and his return from the
East, in the latter half of March, 1906,
signed no company checks, authorized
none, gave no authority to Glass or
Halsey to expend any money, and gave
no company instructions to any one.
Mr. Scott said T. V. Halsey had no
stated position with the company, but
that he is drawing a salary of \$175 per
month.

Mr. Scott declared that he gained
from the grand jury the first knowledge
of the issuance of \$50,000 worth of
checks.

NO ARBITRATION, THEY SAY.

Small and the Telegraph Companies
Agree on One Point.

New York, Aug. 27.—President Small
declared today that arbitration of the
telegraphers' strike was at present out
of the question, and added that the
strikers were prepared to remain out
two months. He said the executive
board of the American Federation of
Labor would shortly consider the Fed-
eration's relation to the strike. Small
asserted that the companies' conditions
were worse than when the strike began,
and that half of the Western Union
force here failed to report for work after
Friday, when double pay was abolished.

Superintendent Brooks, of the West-
ern Union, said:
"Our company will have nothing to
do with Small or his union. While
we are willing to consider individual
cases of the men who struck under
pressure, the agitators who engineered
this situation will not be re-employed
under any circumstances."

NO HOPE FOR CANTEN

General Grant Says Congress Sees
Mistake, But Fears Cranks.

Philadelphia, Aug. 27.—"The anti-
canten law ought to be repealed, but
there is little prospect that congress
will do anything with it for a good
while," said General Frederick D.
Grant, in an interview at Willow Grove
park.

"Politicians do not care to antagonize
the extreme Prohibition element.
Congress sees, I think, that it has made
a mistake, but it is a hard thing to go
back now."
The general made this statement in
answer to an inquiry as to what he
thought would be the outcome of the
agitation for the repeal of the law abol-
ishing the canteen in the army.

Develop Mexican Oil Land.

New York, Aug. 27.—Arrangements
have been completed for the organiza-
tion of a \$50,000,000 American syndi-
cate, according to an announcement
published today, which plans to de-
velop several million acres of oil lands
in Mexico. It is the purpose to ship
the product to Central and South
America, also to Europe and Africa, in
competition with the Standard Oil
company. The syndicate will take
over the Mexican Petroleum company,
which owns approximately 1,000,00