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THE PHILADELPHIA TROUBLES

For a city of traditional peace and harmony Philadelphia can offer more labor strikes and other disputations, with demonstrations of violence, than any other community. The present strike of street car employes, followed by a sympathetic strike calling out over 100,000 men from other unions, is a direct outgrowth of the troubles of last May. At that time a demand was made for increased pay and shorter hours, a demand that was resisted by the traction company, and matters assumed a serious phase that alarmed politicians and caused them to intervene. Because of their efforts a settlement was made, the agreement to last until next June.

Each side now avers that the other has violated the agreement. Employes say that their union was being discriminated against, and men dismissed without cause, and that the company had organized a rival union; the company says that it delayed discharges as long as possible, and only let those out who had proved to be incompetent, dishonest or disrespectful to passengers. Also it declares that the men in demanding increased pay at this time are disregarding the schedule agreed upon in June.

The truth is that the June settlement was satisfactory to neither side, and that both are welcoming the chance to ignore it. The bottom of the trouble is the conflict between unionism and the free shop. The employes say they must protect themselves; the company says it wants to deal directly with its employes without the intervention of an organization or officer controlled by outside men; also it contends for the same right in hiring or discharging men that the men have in staying with or leaving the company. The deadlock is such that compromise is not easy, and so far the company has reused arbitration. This it will probably have to come to, however, because of the urgent demand of the public for a speedy restoration of car service. Last year popular sympathy was with the strikers; now it does not appear to be, the call for a settlement being based on purely selfish motives of those who are put to inconvenience by the strike.

So far as the questions in dispute are concerned the public outside of Philadelphia is not especially interested. It is only the exhibition of lawlessness and violence that has attracted the attention of the country at large. Each side is doubtless more or less to blame in the matter, and arbitration is probably the only means of reaching a satisfactory termination of the difficulty. There should be some way of enforcing this in the case of a dispute to which a public service corporation is a party—this is not only for the public benefit, but for the sake of the employes who, as a rule, are at a greater disadvantage in securing attention to their grievances from this class of employers than from those in private business. But the resort to violence, by whatever side or however great the wrongs, is not to be tolerated. It is a disgrace to the men involved, a reflection upon our citizenship, and our system of government. Philadelphia has an opportunity to set an example to the country by effecting a peaceful settlement of this strike, and it should utilize it.

BRING THE OREGON ELECTRIC TO EUGENE

The invasion of the Willamette valley by J. J. Hill through the purchase of the United Railways and also the Oregon Electric lines, will be hailed with satisfaction by the people of this section. It will undoubtedly mean the rapid extension of the lines brought under his control and a healthy competition for business which in the past has been sadly lacking. It is undoubtedly the best news that has been printed in Oregon for a long while.

It is more than likely that the Hill interests will be disposed to hurry the main line up through the valley, instead of constructing side branches as they go along, which has been the policy of the road in the past. If this should be the case, it seems to The Guard that a determined effort should be made by our commercial organizations to hurry the line into Eugene this year. It could be represented truthfully that the people here are almost unanimously in favor of such action and that in return our businessmen would give the Hill lines the preference in all their traffic. Such representations from so important a shipping point as Eugene should carry a great deal of weight, and it would be well worth the effort on our part.

The novelty of having two lines of railroad connecting the upper Willamette valley with the outside world would be greatly appreciated and would increase activity in all lines of progress and growth.

THE LIGHT IN THE WINDOW

We wonder whether this town has enough lights in the windows of houses that contain boys and girls, asks the Spokane Inland Herald. We fear that the coming of gas and electricity has worked a change in the mothers and fathers of the rising generation.

Some months ago a beautiful young woman—really a mere girl about 18 years of age—was arrested because under the influence of liquor. It chanced that her name was not published in the newspapers. When she awoke to her shame she wept bitterly, as girls of emotional temperament are wont to do in the presence of disgrace and grief. When the police captain counseled with her, she confessed that her mother would give her a "terrible beating."

We are not saying that certain ages and dispositions may not require mild chastisement—never a "terrible beating." But the case in question needed the light in the window, the filled lamp, the trimmed wick. That girl's roof-tree should have been a sheltering home, not a whipping post. Held in a loving moth-

er's arms, cheek against cheek, with confidence and trembling words of love, with advice and forgiveness, the child would have pledged herself to lead a righteous life. Beaten and repelled, treated as a hopeless sinner and outcast, the child might have taken herself at her mother's estimate of her worthlessness with wounded pride, indignation and melancholy—these sometimes lure the footsteps of the young into wayward paths.

Mothers should make confidants of their daughters, as fathers should of their sons. Why should the person most loved be the one most feared? Why should parents make home the place of last resort in the hour of trouble?

Often the father and mother who act like Russian wielders of the knout, who make the parental roof as hostile as a Siberian prison, are the most ridiculously stubborn in defending their erring children to the outside world. School teachers can testify that many a parent who beats his children for acknowledged offenses will insist, on hearing of others, that his own sacred flesh and blood cannot do wrong.

When your child makes a mistake, tell him so frankly. Show him that you do not intend to disown him, and confess that you were yourself never taken for an angel. There is much philosophy in the advice once given by a kind father to a thieving son: "Honesty is the best policy, my son—I've tried both."

Keep the lights burning in the window. Never forget to tell your daughter that there is at least one place beneath the stars where her tears will dry—in the love-light of home, sweet home—by the blazing hearth, within the sound of forgiving mother's voice. Make the home sacredly attractive, a place of forgiveness, a holy sanctuary where none may trace the wounded heart to its hurt. Keep the lights burning in the windows.

CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY

Dissatisfied with the price that had been offered him by wholesalers, J. C. Bonner at Toledo, O., gave away a carload of turnips to the poorer people of that city. Bet there were some old-fashioned stomach aches in town that night.

But how different is the conduct of Mr. Bonner from that of Chicago commission men and wholesalers, and similar dealers in other large cities, who during the last few months have dumped into holes in the ground in out of the way places carloads of good potatoes, cabbage and other foodstuffs just to keep down the supply and maintain stiff prices. Recently such incidents have been reported time and again, and authentically, too.

With all the misery and suffering and want in the world, the destruction of food in such a manner is a crime of which it is hardly possible to believe that any human would be guilty. The scriptural prophecies of damnation for those who, having wealth, know not how to use it or have gained it by oppression of the suffering, were never more applicable than now.

It leads us back to the old idea that if there isn't a hell, there ought to be.

The report, whether true or not, that the Southern Pacific will locate its terminals and shops for the Natron extension in the vicinity of Lowell, should arouse our commercial bodies to decisive action. As we have frequently said, the intentions of the railroad company regarding Eugene should have an important bearing on the policy of those who are laboring for a greater city here. If we can expect no recognition from the Southern Pacific, that fact should be sufficient of itself to arouse our people to effort and unite them in the movement to build a railroad to the coast, which will make Eugene a centre of such commercial importance that even the Harriman system will be forced to recognize it. It is said by the promotion department of the Commercial Club that a partnership has been consummated with the railroad company, in consideration of \$3000 paid to the corporation, under the terms of which the latter has agreed to do a great deal to promote the growth of Eugene. On the very heels of this announcement comes the report that the terminals and shops of the new road, which naturally should be located in Eugene, or at least not further distant than Springfield, are to be taken so far away that the benefits to be derived by this city will be of a very doubtful character. Such a matter as this is so very important and has such a significant bearing upon the future growth of the city that it seems to us the Commercial Club should take cognizance of it and if possible influence the railroad company to at least consider the claims of Eugene and Springfield, which have a common interest in many things, this being one of them.

Professor Schafer's tribute to the late Dr. Thomas Condon, printed in today's Guard, voices the esteem in which the memory of the celebrated teacher and scientist is held in this community, and by the educators who knew and appreciated his work. Dr. Condon's long life was pure and blameless, devoted to scientific work which would tend to the benefit and enlightenment of humanity, and free from all sordid motives and selfish ambitions. It is because of this that his memory is honored by people among whom he lived and who knew him best in life, and it is but a fitting tribute that one of our public schools should bear his name, and the children be taught to emulate his exemplary and useful career.

Judge Henry McGinn and Judge Stephen Lowell are fighting hard against the proposed Republican assembly plan, which simply means a state convention under another name, and the nullification of the direct primary law. Against men of such known ability and standing are arrayed a great many small politicians and former precinct strikers, whose jobs were lost when the people came into power.

The Guard believes Eugene will be the centre of some important railroad building movements before the year is over. The geographical position of this city, especially since the construction of the Natron extension was begun, makes it almost impossible to get away from the fact that electric and steam railroads must centre in the city which commercially controls the upper Willamette valley.

The house committee continues to demand proofs of Peary before offering to hand over anything. Wouldn't it make you mad if you had gone clear to the north pole and then was doubted when you got back? If you think it would you had better not attempt the trip.

BOWERS DRUG CO.

For Chapped Hands
The roughness and redness of chapped skin quickly and surely disappears through the use of CUTI-CREAM. It is soothing and healing. Gentlemen will find it a delightful after shaving cream. Ask for a free sample.
Large bottle Bowers' Cuti-Cream 25c

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Fine hand colored and photograph cards. Beautiful cards and the best selection. Cards that should sell for ten cents we are offering at 4c

The Truth About Our Store
Our methods are modern and approach perfection for the comfort and convenience of our customers. We sell the goods any drug store sells, of a quality guaranteed perfect. We select only those drugs the strength and purity of which are proved by assay. Very inducement is offered in the way of satisfactory trading class, quality and economy—let us prove the truthfulness of our assertions.

BOWERS DRUG CO.
LEADING DRUGGISTS
Free Phone Main 62 Free Waiting Room

SPRINGFIELD

WANT B.-K. CO. TO BUILD BREAKWATER

The joint committee of the city council and the Commercial Club made their report to the latter body last night and it was, after much discussion, decided that the city would not share the expense of building the dyke at the head of the mill race to prevent the recurrence of last winter's flood and that the Booth-Kelly Company would have to stand the entire cost, and not half, as they would have it. This opinion was held partly upon legal advice that the company was actually liable for damages on the former flood. The committee will meet with the corporation officials.

MANY PEOPLE ANSWER ADS

The Commercial Club is receiving daily a large number of communications from all over the country in response to their advertising, from people who are attracted by the city's resources. At the club meeting a large number were read and discussed. Besides the number that are addressed direct to Springfield, the club receives a long list from the Portland commercial body. These returns show the value of newspaper advertising.

PATRON-TEACHER MEETING TODAY

The patron-teachers meeting was held in Springfield today at the Odd Fellows' hall. There was a large attendance and the following program was rendered:
Morning Session, 10:30 o'clock
Remarks—Superintendent H. C. Baughman, of Springfield.
Chorus—High school students.
"Mid-Year Promotions," Superintendent G. C. Stockton, Eugene; Principal J. E. Patterson, Central school, Eugene.
Vocal Solo—Miss Ida Walker.
Reading—Miss Hackett.
"Teaching Pupils How to Study," Principal J. J. Champlin, Coburg; Mrs. E. C. Page, primary teacher.

DR. HARRIS' MONTHLY HEALTH REPORT

Dr. J. W. Harris, county health officer, reports that during the month of February, thirty births occurred in the county, 17 being males and 13 females. There were 24 deaths, 15 males and 9 females. The deaths were from the following causes: lung abscess 1; arterio, sclerosis, 1; whooping cough, 2; heart disease, 4; pneumonia, 4; tuberculosis, 5; diabetes, 1; uremic poisoning, 1; cancer, 1; chronic bronchitis; gallstones, 1.
Five cases of contagious diseases were reported as follows: diphtheria, 3; typhoid fever 1; chicken pox, 1.
How Good News Spreads.
"I am 79 years old and traveled most of the time," writes B. E. Tolson, of Elizabethtown, Ky. "Everywhere I go I recommend Electric Bitters, because I owe my excellent health and vitality to them. They effect a cure every time. They never fail to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver, invigorate the nerves and purify the blood. They work wonders for weak, run-down men and women, restoring strength, vigor and health that's a dull joy. Try positively guaranteed by W. A. Kendall Drug Co.
There is Only One Pine-Tar-Honey. That is Dr. Bell's. It is the original and can be relied on in croup, cough, colds and all lung and bronchial troubles. Look for the bell on the bottle. Sold by Dillon Drug Co.

LITTLE DOING IN FLOUR MARKET

There is very little doing in the local flour market because of a record price in wheat, and it looks as though the prices of this necessity will reach their normal. Valley wheat is now down to a dollar, and has dropped off some ten cents in less than a week. The dealers hesitate to buy any more than they need, looking for a further drop. The millers expect this is as low as it will go, for this is the normal price that it held all last fall. The high rise in wheat was due to an unusual amount of speculation.

Spring Medicine

HOBSON'S SARSAPARILLA
Is sold on a guarantee. If you buy a bottle and it doesn't relieve that "tired feeling" your money will be cheerfully refunded. Price, per bottle, \$1.00

BEEF WINE AND IRON

Is a good spring tonic. It is put up for us by Parke Davis, one of the best Eastern pharmaceutical houses. You might as well have the best—it costs no more. Large bottle of Bowers' Beef, Wine and Iron. . . . 75c

POSTAL SAVINGS BANK BILL PASSES

Senator Borah's Amendment to the Bill Prevents Bond Buying

Washington, March 5.—The postal savings bank bill was passed by the senate at 4:35 p. m. today by a vote of 50 to 22, the division being strictly on party lines.
As soon as the senate convened today it was apparent that the administration forces on the postal savings bank bill had the situation well in hand. Without the preliminaries, the roll was called on the Cummins amendment to the Smoot amendment, and it was defeated by a vote of 18 to 40.
This amendment would have confined to time the amount of another of postal funds in government securities and it was charged by Senator Carter and other supporters of the administration bill that its adoption would have defeated the measure.
The Smoot amendment, which was next in order, would permit the investment of postal funds in government securities in time of war and other exigencies at the discretion of the president whenever the government's credit was involved.
As soon as the defeat of the Cummins amendment was announced Senator Borah offered another amendment to the Smoot amendment, making such investments apply only to bonds which bear at least 2 1/4 per cent interest. Mr. Smoot suggested that this should read "yielding" at least 2 1/4 per cent. Mr. Carter was willing to accept the suggestion, but Mr. Borah would not, and a vote was had on his amendment. It was carried by a vote of 49 to 11. This will make it impossible to use the postal funds to buy the government two per cent securities, of which there are \$729,000,000 in existence.

PEARY REFUSES TO SUBMIT PROOFS

Washington, March 7.—
● Robt. E. Peary today declined to submit his proofs that he discovered the north pole to the sub-committee of the house naval committee, because of the existence of a contract with a publishing house which made it impossible for him to do so.

An Awful Eruption

of a volcano excites brief interest, and your interest in skin eruptions will be as short, if you use Bucklen's Arnica Salve, their quickest cure. Even the worst boils, ulcers, or fever sores are soon healed by it. Best for Burns, Cuts, Bruises, Sore Lips, Chapped Hands, Chilblains and Piles. It gives instant relief. 25c. at W. A. Kuykendall Drug Co.

Fortify now against the Grip—for it comes every season.

Preventives—the Little Candy Cough Cure Tablets—offer in this respect a most certain and dependable safeguard. Preventives, at the "sneeze stage" will, as well, also surely head off all common colds. But promptness is the pocket or purse, for instant use. Box of 48 for 25c. Sold by Yerington Drug Store.

DR. BELL'S ANTI-PAIN

For Internal and External Pains.