

# The Estacada News

## NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

**Secretary Root says election funds are spent in education.**

The Wyoming land fraud trials have been set for the middle of July.

The German reichstag has passed a tariff agreement with the United States.

The Supreme court has declared the eight-hour law for public work not applicable to dredgers.

Chief Wilkie, of the United States secret service, says he is not watching the Boise trial at the command of President Roosevelt.

A landslide at Kienbach, Switzerland, destroyed a number of houses and killed three persons and wounded a number of others.

The New York longshoremen's strike is said to have already cost the company \$5,000,000 and the employes almost as much. Twenty thousand men are out.

Commander Fullam, of the United States gunboat Marietta, has warned the Honduran government to behave or he will seize the telegraph lines. He has had some of his messages tampered with.

Jules M. Hannaford, second vice president of the Northern Pacific railroad and president of the Northern Express company, will give up his railroad work in order to devote his entire time to the express business.

Mexico has just sent a representative to the Jamestown fair.

Chicago streetcar employes have demanded an advance in wages.

Paris has just had a fire the property loss of which amounted to \$2,000,000.

Major Edwards has been forced to resign as agent of the Umatilla Indian reservation.

Berlin has automobile hearses, authorized and licensed by the city and they seem very popular.

The Russian car is in contempt of a French court because he does not trim the trees of a villa he owns at Nice.

William A. Pinkerton, of the Chicago detective agency, says President Meyer, of the miners, is the Chicago burglar.

New York police are being held in readiness to prevent expected riots growing out of the longshoremen's strike.

Statistics show that during April 322 people were killed and 303 wounded in Russia by robbers, police and in various street riots.

The temperature in Pittsburgh has suddenly dropped from 65 degrees to 32 degrees, making the coldest May weather on record.

Mexico has withdrawn her demands on Guatemala.

The Harriman lines have orders for 110,000 tons of steel rails for delivery in 1908.

Armed bandits are reported to be committing depredations in several sections of Cuba.

King of Belgium declares it will give up the throne should the striking New York miners strike.

The throne has been born and there is great rejoicing in Belgium.

Germany's paper claims that Charles I of Austria is the first man in an ex-con, having a record in a jail for burglary.

The attorney general of New York has received a letter from the contest Mayor McClellan's recount of the ballots is now under way.

Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, says if railroad men would work under the same conditions as the miners there would be fewer accidents. The heavy iron used by the roads cause frequent breakage of rails.

An enraged mob at Butte made an unsuccessful attempt to lynch an officer who shot an escaping prisoner.

The death list in the steamer Poltorek wreck is placed at 48.

From an unknown source Princeton university has received a gift of \$1,200,000.

There is some suspicion that an expert jury fixer is at work on the Haywood jury at Boise.

Two volcanoes in Sicily, Stromboli and Etna, are in active eruption, causing terror on all sides.

One of Germany's leading papers editorially predicts war between Japan and the United States.

An excursion of Omaha business men will make a tour of the Northwest. There will be 125 in the party, which will start June 2.

Colorado men are endeavoring to have patents to several thousand acres of land set aside because it is claimed the lumber companies obtained possession fraudulently.

A suburban passenger train on the Burlington road was wrecked six miles out of Chicago. One passenger was killed and a number injured.

Passengers at New York wishing to cross the ocean are carrying their own baggage on board vessels on account of the longshoremen's strike. Freight is piling up on the docks and thousands of boxes of citrus fruit has been ruined.

The imperial council of Mystic Shriner is in session at Los Angeles. Seattle is working for the next convalescence.

### THOUSANDS POURING IN.

No Check to Steady Stream of Immigration to United States.

New York, May 14.—The flooding tide of immigration to American shores runs ceaselessly on, and new high water marks for the influx of Europe's migratory hordes are being recorded every month in the port of New York.

Already May bids fair to outstrip the April record, when 135,452 immigrants poured through the gateway of New York into the country. Five trans-Atlantic liners brought in over 5,000 yesterday and officials at Ellis Island say that there are no signs of cessation of this European invasion.

The well spring of this human stream lies principally in Southern and Middle Europe, while another but lesser current is its source in the Scandinavian and German states. Italy, Austria-Hungary and the Lower Russians now supply more than one half of all the immigrants seeking homes in this country. Every fourth alien examined at Ellis Island is Italian, while every fifth newcomer is from the Austrians.

A score of years ago the headwaters of foreign immigration were in Ireland and Germany. But now the source has entirely changed. The industrial fields of the United States still absorb the greater part of the foreign outpour, and several states—Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Ohio—find homes for 70 per cent of the total number.

**NINETY DIE IN MINE.**

### Cigarette Smoker Starts Blaze in Vancouver

City of Mexico, May 14.—Ninety men are supposed to have lost their lives in a fire which started in the Venere copper mine at Veladero, in the state of Durango, last Friday night. The fire is still raging, and is said to be beyond control.

Thirty-five bodies have been recovered up to this time. Seventeen miners are known to have escaped. This information has been conveyed in a dispatch to the Associated Press offices in Mexico City. The burning mine belongs to the Guggenheims.

The origin of the fire is supposed to have been due to the carelessness of a miner, who was smoking a cigarette in an abandoned shaft. The fire had gained great headway before it was discovered by the men in the near vicinity. They found that all avenues of escape to the surface had been cut off. Seventeen, however, were in good position, and made a dash and reached the outer air.

Rescuing parties have been working heroically, but only charr-d and unrecognizable remains have thus far rewarded their efforts.

**EXPLODE SUNKEN MINE.**

### Japanese Steamer Brings News of Bad Disaster

Victoria, B. C., May 14.—Advices were received by the steamer Riojun Maru from Yokohama that as a result of the recent increase in duty on mining entering the United States, the guild which controlled the bulk of exports of Japanese mining has broken up.

News of the destruction of a Japanese boat with the loss of 13 lives as a result of the explosion of a derelict mine off Toyama was brought by the Riojun Maru. The fishermen mistook the mine for an oil drum and were trying to pick it up when it exploded.

The Riojun Maru reports that tea shipments to the United States from the mine on the next inward steamer will be larger this year than during any previous season.

**Big Legal Fight Is On.**

Denver, Colo., May 14.—Last week the attorneys for the defendants in the case of officers of the La Cima Mine company, charged by the Postoffice department with using the mails to defraud, entered a demurrer to the indictment before United States District Judge R. E. Lewis. Arguments were made by the attorney of both sides and Judge Lewis is expected to give his decision early this week on the demurrer. This is the first case in what promises to be a hard fought legal battle to show whether or not the defendants told the truth in the glowing prospectus which they sent broadcast through the mails.

**Salifish Policy in Korea.**

Victoria, B. C., May 14.—The Japanese government, which has been making a series of conquests in Korea, has extended to Boston and Philadelphia if the companies sent their vessels to discharge and load at those ports. This the steamship officials here said they would do if sufficient help could not be secured here. Mr. Conners' statement followed a meeting of the strikers at which he said it had been shown that not a man had deserted the ranks.

**Hope to Avoid Strike.**

Denver, May 14.—It is stated authoritatively that the failure of Interstate Commissioner Knapp and United States Labor Commissioner Neill to settle the differences existing between the Denver & Rio Grande railroad and its trainmen, and their departure for Washington yesterday, will not result in an immediate strike of the trainmen. They are expected to have another conference with the railroad officials tomorrow.

**Five Killed by Blast.**

Ruston, La., May 14.—Some unknown persons set off a charge of some high explosive here under the house of Samuel Cook, a negro, early today, blowing the house to pieces and killing Cook and four other negroes sleeping in a front room.

## OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

### CROP OUTLOOK GOOD.

**Fall and Spring Wheat in Harney Area in Excellent Condition.**

Burns—Prospects are good for the largest crop of grain, grass and fruit produced since cultivation began in Harney county. There is more acreage in grain than ever before. Both fall and spring wheat are receiving attention from the farmers, who desire to see which is the most productive, some of the farmers contending fall grain does not do well here. So far, however, it has been a success.

The sagebrush land cultivated for the first time last year will produce good crops if farmers will cultivate the soil as they do in other successful agricultural countries.

The native grass is better than for several years, and there will be plenty of feed for the stock this summer. The hay crop will be larger than last year, and with the fodder left over from last winter insure plenty of feed for the coming winter.

Fruit trees are in a healthy condition, and at present there is good prospect for a large crop of fruit. Last fall several collections of fruit were sent out of this county to show what could be produced here, and all was pronounced of first class quality.

**Scouring Mills Start Up.**

Pendleton—With an increased force of workmen and new and added machinery the Pendleton scouring mills has begun the 1907 season's run of eight months' duration. Manager Judd, who recently arrived here from his home in Boston, predicts a harvest this year and an increase in the manufacture of woolen goods at this place to supply the eastern demand for western made stock. An extra night shift will start to work in about a week.

**Fence Santiam Canal.**

Albany—The Willamette Valley company has begun work of fencing the Santiam canal in its course through this city. Both branches of the ditch, which separates in the southeastern part of Albany, and thus supplies manufacturing industries in both ends of the city, will be lined with wire fence. The work is being done under a recent order of the city council and while it will afford some protection against accidents, it will destroy the beauty of the canal in the residence districts.

**Many to Have Stock Now.**

Albany—Plans are on foot for the holding of a stock and horse show in Albany the coming summer. There is an abundance of good stock in Linn county, and since the location of the S. S. Bailey training stables at the Albany track, this city has become quite a horse center. Hence it is believed such an exhibition could be successfully held here. Committees will probably be named soon to take charge of the arrangements.

**Infected Trees Are Destroyed.**

Oregon City—Twelve hundred fruit trees on the Ladd tract near Mount Pleasant are being destroyed, and a stump puller is being used to take up the trees, which are diseased. The trees are on the property of Mrs. Lena Rigler, corner Ninth and Jackson streets, are being cut down and burned by order of the county authorities, who are making a determined effort to stamp out orchards that are infested with fruit pests.

**Push Good Roads Campaign.**

La Grande—The county court is prosecuting its good roads campaign with vigor. The county has now been divided into three general districts and each of the members of the court will supervise the construction and repair of the roads in his particular section. It is expected by this move to get results much better than generally obtained when road work is left entirely to district supervisors.

**Parker Bros Purchase Mill.**

Albany—Parker Bros., who operated a sawmill near Plainview for several years, have purchased the Hall sawmill on Thomas creek and will enlarge the Albany mill. With the purchase of the mill they secured control of about 20,000,000 feet of timber and will make the industry an important one in the Santiam country. The mill is situated six miles east of Seio.

**Donates Books to State Library.**

Salem—Mrs. Cleveland Rockwell, of Portland, has donated to the state library a set of 26 volumes of Reports of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, showing the sweep of the coast of Oregon and Washington and the Columbia river. The books were a part of the library of the late Cleveland Rockwell who took a deep interest in the coast survey work.

**Gold Strike at Rooster Rock**

Albany—A gold strike is reported near Rooster Rock, a well known landmark on the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain wagon road, near the Upper Soda resort, which is 57 miles east of Albany. Some very rich ore is said to have been found, but the extent of the discovery has not been learned.

**Trees From Nebraska Condemned.**

Oregon City—County Fruit Inspector A. J. Lewis has condemned a shipment of fruit trees that came from a Nebraska nursery. The trees were covered with root galls and hairy root and were consigned to Charles Hall, of Mulino. The entire shipment was burned.

**Close Bridge for Repairs.**

Oregon City—The circuit court has closed the big suspension bridge that spans the Willamette river at Oregon City to teams and wagons, allowing pedestrians to pass over. Extensive repairs will be commenced at once and rushed as fast as possible.

**Baker Wins for Inspector.**

Salem—Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff has appointed Edward Trumbull, of Salisbury, Baker county, a factory inspector. He is a foreman in a planing mill and is familiar with machinery.

### THIRTY-TWO ARE DEAD.

Special Train Carrying Mystic Shriners Wrecked in California

Santa Barbara, Cal., May 13.—While hurrying northward over the Coast line of the Southern Pacific railroad Saturday afternoon, homeward bound, after a week of fraternalism and fiestas in Los Angeles, 145 Shriners of Ichnaei temple, of Buffalo, and Rajah temple, of Reading, Pa., with their families and friends were hurled into the midst of death when their special train, running 60 miles an hour struck a defective switch at Honda, a lonely station on the sand wastes of the Pacific beach, derailing the train, smashing the coaches into flinders, killing 32 almost instantly and injuring more than a score of others. The bodies of 21 lie in the morgues of Santa Barbara and 10 more are at San Luis Obispo. The injured, many of whom are terribly hurt and will probably die, are in two sanitariums at San Luis Obispo.

There was no warning of the impending calamity. The special plunged upon the defective switch, and in an instant the big locomotive, baggage car, diner and Pullman, coupled with it, were hurled together in a heap of wreckage. The engine shot forward on the broken track, tearing up the rails and ties and twisting the huge iron spans into fishhooks. The baggage car had buried itself in the sand on the right side of the locomotive. It was smashed almost to kindling wood.

The dining car, in which were 32 people eating their noonday repast, leaped into the air and was thrown directly on top of the demolished locomotive. Nearly every person in this coach was instantly killed. Scores were scalded by steam escaping from disconnected pipes in the kitchen of the diner. On the terror and turmoil of the scene were indescribable. Many of those escaped instant death by the first impact were crushed by the rear coaches hurled upon the wreckage. Others, pinioned in the debris, were roasted alive. The wreckage caught fire from the coals of the engine, but was extinguished in a few minutes by the passengers who escaped injury.

**EXPECTED MANY SENSATIONS**

Eastern Newspaper Men Disgusted to Find Boise an Orderly Town

Boise, May 13.—Considerable disgust is expressed by some of the newspaper men who have come from distant points. They appear to have thought they were coming to an armed camp, where sensations were likely to be constant, and they have been both surprised and disappointed to find a community as quiet as one in New England, and so perfectly composed that no one unformed would suspect anything of great importance was going on here. Some of them have asked to be recalled, and expect to leave after the jury is empanelled.

Sheriff Hodgins has gathered up 75 jailbirds in the country districts and will fill out the panel in town. He keeps the names to himself closely, and nothing is known about the men he has summoned.

**Venezuela Paying Off Debts.**

Washington, May 13.—The State department has received a dispatch from Minister Russell, at Caracas, Venezuela, stating that the payment to the allied powers, Germany, Great Britain and Italy, agreed upon under the blockade several years ago, will be completed about July 1. After that date the only payments will be on account of the exchanges in the currency of the countries. The deferred claimants, the Netherlands, Sweden and Belgium, will then come in for settlement. Monthly payments will be made to those countries from the customs receipts of Venezuela.

**Volcanoes Are More Active.**

Messina, Sicily, May 13.—New craters have opened up in Monte Aetna and Stromboli, whose eruptions are increasing. The observatories of Messina and Catania continue to register earth shocks. The alarm of the population of this island is growing, especially around Mount Aetna. A portion of the main crater of Stromboli has fallen in. It seems to have affected the sea, which is much agitated near the island. Scientists here have expressed the opinion that possibly a submarine crater may have opened.

**Shuts Down to Avert Riots.**

Salt Lake City, May 10.—The plant of the American Smelting & Refining company at Murray, a suburb, employing about 1,000 men, closed down today because of a strike of 250 men, ore haulers and furnace chargers, who demand an increase in pay. The determination to close down followed minor disturbances at the plant, when the strikers, who are mostly Greeks and Austrians, tried to intimidate other men who were taken to a nearby pond and ducked.

**Disaster in New Mexico.**

El Paso, Tex., May 13.—Word has just been received here that the west-bound passenger train No. 7 on the Southern Pacific, which left here at 5:45 yesterday afternoon, has been wrecked at Lordsburg, N. M. Five people are said to have been killed and many injured. Particulars have not yet been received. A wrecking train with several surgeons left here for the scene of the wreck. Lordsburg is the terminus of the first division of the Southern Pacific west of El Paso.

**Kansas Enforces Corporation Law.**

Topeka, Kan., May 13.—Writs of ouster were issued against the Western Union Telegraph company and the Pullman company here today by the Supreme court of Kansas, for not complying with the Kansas corporation laws. The ouster requires that the two companies must pay the charter fees required by the state before they can continue to do business in Kansas. It is expected that both companies will appeal.

**Want Tariff Deal With France.**

Paris, May 13.—American merchants here, fearing a tariff war between France and the United States, have forwarded to the State department at Washington a petition, asking for the immediate appointment of a tariff commission to come here and negotiate.

## FIGHT TO A FINISH

### San Francisco Railroads and Car-men Refuse All Overtures.

#### POLICE FORCE IS INADEQUATE

Mayor, However, Declares Department is Competent to Cope With the Situation.

San Francisco, May 11.—The streetcar strike has developed into a fight to a finish. Neither side is willing to accept arbitration and the citizens' committee appointed to secure industrial peace have been unable to find any basis of settlement. It has been demonstrated that the present police force is inadequate and that stronger measures will be necessary to insure a general resumption of service, if the struggle is conducted on present lines.

The wish yesterday of the United Railways officials was to run a string of cars from the barn at Oak and Broderick through the burned district and north on Market street to the ferry building, but the consent of the police department could not be obtained. As a compromise two cars were run as far into the burned district as Larkin street, being operated on Oak, Stanton, Page, Devisadero and Sutter streets. This route was covered twice. On the first trip mounted police acted as outriders, and more than a score of patrolmen rode in automobiles, but no violence was offered by the crowds.

On the second trip the mounted officers were withdrawn as an experiment to determine the temper of the crowds. Missiles were hurled from buildings and several persons were injured.

An assistant to President Mullally said today he had several hundred strikers, motormen and conductors, quartered in the company's barns, and that they are competent to operate practically the entire streetcar system. Mayor Schmitz said the police department "is competent to cope with the situation." Chief of Police Dinan said his men will preserve order. Meantime the population of San Francisco is deprived of a streetcar service, and subjected to the alternative of walking or paying five prices for a wagon service.

Reduced to an arithmetical aspect, the problem is simply this: If 60 police are required to afford safe conduct to two streetcars daily over six miles of track when no passengers are carried, how shall 200 cars be operated in passenger traffic over 250 miles of tracks with a total force of only 500 police, not more than half of whom can be on duty continually? That the running of two or three cars a day may constitute the entire streetcar service for a city of 300,000 people for an indefinite time is perfectly apparent unless an adequate protective force is supplied.

**Property Loss Is \$350,000,000.**

New York, May 11.—The San Francisco conflagration of April, 1906, swept away not only every dollar of profit previously made by the insurance companies, but the entire surplus since 1860, but cost them \$79,708,174 besides, according to a statement made by President George W. Burchell, of the National Board of Underwriters in the annual meeting of that organization here today. President Burchell said carefully compiled figures showed that this total property loss has been in round numbers \$350,000,000.

**Stung to Death by Ants.**

Puerto Cortes, Guatemala, May 11.—Americans arrested here report that the Guatemalan government is committing unspeakable outrages and atrocities. Even women and children are not being spared. A family of four was massacred by Guatemalan soldiers near Guatemala City by order of the government, when Jose Olevos had a political hostility through political activity. Ants Creeper, one of Cabrera's political opponents, near Livingston, was killed in the middle of a hill of poisonous ants, which stung him to death.

**Querer Place for Strikers.**

San Francisco, May 11.—The plant of the Hercules Powder company at Pinole was tied up today through the refusal of the union men to work at the side of 11 non-union machinists who have been imported by the company to take the places of the machinists who struck for an eight-hour day. Nearly 1,000 men are affected by the strike. The boiler makers' helpers, electricians, lead burners, steam fitters and other unions called out their members.

**Deep Snow in Wyoming.**

Laramie, Wyo., May 11.—For two days a snow has raged in the Southern Wyoming mountains, and snow is even feet deep on a level. Since April 15 the sun has not shone, and the storm has not ceased a moment. The temperature has been between zero and 10 degrees below during that time. It is the most remarkable storm that ever visited the Wyoming mountains.

**Unrest in India is Growing.**

Lahore, India, May 11.—The political unrest here is assuming graver proportions. The authorities are drafting troops of all arms, and have issued a proclamation prohibiting meetings of more than five persons. A sensation was caused today by the arrest of a prominent lawyer in the Punjab. He was immediately deported to another province.

**Fire Loss of Half a Million.**

New York, May 11.—Fire caused a loss estimated at \$500,000 tonight in the building at Sixth avenue and Thirtieth street occupied by Sheppard, Knapp & Co. dealers in furniture and carpets. Many oriental rugs were destroyed.

**More Strikebreakers on Way.**

Denver, May 11.—Six carloads of strikebreakers on their way to San Francisco passed through Denver today. The Union Pacific railroad this afternoon. They were joined here by a number of men recruited by labor agents in this city.

### ONE DEAD, THIRTEEN HURT.

#### San Francisco Scene of Bloody Conflict Over Car Strikers.

San Francisco, May 8.—Rioting by streetcar strikers and their friends and repeated fusillades of bullets from strikebreakers yesterday marked the first attempt to run cars on the United Railroads since the strike began. The movement of a freight car from one barn was the signal for obstruction of the track by a mob and for a shower of missiles aimed at those who operated the car. After running only half a block the car was taken back to the barn.

Having thus made a test, the company at 2:30 p. m. sent a string of seven passenger cars out of the Turk and Fillmore street barns, manned by armed strike breakers. Their appearance was the signal for renewed rioting. Brickbats, paving stones and all manner of missiles were hurled at the cars by a pursuing mob of several thousand. One of the guards on the cars retaliated with a shot, which hit its mark. The assault on the cars became more furious and the guards retaliated with several fusillades, which caused the death of one man, wounded one fatally and 12 less seriously. After running a few blocks the cars were returned to the barn and the attempt to operate the line was abandoned for the day.

Union pickets went among the mob, imploring them not to throw stones. They were jeered by union men and sympathizers. The police with one exception did not even draw their clubs.

The police did little to check the lawlessness. They attempted to disperse the mob from rioting only two of them used force and they did it so effectively that they cleared the way for the cars for the time being. The police arrested 13 of the strikebreakers for shooting, but made no arrests among the mob.

That the many bloody events of yesterday may be repeated with even more tragic results was the fear expressed last night when it was made known that the United Railways' program for today includes another attempt to resume the operation of its system. This attempt, according to General Manager Mullally, will be made some time in the forenoon. He declined to state at what hour or to discuss the company's plans in this respect.

**TRAINROBBERS ARE FOILED.**

#### Engineer Loses Life in Saving Passengers From Destruction.

Butte, May 8.—The North Coast Limited east bound train of the Northern Pacific Railroad company was held up early yesterday morning by two masked men near Welch's spur, a siding 18 miles east of Butte, and Engineer James Clow shot dead and Fireman James Sullivan shot through the arm. Without making an attempt to blow up the express car, as was evidently intended, the two robbers jumped from the cab and ran down the mountain side, disappearing in a gulch several hundred yards from the track.

On the tender of the locomotive was found a telescopic grip full of giant powder, intended for use in blowing up the express car.

The two bandits thus far have managed to elude authorities in the mountains.

One of the robbers was shot by the police on a dog on a lead leading to Butte, where the bandit had sprinkled a quantity of red pepper. The officers have a number of fresh hounds in reserve and the hunt will be resumed.

**Give Back Their Coal Lands.**

Denver, May 8.—Through the instrumentality of officials of the department of Justice here, certain persons in a state farther east have surrendered to Assistant United States Attorney General Beach the patents for and deeded back to the government voluntarily between 1,000 and 2,000 acres of very valuable coal lands in Routt county, Colorado, for which nearly \$100,000 had been offered them, the probable value being two or three times that amount. This was done after careful consultation with eminent counsel.

**Ocean Liners Crippled.**

New York, May 8.—With the spring tide of tourists to Europe at its height, the trans-Atlantic steamship companies are facing the danger of a serious tieup, practically all of them being today partially crippled as a result of the strike of longshoremen for increased wages. Many coastwise and tramp steamer lines are also affected. The number of men now out is estimated by strike leaders at about 10,000. The only disorder thus far occurred today when 150 strikers attacked and scattered a gang of 40 nonunion men.

**Trains Crash in Fog.**

Wheeling, W. Va., May 8.—In a dense fog early today the New York Chicago express No. 7, upon the Baltimore & Ohio railroad crashed into an east bound freight train as it was taking the siding at Roby's Rocks, 20 miles east of here, killing four of the railroad men, seriously injuring three others, and slightly injuring five passengers. The engine, baggage, mail and express cars were demolished, but the passenger coaches and the sleepers were uninjured.

**Telephone Girls Weakening.**

San Francisco, May 8.—Despite the enthusiasm shown by several hundred girls at the meeting of the striking telephone operators today, the indications are that, unless the linemen go and complete the situation, the company will have practically a complete force at the switchboards within the next few days. A committee of linemen waited on President Scott of the telephone company to intercede for the striking operators today.

**2,000 Hodcarriers Join Strikers.**

Chicago, May 8.—Two thousand hodcarriers and building laborers today joined the strike of the bricklayers. A speedy settlement is predicted. The total number of men now out is about 10,000.