

FRISCO'S STRIKE

Car Men Absolute Masters of Situation.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—The fourth day of the street-car strike opened peacefully, both sides awaiting the result of today's conference between the United Railroads officials and the strike leaders at the farmer's office, Wells-Fargo building.

Pending the result, neither side has taken aggressive action, the company making no further effort to operate any of its lines.

The strikers have not, however, relaxed their vigilance. They still maintain their "peace committees" at the various powerhouses and car barns, and are prepared to go on with the strike should the conference not result satisfactorily.

Recognition by the company of the union in consenting to the conference is regarded as a victory for the men, as the company heretofore has refused to treat with the union in any form.

The conference was brought about through the efforts of Mayor Schmits, whose efforts in this direction have been untiring. It was also forced on the United Railroads by the utter failure of their attempts to operate the roads of the city, and by the Mayor publishing his opinion, which was in favor of the strikers.

So strong is the feeling against the railroad that even members of the Employers' Association, who bitterly fought uniform last fall, are allowing their girl employees 25 cents per day extra for bus fare.

Never has a strike of such magnitude been handled with such skill in generalship.

The strikers have absolute control of the situation, and have not yet made a single mistake.

They have not only refrained from violence themselves, but in many instances have prevented violence from outsiders.

The executive committee of the strikers was first at the Mayor's office. The Mayor said:

"I sincerely hope all hands can come to an understanding. The men are certainly entitled to consideration, and so are their employers and the public."

At 10 o'clock the railway men did not put in an appearance. After waiting for some time, the Mayor announced:

"Gentlemen, I am sorry to say that the railroad people will not meet the chairman of my committee. I have just received a telephone message from Secretary Wilcutt, of the United Railroads, acknowledging the receipt of my letter, saying the railroad people will be glad to meet the committee of employees in their offices."

The committee, after discussion, held that if they want to the railroad officials their statements would be taken down and garbled by the railroad stenographers and twisted into shape best suited to the purposes of the railroad people. They agreed to meet on neutral ground, but refused to go to the company's office.

President Cornelius of the Carmen's Union, said:

"I wish it understood that this is the second time the Baltimore syndicate has given us assurance that they would confer with us and accept Mayor Schmits as arbiter."

"There cannot be more neutral ground than the Mayor's office."

"This is the second time they have broken faith with us."

"We have shown our good faith and willingness, and can do no more."

The men adjourned with a vote of thanks to the Mayor.

NO CHANGE.
(Journal Special Service.)
SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—The peace conference arranged for this morning between the striking carmen and the United Railroads officials failed to materialize.

The strikers' committee waited an hour at the Mayor's office, but the railroad officials failed to appear.

The letter sent word that they would confer at the Mayor's office, but the strikers refused to go there, stating that they preferred neutral ground.

The conference will probably be arranged this afternoon.

No attempt is made to move cars. There are no disturbances. The situation is unchanged, and the strikers are in control.

POLICE RECORD.

Elmer and C. C. Wood will have a hearing in the police court this afternoon on a charge of stealing a quantity of metal from Hanson Bros.

C. H. Watson, charged with the wrongful conversion of personal property, telephoned to his attorney this morning that he was ill and would not be able to appear for trial this afternoon.

C. H. Langdon is under arrest on three charges of assault and battery, detaching a building and destroying property. Nick Morgan makes the complaint.

WANTS THE FURNITURE.

About two years ago Emil Glutich, a salesman, married Nellie Drucik and went to housekeeping at Glenwood.

True love did not run smoothly with the couple, however, and the wife soon left her husband and returned to her parents.

WORTHY CAUSE

Meeting of the Visiting Nurse Association.

This morning a meeting of the Visiting Nurse Association of Portland was held at the Unitarian Church.

The President, Mrs. D. S. S. Wise, read a paper on the objects of the organization. She read in part:

"The sick poor feel the same needs and sufferings as do those who are happily beyond material want; they need the same care and comfort and blessed relief from pain that the trained nurse brings to the bedside. There are 51 cities in the United States in which Visiting Nurse Associations have been organized, but the work was originally begun in Liverpool in 1859, one trained nurse being sent to work in a small district. This was an experiment and it has proved successful, not only in alleviating suffering, but in moral good also. Queen Victoria created hundreds of money for the purpose of training nurses."

Mrs. Wise said that the City Charities have offered their room as an office, and besides will contribute medicine and clothing to the association.

The Portland Railway Company, and the City & Suburban Railway Company have offered free transportation to nurses of this association.

A letter was read from Superintendent Wakeman, of the Good Samaritan hospital, offering the "Free Mother's Bed" in the hospital "for such married patients as can not properly be cared for in their own homes." The hospital physicians and nurses will minister to any such patients free of charge.

Rev. Dr. Edgar P. Hill delivered an address on the objects of the organization. He said:

"This work is full of disappointment, yet it is a sweet and noble work. You must remember that your patients will not all be angels and you will not find them all lavishing gratitude on you. As to aid to this movement, you must give personal as well as financial aid."

Dr. Woods Hutchinson then spoke from the medical standpoint, saying that "you can rely on the medical profession in this work. I am sure no physician will refuse your assistance or I am sure that much good will be done by you in this matter. The way of going to a patient is not to say to him on his knees are poor, you are wretched, but we are good people—we will help you. This is not the way to speak to a patient; you must level yourself to his position and show your sympathy, then you know that your work will bear fruit."

He gave instances of cases which he attended and finished by saying that some charge must be put on the patient for what is done for him, no matter if it is 25 or 50 cents, or else pauperization will be encouraged.

Mrs. Morgan, a trained nurse, then cited cases at which she attended and showed the necessity of just such an organization as they founded.

Mrs. J. E. Reed, Portland, representative of the Woman's Needlework Guild of America, stated that she would furnish as much clothing and needlework as will be needed.

The organization is in a fair state of progress, there being over \$500 in the treasury already, one person pledging himself for \$50 per year.

SUNNYSIDE.

Misses Mary and Martha Borhan, residing on East Twenty-third and East Stark streets, left for a trip to Utah last evening for the benefit of their health.

H. R. Parker has moved to East Forty-third and East Salmon streets from Albina.

R. Slighter has moved to Sunnyside from the West Side.

Mrs. A. Mead, of Skagway, Alaska, is visiting with friends in Sunnyside for a few days. She will shortly leave for the East for an extended visit with relatives.

Charles W. Brusk has purchased a lot on East Thirty-second street between East Taylor and East Salmon streets and will soon erect a residence.

Monteville Camp, Woodmen of the World, will pay a fraternal visit to Sunnyside Camp tomorrow evening.

Mrs. W. E. McGreggs has returned from an extended visit with friends in Astoria.

The little son of Dr. Caywood, while playing with a clothes wringer yesterday, put one of his fingers between the two rolls and received quite a painful injury. Maurice Ross is making extensive repairs to their building, corner East Thirty-fourth and Belmont streets. A new foundation and flooring will be put in.

Miss Rosa Fay is visiting at the residence of her sister, Mrs. J. N. Elskan, on East Thirty-third street.

Miss Alice Mearns is expected from Redlands, Calif., today for a short visit with Mrs. T. J. Hamaker, 922 East Washington street. Mrs. Mearns is on her way to St. Paul, Minn.

A well-attended temperance meeting was held in Shaker's hall Monday evening.

Mannie Hawley has signified his intention of going to housekeeping and has purchased property on East Taylor street between East Thirty-third and East Thirty-sixth streets.

John Younger is building an addition to his residence on Margaret avenue.

TO FURNISH WATER.

D. M. Watson, who undertook to supply water to the county poor farm over a year ago, but failed to satisfy the Board of Commissioners, appeared before the board this morning and stated that he was ready now to furnish the water on top of the hill, as provided for in the contract.

About a dozen wells were first dug by Mr. Watson, but they would not yield a supply of 12,000 gallons every 24 hours, as required. Four other wells were next dug down near a creek at the bottom of the hill, but the Commissioners refused to accept them. Watson threatened suit, and the county has since been patiently waiting for the completion of the contract.

A new bond will be required, and these matters were left to County Judge Calkins and Attorney Spencer, representing Mr. Watson.

"WHY I SHOULD BE ELECTED"

Said Mr. Furnish in an Interview Today.

W. J. Furnish, Republican candidate for Governor, came down from his home at Pendleton this morning and soon found his way to Republican headquarters.

"How is politics in Umatilla County?" he was asked.

"About the same," was the reply. "Much excitement?"

"Not yet." "Have you seen anything to cause you to change your mind on your prospects of election?"

"No." "Will you canvass the entire state?"

"I will go where I can find the most votes." "Will you go on the stump yourself?"

"As little as possible." "Have you heard of any betting?"

"Very little. A man at Pendleton bet \$100 to \$1000 on the success of the Republican ticket in the state."

Mr. Furnish then went on to say that he knew nothing of the itinerary, but that his services were at the disposal of the committee. Mr. Furnish said one of the strongest arguments in favor of the election of a Republican for Governor was the question of the United States Senator.

"Suppose Mr. Chamberlain should be elected Governor and one of the Senators should happen to die; he would appoint a Democrat to fill the vacancy. He would no doubt appoint Mr. Penney; he should do so at least, because Mr. Penney appointed him Attorney-General of the state."

DEMOCRATS

Arrange Dates for Mr. Chamberlain to Speak.

The Democratic State Central Committee, after consulting with Mr. Chamberlain and the other candidates on the state ticket, have arranged the plan of campaign, with the exception of the candidates for Congress, who will make an independent campaign in their respective districts.

Mr. Chamberlain and most of the other state candidates will make addresses at the following times and places:

- Baker City, April 25, 7:30 P. M.; Sumpster, April 26, 7:30; Medford, April 28, 1:30; Ashland, April 29, 7:30; Grant's Pass, April 30, 7:30; Roseburg, May 1, 7:30; Eugene, May 2, 7:30; Junction City, May 3, 1:30; Astoria, May 3, 7:30; Lewiston, May 5, 1:30; Brownsville, May 5, 7:30; Toledo, May 6, 7:30; Corvallis, May 7, 1:30; Independence, May 8, 1:30; Dallas, May 8, 7:30; McMinville, May 9, 1:30; Hillsboro, May 10, 1:30; Forest Grove, May 10, 7:30; Woodburn, May 12, 7:30; Silverton, May 12, 7:30; Steamboat May 13, 1:30; Salem, May 13, 7:30; St. Helens, May 14, 7:30; Astoria, May 15, 7:30; Canby, May 16, 1:30; Oregon City, May 16, 7:30; Union, May 18, 1:30; La Grande, May 18, 7:30; Wallawa, May 20, 7:30; Elgin, May 21, 1:30; Ontario, May 22, 1:30; Vale, May 22, 7:30; Athena, May 23, 1:30; Elsie, May 23, 7:30; Arlington, May 24, 1:30; Tappan, May 24, 7:30; The Dalles, May 25, 1:30; Albany, May 27, 7:30.

COSTS MONEY TO TALK.

The receipt of a bill of \$3 for telephone service, rendered by the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company to the Board of Fire Commissioners' office, at the City Hall today, created a stir among the usually serene department officials.

When the new franchise was granted to the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company, provision was inserted that every fire engine-house of the city should be given the free use of telephones. But, through some oversight, no mention was made of the Fire Commissioners' office at the City Hall. So the telephone company discovered that the Fire Commissioners' headquarters are included among the rest of the subscribers of the city, and unblushingly reminds the city that it takes money to talk.

Mayor Rowe, Fire Chief Campbell, Secretary Weidner and others discussed the unfortunate predicament this morning, and realized that something should be done. They don't want to pay the bill, but they are not sure that they will have to if the telephone company insists upon it. The contracts, etc., between the city and the telephone company have already been signed, and the new ordinance went into effect this month. It looks to a man up a tree as if the city was unquestionably "stuck."

GOLD BY THE PECK.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
BAKER CITY, April 23.—The recent startling free gold strike in the Timber Canyon mine, Vinton, in the White Swan district, promises to precipitate a stampede to locate adjoining ground.

A ledge five feet wide carries 70.60 in free gold.

NEW LUMBER TARIFF.

A new lumber tariff will become effective on April 23. The new rates will apply to lumber and lumber products from lumber shipping points on the southern Pacific lines in Oregon via Portland. These will be named in connection with the O. R. & N. Company, Oregon Short Line and the Rio Grande systems. This will place the latter on terms of equality with the rates applying from Portland.

WOOLEN MILLS STRIKE.

(Journal Special Service.)
OREGON CITY, April 23.—The woollen mill strike situation still remains unchanged. The local union of the woollen mill employees will hold another meeting at the Redmen's hall this afternoon, when it is expected that the greater number of the remaining employees will be admitted to membership. Both sides expect a determination to remain firm.

FRIGHTFUL CATASTROPHE

A Guatemalan City in Utter Ruins.

Hundreds Killed by the Earthquake.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
WASHINGTON, April 23.—The State Department today received two cablegrams from Guatemala concerning a terrible earthquake in that country on April 18, which were as follows:

"The Guatemalan Government requests me to cable that on the night of April 18 an earthquake occurred, causing much destruction of life and property."

"Many cities and towns were almost entirely destroyed."

"The loss of life is not yet known."

The consular agent at Quetzaltenango reports an earthquake on April 18 that was a frightful catastrophe.

The entire city was in ruins. The Consulate was destroyed, and 500 persons are known to have been killed, and it is thought many more perished. Great damage was done throughout the republic.

The shocks continue.

EAST SIDE BRIEFS.

Mrs. S. M. Rockenfield, residing at Mount Tabor, lost a purse containing about \$7.50 on a Mount Tabor car this morning, while on her way to do some shopping in the city. Mrs. Rockenfield claims that after she gave the conductor her fare she missed her purse and its contents. She says there was an old man sitting next to her, and she felt something up, but did not miss her purse at the time, so did not pay any attention to the incident. The old man left the car shortly afterwards.

The City & Suburban Company is talking up the plank roadway on East Belmont street, between East Thirtieth and East Thirty-fourth street. The company will lay another track on that street, making a double track from Portland to Mount Tabor. Much faster time can be made by the new schedule.

The Apostolic Rite of the Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Morris in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Vancouver avenue and Sellwood street, this evening.

The option secured by an Eastern packing-house on a 100-acre tract at University Park has expired. It is said that the company found the tract too small and has secured a better location on the railroad at St. Johns.

Sam Hanning, the East Side hardware man, while out riding on a bicycle yesterday, on the Morrison street bridge, was wedged between the bridge sides and damaged. He was not injured himself.

The Kanawha Society Club gave a private masquerade ball at Odd Fellows Hall, East Pine street and Grand avenue, last evening.

MOUNT TABOR.

William Meyers is seriously ill with pneumonia.

The family of J. Lucy are preparing to move into the city.

A class social will be given at the residence of Miss Georgia Perry Friday evening.

The Mt. Tabor band will give a dance at Orient Hall Saturday evening.

According to Manager Campbell, of the City & Suburban Company, the old car barn at the end of the line will be torn into a dancing hall this summer. The building will be remodeled and a new floor put in.

The water mains at the end of the electric line burst last week and residents of that vicinity were compelled to get their usual supply elsewhere.

Mt. Tabor Assembly, United Artisans, met last evening and initiated several new members. The lodge will hold their regular open meeting next week.

Charles Mathews left Saturday for Nome City, via Seattle.

H. I. Prevost has the contract to serve the refreshments at the Woodmen excursion May 4.

The family of A. A. Yerax have moved to East Thirtieth street and Hawthorne avenue.

Mr. Allen is painting his two residences opposite the West Avenue Station.

Frances avenue has been opened from Mt. Tabor car line to the East Line road. The new street is a great convenience to a large number of people in the vicinity.

The Woodmen of the World expect to install a camp at Mt. Tabor May 1.

SUMMERS WILL JOIN.

General Owen Summers and 11 other candidates will be taken into Harrington Camp, No. 201, Spanish-American War Veterans, at the A. O. U. W. Hall tonight.

A great program has been prepared for the occasion. Over 70 members of the camp have already signified their intentions of being present.

General Summers was in command of the Second Oregon Volunteers in the Philippines, and is highly esteemed by his regiment.

Smallpox Situation.

Mrs. Castrol of Portsmouth has been stricken with smallpox. She was removed to the pesthouse this afternoon. There are a number of scarlet fever cases in Portsmouth.

There were 15 smallpox patients in the city pesthouse yesterday. Five were discharged the same day.

Committee Will Meet.

The newly elected Republican executive committee, of which will hold a meeting Thursday night, probably at the Republican state headquarters, the meeting will be formally called tomorrow morning, when the place and the exact time will be given. This meeting is for the purpose of organization.

WORTHLESS WOODEN BLOCKS FOR STREET PAVING

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to give the blocks a soft mat to be set. The mat, resting upon a concrete foundation by a beautiful foresight, will hold all the moisture that works its way down between the blocks. This will in time find its destructive way up into the blocks from the under side, because it is evident that this dark-brown juice with the acrobatic name will not prevent decay, even though it leaves a dark-brown record for the property-owner.

The stuff, having been forced into the upper end of the block for a half inch or under, the water and pressure of heavy trucks, will in time, the wood being soft and easily worn away, disappear. Then the rains will have a good-time "soaking it" to the blocks from above. But the property-owner has no right to complain. His special situation in life is to be a sort mark for contractors to take upon.

What if the contractors do "guarantee" the paving to last 10 years? How can such guarantee be enforced? Supposing the block pavement wears out or rots out in two or three years. That should not disturb the men who have to foot the assessments. They ought to be perfectly delighted to receive the pavement as often as possible. It keeps money in circulation and employs labor. But better than all the rest it helps the poor contractor to earn a living. Then, again, the school children will have before them a beautiful object lesson and upon their tender minds shall be engraven the magic words: "Avaricious Capitalism!" Yes, it is a good thing all the way through and it ought to become more generally known.

The Carbolinum Wood Preserving Company contract was signed April 4, 1902, after being approved by the City Auditor. It is signed by A. L. Mills, chairman of the Board of Public Works. The company is represented by the attorneys of M. J. Thurman, secretary and treasurer, and by E. J. Fisher, proxy agent. The bond for the execution of the contract is for \$23,232.50, and is with the National Surety Company of New York.

G. Rosenblatt, who owns the block on Fourth street, between Washington and Alder, occupied by Lipman & Wolfe, thus expressed himself on the question of paving Fourth street:

"I'm weary of the whole street-paving proposition. If the property-owners are swindled I suppose they'll have to stand by it. I may be mistaken, but don't believe bonds can be enforced. As a rule, bonds are usually given when they are double the amount of the contract."

"I presume that each individual property-holder could insist on a separate bond from the contractors if he desired it. Of course, it has been legally determined that the contractors can not give a bond only for the faithful performance of their contract. They can not bond themselves to make good any guarantee they might make. It wouldn't be worth anything if they did."

He was urged to insist that the Council acted in a most uncertain manner in this matter. In the first place, the Council said it wouldn't have anything like a vest-pocket in the paving, and decided that a wooden block pavement was the proper thing. Then the thing shifted around finally to wooden block pavement saturated with carbolinum. With each turn of opinion by the city the property-owners accommodated themselves because they wanted some kind of a pavement, and wanted it badly. A majority of the property-owners along the line of the proposed improvement were very anxious to have the pavement laid.

"Our frontage on Fourth street will cost us about \$400. If we do not get a durable a pavement as we expect, we have no recourse that I can see. We must take the contractors' word for it that the pavement will last as long as they claim it will."

"Would it surprise you, Mr. Rosenblatt," was asked, "if you should discover that the whole business was a swindle?"

"No, I don't think it would. All I can say is that time will tell whether this wood preservative is any good or not."

William Fiedner is one of the very last men to seek publicity. He dislikes being quoted, yet when the question regarding the paving deal was propounded to him, he at once became interested. He said:

"This 'treated' block pavement costs about double what the other kind does. It ought to be worth what it costs, and it ought to last twice as long as the other kind. I don't know whether it will or not."

Mr. Fiedner, with Edward Hoffman, owns the Washington block, on Fourth and Washington streets.

"We have a frontage on Fourth street," said he, "of 50 feet. From what I can learn from Fisher, Thoren & Co., this proposed pavement will last many years. When the asphalt pavement was put down years ago on Washington street by Bays & Jeffries, everybody thought it would prove a durable pavement. When it did not, and the bonds were looked into, it was found to be a 'swallow bond,' and there was no recourse."

"I really believe that brick, provided the right kind could be procured, would be the best kind of pavement for Fourth street. In Des Moines, Ia., there are many streets thus paved, and they are giving good satisfaction. They are not nearly so noisy as stone and only a little more so than wood. There is a strip of brick paving on Stark street, between Front and Fifth, put down 25 years ago, and it is in very fair condition yet."

"We all hope that this wooden pavement saturated with avaricious capitalism will be as lasting as is claimed. For my part, if I am deceived in this matter, and I have no doubt of it, the amount of my assessment, it wouldn't be the first time such things have happened to us."

Edward Hoffman, who is partner with William Fiedner of the Washington building, said:

"Oh, don't talk to me about paving! I'm sick and tired of the whole business. So far as the pavement on Fourth street is concerned, any pavement is better than no pavement. As to the paving blocks now being put down being an inch shorter than the old ones, of course, to bring them up to grade will require a sand cushion an inch in depth. As to the concrete foundation, I don't think that a solid and impervious foundation of any kind should ever be used with any sort of wooden block pavement. It merely prevents the moisture from getting down into the earth when it seeps through the paving. Of course, this rots the paving from the under side."

"What do you know about this avaricious capitalism?" was asked.

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"I don't know anything," said Mr. Holman. It would not be surprising if, when this contract becomes fully aired, the property-owners do not indignantly protest at the outrageous manner in which they are being bilked.

But the remedy is with the people—the people, who should rise up as masses and protest against such an outrage.

SIXTY SIX LOST.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
CHICAGO, Ill., April 23.—Search for the victims of the steamer City of Pittsburgh disaster was begun today. The body of a man was found, burned beyond recognition. The number of missing is now placed at 66.

TO TIE UP CHICAGOCAR LINES

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)
CHICAGO, April 23.—A tie-up of all the lines in Chicago of the City Railway Company is threatened as a result of the firemen, who demand recognition as a union.

The teamsters and power-house engineers informed the company this morning that they would strike if the firemen's demands are not granted.

The company has about three days' supply of coal on hand. The Teamsters' Union hauls practically all the coal used in the city.

Will Reilly Resign?

It was reported on the street this afternoon that Bernard J. Reilly, the nominee of the Citizens' ticket, would resign, owing to the pressure of private business. No intimation of this has come to the county committee.

Employes Return to Work.