

LAST EDITION.

STRIKE GROWING MORE SERIOUS

More Unions to Be Called Out— Brotherhood of Trainmen May Also Strike.

"If the strike is not settled before tomorrow night, drastic measures will be adopted at the Federated Trades Council," was the declaration made this morning by J. E. Lewton, secretary of the Building Trades Council.

A walkout is threatened of every labor organization in the city which is in any manner, directly or indirectly, connected with building operations or the handling of lumber. Some even go farther, and say that every union in the city will be called out, but this assertion cannot be traced to any official source.

It is almost an absolute certainty, however, that the sawmill men, the Water Front Federation and the teamsters will be called out, and very probably several other organizations. Some intimate that the street cars will be tied up, and that the strike will spread from branch to branch of the Federated Trades until every industry in the city will be in a complete state of inactivity.

rendevous for pickets and strikers, and Neppach puts in a great deal of his time "jollyng" them. A stalwart "cop" appears on the scene occasionally to size up the situation, and then meanders off in some other direction. The non-union men are not molested, but the pickets seem to look upon them with pitying glances.

Brick Supply Stopped.

The executive committee of the Building Trades Council was in session this morning, awaiting some communication from the mill owners, but none came.

The committee being notified that bricks are being hauled to the various buildings in course of construction, conferred with the brickyard proprietors, who promised that no more bricks will be hauled from their yards.

President Gurr said that this strike would be brought up before the Federated Trades Council tomorrow night.

Trainmen May Strike.

There is one card which the unions have yet to play that will have a potent influence in bringing the opposition to terms. It has been reserved as a last resort, and will probably be brought into action tomorrow night. This is the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, which is affiliated with the Federated Trades. In this organization is included engineers, conductors, firemen, switchmen and brakemen.

The Building Trades Council has already received an unofficial notice from the Brotherhood of Trainmen that none of the material turned out by the boycotted mills will be handled by any members of the organization. A car was being loaded yesterday by one of the planing mills for the Albina Lumber Company when the switchmen rebelled and the car was sidetracked, where it still remains.

If the switchmen continue this policy, and it is believed they will, the trainmen may not be called out tomorrow night. On the other hand, if the railroads are tied up, it is argued by business men and others, the millmen will be either forced to make early concessions or to close down indefinitely. It is not thought that they will adopt the latter course, as their business would suffer tremendously thereby, from which it would require years to recuperate.

Strikers Confident.

All of the 2500 men are still out, and seem more confident as time progresses. It was thought by some that many of the carpenters would weaken and return, but out of the 850 members of the organization only two have gone to work, and they were granted special permits to finish a job that had to be completed. They say they will be the last men to desert the union cause.

T. Fitzpatrick, business agent of the Plumbers' Union, said this morning: "It was reported yesterday in one of the local papers that some of the plumbers are getting 'cold feet,' and are anxious to return to work. This is wholly untrue, and I wish you would deny the statement in The Journal. The plumbers in the fight to win."

Some of the tanners were complaining today about their being called out, and severely criticized the order. They say they do not see what assistance they can render the strikers, but concluded with the remark: "We have been called out, however, and intend to obey the summons until the last."

If the mill owners are entertaining any proposition to make concessions to the locked-out employes, they fall to betray the fact by word or act. If they are on the point of yielding from the position which they have assumed throughout the difficulty, then they are actors of the best type.

Apparently they are as firm in their opposition to the recognition of the union as they have ever been. They reiterate their oft-repeated statement that they have nothing to arbitrate, and that they can get along without the assistance of organized labor.

Millmen's Side.

Four of the mills are working with about the same forces which have been on since the lockout occurred. These are the Nicolai Bros., the Ainslie, the Martin and the Northwest Door Company. Superintendent Council of the latter firm said today:

"We usually have on a crew of from 45 to 50 men, but now have 30 at work. At present we are filling some city orders for nonunion carpenters, of whom there is quite a number in Portland. We are also filling shipping orders so far as our capacity will admit. We have a sufficient amount of orders ahead to keep running constantly for some time to come. It is not our intention to concede anything to the union or to recognize it in any manner whatsoever."

"If the trainmen should refuse to handle your material, what effect will it have upon your business, Mr. Council?"

"I do not think that they will refuse to handle it. I do not think that the Federated Trades will have any influence upon them whatever."

Mr. Neppach, manager at Nicolai Bros. mill, is very voluble on the subject, and maintains that the union is not injuring their business in the least. It is a great

East Side Situation.

On the Advance Threshing Company's building, corner East First and Belmont streets, there were about 15 nonunion men employed by Contractor Griffin. A number of union men were gathered about the building, but no demonstration was made.

The contractor who has charge of the erection of the new warehouse of the John Deere Plow Company, corner East First and East Yamhill streets, has about five men employed, three of whom are members of the union.

At the large building of the Buffalo Pitts Company, two nonunion painters were at work this morning.

A contractor who is erecting a number of residences in Sunnyside was in town among a large crowd of strikers and wanted information as to when operations would be resumed. He said that all his men had quit yesterday, leaving him unable to complete the work. This morning he asked the boys to clean up the yard in front of one of the new residences, and he refused, saying that he guessed that as all the men had quit their jobs, he was going to strike, too. Then the boss threw up his hands and quit, also.

Non-Union Men Strike.

At three minutes before 12 o'clock today the 12 non-union men who have been employed at the Nicolai Bros. mill walked out, and did not show up for work this afternoon. Among them was the engineer, and the mill is now deserted with the exception of the owners and Manager Neppach who are still on the scene. One of the men said:

"We could stand it no longer. The union men are all on a strike and we want to see them win. Therefore, this was the sensible course for us to take."

The union men were elated when this intelligence was conveyed to them, and believe that it will have a powerful tendency to bring the millowners to terms. They consider that Mr. Neppach had always been more active in opposition to the union than anyone else connected with the planing mills. He has always contended that the strike did not affect the mill, with which he is connected, in the least.

The unions now believe that it will be but a matter of a short time when the non-union men employed in the other mills will follow the example set today by those who walked out. If so, it looks as though the labor trouble will soon settle itself.

A prominent labor leader said this afternoon:

"The millmen have absolutely refused to meet us and talk over the situation. They are putting up a stubborn fight, and by so doing are injuring themselves more than anyone else."

Conferring With Owners.

"Robert Inman, of Inman, Poulson & Company, is conferring with the millowners this afternoon, and endeavoring to get them to meet the labor representatives and arbitrate the matter."

"If something is not done soon I look for Portland to present a very dead appearance next Monday. I would not be surprised to see every labor organization in the city called out. The railroads and street railways may be tied up, as well as every other enterprise. We can never recede now; it is too late for that."

On being interviewed regarding the men walking out of Nicolai Bros. mill this morning, Manager Neppach, in answer to a question as to what he intends to do, said:

"You want to know what I intend to do, do you? Well, it's none of your business."

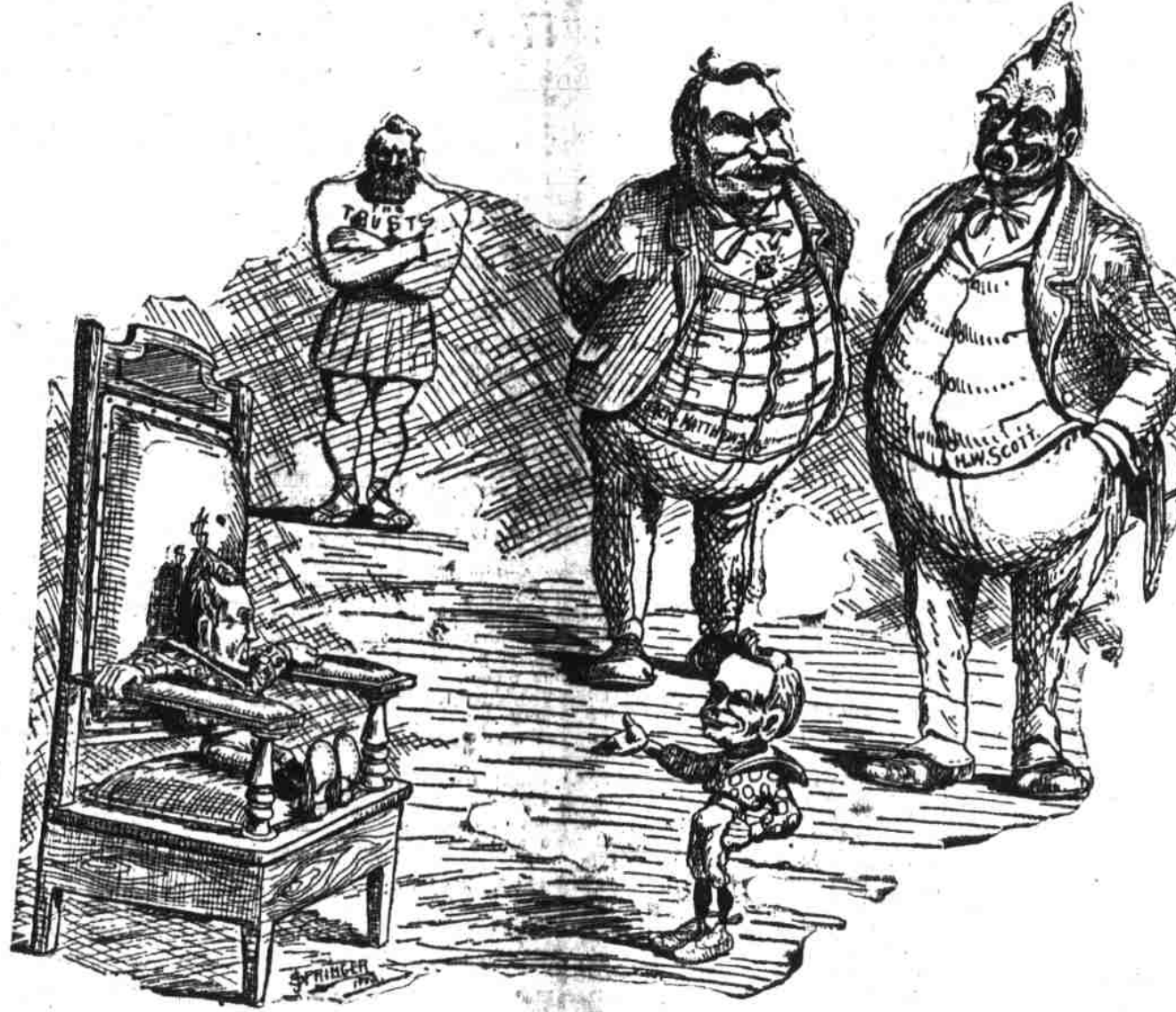
On being questioned further, as to what the millmen would do, and that The Journal wished to get both sides of the case, Mr. Neppach said:

"I don't know what the millmen will do, and as to the paper, I know it's fair."

Action Approved.

The carpenters, bricklayers, plumbers and joiners met in their respective halls last night, and approved the action of the Building Trades Council in calling out the several unions affiliated with that

SCENES UPON OUR POLITICAL STAGE.



H. W. S.—"Jack, what is Willie doing now?" JACK—"Oh, Charlie is playing Governor with him, and Willie imagines he can play the part. Ha! Ha!"

HOT ROAST BY HOAR

He Scarifies Funston and the Army Methods at Manila.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 22.—Senator Hoar, in one of the greatest speeches of his career, this afternoon generally arraigned the administration's policy in the Philippines and denounced the war in the archipelago. He declared the United States had wasted \$60,000,000 of treasure, sacrificed nearly 10,000 American lives, and slain uncounted thousands of the people it desires to benefit.

"You make the American flag in the eyes of those people an emblem of sacrifice in Christian churches, of the burning of human dwellings and of the horrors of the water torture."

"In some cases our officers have carried on warfare with a mixture of American ingenuity and Castilian cruelty," he said.

"Three years ago the Filipinos were ready to kiss the hem of the garment of an American and welcome him as their

liberator. Now he is our sullen enemy. For the Philippines you have had to repeal the Declaration of Independence, yet you have had to convert the Monroe doctrine into a doctrine of mere selfishness."

Proceeding, he continued that we were fighting for sovereignty in the Philippines and not for their uplifting, contrasting with this the policy pursued in regard to Cuba. He also denounced the methods adopted to capture Aguinaldo, and declared that Funston's act was not only in violation of the laws of war, but also of the law of hospitality which governs alike everywhere the civilized Christian or the pagan.

"He went to Aguinaldo," Senator Hoar said, "under the pretense that he was an honored guest, and Aguinaldo fed him. Was not that act perfidious? It violated the holy rite of hospitality, which even Oriental nations hold sacred."

BADLY NEEDED

Congress Provides for a Bridge Over the Columbia.

(Journal Special Service.) WASHINGTON, May 22.—Both houses of Congress have today passed the bill to build a railroad bridge across the Columbia River near Vancouver, Wash.

MAN KILLED NEAR ASTORIA

(Journal Special Service.) ASTORIA, May 22.—John Tice was instantly killed this morning at Saldren's logging camp on Gray's River, by a hook striking him in the back of the head. His home is at Canby, Clackamas County, where his body will be shipped for burial.

FRESH TROUBLE

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 22.—Executive committees of the United Mine Workers from districts 1, 7 and 9 met again today to consider the strike situation. It is stated that the most important matter under discussion will be upon the probable sympathetic action by the Brotherhoods of Railway Engineers, Firemen, Conductors, Brakemen and Switchmen.

WHEAT MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 22.—Wheat, 1.13 1/4@1.14. CHICAGO, May 22.—Wheat, 78 1/2@79.

CHIEF OF THE FRENCH ARMY

And His Mission Have Arrived in Washington.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) WASHINGTON, May 22.—General Brugere, commander in chief of the French army, their aides, and other official representatives on the French mission to the unveiling of the Rochambeau monument, arrived here from Annapolis this morning.

They immediately called on President Roosevelt, and later visited the Secretaries of State, War, the Navy, General and the foreign ambassadors.

LOUBET IS IN ST. PETERSBURG

He Is Heartily Cheered by Russian Crowds on Arrival.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) ST. PETERSBURG, May 22.—President Loubet of France arrived here this morning. He was given a rousing welcome at the station by a great crowd.

The city is gorgeously decorated in his honor. Everywhere the French President went today he was greeted with great acclaim.

CREED IS CHANGED

Presbyterian Divines Discard Their Old Beliefs.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.) NEW YORK, May 22.—The report of the creed revision committee of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church was almost unanimously adopted this morning.

COIN FOR LANDEIS

(Journal Special Service.) WASHINGTON, May 22.—The acting Secretary of the Treasury today asked Congress to appropriate \$174,871 to pay W. J. Landeis for clerical services in the office of the United States Attorney in the District of Alaska. It was referred to the committee on appropriations.

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