

Tonight and Tuesday—Clear and warm.
Sunday's temperature—High 68; low, 44; range, 58.

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STRIKERS DYNAMITE CAR; FIGHT ENSUES

POLICE NOW NUMBER 10,000

Dangerous Possibility of the Strike Spreading is Causing Alarm Today—Situation Resembles a Mine Awaiting a Lighted Fuse—Authorities Are Most Vigilant.

MERCHANTS HAVE LOST \$5,000,000 TO DATE

Strike Leaders Claim That 200,000 Men Will Be Out by Nightfall—Would Keep Government Troops Out of the City.

PHILADELPHIA, March 7.—Owing to the vigilance of the police, this city is comparatively quiet today and the authorities are confident that order can be maintained.

General strike
The dangerous possibility involved in the general strike is spreading today.

Pressure is being brought to bear upon the American Federation of Labor, according to a report, for the purpose of getting the sanction of the national body to a strike of all employees connected with the trolley enterprises of the Widener-Elkins-Dolan combination.

This would mean the walkout of union men in all sections of the country where enterprises controlled or financed by the combination have men in their employ.

Although the city today has been comparatively quiet, there is evident a vague feeling of unrest. The threat to arrest the strike leaders aroused ugly response in covert threats, and the situation resembles a mine awaiting a lighted fuse.

Car Dynamited.
A car carrying twenty passengers, a heavy police guard and a crew of strike-breakers, was dynamited today.

Two sticks of the explosive lifted the car from the tracks, hurling the occupants in every direction.

Although some were cut by flying glass and severely bruised, no serious injury was sustained.

As soon as the shock of the explosion passed, the police charged upon the laborers who had gathered nearby, believing that they were responsible for the dynamiting.

Shots Fired.
Several shots were fired and a battle ensued. The laborers held their ground until the arrival of the "flying squadron" of mounted police.

The police were met with showers of bricks, building material and refuse. Only after a stubborn fight, in which they swung their riot maces upon the heads of the laborers, were they successful in dispersing the mob.

Two of the alleged ringleaders were arrested.

The attempt to blow up the car, endangering the lives of nearly two score of persons aroused intense feeling.

Detectives Busy.
Every effort is being made by detectives to gain definite evidence as to how the dynamite was obtained.

The arrest of the members of the "committee of ten" on charges of conspiracy in connection with the strike was rumored to be probable today. The arrest of the leaders would be but a temporary setback for the strikers however, as it was said that scores of labor leaders throughout the country would gladly volunteer to carry on the fight.

It is understood that the unionists have made every preparation for such a contingency and that the leaders would be released almost immediately.

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Officials Kept Busy by Big Strike; Soldiers and Scenes in Philadelphia Streets.



The burning of cars in Philadelphia, assaults on strike breakers and other forms of lawlessness led to vigorous action by the authorities, especially Governor Edwin S. Stuart of Pennsylvania, who is a Philadelphian; Mayor Rayburn, District Attorney Samuel P. Rotan and Director of Public Safety Clay. One of the pictures shows the use made of the American flag by some of the sympathizers with the strikers. They dumped a heap of rubbish on the track and then stuck a flag upright into the pile in order to stop the progress of a car. The picture also shows some of the State fencibles who proved powerless to check the mob.

TOM PLATT OF NEW YORK PASSES

Quiet Services Will Mark Burial of Former Powerful Politician—Was Leader for Many Years in New York.

NEW YORK, March 7.—A throng of political co-workers and beneficiaries of the late Senator Thomas C. Platt visited the home of Frank H. Platt, a son, today to express condolence.

The body of the famous New York politician lay in the principal room of the Platte residence. The remains will be taken to the senator's old home at Oswego, Tioga county, for burial.

No public funeral will be held here. A simple service at the old village church, where Platt once was a deacon, will be held next Thursday.

Platt's death came suddenly yesterday, although he had been in failing health for the last four years. It was not known that he was in immediate danger of death. Nearly all the members of his family were present when he passed away.

MAYOR DELIVERS GENERAL ROAST

His Speech at Delivering of Cornerstone Develops into Bitter Attack on Prominent Men, Officials and "the Poisoned Press."

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Extracts from a speech delivered by Mayor McCarthy yesterday afternoon at the laying of the cornerstone of a local school house, make interesting reading today for several prominent citizens.

Foremost of these is Andrew Carnegie, whom the mayor somewhat elegantly termed a "fellow soul of philanthropy." McCarthy declared that Carnegie is endeavoring to ease his conscience by giving away libraries.

"But thank God, his offer to give a library to San Francisco has not been accepted and never will be" he said.

The mayor's remarks caused comment here in view of the approaching visit of the Laird of Skibo to this city.

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LETTER SERVICE BY POSTAL COMPANY

Beginning With Tonight, Telegraph Company Will Transmit Telegrams of 50 Words at Night at 10-Word Rates.

The Postal Telegraph and Cable company announces that beginning Monday night, March 7, it will render night letter service between all offices on its own telegraph lines and the lines of its direct connections in the United States.

Messages of this class will be known as "night letter telegrams." They will be accepted at Postal telegraph offices over the counter or telephone in the usual way. The charges for night letter telegrams of fifty words or less will be the regular day rate for ten words or less. They must be written in plain English, code or cypher will not be permitted.

They will be accepted for transmission at night and delivered at destination on morning of the next ensuing business day by mail or messenger at the option of the company. The Postal Telegraph company couples the foregoing announcement with a reiteration of the statement recently made by President Clarence H. Mackay to the effect that the company has

TRAINS ARE ALL VERY LATE

Freight Situation is Being Relieved as Much as Possible, But Motive Power Cannot Be Found to Pull Passenger Trains, to Say Nothing of Freights.

SIXTEEN PASSENGER TRAINS IN ONE DAY

All Trains Are Running From Six to Twelve Hours Late—The Situation, However, is Gradually Clearing Up.

Spasmodically, as best they can, the Southern Pacific company is relieving the local freight situation. The local went north Sunday and ran both ways Monday, taking care of much of the freight. Two through freights passed Medford Sunday. The situation is gradually clearing, but traffic will be more or less blocked for several days, or until the roads in Nevada are cleared and ready for use again.

The freight situation grew most serious for a time, and even now the yards in Ashland, a division point, are congested with long strings of local cars waiting for motive power to move them onward. The few freights which have been forwarded consisted of perishable goods. One train of stock was delayed two days in Ashland, getting north Saturday evening.

The passenger trains are frequent and each train is carrying 12 to 15 coaches. On Sunday 16 passenger trains passed through Medford.

The regular trains are badly off their schedules. Sunday, No. 15, due from Portland at 10:30 a. m., arrived at 4:50 p. m. The Shasta limited was six hours late, while 13 was annulled.

Sunday night No. 14, due at 8:20 p. m., did not arrive until 3:50 a. m. No. 16 passed through over 12 hours late. No. 14 was pulled by two huge freight engines and considerable time was lost in Ashland getting a crew to pull her.

Congested conditions will probably continue for ten days or two weeks more.

POLICE DISPERSE MEETING CALLED BY EMMA GOLDMAN

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 7.—The Pittsburg police today are awaiting the next move on the part of Emma Goldman and a band of her followers, whose proposed meeting yesterday was broken up by the timely arrival of a squad of officers.

Miss Goldman and her adherents declared after the gathering had been dispersed that they will remain in Pittsburg until they have delivered their message to the people. The police were informed that Miss Goldman and Alexander Berkman, who recently served a term in the state prison for attempted murder, intended to hold an anarchist meeting in the interests of the Philadelphia millionaires.

The crowd that had gathered in the great hall where the meeting was to be held dispersed sullenly when ordered to leave by the officers.

always been independent and has no intention of entering any combination with the Western Union and Bell Telephone companies, and that it intends to retain its independence and maintain active and aggressive competition in the telegraph field.

M'CREDIE AT BAT AGAINST LAFEAN BILL

Introduces a Bill Fixing Size of Apple and Pear Boxes as Substitute to Lafean Bill Which is Objectionable.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—Representative McCredie of Washington on Saturday introduced a bill fixing the size of apple boxes to be used in Oregon, Washington and Idaho at 18x11½x10½ inches, inside measurement, and pear boxes at 18x11½x8½.

This is proposed as a substitute for the Lafean bill.

The above bill provides for an apple and pear box of the same size now used in the northwest.

"The size is all right," was the universal opinion of the fruitmen of Medford, inasmuch as it does not change the present size.

If Representative McCredie can play a little inside ball with congress and score with that bill, he will earn the everlasting gratitude of the fruit growers of the northwest.

The meeting of the committee on agriculture to consider the Lafean bill is to be held Wednesday.

COMPELLED TO SEEK SAFETY FROM MOB

Infuriated Japs and Slavs Pursue Foreman They Blame for Landslide Disaster.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 7.—Compelled to seek safety from a mob of Slavs and Japanese who thought he was to blame for making the victims of the snowslide disaster at Rogers Park work at night, in a dangerous time, one of the road foremen barely yescaped with his life at Glacier by jumping into a caboose and being hauled away by the engine attached. The story reached here today when the first train from the neighborhood of the avalanche arrived.

The road boss, whose name has not been learned, together with a gang of men, had arrived at the small station a few minutes after the Rogers Pass slide occurred, and just before the Vancouver train pulled out. Gathered at the station were several hundred foreigners, relatives of the men lost in the slide, who believed their friends had been compelled to work at night by the railroad officials. In their excitement the foreigners made a rush for the foreman, who sought safety in a caboose. The engineer, taking in the situation, rushed the caboose down the track until other Canadian Pacific officials pacified the mob.

Passengers on the delayed train No. 97 will arrive here late this afternoon, having been conveyed over the company's lines and steamers through Crow's Nest, Nelson, Arrowhead and Revelstoke.

The weather in the Selkirk is reported cold and no more slides have been reported thus far.

Snow is Melting.
WELLINGTON, Wash., March 7.—Three bodies were found early today in the wreckage of the mail train. One was that of John G. Fox

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SENATE TAKES UP FIGHT ON RAILROAD BILL IN EARNEST; STORMY TIME IS PREDICTED

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—The fight over the Taft-Elkins railroad bill opened in earnest today when the majority of the senate committee on interstate commerce brought in a report defending the measure and replying to the severe criticisms offered by the minority report last week.

This came shortly after the action of the committee on commerce in striking out that section of the administration measure which permitted a railroad to buy all the stock of a competing line if it already owned more than half of it.

The report holds that the bill meets the requirements of the plank in the Republican platform which held that railroads ought to be allowed to make certain agreements regarding freight and passenger rates subject to the approval of the interstate commerce commission.

800 MEN AT WORK IN PASS

Clearing of Canadian Pacific Track Progressing Rapidly—Twenty Additional Bodies Have Been Recovered—Weather Reported Cold—No More Slides Reported.

SNOW RAPIDLY MELTING IN VICINITY OF WELLINGTON

For First Time Since the Slide, Wellington Depot Contains No Dead—Smoker With 30 Dead Has Been Located.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 7.—With an army of over 800 men, the work of recovering bodies and clearing the tracks near Rogers Pass is proceeding today, and the line is expected to be free again by midnight. Reports early today state that 20 additional bodies have been recovered.

Among these are eight whites and twelve Japanese. The remains of the latter are being brought to Vancouver, a party of local Japanese going to meet the train and take charge of their bodies. The relatives of the whites who lost their lives are being communicated with and their bodies will be shipped to their respective home towns or interred according to the wishes of their kinfolk.

Train No. 97, westbound, held since Friday, snowed in at Rogers Pass by slides on both sides. Men have been working night and day to release it. Although Foreman Anderson is supposed to have been buried with the rotary crew, a report is current among local railroad men that he was seen after the avalanche walking as one distraught, having miraculously escaped the death-dealing slide.

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