

BUCK STOVE LOSES FIGHT WITH LABOR

Officials of St. Louis Concern Give Up Sensational Five-Year Battle With Unions and Consent to Closed Shop—This is Case Which Gave Prison Term to Gompers.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 20.—Officials of the Buck Stove & Range Co., whose sensational five-year fight against union labor culminated in bringing jail sentences for President Samuel Gompers, Vice-President John Mitchell and Secretary Frank Morrison of the American Federation of Labor, admit today that they have given up the long fight. Hereafter the open-shop policy of the Buck company will not be adhered to and union labor will be employed.

A statement to this effect was issued in Cincinnati by President Gompers. Today the company heads declare that this statement is correct. The change in policy follows the death of J. W. Van Cleave, who was formerly president of the company, and who, as head of the National Manufacturers' association, made his fight against the employment of union labor country-wide.

In his fight against the unions Van Cleave secured an injunction against the publication of the name of the Buck company in the American Federationist's unfair list. It was for violation of this injunction that Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison were sentenced to jail. Appeal in this case is still pending in the federal courts.

Van Cleave's fight against union labor, which he called the "muscle trust," has been carried on since 1905.

CINCINNATI, O., July 20.—"The agreement settling the Buck Stove & Range company's fight with union labor in no way affects the case against John Mitchell, Frank Morrison and myself," said President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, today. Mitchell, vice-president, and Morrison, secretary of the federation, are under jail sentences with Gompers for having violated a federal injunction by publishing the name of the Buck company in an unfair list.

"The only change will be that the Buck company attorneys will drop out of the case," Gompers continued.

CROWDS FLOCK TO NATATORIUM

Ladies' Day Finds a Full Tank—More Than a Hundred in Plunge at One Time—Today There is Dancing and Thursday Ladies' Day.

The management of the Natatorium is having its hands full taking care of all its patrons these hot days. Monday afternoon, the first ladies' day, there were more than 100 ladies in the plunge at one time, and every session, afternoon and night, finds the pool crowded. Yesterday the springboards were installed and furnished the center of attraction last night. The rings, trapeze and toboggan slides will be installed as rapidly as completed.

Tonight, Wednesday, there will be dancing at 9 o'clock and Thursday will be ladies' day again, when the plunge will be reserved for ladies from 1 to 5 p. m.

In a modern store every day is a new day—every day witnesses new overturnings of stocks, repricings, regroupings of bargains, new ideas in "special sales." So that, always, the ads should reflect this store life and make it interesting to outsiders.

RAIL CHIEF MURDERED BY BURGLAR

President Rawn of Monon Route is Killed in Struggle With Thief in Dining-Room of Home—Evidently Shot at Intruder—Assailant Supposed to Be in Hiding.

CHICAGO, July 20.—That Ira G. Rawn, president of the Monon railroad, was not killed by a burglar, but was murdered in cold blood, is the belief of private detectives who today have been investigating the strange death of the railway magnate. The blood stains found after daylight this morning just outside the window through which the supposed burglar escaped ended abruptly at the curb. Detectives employed on the case think the murderer escaped in an automobile which was waiting close by the house.

CHICAGO, Ill., July 20.—Police today are scouring the north shore suburbs and the negro quarters of Chicago for the burglar who today shot and killed President I. W. Rawn, of the Chicago, Indianapolis & St. Louis railroad, the Monon route, in his home in fashionable Winnetka. Poses scouring the suburbs have arrested a number of negro suspects. The police of Winnetka believe that the burglar was a negro and have asked the Chicago authorities to help them in their search.

Rawn was killed in the dining room of his home. Early this morning he heard a noise and, going to the first floor of his residence to investigate, saw a burglar putting silverware into a bag. Rawn rushed at the burglar and it is supposed that he slipped, the noise warning the burglar that some one was in the room. The two men grappled, it is believed, from the sounds that aroused the other members of the household. The burglar shot Rawn twice. The two shots were distinctly heard by several members of the family.

Ralph Coburn, Rawn's son-in-law, was the first to reach the dining-room. He found Rawn on the floor with two wounds in his body. Rawn was unconscious and died before medical aid reached him. The murderer leaped through a window and fled.

A hasty investigation showed marks of a jimmy at a side door where the burglar evidently had entered. The intruder in his flight left the sack in which he had intended to carry away the plunder. This is the only clue the police have.

WHITE GIRLS VICTIMS OF NEGRO RELIGIOUS FANATIC IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 20.—The police today took charge of three white girls, two of whom are dying and the third nearly insane, who are alleged to be victims of the mysterious machinations of Rev. Jonah Sturdevant, a negro now serving a term in the jail at Baltimore for bigamy. Hilda Johnson, a Norwegian, whom the negro recently married and who was recently a mother, is dying at a local hospital. Gertrude Monson, also a Norwegian, was found dying in a Georgetown hospital and Addie Coddling, nearly insane from hunger was found in a furnished room over a negro hotel. The Monson girl, the police declare, is dying as a result of long fasting and the strange punishments she had inflicted on herself in the belief that the mysterious incantations in some way would result in the liberation of Sturdevant.

Sturdevant, the police say, is the leader of a band of religious fanatics and has gathered little bands of people about him in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Newport News, as well as in Washington. When she had been cared for, Miss Coddling defended the negro preacher. "I have been called by the Almighty," she said. "Since the age of 17 I have intended, in response to that call, to go to Africa. I shall go now as soon as I can. Brother Sturdevant received a revelation. We, knowing this, followed him. He had been imprisoned, but our sacrifices will open the doors." Sturdevant, it is declared, had a negro wife in Baltimore when he married the Johnson girl. It is for this that he has been put in jail, according to the police.

President Elect of Brazil to Spend Month In United States.



Marshal Hermes R. de Fonseca, president-elect of Brazil, who has been witnessing the army maneuvers in Germany, will sail for the United States on July 30 on the steamer Mauretania. He will spend one month in this country. He will be inaugurated on November 15.

GOVERNOR OF IOWA ARRESTED

Indicted by Polk County Grand Jury on Charge of Criminally Libelling John Cownie, a Progressive, Who Planned to Be Candidate.

DES MOINES, Ia., July 20.—Governor Carroll was today indicted on a charge of criminal libel by the Polk county grand jury. John Cownie, a progressive, former chairman of the board of control of state institutions and prominent politician, was recently removed from office by the governor, who charged Cownie with mismanagement and immorality. The indictment is based on these charges. Cownie, it was expected, would seek the republican gubernatorial nomination this fall. He later abandoned the idea. Moses Cohen, attorney for Governor Carroll, furnished bonds for the chief executive. The trial will probably take place in September.

PUERTO PLATA, Santo Domingo, July 20.—The Dominican press today is demanding capital punishment for a woman captured near the Haytian frontier, who, it is alleged, has confessed to having murdered several infants and eaten them.

MADRIZ ORDERS PRISONERS SHOT

Intercepted Telegram Reveals Barbarous Method of Nicaraguan Executive Who Wants All Insurgents Slain.

NEW ORLEANS, La., July 20.—President Madriz of Nicaragua has ordered all revolutionary prisoners shot if an intercepted telegram purporting to have been sent by him to General Roberto Gonzales is authentic. Gonzalez is in command of the Madriz forces at San Ubaldo. Many insurgent prisoners are known to be under his charge. The intercepted message read: "I trust into your hands the salvation of the fatherland and the giving of a severe lesson to the revolutionaries who are in your neighborhood. Shoot without fear or consideration the revolutionaries whom you may capture by attack and the prisoners whom you may have. Give orders to leaders of your patrols to watch. There is danger in the road from San Ubaldo to Acopyapa. MADRIZ, Commanding General."

The telegram fell into the hands of the rebel general, Mena, who declared that on the same day two insurgents were executed at Charco Murto. A copy was sent to Provisional President Estrada's local representative to be forwarded to the American state department.

JACK JOHNSON MAD OVER BEING PINCHED

NEW YORK, July 20.—Jack Johnson, the colored champion, must appear in the West Side court today to answer the charge of recklessly driving his car for the "steenth" time. This time Jack is mad. He says he is being hounded. The police, he said, deliberately arrested him after being told to "get" him whenever the opportunity offered. His arrest at 47th street and Eighth avenue occurred, Johnson said, simply because he was following instructions from Inspector Walsh, who told him after leaving the theater to get away as quickly as he could from the admiring crowds. While he was "getting away" he was pinched. Johnson furnished \$100 bail. If your store is twice as interesting a place as one that is twice as effectively advertised make your ads twice as interesting as the ads of the other store.

WORST FOREST FIRES IN HISTORY SWEEP NORTHWEST

15 MILES OF FLAME SWEEP TIMBER REGION

Hundreds of Men Fighting Fire in Northern Washington and Idaho. But Rain is Only Hope—Home-steaders Flee to Mountain Tops.

SPOKANE, Wash., July 20.—Beyond control, forest fires today are rushing toward the British Columbia boundary from Idaho and Washington, devouring all in their paths, threatening mountain villages and the lives of the inhabitants. Some of the fires are new, while others have been burning for several days. The little town of Ryan, Wash., was swept away yesterday, according to reports reaching here. The town was in Stevens county on the Cola river.

Extent of Fire. The fire district in Washington extends from the west bank of the Cola river to Canada and from Bossburg to Marcus. In that district a sheet of flame 15 miles in length is rushing through the dry timber nearly as fast as a man can walk. During the night a stiff breeze fanned the flames and aided the fire to lay waste to several thousand acres of splendid forest. Meanwhile hundreds of men, employes of the government, of timber companies and citizens of various towns, have been fighting a hopeless, desperate battle to stop the fires. Although they know that rain is their only hope, the fire fighters continue to battle doggedly against the advancing firewall.

Thousands of acres of timber are in ashes and indications that thousands more will meet the same fate before the fires burn themselves out. Idaho Fires Raging. The Pine creek, Idaho, fire still rages and fighting reinforcements have been sent into that section by the county commissioners at Wallace, but the flames are still far from being controlled. The fire is burning in townships 47, range 2 east, and 47 north, range 1 east, all of which is owned by home-steaders from Wallace and surrounding towns. This is said to be the best timber in the state. The force is now fighting the fires is greater than ever. Advice from Pine Creek last night says that the fire may be controlled before night. Nearly 12 miles of trenches have been dug, and the fire practically extinguished on the north side.

Three Forks Destroyed by Forest Fire. Towns of Sandon, Baynes, Lake and Jaffrey, in Crow District of British Columbia, Reported Wiped Out—Mining Towns Annihilated. Millions of Feet of Choicest Timber Destroyed, Leaving in Wake Death and Desolation—Loss Already is Enormous—Four Towns Burned.

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NELSON, B. C., July 20.—Reports reaching here today say that the town of Three Forks has been totally destroyed by forest fires and that refugees from the stricken districts have fled to the mountain peaks to save themselves from incineration. No new fatalities are reported. Unconfirmed reports received are that the thriving town of Sandon is surrounded by timber fires and doomed to destruction. Baynes Lake and Jaffrey, in the Crow district, are reported also destroyed. Forest fire fighters succeeded in diverting the fire on Load mountain that threatened Nelson. The Silver King and Athabasca mines are right in the fire belt, but were temporarily saved by the wind veering. These mines are located five miles from Nelson, which is shrouded in semidarkness from the smoke even at midday. Miner Found Dead. Edward Lucas, the missing miner of the Lucky Jim fire district, was found dead today in the mouth of No. 4 shaft, where he retreated from the running fire that swept the town of Whitewater. The mining town of Whitewater is officially known to be completely destroyed, and very little is left of McGulgan. Fire is still raging at Kaslo and an army of fire wardens is resorting to backfiring. At Moyie and vicinity the danger is still imminent, but a large force of fighters has surrounded the town, and if the wind does not increase the outlook is hopeful. W. E. Zwickey, general manager of the Rambler-Cariboo Mining & Lumber company, is leaving for Spokane today, where it is expected a meeting of directors will be held. The loss to the company will reach \$55,000. Both destroyed mining properties in Whitewater and Rambler-Cariboo will be immediately rebuilt. In Green Timber. Kaslo reports that the fires are now spreading into the green timber. This indicates that the fire wardens have been unable to cope with the spread of the flames. Fires continue to destroy timber and other property in various parts of Kootenai though some have been brought under control. The Kalso district is probably the worst sufferers.

UNCLE JOE TAKES A FEW SHOTS AT THE INSURGENTS OF KANSAS

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 20.—Declaring his belief that his campaign in Kansas has assured the re-election of Congressmen Miller, Campbell, Reider, Calderhead and Anthony, all regulars, "Uncle Joe" Cannon arrived in Kansas City today. "I do not want the insurgents shot" said Cannon. "I never said anything like that. This is a campaign of peace, not war. In war the insurgents certainly would be shot, for they're guerrillas, fighting both sides. If these men wanted to change their party affiliations, why didn't they emulate Eugene Foss?" Cannon continued. "There's a man I admire. When he was no longer able to remain a republican he came out like a man, hoisted his colors to the breeze and said: 'Gentlemen, I cannot longer be a republican.' 'I believe in two parties,' said Cannon. 'Hell, we can't all think alike. Ideas and principles are different and this talk about a new party for republicans and democrats makes me tired. 'The insurgents voting against the Payne bill voted in favor of high tariff. God knows—I don't—whether these insurgents were hired by interests, whichever they may be, to oppose the reductions, but to be honest, I don't think they were. If I could get fair treatment from the newspapers, so that my thoughts could reach the voters from an untarnished pencil, there would be a wider appreciation of the situation. But when can a man do when what he says is misrepresented?' 'Uncle o'Je' admitted that he is feeling worse than for years. 'I'm tired out,' he said. 'After a short stay in Danville I'm going to Mackinac to rest.'

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NEGRO TO BE TRIED ROSEBURG

Master Fish Warden Tells of Arrest of Porter Who Hid in Lavatory, Hoping to Get Out of the State Without Detection. GRANTS PASS, July 20.—S. M. Reynolds, the negro Pullman porter who attempted to assault Josephine Moss of this city, will be taken to Roseburg tonight for trial, as the crime is said to have been committed in Douglas county. Reynolds has a wife who lives in Portland. Master Fish Warden Clanton, who spent Wednesday in Medford, tells a graphic story of the arrest of Reynolds in Grants Pass Tuesday. He states that the porter fled through several cars and hid in a lavatory. Clanton and W. B. Sherman of (Continued on Page 5.)