

ARMISTICE IN STRIKE

Team Owners Delay Action Until Teamsters' General Officers Arrive.

GOMPERS ASKS AID FOR STRIKERS

All Union Men in United States Asked to Send in Contributions.

PREDICT SPEEDY END OF STRIKE

Two Thousand Wagons Operated Practically Without Interruption.

EMPLOYERS THREATENED WITH DEATH

Officers of Association Receive Many Letters—Alleged Sloggers Are Placed Under Heavy Bond.

CHICAGO, May 15.—A practical armistice in the teamsters' strike was declared tonight, to last until the officers of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters meet here, either on Wednesday or Thursday of this week.

At a meeting of the 'Teamsters' Joint Council held tonight to reconvene the action of Saturday night, when it was decided to refuse the demand of the Team Owners' association that deliveries be made to houses where strikes exist, the members of the council reaffirmed their stand and declared that they would not accede to the demands of the Team Owners' association. It was known to members of the latter organization that this action would be taken and the proceeding was in fact of a perfunctory character, it having been agreed that the matter should await the arrival of the national officers of the Teamsters' union.

The Lumbermen's association tonight passed a resolution calling on the teamsters to define their position as to what might be expected when the lumber firms of the city called upon them to make deliveries. The association declared that it was in favor of making deliveries irrespective of the strike, and announced that drivers who refused to deliver goods as ordered would be discharged. The lumber concern also represented at the meeting employ 12,000 teamsters and a strike of these would mean great embarrassment to the building operations in the city. It is not expected, however, that the Lumbermen's association will push matters to the point of compelling the national organization of teamsters has handed down its decision. If that body refuses to sanction the delivery to the boycotted firms, the lumbermen will do likewise, with the result of adding to the ranks of the strikers about 9,000 men.

Both Sides Make Claims

As a result of today's developments in the teamsters' strike, the employers predict its speedy end, while the labor leaders assert that the strike will spread and will be aided financially by unions all over the country. An appeal for aid has been sent to the United Brotherhood of the American Federation of Labor, which gives color to the latter conclusion. What the employers take as a sign of the end of the strike was a telegram sent by President Elliott of the Teamsters' union to President Gompers. The message arranged for a meeting of the Executive board of the American Federation of Labor to be held in Chicago near the end of the present week. President Elliott, who represents the members of the Executive board of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters to come to Chicago forthwith. It is expected this body will meet in Chicago on Wednesday or Thursday. These officials have the word in calling or putting an end to a strike of the teamsters' organization. They are the same men who were called to Chicago last year to put an end to the strike of the teamsters at the stock exchange.

More Wagons in Service

The employers today operated 2,000 wagons practically without interference, many of the deliveries in the residence portion of the city being made without police protection. It is asserted that the number of wagons in service today will be increased by 200 tomorrow and that this ratio will be continued until the full number of wagons is in service again.

At 10 o'clock Judge Kohlsaat

will listen to arguments on a motion to dissolve the eight orders of injunction against the strikers secured by the Employers' association and the seven express companies. In connection with these matters the jurisdiction of the federal court in taking up the strike trouble will be attacked by the attorneys for the teamsters.

Employers Threatened

Fully 100 letters threatening death have been received by the half dozen men who have been given wide publicity as managers of the employees' end of the teamsters' strike. Serious consideration is being given the letters since exposures made by a confession of a hired thug that he and others made a business of slugging here at the rate of \$2 per person slugged. Body guards are now attending all the principals on the employers' side of the teamsters' strike and all are accompanied day and night by guards.

Livermen May Be Involved

A meeting of the Joint Livermen's association is called to consider action in relation to a threatened strike of 2,000 cab drivers who refuse to take the passengers to stores under the union ban. The cab drivers' situation is in a balance, as the men say they will not withdraw from the position taken when the ultimatum was delivered.

No Bail for Alleged Sloggers

Charles Casey, business agent of the Carriage and Wagon Makers' union, No. 4, accused today of being an accessory to the murder of Charles Carlstrom, who it is alleged was brutally beaten to death by alleged hired thugs, waived examination to

CROKER'S BODY ON WAY EAST

Brother of Dead New York Man Reaches Kansas City with Remains.

KANSAS CITY, May 15.—Richard Croker, Jr., arrived here today on the way to New York to see about the body of his brother, Herbert V. Croker, who was found dead on a Santa Fe train near Newton, Kan., Friday morning.

Also Favors Legalizing of Pools

He Says Existing Laws Do Not Prevent Discrimination Either Between Commodities or Localities.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—William E. Ripley, professor of economics at Harvard university, was before the senate committee on interstate commerce today. He claimed that under existing laws there was nothing to prevent discrimination between localities and commodities. He favored giving the Interstate Commerce commission power to fix rates.

Armour Man on Stand

George B. Robbins of Chicago, president of the Armour Lumber company, and a director of the Armour company, explained in detail the business of refrigerator cars. He asserted that these cars have not been engaged in interstate commerce. The agitation tending toward the confiscation of private cars had prevented his company from increasing their facilities.

Bowen Answers Loomis

The formal trial of issues between Acting Secretary Loomis and Minister Bowen began today when Mr. Bowen presented himself at the White House. He had sent a card last night to the president and followed it this morning by appearing in person at the White House where he was immediately received by the president who told him that as he had come in answer to his summons, he would be pleased to have the minister call at once upon Secretary Taft.

LIFTS VEIL OF MYSTERY

"Veiled Murderer" Dead in New York Said to Have Been Charlotte Ward.

CHICAGO, May 15.—The veil of mystery which more than half a century hid the identity of the "veiled murderer," who died in prison at Mattewan, N. Y., yesterday, has been lifted by the hand of Mrs. Charlotte P. Norris, 1428 Newport avenue, Chicago. She is the widow of the late Charles P. Norris, who was known as "the veiled murderer" because of his mysterious death in 1854.

MURDERER PLANS AN ESCAPE

Edward Gottschalk Would Have Beaten Jailor and Seized Keys at St. Paul.

ST. PAUL, May 15.—Edward Gottschalk, who pleaded guilty to the murder of Joseph Hartman, his accomplice in the robbery and murder of Christian Schindeldecker on February 18 last, must hang on Tuesday, August 8.

SECRETARY WILSON IN KANSAS

Cabinet Member Visits Experiment Stations and Makes a Number of Speeches.

MANHATTAN, Kan., May 15.—Secretary Wilson and government experts accompanying him on his tour through the south-west spent the entire day in this state, arriving from Texas this morning in a special train on the Rock Island road.

Standard Oil Declares Dividend

NEW YORK, May 15.—The Standard Oil company of New Jersey has declared a dividend for the quarter of 10 cents payable June 15.

RIPLEY ON RATE PROBLEM

Harvard Economist Says Commission Should Fix Freight Tariffs.

BAPTISTS WILL GET TOGETHER

Joint Session of Northern and Southern Conventions Begins in St. Louis Today.

CALIFORNIAN RUNS AMUCK

W. P. Robinson of San Diego Kills Four Persons and Wounds Another.

GRUDGE SUPPOSED TO BE THE CAUSE

After Shooting Two Women and Three Men, Murderer Blows Off the Top of His Own Head.

NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST

Fair on Tuesday and Wednesday; Warmer Wednesday.

RUMORS OF BATTLE

Russian Paper Says Naval Fight is in Progress in Far East.

WAR OFFICE HAS NO INFORMATION

Says Fleets Met May 10 and that Conflict is Expected Soon.

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