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PERSIA REJECTS RUSSIAN DEMAND

ULTIMATUM TURNED DOWN AND RUSSIA RUSHES TROOPS.

A PERSIAN OFFICIAL SAYS

Former Governor of a Province is Assassinated as He Leaves His House in England Urges Persia to Accede to Russian Demands.

Teheran, Dec. 1.—The national council has rejected the Russian ultimatum by a big majority. The foreign minister has resigned.

The vote of the national council on the objection of the ultimatum was cast in an open session. A subsequent secret sitting of the members was practically unanimous.

A cable from British Minister Sir Edward Grey was presented to the assembly during its sitting. The dispatch urgently advised compliance with the Russian demands, but some of the members pointed out that England's advice heretofore only led to Persian humiliation. They believed that Sir Edward Grey had been misinformed, and emphatically asserted that Russian injustice had been intolerable. They thought that resistance on the part of the Persian government to the Russian demands would awaken foreign attention and lead to an impartial inquiry. Compliance, on the other hand would be construed as a sign of abject cowardice and would mean national suicide.

Former Governor Assassinated.

Alla Ed Dowleh, former governor of the province of Fars, was assassinated as he was leaving his residence today. Three men participated in the crime. Speaker after speaker declared that it was impossible for Persia to sign away her own independence. If Russia should wrest it from her that would be God's will.

A deputation of members of the national council waited on W. Morgan Shuster before the vote was taken in the parliamentary session. The American treasurer-general begged them to consult only the interests of their country and not to consider him. The national council registered its refusal to comply with the terms of the Russian ultimatum an hour before the time limit of the ultimatum.

In the meanwhile large silent crowds thronged around the precincts of the parliament house waiting for the verdict of the deputies. The Russian minister here, M. Poklewsky Kozielez, notified the Persian government that the mother Shuah ex-Sultaneh and all her property would henceforward be placed under the protection of Russia in compliance with a request which she had telegraphed to the emperor and empress of Russia.

Washington, Dec. 1.—W. Morgan Shuster, sr., father of the young American treasurer-general of Persia, conferred with the state department officials regarding the position of his son. The officials declined to make any statement as to the nature of the conversation.

Ask Taft to Prevent War.

Washington, Dec. 1.—President was appealed to today by the Persian-American Educational society to use the good offices of the United States government to prevent war between Russia and Persia. The society addressed a letter also to the United States senate and house of representatives and Andrew Carnegie, asking the latter's help as a friend of world peace.

RUSSIA RUSHES TROOPS.

Orders Soldiers to Advance Upon the Capital at Once.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 1.—In consequence of the rejection by the Persian national council of the Russian demands Russia has ordered the Russian troops now concentrated at Rehit, capital of the Persian province of Gilan, sixteen miles from Enzeli, to advance on Teheran.

The Russian ultimatum, to the terms of which the Persian national council has refused to accede, called in the first place for the instant dismissal of W. Morgan Shuster, the American who has for several months occupied the post of Persian treasurer general. A further demand was for a cash indemnity from Persia to cover the cost of the dispatch of Russian troops to that country.

Berlin, Dec. 1.—A telegram to the German cable company from Teheran, Persia, says that a revolver shot was fired this morning at Ala Ed Dowleh, brother of the former Persian minister at Berlin, in front of his residence. He is reported to be dead.

Alla Ed Dowleh has lately been promoting an agreement with the government and the ex-shah, which is reported to be desired by Russia. His brother was involved in the controversy concerning W. Morgan Shuster, the treasurer-general of Persia, whose dismissal has been demanded by Russia. The present crime is a sign of the growing bitterness among the people.

FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY.

Senator Cummins Will Introduce Bill in Congress This Month.

Washington, Dec. 1.—Senator Cummins of Iowa announced today that he would introduce a bill for presidential

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Temperature for Twenty-four Hours. Forecast for Nebraska.

Maximum 56
Minimum 25
Average 40
Barometer 30.02

Chicago, Dec. 1.—The bulletin issued by the Chicago station of the United States weather bureau gives a forecast for Nebraska as follows: Fair tonight and Saturday; somewhat cooler east portion tonight.

carries early in the coming session. bill would direct the holding of any elections in each state, at the election of both parties announce their preferences for tentative candidates. The bill would fix Aug. 1 of next year as the time for the first primaries and if it should prevail nothing would be left to the national conventions except the framing of platforms and arranging the national committees. It would provide for a direct vote for the presidential candidate in each party and also for electors.

DECATUR, NEB., HAS A BAD FIRE

ONLY TWO BUSINESS HOUSES ESCAPE DESTRUCTION IN THE FLAMES.

Sioux City, Ia., Dec. 1.—A fire at Decatur, Neb., forty miles south of here, early this morning wiped out the business portion of the town, causing a loss of \$75,000. Only two business houses escaped destruction.

SOLDIERS TO FT. MEADE

President Taft Redeems Promise Made to South Dakotans.

Washington, Dec. 1.—In redemption of an implied promise made by him to the people of South Dakota on his visit to that state, President Taft today ordered that no less than four companies of infantry be sent to Fort Meade, S. D., for permanent garrison. The organizations have not yet been selected.

STANTON IMPROVES MUNICIPAL PLANT

WILL PURCHASE 100-HORSE POWER NEW STEAM ENGINE.

Stanton, Neb., Dec. 1.—Special to The News: For the past six months this city has experienced more or less trouble with the Fairbanks, Morse & Co. gas producer engine which was installed here some time ago to be used to run the water and electric light plants belonging to the city. This created considerable discussion on the subject of municipal ownership of public utilities.

At the last session of the mayor and council of this city the matter was fully gone over and decided action was unanimously taken. The board will purchase and install a 100-horsepower steam engine with 275 revolutions, to be connected with the generator now in use. This engine will be of the automatic type. The gas producer engine will be connected up with a 45-kilowatt generator which the city owns and has on hand. It will be arranged so that the water supplying the city water plant can be pumped with either engine. Thus Stanton will have what is known as the double unit system for both water and lights.

There is sufficient cash in treasury and in sight to justify the board in proceeding to carry out this plan at once. They will erect a brick addition to the present power house, 29x40 in length, to provide necessary room for the new engine and machinery. Work will start just as soon as plans can be prepared. The cost is estimated at about \$4,000.

BRIDE AND GROOM IN JAIL

Drinking Freely in Response to Toasts, They End in Fist Fight.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 1.—What was to have been the public wedding last night of David Cunningham of Topeka, Kan., and Bertha Fowler, of Joplin, Mo., as an added attraction of a show which is being given here, was called off when the managers discovered the bride and groom to be occupying cells at police headquarters. Friends of the couple surprised them yesterday afternoon with a spread and induced both honor guests to drink freely in response to toasts. The bride then decided she did not want to get married. The groom insisted and the woman knocked him unconscious with a pitcher. When he recovered Cunningham attacked Miss Fowler and beat her with his fists. Then the police stepped in and arrested both.

Governors at Cleveland.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 1.—The western governor's special, having on board the executives of eight western states, arrived here at 8:30 a. m. today. The governors were met by a chamber of commerce committee headed by former Gov. Myron T. Herrick and taken to the Cleveland Athletic club, where headquarters were established.

NEW SENSATION IN TIMES CASE

STATE ASKS THAT COURT HALT TILL 2 P. M.

RUMOR SAYS A JUROR "FIXED"

Stories Fly Thick and Fast that the Prosecution Has Evidence that One Juror in the McNamara Case Has Already Been Tampered With.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 1.—At the opening of court in the McNamara case today District Attorney Fredricks asked for a continuance until 2 p. m. He did not state the reason, holding to the comment that he had never asked a continuance before. The request was granted.

Rumors fell thick and fast that the district attorney's office was investigating a reported charge that one of the sworn jurors had been tampered with before entering the box. It was said that a re-examination of the men in the box would be asked for by the prosecution. This theory gained wide credence and Chief Detective Samuel L. Brown admitted that such a thing was not impossible at this time.

A NEAR-ASSASSIN GETS SEVEN YEARS

MAN WHO FIRED SHOTS AT AUSTRIAN MINISTER OF JUSTICE SENTENCED.

Vienna, Dec. 1.—Njegus, the Dalmatian, who fired four shots at Herr Hochenburger, minister of justice, during the session of the Austrian reichsrath on Oct. 5, was sentenced today to seven years at hard labor. The trial lasted two days.

Njegus had gained admission to the public gallery of the lower house of the reichsrath on Oct. 5, during a debate on the severity of the sentences imposed on rioters who had protested against the high cost of food. He fired deliberately at the ministerial bench where Herr Hochenburger and Count Sturski were seated, but the bullets did not strike anyone.

CHINESE PIRATES CREATING TERROR

REIGN OF TERROR ON RIVER NOW CHECKED, ON SHORE THERE IS CHAOS.

Hong Kong, Dec. 1.—Although the reign of piracy on the river has been checked by the vigilance of the guards on board the river steamers, the situation on the shore is utterly chaotic. At towns and settlements along the river the most deplorable outrages are occurring. Even in Canton the military regime has proved itself wholly inefficient. For several days armed bands of robbers and hoodlums have gone abroad looting shops and houses. Today five ruffians, bristling with revolvers, walked boldly into a bank in a southern suburb and got away with \$5,000 in cash. About the same time a band of armed natives burst into the open market and boldly plundered two prominent shops before the eyes of hundreds of panic-stricken onlookers. They secured several hundred dollars in money and then walked off. The local police, disarmed, watched the spectacle helplessly.

Street fighting goes on continuously in all parts of Canton, and those killed or injured include many innocent bystanders. The Hong Kong government has adopted the sternest measures to repress all outbreaks of rioting here. One unusual piece of legislation adopted at the request of the police permits the flogging of prisoners for minor offenses against the peace. There have been no developments of importance on the river. The steamers all proceed under guard and keep a constant watch against attack by pirates.

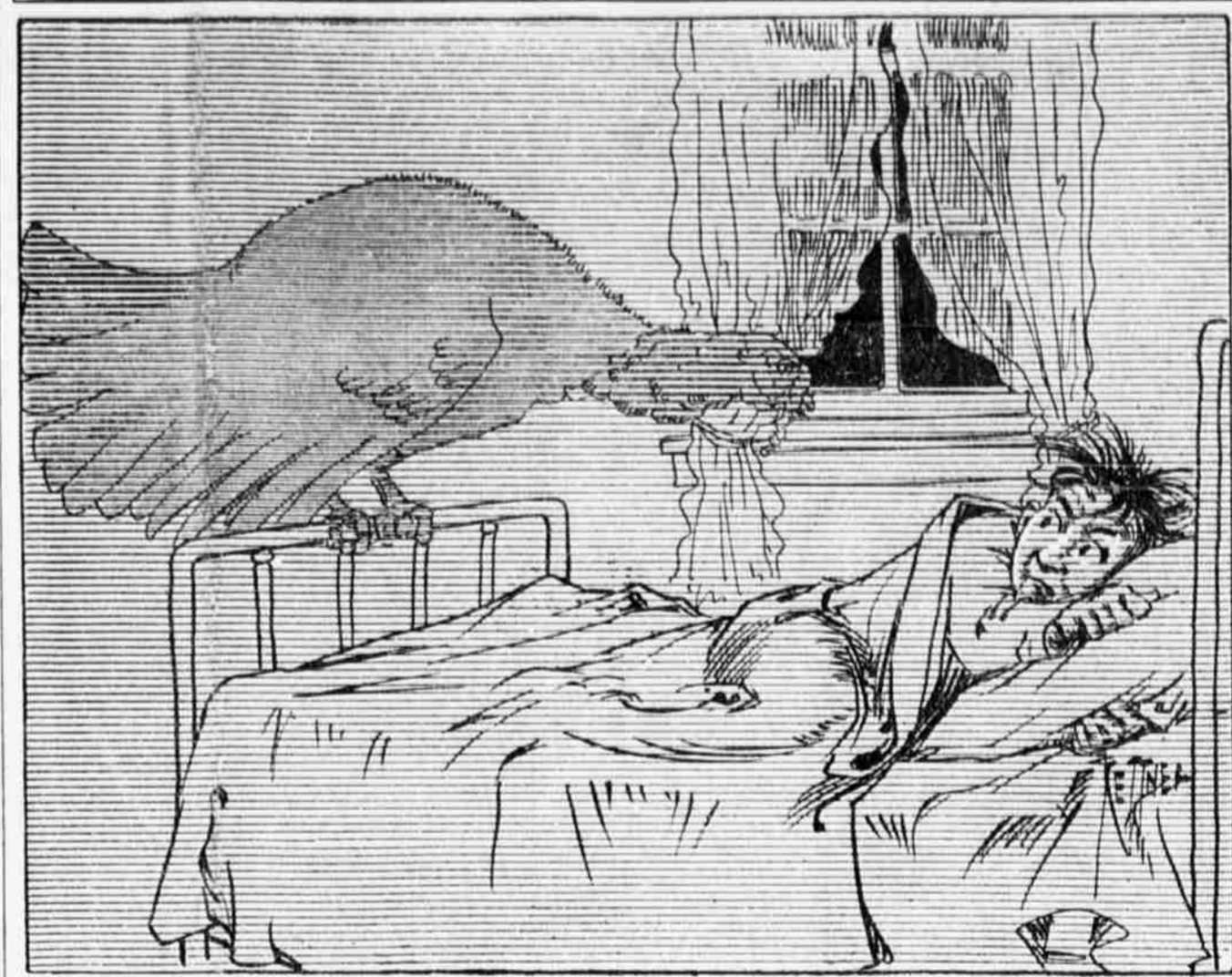
Interstate Bowling Tourney.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 1.—Several teams from Nebraska, Illinois, Minnesota and Missouri were expected to arrive here today to take part in the middle west bowling tournament which opens tomorrow and will continue nine days. Nearly 100 teams have already been entered in the tourney, and George Strotz, president of the bowling association, stated today that several other teams probably will be entered before the opening of the event tomorrow afternoon. The St. Louis special car tonight or early tomorrow and is scheduled to open the tournament with a five-man event. Chicago will be represented in the tourney by several teams which are expected to arrive early tomorrow.

Neligh, N. O. F. Election.

Neligh, Neb., Dec. 1.—Special to The News: The annual election of officers of Neligh lodge No. 72, I. O. F. was held Wednesday evening in their hall and elected the following members for the ensuing year: A. E. Malzacher, N. G.; Ernest Morgan, V. G.; Howard Johnson, secretary; R. S. Payne, treasurer. Trustees—S. D. Thornton, Jr., Henry Reutzel, G. A. Sellery.

TOO MUCH TURKEY



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A WIRE TAPS THE JAIL CELL

WALLS OF LOS ANGELES JAIL HAVE AT LEAST ONE EAR.

PRIVATE TALKS ARE SECURED

Confidential Interviews Between Prisoner and His Close Relatives or Others, Are Transmitted to Room Above Jail, and Transcribed.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 1.—A bit of twisted wire, dangling slantwise from an upper window, led to an investigation by counsel defending James B. McNamara, which convinced them that the walls of the Los Angeles county jail have ears, or, anyway, one ear, which has heard many confidential speeches. The wire runs from a window in an unoccupied room of the third floor of the jail through to another unoccupied room on the second floor.

Visitors entertained by Ortle E. E. McManigal, who is perhaps the state's mainstay, in an attempt to show that McNamara caused the death of Chas. J. Haggerty by blowing up the Los Angeles Times building, saw him in the upper room. A detective and perhaps a stenographer were in the lower one, but for all practical purposes the wire transferred them into the very presence of persons who talked to McNamara while the grand jury was in session. This is the declaration of the defense, which, to be sure, has not much documentary evidence except a picture of the dangling wire, but it also is virtually conceded by the state. "I should not wonder a bit if you're right," said District Attorney Fredericks, who asked if a discophone had been used in this manner.

"There should be nothing unusual about that. Ever see one? There's just a round disc attached to the window shade or against the pane, or anywhere—no one would notice it—and the wire leading to some other place. It's interesting."

What this device has meant to the state was manifest upon the selection of the names of those who visited McNamagil. It includes Mrs. McNamagil who, according to her husband, coerced him by threats of separation into writing a note asking Clarence Darrow, chief of counsel for the defense, for an interview, and that this asking for this interview was transacted on the floor below almost before Mrs. McNamagil was out of the jail. McNamagil a short time later repudiated the request.

It was when McNamagil's uncle, a railroad engineer, visited him, however, that the defense had its first inkling upon what had been arranged by the state. The uncle was taken before the grand jury and emerged the most astonished man in town. "They asked about things I said to Ortle that I never spoke before in my life," declared to his friends. "Things that I said in that room and nowhere else."

How much more evidence the state gathered in this manner its counsel will not say.

CHARLES S. FRANCIS IS DEAD.

Editor of Troy Times, Former Ambassador to Austria-Hungary.

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 1.—Charles S. Francis, proprietor of the Troy Times and late ambassador to Austria-Hungary, died early today. Charles Spengler, secretary, and Ernest Spengler, treasurer, were equally well known as a diplomat, a newspaper man and an athlete. His diplomatic experience began

BODIES WASH IN TO SHORE

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Four Bodies Are Washed Up on the Beach, and the Body of the Fifth is Reported to Have Been Found Below Buffalo—Storm Still Raging.

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A GIFT FOR THE JANITOR.

Neligh High School Pupils Take Graybiel By Surprise.

Neligh, Neb., Dec. 1.—Special to The News: The pupils of the high school of this city accomplished a surprise upon D. Graybiel Wednesday morning when he entered upon his duties as janitor, being his twentieth year of service for school district No. 9. He was presented with a fur coat, cap and mittens. Mr. Graybiel was so completely impressed with the gift from the students that it was some time before he could recover himself sufficient to extend his sincere thanks.

A large number of young people in Neligh who attended the city schools years ago have a warm spot in their hearts for the janitor, who was at all times accommodating and helpful during their school life. He is the same in this respect today that he was twenty years ago.

WANTS MONEY BACK.

Burned Up \$1,000 Bill While Lighting Cigarette.

San Francisco, Nov. 29.—Signard Hartig, a real estate dealer, formerly of Cincinnati, accidentally lit a cigarette with a \$1,000 bill. He intended to burn only the end of a bit of yellow paper protruding from the end of the bill for the edification of his friends. Samuel Haller, another friend, joined the group just as Hartig lit the cigarette.

"Give me a light, Sig," said Haller, seizing the bill. Before Hartig could recover the bill it was in flames.

The two men quarreled and were separated by a detective, who reported the incident to the police. A small corner of the bill and a few ashes were recovered and will be sent to the treasury department at Washington by Hartig in an attempt to have the loss made good.

STOKES IS STILL ILL.

Unable to Resume the Witness Stand Against Two Show Girls.

New York, Dec. 1.—Although not seriously ill, W. E. D. Stokes was still suffering this morning from an attack of acute indigestion which came on yesterday and it was said at his apartments that he would not be able to appear in court today to resume the witness stand at the trial of Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad, the show girls who are charged with trying to murder him.

CRIME WAVE IN CHICAGO

40 BURGLARIES, 20 HOLDUPS ON THANKSGIVING DAY.

CROOKS ALL OVER THE CITY

Hardly a Precinct Fails to Report Lawlessness During the Holiday—The Wave of Crime There Reaches Its Highest Proportions.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Forty burglaries, more than a score of highway robberies and several pickpocket thefts reported to the police Thanksgiving night brought the crime to its highest proportions. In only a few of these cases have arrests been made.

The thieves worked with apparent immunity in all parts of the city, scarcely a precinct being without reports of at least one robbery. The greatest number came from the south side residence district and the downtown stations this year has run far larger than for last year. Each year residents have become accustomed to a marked increase in crime, as the cold weather starts and the criminal classes who have spent the summer on the road return here for the winter. This year, however, many police, commanding officers and patrolmen have been occupied preparing defense against civil service commission, and the crime records have grown steadily.

JURY BRIBE CHARGE GROWS IN INTEREST

IT IS SAID THERE WILL BE FURTHER ARRESTS—FRANKLIN PROTESTS.

Los Angeles, Dec. 1.—Further activity by District Attorney John D. Fredricks and his staff was looked for today in probing the alleged attempt of Bert H. Franklin, employed by the McNamara defense to bribe a prospective juror. More arrests have been persistently hinted at ever since Franklin was apprehended and released on \$10,000 bail on Tuesday. His hearing is scheduled for next Monday.

The resumption of proceedings in the case of James E. McNamara before Judge Walter Bordwell, where eight sworn jurors and two talesmen passed for cause occupied the jury box with a twelfth venire of fifty on hand, fell behind the Franklin incident in interest early today. That the incident has not yet been fully probed is the contention of Franklin, who claims he was the victim of a political "frame-up" and has declared openly that the district attorney's office acted improperly in connection with information that came to him. He says he is convinced that further investigation by the state will show him to be innocent of the charge. Franklin will be arraigned for preliminary examination on Monday, the day before the local municipal election. Franklin has been chief detective for the McNamara defense, among whose counsel is Job Harriman, socialist and one of the two candidates for that office.

IMMIGRATION FALLING OFF

New York, Dec. 1.—Herbert Francis Sherwood, in discussing the ebb and flow of immigration in the Review of Reviews for December, says that little attention has been given to the fact that in the course of the year which is just closing a marked change occurred in the movement to this country.

"Between Jan. 1 and Sept. 30, 1911," he said, "459,670 persons landed on our shores from the third-class cabins of the trans-Atlantic liners. While some ardent restrictionists assert that this total was large enough, yet it was less than two-thirds the number that came to us in the same class in the course of the corresponding period of last year. The exact falling off was 278,424, or 38.18 percent.

"Perhaps a knowledge of the fact that a number of those who sailed eastward in the steamer in the case of the nine months which closed on Sept. 29, was 399,940, or 65.55 percent of those who entered, and an increase over the number who went to Europe last year of 45.47 percent, will cause our restrictionist friend to go to the length of throwing up his hat in his enthusiasm."

"The immigration to the Dominion of Canada for the first nine months of this year, in contrast to that of this country, was greater than for the corresponding period of last year, but the ebb was only 18.12 percent of the flow. This, it will be recalled, is about 12 percent below the average for the United States. It, however, was 6 percent higher than that for the corresponding period of 1910.

"Only recently has the ebb and flow of immigration been accepted as a register of the condition of the labor market in the United States, or has it been recognized as obedient to the law of supply and demand. We now realize that this country has tapped a supply of labor which is sufficiently automatic in the expansion and contraction of its current to meet the needs of a land subject to such fluctuating requirements as our own."

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OIL TRUST BEGINS ITS NEW EXISTENCE

THE THIRTY-THREE SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES START IN LIFE.

New York, Dec. 1.—The thirty-three subsidiary companies into which the Standard Oil company divided after the supreme court decision on its dissolution, began their separate individual existence today. Some 299,000 stock certificates containing proportional shares in these companies were mailed to the 6,000 odd stockholders of the old Standard Oil company of New Jersey.

No provision has been made for the elimination of the fractional shares now distributed. The usual Wall street practice of having fractional shares listed on the stock exchange, dealt in until they become consolidated into full shares, is not possible in this case because at present the oil shares in general cannot be listed. The brokers said, however, that some plan would undoubtedly be worked out.

50,000 WORKMEN AFFECTED

Lockout in Metal Trade in Berlin Brings Grief to Many.

Berlin, Dec. 1.—The lockout of the metal workers, which went into effect last night, has already affected 50,000 to 60,000 men. Representatives of the men who had refused to accept the agreement drawn up by a joint committee of employers and trade unionists met again today with the delegates of the employers to endeavor to reach a settlement which is earnestly desired by both sides. All the workmen have plenty of orders in hand, while the approach of Christmas and the expenses of living affect the workmen very seriously. Many of the establishments concerned compete in the American machine tool trade.

A conference also was held today of the employers in the cloak and suit-making and children's clothing trades in Berlin, who met the representatives of the 50,000 female home workers and 3,000 tailor intermediaries who have been on strike since Nov. 23. It is stated that there is a prospect of settling the matter.