

MORE MILLS WILL RUN

Changes in Their Condition Promised by the Corporation Officials.

HAVE MEN TO INCREASE FORCE

Plants on Single Turn Will Soon Be Working With Three—Plenty of Skilled Mechanics—Extensive Improvements at the Star.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 26.—Some remarkable changes in the condition of the strike-ridden mills of the United States Steel corporation are promised for the present week that will change the aspect of affairs considerably if carried out. It was stated on good authority today that before the end of the week those of the plants that have been operating on single turn will be run with full force and for the usual three full turns each day. Men enough have been secured for this purpose, the officials say, in spite of the claims of the strikers that the companies could not get enough men to operate their plants, and the managers of the mills say they will be ready with all the skilled men required to start up the machinery and turn out a heavy tonnage.

The most interesting situation is in the Star mill of the American tin plate plant here. This plant was until this summer considered as doomed. The tin plate company had, it is said, decided to abandon the mill and move the machinery elsewhere. Since the strike has come on them and it was demonstrated that the operation of the mill with non-union men was possible under the protection of a well equipped police force, the officials decided to keep this mill, make extensive improvements in its equipment and make it a permanent fixture of the company. The most significant feature of this plan has been carried out during the past week. That consists of fitting the mill in the same manner as that of the Monessen (Pa.) plant. The former eight mills have been changed to four double mills. Other improvements have been added that will give the plant a larger capacity, increase its force of men and make it one of the most modern of all the tin plants in the country.

With the completion of these improvements, the company will be prepared to place a sufficient number of men in the plant to work the four double mills three full turns. This is said to be expected to take place during the present week. Before Saturday, according to Superintendent Piper of the Star mills, the plant will be operated to its full extent.

Referring to the present condition of the mills, Mr. Piper said: "We received eight skilled men early this morning. J. R. Phillips of the company accompanied the men to the mill and it was not until after they were in and comfortably settled for the night that the strikers discovered their presence. Those men are of the best in the trade and will enable us to move the plant on a better basis than before."

Outside the Star plant today a large number of strikers were on picket duty. They were quiet and orderly, but had their eyes and ears open for any signs of newcomers. The peculiar feature of the strike about the Star plant is the good feeling displayed between the strikers and the manager of the plant. When Superintendent Piper left the building early this morning he met the strikers and laughed good naturedly to them. He said to the anxious pickets: "I had more fun in getting those last men into the plant than at a game of checkers."

Close the Country Stores.

CAPETOWN, Aug. 26.—A fresh order proclaiming martial law has been issued providing for the closing of all the country stores in the Queenstown district, requiring that all things likely to be useful to the enemy shall be taken to certain specified towns and forbidding country residents to have in their possession more than a week's provisions.

Prince Chuan in Europe.

BERLIN, Aug. 26.—Prince Chuan, brother of the emperor of China, and the members of the Chinese mission now on the way to Berlin to apologize for the murder of Baron von Ketteler, German minister in Peking, have arrived at Basel, Switzerland.

When Will You See Him?

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, Aug. 26.—(Via Galveston, Tex.)—Henry L. Wilson, United States minister to Chile, formally denied the report that he would soon retire.

Do They Will Start a Paper?

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 26.—Columbus Typographical union at a meeting yesterday approved the action of the local union printers, pressmen and compositors in getting their place of work a lockout of the establishment. The announcement of the union was published in the Columbus Daily News.

TOO FEW SOLDIERS IN MANILA.

Force to Be Increased by Four Companies of Infantry.

MANILA, Aug. 26.—In the city of Manila there are now less than 1,000 effective soldiers and it has been decided to increase this number by four companies of infantry. The official reason for the increase is that the guard duty is too heavy for the present force. As a matter of fact, however, there is a feeling that although there is no apparent prospect of trouble, nevertheless in the event of an uprising in the future, such as is always possible among the Malays, it would be better to have a sufficient body of troops available.

General Chaffee says he considers the city of Manila to be perfectly orderly and he can see no prospect of an uprising. Commissioner Wright thinks the people "extremely peaceable." He is satisfied that, although among a certain class there is some discontent on account of the land tax, which is not yet understood, this class is not likely to foment trouble.

Many army officers say they are gratified at the increase in the military force. They think that with the military guard withdrawn from the prison another uprising there might result in the release of about 1,800 prisoners. This possibility is regarded as a menace to the city by those who take that view of the case, as they regard the white guard as insufficient.

WILL NOT HURT AMERICANS.

Cuban Cigar Trade Said to Be Unimportant in Size.

HAYANA, Aug. 26.—Gustav Beck, in the course of a report to the cigar manufacturers' union regarding the outlook of the cigar and tobacco industry, expresses the opinion that there is no danger to be apprehended from American competition so far as Cuban cigars are concerned. He takes the ground that, even if Cuba sent all her cigars to the United States and produced 20,000,000 last year, this could not seriously affect the American producers and manufacturers, who sold 5,500,000,000 cigars in the United States. Even if Cuba were to more than double her present output and to send all to the United States this would not change the situation.

Mr. Beck points out also that the tobacco soil in Cuba is limited and that the American grower has the advantage of the Cuban grower in view of the fact that the cost of his production of tobacco is greater in Cuba than in the United States.

CUTS TO MOVE THE WHEAT.

Seven-Cent Rate to Chicago on Carloads From Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 26.—The commercial agent of the Santa Fe railroad today announced to the Kansas City Board of Trade that his road would carry all wheat on which disposition orders were received before evening from here to Chicago for 7 cents per 100 pounds.

The object of the Santa Fe in cutting the rate is to secure the disposition of loaded cars in the local yards. There were 100 loaded cars of wheat in the Santa Fe yards today. Disposition orders were received for the majority of them before evening. The commercial agent said that the receipts of wheat tonight would decide whether or not the 7-cent rate would be effective tomorrow. It is possible that the Santa Fe will continue to make this rate openly while shipments continue heavy. The present is a cut of 3 cents under the agreed rate of 10 cents.

ARMOUR ON HIS WAY HOME.

Heck Has Leave Chicago for Kansas City.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—Kirk B. Armour, head of the extensive Armour enterprises in Kansas City, and who was recently stricken with a critical illness at Watkins Glen, N. Y., passed through Chicago, en route to his Kansas City home. He was in a private car and was attended by Dr. Griffith of Kansas City and trained nurses. To those who made inquiry while the car was in the railroad yards here as to his patient's condition, Dr. Griffith stated that Mr. Armour was resting comfortably.

The party arrived in Chicago over the Lake Shore road at 4 p. m., and went out over the Santa Fe road at 6 o'clock.

Can't Be to Visit Germany.

BERLIN, Aug. 26.—It is semi-officially announced that the czar, in an autograph letter, definitely accepted Emperor William's invitation to attend the naval maneuvers at Danzig.

Chinamen Line Would Build.

TOPEKA, Kas., Aug. 26.—The Choctaw Northern Railway company of Geary, O. T., has applied to the Kansas charter board for permission to build and operate a line of railroad in this state. The company has a capital of \$1,000,000. It will build north from Geary, Maine county, and connect with the Santa Fe in Woodward or Woods county, and from there to some town along the southern line of Kansas.

SHOW STRIKE STATUS

Reports from Steel Plants Indicate Strength of Contending Forces.

CHANGE WITHIN WEEK PROMISED.

Amalgamated Official Says Final Outcome Will Be Hastened—Conference to Start Things—It Hinges on the Unexplained Project.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 26.—A summary of the steel strike situation last night shows about the following condition: This city: Star Mill—Two mills running; strikers say five more men left the plant and joined their ranks, but management positively denies statement.

Painter Mill—Four mills running. Fire lighted in the bar mill furnaces, but failed to start as expected.

Pennsylvania Tube Works—Mill idle; machinists say they will quit tonight.

All Carnegie mills running full.

McKeesport—Delmar plant idle and no attempt will be made to start it before next week. Everything else closed.

Irondale—Mill running with same force as yesterday; making two turns and assurance from the manager that more men will be added to morrow.

Wellsville—Situation unchanged; twelve mills running.

Lisbon—Fires started in tin plate plant. Manager Evans says everything ready to start, with plenty of men. Strikers voted today to remain out and the mill is strongly picketed.

Wheeling—Everything tied up and no apparent indications of an attempt to start any of the mills.

Bellaire—The National Steel company's idle plant will, it is said, be started early next week by a full force of men.

No late advices have been received by the Amalgamated officials from either Bay View or Joliet and the situation at those points is considered by them to be unchanged.

The conference of the labor leaders at the offices of the Amalgamated association was the leading feature today. The officials of the organization all seemed pleased with the way things were moving and one of them said: "In another six days you will see a decided change in the strike that will tell with effect on the trust and aid in hurrying the final outcome of the strike." Just what this change is to be was not said, but it was inferred that the coming event hinged upon the conference that was taking place.

Two sessions were held by the conferees behind closed doors.

After the adjournment of the first session, none of the participants would give out any information of the proceedings further than to say that the leaders had been called together for the purpose of having the situation thoroughly explained to them and to have some action taken looking to the aid of the strikers, morally and financially, by all of the organizations represented.

SCHWAB PAYS FOUR MILLIONS.

Reported to Have Decided to Grasp the Bethlehem Steel.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 26.—A check for \$4,000,000 is said to have been received by the Girard Trust company to be paid stockholders of the Bethlehem Steel company, on account of the controlling interest in the company on which Charles M. Schwab holds an option. The Girard Trust company is acting as a depository for the stock. Officials of the company decline to furnish any information concerning the reported receipt of the \$4,000,000.

At a recent meeting of the stockholders of the Bethlehem Steel company it was agreed to sell to Mr. Schwab at the rate of \$24 a share and he was given an option until August 26. The total amount of money involved in the sale is said to be \$17,000,000. The regular monthly meeting of the directors of the company will be held Tuesday and it is reported that Vice President McIlvaine will be elected president.

Russian Troops Mobilizing.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 26.—A dispatch to the Petit Bleu from Vienna says: According to advices from Galatz, twenty Russian torpedo boats and several dispatch boats have arrived at the Danube delta and Russian troops are commencing to mobilize along the Turkish frontier.

Sovereigns Dine Together.

WILHELMSHORE, Prussia, Aug. 26.—King Edward arrived here at lunch time and was met at the railroad station by Emperor William, in the uniform of a British admiral, and the officers of the headquarters staff. The king of England wore the uniform of the Dragon guards. After cordial greetings the sovereigns entered an open carriage drawn by four hand-some horses and were driven to the castle, where they had luncheon.

NEW TOWN IS LAIN WASTE.

Fierce Wind Storm Demolishes Houses and Tents in Anadarko.

EL RENO, Okl., Aug. 23.—A wind and rain storm amounting almost to a tornado nearly demolished the new town of Anadarko. W. P. Levis of Weatherford, Tex., and John Antoine of Paris, Tex., and Dr. Mayse of Wichita, Kan., were killed by falling buildings and a number of others were injured, while about twenty buildings were almost completely wrecked and hundreds of tents and great quantities of merchandise were strewn over the prairie. The town people are busy this morning and soon the wreckage will be cleared away and buildings replaced. The damage will amount to several thousands of dollars, but cannot be estimated accurately at this time.

Known injured: Sam P. Nelson, Kansas City, may not recover.

Dan Warren, Story county, internal, but not serious.

Several others were reported injured, but it is believed none will die.

The storm struck at about 8 o'clock and came up without warning. John Antoine was killed in the lodging tent and grocery store of his sons, located just west of the postoffice. The post-office building, a rudely constructed affair, collapsed and fell over the tent. Antoine's three sons succeeded in getting out, but their father was caught by a large timber and crushed to death.

W. P. Levis was killed in a tent by the side of a saloon building being erected on the corner of Tenth and C streets. He leaves a wife and three children. He was a painter, Dr. Mayse of Wichita was killed in his tent by an unfinished house blowing down on him. Dan Warren, a young man, was injured while standing in a tent near Levis' place, being knocked from his cot by a timber.

RESENTS ARMED INTERVENTION.

President of Ecuador Warns Nations to Keep Hands Off.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—The following dispatch, addressed to the Associated Press, has been received from General Alvaro Alfaro, president of Ecuador:

QUITO, Ecuador, Aug. 21.—War between Colombia and Venezuela is improbable. The union of the conservatives in both republics with a view of exercising absolute control has led to conflicts of a transitory character. The president strongly condemns any armed intervention in the internal affairs of the republics. ALFARO.

Protocol Still Unsigned.

PEKIN, Aug. 23.—The Chinese peace commissioners have not signed the settlement protocol. Prince Ching, president of the foreign office, telegraphed to the emperor requesting an edict empowering him to sign, but no reply was received. He telegraphed again today in stronger terms. Hung Chang has had a serious attack of sickness, the result of over-exertion in connection with the conferences. He is better today.

Young Train Wrecker's End.

JANESVILLE, Wis., Aug. 23.—William Kinney, the 11-year-old son of a railroad watchman, was sentenced today to the Industrial School for Boys at Waukesha for wrecking a train on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul road. Young Kinney, who had previously ditched a train by throwing a switch, loosened the brakes on some freight cars, which, running down a steep grade, crashed into a freight train, causing a serious wreck.

President Sees Another Exp.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 23.—It was announced this evening that President McKinley, accompanied by Mrs. McKinley, Dr. and Mrs. Rixey and other members of his household, will arrive in Buffalo on the evening of September 4. They will be entertained at the home John G. Milburn, president of the exposition company.

Spain's Prince Promoted.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 23.—It is stated positively by the Examiner that by the end of the present year the Santa Fe company will abandon its trans-Pacific steamship line from San Diego and will establish an oriental service from this port, with connections for Central and South America.

News Vienna's Body.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 22.—The body of Senor Vicuna, late Chilean minister, left for Washington tonight in a special car over the Pennsylvania railroad.

Shuts Out Women Lawyers.

DENVER, Aug. 23.—The general council of the American Bar association has decided that women are not eligible for membership in the association under the present constitution. This decision was reached in the case of Mrs. Jesse B. Ott of Dyeraville, Ia., who had applied for membership. The council was almost evenly divided on the question. It was finally decided to let the matter go over for a year and then take the question up again.

A SCARCITY OF WOMEN

Male Sex Predominates in Nebraska and Neighboring States.

MALES MORE PER CENT ARE WHITE

The State of Missouri is Largely Sprinkled With Negroes—While the Chinese and Japanese Make a Showing Nearer the Coast.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—The census bureau today issued a bulletin giving the population by sex, nativity and color for Group 6, consisting of the states of Nebraska, Missouri, Montana, Nevada and New Hampshire.

According to this statement the males predominate in all the states except New Hampshire. In the latter state there are 206,209 females against 205,588 males, the percentage being 50.1 females. In Missouri 51.4 per cent of the population is composed of females; in Nebraska, 52.9 per cent; Nevada, 60.5 per cent, and in Montana, 61.6 per cent.

The percentage of foreign-born population in each of the states mentioned is as follows: Nebraska, 16.6; Missouri, 17; Montana, 27.6; Nevada, 23.8; New Hampshire, 21.4.

As to color, over 99 per cent of the population, both in Nebraska and New Hampshire, are white, while in Missouri 94 per cent, Montana 93 and in Nevada 93.6 per cent are white. In the last named state there is a considerable proportion of colored, comprised mainly of Indians and Chinese. In Montana the colored are comprised largely of Indians, Chinese and Japanese, while in Missouri the colored element is practically all of negro descent.

In Missouri there are 151,234 negroes, 449 Chinese and Japanese and 130 Indians; in Montana, 1,523 negroes, 1,739 Chinese, 2,441 Japanese and 11,343 Indians; in Nebraska, 6,269 negroes, 180 Chinese, 3 Japanese and 3,322 Indians; in Nevada, 439 negroes, 1,352 Chinese, 228 Japanese and 926 Indians; in New Hampshire, 662 negroes, 112 Chinese, 1 Japanese and 22 Indians.

KILLED BY FOOTPADS.

John J. Gillman, Formerly of Nebraska Legislature, Shot Dead in Lincoln.

LINCOLN, Aug. 27.—John J. Gillman, ex-representative to the Nebraska legislature, was found murdered on the street at 10:30 o'clock last night. The body was discovered lying across the curbstone at Seventeenth and G streets by Walter L. Anderson, an attorney, who happened to be passing that way. Three shots were heard a short time before and two men were seen running east from the vicinity. Copies of magazines carried by Mr. Gillman were strewn along the sidewalk, his shirt front was torn down the right side and a bullet wound near the collarbone and two others in the breast completed the story of the tragedy.

The sound of fleeing feet and a cry from a pedestrian for the fugitives to halt followed quickly after the shooting. All his valuables were still on the person of the dead man, showing that the murderers did not have time to complete the work of rifling his pockets.

Sheriff Branson, acting in the absence of Coroner F. A. Graham, took charge of the body.

Any one of the three wounds in the breast would have been fatal.

Schley Clears His Shirt.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Captain Thomas F. Schley, twenty-third infantry, has made an official reply to the War department regarding the alleged interview credited to him in the matter of the Schley court of inquiry. Captain Schley says that he has had no interview and has talked with no person for publication whatever. He also says that some remarks made by him in a private conversation were picked up, distorted and extended.

Archbishop Keen Returns.

DUBUQUE, Ia., Aug. 23.—Late advices from Archbishop Keane are that his home-coming will be delayed a month or more. He is slightly indisposed in Germany and he has been advised by his physicians not to come until after the hot season. The archbishop's indisposition is not serious and there is no ground for alarm.

Crocker to Sail August 24.

LONDON, Aug. 23.—Friends of Richard Crocker, who saw him today, assert that he intends to sail for New York August 24.

World-Wide Copper Combine.

DENVER, Aug. 23.—The News says: Mining men of the city accept as true the reports that a world-wide copper combine has been formed and competition in buying copper will no longer be known. The combine is said to have been effected between the Amalgamated, Calumet & Hecla, Senator Clark and the Rothschilds. Papers have been signed covering a long term of years. The financial management will be in New York.

THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations From South Omaha and Kansas City.

SOUTH OMAHA. Cattle—Receipts were rather moderate and as a rule the quality was nothing extra, only a limited number of beef cattle, either native or western, being on sale. There was a slightly better demand for beef stock this morning and buyers were out early with fair orders to fill. The market was active from the start and decent grades sold freely at stronger prices. Short-fed stock and thin westerns sold at steady prices. The market for cows and heifers was also stronger, with the number on sale scarcely up to the demand. Canning grades, bulls, veals, stags and rough stock were picked up at fully steady figures. About a dozen loads of stockers and feeders were received. The market continues to improve and prices today were strong to 50c higher on handy feeders and good stockers. Active trading soon cleared the yards of all on sale.

Hogs—The sharp decline in prices the fore part of the week tended to cut off supplies, and receipts were considerably below the normal. Besides the regular local demand several shipping orders showed up and as a result of increased competition a lively market followed. Early bids from most of the buyers were not so much higher, but they quickly raised prices and first trading was generally 50c higher. Under active competition prices strengthened rapidly and closing figures were fully a dime higher than yesterday, the bulk selling at \$5.85-5.90, against \$5.75-5.82 1/2 yesterday.

Sheep—Receipts while fair were not excessive and there was nothing very choice on sale. Prices on fair to good mutton sheep were notably steady to strong and a fair clearance was effected. The more common mutton sheep sold from steady to weak. Supplies of lambs were not excessive and mutton grades were picked up in good season, the market showing more firmness than yesterday. Stock sheep have been scarce this week.

KANSAS CITY.

Cattle—Native beef steers, steady to 10c higher; other cattle, steady; choice export and dressed beef, \$5.95-6.00; fair to good, \$4.50-4.75; stockers and feeders, \$3.00-3.25; western fed steers, \$4.25-4.50; western range steers, \$3.50-4.00; Texans and Indians, \$2.75-3.00; Texas cows, \$2.00-2.50; native cows, \$2.00-2.50; heifers, \$2.00-2.50; calves, \$1.50-2.00; bulls, \$2.50-3.00.

Hogs—Market closed the higher; top, \$6.25; bulk of sales, \$5.50-6.00; heavy, \$6.10-6.25; mixed packers, \$5.50-6.00; light, \$5.00-5.50; pigs, \$4.00-5.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Market steady; lambs, \$4.00-5.00; native wethers, \$2.00-2.50; western wethers, \$2.00-2.50; mixed sheep, \$3.00-3.25; ewes, \$2.00-2.50; stock sheep, \$2.00-2.50.

PHILIPPINE FOREIGN TRADE.

Imports and Exports Show Large Increase Over Previous Year.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—A continuing increase in both the import and export trade of the Philippines is shown in a comparative statement compiled at the War department giving the commerce of the islands for the seven months ending January 31, 1901 and 1900. The total value of merchandise imported during the seven months ended January 31, 1901, was \$17,999,167, as against \$12,674,705 for the same period in 1900 and the merchandise exported was \$13,637,359, as against \$8,305,530 for the 1900 period. This shows an increase of 42 per cent in the value of the imports and 52 per cent in export values.

The value of imports of merchandise from the several countries respectively during the seven months ended January 31, 1901 and 1900, exclusive of quartermaster's supplies, follows: United States, 1901, \$1,493,488; 1900, \$890,010, or 68 per cent increase. European countries, 1901, \$8,974,183; 1900, \$5,270,768, or 70 per cent increase. Asia, 1901, \$7,327,582; 1900, \$6,906,222, or 22 per cent increase. Oceania, 1901, \$197,683; 1900, \$507,702, or 61 per cent decrease.

Exports of merchandise to various countries respectively during these seven months periods follow: United States, 1901, \$1,477,611; 1900, \$2,037,630. European countries, 1901, \$7,983,751; 1900, \$3,201,656. Asia, 1901, \$2,543,410; 1900, \$2,774,464. Oceania, 1901, \$286,805; 1900, \$242,450. Other countries, 1901, \$346,782; 1900, \$49,523.

The value of hemp exported during the seven months ended January 31, 1901, was \$7,233,155, an increase of \$2,661,110; sugar, \$1,010,590, decrease \$628,084; tobacco and cigars, \$1,509,622, increase \$344,296; copra, \$1,906,215, increase \$1,471,856; miscellaneous, \$707,521, an increase of \$247,371.

Too Much Smaller.

SANTEE, Neb., Aug. 24.—The annual mission conference of the Congregational and Presbyterian churches, working among the Sioux Indians, has been declared off this year, because of some lingering cases of smallpox among the Sisseton tribe at Lake Travers.

Not All of India is Dry.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Simla, India, thirteen inches of rain have fallen there during the last three days.

Fire Starts Fatal Panic.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 24.—A tent belonging to a New York vaudeville company, which is showing at a fair being held in Sullivan, near here, was destroyed by fire. It was crowded when the cry of "fire" was raised and a panic ensued in which a number of women and children were seriously injured by being trampled upon. Miss Lillie May, a performer, was so seriously burned she will die. Other employees were seriously burned.