

LOOKS FOR VICTORY

President O'Connell of Machinists Union Predicts Ultimate Success.

STRIKE MAY LAST MANY LONG MONTHS

Union Will Never Abandon Fight or Give Up Its Object.

SAYS NO SYMPATHY STRIKE IS LIKELY

Men Do Not Want to Involve Other Unions in Difficulty.

LITTLE CHANGE NOTED IN SITUATION

Men Still Confident, While Company Officials Say More Skilled Workmen from Abroad Are Ready to Go to Work.

President James O'Connell of the International Association of Machinists and Fourth Vice President Wilson met President Burt, General Manager Dickinson and Superintendent of Motive Power McKean of the Union Pacific in a conference over the shopmen's strike yesterday evening.

The union men's chief object in the conference was to seek some concession from the officials on the piecework proposition, which is the prime cause of the strike.

PEACEWORK PROPOSITION PARAMOUNT

President O'Connell asked that the company set aside the enforcement of the piecework scale for the present and let a settlement be made upon other matters at issue.

President O'Connell said after the conference: "While we secured no proposition or offer from President Burt upon which we can base any hopes of a settlement, and while we are as far apart now as ever, we had a very pleasant and walk-out."

Mr. O'Connell left last night for Denver, from which city he will proceed to San Francisco, stopping at various Union Pacific towns along the road.

Fourteen men reached the Union Pacific shops yesterday afternoon at about 6 o'clock from Chicago, where they had been engaged at various Union Pacific plants.

Mr. O'Connell arrived yesterday morning from Chicago and addressed the machinists last night at the Labor temple.

President O'Connell is well pleased with the outlook on the Union Pacific system. He thinks the strikers have nothing to discourage them and everything over which to be hopeful.

"The situation certainly looks bright for our standpoint. As a matter of fact, no strike is desirable; we regret the necessity for such a movement as much as the railroad men. It is our duty to win, but we are satisfied with the progress it is making.

"Clean, Quiet Fight." "We have tried thus far and will continue to strive for a clean, quiet fight, devoid of any semblance of violence."

Mr. O'Connell was asked this question: "If this strike runs along for a year or more and the company shows no signs of yielding, will the machinists, in order to win, accept piecework, if all other things are equal?"

Opposed to Piecework. "Positively not. We are unalterably opposed to piecework. Our constitution forbids it and the very essence of unionism is against it."

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KING HASTENS CORONATION

Doctors at First Object, but Edward Will Listen to No Other Plan.

LONDON, July 8.—The news that the coronation of King Edward was to be held before the middle of August was published in America before it was known here.

The doctors agree that it will be far better for King Edward to get through the coronation as soon as possible than to have it hanging over him for months.

Heavy Reduction of Output Seems Only Salvation in Order to Avoid Heavy Losses.

LONDON, July 8.—The cotton crisis in Lancashire is growing more acute and the Lancashire cotton growers are beginning to feel the pinch.

MAKES VERY LIBERAL OFFER

Morgan Willing to Place All British Ships in Combine at Disposal of Admiralty.

LONDON, July 8.—In the House of Commons today the parliamentary secretary to the admiralty, Mr. Fisher, replying to William Redmond, the Irish leader, confirmed the report that J. P. Morgan had offered to place all the British ships in the new combine at the disposal of the admiralty for the next fifty years on certain terms.

NO DELAY AT THE VATICAN

Answer of the Cardinals to Governor Taft's Note is Ready to Deliver.

ROME, July 8.—The answer of the committee of cardinals to Governor Taft's recent note on the subject of the friars' lands in the Philippine islands, will be presented to the pope this morning by Cardinal Rampolla, the papal secretary of state.

ALL THAT CAN BE DESIRED

Bulletin Posted at Palace This Describes Progress of King Edward.

LONDON, July 8.—The bulletin regarding the condition of King Edward, posted at Buckingham palace at 11 o'clock this morning, says:

CHAMBERLAIN HAS GOOD NIGHT

Progress Well in Charing Hospital, but Absolute Quiet is Essential.

LONDON, July 8.—The bulletin issued from Charing Cross hospital at 11:30 a. m. reads:

Revolutionists Lay Down Arms. PANAMA, July 7, (Monday).—General Salazar, the governor of Panama, has received a dispatch from Bogota, the capital, announcing that General Pedroja, Benito, Ulloa Leal and Teopilo Garcia and their staffs, together with General Martin, most important liberal leader of the department of Tolima, have laid down their arms on account of the guarantees offered by the Bogota government.

To Extend Manila Railroad. ROME, July 8.—Horace Higgins, manager of the Manila-Dagupan railroad, who arrived here yesterday, had a conference today with Governor Taft on the subject of extending the railroad to Cabanatuan, New Egla province, leaving the main line near Calumpit, in Bulacan province. The railroad's claims against the government for military occupation of the road were also discussed.

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WORK ON IRRIGATION PLAN

Geological Survey Will at Once Take Up Location of Reservoir Sites.

FENCES ON PUBLIC LANDS COMING DOWN

Only Trouble that Seems Possible in Nebraska is in the Vicinity of Alliance, According to Commissioner Hermann.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Secretary Hitchcock, Director Wolcott of the geological survey and Chief Newell of the division of hydrography had a conference yesterday upon irrigation. After reviewing the irrigation bill and its provisions the secretary issued a letter to Director Wolcott, setting aside \$150,000 for preliminary work on surveys, etc., provided for in the bill.

Colonel John S. Mosby of ex-confederate fame, and who is special agent of the land department detailed for work in Colorado, Wyoming and the extreme western portion of Nebraska, is in the city on leave.

Foreman Wentworth of the Missouri river bridge on the Elkhorn road, reported tonight that the bridge on the ground at the top of the fill west of the bridge were sliding down with terrific force and trains were delayed there this evening.

PAPPIO CREEK ON A BENDER

Great Damage Being Done by Stream Swollen to Flood by Heavy Rains.

From Bennington last night a telephone message was to the effect that the Pappio was wreaking havoc in that neighborhood. This earthquake purring brook, which slides so quietly along between its sedgy banks, has been swollen by recent rains until now it is doing a good deal of mischief.

TRAINS DELAYED BY WASHOUTS

Northern in the Worst Shape, Owing to Break East of Missouri Valley.

With the exception of the eastbound Overland limited, not a train arrived at the Union depot on schedule time last night. Sudden tracks and washouts made it impossible to proceed to the west.

KNOCKOUT DROPS EFFECTIVE

Cheyenne Gambler Visits Low Resorts with Pocket Full of Money and is Murdered.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., July 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Charles Stevens, a Casper gambler, died at St. John's hospital here today as the result of poison administered, it is believed, by persons who robbed him Sunday night when he was taking in the tenderloin district.

COAL VESSELS ARE OVERDUE

Heavy Rate of Insurance Now Being Paid on Two English Ships.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 8.—Two more coal laden vessels have been added to the overdue list. The British ship Cumberland is now out forty-eight days from New Castle, Australia, for Taltal and is per cent being paid on by the underwriters.

SAVAGE PARTY COMING HOME

Governor Leaves Portland and Will Visit California on the Return Trip.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 8.—Governor E. F. Savage of Nebraska and party, who came west to witness the laying of the keel of the battleship Nebraska at Seattle on the Fourth of July, started home tonight. The party will go by way of California.

RAILROADS ARE HARD HIT

Tracks Washed Out by Heavy Rain in All Directions From Miles.

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CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Fair Wednesday and Thursday; Warmer in West Portion Friday and in East Portion Thursday.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. 5 a. m. 71, 1 p. m. 72, 6 a. m. 71, 2 p. m. 76, 7 a. m. 71, 3 p. m. 81, 8 a. m. 73, 4 p. m. 81, 9 a. m. 78, 5 p. m. 85, 10 a. m. 78, 6 p. m. 88, 11 a. m. 81, 7 p. m. 84, 12 m. 70, 8 p. m. 88, 9 p. m. 87.

MISS MORRISON SENTENCED

Motion for New Trial Overruled and Given Twenty-Five Years in Penitentiary.

ELDRADO, Kan., July 8.—Jessie Morrison, convicted June 28 of murder in the second degree for killing Mrs. Olin Castle, at the latter's home here in June, 1900, by cutting her throat with a razor, was today sentenced to twenty-five years in the penitentiary. Motion for a new trial was overruled.

Miss Morrison, who has gone through three trials, took the sentence with little show of demonstration. The case will be appealed to the state supreme court. At her second trial Miss Morrison was given but five years.

A motion for a new trial, a motion in arrest of judgment and a plea that sentence be postponed were overruled. Sentence was then pronounced upon Miss Morrison, who sat down without saying a word or shedding a tear. She was cool and self-possessed.

No emotion was displayed on the part of her father and brother, and after the judge had given the attorneys fifty days in which to file a bill of exceptions Miss Morrison arose and followed the sheriff to her cell, accompanied by her father and brother. She passed from the room unaccompanied by any one.

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