

PASSENGER SERVICE HIT BY STRIKE

PRESIDENT ARRAIGNED BY CUMMINS

Senior Iowa Senator Declares Wilson's Delay in Naming Railway Labor Board, in Face Of Strike "Inexcusable."

RUMORS OF RELAPSE THICK IN WASHINGTON

Congress Taking More Notice Of Reports That Chief Executive Has Again Suffered Setback in Health.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire.

Washington, April 10.—With the railroad strike menace continuing to grow, President Wilson failed again today to appoint the railroad labor board and congress began to take more stock in the persistent rumors that the chief executive has suffered a relapse.

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In some official quarters it was declared the government would not intervene in the strike spread to proportions which would seriously menace the public welfare.

How the government, if necessary, would intervene, has not been made clear. It probably would make no effort to take over the roads, as in the opinion of certain officials that is the route of strikers which consummated.

Expect Report Today. G. W. W. Hanger, assistant director of the United States board of mediation and conciliation, who went to Chicago to investigate the strike, is expected to report tomorrow, but nothing is expected to develop toward bringing an end to the strike through this board.

The Council of National Defense declared today that should the strike of railway switchmen become effective enough to cripple railway transportation and imperil the food supply of cities it would be possible for the United States government on comparatively short notice to mobilize about 45,000 of its own motor trucks to meet the resulting crisis.

Candidates Warming Up for Big Primary Election Race in Nebraska On April 20

About 17,000 Women Registered in Omaha—Men Registrants Total 35,000—Large Field of Entrants Prepare for Nebraska Political Derby on April 20—Pershing Sentiment Grows.

A large field of entrants will warm up this week for the great political derby which will be held in Nebraska on Tuesday, April 20. During the few days that remain before the electorate register their silent verdict the candidates will give demonstrations of speed, just to show what they can do and what they expect to do on the great day.

The last week brought an unprecedented rush to the election commissioner's office, the new women voters being the chief feature of interest in this department of the election machinery. The election commissioner estimated that 17,000 women have registered in Omaha and he placed the total male registrants at 35,000, most of whom were of standing registrations.

With the registrations out of the way, the candidates will have an uninterrupted week for presenting their respective claims, this activity being limited in many instances to distribution of cards or of sending circular letters through the mail.

There will be more hand-shaking in Omaha this week than has been observed at an old settlers' picnic or a home-coming celebration.

Slate-Makers Busy. The busy little slate-makers who have been hibernating during the long winter months will begin to bask in the spring sunshine.

Senator Cummins of Iowa, chairman of the senate interstate commerce commission and one of the authors of the new railroad act, declared that the president's inaction was "inexcusable and indefensible."

"I have been hoping for three weeks," he said, "that the president would name the board created by the railroad act. Failure to do so is holding up the demand of the switchmen for a consideration of their wage troubles."

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RELIGION TO SEND TROOPS TO GERMANY

Force of Artillery and Infantry Will Leave Brussels on Special Trains Tuesday for Duty in Frankfurt Sector.

GOVERNMENT SOLDIERS DISREGARD ULTIMATUM

Prussians Make No Effort to Evacuate Ruhr District, Despite Orders of French—Reds Control Towns.

By the Associated Press.

Brussels, April 10.—Belgian artillery and infantry for the Frankfurt sector will leave Brussels on special trains next Tuesday, it was said today.

The Belgian troops will remain in the Ruhr until the evacuation of that region by the reichswehr. The French ambassador here has expressed the official thanks of France for Belgium's attitude, which he said was considered to be proof of the solidarity of the two countries.

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Essen, April 10.—German government troops are still occupying the Ruhr district and making no effort to withdraw, in spite of the French ultimatum that they evacuate today.

The troops occupy a line through Ickeln, Welsen, Sarsfeld, Littfur, five kilometers from Barren, are still in the towns comprising this area.

The communist forces still control Hagen, Schwelm, Gummersbach, Parnen and Elberfeld.

No Advance Expected. No advance by either army is expected just now, although the Ebert forces may swing south, not withdrawing that this move is forbidden by French orders.

Although the reichswehr realize they are violating the treaty, no effort is being made to withdraw. I estimate more than 30,000 of these troops are present. I saw nine 77s, several 155s, four armored cars, a vast number of machine guns, and thousands of rifles and grenades.

Atrocities are not absent from the German government's program, and say the bodies of two men lying in a courtyard after they had been executed, and for soldiers to beat citizens is no uncommon sight.

Senator Walsh Wants His Party to Repudiate Stand of the President. St. Louis, April 10.—The democratic national convention must repudiate the stand of President Wilson for unmodified ratification of the peace treaty.

Introducing Gen. Enthusiasm



PERSHING HAS BIG FOLLOWING IN THE SOUTH

Though Having Little to Say in Actual Choice of President, It Has 209 Convention Delegates.

Raleigh, N. C., April 10.—(Special)—Convinced that for the first time since Garfield was nominated in 1880, a Republican convention will meet this year with the certainty that none of the men who have been before the country seeking delegates can be nominated, interest in the south has turned to a discussion of the possible candidate to be agreed upon in convention.

The south has very little to say in the actual choice of a president, but it has 209 convention delegates, exclusive of Missouri and Oklahoma, which are often put down as southern in political calculations, and cuts an important figure at the nominating convention of the G. O. P.

Apparently the opinion in the south is that the representatives of the states in solemn convention are likely to nominate a candidate more agreeable to all the party than primary choices at this time.

Primaries Poor Barometer. Certain it is that primaries to date have served poorly as a barometer to show which way the political wind is blowing.

South Not Expecting Gains. The southern republicans, still struggling to build up a party organization, see little chance for gains this year, if any of the active candidates are nominated.

College Student Killed in Auto Crash at Denver. Denver, April 10.—Ray Sherman, University of Colorado student of Boulder, was killed, his companion, Harold Muth, seriously injured and three other students slightly injured here last night when their automobile was struck by a machine driven by John Musser, son of a Denver judge. They had driven to attend a fraternity dance.

Take Body of Chicago Opera Director to Italy. Chicago, April 10.—Madam Eva Campanini departed today for Italy with the body of her husband, Cleofonte Campanini, formerly director of the Chicago Opera association. In New York Madam Campanini will meet her sister, Madam Luisa Tezzapini, the singer, who will accompany her to Italy.

SWITCHMAN IS KNOCKED UNDER CAR AND KILLED

Alexander Chambers Leaning From Ladder On Stock Car in South Side When Fatality Occurs.

Alexander Chambers, 34 years old, 2612 L street, switchman for the Union Stock Yards company, was instantly killed yesterday while switching stock cars in the railroad yards between O and P streets.

Chambers was leaning from the ladder on a stock car, when he was struck by a switch standard beside the track and knocked from his position.

He fell to the ground and rolled under the car, the rear truck passing over his chest, killing him instantly.

Yardmaster W. J. Dailey and Engineer "Red" Elsh saw him fall, rushed to his assistance, but found him dead when they reached his side.

The body was taken to Brewer Undertaking company, 4731 South Twenty-fourth street.

Wireless Operators Urged to Listen for Messages From Mars

London, April 10.—Beginning midnight April 20, throughout the succeeding two or three days, thousands of wireless operators in all parts of the globe will strain every nerve, especially their ears, in an endeavor to catch any messages that Mars may be sending to this planet.

Guglielmo Marconi, inventor of the wireless, issued special instructions to all stations to listen intently, particularly on April 21, because that is the day when Mars will be nearest to the earth, and if the weird signals picked up lately are actually messages from the Martians, the world may witness some history-making revelations on that date.

Mother of Walter W. Head Dies in Missouri Village

The death of Mrs. A. W. Head, mother of Walter W. Head, president of the Omaha National bank, occurred yesterday in Stewartsville, Mo. Mr. Head was at the bedside of his mother when the end came, having been called to Stewartsville yesterday.

Mrs. Head, who was 68 years old, is survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Truman Bowen of Easton, Mo., and Miss Madge Head of Stewartsville, and two sons, Walter W. of Omaha and R. D. Head of DeKalb, Mo.

Mrs. Head will be buried at Stewartsville.

How could Senator Harding overcome the charges that he is the candidate of the reactionary element, which has been made by General Wood.

NEARLY 8,000 MEN ADDED TO INSURGENTS

Hundreds of Switchmen Break Away From Official Restraint At Cleveland—New England Workers Remain Loyal.

UNOFFICIAL REPORTS SHOW 40,000 ARE OUT

Thousands of Other Workers Affected Through Closing Of Industrial Plants—Some Strikers Return to Work.

Chicago, April 10.—Several more railroad centers today were affected by the insurgent strike of switchmen and passenger service was affected in some places, notably New York City, while strikers returned in large groups at several places.

Large areas of the country had not yet been invaded by the strike, which union officials declared was an effort to overthrow the unions and make way for a new organization.

The switchmen in New England, in all the southeastern states and in upper Mississippi and the Missouri valleys remained at work, those in Denver and St. Paul and Minneapolis formally voting to remain at work.

On the other hand, hundreds of men in Cleveland, the headquarters of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, today broke away from official restraint and quit work.

Reports Differ. Reports of the number of strikers were confused by the variance between the figures of union officers and strikers. Unofficial figures from the various railroad centers affected showed 40,000 men on strike.

In addition thousands of persons were indirectly affected by the strike through the closing of steel mills, packing plants and other industries dependent on the roads for coal and raw material.

The insurgent forces were strengthened by nearly 8,000 today when switchmen in 22 additional cities and towns struck and further walkout occurred in large railroad centers. Against this gain about 1,000 strikers returned to work in a half dozen places. More than 4,000 joined the strikers already out in Toledo, Detroit, Columbus, Indianapolis, Fort Worth and other cities.

Claim Tieup Complete. In the Chicago area, claims of railroad heads and officers of the brotherhoods who united to break the unauthorized walkout of strikers were returning to work and that railroad traffic was gradually approaching normal, were met with denials by officers of the Chicago yardmen's association, who asserted that the tieup was complete.

The possible utilization of the Illinois National Guard to protect property was forecast today by the action of District Attorney Charles F. Clynne, who, after an all night conference with his staff and members of the Department of Justice, summoned John Granau, leader of the strikers, to his office.

It was said that definite instructions were received by Mr. Clynne from Attorney General Palmer in regard to the government's action in the strike situation.

U. S. Not Powerless. Mr. Clynne would not discuss possible government action. "I will say, however," he stated, "that the United States is not entirely powerless in a situation that affects the food and fuel supply of the country and that drastic action will be inevitable unless conditions are altered materially within the next 48 hours."

It was learned that Mr. Clynne was in conference by telephone with chiefs of the Department of Justice in Washington as late as 3 o'clock this morning.

Members of the Eleventh regiment, Illinois National Guard, were reported to have been ordered to keep in close touch with their homes, so they could be reached by telephone at short notice. They were instructed to be ready "to go out on strike duty" at any time.



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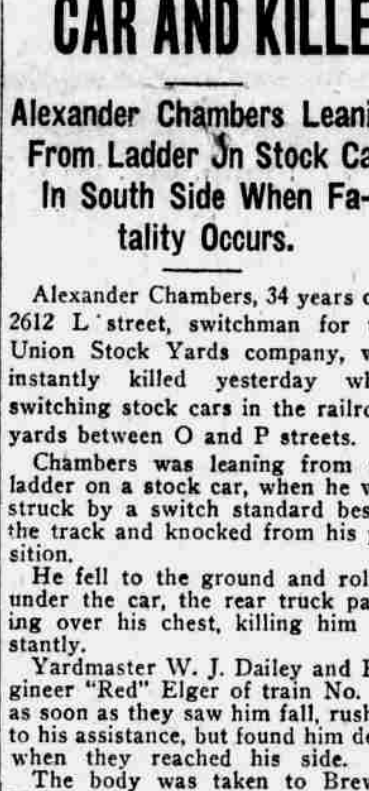
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