

RAIL STRIKE IS CALLED, BRITAIN FACES A CRISIS

All Lines In United Kingdom Ordered Tied Up By the Unions.

TROOPS ARE SENT TO ALL CENTERS

Food Famine Threatens London. Government Will Insist On Order.

LONDON, Aug. 17.—At 6 o'clock tonight the officials of the Railway Employees' Association telegraphed orders for an immediate strike to all local unions throughout the United Kingdom.

At the last moment Premier Asquith warned the labor leaders that the government would not permit a complete railway paralysis.

The refusal of the railroad men to accept the government's proposition for the appointment of a royal commission to settle the dispute, was due to the obstinacy of the companies in refusing to recognize the representatives of the men.

The government's promise to appoint a royal commission to inquire into the trouble was made after a long conference with the employers, and was immediately accepted by them.

The executives of the railway unions refused to accept and at once went into consultation with the labor members of parliament.

Was Last Hope.

The appointment of a royal commission was the last hope of the government to postpone the strike.

One hundred and twenty-five thousand men are expected to respond to the strike order. The government took immediate steps to prevent complete paralysis of traffic, and soldiers will be thrown into the places left by the workers. Troops are expected to man the roads and keep food supplies moving.

Strike leaders assert they will tie up every important railroad in the country, and that the soldiers will be unable to move enough trains to keep London supplied with food. The railway managers said tonight that they believed from 25 to 50 per cent of their employees will remain loyal. Offers of large bonuses were made to all men who stand by the companies.

Liverpool Faces Famine; Soldiers Will Unload Ships

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 17.—Liverpool is today a beleaguered city. The warship Antrim is guarding the harbor, and upwards of 5,000 troops are encamped in the city streets. Everywhere the threatening guns of the military confront the workmen who have been locked out at the docks, and who now face starvation.

The admiralty is pushing more warships to the harbor. The word has been given out that the war vessels are to protect shipping.

There has been an attack upon shipping and the local authorities do not even blame the strikers and locked-out workmen for the disturbances in the streets.

The warships probably will be used in unloading the vessels on which the ship owners refuse to permit the dockers to work. Troops and seamen will do the work, side by side, it is said.

There are hundreds of thousands of tons of provisions in the ship bottoms. They have lain in the harbor for three days, while the dockers have been closed and men have been turned away from work with the declaration that no movement of traffic will be undertaken until conditions are such as suit the employers.

More than 1,000 babies, and double that number of children of tender years, are actually starving to death in Liverpool today as the result of the shutting off of the city's milk supply.

In addition all supplies of food stuffs are already below the danger point and adults also will be facing starvation before many hours.

WEATHER REPORT
FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.
Generally fair tonight and Friday.
Little change in temperature.

TEMPERATURES.	
U. S. BUREAU.	AFLECK'S.
8 a. m. 77	8 a. m. 82
9 a. m. 78	9 a. m. 83
10 a. m. 84	10 a. m. 89
11 a. m. 86	11 a. m. 91
12 noon 81	12 noon 81
1 p. m. 82	1 p. m. 82
2 p. m. 82	2 p. m. 82

TIDE TABLE.
Today—High tide, 12:56 a. m. and 1:31 p. m.
Low tide, 7:39 a. m. and 8:11 p. m.
Tomorrow—High tide, 1:50 a. m. and 2:15 p. m.
Low tide, 8:41 a. m. and 9:31 p. m.

SUN TABLE.
Sun rises, 5:14 | Sun sets, 8:52

BAIL GRANTED IN PRINTING OFFICE HANDBOOK CASE

Colored Messenger Who Was Arrested In Crusade Is Released.

OTHER ARRESTS ARE LIKELY TO FOLLOW

Detectives Are Believed To Have Obtained Evidence Against a Number Of Employees.

Charles W. Fisher, a colored messenger employed at the Government Printing Office, was released on bond of \$1,000 when he appeared in Police Court this morning, charged with being implicated in handbook betting on horse races. The arrest last night of Fisher was the first ever made at the world's biggest print shop on similar charges.

Fisher will appear in the United States branch of the Police Court on August 24. He is charged with having placed a bet of \$1 on a horse race on August 15. The warrant upon which he was arrested, charges that the bet was placed with John W. Shaw.

The Inquiry Shifted. The arrest of Fisher is the first made by the police department for similar alleged violations, for several months. Failure on the part of the police to secure convictions in the Police Court resulted in the transfer of the handbook investigation from the Police Department to the Department of Justice, and the United States District Attorney's office.

Fisher had but little to say this morning. It is understood that he has given the detectives and Government Printing Office officials information concerning other men who have "played" the races, both in placing and receiving bets.

With the arrest of Fletcher, the fruits of a year's investigation by Public Printer Donnelly were made evident. Rumor that employees at the printing shop were continually "playing the races" came to Mr. Donnelly's ears twelve months ago. Immediately the "secret service" of the department, headed by the Public Printer, took up the work of investigating them.

Fletcher was arrested by Central Office Detectives Weedon and Burlingame. Tickets and \$12 in cash, it is said, were found in his pockets.

"How extensively the 'bookies' have operated at the printing office," Mr. Donnelly said this morning, "we have been unable to ascertain. We strongly suspect a number of other employees, and it is only a question of time when we will learn definitely whether our suspicions are based on real facts."

Rule Against "Playing Races." "There is an order prohibiting 'playing the races' in our department. This order is well-known to the men. They also know that it is a violation of the District laws. Any man found guilty of making handbooks or placing bets will be dropped from the service immediately. There is no excuse for such work. The men cannot plead ignorance, as they know what the penalties will be."

Fisher is thought to have been a "runner" for the other employees. The detectives say that he collected the money from the other men and "placed" it with bookmakers whose names he claimed he did not know. The Public Printer has the names of several employees of the printing office who are alleged to have furnished the money which Fisher placed with the bookmakers.

To Probe Stephenson And Lorimer At Same Time

The subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, which is directed to investigate the election of Senator Stephenson, will meet tomorrow for the purpose of organizing and mapping out plans for the task ahead of it.

Senator Heyburn will doubtless be named as chairman of the subcommittee. The investigation will doubtless be started late in September or early in October. An effort will be made to report to the next session of Congress. The spectacle of two Senate investigations on charges of bribery being under way at the same time will be presented, as the Stephenson investigation will proceed at the same time. This is unprecedented in the history of the country.

Black Hand Tries To Kill Mother And Baby

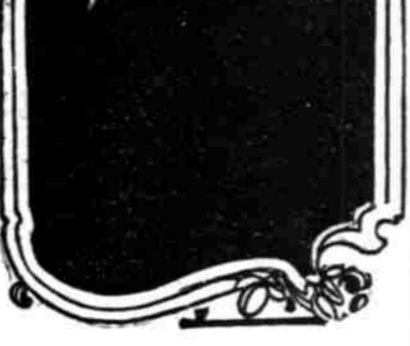
NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—A mother and her newborn baby were blown from their bed in the bee-hive section of New York's seething East Side early today. The outrage was committed by Italian Black Handers, angered because Antonio Colarusso, a retired wine and olive merchant, husband and father of the victims, had refused to pay tribute.

Is Near Death

Nebraska Representative, Near Death Under Operation for Cancer.

LATTA UNDER KNIFE TO BE SAVED FROM CANCER OF STOMACH

Nebraska Representative Is Dangerously Ill In Minnesota Hospital.



JAMES P. LATTA, Nebraska Representative, Near Death Under Operation for Cancer.

Lying at the point of death, Representative James P. Latta of Nebraska is at the Mayo Providence Hospital in Rochester, Minn. He is to be operated upon in the hope of removing a cancer of the stomach and abdominal adhesions.

Mr. Mayo, the head of the hospital, and his brother both believe the Representative has little or no chance to recover.

No word as to his condition has been received here since yesterday, but Representative John A. Maguire, one of the Nebraska delegation, declared this morning that he had been given to understand that his associate's condition is critical.

All of last winter Representative Latta's health had been failing, and his condition was such that he had to relinquish his duties about a month ago and return to his home in Tekama. When he failed to improve with rest he consulted Dr. Mayo, who diagnosed his case and advised an immediate operation.

Mr. Latta is a Democrat and a native of Ohio, born in Ashland in 1844. When he was but a child, his parents migrated to the West, stopping in Iowa and then continuing to the Territory of Nebraska, locating in Burt county in 1858.

Railway Men Off On Annual Outing

Carrying huge baskets of good things to eat, nearly 500 members of the Columbia Lodge, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and their families and friends, boarded the steamer St. Johns at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon and left for Colonial Beach on their fourteenth annual outing.

The excursionists will reach the beach about 6:30 o'clock. J. J. Cunningham, master of ceremonies, will start a program of field and track games, lasting an hour, as soon as the steamer docks. After the athletic events the crowd will have dinner and following this there will be dancing at the casino. The steamer leaves for Washington at 9 o'clock.

Rats Blamed For Fire.

Rats chewing matches are supposed to have been responsible for a fire between the top floor ceilings and the roofs of the houses, 2016 and 2018 Tenth street northwest, this morning. The houses, which are occupied by George Windfield and Mildred Brown, were damaged to the extent of \$500.

GUARDED FROM MOB.

WILLIAMSON, N. C., Aug. 17.—Heavily armed guards are patrolling the jail here to avert the lynching of Bead Bagley, the colored man who yesterday shot down Chief of Police White from ambush. Threats of vengeance are current.

AMENDMENT ADOPTED. Things began to happen in the Senate immediately after consideration of the cotton tariff revision bill was begun. By a vote of 28 to 25, the amendment by Cummins to add a revision of the

ATWOOD FLIES FROM TOLEDO TO VENICE, OHIO

Makes Forty-five Miles In An Hour And Three Minutes.

SEVENTH STAGE OF HIS LONG JOURNEY

Has Traveled A Total Distance Of Five Hundred And Sixty-Six Miles.

SANDUSKY, Ohio, Aug. 17.—Harry N. Atwood, now attempting one of the most notable aeroplane flights in the history of aviation, reached Venice, three miles from this city, at 11:28 o'clock this morning. Atwood alighted, after covering the distance from Toledo to Venice, forty-five miles, in a remarkably short time, to get gasoline. He took an automobile into this city and inspected the site on which he is expected to land.

Leaving Toledo at 10:25 o'clock this morning, Atwood encountered climatic conditions ideal for air speeding. A ten-mile breeze followed him from the rear, and made skimming through the air delightful. Towns He Passed Over.

The young aviator passed over Graytown at 10:50 o'clock; Rocky Ridge, 10:54; Oak Harbor, 11; Lacarne, at 11:04; Port Clinton, at 11:13; Gypsum, at 11:20, and Danbury at 11:22 o'clock.

This is the fourth day of the air voyage. Atwood declared on alighting here that if the weather conditions hold out, he will have no difficulty in reaching Boston, by way of Chicago and New York.

He has traveled 566 miles and has been in the air 12 hours and 58 minutes. Leaves Toledo. Atwood left Toledo on his St. Louis-Boston flight this morning, at 10:25 o'clock, taking the eastward course over the lake. A northwest wind of ten miles an hour aided the aviator in his progress.

Atwood's first appearance as a litterateur was made this morning, when he issued the following signed statement relative to the flight he has undertaken. "The statement is as follows: 'New York first and above everything else. That's my slogan. I don't care anything about exhibition flights. I am not a circus performer. But I do want to reach New York in the quickest possible time. That's my ambition—to break this cross-country flight—and I mean to do it.'

"Thus far, the trip has been a picnic for me. I haven't had any alarms at all. I've enjoyed every inch of my journey. Of course, it's always thrilling to speed through the air, but I haven't even been threatened with a mishap of any sort. If it continues so, I shall easily reach New York in less than seven days.

Condemns Promoters. "Flights never should be made when conditions are unfavorable or when possibly unsafe. Because aviators often fly at the insistence of promoters, flying is sometimes done when the aviators know they will likely result in accidents. Responsibility for the barbarous death of William Badger and St. Croix Johnson at Chicago, rests with the promoters of the meet."

Atwood arrived at Toledo at 3:57 o'clock yesterday afternoon, where he spent the night. The journey from Elkhart, Ind., 234 miles, was made at the rate of 52.5 miles an hour. Just to show the possibilities of his machine, he carried his manager from Pettisville, Ohio, to Toledo.

Postoffice Messengers To Get New Uniforms

Next winter's uniform for special delivery messengers at the City Postoffice were selected today by Postmaster M. A. Merritt. The contract for supplying the uniforms, approximately forty-five in number, was awarded to the Cee and E.H. System, 323 Pennsylvania avenue northwest.

The uniforms, consisting of coats, vests, trousers and caps, will be made of a gray military cloth, and will cost \$25.40 each. They are to be delivered October 16.

WINS SHOOT PRIZE. CAMP PERRY, Ohio, Aug. 17.—Capt. Frederick Heidenreich, of Washington, won \$15, third prize in the governor's match with 372 competitors, scoring 27. Private Robert Clouer's 266 gave him twenty-third money, \$5.

Proud Young Mother

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., To Whom a Daughter Was Born Today.



MRS. THEODORE ROOSEVELT, Jr., To Whom a Daughter Was Born Today.

GRANDPAPA TEDDY IS NEWEST TITLE WORN BY COLONEL

Daughter Is Born To Mr. And Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—It is "Grandpapa Teddy" today. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., early this morning.

Following their marriage, the Roosevelts came to this city, where Theodore, Jr., has been engaged in the carpet business, and he has been very successful. It is stated at the Roosevelt home that mother and baby are doing nicely.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., and Miss Eleanor Butler Alexander were married in New York city on June 29, 1910, their wedding being a big society event.

Previous to his marriage, the son of the former President had learned the carpet business in Hartford, Conn., and was made manager of the manufacturing company just after his wedding.

Condition Of Berry Not Changed Today

The condition of Washington O. Berry, an aged and highly respected pioneer business man of the city, who is critically ill at his residence, 1377 Twenty-second street northwest, remains the same today. Mr. Berry, who has been prominently connected with the stove and repair business of the city for seventy-five years, was taken ill some time ago, and it is feared that his strong constitution may be undermined by the disease.

Mr. Berry came to Washington from Maryland, when he was a young man. His first business was established at the corner of Seventh and E streets, where he remained for forty years. Then he removed to Ninth and E streets, where he conducted his business for twenty years, at which time he removed to another E street building, which he occupied until about three years ago, when he retired from business.

Rostand, Noted Author, In Critical Condition

BIARRITZ, France, Aug. 17.—Edmond Rostand, famous author and dramatist, who was injured yesterday, when his automobile was wrecked near his villa at Cambo-les-Bains, is today in a precarious condition.

He is surrounded by physicians, who, while agreeing that he suffered serious contusions about the head and body, have so far been unable to determine the extent of the internal injuries.

WILEY SAYS TRUST MADE CABINET TRIO REVERSE HIS RULING

Cortelyou, Straus, and Wilson Yielded to Corn Products Company, Chemist Testifies.

HE HINTS AT USE OF MONEY IN WARPING PURE FOOD LAW

Startling Developments in the Wiley Investigation Today.

Dr. Wiley tells how three Cabinet officers, Cortelyou, Straus, and Wilson, abrogated pure food law as relating to important product of Corn Products Company. Charges that they reversed decision of food law authorities that glucose must not be labeled as "corn syrup." Alleges this was done after vigorous campaign by Corn Products people, in which fees were offered for "scientific" opinions by famous chemists.

Full story of how pure food act has been abrogated by series of destructive administrative degradations, until its highest chemical authority is now a political lawyer, and the legal administrative authorities are utterly stripped of all power to enforce the act.

By JUDSON C. WELLIVER.

Most amazing of all the revelations thus far in the Wiley conspiracy case, came today the story of how three Cabinet members, Cortelyou, Straus, and Wilson, under the urgencies and insistence of the Corn Products Company, an \$80,000,000 corporation, abrogated the application of the pure food law to a product of that corporation.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley told the story to the Moss committee. It was a story replete with the suggestion of money influence in high places; of corporate power over administration of the laws, and of tainted science, influenced by big fees, giving certificate of character to a product turned out by one of the greatest and most powerful companies in the land.

Wool Bill Veto GOES TO CONGRESS THIS AFTERNOON

All the sensations that have gone before, since the beginning of the Wiley inquiry, dwindled to shrinking modesty before the one which Wiley sprung today. The story in brief is this: Soon after the food law passed the question arose whether glucose, labeled as "corn syrup," should be allowed to be sold. Wiley considered it a grave offense, in the way of misbranding. The matter was taken up, and the food and drug board agreed that the product must not be sold under that name.

A decision to this effect was given, approved by the Secretary of Agriculture, and sent to the Printing Office to be printed. It was actually in galley proofs and about to be officially promulgated, when it was flatly reversed by order of the three Cabinet officers.

Dr. Wiley told his story with the air of one who realizes that it is his chief d'oeuvre. He told it simply, briefly, and very plainly. There could be no misunderstanding of his meaning. "After the food and drug board had unanimously agreed that glucose must not be sold as 'corn syrup,'" he said, "the Corn Products Company got very active. Its agents went out to obtain the testimonials of eminent chemists all over the country, that glucose, sold under the label 'corn syrup' would not be a misrepresentation or a misbranding."

"They sought the most eminent specialists. In one case that I know, they (Continued on Sixth Page.)

IN CONGRESS TODAY

SENATE. Senate proceeds at once to consideration of the cotton bill. Stephenson investigating committee will hold first meeting tomorrow. Time of adjournment of session in much doubt, owing to action of Democratic caucus favoring cotton and steel revision. Stutenode bill considered by the Committee on Territories.

HOUSE. Representative Mann criticized Representative Littlepage because he had inserted the word "applause" fourteen times in a "canned speech" in the Record.

Representative Underwood called up the free list bill and moved to concur in the Senate amendment. During the debate Representative Mann indirectly referred to Senator La Follette as a Colossus astride the Capitol.

The Wiley investigating committee continued its hearing. The committee investigating the Postoffice Department adjourned its hearing for the present.

White House Callers. SENATORS.

- Cullom, Ill. Gamble, S. D.
 - Townsend, Mich. Perkins, Cal.
 - Brown, Neb. Brandegee, Conn.
 - Smith, Mich. Lea, Tenn.
 - Culberson, Tex.
- REPRESENTATIVES.
- Hill, Conn. Bartlett, Ga.
 - Hughes, Pa. Guernsey, Me.
 - Taylor, Ohio. Hinds, Me.
 - Smith, Mich. Cooper, Wis.
 - Nye, Minn. Barnhill, Ind.
 - Kranland, Cal. Barchfeld, Pa.
 - Kahn, Cal. Humphrey, Wash.
 - Stephens, Cal. Wilson, Ill.
 - Raker, Cal. Rees, Kan.
 - Hays, Cal. Bates, Pa.
 - Needham, Cal. Calder, N. Y.
 - Butler, Pa. Hamill, Mich.