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Labor Asks For Quiz at Standard Plant

GOMPERS AND WILSON CONFER THIS AFTERNOON

LABOR'S CASE DISCUSSED IN WASHINGTON

Situation As It Affects Entire
Country Will Be Con-
sidered.

(BULLETIN)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Gompers, accompanied by the steel and iron workers' committee, entered the White House promptly at 3 o'clock. So far as the committee was concerned there was an attitude of bitterness displayed on the part of many of the labor leaders because of the refusal of Judge Gary of the United States Steel Corporation to meet their committee. The steel situation has been a source of agitation among labor leaders for many years and they have been working hard endeavoring to organize all steel and iron workers. Today the leaders declared that "if a strike was necessary" to compel union recognition the number of men that would be involved would "astonish the nation."

JOHN EDWIN NEVIN
(STAFF CORRESPONDENT I. N. SERVICE)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—One of the most important conferences since the labor situation became acute will take place this afternoon.

President Wilson and Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, were to discuss the general labor situation. The exact time had not been set. The president let it be known that he was willing to receive the veteran labor leader at any time that suited his convenience.

GOMPERS AND WILSON.

The conference was arranged before Mr. Gompers left France to return to the United States. His early return in part was due to the desire of the president that he take personal charge of the complex labor situation.

In the past there has been a complete understanding between the president and the chief of the federation which has been absent in negotiations with other labor leaders.

It was expected that the entire labor situation so far as it affected the entire country would be discussed.

OUTLOOK IS CLARIFIED.

The general labor outlook was considered as materially clarified by last night's and today's developments. There was an absence today of strike talk.

Generally labor officials seemed inclined to wait developments. The general feeling expressed in most quarters was that the administration should be given a "fair chance" to work out a solution of the compensation problem so far as it was affected by the high cost of living.

PACIFIC COAST STRIKE.

Only meager reports had been received by the railway administration from the Pacific coast regarding the strike conditions there up to eleven o'clock today. These indicated that the strike shortly will collapse although the radical element was fighting hard to retain its control and keep the railroads tied up regardless of the ultimatum sent by the railroad brotherhood heads and by Railway Director Hines.

WILL NOT TEMPORIZE.

At the offices of the railroad administration it was declared that there will be no further temporizing with the strikers. If they do not return to work forthwith their places will be filled and the most complete protection given to the strike-breakers ever given men of that sort in America. According to officials of the railway administration any interference with strikebreakers if they have to be used will be punished under the drastic federal laws and all cases will be pushed to the limit.

Officials of the administration said that this was being emphasized to the strikers throughout California and was expected to result in the strike generally being called off and the men sent back to work.

Gompers will be accompanied by members of the executive council of the A. F. of L., and by the committees representing the iron and steel workers union.

The steel committee, headed by John Fitzpatrick, today telegraphed James Mulholland, secretary of the Gary allied iron and steel workers council, charging that the steel companies were trying to force the strike issue with wholesale discharges of men and calling upon the men to remain at their work until President Wilson has been given a chance to pass upon the merits of their contro-

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FORMER GARY POLICE IN TROUBLE

Bought Booze in Burnham
and Was Arrested While
Peddling It.

Michael B. Kruszynski, 1800 Massachussets st., Gary, a member of the police force of that city under a former administration, is face to face with the thing which he has deemed most—the federal grand jury. He was arrested this morning by United States Marshal Ream on the charge of violating the liquor law. Kruszynski bought a case of whiskey in Burnham for \$60 and brought it to Gary to dispose of, but was caught in the act.

AN OLD OFFENDER

He was arrested once before in Hammond and three times in Gary and was also fined \$100 and costs by Judge Anderson. In one case which was tried by a special judge no decision was ever had down while in three others in which he had been convicted he took appeals which are still pending. When arrested by Marshal Ream this morning he waived the preliminary hearing and furnished \$1,000 bond.

HOW THEY DID IT.

Joseph Romano and Carl Garzello of Gary, were also arrested by United States Marshal Ream and brought before Commissioner Charles Surprise, charged with conspiracy to violate the Reed amendment. During the latter part of July they went to Chicago and purchased a load of wine. As they were on their way home their auto truck broke down. While they were trying to reach Gary by telephone to have another truck to help them out, some became suspicious and informed Department of Justice officials in Chicago. Federal agents swooped down upon them, seized the men and the liquor. They were released later and today were given their preliminary hearing. Commissioner Surprise accepted \$1,000 bond for each man to appear before the federal grand jury in Chicago the first Monday in October.

8 CENT FARE IS SOUGHT

So. Shore Will Charge That
Amount if Public Service
Co. Grants Petition.

East Chicago citizens will have to walk unless they wish to pay eight cents per ride on the South Shore line to Indiana Harbor if the petition of the street car company is granted. If they wish to buy tickets they may secure five cents for thirty-five cents.

The company also asks for an increase of fares on line running from So. Bend to Kenosha.

The petition asking for an increase of fares was sent to the Public Service Commission at Indianapolis yesterday and asks that the increase be made effective at once. Three separate petitions were received by the commission, one in regard to the East Chicago-Indiana Harbor line, one in regard to the South Bend-Kensington line and one in regard to commutation tickets on the main line. A petition was also sent to the Interstate Commerce Commission for an increase in fares between states.

The company asks in East Chicago for:

City Line Cash Fare: On the basis of eight cents per passenger per ride between any two street stops in the cities of East Chicago and Indiana Harbor.

City Line Ticket Fare: On the basis of seven cents per passenger per ride, tickets to be sold in lots of five for thirty-five cents. All tickets to be good for a ride between any two street stops in the cities of East Chicago and Indiana Harbor.

The petition states that a five cent fare has been in effect since June, 1908, and that the revenue received from the traffic is not sufficient to pay operating expenses and fixed expenses.

For the main line of the company the petition asks:

One way Passenger Ticket Fare: Advance the one way fares between all points on the line in the state of Indiana to a minimum rate basis of three cents per mile per ride with a minimum fare of ten cents for any one trip.

Train Fares: On the basis of ten cents per passenger (both adult and child) per trip over and above the ticket

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DEATH OF MRS. EGGBRECHT

Mrs. Theodore Eggebrecht, 354 Indiana avenue, who has been ill for three weeks, died this morning at St. Margaret's hospital following an operation for appendicitis. Mrs. Eggebrecht was 55 years old and leaves a husband, son, daughter-in-law and two grandchildren to mourn her loss. She was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church and highly esteemed by her many friends and neighbors. The funeral will take place Monday afternoon at 1 p. m. from the church. Rev. Lichtenau will officiate. The interment will take place at Concordia cemetery.

Golf all day, good prizes. Dinner at 7 p. m. Athletic and vaudeville party at 9 p. m. Owing to the delay in getting out invitations reservations can be made up to Saturday noon. Ladies are especially requested to be there.

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CONDITIONS ARE QUIET AT STANDARD

All is quiet today at the Standard Steel car works in Hammond and the soldiers have all left for home, the strikers followed the advice of their leaders and have created no disorder whatever. An increasing number of men returned to work this morning and though picketing was resumed by the strikers there was no intimidation and no one was molested for going to work. Captain Rimbach of the Hammond police is in charge of the men doing police detail there and reports everything quiet and in good order.

STREET CAR SERVICE NOT YET RESUMED

(BULLETIN)

Officials of the W. W. & E. C. Street Railway Co., are in Whiting and East Chicago this afternoon trying to reach an agreement with the officials of those cities whereby car service can be resumed at once. It is understood that nothing is being done towards reaching an agreement with the striking Carmen pending the outcome of negotiations in the other cities.

Fielding to the pressure which was being brought to bear upon them from all sides to afford some relief and believing that they have really received some concessions from the street car company which amount to something, the Hammond City Council by a narrow margin this morning voted to ratify the amended ordinance granting the company an increase in fare.

The result was accomplished only by calling a special meeting this morning after the aldermen in session that lasted until 1:30 o'clock last night, refused to take favorable action.

When the ordinance was ratified this morning it was stated by representatives of the company that the cars would be started at once provided the men would agree to operate only in Hammond territory if such restrictions were required by action of the East Chicago and Whiting councils.

The impression had prevailed that if Hammond finally came to an agreement with the company, the other cities would take similar action. Now it is said that East Chicago is considering holding out for the five cent fare and in case the company settles with the strikers, the city may try to revoke the franchise for failure to operate on those lines.

Last night's meeting was the stormiest in many months. Citizens were present from all parts of Hammond, but little was said by other than the members of the council. Following a committee meeting in the Mayor's office the matter was taken up in open council. Chairman Keefer of the committee, read the new eight points which had been agreed upon by the committed and the street car company.

These points which were discussed and voted upon separately were as follows:

1.—Fifteen minutes service on the line from East Chicago to East Hammond, entire day, from five o'clock a. m. to ten o'clock p. m.; twenty minutes service from ten o'clock p. m. to one o'clock a. m.

Fifteen minute service from State and Hohman streets to State Line, between five o'clock and eight thirty o'clock a. m. and four o'clock and seven o'clock p. m.; twenty minutes service the rest of the day except from ten o'clock p. m. to one o'clock a. m. when it shall not be less than one-half hour.

2.—Double track on State street, from Oakley avenue to Calumet avenue, and at once pave the eight feet additional for second track.

3.—Cars to be routed on old way, passing both directions on State street between Hohman and Calumet.

4.—Cars to be run on Coulmbia avenue to Sibley street.

Estimated 12,000 railroad workers

at San Bernardino, Colton, Barstow, and other points in California, Nevada and Arizona, effecting complete southern California railroad tie.

NEW ALBANY, Ind.—1,000 employees of the Ohio Falls Iron Co. are idle. The plant was shut down to avert strike after unskilled workers demanded increases in wages.

ROCHESTER, Ind.—Employees of the Rochester Bridge Co. on strike for increased wages. Company refused demands and threatens shutdown.

BUCKNELL, Ind.—1,500 coal miners recently sub-organized, will meet Sunday to demand recognition from United Mine Workers of America.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—Organized electricians will continue work under old contract after failing in strike for \$1.00 an hour wages.

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Things would run smoothly for a

point or two and then the war would

be on again.

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