

COURT ORDER STOPS STRIKE

Federal Judge Adams at St. Louis Issues an Injunction Directing Officers and Agents of Railway Labor Organizations to Refrain From Interfering With Employees of The Wabash Railroad Company.

By securing an injunction in the United States district court at St. Louis against railway employees' unions President Ramsey of the Wabash prevented the culmination of the threatened strike of the 1,100 firemen and trainmen. Just prior to obtaining the injunction Mr. Ramsey refused flatly to grant the demands of the men. A neat subterfuge on his part gained for him the advantage over the men. Previously they had given him until noon March 3 to consider and grant their demands. At that time he pleaded for a few more hours and they gave him until 5 o'clock in the evening. During the interim Judge Elmer B. Adams granted the injunction and at 5 o'clock the men found themselves locked out.

tain complaint against you, and each of you, that you are combining and confederating together to order and cause a strike on the part of the employees of the said railroad company, engaged in and about the operations of its trains, as brakemen, switchmen and firemen, and in interfering with, hindering, obstructing and stopping the business of said railroad company as a common carrier in the United States.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

Measures Under Consideration in the Capitol at Springfield.

IMPORTANT HOUSE MEASURE

Civil Service May Be Amended, Local Option Will Be Taken Up and Bill Removing the \$5,000 Death Limit Is to Be Reported.

The principal matter to come up before the legislature this week is the consideration of Gov. Yates' civil service bill, which is a special order in the house. The prediction has been made that the bill will be advanced to third reading under the gavel and passed but it is not probable that this course will be pursued. There are a number of amendments to be proposed to the bill, and it is expected that these will be presented. It is likely that the subject of apportionment of the judicial circuits will be reopened during the week. The only territory affected by the proposition to reapportion is the southern part of the state.

whose office appointees are exempted from civil service examination and the operation of the civil service law. The elective state officers other than the governor opposed this measure, their friends in the legislature will fight it, and so will a number of Democrats.

Ex-Speaker Sherman says he intends to support and vote for the bill. He does not agree with many of the provisions in the measure, but he says it is the best thing that is obtainable under conditions which exist, and future legislatures can be relied on to put it in some sort of a stage of perfection. But some of the strongest men on the Republican side of the house will fight the measure to the bitter end.

When the bill was reached on the order of first reading Mr. Johnson of the Democratic side moved that the house adjourn, but the motion was tabled on a viva voce vote, and the bill was taken up. Mr. Johnson then moved that further consideration of the bill be postponed.

Mr. Trautmann—Will the man please explain what he means by the term "four-flushing"? Mr. Lindly—if this bill is read a first time it will not be taken up for second reading until next week, and the man from Whiteside will have plenty of opportunity to prepare any amendments he may desire to offer. I move that his motion be tabled.

Johnson made the point of order that the bill was never offered by a member of the house. He said the synopsis showed that the bill was offered by the governor, and he wanted to know when the governor became a member of the legislature.

Speaker Miller explained that the bill was introduced by the speaker, and the record so showed. He decided the point of order not well taken. The motion to postpone further consideration of the bill was lost by vote, and the bill was then read a first time. As soon as the reading was completed Mr. Sherman arose and moved that it be made a special order.

Mr. Darrow will make special effort to procure the passage of these bills. "The conspiracy laws are absurd," said Mr. Darrow. "Conspiracy under the law is an agreement to do an illegal thing. The general penalty is imprisonment in the penitentiary. If a dozen men should agree to beat another man and one of them does beat him, the act itself is assault and battery under the law and the penalty is a small fine, but the agreement is conspiracy, and all who join in it may be sent to the penitentiary."

Common law prosecutions are further forbidden by a bill introduced by Representative McManaman of Chicago, which abolishes common law crimes and misdemeanors, and provides that hereafter no persons shall be indicted or prosecuted except for violation of some statute of the state of Illinois.

Primary Elections. Representative Thomas Rinaker of Macoupin introduced a compulsory primary election bill applicable to the whole state. It affects only the nomination of candidates for state offices. The primaries for this purpose must be held on the first Tuesday in September preceding the biennial November election. Primary day is to be a registration day, and only those who have voted at the primary will be allowed to register so as to vote at the regular election. All nominations are to be made by a direct vote. Political conventions are abolished. The primaries are to be all-day affairs, from 7 o'clock in the morning until 9 at night.

ILLINOIS STATE NEWS

RESULT OF FRIENDLY SCUFFLE

Boarder insists on Landlord Taking Chair and Latter Breaks a Leg. Too much politeness caused the fracture of the left leg of Gerhard Hemphen, janitor of Humboldt school at Alton. Hemphen lives at Fifth and Vine streets and his family keeps boarders. One of the boarders engaged in a friendly scuffle with Hemphen after a controversy over who should occupy a chair. The story told is that both men attempted to seat themselves in the same chair at once, and then both insisted on yielding the chair to the other. Both are powerful men, and at length the boarder declared that if Hemphen would voluntarily occupy the chair he would be compelled to do so. The two men engaged in a friendly scuffle, as the boarder attempted to force the landlord to occupy the only chair left unoccupied in the room. Members of the family watched the scuffle with amusement, and both men were in the best of humor. Suddenly Hemphen fell to the floor, and it was found that his leg was broken. He is a well-known Alton citizen.

WOMAN PIONEER PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Amanda West settled in Bellville Fifty-five Years Ago. Mrs. Amanda West, wife of Mr. Edward William West of Bellville, died at her home, aged 98. She was born at Utica, N. Y., on January 1, 1817, and came to Bellville about fifty-five years ago. Besides her husband, she leaves the following children: Mrs. W. H. Harman and Miss Hattie Hyde of Chicago; Mrs. T. J. Kraft of Springfield; Mrs. Ed. Warren West and Mrs. William H. Powell of Bellville, besides a number of grandchildren. She was the mother of the late William Hyde, co-proprietor of St. Louis and well-known newspaper man. She was highly esteemed and was greatly respected by all who knew her.

FOOTBALL FATALITY AT CHICAGO

Injury Sustained by Player Last October Results in Death. Hugh Guthrie Leighton, a graduate student at the Armour Institute, Chicago, is dead, as the result of a football game, in which he participated last October. Death was caused by the weakening of the heart action. Leighton was prominent in athletics when in the University of Chicago, being a member of the football team. Last October he played in a hard interclass game at the Armour Institute without previous training and strained his heart. He grew gradually worse until the end.

FINDS HER WAYWARD DAUGHTER

Mother Discovers Offspring in Jail Charged With Murder. After having searched for her only daughter and given up hope of finding her alive, simply seeking her burial place, Mrs. Lucretia Malone of New Orleans found her an inmate of the Jackson county jail, charged with knowledge of the murder of Wm. C. Smith last August. The young woman is known as Nora Taylor and is one of three who are charged with the murder. Mrs. Malone has sought for three years the whereabouts of this girl, who left her home in Louisiana several years ago and occasionally wrote home. Her mother learned that her daughter was in trouble in Murphysboro, where she was in jail, unable to furnish a bond. A bondsman was secured and the girl released.

WEDDINGS IN THE STATE.

- At Mattoon—Frank Stewart and Miss Stacy B. Hardy. At Pana—Pleasant Curry and Miss Myrtle E. Payne; Low Turner, aged 78, and Mrs. Mary Nicolol, aged 61; Ernest L. Craun and Miss Jennie Culp. At Virginia—Henry Roefe and Miss Alma Lonkamp. At Fosterburg—Henry Frank of Bonker Hill and Miss Maggie Denoth-er of Fosterburg. At Alton—Everett Clement and Miss Evelyn Ross; William Darlington of McClusky and Mary C. Wedding. At Harrisburg—Willie Swarts and Mrs. Elsie Hopkins.

IN JAIL WITHOUT CAUSE.

George Briggs was discharged from custody at Alton. It developed that the police had arrested the wrong man, and that Briggs had been held in jail more than three months under suspicion he was the man who stole a quantity of clothing belonging to Ed Lavenue. The person who bought Lavenue's clothes from the thief said she had never seen Briggs before.

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

C. M. Parker has received a letter from W. B. Jacobs, representing the State Sunday School association, stating that the executive committee of the association has decided to accept the invitation of the citizens of Taylorville to hold the annual convention there. The convention will be held May 26, 27 and 28, 1903.

TROTTER MEET AT DECATUR.

The Decatur Trotting association will hold a meeting at the race track in August. The purses will aggregate \$5,000. The dates are Aug. 18-21. The other cities in the circuit are Minneapolis, Pekin, Mendota, Milwaukee, Daventport, Des Moines, Joliet, Freeport, Galesburg, Hamlin, Monmouth, Indianapolis and Springfield, all in the grand Western trotting circuit.

LUMBER DEALER DIES.

N. A. Rust, president of the Three States Lumber company, and the W. E. Smith Lumber company of Cairo died at his Eastern home in Boston, Mass. Mr. Rust was one of Wisconsin's pioneer lumbermen, and had been very successful in business, having amassed a fortune of several millions of dollars. He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.

ORGANIZE HUMANE SOCIETY.

The charter for the Randolph County Humane Society has been received from the secretary of state. At a meeting of the incorporators, held at Chester, a committee consisting of Rev. J. G. Miller, W. C. Kennedy and W. W. Collier was appointed to prepare a constitution and by-laws, after which permanent officers will be elected.

CHARTER FOR NEW ROAD.

Articles of incorporation of the St. Louis and Eastern electric railroad company have been filed for record at Edwardsville; capital, \$50,000; principal office, St. Elmo. The incorporators are B. F. and P. M. Johnson, G. W. Hodson and G. W. Harlan of St. Elmo and G. T. Turner of Vandalia. The route will extend from East St. Louis to St. Clair, through the center of St. Clair, Madison, Bond and Fayette, paralleling the tracks of the Vandalia railroad.

SEeks to RECOVER LAND.

Mrs. Minnie Davis of Cairo, Ill., has employed counsel to assist her in recovering a large tract of land located near Keyesport. She is a daughter of Jeremiah Delay, who deserted his family in Irishtown over thirty years ago. Her mother died when she was a little girl. Her mother lived with the family of J. H. Yost in Cairo. The supposition was that she was dead. The property was sold by order of the court. Mrs. Delay did not get her share. She intends to take action to recover her share in the land and town property. The legal contest will be a lengthy and complicated one, since the property has passed through several hands.

ACCEPTS Carnegie Donation.

The Beardstown city council passed the public library appropriation. This insures a donation of \$10,000 for a library building from Andrew Carnegie, the council having agreed to appropriate \$1,000 yearly for the support of the library, also donating a suitable site. Another appropriation was voted by the aldermen for \$75 to be used in putting in good condition the road leading from the wagon bridge to the Frederick road. It was voted by the members to pay the city treasurer a salary of \$100 in lieu of the fee, as heretofore.

FARMERS Elect OFFICERS.

The annual election of officers of the Perry County Agricultural society took place at Pincneyville. Following are the new officers: Matthew Rule, president; James H. Truver, secretary; Thomas L. Wallace, treasurer; Henry Wildy, marshal; James J. West, assistant marshal; vice presidents—Henry Kline, Duquin; F. L. Williams, Tamarora; Albert Thompson, Paradise; William McCree, Beau coup; John Galloway, Pincneyville; Matthew Robb, Swanwick; J. R. Alexander, Cutler; W. T. Bradley, Southwest.

NORMAL Institute.

The Alexander county normal institute will be held in Cairo Monday and Tuesday, March 16 and 17, at the Cairo Baptist church, under the direction of A. T. Arnold, field worker of the Illinois Sunday school association. The officers of the association are: President, Mrs. C. A. Marchildon; secretary, Miss N. J. McKee of Cairo; primary superintendent, Mrs. T. J. McClure of McClure; normal superintendent, Mrs. M. J. Hair of Unty; home department superintendent, M. Costard of Cairo.

Perry County Reunion.

The executive committee of the Perry County District Soldiers and Sailors' association, composed of the counties of Perry, Jackson, Randolph and Washington, held a meeting in Pincneyville to decide on the time and place for the next reunion of the associations. The reunion will be held Sept. 2, 3 and 4 in Sparta, in connection with the old settlers' reunion which is annually held in that city.

Fix Wages Scales.

The Central Painters and Paperhangers' union has fixed the scale for the coming year at 3 1/2 cents per hour, and the hod carriers have fixed their scale at 35 cents per hour, being almost double the rate for the year just closed.

Farmers' Union.

The farmers of Mount Zion township have organized a farmers' union for protection against grain and stock dealers. The union will elect a re-visor and officials will look after the best interests of the stockholders. It is claimed there are 1,000 members of the state farmers' union.

Falls From Ladder.

Charles Kitzberger fell from a ladder at the plant of the Illinois electric company at Alton and sustained a fracture of his leg.

President's Autograph in Glass.

President Roosevelt's autograph cut in glass with a diamond is a unique souvenir which is in the possession of the Northwestern university. The pane of glass with the signature inscribed, will be given the place of greatest prominence in the huge fireplace in University hall. The signature possesses a few more extravagant irregularities of penmanship than ever came from the President's pen, but it is so notably rugged that the university will prize it.

Senator Hoar's Enjoyments.

Among the many hobbies of Senator George F. Hoar are his fondness for trolley trips and dime novels. The senator's favorite time for reading half-raising publications is while traveling, and he declares he gets keen enjoyment out of the plots and impossible characters. The senator is as well a student of history. At his home in Worcester he lives on an atmosphere of history. One of his chief means of recreation in Washington is a long trolley trip.

Quincy Postoffice.

The month of February eclipsed all previous records of business done at the postoffice in Quincy. Notwithstanding the fact that there were two holidays in the month, there were more than \$10,000 worth of postage stamps sold. On one day the sale of stamps amounted to \$1,144.50. There are now more than fifty employees in the postoffice, and nearly seventy postal clerks draw their monthly salaries at Quincy. The pay roll is more than \$10,000 per month.

Many Use Cigarettes.

Mrs. Lucy Page Gaston, superintendent of the Anti-cigarette League, is in Springfield in the interest of legislation. She says statistics show that over 50 per cent of the youths of the country are addicted to the cigarette habit.

To Unionize Centralia.

A number of the printers in Centralia held a meeting and took the preliminary steps to organize all the offices in the city.