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GENERAL NEWS

TELEGRAPH NEWS OF THE MORNING. WEATHER REPORT.

Forecast for Boston and vicinity—Fair; Wednesday fair with rising temperature; light westerly winds.

Chicago, March 16.—The date and hour of calling the strike of the firemen on the western railroads was decided upon by the union officials committee yesterday, and the committee adjourned until afternoon without announcing the time when the strike would be called. Pres. Carter of the union said that in his opinion the committee would order the strike regardless of the mediation proposal. The railroads issued a statement declaring that to prevent a strike they would, if necessary, appeal to the authorities at Washington. Mr. Carter said the decision to strike had been reached at a meeting of 43 members of the Western Federated Board of the Brotherhood, each member representing a western railroad.

Number of railroads affected, 47.
Miles of railroad, 150,000.
Firemen affected, 25,000.
Other employees temporarily thrown out, 125,000.
Territory involved, entire country west of a line from Chicago to New Orleans.
Cost to the country, over \$100,000,000.

Cambridge, March 15.—The case against George W. Coleman of the wrecked National City Bank of Cambridge, and his chum and chauffeur, Wilson W. Lockhart, was today presented to the federal grand jury. Coleman is charged with stealing more than \$180,000 from the bank, and Lockhart with aiding Coleman in the misapplication of \$3000 of the bank's funds.

Boston, March 15.—Representatives of Mayor Fitzgerald, and Police Commissioner O'Meara reported yesterday that there was nothing in the dialogues, songs, or actions of the players in "The Queen of the Moulin Rouge," at the Boston Theatre, that could be considered obnoxious to the law. It is therefore decided that there will be no further objection to this performance unless a change for the worse is made.

New York, March 16.—A gift of \$100,000 by Mrs. Helen Hartley Jenkins, for the endowment of a chair of medicine in New York University Medical School and Bellevue Hospital Medical College, which were consolidated in 1897, has been announced. The gift is made in recognition of the interest in the university of the donor's father, Marsellus Hartley.

Springfield, March 16.—Two mail clerks and an engineer were seriously injured yesterday when the New York New York, on the New Haven road, jumped the rails at Pecowic Curve in the southerly end of this city. The engine rolled down a steep bank to the

edge of the Connecticut River, while two mail cars, the baggage car, and one passenger car went off the track, but did not turn over. The three injured men were taken to the Mercy Hospital. They are: Daniel Ryan of Lynn, a mail clerk, and F. F. McAuslan of Boston, a mail clerk.

New York, March 16.—The Rev. Ernest Reichel, a missionary of the Moravian Church, was one of the passengers on the lost steamer Prins Willem II. of the Royal Dutch West Indian mail, which sailed from Amsterdam for West Indian ports and New York on Jan. 21. There were 52 persons on the ship, which is now believed to have gone down with all on board in a gale off Ushant, French coast.

Macon, Ga., March 16.—Citizens of a fashionable section of this city are aiding the police in searching for an unknown white man who attempted to assault criminally Miss Louise Willis of Walden, G., at the home of her brother, Emmett Willis, here, late last night. It is believed that the fugitive will soon be captured.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Washington, March 16.—Yesterday was the government's day in the hearing before the supreme court to substantiate its claim that the Standard Oil organization should be dissolved as violating the Sherman anti trust law. With the exception of a few closing words by John G. Milburn, one of the Standard Oil attorneys, who did not finish his opening argument Monday, the entire time of the court today was set aside for Frank B. Kellogg to address the court on behalf of the government.

FOREIGN.

Paris, March 16.—The French aviation syndicate today brought suit for the annulment of the Wright patents in France. The petition after setting up the general claim that the Wright brothers both in America and in France are trying to obtain a monopoly in mechanical flight, declares that the petitioners are prepared to prove that patent No. 342,188 granted in France to the Wrights on March, 24, 1904, has been forfeited under the law requiring the exploitation of an invention in France within three years of the date of patents.

Paris, March 16.—Former President Roosevelt has telegraphed that he will not arrive in Paris before April 25 at the earliest. While here the colonel and Mrs. Roosevelt will be the personal guests of American Ambassador and Mrs. Bacon.

TALK ON INSURANCE

The subject of "Fire Insurance from the Engineer's Standpoint" will be discussed by Mr. W. H. Blood, Jr., before the Boston Section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers at 8.00 P. M. tonight. The meeting will be held in the Auditorium of the Edison Building, 39 Boylston St.

In his paper Mr. Blood will discuss the effect of various types of building construction on insurance rates; also the effect of management on the classification of risks.

This paper will be of special importance to those connected with the design and operation of central station property.

A new mineral called "groutite" has been discovered by a member of the Minnesota faculty.

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