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RAILWAY STRIKE LOSES AND 'GAINS

Warning in Middle and Far West. More Serious in East.

Chicago, April 12 .- While the unauthorized strike of railroad employes which started in Chicago two switchmen on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad today appeared gradually to be waning in the Middle West and the Far West, the situation in the territory east of Cleveland took on a more serious aspect.

The center of developments in the walkout of insurgents had definitely to the rebel railroad workers had caused a serious stoppage of freight of several industries dependent on the railroads for supplies.

The situation in the Chicago yards the crisis of the strike was past and fic in that section. The Southern, that the strikers were returning to however, will sell until further notice work in considerable numbers. Offi- through tickets to New York on its have been fighting the strike since its and arriving in Washington at night inception, were confident that the as the Pennsylvania railroad states it breaking up of the walkout in the Chi- can handle sleepers at night. cago territory would be followed by a general resumption of work in other WILSON CHANGES

In requesting negotiations looking toward the end of the strike, President Grunau of the outlaw yardmen's organization, said contracts the railroads have with the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and the Switchmen's Union of North America did not apply to membership in his union. Grunau denied that the switchmen's strike was illegal,

"The brotherhood chiefs, who accuse

he said. "The Brotherhood of Railroad photographed in order that Mr. Trainmen took a strike vote in secret two weeks ago. Ballots were cast at 140 points and authorized brotherhood officers to call a strike if their demands for increased pay and better working conditions were not granted, high society revels at its own funcweeks ago with a walkout of 700 If our strike, cleanly called in the open, if illegal, what do they call tac-

tics like that?" J. A. Farquharson, an officer of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, the production that ran at the Censaid Grunau's charge was "a fabrication out of whole cloth."

Atlanta, April 12.—Sale of through shifted to the East, where additions tickets except on one train to points north of Washington was discontinued today by the Southern railway, while and passenger traffic and the closing the Seaboard Air Line discontinued selling tickets to all points north of

Richmond. Because of the unauthorized strike showed a marked improvement, and of railroad men in the North, it was reports from other large railroad cen-explained the railroads were not in a ters in the Middle West indicated that position to guarantee passenger trafcers of railroad brotherhoods, who train No. 36, leaving here at midnight

SUMMER PLANS

Will Not' Go to Woods Hole. Space Too Limited.

Washington, April 12.-President Wilson will not establish the summer white House at Woods Hole, Mass., as had been expected, but probably will elect some other place where more accommodations are available for the large staff of secretaries and attaches.

It became known today that the announcement that the president had selected the estate of Charles R. Crane, minister to China, for his summer home, was premature. The president had accepted Mr. Crane's offer of a lease of the property, but it had not been inspected by the secret service operatives and White House attaches, who always manage the household surroundings of the president and his family.

When the White House advance agents came to go over the ground, it is said, they came to the conclusion that the Crane estate itself was not large enough and that the accommodations to be found in the village were insufficient for the force from the executive offices which would have to be moved to Woods Hole for the sum-

It also developed that the Crane mansion is close to a railway track, where many trains pass day and night; that there are several automatic fog signals in the waters of Long Island sound close to shore, and that the layout of the Crane grounds in relation to the public streets and side walks of Woods Hole were such that the secret service men advanced what they termed practically obstacles to their regular plans for guarding the

When these considerations were laid ! before the president, it was said, today, he reluctantly abandoned his plan o go to Woods Hole and was regret ful that Mr. Crane's offer had been accepted before all the physical considerations which his aides feel are important, were investigated.

It has not been decided where the president will go in view of the changed plan, but several offers are before him. The White House executive force wants to choose a place where the physical arrangements are as much the same as here in Washington as may be possible.

The president did not go motoring today, but spent his time on the White House portico on the south lawn and in his study. His drive about the capital Sunday served to quiet persistent rumors that he had suffered a setback. Rear Admiral Grayson reiterated that the president was in better condition than he had been at any time since he rturned ill from his speaking trip last October.

Society Atmosphere in Serial. It is obvious to all serial fans that there must be a new sort of atmosphere in a Robert W. Chambers' serial, and Director George B. Seitz, who produced "The Black Secret," the latest Pearl White serial by this continued pictures.

Hence, it is not surprising that Director Seitz took his company to the famous Meadowbrook Hunt Club on Long Island and photographed many scenes with this world-famous rendezvous of society as a background. The mansion of a celebrated multi-

us, should come with clean hands," millionaire in New Jersey was also Chambers' characters might appear perfectly at home in their motion picture surroundings.

One of the important interior scenes in the first episode shows how tions and a ball room setting of great magnificence was built especially for this. Dorohthy Ward, one of the principal dancers in "The Betrothal," tury Theatre, was especially engaged to do the solo dances in this scene, "The Black Secret" will pe seen at the Opera House on Saturday of each

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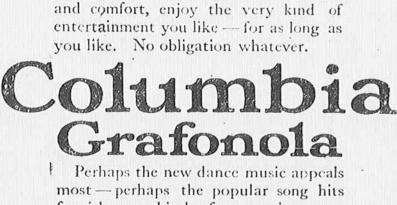
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