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## NO SETTLEMENT OF COAL STRIKE

More Miners Have Been Induced to Quit Work.

### HANNA THE CENTRAL FIGURE

Operators Say Wages Cannot Be Raised Without Increase in Price of Coal, but Prices Went Down Yesterday.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 28.—The coal strike remains unsettled. Reports of a conference of mine operators and leading officials of the coal carrying railroads were plentiful.

Beyond the general statement that the principal point under discussion was the advisability or practicality of granting the mine workers a ten per cent advance in wages, very little of the details of the meeting could be learned.

Operators generally expressed the opinion that an increase could not be granted and operating expenses met unless there was an advance in the price of coal.

The larger operating companies, however, took a rather hesitating view of the proposals to further increase the price of anthracite, contending that the competition of bituminous coal was now too sharp.

President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers is reticent on the general question of accepting a ten per cent increase without other concessions, and declined to be interviewed on that point.

Meantime the strike leaders are continuing their efforts to induce the working miners to join in the strike. Quiet prevailed today throughout the mine region. All eyes were turned toward New York in the expectancy of some important announcement from there.

### NEGOTIATOR HANNA

SCRANTON, Pa., Sept. 28.—Operators here admit that Senator Hanna is the central figure in the negotiations for settlement of the strike, and while they profess to be at sea as to details they are confident that he knows beforehand what will be acceptable to the miners and that whatever conditions he has exacted or is exacting from the coal men in New York will be nothing less than what will be fully satisfactory to the miners.

### END IS IN SIGHT

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—The Herald tomorrow will say: "One of the men who has participated in the settlement of the anthracite coal miners' strike and is familiar with all the facts and immediate circumstances said in an interview last (Friday) night:

"My belief is that the strike will come to an end some time next week. It will not be ended by a blare of trumpets or by sweeping general orders but by the men going quietly to work in colliery after colliery, day after day, at 10 per cent advance."

### MORE MEN QUIT WORK

HAZLETON, Pa., Sept. 28.—There was a march of strikers from Hazleton to Hazlebrook early this morning, and as a result of their efforts, the colliery of J. S. Wentz & Co. was practically shut down. They called at the homes of all the men who had not yet struck, but showed no disposition to become unruly.

Sheriff Harvey, with a small number of deputies, arrived on the scene at 6 o'clock, but did not interfere with the marchers, who returned home after the colliery whistle had blown and the success of their efforts was apparent. All is quiet elsewhere in the Hazleton region.

The miners at the Lytle colliery, near Minorsville, owned and operated by the Lytle Coal Company, of which Stickney and Conyngnam, coal men of New York, are members, are squaring up their work, and they say they will quit tonight and join the strikers. The same conditions exist at Pine Hill colliery, the property of the Pine Hill Coal Company, and at Oak Hill colliery, operated by Lestrange & Co., and Duncott, near Minorsville.

### MORE MINES SHUT DOWN

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Sept. 28.—Not a single colliery north of Broad Mountain is working today. The employees of the Potts colliery at Louisa, west of Ashland, failed to report this morn-

ing and that operation is closed. It was the last of the three working in the Ashland district to shut down. About 3,500 miners in that section are idle. Hope is expressed on all sides that the strike will be ended this week.

### RAILWAY MEN RETICENT

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 28.—President Harris of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, and also of the P. & R. Coal and Iron Company, was in his office as usual this morning, attending to routine business. He declined to say anything on the subject of the reported efforts for the settlement of the strike. Official advice received today at Mr. Harris' office are to the effect that the East colliery, near Shamokin, did not start this morning. This leaves twelve of the thirty-nine collieries of the company in operation, one less than yesterday.

### ROUND MONEY CLUB

Organized by Prominent Chicago Lawyers Yesterday.

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—The "Lawyers' Round Money Campaign Club" was formed here today with the following officers: John G. Carlisle, president; W. A. Duer, treasurer; Chas. H. Sherrill, secretary, and Franklin Bartlett, R. W. DeForest, George Hoadley, Henry E. Nowland, W. Jay, Hamilton Odell, W. H. Pockham, George L. Rivers, Horace Hunsell and other well-known attorneys. Resolutions were adopted declaring against the convention which nominated Bryan and Stevenson upon a platform advocating the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at a ratio of 16 to 1 and reaffirming the Chicago platform of 1896 which attacked the independence of the supreme court of the United States.

### COAL IN THE CASCADES

Rich Mines of Anthracite Discovered Which May Yield Twenty-five Million Tons.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 28.—A special to the Tribune, from Valley City, N. D., says:

Judge M. Dennett has just returned from the Cascade mountain district of Washington, bringing samples and news of the location of vast fields of anthracite coal.

In company with Professor Birch, a mineral expert of Seattle, Judge Dennett penetrated into the Cascade range sixty miles from the railroad, and after two days' prospecting located veins showing nineteen feet of coal and located 450 acres of land. He estimates the quantity of the coal in eight at twenty-five million tons.

### NOISY ANTI-IMPERIALISTS

Cooper Union Filled With a Boisterous Crowd Last Night.

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—Cooper Union was not large enough to hold the crowd which came tonight to its doors to attend the meeting of the Anti-Imperialist League of New York. The crowd was noisy and before the meeting was called to order cheered for McKinley, for Bryan, for the "full dinner pail" and for Debs. Carl Schurz was received with a tumult of cheers.

### BRYAN IN THE DAKOTAS

Made Almost a Dozen Speeches Yesterday and Will Make Nine Today.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Sept. 28.—Wm. J. Bryan completed his tour of South Dakota at this place tonight. The day had been a very busy one but the Democratic candidate had seldom appeared to better advantage. He was in excellent voice and spoke with distinctness and grace.

During the day Bryan traveled 250 miles and made almost a dozen speeches. He left here tonight for North Dakota, where he is booked to make nine speeches tomorrow.

### POPULISTS TURNED DOWN

Idaho Secretary of State Refused to File Their Nomination for Presidential Elector.

BOISE, Sept. 28.—Secretary of State Patrie today declined to file the Populist nomination of S. J. Rich, Democratic nominee for presidential elector. The Populist nomination was made by the executive committee and its filing was refused because there was no certificate showing that the committee was authorized to file vacancies.

### MURDERER FOUND GUILTY

Butte Man Shot and Killed His Daughter and Her Husband.

BUTTE, Mont., Sept. 28.—Thomas Sheno, who shot and killed his son-in-law, Thomas Littlejohn, and his daughter, Mrs. Littlejohn, March 18 last, was today found guilty of murder in the second degree.

## AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED

Germany, France and Russia Unite on Chinese Program.

### EXPECT OTHERS TO FOLLOW

Empress Said to Have Removed Prince Tuan From Office—Powers Want Emperor but Dufferer Refuses to Release Him.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—Apparently Germany's retreat from her untenable position has been virtually accomplished. The Paris correspondent of the Morning Post says:

"An agreement on the Chinese program has been arranged between Germany, France and Russia."

"It will be submitted to the other powers within a few days. The action recommended will be milder than Germany's original proposal and it is expected that all the powers will accept the program."

The Cologne Gazette, in a semi-official statement apparently intended for consumption in the United States and England, points out the serious position resulting from Prince Tuan's ascendancy.

"The continued massacre of missionaries and converts," says the Gazette, "indicates that the anti-foreign movement is directed from an influential center."

It thinks that the situation thus created "must appear intolerable even to those powers favoring a policy of indulgence and forbearance."

The Tien Tsin correspondent of the Standard says:

"I learn that Li Hung Chang has declared that Vice-Admiral Allexis has gone to Port Arthur to avoid meeting Count Von Waldersee, who is to hold a conference with him and Vice-Admiral Remy and Sir Alfred Gaslee."

### NO DEVELOPMENTS EXPECTED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—It is said, and the statement may be significant, that no developments in the Chinese situation of importance are expected within the next two weeks at least.

### LI TALKS ON THE SITUATION

(Copyright, 1900, Associated Press.) TIEN Tsin, Sept. 25, via Shanghai, Sept. 25.—Li Hung Chang told General Chaffee today that his chief desire was to effect a cessation of hostilities and he promised that the Chinese would not again take the initiative in fighting. He professed fairness on the part of the United States and he said every American would act as a mediator, using his influence to effect a proper settlement of the whole question.

He is in constant cable communication with the Chinese minister at Washington, and it is understood that he has received assurance that a majority of the powers will recognize his credentials. At the suggestion of General Chaffee he is hastening his preparations to leave for Peking.

A British cavalry reconnaissance 10 miles to the southwest of Tien Tsin occupied several towns without opposition. A messenger who arrived here today brings news of a massacre of Chinese and British soldiers in the northern part of the province of Shan Si.

### KETTLER'S ASSASSIN TRIED

PEKIN, Sept. 28.—The Manchu assassin of Baron Von Ketteler was tried by court-martial yesterday. A new sentence was read and the court decided that it would be unjustified in pronouncing sentence upon the prisoner, who, however, will be held in the house that further information will be obtained.

The Russian and German legations are still awaiting developments, and the receipt of further instructions. Li Hung Chang is expected to arrive within a week. Business is improving and the people are raising confidence, but no progress is being made toward the return of the fugitive government. The event so much desired by every one is still in the air.

### RUSSIANS CAPTURE KIRIN

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 28.—General Augustoff has sent the following dispatch to the war office: "Rennankampf captured Kirin September 24, and established his headquarters there. The Chinese troops were disarmed."

The Kirin returned to in the St. Petersburg dispatch is probably Kirin-Ola, also written Kirin-Ola, a town of Manchuria, capital of the province of Songaree. It is enclosed by earthworks, and is the residence of a Manchu viceroy.

### BOXER POWER WAXING

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—From reliable Chinese sources of information comes the statement that Kang Yi, the notorious Boxer leader, has committed suicide. The Herald's Shanghai correspondent it is also said that the emperor dowager has replaced Prince Tuan by Wan Wen Chao, who is an intelligent and strong man. If these facts be true, they show that the Boxer power is breaking with the Chinese government.

General Kang Yi, the Manchu president of the war department and a member of the grand secretariat, is said to have embraced the Boxer propaganda with ardor and to have participated in the destruction of the legations in Peking. It was recently announced that he was to succeed Shing as viceroy of Shanghai; that the foreign consuls there protested against the selection and Liu Kun KI, viceroy of Nankin, took their objection under

## FILIPINOS MAKE A BIG CAPTURE

American Gunboat and Fifty-three Volunteers Taken.

### MEN WERE FROM ATLANTA

Led by Captain Shields, of Natchez, Miss.—Reverse Was at Small Island of Marinduque, 300 Miles South of Manila.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The war department has received the following cablegram from General MacArthur:

"Manila, September 25.—Adjutant-General, Washington: September 11th, Captain Devoreaux Shields, with 51 men of Company F, Twenty-ninth regiment United States volunteer infantry, and one hospital corps man, left Santa Cruz, Marinduque, by the gunboat Villalobos, for Terfio, intending to return overland to Santa Cruz. Have heard nothing since from Shields. Scarcely doubt that the entire party has been captured with many killed and wounded. Shields among the latter. Information sent by letter from the commanding officer at Boje, dated 20th, received September 24, consisted of rumors through natives.

"The Yorktown and two gunboats, George Anderson (colonel of Thirty-eighth volunteer infantry), with two companies Thirty-eighth volunteer infantry, sent to Marinduque immediately. Anderson confirms the first report as to capture, but was unable, on September 27, to give details and present whereabouts of Shields and party, or names of the killed and wounded. His information will probably be available soon. Anderson has orders to commence operations immediately and move relentlessly, until Shields and his party are rescued. Logan will be sent to Marinduque, if necessary, to clear up the situation.

"MacARTHUR." The Twenty-ninth infantry was recruited at Fort McPherson (Atlanta, Ga.) Captain Shields was lieutenant-colonel of the Second Mississippi during the Spanish war. He was made captain in the Twenty-ninth infantry July 5, 1899. He was a resident of Natchez, Miss., where his wife now resides.

The scene of this latest reverse is a small island lying due south of the southern coast of Luzon and about 300 miles from Manila. Marinduque is about twenty-four miles in diameter and was garrisoned by two small detachments of United States troops. One of these was at Boac, on the west coast of the island, and the other was at Santa Cruz the principal port on the north side. Captain Shields appears to have started from Santa Cruz on a gunboat for Terfio, a small coast port, and it is inferred that the boat as well as the body of troops under that officer has been captured, for the dispatch makes no reference to her return.

### CARR TO SPEAK IN OREGON

Ex-Minister to Denmark Will Tour the Pacific Coast for McKinley.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—General C. E. Carr, ex-minister to Denmark, will leave Chicago, October 4, under the auspices of the national Republican committee for a campaign tour of the Pacific coast. He will make three speeches in Oregon and seven in Washington.

### GENERAL ORDER TO THE ARMY

General Improvement in Its Moral and Physical Conditions Is Sought.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—Lieutenant-General Miles has issued a general order to the army intended to secure general improvement in the moral and physical condition of the force. The order particularly desires the inculcation of patriotic principles, the celebration of national holidays by patriotic reading, strict attention to salutes, and respect for the flag.

### REMARKABLE EARNINGS

Pennsylvania Railroad Company Reports Heavy Growth in Its Business.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 28.—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company for the year ending June 30, 1900, made the most remarkable growth in the company's business made during any year. The gross earnings amounted to \$50,394,531, against \$47,110,533, the preceding year; operating expenses, \$33,916,171, against \$46,625,925.

### WHEAT MARKET

PORTLAND, Sept. 28.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 56c@58c; Valley and bluestem, 56c@58c.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 28.—Wheat, December, 106c; cash, 102c.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—Wheat (October), 77c@77c; closing, 76c.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 28.—Wheat, December, 5s. 3d.

### METAL MARKET

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—Silver, 45c; lead, unchanged.

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