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STRIKE IS NOT YET SETTLED

But Efforts Are Being Made to End It—Several Conferences Were Held.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 28.—The coal strike remains unsettled. Reports of a conference of mine operators and of leading officials of the coal-carrying railroads were plentiful. Beyond the general statement that the principle point under discussion was the advisability or practicability of granting the miners a 10 per cent advance in wages, very little of the details of the meeting could be learned. The operators generally expressed the opinion that the increase could not be granted, and the operating expenses met, unless there is an advance in the price of coal. The larger operating companies, however, took rather a hesitating view of the proposals to increase further the price of anthracite, contending that the competition of bituminous coal was now too sharp.

President Mitchell, of the united miners, is reticent on the general question of accepting a 10 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 expectation of some important announcement from there.

President Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania Railway company, was asked whether he had anything to say with reference to the statements as to the settlement of the strike. Mr. Cassatt replied that he had read the statements, but that the Pennsylvania Railway company had not been a party to the negotiations referred to. The company was so small a factor in the anthracite trade, he said, that the great anthracite-carrying companies could act without reference to it. Mr. Cassatt said that in all such matters it had been the uniform policy of the Pennsylvania Railway Company throughout its entire existence to deal only with its own employees directly, and it had always found them quite capable of presenting their own case and of protecting their interests in the discussions which occurred. Access was always easy by any of its employees desiring to present any such matter to the executive officers, and the officers of this company were firm in the belief that it was wise to adhere to their uniform policy in the present instance, believing such a course to be for the best interests of both employer and employed. In saying this Mr. Cassatt added he had no desire to criticize the acts of any other company whose officers thought so on other courses more conducive to its interests.

LETTER FROM MRS. CONGER

Describes Horrors of the Siege of Peking Legations—Their Wonderful Defenses—Chinamen Tried to Shoot, Burn and Blow Them Up.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—A letter from Mrs. Conger, wife of the United States minister at Peking, was received yesterday by Mrs. J. S. McConnell, a sister of Mrs. Conger, who lives in this city. It was the first mail communication to come from Peking since the siege, and recounts briefly the horrors endured by those who were imprisoned. The letter came through the state department. Mrs. Conger refers to Mrs. Woodward for a detailed account of the siege and speaks of her as about to leave for home.

Mrs. Woodward is expected to arrive in San Francisco on the steamer Coptic on Saturday. Mr. Woodward is in San Francisco awaiting her coming. Mrs. Woodward is accompanied by her daughter, Ione, and Miss Cecile Payne, of Milwaukee.

Mrs. Conger's letter is as follows: "Peking, Aug. 16, 1900.—We are alive and safe. Our troops arrived on the 14th. Oh, what a relieving! What a day it was! If you could only have seen us you could realize a little of the true feeling of the heart. Heart spoke to heart. "We had been besieged in the British legation ever since June 20, under fire day and night. At times the battle would be terrific. It would seem that

they were right upon us. But they were not. They tried to shoot us and kill us with their bullets and shells, then to burn us up, then to blow us up with their mines, and at last to starve us out. Oh, this is not all; the kept laying traps to get us to come out of our fortified city with promises to escort us to Tien Tsin or to go to the Tsung H Yaman to be under their protection. We did not listen to them.

"We ate horse and mule meat, and it was good; We ate rice, rice and rice and it was good. I will tell you we are grateful; we know how to be. For two days we killed dogs for the Chinese. The night of the 13th was the most terrible night of all. We were under fierce and angry firing the night through. They again opened their cannon on us. It seemed as though they would break through and come down on us. The bell in the tower of the legation tolled and tolled for every man to come to his post. A general attack was upon us.

"I cannot tell you how dreadful all this has been. But the almighty hand of God alone has saved us. No human power could. Of course I depend upon Mrs. Woodward to tell you. Mr. Conger has much to do here, and so have most of the other ministers. All have worked with a will. Our barricades, ditches, etc., are wonderful. The troops came into the city with little firing at last.

"Your affectionate sister,
"Mrs. E. H. CONGER."

German Officers Preparing for War.—New York, Sept. 28.—That the officers and men in the German army are firm in the belief that war is imminent between Germany and China is reflected in the unusual number of applications which have been made to a life insurance company in this city for policies on their lives. Hundreds of applications have been received through a Berlin agency.

The process of issuing these policies for risks which have proved acceptable was begun several days ago by one company, and a large corps of clerks has since been employed night and day preparing the policies to be sent abroad. Information which came from Berlin was of such a character that the declaration of war was believed to be close at hand.

With each application there was a request that it should be issued at once and the risk made binding. The request was also made to have the policies sent to Germany as speedily as possible. In order to do this the extra clerks were set to work.

Want an Education.—CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—President Harper, of the University of Chicago, has received a letter from M. G. Bumbaugh, commissioner of education in Porto Rico, asking him if it would be possible for a number of poor young men and women to attend the university without expense. The letter was referred to Secretary Goodspeed, of the board of trustees, and the matter will be brought before the board at the next meeting.

The letter from Commissioner Bumbaugh states that there are in Porto Rico now a number of young men and women from 14 to 20 years of age who are anxious to obtain an education in the United States. They are too poor to pay their expenses. The United States government will give them transportation to New York if provision can be made for their other expenses while acquiring an education.

Emperor Held by the Empress.—NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—The Russian orders to leave Peking have been suspended for the 8000 troops there, the Herald correspondent at Peking cables under date of September 18th. The other legations and troops are uncertain about remaining, yet they are inviting the Chinese courts to return for peace negotiations.

The emperor is at Tai Yuen. Li Hung Chang requests his return and that of the empress dowager. The Russians and French invite the emperor and empress dowager to return. The Americans and British invite the emperor only. The empress dowager demands guarantees for herself and her hostile ministers before releasing the emperor.

Tried the Assassin of Baron von Ketteler.—PEKING, Sept. 22.—The Manchu assassin of Baron von Ketteler was tried by court-martial yesterday. No new evidence was presented, and the court decided that it would be unjustified in pronouncing sentence upon the prisoner, who will be held in the hope 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 gaining confidence, but no progress is being made toward the return of the fugitive government, the event so much desired by every one.

General Fukushima has returned here after spending twelve days at Taku.

RESULT OF ENGLISH ELECTIONS

Sweeping Victory For Conservatives—Fifty-nine Ministerialists Were Returned, and Only Five Liberals and Two Nationalists.

LONDON, Sept. 29.—One hundred and sixty-seven constituencies, returned one-fourth of the membership of the house of commons, made their nomination today. In all 66 candidates were returned. The ministerialists aggregate 59, liberals 5, and nationalists 2. Viscount Cranborne, conservative, elected from the district of the Marquis of Salisbury, was re-elected at Rochester.

Among the interesting personalities on the government side returned today without opposition were Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of the state for the colonies (West Birmingham); George W. Hindman, the parliamentary secretary of the war office (Dover); Charles T. Ritchey, the president of the board of trade (Croydon); Sir John R. Cromb (Great Yarmouth); Jessie Collins, under secretary for the home department (Bordesley division of Birmingham); Sir Francis Sharp Powell (Wigan); Joseph Powell Williams, the financial secretary of the war office (South Birmingham); Colonel Sir Charles E. H. Vincent, the founder of the United Empire Trade League (Central Sheffield); John Heniker Heaton (Canterbury); Charles Belby Stuart-Wortley, formerly under secretary of state for the home department (Hallam division of Sheffield); and Sir Edward Albert Sassoon (Hythe).

The five liberals returned unopposed include William Court Gully, speaker of the house of commons (Carlisle), and Sir Henry Bartley Fowler, formerly under secretary of state for the home department and secretary of the state for India (East Wolverhampton).

An interesting feature of the elections is the intervention of the colonies for the first time in the election in the motherland. A dispatch from Hobart, Tasmania, announces the adoption of a resolution by the Tasmanian assembly proposing a joint Australian cablegram congratulating Mr. Chamberlain on the British successes in South Africa and hoping the electors of Great Britain will emphatically insist on the fruits of victory being effectually secured.

MINERS' PAY IS RAISED 10 PER CENT

Philadelphia & Reading Companies Are First to Post Notices—Other Companies Will Follow Suit.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 30.—An offer of an increase of 10 per cent in miners' wages was today made by the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron Company, and this move, it is stated, will be followed on Tuesday by similar notices at every colliery in the anthracite region.

It is expected by the operators that this increase in wages will be satisfactory to the men, and they believe that many strikers will take advantage of the offer and return to work. Mining operations will in this event be given an impetus, and the operators expect there will then be a gradual resumption until the collieries will again have their full complement of employees. The Philadelphia & Reading company operates 39 collieries, and of these, 27 have been shut down owing to insufficient working force.

Whether the miners will accept the proffer of the company and return in sufficient numbers to operate the mines cannot be foretold tonight. Reports received from several points in the Schuylkill region, where the Reading collieries are located, rather indicate that the miners will follow the instructions of their organization officials and remain away.

President Mitchell of the miners' union, received no notice of the intention of the operators to offer the increase in wages, and the intimation is thus given that the miners' organization will receive no recognition from the operators.

A Horrible Accident.—BAKER CITY, Sept. 29.—Walter Nice met with a horrible accident yesterday evening on Wolf Creek, in which he lost his leg above the knee. He was tending a self-feeding threshing machine on the farm of Hon. George Chandler. The

machine in some manner became clogged and Nice undertook to clear it by pushing the straw aside with his right foot. The machine was thrown in gear, and his foot was drawn into the feeder. Before it could be stopped his leg from the knee down was horribly mangled and the foot was entirely gone, being ground to atoms.

A messenger was immediately dispatched to this city, about 18 miles distant. Dr. O. M. Dodeon hastened to the scene of the accident and found the patient in a weakened condition from loss of blood. The leg was amputated above the knee, the surgeon being assisted by the threshing crew.

SOME FILIPINO CAMPAIGN LETTERS

Show Rebels Are Fighting for Bryan's Elections—More Captured Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—More treasonable Filipino correspondence has been captured which shows that the present outbreaks are for the purpose of influencing the elections in the United States. F. Sandico, writing to another man, shows that he is urging all of the leaders not accept anything in the way of peace proposals by the Philippine Commission, but to stand firm. He says:

"If the election of Mr. McKinley be accomplished and the revolution in China be wiped out, and the war in the Transvaal take on new complications, then I will be the first to accept the peace that I believe to be necessary, though it be at the cost of acknowledging the sovereignty of the United States, since I consider that our forces are now impotent to defend our sacred and legitimate rights."

Sandico is the man so often quoted by Pettigrew in behalf of the anti-expansionists.

A letter from the general Philippino junta at Hong Kong, to be distributed among the leading insurgents in the Philippines, contains much more of the same sort, and also much in the way of misrepresentation of the purposes of this government, and urges all Filipinos to submit to no armistice unless it contains a promise of independence.

General Funston has written a letter saying he has captured documents containing instructions transmitted by Aguinaldo to his subordinates to keep up the scrap until election, hoping that they may bring about the defeat of McKinley, and saying that their only hope of independence lies in the election of Bryan.

Blame Wolcott.

VICTOR, Colo., Sept. 29.—The Teller county democratic convention and the democratic club of Victor adopted the following resolutions unanimously:

"Whereas, Governor Roosevelt and party were not received in Victor with the tolerance and courtesy due to the governor of a sister state; therefore be it resolved, That we, the democrats of Victor, in convention assembled, condemn the spirit of intolerance and discourtesy exhibited on that occasion, and disavow all responsibility for the disturbance of the speakers in a public hall and for the subsequent violence indulged in by members of the republican marching club; and be it further

resolved, That we also deplore the folly that induced the republicans of Colorado to provoke disorder by bringing Governor Roosevelt to this city under the auspices of the cordially detested traitor and renegade, Senator Edward O. Wolcott."

Mills Close for Lack of Orders.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—Regarding the report that several mills of the Illinois Steel Company would be closed for a month or more, President E. J. Buffington, of that company, gave out the following statement:

"We have shut down our Joliet plant for lack of orders. We shall be compelled to shut other mills within the next ten days for the same reason, although we hope to keep most of our mills in operation.

"As the presidential election approaches many of our best customers are postponing for the reason, as they state, they wish to wait until they are certain of the result of the election before placing any large orders."

Wanted.

Four or five boys, going to school during winter, to board. \$12 a month with room and plain washing. Across street from High school. Apply at CHARONICKS office. dawlin

Buy a meal ticket at the Umattilla House restaurant; \$5.50 for \$5. sl-4t

MIDWAY ATTRACTION

THE DALLES NEVER SAW THE LIKE OF ITS GREAT AND WONDERFUL REVELATION.

Streets of Cairo, the Oriental Theater, Streets of All Nations, Mexican Theater, Animal Shows, and a Dozen Other Amusements to Please and Captivate Visitors.

The world's greatest fair was held in Chicago. The splendors of the Columbian exposition linger like a dream in the minds of those who saw them and were dazzled by their grandeur and matchless beauty. The Midway Pleasure was the greatest feature attraction. It was unique, it was diverting, instructive and far-famed. The Dalles is about to see a reproduction of the memorable show with all the features that recently made such a hit at Portland.

The Jarbour Midway is seven big shows in one and each is an attraction within itself. Probably the first in interest will be the

Streets of Cairo.

Here will be seen 25 real Egyptian people, men and women, who came from the Nile and have felt the scorching desert sands; people who have faced the fierce hammattan winds and were soothed to repose by the gentle siroccos that blew from Lydian shores. They have scaled the pyramids and marveled at the sphinx of Gizeh. These weird people will give an exposition of the manners and customs of their countrymen. They will imitate an Egyptian wedding procession that, in some respects, will outrival the splendors of Lalla Rookh, leaving Delhi for the vale of Cashmere. The Egyptians are wonderful athletes. Their sword combats are intensely interesting. Their wrestling bouts are exciting in the extreme. The Padon women will illustrate the theme of Egyptian home life. They will tell fortunes by the stars and by other methods known only to their mystic art. Rajah, a real Egyptian nobleman, is with this Midway and appears daily in his inimitable specialties. In the streets of Cairo is the noteworthy

Oriental Theater.

This is the sanctuary of La Bella Fatima, the Little Egypt of the West. She is the central figure of a coterie of honris whose dark skin and darker eyes are fascinating as they twinkle like stars newly flung from the hand of the Maker. Her troupe is composed of the most celebrated muscle dancers from the land of the Pharaohs. The danse du ventre, or Conche Chouche, attained great popularity at the World's Fair, and today it is still looked wonderingly, as it is the national dance of the strange peoples portraying it. The so-called stomach dance is not pirouetting, rionchetting, gyrating; it is what it is, and must be seen to be thoroughly understood. La Belle Fatima wears proudly the gold medal won at the World's Fair, Paris, for the most graceful and artistic dancing. She has won so many trophies of a similar nature that she is "hung round with ribbons and stuck o'er with medals."

Streets of All Nations.

These will be intensely interesting. Prominent among the attractions will be the family of Japanese performers. Little Irene, the 3 year-old Jap, has no equal upon this habitable globe as a contortionist. Her work is not alone clever, but marvelous. Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain, the champion sharpshooters, give exhibitions of their skill in hading a gun that seems miraculous. They have challenged Johnny Graham and Annie Oakley, of Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show, and offered to shoot a match with them for any purse they might name. Next in importance to the Streets of All Nations is the

Mexican Theater.

Four of the chief actors are princes and princesses from the Latin countries of South American, where monarchy was one time all important. The other members of this company are Mexicans who bring with them the airs of mysticism that surrounds all those who hail from the land of the Montezumas. They will give a continuous performance of the higher class. Only the highest-priced vaudeville artists compose this celebrated company. There is no music more entrancing than the lit of Mexican song, where the pldomela and the lute hold sway. Those who delight in the mandolin and the "bulbul" will go into ecstasies when they hear the troubadours of Mexico.

Animal Shows.

In this zoological congress will be found animals from every clime. The boxing kangaroos, "Jeffries" and "Fitzsimmons," are a whole host in themselves. They give a splendid exposition of the manly art of self-defense. The performing monkeys are perfectly irre-

sistible. "Nellie" and "Nero," the trained lions, have no equal on the saw-dust arena. They are the finest specimens of the family of Leo that can be found in America. Mons. Hagenbeck, their famous trainer, enters their den and feeds them daily. He puts them through their paces, pretends to shoot them and gives a thrilling exhibition of nerve and daring at each performance. Two camels will act as beasts of burden by carrying all those who would experience the sensation those enjoy who sail in the "ships of the desert." Three dodkeys and a whole menagerie of animals, wild and tame, will compose the other myriad of attractions.

German Village.

A troupe of famous Tyroese singers will entertain those who sit in the German village and dream of the Rhine. Their program will be of the vaudeville character. It will include many of the most celebrated waltzers of the continent. Several of the artists are cantatrices of international reputation.

Mighty Midway.

One of the most startling and sensational features of this congress of rare attractions is the daring trapeze act by Mons. and Madam Cober, who have no equals in the aerial world. This great act occurs under the broad canopy of heaven only. The "Jap's Slide for Life" also is astonishing. The miraculous bicyclers never fail to elicit salves of applause.

Bravo Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. Bat there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at Blakeley's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed. 3

Murder at Prosser.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Oct. 1.—W. W. Scott, of Kiona, this county was shot and killed about 1 o'clock this morning at Prosser by an unknown man, supposed to be the robber who held up a traveler on a freight train a few hours earlier. Another man was shot and perhaps fatally wounded. Scott's murderer escaped. Scott, armed with a shotgun, and accompanied by the man who claimed to have been held, went to a box car on a siding at Prosser. The men inside were ordered to come out, which they did. Scott's companion identified the two men as the robbers. As he pointed them out, four shots were fired by one of them, and Scott fell dead, shot in the head and heart.

The man wounded was not concerned in the melee, but stood some distance away. He was a tramp. Scott was a merchant at Kiona, where he had been station agent and postmaster. There is no clue to the identity of the murderer.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, bronchitis, hoarseness and all diseases of the throat, chest and lungs are surely cured by it. Call on Blakeley, the Druggist, and get a free trial bottle. Regular size 50c. and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. 3

Red Hot From the Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Steadman of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible ulcers that no treatment helped for twenty years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. It cures cuts, bruises, burns, boils, felons, corns, skin eruptions. Best pile cure on earth. Twenty-five cents a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by Blakeley, the druggist. 3

Working Night and Day

The busiest and lightest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Every pill is a sugar-coated globe of health, that changes weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, brain-fag into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the health. Only 25 cents per box. Sold by Blakeley, the druggist. 3

The Campbell & Wilson millinery parlor is the place to buy up-to-date head wear at right prices. All the new things in street hats. Patterns and trimmed hats can be found there, also a fine line of children's school hats and baby bonnets. 4