

UNCLE SAM TO PREVENT STRIKE IN COAL MINES

FORCES OPPOSED TO EACH OTHER UNABLE TO AGREE

BOTH BITUMINOUS AND ANTHRACITE FIELDS INVOLVED

While Neill Dodges Direct Answer, the General Belief Exists That the Government Is Anxious to Prevent Coal Miners' Strike—Employment of Strikebreakers Under Way.

Cleveland, O., March 29.—President White of the United Mine Workers this afternoon ordered suspension of anthracite coal mining, pending the referendum vote on the strike. Unless stopped by the government, the strike is on.

STRIKE ALREADY STARTED.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 29.—Two thousand bituminous coal miners struck today, anticipating a general strike order. The wage scale contract with the operators expires at midnight Sunday. Many in this district are expected to strike tonight.

Cleveland, O., March 29.—Intervention by the government to prevent a general strike in the bituminous, and probably the anthracite coal regions, is reported a probability today. The belief is current that because of the presence of United States Labor Commissioner Charles H. Neill, who, although he says he is in Cleveland principally to further the agreement between eastern railroads and engineers, is believed to be watching for a chance when Taft may intervene in the coal war with a good chance of success.

No Agreement Possible.

Washington, March 29.—An official statement of the American Federation of Labor says: "The present indications are that there will be a general suspension of mining in both the bituminous and the anthracite fields. All efforts to adjust the differences of the miner and operators so far have failed."

In some parts of the anthracite field the American Federation leaders say that preparations are already made to employ strikebreakers but it is not believed such employment will be general. Samuel Gompers said that the conditions have changed so radically in 10 years that men can no longer afford to work at the old scale.

Charles H. Hyde at the Bar.

New York, March 29.—Unless some new delay intervenes former City Chamberlain Charles H. Hyde will be arraigned next Monday in the criminal branch of the supreme court to stand trial for the part he is alleged to have played in the banking scandal that has involved the heads of the defunct Carnegie Trust company, the Joseph G. Robin banking enterprises and the New York political machine. In the indictment returned against him the former city chamberlain is charged with bribery in connection with the \$300,000 larceny from the Carnegie Trust company.

Hyde will be the fourth man of a coterie of prominent politicians, bankers and promoters to face a jury on charges growing out of the failure of the Carnegie Trust company and the collapse of the Robin banks.

To Discuss Live Topics.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 29.—The first session of the 16th annual meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science began here today. This year's meeting is devoted to the discussion of the initiative and referendum and other topics of live importance, and more than the usual number of distinguished Americans will make addresses at the several sessions.

OREGON IN THE SENATE



REPUBLICANS HAVE BUT ONE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR ASPIRANT

Attorney Daniel Boyd of Enterprise is the only republican candidate for presidential elector to the Chicago convention in Oregon—unless some other aspirant files his petition at Salem today and such is not believed to be likely. Consequently the balance of four electors will have to be written in and it can be conservatively estimated that there will be something like 1,000; yes, 5,000 different men advanced for the other four places. It is rumored that others will be filed at Salem this afternoon but men in close touch with affairs discredit the idea and as a consequence there seems no possible opportunity at present to defeat Boyd. Just what the predicament means cannot well be analyzed and is further condemnation of the present presidential elector system. Every voter if he votes on this issue can vote for one of the candidates, but where there is but one candidate, the situation becomes less clarified than before.

Democrats on the other hand have been more attentive to their p's and q's for they have five men in the race according to information from Salem this morning and the democratic primaries primaries will simply name these five if it is anticipated. D. W. Sheahan is one of the democratic aspirants for the Baltimore journey.

By tomorrow definite knowledge of who the state and district candidates are, can be learned.

CONFERENCE TEAM HERE TONIGHT

A part of the team which comes from Walla Walla to conduct the Men and Religion Forward Movement campaign here, will arrive this evening and begin the campaign tomorrow afternoon with a big meeting for boys and boys' activities.

Dr. J. E. Stevenson received a communication from John Gibson, leader of the team and a specialist in boys' work, saying that he will bring with him as his special guest, Ben Cowan, a Walla Walla boy.

Cowan will speak at the boys' banquet Saturday night. His subject is from out of La Grande, of boys who "How the Movement Caught Me."

More names have been received are coming to attend the banquet and boys' convention. The committee is still in need of rooms and board for the visiting boys and asks for the assistance of the people of La Grande in finding entertainment for their guests.

The banquet will be given tomorrow evening at 6 o'clock in the dining room of the Baptist church. After the big banquet the ladies have prepared. Cecil Bolton, who is to be the efficient toastmaster, will call on the local boys and the visitors to answer to toasts on many subjects pertinent to the movement. The Walla Walla men will also have something amusing and interesting to say to the boys.

FINANCE COMMITTEE ORGANIZED

Appointment of a general committee of 25 business men, meeting of chairmen at 4 o'clock this afternoon and a general session of the general finance committee this evening at 6 o'clock are today's developments in the Commercial club building project. After tonight the committee will be fully organized to proceed with the work in hand and unless unforeseen developments occur before tomorrow morning, the general committee will commence its campaign tomorrow morning.

The finance committee appointed by President Robinson is:

A. V. Andrews, Ed Coolidge, J. J. Carr, Ray Logan, F. L. Meyers, Grant Lincoln, C. J. Black, John Collier, Judge Crawford, William Miller, J. E. Reynolds, C. E. Cochran, S. D. Crowe, Dr. M. K. Hall, J. K. Wright, O. E. Silverthorne, George Currey, Fred Holmes, Dr. N. Molitor, P. A. McDonald, Albert Hunter, J. G. Snodgrass, Mac Wood, J. T. Williamson, Ed Kidde.

WEAPONS SENT TO AMERICANS IN WAR ZONE

STRAINED RELATIONS PRESAGE FALL OF MADERO SHORTLY

MILLION ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION ON WAY TO AMERICANS

Foreigners Will Be Given Opportunity to Defend Themselves Should Madero and His Troops Flee Mexico City—Regime Is Tottering and Foreigners in Much Danger.

Washington, March 29.—Communications received here today from Mexico City confirm the rumors prevalent for several days that the regime of President Madero is tottering and it is declared the rebels are most sure of triumph in the near future, including the taking of Mexico City.

The rebels have already issued a proclamation that Madero will be shot if captured. It is reported he is preparing to flee from the country, and should the president leave the capital with troops, carnage, rapine and plunder in which foreign residents will suffer heavy property loss and possibly their lives, are expected to follow.

The state department officially announced today that 1,000 rifles and a supply of revolvers, as well as a quantity of ammunition was shipped aboard a ward line from New York to Vera Cruz consigned to the United States ambassador, Henry L. Wilson, at Mexico City. Wilson plans to distribute the arms and ammunition among Americans in the Mexican capital so they may defend themselves if an attempt is made on their lives. It is reported that the action is taken as a result of dispatches of the most important nature received from Ambassador Wilson. The anti-foreign sentiment is growing to dangerously aggressive proportions in Mexico City. Violence is prevented only by the government troops. If these troops leave with Madero, anarchy is almost sure to follow, it is declared.

Weapons Loaned to the Poor.

Mexico, March 29.—One million rounds of smokeless cartridges, shipped to American Ambassador Wilson at Mexico City, will arrive at Vera Cruz Friday next. The Americans living there will be permitted to buy the weapons, and if they have no money the weapons will be loaned. Although presidential orders were issued forbidding the shipment of arms from the United States into Mexico, Taft issued a special dispensation to make the shipment to meet the needs of the grave situation.

Taft to Visit Philadelphia.

Washington, D. C., March 29.—President Taft is arranging for a visit to Philadelphia tomorrow evening to fulfill several engagements for which he accepting invitations some time ago. The president will be in the Quaker City only a few hours and it is understood that no political significance is to be attached to his visit. In the early evening he will address the members of the chamber of commerce on the benefits that will follow the creation of a new commercial organization to take the place of the present national board of trade. After delivering this address the president will be the guest of honor at the annual dinner of the Ohio society.

Educational Topics Discussed.

Ann Arbor, Mich., March 29.—A large number of school teachers and principals are attending the annual meeting of the Michigan Schoolmasters club, the general sessions of which are being held today in university hall. Vocational training, the social center, and teachers' pensions were the three leading subjects dealt with in the addresses and discussions.

DECISION DUE SOON.
Rumors today have it that Judge Knowles has all but completed his findings on the street paving project which is now before him for the second time because of objections to paying the price of the paving, brought by residents on the street. It is believed the decision will be handed down tomorrow either denying or allowing a writ of review.

Nebraska Teachers' Meeting.

Fremont, Neb., March 29.—The East Central Nebraska Teachers' association is holding its annual meeting in this city, with a large and representative attendance of teachers from each of the counties embraced in the association. The program extends over two days and provides for addresses by several educators of wide prominence.

Fock Island, Ills., Riots Fatal

Rock Island, Ills., March 29.—The inquest over the body of Frank Kellogg, shot down in a battle between rioters and the police, will be held today. Two hundred militia are on guard at the inquest and a special grand jury was convened this afternoon to investigate the riots.

DESERT BATTLE TRAGIC AFFAIR

PROSPECTORS MEET UP WITH DESERT BANDITS.

One Found Dead and Other Victim Is a Raving Maniac.

San Bernardino, Cal., March 29.—Attacked by robbers in the Mojave desert Lee Smith is dead and Claude Anderson is on the verge of mental collapse, according to hospital attendants to whom Anderson told a terrible story of a desert battle and subsequent suffering on arrival here. Both men lived at Fort Gibson, Okla., and left San Bernardino three months ago on a prospecting tour. According to Anderson the desert bandits killed Smith and buried his body in the sand. They left Anderson for dead. Santa Fe railroad trainmen found Anderson lying on his stomach, an axe in his hand closely guarding a squirrel hole. With his axe he attacked the men when they approached. Because of his weakened condition they easily overpowered him.

Deputy Sheriff Todd left for the desert today in a search for Smith's body.

"CY" YOUNG FORTY-FIVE TODAY

Brother of Elgin Resident, and Known the World Over Today.

Boston, Mass., March 29.—Forty-five years old and still able to pitch ball up to the big league standard is the remarkable record of "Cy" Young who is training in the south with the Boston Nationals in preparation for his 22nd season as a professional player. Young was born in the town of Gilmore, O., 45 years ago today. After a season or two with clubs in cities near his home he went to Cleveland, where he played from 1890 to 1899. After leaving Cleveland he was with St. Louis two years, and went to Boston in 1900 when the American league placed a club in that city. He helped Boston to win the American league and world's championships and remained there until 1909, when he was disposed of to the Cleveland club. In the latter part of last season Young returned to Boston to play with the National league club in that city and has been signed with the same organization for this year.

Young is personally known to a great many La Grande and Elgin fans. He is a brother of Ott Young, an old-time Elgin resident and the premier twirler usually journeys to Elgin annually to visit his brother and look after business matters there.

COL. ROOSEVELT BACKED UP BY STEEL COMBINE

LA FOLLETTE MANAGER HURLS BOMB INTO CAMPAIGN

AFFIRMS THAT STEEL TRUST IS BACKING ROOSEVELT FORCES

Taft Delegates Now Number 272 and Next Ten Days Should Bring Enough to Guarantee His Selection in Chicago Convention—La Follette Will Probably Come West.

TAFT DELEGATES MANY.
Washington, March 29.—Taft delegates issued a statement today to the effect that 274 delegates to the Chicago convention are pledged to support Taft. In two or three weeks he will have enough pledged to make his nomination certain is the claim made.

Denver, Colo., March 29.—Before Houser, R. M. La Follette's campaign manager, threw a bomb into the Roosevelt campaign. He charged that the steel corporation is backing Colonel Roosevelt's campaign for the republican presidential nomination. The interests are back of both President Taft and Roosevelt, he said.

"It is undoubtedly the biggest political game in the history of America. By back the Roosevelt campaign, the steel trust hopes to split the progressives. Roosevelt is not a progressive and his record shows it. If La Follette does not win at the Chicago convention he will try again in 1913 and again in 1920."

LA FOLLETTE COMING.

Wisconsin Senator May Deliver Political Address in This City.

Considerable interest is attached to the announcement that United States Senator Robert M. La Follette, a presidential possibility, is coming to Oregon and will probably speak at La Grande if he does. The tentative itinerary suggested by Manager Thomas M. McCusker, in charge of the Oregon field calls for an address in La Grande some time between the 9th of April and the 15th. He is wanted to deliver four addresses in Eastern Oregon. One is to be at Baker, one at La Grande, one at Pendleton and the last at The Dalles if the present plans mature. La Follette was in La Grande as a lyceum speaker a couple of years ago, and was much enjoyed as a platform orator.

DAVIN RE-ARRESTED.

Walla Walla Man Still Has Indictment Hanging Over Him.

Frank Davin, who was yesterday relieved of paying a \$500 fine and serving 30 days in jail on a charge of boot legging, when Judge Knowles sustained the writ of habeas corpus on the grounds that J. P. Rusk and others were not authorized to appear for Davin when the case first came to trial, was re-arrested yesterday afternoon by Sheriff Marvin of Walla Walla county on the same charge. Davin gave a \$1,000 bond for his appearance at the May term of the circuit court which will be held at Enterprise, and was released from the custody of the sheriff.

Moving Houses Today.

Workmen are busily engaged blocking up the houses on what is known as the Stange property on Fourth St. preparatory to removing them to give place to a new residence which will be built there this summer.