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### MAY MEET THURSDAY

Convention of Striking Miners to Consider Terms.

WILL BE TIME FOR CONFERENCES

### Sheriff Gives Notice That Miners Must Refrain From Marching—Effort to Preserve Peace.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 7.—It is the general belief that President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, will tomorrow issue a call for a convention of miners to consider the question of increased wages to be held at Scranton, and the supposition is that Thursday next will be named as the time. Mr. Mitchell, however, declined to give publicity to the matters discussed by himself and other officials of the organization at a secret conference today at Hazleton and he gave no intimation as to when the convention will be held.

Indications are coming to the surface that hasty action will not likely be reached on the question by the convention and that recesses will be taken pending conferences of committees with the operators. These conferences will be requested with the purpose of obtaining a clear understanding as to the permanence of the increased pay if accepted and also to ascertain the operator's view of the proportion of the increase to be respectively allowed the miners and mine laborers.

Sheriff Harvey, of Luzerne County, today through President Mitchell issued his ultimatum to marching strikers. He says he has been lenient with them heretofore, but that they must now refrain from marching or take the consequences. President Mitchell assured him he would endeavor to have the men preserve the peace.

### WHAT DOES THE ADVANCE MEAN?

How Much to Miner and How Much to Help?

SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 7.—Now that a convention to consider the 10 per cent offer is assured, attention is turned to what the companies mean by a 10 per cent increase to the miner and his helper.

The miner works by contract and pays the laborer out of his earnings. As a rule, the laborer gets a loan of coal, for which he gets \$3.00. Out of this he pays for powder, oil and repair for tools and the wages of his helper. The laborer's pay is fixed at so much per day, and in this region averages about \$2.00. After paying the expenses the miner has about \$1.20 left for himself. Ten per cent advance gives the miner 30 cents extra per day. The laborer wants his 10 per cent or 15 cents, and as a consequence the miner must be content with 40 cents or 7 per cent. But in many instances the miner has two laborers. This means that the 30 cents must come out of his 65 cents, and the miner finds himself enjoying an advance of only 5 per cent.

Just how the operators want this offer interpreted is not known here. The local operators say that the men who framed the offer either did not have in mind that the miner pays the laborer or else, having been in mind, figured the laborer out of consideration altogether, left it for the miner to figure out among themselves which portion of the 10 per cent the laborer would receive. The laborers will not, it is thought, be content with anything less than a full 10 per cent increase in this region, and they will have a hitch when the convention comes together.

### SHERIFF'S PATIENCE EXHAUSTED.

Miners Must Cease Marching or Take the Consequences.

HAZLETON, Pa., Oct. 7.—A representative of the Associated Press learned tonight that Sheriff Harvey had reached the limit of his patience in regard to the marching of large bodies of men, and that he has determined that the marchers must obey his request to return to the pale of the law or take the consequences. It is known that he feels he has been as lenient with the crowds as he could possibly be, and that the action of several hundred men in marching across the property of Calvin Pardee & Co., at Lattimer, yesterday, has had much to do with the decision to be more stern hereafter.

Tonight a cartoon of the sheriff's deputies fully armed, lies in the Lehigh Valley Railroad yards, ready to start at a moment's notice. A locomotive is near by with steam up, and all telegraph operators on the Lehigh Valley system in this region are on duty for the purpose of sending messages to Sheriff Harvey and to the Chief of the Coal and Iron Police.

It was learned that, owing to rumors of contemplated marches tomorrow morning, all the companies in this region have extra coal and iron policemen on duty tonight. All the Lehigh Valley Coal Company colliers in this city are also guarded. This company has squads of its policemen brought here tonight from Wilkesbarre, Mahanoy City, Centralia and Lehigh Creek.

Sheriff Harvey called on President Mitchell at the strike headquarters this afternoon, and requested him to use his influence to have the strikers refrain from further marching tomorrow morning, and to do so Mitchell would be held morally responsible for whatever happened. Mr. Mitchell, it is understood, informed the sheriff that orders for the marching did not emanate from headquarters, but, nevertheless, he would do all in his power to have the men on strike preserve the peace in every possible manner. As far as could be learned tonight, there will be no marching tomorrow morning, in which event there is hardly likely to be any trouble. The sheriff's deputies are sworn in by him and are paid by the county, and the coal and iron police are commissioned by the state to act as special policemen, but are under the orders and pay of the coal companies, which employ them.

President Mitchell will go to Shamokin Tuesday morning for the purpose of participating in the labor demonstration at that place. From Shamokin he will go directly to Scranton, where another labor demonstration will be held on Wednesday.

### Beginning of the End.

A conference which is believed to mark the beginning of the end of the anthracite coal miners' strike, which enters upon its fourth week tomorrow, was held at the headquarters of the United Mine Workers here this afternoon. Those present, besides President Mitchell, were Fred D. Clark, a member of the executive board, and President Nichols, of District No. 1, Lehigh Valley, and Wyoming Valley, James Duffy, District No. 4, Lehigh Valley.

John Fahy, District No. 3, Schuylkill Valley. Although no information was given out, it is known that the question of issuing a call for a joint convention of the miners of the coal fields. Besides taking up the matter of a convention call, it is understood that the question of representation was considered. The three district presidents made full reports as to the condition now existing in the respective districts.

President Mitchell, after the conference, said he would have something to say tomorrow in regard to the convention. If the time has been fixed, only Mr. Mitchell and his colleagues know it. President Mitchell said today that not one official of the miners would take a hand in a convention until the convention might take, as the men themselves settle everything that comes before them.

The belief is general that the miners will accept the increase. Most of the operators, who have recently made concessions do not specify in their notices how long the advance shall remain in force, and it is not unlikely that no attempt will be made by the miners in convention to open negotiations with the operators looking to a concession in the matter.

President Mitchell and other leaders are strong advocates of an annual wage schedule in the coal fields. In this proposition and that relating to the abolition of the sliding scale are brought before the convention, and negotiations with the miners are opened, it might considerably delay the settlement of the strike.

### More Troops to Return Home.

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Oct. 7.—General Gobin said tonight that if the weather conditions are favorable tomorrow Battery C will break camp and leave for home. The condition in this district, the general says, is generally quiet. He expects the presence of troops, and he intends to order all the soldiers away as soon as possible.

Edward C. Coyle, the second victim of the riot of September 21, who died today, will be buried tomorrow. All the local unions will attend the funeral.

Organizer Harris said today that he will go to the Panther Creek Valley tomorrow to assist in organizing the miners there.

### Miners Won't Go Back.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Oct. 7.—This has been the quietest day in this city since the strike began three weeks ago. Outlets of hundreds of miners attending services at various churches the men kept close to home, feeling that the strike would soon be a matter of the past. If President Mitchell calls for a convention, as he announced at Mount Carmel last night that he would, however, the local strikers say if they are ordered back they will not return, no matter what the operators and coal-carrying companies may offer. An attempt will be made tomorrow to start up several colliers in this section, but strike leaders say the men will not respond.

### Will Be Guided by Mitchell.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 7.—The coming convention of miners to agree upon terms of a settlement of the strike will be the principal topic of conversation among the strikers today. The delegates from the Wyoming Valley will be guided by a great deal by what President Mitchell says. The operators of this section, who have been in the copies of all the decrees, think President Mitchell will not stand in the way of a settlement.

Concerted Action of Employees.

TOLEDO, O., Oct. 7.—The biggest mass meeting of the kind ever held in Toledo, with the five great railroad organizations and lady officials of auxiliaries occurred here today. P. M. Arthur, F. P. Sargent, E. E. Clark and many others made addresses in the evening. The meeting was held late tonight. Several objects are in view. One is to prepare for concerted action on important events; another is to establish a general pension fund for superannuated employees; and a third is to establish a fund to be taken up tomorrow. About 1500 or 1600 are here from all over the country.

### Nicaragua and Honduras Boundary.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, via Cleveland, Tex., Oct. 7.—The special commissioners appointed by the Governments of Nicaragua and Honduras to fix the boundary between the two states have concluded their work, and the result being satisfactory to both governments, President Zelaya, the Cabinet and the Congress are about to adjourn to Managua after a two weeks visit to the City of Jola.

### SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT NEWS.

China.

The Chinese Emperor rebukes himself and orders Princes and nobles punished. Page 1.

The impression is growing that the Imperial Government is making an effort to disperse and punish the Boxers. Page 1.

Li Hung Chang has started for Peking under Russian escort. Page 1.

German troops were repulsed by 8000 Chinese. Page 1.

The Chinese imperial family moves still further into the interior. Page 1.

Foreign.

London volunteers sail from Cape Town for home. Page 1.

Beauregard retires from Pilgrim's Rest, with their artillery. Page 2.

Domestic.

The miners' convention to settle terms of resuming work will probably be begun Thursday. Page 2.

Galveston needs more aid to rebuild homes. Page 2.

At least nine persons were killed by the Minnesota tornado. Page 2.

The president will return to Washington today. Page 1.

Pacific Coast.

Encouraging progress is being made with the experiments to blind the sand of Clatsop Beach. Page 2.

Two Iowans were wedded in Albany, Or., after a romantic experience. Page 2.

Diversity brings profit to Clackamas County farmers. Page 2.

Salem's new Federal building to be of Oregon material. Page 2.

Commissioner Hermann's report on the forest reserves. Page 2.

Political.

New York's State Superintendent of Elections says preparations have been made to colonize voters in New York City. Page 1.

Roosevelt and Hanna had a conference in Chicago. Page 1.

Commercial.

The German money market is easier than it has been for months. Page 2.

There was a marked revival of American stocks on the London market. Page 2.

Local.

Unusual amount of building and improvement in progress. Page 3.

Gain in revenue receipts since last year. Page 2.

Year's work begun at the creamery. Page 2.

Talk of forming a Woman's Club on a new plan. Page 3.

Plans for a O. U. W. celebration in Portland. Page 2.

### KWANG HSU'S EDICT

Rebukes Self and Punishes Princes and Nobles.

EFFORT TO DISPERSE THE BOXERS

### General Chaffee Reviewed the American Troops in Front of the "Temple of Heaven."

PEKIN, Oct. 3, via Tien Tsin Oct. 6, via Shanghai Oct. 7.—By an imperial decree issued at Tai Yuen Fu, capital of the Province of Shan Si, dated September 26, Emperor Kwang Hsu denounces the Boxer movement and designates for punishment nine ringleaders. He acknowledges his own fault, and rebukes himself. Mr. Wu believes that Earl Li already has started for Peking, as a message of several days ago indicates that it was impossible to reach him by telegraph at that time.

The War Department officials expect that all the American troops which are to be sent from Peking to Manila will be out of China by the 21st.

The fact that the acting Governor of the Imperial family to the Capital City seem up to this time to have been ineffectual. The first official address of Minister Wu, now about week old, indicated their intention of going to Binanfu, in the province of Shen Si, which is further to the west than they now are. The fact that the acting Governor of the province was directed to "refrain from all extravagant preparations" in making arrangements for the imperial family is to Mr. Wu's mind an indication that their sojourn at Binanfu is to be but temporary. Conditions respecting the questions of food and telegraphic communication were unsatisfactory. The court has been located since its departure from Peking, and the essential requisites will be improved in their new abode.

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### PROSPERITY OF OREGON STOCKGROWERS.

Large Demand and High Prices Followed the Defeat of 16 to 1 in 1896.

Among the first to be benefited by the good times that followed Bryan's defeat four years ago were the stockgrowers of Eastern and Western Oregon. Immediately there arose a demand for all kinds of stock, which has continued to this day, with an ever-upward tendency in prices. So pressing was the demand from Eastern and Pacific Coast buyers in 1897 and 1898, that many growers sold their foundation stock, and it was feared in some quarters that the industry would be impaired. But growers were not so improvident. After discharging the debts that had accumulated in the two years that Bryan was preaching 16 to 1, they began importing the finest breeds of cattle, horses, sheep and swine. The result is that today the stock industry is on a firmer foundation than ever before, and growers are out of debt and prosperous. This revolution in one line of business is an accomplishment of the prosperity which all Oregon has enjoyed during the past three years. Four years ago the stock industry was nil, and sheep ranches could not be given away. Now there is active call for all kinds of stock at the highest prices. Entire communities in Eastern Oregon are largely dependent upon stock, and if the industry should decline, they would experience the same depression they had a few years ago. Unattila County alone receives from \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 a year from stock, wool and wheat.

As indicating the good times stockgrowers are enjoying, the following comparison of Portland prices from the market reports of The Oregonian are interesting:

	October 5, 1896.	October 5, 1897.	October 5, 1898.	October 5, 1899.	October 5, 1900.
Wethers, gross	1 1/2	2 1/2	3 1/2	3 5/8	3 3/4
Ewes, gross	1 1/2	2 1/2	3 1/2	3 5/8	3 3/4
Cows, top steers	2 1/2	2 5/8	3 1/2	3 5/8	3 3/4
Cows	1 7/8	2 1/2	3 1/2	3 5/8	3 3/4
Hogs	3 1/2	3 5/8	4 1/2	4 5/8	4 3/4
Hogs, light and feeders	3 1/2	3 5/8	4 1/2	4 5/8	4 3/4

### Tai Lien, Prince Tsai Ying, Duke San Kang, Ying Nien, president of the censorate, and Chao Shu Chiao, president of the Board of Punishment, are all deposed titles, removed from office and turned over to various trial boards for further penalties. Prince Tuan by the terms of the decree is to be tried by the Board of Censors. Copies of the decrees have been received here, and are accepted as genuine. The foregoing corroborates the official advice received last week from Director General Sheng by Mr. Wu, the Chinese Minister at Washington, and by the latter communicated to the Department of State. It is reported that Tung Fu Hsiang has fled to the Province of Shan Si, fearing punishment. The impression is growing that the imperial government is making an effort to disperse and punish the Boxers. The imperial troops who were seen Monday near Peking, are believed to have been concerned in this movement. The acting Viceroy at Tien Tsin was notified that orders had been issued to disperse the Boxers, but said he feared to send out troops because of the presence of the allied forces. An extended Japanese reconnaissance south of Peking uncovered the enemy. This afternoon the American troops were reviewed by General Chaffee in front of the Temple of Heaven. All the foreign staffs were present.

### LI HUNG CHANG STARTS FOR PEKIN.

Russians Furnish His Escort—Missionaries Fear Treachery.

TIENTSIN, Sunday, Oct. 7.—Li Hung Chang, who has been kept prisoner in Peking since his flight from Peking, is now scheduled to start tomorrow (Sunday). It is reported that the Boxers have placed improved gunboats on the grand canal to defend the town, although already practically deserted in anticipation of the projected attack.

The Russians have furnished the escort for Li Hung Chang to Peking.

### NOT HURRYING MATTERS.

Washington is Allowing Time for Events to Take Place.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—Developments of any consequence in the Chinese situation are not likely to occur until the return of President McKinley to the capital. He is expected on Tuesday afternoon and on the evening of that day a cabinet meeting will be held at which the French note will be given over in a formal way. The French note, which recently has been addressed to the powers, is not regarded as just now of pressing necessity for action as several nations interested already have instructed their representatives in Peking to ascertain whether the imperial edict completely names the persons deserving of punishment, and other features of the French proposal contain propositions which can remain in abeyance. This Government may not consider seriously the propositions which look to the prohibition of the importation of arms into China and the dismantling of the fortifications.

Interest meanwhile centers in the report which Mr. Conger will make regarding the adequacy of the punishment to be meted out by the Chinese Government to those persons who were instrumental in the Boxer revolt, and the future course of this Government may depend largely on what the investigations now being

### COLONIZING VOTERS

Preparations for It Discovered by New York Officer.

LETTER TO THE CHIEF OF POLICE

### If City Officers Do Not Act, the State Authorities Will Be Invoked to Enforce Law.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—John McCullagh, State Superintendent of Elections for the Metropolitan District today sent out letters to the authorities of this city, touching on the coming elections. In a letter to Chief of Police Devery, Mr. McCullagh calls attention to the dates of registration, and says:

"The past experience of this department demonstrates very clearly that the success of the debauchment of the franchise in the City of New York are chiefly found in poolrooms, gambling-houses, disorderly houses, houses of prostitution, saloons run under this guise of a hotel in order to evade the provisions of the excise laws, and dives of even baser sort."

Mr. McCullagh details the successful prosecution of illegal voters, and their sponsors after the elections of 1896 and 1898, and calls attention to the fact that the evidence in these cases showed that they were engineered by persons having official connections with the city government, and that the illegal voters were drawn from sources quoted in the abstract of the letter given above. He says that he has lately caused the investigation of such resorts in the City of New York, and has since his possession sworn affidavits establishing violations of almost every provision of law and ordinance relating to such places. From the evidence that has come into his possession he is convinced that an organized attempt is being made to colonize illegal voters for the next general election in and from these places.

Mr. McCullagh submits the addresses of over 300 saloons or other resorts alleged to be of the character mentioned, and says that if prompt action is not taken by Chief Devery in suppressing these resorts he will invoke the aid of the state authorities. His letter closes with a demand that the Chief and the members of his command shall give to the Superintendent of Elections all the aid in his power.

This communication to the Chief is followed by another to each police captain in the territory named, which practically covers the same ground, and also a similar letter to Mayor Van Wyck.

### Roosevelt Conferred With Hanna.

CHICAGO, Oct. 7.—Governor Roosevelt spent the greater part of today with Senator Hanna, talking over plans for the coming week. Tonight he was dined at the Chicago Club by the Republican National managers. In the morning the Governor attended services at Trinity Dutch Reformed Church, after which he went for a drive. Governor Roosevelt's trip will be resumed tomorrow morning. He will make several speeches in Illinois, reaching St. Louis tomorrow night. He will remain in St. Louis until Wednesday.

Bryan Revisited With Relatives.

SALEM, Ill., Oct. 7.—W. J. Bryan today visited in the city of his birth, and spent Sunday with relatives. He arrived here about noon, and dined at the residence of Mrs. Mollie Webster, his cousin. This is his relatives' gathering at his residence and partook of the dinner. In the afternoon, accompanied by James C. Dahlgren, the National committee man of Nebraska, and some other friends, he went to the farm and looked over the scenes of his boyhood. Tonight he attended the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and was accompanied by several relatives. He will speak here tomorrow morning, after which he starts on his Illinois tour.

President to Return to Washington.

CANTON, O., Oct. 7.—President and Mrs. McKinley, with the exception of an early morning drive with several friends, kept close in doors today. The president's uncle, B. F. McKinley, and his daughter, remained at the house until afternoon, when they left for Cleveland. Two other friends of the family, Judge DeFord, of Carrollton, and Justice Arral, of Youngstown, called. The President and party will leave for Washington on a special car at 12:35 tomorrow afternoon.

Bourke Cochran's Throat Gave Out.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 7.—Bourke Cochran is quite ill with a cold and sore throat, and has postponed his departure for New York, Kan., advertised for Monday night. Mr. Cochran arrived here tonight from Topeka, where he last night addressed a large gathering and sought the services of a throat specialist. The physician said Mr. Cochran's affliction was not of a serious character. Mr. Cochran will start for Nebraska tomorrow, speaking en route if able.

Hanna Going to Dakota.

CHICAGO, Oct. 7.—Senator Hanna, accompanied by Senator Frye, of Maine, will campaign in South Dakota and Nebraska next week. They expect to leave Chicago Monday morning, October 16, speaking at Madison in the evening. They will be at Sioux Falls on Thursday. They will then go to Nebraska for two days, returning to Chicago.

FINDS A SNUG SUM.

Honduran Mining Property That Was Left by Dying Finance.

ST. PAUL, Oct. 7.—Through the publication of a dispatch in today's Pioneer Press, Mrs. H. E. Butterfield, of this city, has discovered that she is \$20,000 wealthier than she imagined. In 1890, while on an excursion to the Pacific Coast, she became acquainted with Thomas F. Harkin, of Boston, also a member of the party. They became engaged and the wedding date was fixed. Shortly after Harkin was taken sick and died. Before his death he executed for his affianced Mrs. Griffin, in some manner, however, all trace of that young lady had been lost and not even the names of her parents could be found.

Mrs. Butterfield on reading the dispatch today at once took steps to identify herself and will shortly receive the snug sum, which comes to her in a romantic manner. Her husband is a clerk in the Great Northern Railway freight office.

### REPORTS TO LONDON PAPERS.

German Troops Repulsed, Probably by Li Hung Chang's Veterans.

LONDON, Oct. 8.—In a dispatch to the Times from Peking, dated October 1, Dr. Morrison says:

"It looks now as if M. De Giers, the Russian Minister to China, would negotiate with Li Hung Chang at Tien Tsin. The American withdrawal will facilitate Russia's negotiations concerning Manchuria."

"All the Mandarins in Peking have declined the Emperor Dowager's orders to proceed to Tai Yuen Fu, assigning various pretexts."

According to the Shanghai correspondent of the Times, writing October 5, it is announced that Hual Tapu, nephew of the Emperor Dowager, was dismissed by Emperor Kwang Hsu in 1898, has succeeded Prince Tuan in the Tsung Yi Yamen and has also been appointed generalissimo of the Chinese forces, replacing General Yung Lu.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Morning Post in a dispatch dated yesterday says:

"The foreign troops have been held in readiness against possible attack by 8000 Chinese troops now advancing along the Grand Canal."

German Troops Repulsed.

The Standard has the following, dated Tien Tsin, Friday:

"German troops came into collision with 8000 Chinese, described as Boxers, a few miles south of Tien Tsin this morning. The Germans were checked and compelled to retire on Tien Tsin."

"There is reason to believe that the Chinese in this case were not Boxers, but were Li Hung Chang's veterans who had been ordered to wait near here in view of the possibility that the foreigners would bar his progress to the capital."

The Morning Post has the following dispatch, dated October 5, from Ma Ton, on the Peiho:

"Sir Alfred Gesele has returned to Peking after issuing orders that all the British troops except the Wei-Hai-Wei regiment shall prepare for the winter."

"The American marine force in Peking have arrived here. Some of the French troops are leaving."

### Chinese Rebels Defeated.

HONG KONG, Oct. 7.—Yesterday 1000 rebels attacked the town of Sai Wan, but were defeated.

The troops here are being held in readiness for any emergency and the police forces along the Kowloon frontier have been increased.

### WELL-KNOWN RAILROADER

Died in San Francisco—Formerly at Fairhaven, Wash.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—W. R. Bissell, a railroad man well known throughout the United States, died tonight of cancer at the Southern Pacific Hospital in this city, aged 56 years. He was auditor of the Missouri Pacific for five years, resigning the position to accept a similar one with the Fairhaven & Southern Railroad. At the time of his death he occupied a prominent position in the freight department of the Southern Pacific. He was a brother of Frederick M. Bissell, auditor of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and a brother-in-law of Thomas R. Roberts, one of the leading merchants of the Quaker City.

Died of Heart Trouble.

TOLEDO, O., Oct. 7.—Rev. Dr. G. S. Anderson, one of the most gifted clergymen of Ohio, died today of heart trouble.

Anniversary of Farnell's Death.

DUBLIN, Oct. 7.—The anniversary of the death of Charles Stewart Farnell was celebrated today by a small procession to Glasnevin Cemetery. Messrs. John E. Redmond and Patrick J. O'Brien were present.