

STRIKES IMMINENT

Mineworkers Issue Ultimatum and Adjourn

LEFT TO CIVIC FEDERATION

Failure on Its Part Means a Repetition of the Great Struggle in 1900 and 140,000 Men Out-President Mitchell Makes a Statement

SHAMOKIN, Pa., March 24.—Unless the efforts of the Civic Federation are effective with the coal operators, it is more than probable that a repetition of the struggle of 1900 will occur in the anthracite region. In that year 140,000 employees of the anthracite mines were on strike for six weeks. The United States today has districts Nos. 1, 7 and 8. These districts comprise the entire anthracite field, made a provisional strike declaration, leaving the date to be decided by the executive committee of the strike.

Should a strike take place, no settlement will be made in any separate district, and the strike will not terminate until it has been officially declared ended by a committee representing the three anthracite districts. The committee to negotiate with the Civic Federation has not yet been appointed.

Should a strike occur as a result of today's declaration, over 140,000 mineworkers would be rendered idle. Of this number, nearly 120,000 are on the membership rolls of the union, the duties of the remainder being of a character which renders them ineligible to membership.

Civic Federation Meets Wednesday. NEW YORK, March 24.—Notice was given tonight by Ralph M. Easley, Secretary of the National Civic Federation, that the executive committee of the federation would hold a special session Wednesday morning of this week, at federation headquarters here, to consider the threatened mineworkers' strike.

The adoption of the resolution containing the ultimatum of the mineworkers was followed by a scene of wild enthusiasm, and the opera-house rang with the exclamations of the delegates who, with lusty cheers, approved the work of the special resolution committee and expressed their confidence in President Mitchell.

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Appeal for Conference. The telegram was as follows: "By direction of the miners' convention, I write to ascertain your committee will join other anthracite coal companies in convention with the anthracite mineworkers for the purpose of discussing and adjusting grievances which affect all companies and all employees alike. Please answer."

He received several answers, one of which was from President Baer, of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Company, and all of which refused to meet the representatives of the union. Others made no reply. The text of the replies were made public.

James Duncan, John Mitchell and Franklin MacVeagh. The resolution provided for the appointment of a committee by the three district executive boards, who will carry the mineworkers' demands to the conciliation committee of the Civic Federation, and also to appeal to that organization for assistance.

During the day President Mitchell was in communication, by telephone, with Secretary Ralph M. Easley, of the Civic Federation, in which he announced the decision of the convention. This organization is empowered by its constituents to use its good offices to prevent strikes when appealed to by a strike committee.

President Mitchell said tonight that there had been a misunderstanding concerning the sentiment of the convention. All the delegates favored conservatism, he said, but they were unanimous in their demands for an adjustment of their grievances.

"Our convention today unanimously adopted the resolution submitted by a special committee composed of district presidents and vice-presidents and myself. The resolution recites the efforts made by the representatives of the anthracite mineworkers to secure a joint conference, call attention to the fact that the promises conveyed in the notices posted one year ago, as well as their failure to carry out the verbal understanding reached with the representatives of the coal-carrying railroads last March.

The resolution also calls attention to the wage scale, which was drafted and unanimously adopted by the convention, the essential features of which are: A shorter working day; minimum wage scale; uniform increase of wages, and the weighing of coal wherever the physical conditions of mining would make it impossible. It further explains that upon investigation, it is found that the average annual earnings of the anthracite mineworkers is considerably less than in any other important American industry.

The resolution then declares that the mineworkers cannot, with honor to themselves, or in justice to those dependent upon them, continue at work during the coming year under the present low wages and indefinite conditions of employment, and provides for a general suspension of work, to take effect upon a date to be designated by the executive board of the United Mineworkers, embracing the districts 1, 7 and 8. It provides, however, that before resorting to such drastic measures, and with a lingering hope for a peaceful solution of the perplexing problem, an appeal be made to the executive committee of the National Civic Federation, if the Civic Federation refuse to act, or should it fall in its efforts to arrange a satisfactory adjustment prior to April 1. After that date, negotiations are still pending, all anthracite mineworkers, except those necessary to keep the mines in repair, shall remain away from the mines, strippings, washers and breakers on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays of each week.

HE SCORES ROOSEVELT

WATTERSON SPEAKS AT A DEMOCRATIC BANQUET

Urges General Union of Party in Opposition to Imperialism in All Its Forms

WASHINGTON, March 24.—About 150 guests were present tonight at the biennial banquet of the Virginia Democratic Association, held in the banquet-room of the Metropolitan Hotel. They included Democrats of National prominence, most of the political leaders and Democratic members of Congress from the Old Dominion. Henry Watterson, the principal speaker, urged upon the Democrats the general union of forces in opposition to imperialism in all forms.

"We are Democrats. We love our country. Our hearts beat true to its inalienable rights. We will resist to the bitter end any attempt to establish a new government over us."

OVERBURDENED. DISEASE DESCRIBED BY SYMPTOMS

RACES AT OAKLAND

Frangible, 25 to 1. Wins the Mile and Sixteenth Handicap

SAN FRANCISCO, March 24.—The mile and a sixteenth handicap at Oakland today resulted in a complete upset. Frangible won at odds of 25 to 1. Janice was a 1 to 2 favorite for the race with the little Willie Knapp took the race with Frangible, and he was never headed, winning by a head. Janice beat Position a head for second money. Only two favorites won during the afternoon.

Five half furlongs, selling—Isaline won, Leaf Prince second, El Pilar third; time, 1:26. Seven furlongs, selling—Antolee won, Rubus second, King Dellis third; time, 1:27.

Four furlongs, selling—Arab won, Guida second, Hanso third; time, 0:59. Six half furlongs, selling—Waterscratch won, Brags second, Sly third; time, 1:23.

One mile and a sixteenth, handicap—Frangible won, Janice second, Position third; time, 1:48.

One mile and 50 yards, selling—Marshall Neil won, Limestone second, El Mido third; time, 1:43.

Races at Little Rock. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 24.—The 10th annual Arkansas Derby was run over a slow track. It rained for 24 hours prior to the race. The winner turned up in Prowl, a seasoned horse from New Orleans. He was an outsider in the betting. George Bennett's colt Herodade, who went to the post a strong favorite, and the favorite, I think, for the race, went all to pieces. He stopped to nothing in the stretch and finished absolutely last. The field got off well but was a poor race.

Five and a half furlongs, selling—Brown Lair won, Horseshoe second, Tanaco third; time, 1:11. Four furlongs—Malloy won, Lady Gallantry second, Martin Brady third; time, 0:53.

Six furlongs, selling—Schwalbe won, Harry Wilson second, The Bronze Demon third; time, 1:17. Arkansas Derby, 1/2 mile added, one mile—Frodo won, Flora Pomona second, Huntress third; time, 1:47.

Seven furlongs, purse—Nearest won, Wax Paper second, Brigade third; time, 1:24. One mile and 50 yards, selling—El Caney won, Algie M second, Chickadee third; time, 1:50.

BOXERS ARE READY. Both in the Pink of Condition and at Weight for Coming Contest. Mike Donovan and Dutch Thurston, who are to box 20 rounds at the Exposition building tomorrow evening, are in the pink of health. They are both waiting for the time to strip for the ring.

Donovan took a long spin on the road yesterday morning, and after the usual cold-bath, enjoyed a hearty dinner. His afternoon work in the gymnasium was full of vim, and the six-round bout with Riley showed him to be in perfect form. He says: "I feel that I have the long run of the money in my pocket now, so sure am I of winning. My manager, Billy Lavigne, feels as I do about, and has bet \$500 at even money on my victory."

Thurston is as happy as can be, and says: "By 11 o'clock Wednesday evening I will have beaten this fellow to a standstill. He is too slow to get me, even though he has the advantage in height and reach. I took a 10-mile spin on the road this morning, the last two of which I did in record time. I weigh but 147, which is my normal weight. After a full day of my work, I feel as though my hands are in good condition, and I need them that way to win."

Riley and Duff are ready for the preliminary bout, they promise to put up a fierce bout. Billy Lavigne, manager of Boxer Mike Donovan, arrived from San Francisco yesterday, and will look after his prizefighter. He is a native of W. M. Thurston, Lavigne says that the Neill-Ferns match was a fierce one, and that neither man is dissatisfied over the result. He says that he is glad to have several pug lesser officers of the army to obey orders and say nothing.

Republicans in Congress. But turn from the White House to the Capitol, and look at the Republicans in Congress. The trail of the trademark is over the head of the eagle. Such is the can-can in the House, while Old Ship Subedy does the regular cake-walk in the Senate. Everything for the syndicate, nothing for the people; and not content with their arbitrary power in the White House and their mercenary power in Congress, the leaders of this party of Federalism and false pretension would open Pandora's box to such things as the black, practical flag of negro domination—the equally disreputable and bloody shirt of sectional agitation—and in order to make sure of the House, they are proposing to bring forward another bill to smite the South, to blight the North, and to convert a land teeming with peace and peace into a land reeking with hate and strife. Such is the banquet to which the exult of McKinley, the statesman, and the advent of Roosevelt, the Rough Rider, has invited us.

"I am something of a Ring myself. I believe in the expanding greatness and glory of my country. I never see the flag floating above the domes on yonder Capitol that my heart does not throbb with pride and glad thought that I am an American citizen. God bless the flag and God bless the boys that fight beneath it. I would carry it involute, I would keep it spotless, and with this in view, I want to know what is going on away out yonder across the multitudinous, the mysterious waves of the Pacific Sea. I want other witnesses than self-seeking politicians and self-exploiting soldiers to come here and tell me. I refuse to hold my tongue. I refuse to rest content. And if I am told by a whipper-snapper in shoulder straps and a top hat, that I am a traitor to my country, my reply to him shall be a slap in the face."

Plea for Harmony. "Friends, brothers, Democrats, let us be done with dissension. Let us turn our backs on the past and our eyes to the future, calling the old fight off and the old score square. He who stands with me against these things is my comrade, no matter what he thinks or how he looks. But already we can see far enough ahead to take our reckoning. There is no one test of a Democrat in 1902—the one test, the line, the line, saying to arbitrary laws and arbitrary decisions, 'No more; we are in the expansion business, but our expansion is for the religion of the Constitution no less than for the religion of Christ and his cross.' Our expansion means peace, not war; the honor, not the degradation of the flag; and just as surely as Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence and Jackson fought the battle of New Orleans to resist despotism—shall we make a new Fourth of July and celebrate another 8th of January, in resisting the scheme to abolish the Constitution and Mexicanize the Government."

THE TREATMENT THAT CURES. AVOID CURE-ALLS.

Dr. Copeland's treatment, that has lifted the darkness and blight of the word "incurable" from hundreds of thousands of cases of Catarrh of the Head, Throat, Ear Tubes, Bronchial Tubes and Lungs, works as curative action for two reasons: (1) It reaches every diseased spot from the orifice of the nose to the deepest part of the lungs and the innermost recesses of the middle ear.

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Relentless Pursuit of Robber. WICHITA, Kan., March 24.—One of the most remarkable illustrations of the relentless with which the United States Government pursues the man who violates its laws and flouts its justice is the long chase of George Irons, alleged to be leader of a gang of Western Postoffice robbers, by Inspector D. W. Peters, of the Kansas City division of Postoffice Inspectors. After trailing his man from Mississippi to the Pacific Coast, covering more than 5,000 miles in the pursuit and devoting his entire time to it for 13 months, Peters captured him and brought him back to Kansas.

Barber Shoots Wife and Himself. RED KEY, Ind., March 24.—Charles Sheppard, barber, shot and killed his wife and himself. Both are probably fatally injured.

Traveler De Windt Heard From. LONDON, March 24.—Leaders received here from Harry De Windt, leader of the expedition which is attempting to make its way overland from Paris to New York, and which left the former city December 13, 1901, dated Yakutsk, Siberia, February 14. He announced his intention to depart on the following day for Sedne-Kolymsk, in East Siberia. De Windt had already traveled 3,000 miles of his land journey since he left the railroad, through blinding blizzards and with the thermometer at 25 to 50 degrees below zero.

May Have Been Murderer. CHICAGO, March 24.—James Towns, his wife and their 8-year-old daughter were found dead in bed here today. They had been asphyxiated by gas from the kitchen range. A plug had been removed from the chimney, and the man's arm was thrown over the child, apparently holding her down. These circumstances are cited by the police as evidence of a double murder and suicide.

Charged With Smuggling in China. EL PASO, Tex., March 24.—Wong King, a Chinaman, was arrested by Inspector of Customs J. D. Wier, in company with a Mexican named Vargas, who is charged with attempting to smuggle the Chinaman across the Rio Grande. Vargas is said to have resisted arrest a year ago on the banks of the river and shot Wier in the leg, making his escape in the dark.

St. Louis Bribery Case. ST. LOUIS, March 24.—The trial of ex-Councilman Emil A. Mysenborg, indicted for bribery in connection with suburban street railway legislation, began in Judge Douglas's branch of the Circuit Court today, and the work of securing a jury is progressing. Inquiry into the municipal franchise boodle cases will be resumed by the grand jury Wednesday.

To Be Hanged for Murder of Father. DEER LODGE, Mont., March 24.—Convict Clinton Dotson, who was convicted of the murder of his father, was today sentenced by Judge Clements to be

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Symptoms of Ear Troubles. Deafness and ear troubles result from catarrh passing along the Eustachian tube that leads from the throat to the ear.

None of these symptoms can be cured by any of the ordinary remedies now in use.

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