

WILL RESTRICT COPPER OUTPUT

Amalgamated Orders Great Reduction in Work at Butte Mines.

THOUSANDS OF MEN IDLE

Overproduction of Metal Causes Reduction of 40 Per Cent in Output—Copper Stocks Go Down With a Rush.

BUTTE, Mont., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Overproduction of copper and a temporary lull in demand for the red metal have caused the Amalgamated Copper Company to curtail its output. Orders were issued this afternoon by which the output of the Amalgamated properties will be reduced to about 40 per cent of the normal production, or from 20,000,000 pounds to about 8,000,000 pounds per month, and in the future no work will be done on Sundays.

Curtailling the production to 40 per cent of the normal production will mean a reduction in the working force that will throw over 5000 men out of employment. When the mines will resume with full forces is problematical. The Diamond mine will be closed and work at the Belmont will be completely suspended. The Grogan and Parrot mines are also shut down.

John Gillis, general superintendent of the Amalgamated properties, acting under Managing Director John D. Ryan, stated that there would be no general shut-down at the present time. "For some time," said Mr. Gillis, "a gradual curtailment of the copper production has been going on. We shall cease all construction work. The shut-down of the mines will avert a fuel famine this winter."

"Reducing the output of the Amalgamated properties will have a far-reaching effect. With less tonnage to Great Falls and Anaconda, it will be necessary to shut down portions of the smelters in those cities, thus throwing out of employment a couple of thousand men."

"The action of the Amalgamated Copper Company in adopting the Sunday-closing rule will probably be followed by all other companies operating in Butte."

COPPER STOCKS GO TUMBLING

News of Shutdown Depresses Wall Street and Boston.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—The Amalgamated Copper Company is about to shut down its mines about Butte, Mont., for an indefinite period. From an interest closely identified with the company it was learned that the suspension of operations is due to overproduction and the lack of demand for copper, and to some difficulty in obtaining sufficient fuel at Butte.

According to the authority for the announcement, there is now a surplus supply of 250,000,000 pounds of refined copper in the United States. The production of refined copper in September, he said, would be 6,000,000 pounds less than in August. The present product quoted in the market is about 18 cents a pound for electrolytic, but according to the authority referred to, it is doubtful if 15 cents a pound could be obtained for any considerable quantity.

The Amalgamated Copper Company's shares led a sharp decline on the stock market this afternoon, the stock selling down to a loss of almost 4 points before 2:30 o'clock.

Today's quotations on the stock exchange were the lowest in years. Henry H. Rogers, president of the Amalgamated Copper Company, is now at his home at Fairhaven, Mass. Counsel for Mr. Rogers announced in court in Boston today that Mr. Rogers would not be able to appear there for at least three months.

Sanction was given to the report on the exchange of the intended shutting down of the copper mines in Montana; the facility was admitted of piling up further stocks of copper with the buying demand paralyzed. Amalgamated Copper naturally led the decline in these circumstances, breaking to the neighborhood of 40 with rumors in circulation of a cut in the dividend in prospect. American Smelting fell nearly to 30, and Anaconda to near 37. The United States Steel stocks broke badly in the latter part of the day, the common selling at the lowest price of the year.

Lowest Figures in Years at Boston.

BOSTON, Sept. 12.—Several Boston copper stocks reached the lowest figures today touched for several years. North Butte receded to 43½, Copper Range to 57½ and Calumet and Arizona to 11½.

TRACTION STOCK FALLING

Water in Philadelphia Lines Almost Swamps Them.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 12.—The belief is general that a crisis is at hand in the affairs of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, which controls the street rail-

way facilities of this city. For some time there has been a steady decline in the price of the stock on the local stock exchange, culminating in a sudden break of \$1 a share from 2½ to 1½ on Tuesday. Yesterday the stock hung around \$3, but today there was a further break of \$4 a share to the lowest price on record. This was accompanied by rumors that the company cannot meet its fixed charges and therefore a receivership will be necessary.

The stock of the Union Traction Company, which preceded the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company in the control of the street railway system of the city, and the dividends of which are guaranteed by the Philadelphia Rapid Transit, broke 7½ on heavy selling from 5½ to 4. There was heavy selling of Philadelphia Rapid Transit from all the way around 20 to 17½.

The company is the outgrowth of various consolidations and expansions of the past few years, each consolidation involving increased guarantees of dividend payments on the stock of the underlying companies. There are 800,000 shares of Philadelphia Rapid Transit stock outstanding, on which \$15.50 a share has been paid. Another assessment of \$7.50 is due within a few months and then the stock will be fully paid. At present the company is engaged upon gigantic improvements involving the construction of extensive elevated and subway lines, to cost many millions, and this work has been a drain upon its resources. The past year showed a falling off in net earnings, and there has been a public outcry against attempts to increase the income by reducing the rates of fare.

The financial status and dealings of the company have been surrounded with much mystery by those in control, and this has helped to weaken the confidence of the stockholders. Recently the company succeeded in entering into an agreement whereby the city became a partner in the operation of the lines. Now an attempt is being made to undo this arrangement on the ground that it is unconstitutional. The claim is made that the city is entitled to the effect of the partnership in its street paving expenses of more than \$500,000 annually.

During the afternoon the market for traction stocks was dull and nervous, close being about the lowest. Philadelphia Rapid Transit showed a net loss of 2½ points. Union Traction closed at a net loss of 2½.

Officials and directors of the Rapid Transit Company denied positively that the company is in financial distress. Figures given out show ample funds on hand and in sight to cancel all obligations and pay for improvements under way.

NEW RIOT AMONG CARMEN

POLICE ACCUSED OF SHOOTING AT STRIKEBREAKERS.

One Man Clubbed Into Submission. Union Labor Officers Accused of Helping Pickets.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—Another scene of riot was enacted at the Twenty-fourth and Utah-street car barn last night, following the arrest of William A. Bruce, a union carman. A complaint of two young women that he had annoyed them by a remark as they passed. Bruce resisted arrest and was severely clubbed. The police alleged that they were thereupon attacked by numbers of nonunion men. A riot squad of 25 patrolmen under Lieutenant Tobin came up, and in a fight a score of heads were broken by clubs of the police and a number of arrests were made. Eventually the nonunion men were driven back into the car barn. The police said that the carman who started the row is an ex-convict.

Mayor Taylor has increased the Mission patrol by 22 men, in accordance with his promise of yesterday. The strike tent at Twenty-fourth and Potrero streets, a block from the company's barn, is to be removed. It has been a headquarters for trouble for weeks past.

The Chronicle today, commenting upon Tuesday night's rioting in the Mission district, when five nonunion car operatives in the employ of the United Railroads were shot by union pickets and policemen, charges flatly that the police ambushed the nonunion men and fought against them side by side with their union tormentors. The Chronicle points out that the patrolmen—Wade, Bigelow and Miller—who shot down the carmen, were appointed to the police force from the teamsters and carmen's unions soon after the commencement of the streetcar strike, when a Union Labor Police Commission and a crooked Chief of Police were in control.

"These policemen, says the Chronicle, 'shot from ambush, fighting side by side with the pickets of the Carmen's Union. The men they shot were engaged in the peaceful performance of their duty. After the fighting the policemen proceeded to arrest the nonunion carmen, whom they had themselves wounded, but refused to take into custody any of the pickets of the Carmen's Union. To add to the outrage, the policemen in the first reports they made to the department denied that they had fired a shot. Later they admitted that they had emptied their revolvers at the nonunion men.'"

Chutts Called to Harvard.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Oliver Chutts, who helped coach Harvard's football team last year, but who got back to Seattle in time to help the Seattle Athletic Club against Multnomah, is to be on Harvard's squad of football coaches this season, and will leave next week for the East.

FISH HAS NO PROOF

Directory of Illinois Central Is Virtually Exonerated.

FISH'S STATEMENTS FALSE

Mr. Fish Expected to Have Some Cards Up His Sleeve, Which He May Play Before Long—If Not, He Will Lose Out.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—(Special.)—It is up to Stuyvesant Fish, ex-president of the Illinois Central road, to substantiate his charges against his successor in office, J. T. Harahan, or to admit by his silence that he spoke without being in possession of the proof.

This fact became apparent here today, when it was learned from an official source that the directory of the Illinois Central virtually had exonerated Mr. Harahan and his under officers of the charge of juggling Illinois Central earnings figures with a view of making a false showing, which would surpass that made by the first administration. At the directors' meeting yesterday six executive officials of the Illinois Central road came to the assistance of Mr. Harahan, and by written statements made over their own signatures branded the charges made by Mr. Fish as false.

These statements were received by the Board, were read and then filed without protest from Mr. Fish. This action is regarded by the Board as final, unless the ex-president should bring something new.

Through a member of the Board it was also learned that the management of the Illinois Central, including E. H. Harahan, is of the opinion that the good faith of the present officials was questioned with a view to influencing the giving of proxies for the coming annual meeting to be held October 15, in Chicago.

That Mr. Fish would make the direct charge that the figures with respect to Illinois Central earnings were falsified, and do it without being in possession of proof, or of what he deemed strong circumstantial evidence, seems incredible to railway men in the East who have known Mr. Fish for years. Accordingly, there are some who expect that the ex-president has a few cards up his sleeve, which he may play ere long. If this does not prove to be the case, it is said, his chances for putting up an aggressive fight at the annual meeting will grow dim.

SCHOOL-GIRL HORSETHIEF

Attempts Easy Road to Fortune, but Soon Lands in Jail.

COLVILLE, Wash., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Lizzie Paschik, a German girl, 15 years of age, was arrested yesterday at Marcus, on a charge of horse-stealing, and is here in the custody of Deputy Sheriff C. A. Ledgerwood. When taken before Sheriff Graham and Prosecuting Attorney J. A. Rochford she made a voluntary confession.

She said she lived in Spokane, where she went to school. Why she stole horses she could not say, excepting that it appeared an easy way to fortune. She was complained against by Peter Paul, a neighbor, from whom she took a fine team. According to her story, she drove this team to Spokane, sold it for \$135, \$155 of which she gave to her mother, and kept the balance as capital with which to continue the business. When captured she had two other horses packed for a second trip to Spokane.

SNOW COVERS THE HILLS

Winter Weather in Northeastern Washington.

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Rain today fell generally from Moscow, Idaho, as far west as Wenatchee and from Kettle Falls in the north to Walla Walla. The fields were thoroughly drenched and harvesting will be again delayed for several days, but unless the farmers start threshing before the grain is dry, the loss will not be heavy, as the wheat has been harvested rapidly during the last few days. The rain was accompanied by a cold spell, which seemed at noon in Pullman to be the forerunner of snow. Near Kettle Falls and Colville the mountains are covered with snow, the earliest fall for many years. The Big Bend and Palouse towns report prospects as indicative of more rain.

PARDON FOR WHITECAPS

Extermination of Evil Causes Vardaman to Grow Lenient.

JACKSON, Miss., Sept. 12.—(Special.)—Governor Vardaman has created much criticism by pardoning the Whitecaps from Lincoln County, who were sentenced six months ago for 50 years each. Prior to the conviction of the men Lincoln and other counties in this part of the state

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