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MAY CALL IT OFF

Miners Will Settle the Strike Question in a Few Days.

DEMANDS HAVE BEEN GRANTED

President Mitchell Will Today Issue a Call for a Joint Convention—Marchers at Lattimer.

HAZLETON, Pa., Oct. 6.—That the great anthracite strike will be ended in a short time seems tonight to be almost certain. President Mitchell's announcement this afternoon, in his Shenandoah speech, that a convention of anthracite miners will be held in a few days for the

torchlight parade. There were at least 2500 men in line, and there were many banners setting forth the sentiment of the marchers. The parade terminated at the town park, where Mr. Mitchell addressed a mass meeting of about 4000 persons. His speech was along the same lines as the one he delivered at Shenandoah in the afternoon. Mr. Mitchell will return to Hazleton tomorrow.

THE SHENANDOAH MEETING.

Mitchell Announced That He Would Soon Call a Convention.

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Oct. 6.—Over 5000 striking miners marched this afternoon through the streets and up the Soldiers' Monument Park, Locust Mountain, where they held a mass meeting and listened to words of encouragement from President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers. The strikers came from all sections of the anthracite coal regions, those from near-by points marching in a body headed by bands, while those from more remote points came in trolley cars. A reception committee composed of members of the local unions escorted President

THE FRENCH METHOD

Delcasse's Note Favorably Received in Germany.

CHINA'S RELATIONS TO THE POWERS

The Celestial Empire Has Never Recognized the Obligations of International Law.

BERLIN, Oct. 6.—Public attention has been occupied to an unusual degree this week by the Chinese situation. The newspapers indulged in long discussions of the question, which seems approaching a settlement. A feeling of general satisfaction has been caused by the French note,

ARTILLERY DEVELOPMENT.

Great and Important Changes Expected in the Near Future.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—Captain Beverly W. Dunn, of the Ordnance Bureau, has returned from Europe, where he spent several months in the study of ordnance matters in England, Germany, France, Belgium and Switzerland. He was able to secure much valuable information regarding the manufacture of ordnance and found the army officers of the European Governments very accommodating in giving their methods and views.

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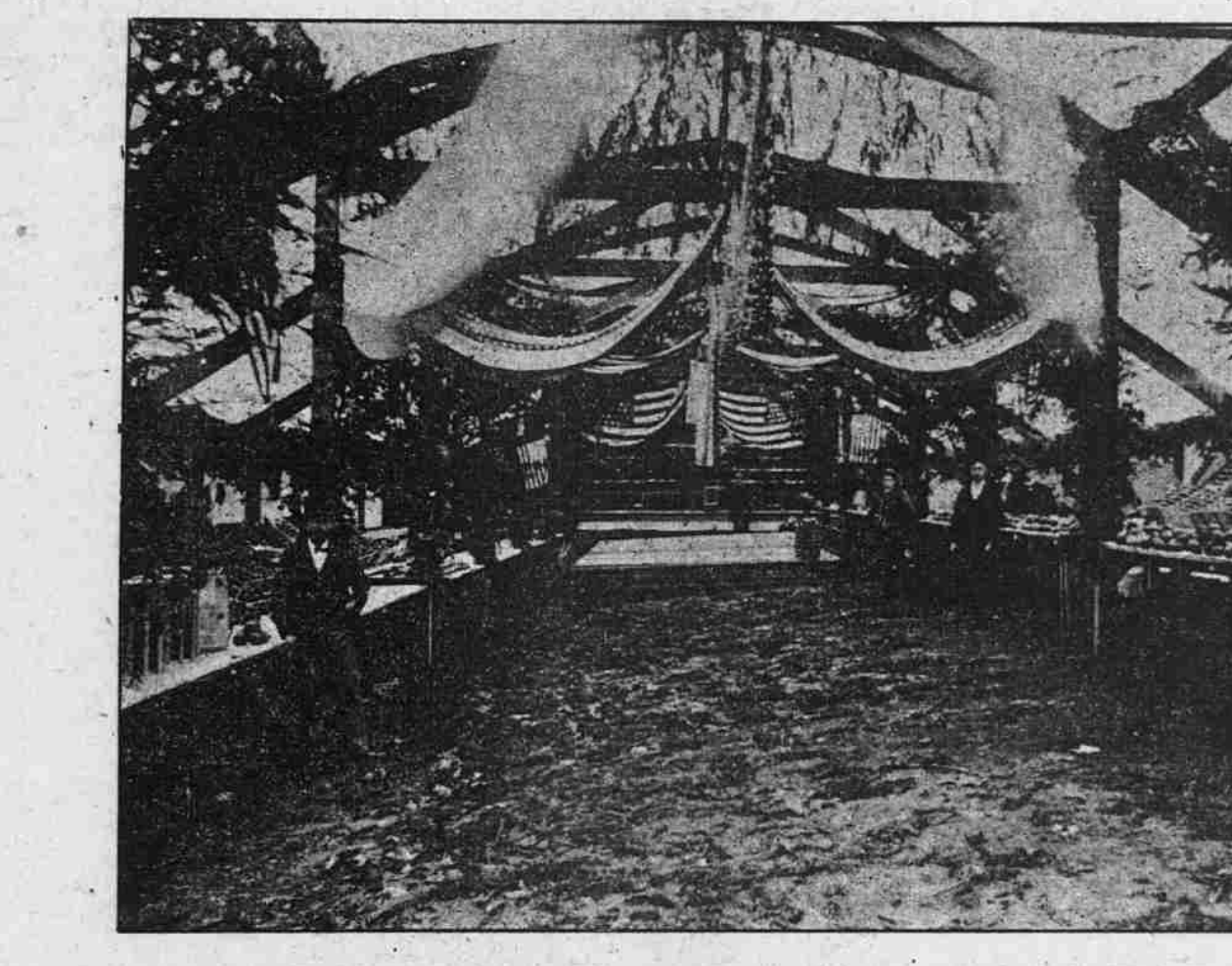
Democrats Want to Name Legislative Candidate.

ULTIMATUM OF COUNTY COMMITTEES

Mitchell-McBride Soreheads Non-Plussed and Disruption Threatens Citizens Coalition.

Trouble is brewing in the camp of the Mitchell-McBride Democratic-Populist coalition that figured in the Spring campaign as Citizens and elected 15 members of the Legislature from Multnomah County. The soreheads are Republicans, that is, the Mitchell-McBrideites, have been planning for over a week to have a Republican who will vote for McBride for United States Senator nominated for the vacancy in the House of Representatives caused by the death of A. Knott. The Democrats have formally demanded that as Mr. Knott was of their party, a Democrat be nominated to succeed him. The gauntlet has been thrown down, and unless one side or the other gives in the end of the combination is in sight.

GENERAL VIEW OF HOOD RIVER HORTICULTURAL FAIR.



HOOD RIVER, Or., Oct. 6.—Today was the second and last of the Hood River Horticultural Fair. The exhibition was a success in every particular. The fondest hopes of the promoters were realized many times over. This is the first event of the kind in this section, but probably it will by no means be the last. It has been a veritable school for the fruitgrowers themselves, and a great revelation to the large number of visitors as to the fruit possibilities of Hood River Valley.

purpose of allowing the men to decide for themselves whether they should continue on strike, serves to remove all doubt about the matter. Opinion as to whether the men will receive the 10 per cent advance is divided, but there is a good number who believe the men will receive the advance on the belief that the operators have reached the limit of their concessions.

Mr. Mitchell said to a representative of the Associated Press today, while en route to Mount Carmel, that he would hold a convention of his colleagues here tomorrow to decide when he shall issue the call for the joint convention. Mr. Mitchell would not say on what day or in what city the convention would be held. The question of representation will probably be decided at tomorrow's conference.

AWAITING DEVELOPMENTS.

Both Sides Believe the Settlement of the Strike is Near.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 6.—The striking miners remain quiet, awaiting developments. The operators are of the opinion that President Mitchell will accept the 10 per cent increase and that there ought to be a general resumption in another week. The strikers also feel that a settlement is near at hand.

MANY NOTICES POSTED.

Operators at Scranton Have Complied With Strikers' Demands.

SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 6.—The United Mine Workers cannot longer consistently deny the call for a meeting to consider the offer of a 10 per cent raise. Six of the large companies, representing 88 per cent of the tonnage, have posted notices of the offer. A number of smaller companies have done likewise. Today, as a result of yesterday's meeting of the individual operators, most of the more important individual operators joined in the offer, and on top of this the Delaware & Hudson, operating 21 collieries and carrying 9 per cent of the total tonnage, fell into line by posting the notice. Those who did not post notices say their only choice is accepting or closing.

The Delaware & Lackawanna & Western has evidently become satisfied that its men will not return to work until the strike is settled. All the mines in its 19 mines were taken out today and put in pasture.

The Calvin-Pardee Statement.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 6.—Calvin Pardee & Co. issued a statement from the office of the firm in this city today that the following notice has been posted at the mines:

The Governor of Pennsylvania and the General commanding the National Guard of this state, stationed at Shenandoah, having failed to send troops to aid Sheriff Harvey in preventing the marching of mobs and assaults on and intimidating of men pursuing their usual daily work in the mines of Luzerne county, and the Sheriff also having failed to do this with his numerous deputies, and it being impossible for us to prevent further injury and possible loss of life to our employees in their homes, or going to and coming from their work, we deem it best to suspend work at our mines this day and until further notice.

WARMLY WELCOMED BY THE UNION MINERS THERE.

MOUNT CARMEL, Pa., Oct. 6.—It seemed as if every person in the town was at the Lehigh station to welcome President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, to this place tonight. The president came here for the purpose of participating in the labor demonstration. At every station where the train stopped on the way from Shenandoah to Mount Carmel crowds were on the platform to greet the strike leader. Mr. Mitchell was much moved by his reception in the Schuylkill Valley. This place was well bedecked with the National colors in honor of Mr. Mitchell's visit. Upon his arrival here he was welcomed by a local reception committee, after which he took part in a

the contents of which were published here today. It received courteous treatment at the Foreign Office, discussing the French note with a representative of the Associated Press, today expressed the view that the prohibition of the importation of arms to China should be indefinitely prolonged and also held that the military guard to be maintained at Peking by the unanimous consent of the powers should remain for an indefinite period. He also said that, since the powers now hold the right of intervention, the question of their demobilization is not pressing, for they can be demobilized at any time. Regarding indemnities, he said there was no difference of opinion on the question of principle which will prevail, though the details will require discussion. Certain newspapers criticize the omission of the word "international" in M. Delcasse's proposal of a permanent military occupation of the district between Peking and Tien Tsin, expressing the opinion that the omission indicates that Russia will insist upon the sole proprietary right to the district upon the ground that her administration of the railway justified it. The official of the Foreign Office expressed the opinion that this conclusion was far-fetched, adding: "All the powers are equally interested in maintaining communications with Peking."

The new American note, announced via London, is discredited here.

While the latest German note has apparently not yet been formally answered by any one of the powers, the Foreign Office here has been informed that they all agree to it. The press of various shades of opinion regard the new German note as the rallying point of the powers in the present negotiations.

It is interesting, at a moment when the powers are exercising comity toward China, to note that Professor Jelinek, professor of international law at Heidelberg, shows in a law journal that relations according to international law between China and the powers do not exist, since China has never voluntarily recognized the equality of the powers. The latter presupposes the equality of the state, whereas the China theory is that the other states are vassals of the Emperor of China. The fact that China has been forced to permit Ministers of the powers to reside at Peking does not change the situation. The Ministers merely enjoy treaty rights. Therefore, the attack upon the Ministers was merely a breach of treaty rights. The Chinese are utterly in ignorance of the idea of the sanctity of the Ambassadors.

The forthcoming grain duties have been discussed in a lively manner this week. It is now admitted that the agricultural section of the tariff commission has agreed that the minimum duties on wheat flour should be 30 and 35 marks respectively per metric ton. It is interesting, as an illustration of agrarian methods, to note that until a year ago the highest demands were 60 and 65 marks. The 30-mark rate equals 50 cents per bushel, and the Radical papers calculated it would mean an annual burden of \$7,000,000 upon the consumers.

Emperor William, after a fortnight's deer-stalking at Rominten, arrived yesterday at Hubertusstock to continue his shoot.

Nothing is known here about the report cabled from New York this week that other American life insurance companies are about to be readmitted to do business here.

It is reported that Hamburg firms have bought 50,000 Springfield muzzle-loaders from the United States Government.

The German technical societies have decided to issue an international technical dictionary in English, French and German.

Prince Albert in Brussels.

BRUSSELS, Oct. 6.—Prince Albert of Belgium and his bride, the Duchess Elisabeth, of Bavaria, arrived here shortly

says that all ordnance officers, as well as field officers of European armies, believe the subject of field artillery is one of the most important being considered. They think that the development of the artillery and that there are about to be great and important changes. The interest is intense and the belief is general that field artillery is to be the most important part of modern warfare.

Events in the Philippines, the war in South Africa and the campaign in China. It is said, have made this apparent. European officers are working in the direction of rapid-fire guns, and if possible preserve the present degree of mobility, but they are inclined to sacrifice a little in order to bring the guns in action in time to secure the greatest effectiveness from quick-firing.

As to coast defense and fortifications Captain Dunn reports that the tendency is toward larger guns with a higher velocity and smaller calibers. In this the European War Office approve the position of the United States. It is believed that the new type of gun will be more effective than heavy guns of large caliber but of shorter range.

Captain Dunn reports that the European officers are well aware of the importance of keeping abreast of the times in all kinds of gunnery and ammunition and are watching with interest everything the United States does in this direction.

A NEW STEEL PROCESS.

Inventor Claims It Will Greatly Increase Its Tensile Strength.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 6.—H. B. Depoy, of this city, has just made some very successful experiments with a process, on which he has been working for 22 years, that will revolutionize the manufacture of steel. With the new process, the inventor says, any piece of steel may have its tensile strength increased from 40 to 75 per cent. It can be made so hard that no tool will scratch it, and only a hammer can be used to cut it. Yet it cannot be cracked or broken by impact. The harder the steel is made the greater and more dense its tensile strength becomes.

Railroad men say that, according to his representations, Depoy has discovered the very thing that railroads have been searching for in vain for years—a process by which steel rails can be hardened to resist the wear and tear of heavy trains without becoming so brittle as to crack easily. He will be aided by the railroads in his future experiments.

A piece of cast iron, Mr. Depoy says, may be welded as easily and securely after treatment in his solution as the best Norway or Sweden wrought iron, and any tool formed from cast iron by the regular casting process may be tempered so that it will carry an edge superior to the steel now manufactured by the best-known processes. This means, he says, that tools that must have the keenest edge and the greatest tensile strength can be manufactured after having been cast from the cheapest iron on the market.

Cochrane Succeeds Hudson.

BOSTON, Oct. 6.—The directors of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company have appointed Alexander Cochrane president pro tem, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late President John E. Hudson. Mr. Cochrane is a director and member of the Executive Board of the American Bell Telephone Company, and the American Telephone & Telegraph Company.

Suicide of a Minister.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 6.—A special from Jasper, Tenn., says Rev. J. P. Pirrie, aged 45, a Cumberland Presbyterian minister, committed suicide in the Presbyterian Church at this place by hanging himself to the bell cord. Despondency is supposed to have been the cause.

Lamp Explosion Caused Fire.

IRONWOOD, Mich., Oct. 6.—Fire last night, caused by a lamp explosion, destroyed the machine shops, electric lighting and air compressor plants of the Oliver Iron Mining Company, entailing a heavy loss.

What His Colored Housekeeper Knows of the Cause.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6.—Information which may have an important bearing upon the case which will result from the attempt to obtain possession of the millions left by William A. Riker has been furnished to the police from Mrs. Mary Scott, of this city. Mrs. Scott is a colored woman, who for eight months before his death was employed by Mr. Riker as a caretaker and laundress. She knew the old man and his habits well.

When seen at her home last night, Mrs. Scott said that she has seldom been more shocked than she was when she heard of her employer's death. She knew that he was ill, but had been given to understand that his condition was not such as to alarm his friends.

"I saw Mr. Riker," said Mrs. Scott, "the day before he died. He was in his apartments in Madison avenue Saturday morning as usual, to do the housework. When I arrived there, about 8 o'clock, Mr. Riker was still in bed. He arose shortly afterwards, and after putting on his coat and breakfast, he took his bath. When he came out I noticed that his color was exceedingly bad, and remarked upon it."

"He also appeared to be greatly worried about something, and he had been the day I saw him before that, but in answer to my inquiry he said he was feeling better and he did appear to be in cheerful spirits. I thought a great deal of Mr. Riker, because he was good to me, but did not worry much about him because I did not consider him so ill as he had been made out to be."

"Before I left the apartments that afternoon Dr. Curry arrived and had a long talk with Mr. Riker. I am not sure that the doctor was there when I left. Mr. Riker was generally alone with Mr. Jones, who took care of him, and I believe the two were together when I left that afternoon. Mr. Jones seemed to have the entire care of his employer."

"I knew Mr. Patrick, though not very well. He was at the house often, but when he came there he and Mr. Riker always went into the library together, and at these times they were never disturbed. Of course it is impossible for me to know whether any crime was committed. I certainly am greatly shocked at what has happened. Everybody who knew Mr. Riker around the building liked him, and would have hated to believe that he was implicated in any crime against his employer."

Enrolling the Cherokees.

CHICAGO, Oct. 6.—A special to the Record from Vinita, O. T., says: The Dawes Commission has closed its work of enrolling Cherokees at this place. The commission has passed on the applications of 468 persons whose claims to citizenship in the Cherokee Nation are unquestioned, 328 doubtful, and 34 rejected, making a total of 830 applications. The commission left for Bartlesville, where it will enroll Cherokees next week. More people applied here than the commission could enroll.

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Boy Burned by His Playmates.

TRENTON, N. J., Oct. 6.—Eddie McBride, 30 years old, died today from burns received while playing "Indian" with companions. McBride was tied to a stake and his clothing saturated with gasoline and then ignited. The boy broke loose and ran screaming to his home, where he died.