

American Mining Congress Opens Seventh Annual Session Tomorrow

FOR two days delegates to the American Mining Congress, which will hold its seventh annual meeting here this week, have been drifting into Portland. Today and tomorrow they will come by dozens and hundreds, and at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, when President Richards' fall falls on the first session, the city will be given over to the visitors. Many men of prominence in the country, especially in the West, will be here, notable addresses will be delivered, and matters of much moment to the mining interests of the United States will be discussed.

Portland and all Oregon is glad to welcome the visitors, who represent one of the most important of our industries. The people of the state feel keenly the presence of so many men of force and circumstance, and the hope that their stay may be pleasant and profitable is earnest and sincere.

The American Mining Congress is an institution of great importance and its work is of a practical nature. It has done much to improve mining conditions in this country. It has been instrumental in securing valuable legislation, exploring our mineral resources abroad and encouraging meritorious efforts at development on the part of mineowners and operators, at the same time discouraging wildcat speculation. Its officers are men of rare executive ability and personal interest in the industry represented, while its rank and file are the men who are making the mines of the Nation one of its chief sources of wealth.

Matters in which the mining men of the Nation are deeply interested will be considered here, and the work done by this congress will be felt throughout the entire United States.

The following statement of the purposes and history of the congress is from the popular and efficient secretary of the American Mining Congress, a thorough business campaign of education in all branches of mining, and to this end the effort is made to bring all classes of people directly or indirectly interested in the success of an industry upon which depends the success of all our industrial life, and in all legitimate ways to do so. The "Commercial Museum" of Philadelphia for the commerce and trade of the United States, the "Manufacturers' Association" for American manufacture; and the congress believes that the quickest, most intelligent and satisfactory way to accomplish this is to bring to the attention of the people of the country, as many people as possible, at least once every year, at some given point, where they cannot only have an actual demonstration of the industry of mining, but where they can hear discussions upon the subject from distinguished, practical and scientific men. This method is not a new one, but, on the contrary, has been used since before the "Idea of an 'International Gold-Mining Convention,' this being the original name of the organization, which was changed during its first session, which was held in the city of Denver, July 7, 8 and 9, 1897, to the 'International Mining Congress,' originated among a few men of practical and peculiar interest, and with the faculty of discernment in reading 'signs of the times,' at least they thought so, and, judging by what has transpired since the first meeting of this congress, they were not far wrong in their judgment.

The first impression came to them with a recognition of the fact that the world was at the threshold of a new era in mining for the precious and base metals while in the entire field of mining there was apparent the process of a great progressive transformation. The naming of the 'International Gold-Mining Convention' was no delusion. In making use of the word 'congress' substituted for the word 'convention' in the name of the organization, it was a single delegate in all that wonderful gathering ready or willing to raise his voice against it. The intelligence and justice of the change was at once recognized, and consequently the second call was made in the name of the 'International Mining Congress,' which convened in Salt Lake City, July 6, 7, 8 and 9, 1898, and before adjournment selected Milwaukee, Wis., as the place to hold its third annual session, September 7, 8, 9 and 10, 1899. This was afterwards changed to June 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23, 1900. The fourth session was held in Boise, Idaho, July, 1901; the fifth in Butte, Mont., September, 1902; the sixth in Deadwood and Lead, S. D., September 7, 10, 1903, and this coming session, the seventh, will convene in the city of Portland, August 22, and continue thereafter the 23d, 24th, 25th, 26th and 27th, 1904.

Presidents of the Congress. 1st July, 1897—Temporary president, Hon. Alva Adams, Pueblo, Colo., when this, Bradford Prince, of Santa Fe, N. M., was elected. 2d, 1898—Hon. L. Bradford Prince, Santa Fe, N. M. 3th, July, 1900—Colonel M. B. Montgomery, Cripple Creek, Colo. 4th, July, 1901—Hon. L. Bradford Prince, Santa Fe, N. M. 5th, September, 1902—Major E. L. Schaffer, Cleveland, O. 6th, September, 1903—Hon. J. H. Richards, Boise, Idaho. 7th, August, 1904—Hon. J. H. Richards, Boise, Idaho.

The plan of this Congress was conceived as a measure of expediency associated with, and growing out of, the conditions that gave it stable character and definite purpose. It was the initial trip in a thorough business campaign of education in all branches of mining, with all its kindred interests, and to this end the effort was first made to bring together mining men, manufacturers and investors, to increase friendly relations and reciprocal trade among the delegates. At the moment of organization as a convention their function ceased and they organized the permanent organization of the convention, and whatever association, movement or measure growing out of it, to be within the scope of the convention itself, and its actions to be those of an international body.

OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN MINING CONGRESS WHICH CONVENES IN PORTLAND TOMORROW



J. H. Richards, of Boise, President. Colonel Thomas Erving, of Los Angeles, First Vice-President. R. C. Patterson, of Omaha, Second Vice-President. J. Frank Watson, of Portland, Third Vice-President. Irwin Mahon, of Carlisle, Pa., Secretary.

sentiments of partiality connected with the relative status of the royal metals, gold and silver. The circular of the committee, calling the Congress and setting forth its purposes, was clear upon that expressing the desire that "all papers read and discussions held be confined to those questions which are germane to mining and kindred interests." The Congress was in no sense partisan. The originators and promoters, recognizing the same high patriotism in all Americans, North, South, East and West, irrespective of all political affiliations, believing all to be imbued with an equal loyalty to their country and their country's best interests.

At the first session, held in Denver, Colo., the name was changed from International Gold Mining Convention to that of the International Mining Congress. This name was chosen as an organization until the holding of the fifth annual session in Butte, Mont., in 1902, when the name was again changed to that of the American Mining Congress. The name it now holds, and under which it received its charter from the State of Colorado in 1903.

The American Mining Congress is the first and only organization of its kind in the world, and its success so far demonstrates its value. It is taking hold of all questions that vitally interest the miner and the people of the country, and its action, and it is through this organization that these movements can be made effective.

There is nothing of a local character about this organization. The fact that it has been forced to hold sessions in different places each year, and that these places have been greatly advanced thereby, has nothing whatever to do with the aim or purposes of the Congress. It has no selfish motives or political affiliations. The American Mining Congress is a non-sectarian, non-partisan, non-political organization, and its object is the furthering of the highest interests of American mining. In doing this the Congress benefits the general interests of the entire industrial life of our country cannot be estimated.

The list of delegates follows: At Large. James Gaymer, 71 Broadway, New York. John H. Hays, Hamilton, 11 Broadway, New York. T. A. Richards, 251 Broadway, New York. Department of the Interior. F. F. Emmons, in charge investigations of metalliferous ores. C. W. Hayes, in charge of investigations of non-metalliferous ores. F. L. Ransome, in charge of the economic survey of the Coeur d'Alene district.

Ohio. E. L. Bookwalter, Charles L. Bauer, W. H. Blew, Springfield; F. Wallace White, Cleveland; William Weeks, A. M. Lewis, H. S. D. Bush, Edinburg; Christ A. Couth, Mathew English, F. F. Faggart, Columbus; S. F. Rose, Phillips, Columbus; C. H. Young, Cleveland; Nat. Lord, Columbus; Andrew J. Glen, Roy; M. H. Handline, Frank Ray, Columbus; John White, Cleveland; Joseph E. Blackstone, George W. Egan, Hiram; J. H. Zinsville, H. D. Marble, Cleveland; J. J. Roky, Cleveland; J. C. Harding, Massillon; Ed L. Strohmer, Jackson; Thomas Johnson, W. W. Field, Columbus; E. E. Young, Cleveland; Edwin Jones, Jackson; Walter Mullins, Massillon; E. J. Smith, N. C. Fox, P. H. Harnick, E. J. Shink, Massillon; G. H. Hawkins, Monroe; Harmon, George W. Fyfe, Massillon.

Tennessee. W. L. Council, R. G. Brooks, James S. McCann, Scranton; Samuel Dunkley, J. Macdonald, Thomas R. Jones, Warrior Run; David James, W. W. E. Martin, Warrior Run; J. H. Johnson, Mendota; William Walton, Whitesburg; H. J. Cantwell, St. Louis; A. A. Daugherty, Mine La Motte; Hugh McGee, Putnam; John Kingston, Clarksville; W. A. Ayler, Wash City; Henry Brumbeck, Mt. Vernon; F. P. Graves, Doe Run; R. K. Cooper, L. D. Arnold, Grand Springs; W. W. Gregory, St. George; Frederick H. Rogers, Jones.

Michigan. F. G. Bonham, R. M. Randall, Saginaw; M. L. Davis, E. B. Fox, Bay City; James McNaughton, James Chynoweth, Calumet; Charles Smith, Hubbell; B. H. Shields, Hancock; Dr. L. L. Hubbard, Houghton; Dunbar D. Scott, Phoenix; Thomas L. Handy, F. S. Handy, D. W. Eandy, West Bay City; Arthur Barnard, Saginaw.

Minnesota. Fred J. Bowman, C. R. Hall, J. C. Reble, O. B. Bachman, Minneapolis; J. W. Wallace, C. E. Mills, D. L. Lamont, Virginia; C. H. Munger, Sparta; J. D. Schilling, Itaska; J. H. Harding, S. E. Helms, Glen R. Brown, C. E. Bailey, C. W. Kimbrey, Evelyn; J. P. Mitchell, Captain, Redford; P. Silliman, Hibbing; M. S. Hawkins, Mountain Iron; John Pengilly, Ely; Fred Hensolt, St. Paul.

Montana. Samuel Moore, Great Falls; Daniel Lenny, Deluth; David Wood, Stockert; H. E. Clark, Butte; C. F. Allen, Pittsburg; N. R. Leonard, Great Falls; W. E. Moore, Helena, Mont.

Nebraska. C. H. Brunner, Thomas Carroll, Robert Bridg, Fremont; W. E. Beaman, Lincoln; Guy C. Barton, W. J. Broach, Omaha; W. S. Brown, Fremont; John T. Bresler, Wayne; N. A. Duff, Nebraska City; A. J. Durand, Norfolk; George H. Hicks, Omaha; William Hayward, Nebraska City; P. E. McKillip, Humphrey; H. H. Nicholson, Lincoln; Richard C. Patterson, James H. Pratt, Omaha; George W. B. Dewey, Fremont; E. W. Richardson, Omaha; L. Schoenier, Omaha; J. A. J. Powers, Knoxville; W. G. Shepard, Jr., Colfax.

Arkansas. John H. Page, Grandview; Walter Douglas, Shiloh; W. B. DeWitt, Le E. Hewitt, Phoenix; Colonel Thomas Exin, Los Angeles, Cal.; E. A. Haggart, Mayer; A. D. Barnhart, Prescott; C. E. Mills, Moreland; Howard W. Kemp, Kingsbury; Thomas Hughes, Ft. Tison; Fredic J. Martin, Fortuna; N. C. Berry, Globe; R. R. Richardson, Patagonia; W. F. Staunton, Tombstone.

Idaho. W. T. Tyler, S. B. Redding, W. R. Lenon, Little Rock.

Washington. W. B. Sherman, Cascade Falls; C. C. Higgins, Grant's Pass; E. S. McCosmo, Union; O. M. Crouch, Henry Cox, Paul Baume, Portland; D. L. Killen, H. H. Nicholson, Frank Georgia; B. J. Foster, C. D. Emmons, E. H. Ingham, Eugene; G. G. Warner, Cottage Grove; J. M. Retaille, Grant's Pass; W. S. Haskins, Grandale; A. D. McQueen, H. L. Pittcock, L. Zimmerman, E. Cannon, Portland; C. T. Sanford, Ashland; C. W. Nibley, La Grande; Frank S. Baillie, Al Geiser, Sumpter; H. E. Foster, L. B. Wicks, Baker; Arthur Buckhe, Baker City; William Harris, D. Dennis, Baker; T. C. Smith, C. L. Johnson; Otto Hansen, Salem; T. B. Hammond, J. H. Flak, P. J. Hard, Portland.

California. E. A. Rick, A. H. Halloran, W. H. Storms, J. H. Neff, W. S. Keyes, San Francisco; Charles G. Yale, Oakland; Thomas Erving, George M. Charlter, G. J. Holmes, Fred J. Gorman, E. B. Gorman, H. M. Gorman, J. M. Day, J. S. Davis, Los Angeles.

Colorado. William L. Wilson, Denver; Victor C. Alderson, Golden; Spencer Penrose, Colorado Springs; D. R. C. Brown, Aspen; Harry Hugh Lee, Denver; A. E. Carlton, Cripple Creek; J. Wellington Finch, Denver; Fred Isaac, Wadsworth; J. E. Smith, Coal City; Stuart Brown, George M. Black, Frank Camp, Silver; James T. Smith, J. C. Sanford, Olive; John Rolfe, Murphyboro; Ernest Pratt, Herman Just, C. L. Scroggs, A. L. Sweet, L. F. Freidhardt, J. A. Agee, H. N. Taylor, Thomas Lenon, Chicago; A. J. Moorhead, East St. Louis.

Utah. Hon. Lafayette Holbrook, Hon. J. W. N. Whitecotton, John R. Twiss, Provo City; Frank B. Cook, Harry S. Joseph, A. J. Davis, Salt Lake City; Senator Thomas Kearns, Congressman Joseph Howell, W. H. Child, C. Goodwin, Harry Joseph, James E. Jennings, C. E. Louse, ex-Senator Frank J. Cannon, Senator Reed Smoot, Professor J. B. Talmage, John Derr, C. L. Reed, P. T. Farnsworth, Simon Bamberger, John A. Kirby.

British Columbia. Herbert Carmichael, W. M. Brewer, D. J. Sutton, Victoria.

South Dakota. Edward C. Perish, Vermillion; C. C. O'Hare, Rapid City; W. S. Keyes, Aberdeen; S. W. Russell, W. S. Elder, Harris Franklin, Deadwood; Jonathan Wright, Custer; Fred Cross, Keystone; W. S. O'Brien, T. H. Goodman, A. B. Amesen, Roubidoux; John Blatchford, Terry; John Gray, Terryville.

Illinois. Henry M. Lancaster, Kathlamet; John Selig To Vote on Schoolhouse.

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Serious Blow to Municipal Water System

San Francisco Unable to Control the Tuolumne Supply.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—(Special Correspondence.)—Efforts which have been made for some time past to secure for San Francisco a large and adequate municipal water supply, during a recent week, have suffered a severe check through the developments of the last few days. The argument for the new system lay in the assertion that the Spring Valley Water Company, which now supplies the city, had an insufficient number of wells and no means or intention of adding more. Chief Engineer Schuchert, of the water company, has taken occasion during a recent visit to the city to state that the Spring Valley people have sources of supply in Alameda County, which will be adequate for the city for 50 years to come. The second blow to the proposed municipal system has come from an irrigation district. For the municipal supply it was the intention to impound the water of the Tuolumne River near its source in the mountains beyond the Yosemite Valley. The Tuolumne River is used by the Modesto Irrigation District upon thousands of acres of land. The irrigation district has complied with the law in all respects and has first call upon the Tuolumne waters. The supply is sufficient for both projects and negotiations were pending to fix upon some basis of division. The trustees of the Modesto Irrigation District have just notified San Francisco and stated, however, that an extension which they plan will not allow them to share the supply with this city.

Following close upon the heels of the matrimonial infidelities of the Harry Corson Clarke household has come another scandal involving San Francisco theatrical folk. Charles H. Jones, stage manager of Fischer's Theater, in this city, has left for other parts, and with him has gone Miss Martha de Roy, a devoted friend of the same theater. Mr. Jones and Miss de Roy did not bid their friends good-bye and the former left no word of farewell to his wife and children. Mr. Jones is known all over the United States as an expert in fancy marches and spectacular stage effects. He was with the Southwell Opera Company for a number of years in the East, and before coming to Fischer's he was with Caverly and Raymond in the Rogers Bros. plays. He came to California about a year ago, and joined the company. The chorus leader of the same company was Miss de Roy. Jones received an offer from Fischer's to remain in San Francisco and accepted. It happened shortly after that Fischer's was in need of a pretty chorus girl and Jones suggested Miss de Roy. She accepted and filled the part until this week. Jones had confessed his admiration for Miss de Roy to his friends, who in turn reminded him that his first duty was to his wife and children. When urged by the Fischer's management to resign, he attended to Miss de Roy. Jones de- clined to leave the city. He said nothing to the management, but he and Miss de Roy packed their trunks and left. They are said to be in Chicago.

Melbourne McDowell, formerly the husband of Fannie McDowell, known as a tragedian of the heaviest roles, has taken unto himself another wife. Mr. McDowell is shortly to leave San Francisco for Portland, where he is to fill an engagement, and with him will go his

continue as long as the war lasts. A conference was held with the Pacific Mail Company, but the officials stated positively that they would not run the risk entailed with their new passenger boats. The suggestion was made that the situation in the Far East clears up to any appreciable extent that freighters might be put on to carry cargoes to Japan for the present. Senator Perkins has taken an active interest in the matter and will personally take the matter over with the officials in Washington.

The Park Commissioners have once more become the laughing-stock of the citizens, through their judgment on things artistic. The city's charter provides that no member of the commission must be an artist and among his other duties he is required to pass on pictures submitted for the art gallery of the museum. The artist in the Hopkins School of Design, He has just rejected a picture offered to the commission for the museum. Altman said the picture was not worthy a place in the same gallery where the complexities of the other picture are displayed. It turns out, however, that the picture is a famous painting by Desvareux, entitled "La Prise du Drapeau Waterloo." It has been exhibited in the city in Paris and there received special commendation. Altman a few weeks ago rejected a figure study, which was also an European masterpiece. In order not to humiliate Altman and to appease the public, Mayor Van Dusem has transferred him to the School Board.

Struck in Head by Growbar. Frank Mayer suffers a painful and serious injury. Frank Mayer, aged 43 years, who lives at the New Western Lodging-house, was seriously injured at 5 o'clock yesterday evening at the corner of Fifth and Stark streets. Mayer was employed in carrying the trucks of the Portland Railway Company. He was removed to the Good Samaritan Hospital, where he was resting easily at a late hour last night. Mayer was prying up a rail by means of a crowbar. In some manner the crowbar slipped and flew backward, the sharp point striking Mayer at the side of the head, inflicting a painful and serious wound. It was thought at first that the man's eye would be lost, but physicians state tonight that the chances for saving it were good.

Little Suspension of Traffic. Morrison-street Bridge Work Will Cause Only Slight Inconvenience. Within a week or so work will commence on the central draw pier of the new Morrison-street bridge. The contractors are waiting for the pier on the west end of the draw to be filled before starting upon the central support. All river traffic will be diverted from

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