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SITUATION IN COA LFIELDS TOLD BEFORE HOUSE COMMITTEE IS REVELATION - STRIKE

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DENVER, Feb. 10, Further tes-timony designed to establish the charges of peonage in the Colorado coni fields was introduced today before a sub-committee of the House committee on mines and mining which is invostigating the coal min-eva' strige, Salvatori Valentin, Sic-irian, told the committee he had been brought to Colorado from Pittsburg through deception and forced to work in the Delagua mine. One of his fellow strikebreakers, he declared, was shot and killed by

an unidentified person in the mine. Valentine said he was not per-mitted to go outside the mine camp and was guarded by soldiers on the way to and from his boarding house When he tried to leave he said he was told he owed the company \$163 for tools and transportation. tried to escape through the gates, but was stopped by the soldlers. With forty-seven others, he finally escaped. The witness further swore he heard Adjutant General John Chase instruct his men in clearing the streets of Trinidad to "kill as many as they wanted to."

WAGE QUESTION UP

Conditions in Copper Mines Shown at Investigation.

(Delayed in transmission) HANCOCK, Feb. 10,-At the mine strike hearing before the Congressional investigators today O. N. Hilton, Counsel for the Western Federation of Miners, read into the records more notations on the miners' pay envelopes to show the low monthly wage earned under the contract system. D ductions for such items as "hospital, store and board," were shown on some envel-opes. "We will prove," said Hil-ton, "that is many instances the mining company would take out o employes' pay the amount owed it then would pay storek epers and boarding-house keepers from what was left. The exhibits covered a long period dating back to 1898.



GRAFT CHARGES AGAINST JAP NAVAL OFFICERS PRECIPI-TATES SERIOUS TROUBLE-POPULACE AROUSED.

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1817 Associated From to Coost Day Times.] TOKIO, Feb. 10 .- After a mass meeting as which resolutions were to impeach the Cabinet for pnss: d its attitude in connection with the graft charges against Japanese nav-

officers, a riotous mob attacked the Japanese House of Parliament today. It was driven back by the police only after the entrance gates had been broken down and scores of people injured.

Numerous arrests were made, and frequent clashes between the po-lice and mob followed in various parts of the city. There was also a free fight on the floor of the Diet. Fifteen persons were pushed into the canal during a fight near the offices of the Government n ws paper, but all were rescued. The Diet rejected a resolution of want of confidence in the government. The resolution was introduced by the opposition as a protest against the attitude of the Cabinet in connection with graft charges.

The debate in the House was dramatic. A fierce attack was made on Premier Count Gombel Yamaneto. who replied, demanding suspension of judgment until the inquiry into the naval scandal had been conclud-The speaker of the Diet ordered the expulsion of a member of the op-position who had interrupted the debate and a free-for-all fight on the floor of the House ensued between guards and friends of the deputy. The victory of the Government on the resolution was second with cheers from the unifority of the House and with joers from the mob outside. The crowd choursh mombers of the oppoaltion as they loft.

After values waiting for the exit or the ministers and members, the mob marched to the office of the newspaper organ of the Government, where they stoned the police, who, however, succeeded in repulsing

A LOVELY GRAFT.

Charge Made Against Proposed Trade Commission Bill.

(Delay d. in transmission) WASHINGTON, D. C. Feb. 10 ---Denouncing the administration's trade commission bill as opening up the "loyliest graft of the cen tury," and as "surpassing Russia in implicition" James E. Bennett told

House committee today such a law would drive small cor-portious out of business. Representnumber of corporations, he questioned its constitutionality. The foll as now drawn," he said, "would give the vital secrets of small corporations to their big competitors, Would show up weak points of small concerns and open it to the attack of rivals." Bennett argued that the bill violated the constitutional guarantee against unlawful search and seizure.

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