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SETTLEMENT OF STRIKE DELAYED

Matters Complicated by Meeting of Operators at Scranton.

MITCHELL IS STILL SILENT

Other Companies Announce Their Acceptance of Terms of Mine Workers—Strikers Stay Out Till Others Are Heard From.

HAZLETON, Pa., Oct. 18.—As far as ending the coal miners' strike is concerned, not a move in that direction was made by the United Mine Workers' absolutely silent on all questions pertaining to the termination of the contest and it is not believed that he will have anything to say on the subject until he calls a meeting of the national executive board for the purpose of considering the question of issuing a formal declaration calling the strike off.

When that shall be decided, it is understood, entirely upon the operators. The feeling is prevalent here tonight that the decision of the operators' meeting at Scranton today to insist that the reduction in the price of powder must be taken into consideration in determining the net ten per cent increase in wages has complicated matters somewhat. Further delay in reaching an amicable adjustment of the trouble is now feared.

STRIKERS CONTINUE FIRM. SHAMOKIN, Pa., Oct. 18.—Notices that the terms of the Scranton convention have been accepted by the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Company were posted in public places here and at the collieries early this morning. Strikers in the employ of the company say that while they are highly pleased over the action of the Reading Company, they will not think of going to work until their brethren employed by the other companies and operators are granted the increase.

It is the general impression here that employers will have fallen into line by tomorrow, and that a notice from President Mitchell, informing the strikers to go to work, will be issued Saturday or Monday.

OTHER COMPANIES FALL IN. LEHIGH, Pa., Oct. 18.—The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, this morning posted notices dated Wilkesbarre and signed by W. A. Lathrop, general superintendent, exactly similar to those of the Fairbanks. The notice abolishes the sliding scales, agrees to a ten per cent increase until April 1, 1901, and thereafter until otherwise notified, and fixes the price of powder at \$1.50 a keg, instead of \$2.75.

MINERS JUBILANT. POTTSVILLE, Pa., Oct. 18.—The news received here that the demands of the anthracite coal miners' convention had been granted by the Reading Coal & Iron Co. was as welcome as it was surprising in the Schuylkill region. The labor leaders were not in the secret.

There will now be bonfires, meetings, parades and a general jubilation by the miners. Some of the conservative leaders favor a quiet acceptance of the victory, but it is doubtful if their counsels will prevail. The Reading Company employs 28,000 men, one-fifth of all the anthracite workers, and they will undoubtedly be ready to go to work just as soon as they are ordered to do so by President Mitchell.

The Reading Company has been rushing its cars into the coal region ever since the strike began, and it is estimated that it has in the neighborhood of ten thousand empties now on the slides throughout the region at points easy of access.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON.

Distances Competitors in the Favor of Fraternities.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—The grand chapter of the Sigma Nu Fraternity at their meeting here today granted a charter for a chapter of organization at the State University of Oregon. Several other requests for charters were refused.

ROOSEVELT AFTER JONES.

Proves That the American Cotton Company Is a Trust.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Oct. 18.—Governor Roosevelt will finish his general campaign at Baltimore tomorrow

night, after having traveled nearly 19,000 miles and making nearly 500 speeches. He will spend the final week of the campaign in New York state. The Boston visit has been eliminated and, if possible, Governor Roosevelt will spend next Sunday with his family at Albany. Today's work began at Canton, Ohio, the home of McKinley. After a hard day's campaigning through Ohio and West Virginia, Governor Roosevelt reached Parkersburg tonight and addressed a large audience, paying special attention to Senator Jones' denial that the American Cotton Company is a trust. Roosevelt produced the statement of the company and argued that its own figures, prospectus and plan of procedure entitled it to the name of a trust. He said that in floating its stock the American Cotton Company had boasted of its ability to control the price of cotton and entered the market with the expressed intention of cornering the crop and mastering the market.

ADVANCE IN LINSEED OIL.

Largest Single Price Fluctuation Ever Known in Linseed Oil.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—At noon the American Linseed Oil Company marked the price of linseed oil up to 70 cents, or the highest figure known since the infancy of the industry. Before noon the price was 60 cents. This advance of ten cents per gallon is the largest fluctuation ever known in linseed oil and is about the equivalent of 40 or 50 cents per bushel advance in wheat. Coming at this season of the year when the movement of the new crop of flax seed from the farmers of the Northwest has but just begun, it has caught every manufacturer in the country by surprise. Practically all of them had been expecting 35-cent oil.

The result is that they had reduced their stocks to the lowest possible point. Flax seed is now selling at \$1.82, or an advance during the last ten days of 35 cents per bushel.

FOUR PERSONS DROWNED.

Life Boat Overturned Near Town of Chenik.

SEATTLE, Oct. 18.—Four and probably five persons met death by drowning in Golovin bay, off the town of Chenik, September 26, as the result of the capsizing of the life boat of the San Francisco steamer Albion. The known victims are: Gus Radd, of San Francisco; Joseph Gannish, residence unknown; David Clancy, residence unknown, and Carpenter Weisard, residence unknown. Eighteen people entered the life boat to ride from Chenik to the Albion, which was a mile away. The boat was rigged with a sail. The wind was strong. Two hundred yards from the Albion the life boat capsized. The Albion's crew went to the rescue and saved all but four or perhaps five of the occupants.

ALL TESTIMONY IN.

Verdict in the Youtsey Trial is Expected This Afternoon.

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Oct. 18.—The Youtsey trial is drawing rapidly to a close. The testimony in the case has been given to the jury and the speeches are being made. The verdict is expected by tomorrow afternoon. There is no improvement in Youtsey's condition, though he is not any worse today. Now and then the proxyms return and for an hour afterward he is much worse but is still able to rally, showing remarkable vitality.

MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE.

Verdict in Case of J. L. Warren Who Killed Mate of the Ship Bement.

PORTLAND, Oct. 18.—James L. Warren, charged with the murder of William Kirk, mate of the American ship Clarence S. Bement, was tonight found guilty of murder in the second degree. Kirk was murdered on board his ship in the harbor here, January 23 last.

POTATO CROP SHORT.

Five Million Bushels Less Than Last Year.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—The potato crop of the United States, according to Orange Judt's Farmer final report, in its issue of October 20, at the completion of harvest approximates 239,000,000 bushels, or nearly 5,000,000 less than last year.

BROOKLYN THE CHAMPION.

Wins the Beautiful Trophy Cup Offered to Best Baseball Team.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 18.—Brooklyn is the champion of the baseball world, owner of the beautiful Chronicle-Telegraph trophy cup and carries away one-half of the gate receipts of the four games necessary to decide the supremacy over Pittsburg.

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CHINA READY TO TREAT FOR PEACE

Li and Prince Ching Have Drawn Up Joint Proposal.

FRANCE EAGER FOR PEACE

Keeps Urging Other Powers to Hasten Expedition to Pao Ting Fu Finds Boxers' Heads on a City's Walls.

PARIS, Oct. 18.—The Havas agency has received the following dispatch from Peking: "The diplomatic corps has received a joint note from Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching saying that it is time to end the present situation and to treat for peace."

JOINT PROPOSAL DRAWN UP.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—A representative of the Associated Press learns that Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang have finally succeeded in drawing up a joint proposal for a settlement. This has just been received by the powers. Beyond the fact that it is likely to require considerable alteration before being acceptable, nothing is ascertainable regarding the actual terms. The Chinese minister here, Sir Chih Chen Lo Peng Luh, professes ignorance of such proposal, but it can be definitely said that it is now engaging the attention of the British foreign office.

FRANCE HURRIES THE POWES.

PARIS, Oct. 18.—Russia, Austria, Germany and Great Britain having already replied affirmatively to M. Delcasse's note, he is notifying the powers of the acceptance of the first note, and is asking each of them to instruct their ministers at Peking to begin peace negotiations. Favorable replies are expected from all.

WALDERSEE AT PEKIN.

PEKIN, Oct. 17.—The Peking column of the Pao Ting Fu expedition arrived at a point six miles south of Chi Chow yesterday without encountering opposition. They found the heads of fourteen Boxers on the walls at Chen Choon and they killed seven of the imperial troops.

CHINESE FOUGHT STUBBORNLY.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 18.—Detailed reports to the war office of the occupation of Mukden, Manchuria, show that the Russians met with strong opposition at Schacho, where the Chinese with thirty battalions, twenty field guns and Krupps and Maxim's occupied the railway embankment and heights.

The fighting continued from 9 o'clock in the morning until 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The Chinese cavalry enveloped the Russian right flank and endeavored to take it in the rear. They were repulsed but returned repeatedly to the attack. Finally, after artillery preparations, the whole Russian column was thrown against the Chinese, who by evening were in full retreat.

The next day the Chinese made a less stubborn resistance in a strong position on the mountain in front of Liao Jau. The position was captured at noon but the Russians were unable to pursue the Chinese owing to the extreme fatigue and difficult nature of the country.

Another Russian column met with a strong resistance and only arrived at Liao Jau at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The Russians in the course of the two days' operations lost 50 killed and wounded. They captured several guns.

LIPTON IS DELIGHTED.

Glad His Challenge is Accepted and Confident of Fair Play.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—Sir Thomas Lipton hopes to arrive in the United States about the middle of July. In an interview with a representative of the Associated Press he said he was delighted that his challenge had received such a prompt and satisfactory answer.

"Talking of fair play," continued Sir Thomas, "none of us is quite infallible, but I guarantee to say should anything controversial by any chance happen to occur, I am certain I shall get the benefit of any doubt existing, such is my belief in the integrity and sportsmanlike spirit of the New York Yacht Club."

It is understood that Shamrock II will be built by the Hendersons, on the Clyde, and that Synamore will be skippered by Mr. Jameson in general charge. Sir Thomas Lipton will take both the new and the old Shamrock across the Atlantic.

AMERICA'S CUP SAFE.

Constructor Highborn Says the Columbia Can Be Improved So as to Successfully Defend the Cup.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Considerable interest is taken in nautical circles in Washington, says a Herald special, as to the characteristics of the new defender to be built to compete with the yacht Sir Thomas Lipton will send to the United States to lift America's cup. Read-Admiral Highborn, chief constructor, said: "The time intervening between the

last race for the America's cup and the race now contemplated has not been lost by our designers. The 70-foot 'Yankee class' which were built by the Herreshoff's Company and which were so thoroughly tried in the many competitions during the last summer, have kept the minds of yachtsmen and designers alert to take advantage of any possible improvement.

BRYAN IN NEW YORK.

Has Good Audiences but Finds Little Enthusiasm.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Oct. 18.—William J. Bryan continued his tour of the Empire state today, traveling half-way across it from east to west. He began his journey at Albany and following the course of the picturesque Mohawk and the line of the Erie canal, he reached this point late in the afternoon. From here he made a run northward to the southern shore of Lake Ontario and made half an hour's speech at Oswego. Later he spoke here tonight.

FREAK FEMALE BICYCLIST.

Will Establish a Record for Three Thousand Miles or Die in the Attempt.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—With her face showing plainly the terrible strain she is undergoing, Marguerite Gast, the girl cyclist, who is trying to establish a record for 3,000 miles on the Valley Stream, L. I. course, completed her 247th mile at 11:30 today. She had then been 11 days, 22 hours and 20 minutes in the saddle. She had sprinkled red pepper in her stockings so that the pain might keep her awake. Save for a rest between 11:30 last night and 3:00 a. m. today, Miss Gast rode continually for fifteen hours. By Saturday she hopes to complete 3000 miles.

MORE SURGEONS NEEDED.

Report of the Surgeon-General Shows That the Medical Corps Lacks Men.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—The report of Surgeon-General Sternberg, U. S. A., states that the force of the medical department consists of 152 officers, which he says is not enough. A report from the chief surgeon of the Philippines, dated August 15, 1900, is given showing a percentage of 8.7 sick for one command, the total strength of the army in the Philippines at that time being 69,554, and the total sick 6129.

WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, Oct. 18.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 86c; Valley, 90c; bluestem, 56c.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—Wheat, December, 97 1/2c; cash, 96 1/2c.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—Wheat, November, opening, 73 1/2c; closing, 73 1/2c.

METAL MARKET.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Silver, 63 1/2c; lead, unchanged.

O. R. & N. TAKES STEAMSHIP LINE

Will Operate All Boats on San Francisco Route.

STEAMER STATE WITHDRAWN

Captain George Conway Will Have Charge of Water Lines With Headquarters at Portland Beginning On October 29.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 18.—The Oregon Railway & Navigation Company today issued the following circular: "The O. R. & N. Co. will on and after October 29 operate all steamships on the Portland and San Francisco route. The steamer 'State of California,' owned by the Pacific Coast Company, will be withdrawn from the line.

The steamships 'Columbia' and 'Geo. W. Elder' will fill the route on the present schedule. The duties of Goodall, Perkins & Co. as superintendents of the ocean division, will be assumed by Capt. George Conway, superintendent of water lines, with headquarters at Portland.

SQUATTERS ARRAIGNED.

Men Who Camped on the Chicago Lake Front Last Summer.

CHICAGO, Oct. 18.—Captain George Wellington Streeter and seven co-defendants whose attempt to hold filled land on the lake front here last summer resulted in the mobilization of the whole police force of this city, were declared not guilty of conspiracy to commit murder. A charge of unlawful assemblage still remains against the "squatters."

MORE BODIES RECOVERED.

Each Day More Victims of the Galveston Horror Are Found.

GALVESTON, Oct. 18.—One month and ten days have elapsed since the storm and still the number of dead bodies being recovered daily does not decrease. Forty-two were recovered today. This makes a record of 107 in the last four days. The total number of bodies reported to have been recovered is 297.

MORTON ON PEACE BOARD.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—There is some talk here tonight of ex-Vice-President Levi P. Morton as the third member on the part of the United States on the Hague international board.

DEMONSTRATION FOR HANNA.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Oct. 18.—Senator Hanna and party had the biggest demonstration of the campaign tour tonight in this city, the home of Senator Pettigrew.



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