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TWENTIETH CENTURY

GREAT COAL STRIKE BROUGHT TO AN END

President Mitchell Agrees to Leave Arbitration of Differences to Roosevelt's Commission.

Chief Executive Names Board of Six Persons, Adding Bishop Spaulding, of Iowa, to the Arbitrators
--Mitchell Says That the Strikers Will Stand by His Decision.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 15.—The great anthracite coal strike is settled at last. The commission of six persons, with the seventh, Carroll D. Wright, as recorder, will adjust the differences between the operators and the miners.

President Mitchell, of the miners union, will take the necessary measures to call the strike off.

The president will urge an early resumption of mining and the operators are expected to begin next week.

The announcement that the great strike was off was made by Secretary Root with exuberant good humor at the White House shortly after 1 o'clock this morning (Thursday).

Organized labor has a representative on the committee in the person of E. E. Clark, grand chief of the Order of Railroad Conductors, who is named as the sociologist.

As named, the commission is perfectly satisfactory to both the miners and the operators.

The following official statement announcing the close of the strike was issued at the White House at 2:20 a. m.:

After a conference with Mr. Mitchell and further conference with the representatives of the coal operators, President Roosevelt has appointed the members of the commission to inquire into, consider and pass upon all of the questions at issue between the operators and the miners in the anthracite coal fields.

The commission is as follows:

Brigadier-General John M. Wilson (U. S. A.) retired, late chief of engineers of U. S. A., of Washington, as the officer of the engineer corps of either the military or naval service of the United States.

E. W. Parker of Washington, D. C., as the expert mining engineer, Mr. Parker is chief state statistician of the coal district of the United States geological survey and editor of the Engineering and Mining Journal of New York.

George Gray of Wilmington, Del., as judge of the United States court.

E. F. Clark of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, grand chief of the Order of Railroad Conductors, as sociologist, the president assuming that, for the purposes of such commission, the term sociologist means a man who has thought and studied deeply on social questions and has practically applied his knowledge.

Thomas H. Watkins of Scranton, Pa., as a man practically acquainted with the mining and selling of coal.

Bishop John L. Spaulding of Peoria, Ill.

The president has added Bishop Spaulding's name to the commission.

Will stand by Mitchell.

Strikers Will Ratify Any Agreement He Has Made.

WILKESBARRE, Oct. 15.—John Mitchell arrived here late tonight. When asked regarding the immediate resumption of work he made a positive statement that the delegate convention first must pass upon the question of calling off the strike.

From the calling of the convention to its adjournment is only a matter of three or four days. He declared that there is no doubt that the convention will stand by any agreement he has made with President Roosevelt.

LONDON PRESS COMMENT.

Times Believes Miners Should Accept Operators' Proposal.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Commenting

in deliberations looking to a settlement of the labor troubles. He will on Tuesday night address a mass meeting to be held at Madison Square garden under auspices of the laboring unions of the city. It is estimated that 100,000 men will parade, of whom 3,000 will be musicians.

GERMANS HELP MINERS.

Sympathy of Fellow Workmen Expressed in Substantial Way.

BERLIN, Oct. 15.—The central committee of the German miners association has sent \$1,250 to the American striking coal miners and have issued directions for the members of the association not to work extra time with an object of increasing the supply of coal for export.

PRUSSIA AFTER RAILROADS.

Are Now in Private Hands—Government Offers Good Figure.

BERLIN, Oct. 15.—Prussia is determined to secure six of the principal railroads remaining in private hands. The whole amounts to 558 miles with \$19,250,000 capital for which the government has offered a somewhat larger sum. Only two important private lines are not included in the government scheme.

editorially on the anthracite situation in the United States, the Times says this morning that the miners will put themselves right with public opinion by placing themselves unreservedly in the hands of a tribunal named by President Roosevelt, cables the London correspondent of the Times. Mr. Mitchell, it is pointed out, undoubtedly is in an awkward position, but if he is wise he will perceive that he cannot gain anything by prolonging the fight against the good sense of the community.

The strike, the Times continue, will have proved an unneeded evil if out of it arises in the minds of legislators a perception of the tremendous social and industrial dangers involved in the practical control by the least educated portion of the nation of the physical basis whereon all its industries and activities depend.

BRITAIN IS ASTOUNDED.

Surprise at Simplicity Displayed by Strike Arbitrators.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—English moralists are staggered by the tremendous simplicity of the negotiations for bringing the coal strike to a close, cables the London correspondent of the Tribune. Neither sovereign nor prime minister here could have intervened in an industrial crisis as the president has done; nor is there any English financier capable of playing Mr. Morgan's part. No labor leader has arisen in England with Mr. Mitchell's influence over the workers. The strike, if settled by arbitration, will be a fresh proof, according to English observers, that Americans have the power of keeping their heads while walking on the verge of a precipice.

ARMY WILL BE REDUCED.

Cessation of Philippine Hostilities Renders It Practicable.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Orders will be issued by the war department tomorrow ordering that the regular army be reduced to the minimum authorized by law, 55,000 men. With a practical cessation of outbreaks in the Philippines it is believed that this can be done safely. The present size of the army is about 67,000 men. The cavalry and artillery regiments will be reduced to a minimum except around Fort Leavenworth, where the commands will be kept to the full size for educational reasons.

TRANSVAAL GOLD OUTPUT.

Production There Will Exceed That of Former Years.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Sir David Barbour, who was special commissioner to inquire into the finances of the Transvaal and Orange River Colony, presiding at a meeting of the Standard Bank of South Africa, predicted that the gold production of the Transvaal, which was \$100,000,000 yearly before the war, would, when the country settled down, be largely exceeded, and that, with the increase of mining, there would be a proportionate increase in

the agricultural and pastoral industries and a general extension of trade and commerce.

TRAINS COLLIDE.

Two Men Killed and Three Fatally Injured in Smash-Up.

GREENCASTLE, Ind., Oct. 15.—The fast westbound passenger train on the Vandalia railroad and the Terre Haute and Indianapolis accommodation train collided at Reelsville, eight miles west of here this afternoon, killing two men and seriously, if not fatally, injuring three others.

The dead: FRED H. HERMSEON, mail clerk, Greencastle.

C. B. KILBY, of Marshville, Pa., riding on steps of baggage car.

The injured: Albert C. Hedding, Indianapolis engineer.

Jesse Kennedy, mail clerk, Rushville.

BATTLE IS RAGING.

Castro Cannot Obtain Reinforcements As Enemy Controls Railroad.

WILLEMSTAD, Oct. 15.—News has reached here that a battle near La Victoria, Venezuela, which began Monday morning, between the forces of President Castro and the Venezuelan revolutionists, has so far been without a definite result. Only a portion of the revolutionists were engaged.

The government has lost 24 men and the rebels 319. The government cannot obtain reinforcements from Caracas as the German railroad from there to Valencia is in the hands of the enemy. The fighting was resumed yesterday.

CROSS OCEAN IN AIRSHIP.

Santos Dumont To Make Trip of His Life.

LONDON, Oct. 15.—Ex-Mayor Phelan of San Francisco, who arrived in London tonight from the continent said to a representative of the Associated Press that M. Santos Dumont, with whom Phelan dined yesterday, is about to make an offer to travel from Paris to San Francisco by his airship.

"Santos Dumont," said Phelan, "asks that a prize of \$200,000 be put up. The airship is already at work building a new airship for this purpose. He seems entirely confident of achieving his object."

CLOSED FOR WANT OF FUEL.

New Haven Concern Must Temporarily Suspend Operations.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Officials of the New Haven Iron & Steel Company have announced that they are forced, by lack of fuel, to close down until the end of the week, and perhaps longer, says a Times special from New Haven, Conn. Seven hundred men are employed.

A cargo of soft coal is on the way which will be sufficient to continue business for a time.

COLOMBIA'S NEW PRESIDENT.

Rebel General, Captures Nation's Chief and Assumes Purple.

FRANKFORT-ON-THINE-MAIN, Oct. 15.—Frankfurter Zeitung publishes a dispatch saying that General Fernandez has captured President Marroquin of Colombia and has proclaimed himself dictator.

THEY TAKE A TUMBLE.

Mine Operators in Colorado Voluntarily Increase Wages.

DENVER, Oct. 15.—The announcement was made tonight that the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company has decided to increase the wages of 10,000 coal miners in its employ.

REAR-ADMIRAL DIES.

BOSTON, Oct. 15.—Rear Admiral Thomas O. Selfridge Sr., U. S. N., retired, died at McLean Asylum in Waverly, today. He was probably the oldest living officer of that rank in any navy in the world, and there is no other navy which had two admirals, father and son, both retired.

FIRST BLOW AT GREAT TRUSTS

Federal Salt Company Restrained From Doing Business by Attorney-General.

THE INJUNCTION IS ISSUED

Charged That Trust Has Gained Monopoly of Trade Between California and Other Communities.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 15.—United States Circuit Judge Morrow today issued an order temporarily restraining the Federal Salt Company from carrying out the objects of the combination, and to appear in court November 30 to show cause why the injunction should not be made permanent.

The petition for the injunction was drawn by United States Attorney Woodworth at the request of Attorney-General Knox of the United States. The affidavit on which the basis of the petition was placed is sworn to by Thomas Turnbull, specially employed by the department of justice to investigate such cases. He deposes:

"That the Federal Salt Company has secretly entered into contracts with nearly all importers, producers and dealers in foreign and domestic salt. That by virtue of said contracts, the Federal Salt Company has gained an almost complete control and monopoly of the salt trade and commerce between the state of California and other states and territories."

THE COMBINE OF PACKERS.

New Trusts Will Commence Operations on December 1.

CHICAGO, Oct. 15.—The great packers' combine will be launched December 1 if the money market is easy, says the Chronicle. Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the New York bankers and financiers, will head the underwriting syndicate.

Wherever they are agencies of several packers in a city or town they will be abolished and only one general agency will be established.

Among the firms in the combine are: Armour & Co., Swift & Co., Nelson Morris & Co., and Schwarzschild & Sulzberger.

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