

## A BIG BLUFF

### Coal Companies Their Side of the Trouble.

## COAL MINING

### EXTRA HEALTHY WORK.

### United Mine Workers' Organ of Creating Dissatisfaction.

Jan. 10.—The non-union miners have closed their side of the strike. The anthracite commission this morning and Attorney General Clegg of the Delaware & Hudson, who is the opening address. He said that he would show that the strike was not arduous and that it was not ordinarily healthful. He said to him, no complaints have been made to the company direct or through the weighing system. He said the miners' unions of creating dissatisfaction and that it is not the fault that so few hours of work. The miners themselves, he said, and he would not say the men or if so, President Mitchell declined to use it.

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## NEW SENATOR FROM IDAHO.

### Judge Hepburn of Osburn, Nominated on the First Ballot in Second Day's Caucus.

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 10.—Judge W. P. Hepburn, of Osburn, Idaho, was nominated in the republican caucus last evening for United States senator, receiving 28 votes to 22 cast for W. E. Borah.

The story is a brief one. During the afternoon a combination was formed under which the forces of Stanrod and Shoup were to go to Hepburn, and it was given out at the latter's headquarters as the caucus was assembling that he would be nominated.

The caucus was in session only a short time, the matter being settled on the first ballot. The result was received with great jubilation by the northern men. The defeated candidate came forth smiling from the wreck, but his supporters felt in anything but a joyous mood. While the ballots were taken in secret, it is known just about how the vote was cast. The 28 votes for Judge Hepburn were the five from Shoshone, four from Kootenai (all but Yost), the four from Nez Perce, the four from Latah, Eckert from Idaho, Dilatash from Lincoln, the three from Bannock, the two from Bear Lake, the two from Lemhi, Pike from Fremont and Keifer from Bingham.

Mr. Hepburn received the solid vote from North Idaho, with the exception of Yost of Kootenai.

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# MILLIONAIRE ANARCHISTS POSE AS PHILANTHROPISTS

## Coal Laid Down at a Cost of \$1.50 Sold to the Poor of Chicago for \$10 a Ton.

## TWO DEATHS REPORTED DUE TO THE RAPACITY OF THE THIEVING COAL BARONS

### Forty Operators, Wholesale Dealers and Agents Face the Grand Jury at Chicago—A Dozen of the Rich Law-Breakers Fled During the Night—Police Wagons Distributing Coal to the Destitute.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—The alleged coal conspirators faced the grand jury this morning. Forty owners and operators of mines, wholesale dealers and agents of Pennsylvania companies were subpoenaed during the night.

Most of the witnesses are millionaires who are prominent in business, social and church life. Many are prominent philanthropists noted in the charitable world as well as for combining to raise the price of coal. The attorney-general of the state and United States Attorney Dencen are assisting in the investigation. The former is said to have positive evidence that the bituminous coal now filling the yards of the city cost laid down only \$1.50 a ton, while the anthracite coal cost \$3 per ton. The charges made the public are \$10 and \$20 per ton respectively. A dozen millionaires and mine owners fled during the night. Two deaths from freezing, due to the rapacity of the coal barons is reported this morning. One was a 70-year-old woman, the other an infant. Police patrol wagons and ash wag-

## MAY LOSE CHARTERS.

### Springfield, Ill., Jan. 10.—An entirely new method of receiving coal by the combine has been discovered, which may result in the dissolution of the charters of the Wabash, Burlington and Northwestern roads for coal mining or conducting coal business. They can mine coal for their own use only. The attorney-general's office today is holding an investigation.

## SCORES KNOX.

### Chicago, Jan. 10.—A special committee appointed by Detroit to get the coal convention met here today and developed two sensational speeches. One was by Senator Mason, who said Attorney-General Knox was to blame for not enforcing the anti-trust laws and needs waking up. The other speech was by Detroit City Attorney Tarnsey, which scored Roosevelt, Root and Knox for what he calls "their inaction."

He says Knox is a trust attorney and Roosevelt has depended on him because he knows nothing of the law.

## UNITED STATES BOARD OF TRADE MEETS

### Coming Session Will Undoubtedly Be the Most Important and Interesting in Its History.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The National Board of Trade is an old organization and has held many conferences, but the annual meeting to be held here next week will undoubtedly be the most important and interesting in its history. America's acquirement of new possessions in the West Indies and in the far East has given birth to many new questions affecting the country's manufacturing and commercial interests and all of these together with questions of longer standing, but none the less important, will come in for attention at the hands of the eminent representatives of the country's industries, who will gather in the national capital next Tuesday.

For instance, among the resolutions to be discussed and acted upon is one recommending to congress "the consideration of such legislation as will admit to the Philippine Islands a number, not exceeding 200,000, male adult Chinamen upon the payment of an immigration fee of not over \$50 each, these laborers being registered and compelled to return to China at the expiration of 10 years, or at the discretion of the president at any time after five years, such amount as may accrue from the above proposition to be devoted to such matters of internal development in the Philippine Islands as may be approved and directed by the congress of the United States."

## CARRIERS' ASSOCIATION.

Another resolution that will be pressed, looks to the amendment of the Interstate Commerce law, so that it will permit the establishment and maintenance of associations among carriers so as to provide uniform, stable and lawfully published rates, provided that no such rates, rules and regulations, and no methods adopted for the maintenance of the same shall

become operative or legal until after they have been filed with and approved by the Interstate Commerce commission.

A resolution with regard to the currency system of the United States will be brought before the convention. It asks for such action as will discontinue the coinage of standard silver dollars; authorize the coinage of the silver bullion in the treasury and the recoinage of silver dollars with such denominations of subsidiary silver coins as the secretary of the treasury may deem necessary to meet the requirements; maintain at all times the parity with gold of the legal tender dollars remaining outstanding; repeal the legislation which limits the retirement of national bank circulation; amend the National Banking act, so that national banks may be authorized to issue notes which shall be as adequately secured as the national bank notes are under the law now in force, and whose volume shall automatically expand with an increased demand for currency, and contract when that demand shall cease.

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

Additional resolutions will advocate the creation of an executive department of commerce and industry of the government; reaffirm the demand for one cent letter postage; favor the payment by the treasury department of expressage on all old bank notes sent to Washington to be destroyed and on all national bank notes returned in exchange for the same; urge that the waterways of the Great Lakes and the Mississippi River be speedily enlarged and connected by continuous channels, reaching from the Atlantic seaboard to the Gulf, and urges even more liberal provision by congress for the early improvement of seaport channels.

## GRAIN MARKETS.

### Quotations Furnished by the Coe Commission Company—L. C. Major Local Manager, Room 4, Association Block.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—  
Wheat— Opened. Closed.  
May ..... 76¼ 76¼  
July ..... 73½ 73½

Corn—  
May ..... 43¼ 43¼  
July ..... 42¾ 42¾

Oats—  
May ..... 34¼ 34¼

Minneapolis, Jan. 10.—  
Wheat— Opened. Closed.  
May ..... 75¼ 75¼  
July ..... 75¼ 75¼

New York, Jan. 10.—  
Wheat— Opened. Closed.  
May ..... 80¼ 80¼  
July ..... 78¼ 78¼

### New York Bank Statement.

Reserves on all deposits, increase, \$4,616,450.  
On all deposits other than U. S. increase, \$4,620,450.  
Loans, decrease, \$3,710,000.  
Specie, increase, \$1,550,300.  
Legals, increase, \$3,189,800.  
Deposits, increase, \$394,600.  
Circulation, decrease, \$66,100.

### Wheat in Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—Wheat—76¼ @ % cents per bushel.

## WERE THAWING DYNAMITE

### TWO ITALIANS KILLED AND SEVERAL INJURED.

### Inmates of Partially Wrecked House of Correction Are Panic-Stricken.

Philadelphia, Jan. 10.—A dynamite explosion at 6 this morning partly wrecked the house of correction at Holmesburg. The inmates were panic-stricken. Some Italians were blasting on a filtration plant adjoining the prison, and caused the explosion in some unknown way. Two Italians were killed and many injured.

## LATER—THAWING DYNAMITE.

It is now thought to have been caused by an attempt to thaw out 50 pounds of dynamite. The portion of the penitentiary which was damaged was occupied by women at breakfast. None of the inmates attempted to escape, although practically the whole wall was blown away.

## AWARDED TO CRAMPS.

### Tennessee to Be Finished in 36 Months—Washington in 39—Each to Cost \$4,000,000.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The naval board of construction this morning recommended to the secretary of the navy that the contract for the building of the armed cruisers Tennessee and Washington be awarded to Cramps. One is to be completed in 36 and the other in 39 months. Each will cost \$4,000,000. The secretary of the navy will undoubtedly approve the recommendation.

## ANTI-TRUST LEGISLATION.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The senate judiciary committee met this morning to discuss anti-trust legislation, particularly the Hoar bill and the attorney-general's letter making recommendations. A course of procedure for presentation to the senate will be mapped out.

## WIFE WOULD CONTROL ESTATE.

Greenwich, Conn., Jan. 10.—In the court of probate today arguments were heard on the application of Genevieve Peats, who asks to be appointed conservator of the property and estate of her husband, Alfred Peats, the well-known wall paper manufacturer of New York and Chicago. Mrs. Peats declares that her husband is mentally unsound and unable to care for his property. The wealth of Mr. Peats is estimated at several million dollars.

## GIRLS' INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Denton, Texas, Jan. 10.—With interesting ceremonies and in the presence of many spectators the cornerstone of the Girls' Industrial School was laid today. Regent John A. Hahn officiated and the other participants in the exercises included several state officials and representatives of the State Federation of Women's Clubs.

## ARREST UNEMPLOYED.

Vienna, Jan. 10.—Twenty arrests have been made as a result of the riots yesterday by the unemployed at the municipal labor exchange.

## FAMOUS HORSE DEAD.

London, Jan. 10.—The world famous race horse, Ben D, or derby winner, dropped dead this morning.

## MAY RAISE THE LEVY

### Umatilla County's Share of State Tax Reduced \$7,000 Since Last Year.

### COUNTY COURT TRANSACTS SOME IMPORTANT BUSINESS

### Will Ask the City to Improve Roads—May Raise the School Levy to Six Mills—Considers the Library Tax.

The county court today drew up a resolution to be presented to the Pendleton Commercial Association at its next meeting inviting it to work in conjunction with the county court in asking the city to improve the streets.

In speaking of the matter the court said today that more than \$5000 was spent last year on the streets of Pendleton and roads in the city limits and there is little to show for it. This money, put into a fund for proper building of streets and roads and it would only be a few years until there would be ample money in the fund to make Pendleton's streets equal to those of the best graded streets in the state.

## To Fix Tax Levy.

The matter of fixing the tax levy for the present year is being discussed. No definite figures have been reached so far but the court has no intention of lowering the assessment from what it was last year. This assessment was 28 mills and it will be 28 or possibly 30 mills for this year, as the county court is seriously considering a raise of two mills.

The court is feeling somewhat gratified over the decrease since last year in the amount of tax the county has to pay into the state fund. Last year this tax was \$45,080, against \$37,240 for this year. This shows the county's share of state tax to be \$7840 less than this year, than last. Umatilla county pays just 49-1000 of the entire state tax.

## MAY RAISE SCHOOL LEVY.

The court is also considering raising the school levy one mill. County Superintendent J. F. Nowlin and City Superintendent E. B. Conklin appeared before the county court this afternoon to urge that a special levy be made for school purposes. Superintendent Nowlin stated that there were many schools in the county where the schools had to be cut short on account of funds. He also stated that incompetent teachers had to be employed in many places simply because the school fund was not large enough to pay good teachers what they could work for. He said that many of the best teachers of the day were deserting their calling and going into the stores as clerks and entering other business fields because of the poor pay of teachers.

## LIBRARY FUND.

The main object of the conference with the court was to have a special levy made for a library fund. Since the new school library law went into effect any county may levy a tax of not less than 10 cents per capita on school children for the purpose of maintaining libraries. Mr. Nowlin said he had visited homes in the interior districts where no reading matter could be found. Not a book or newspaper was in the home and he stated that many of these parents were unable to get books or papers for their children. He urged the establishment of libraries in order that no child who attended school would need go without good reading. This library law is arranged so that the money is turned into the hands of the county superintendent and he cannot buy books other than those recommended by the state board of education.

## CRACKER CREEK FACTS

North Pole mine was offered for sale three years ago for \$600,000. It has 6000 feet on the mother lode. It is now worth twenty million dollars.

The South Pole mine adjoins, has 4941 feet on the same lode, has six tunnels, amounting to 2200 feet, all in ore. We expect within less than three years' work to have a mine as valuable as North Pole is today.

South Pole stock is selling at 15 cents until about January 1st. Buy before the price raises.

See Cahagan at Hartman Abstract office, Pendleton, Ore.