

STILL CONFERRING

Some Believe Settlement Near

COAL OPERATORS PROPOSE

TO MAKE NO CONCESSIONS

Indications that President Roosevelt May Take a Hand in a Personal Way.

Special to the Mail.

New York, Sept. 30.—The presidents of the coal roads, and some independent operators, are in session this afternoon. The meeting was called with great secrecy and rumors are on the increase that a settlement is near.

John Markel came out of the room at 4 o'clock. He said to the reporters "You may say it is my idea that there will be a speedy settlement but that there will, however, be no deviation on the part of the coal operators from their original purpose. It is up to the strikers and no one else.

Wilkesbarre, Sept. 30.—President Mitchell this morning refuses to either deny or confirm the report that he met Morgan representatives at yesterday's conference. The general belief is that a plan is on foot looking to arbitration.

Washington, Sept. 30.—An important meeting was held in the temporary White House this afternoon by President Roosevelt, Governor Crane, Postmaster General Payne, Attorney General Knox and Secretary Moody.

All declined to discuss the interview, but it is believed that it was called by the president regarding the strike situation. He is believed to want advice, in view of the numerous petitions and the demand made upon him to settle the strike.

In an official capacity he can do nothing, but possibly he contemplates action in a personal way.

Scranton, Sept. 30.—A hundred non-union men employed in Cayuga colliery quit work this morning, fearing a serious outbreak by the strikers against them. The colliery has been operating two weeks.

PROPOSES TO RUN

WIDE OPEN TOWN

Special to the Mail.

Portland, Sept. 30.—Councilman Merrill in an interview today says that half a million dollars has been collected from the vicious classes by grafters in the past 20 years. He knows this personally and can prove his charges.

He proposes to introduce a resolution in the city council tomorrow permitting an open town, under a strict fine system. He says the city will net \$15,000 a month in this way.

The managers of the Roseburg fair expect a large exhibit of fine stock at the meeting to be held on Oct. 7.

Some Dead Beats

We want to say to those papers that are carrying the Ads of Edwin B. Giles & C., of Philadelphia, that this outfit are a first-class fraud as well as thoroughbred liars. This we know from experience. They make all kinds of contracts for advertising, and when the bills are rendered they refuse to pay, on some trumped up precept or other, and flatly refuse to pay. We say flatly that they are bilks and liars, and plead guilty being huncod, by them, out of about \$25.—Dufur Dispatch.

There are some other "foreign" advertisers about which the same may be said. For instance, the Dr. Taft Bros. Med Co. the Independent Advertising Agency, Sanden Electric Co. and some others. The Sterling Remedy Co. is probably the most dangerous beat in the lot, for if a paper gets caught on a wildcat concern it is its own fault, whereas the Sterling Remedy Co. is an old-established institution and amply able to pay its bills, but makes a systematic business of beating the country publisher by wearing out his patience by delay until he is ready to drop matters in disgust.

If newspaper men were as smart as they think they are they would form some sort of mutual protection league against these sneak thieves.

Test of Strength.

There is considerable talk of having in the near future a test of strength between Charles Kling, brewer at the Bay View brewery and one Sylvester, well known about town.

A bet was arranged a few nights ago, and Kling now has \$700 up, but it is said that the other party has not put up.

Kling claims to be able to lift more than any other man on the Bay, and issues a general challenge to all comers to lift against him.

A remonstrance is being circulated among the taxpayers on a street against the improvement of that street with burnt coal slack or fire clay, the objection being made that no provision is made for sprinkling it with crude oil.

Jas Wasson passed through town Monday on his way from Coos river to South Slough with a pair of leaders for the team in the Coos Bay Mill and Lumber Co's logging camp.

T. Mickelwright is carrying a bad looking eye as a consequence of a fall from his bicycle Monday night while riding on Broadway. The forward wheel dropped into a wide crack throwing the rider over the handle bars.

Kaufman & Wegner real estate brokers from Spokane Wash. have opened an office over Golden's drug store in Marshfield, Or. They are agents for Bangor property. See them if you wish to buy or sell. 9-30-1f

Hiram King, the well known boss logger will take a trip to Puget sound, expecting to be gone about a month.

The Episcopal Sunday School which was closed during the Summer vacation months reopened last Sunday.

Levy Smith & Son have added a supplementary sign to that of the Palace restaurant, indicating their proprietorship of that popular eating house.

The county court meets at Coquille City today in adjourned session to wind up the business of the September term.

Rain and sweat have no effect on harness treated with Eureka Harness Oil. It resists the damp, keeps the leather soft and pliable. Stitches do not break. No rough surface to chafe and cut. The harness not only keeps looking like new, but wears twice as long by the use of Eureka Harness Oil.

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From Tuesday's Daily.

NORTH BEND PAVILION

TRANSFORMED INTO A HALL

Built among the majestic trees of the North Bend Park, is the largest hall of Southern Oregon, which has just been completed.

This building has a seating capacity of between 2000 & 3000 people and a tea foot promenade around. The sides of the structure are half glass.

The stage rests in the recess formed by a large shell which was built to throw out sound and a large dressing room on each side (one for ladies and one for gents) gives a finished look to this end of the hall, as well as being a great convenience to the public.

The shell has 25 electric lights and the main hall is lighted by two arc lights.

Steam is used for heating purposes.

Nothing is missing now in North Bend to give visitors a pleasant place to congregate, and all those who wish a treat of first class music and a chance to dance will be made welcome by the North Bend band Saturday night Oct. 4th.

This band needs no introduction to the public.

Anderson's well known orchestra will furnish the music for dancing. Supper will be served at midnight.

Free boats will run from Marshfield and Empire, and the dedication of the new hall will be made a gala occasion.

War Museum For Oregon.

Adjutant-General Gantenbein is establishing a war museum at Salem. He has procured a room in the Capitol building for this purpose. This is in accordance with section 70 of the Military Code. General Gantenbein has sent letters to all the officers of the Second Oregon Regiment and to the representatives of the Civil War and Indian War Veterans' Association, requesting them to donate any war relics they may have.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878. NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Roseburg Oregon, Sept. 11th, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

BILLIE H. SMITH, of Marshfield, county of Coos, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 3466, for the purchase of the Southeast quarter of Section No. 30, Township 29 South, of Range No. 13 West, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before W. U. Douglas, U. S. Commissioner for Oregon, at Marshfield Oregon, on Friday the 12th day of December, 1904.

He names as witnesses: Herbert Lockhart, Hiram Wright, Levy Smith, L. D. Smith, all of Marshfield Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 12th day of December, 1904. J. T. BRIDGES, Register. 9-7

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