

PEACEFUL TREND OF EVENTS THE POOR TO GET CHEAP COAL

All the "Locals" Have Met and Selected Their Representatives to the Wilkesbarre Gathering--Much Discussion Will Likely Be the Order

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 18.—What is probably the last week of the anthracite strike closed today without anything developing to change the peaceful trend of events. It was a quiet day at headquarters, and a busy one in the district and sub-district headquarters throughout the entire coal fields on account of the election of delegates to Monday's convention. All the "locals" have met and selected their representatives to the Wilkesbarre gathering.

Probably the most difficult question which will come before the convention is the one relative to the strikers securing their old places. The companies are on record as saying they will take care of all the employes who have stood by them during the strike. Many of the miners want the convention to withhold acceptance of the arbitration plan until the union is assured that the strikers will be employed at their former places. This likely will cause a long debate, but the officials of the union say the matter will be fixed up satisfactorily to all.

MITCHELL PRAISES MORGAN. President Mitchell was asked tonight what he knew of the report published that J. P. Morgan was going to intervene in the coal strike and in reply he said:

"My personal knowledge of Mr. Morgan is that he has been trying to settle the coal strike ever since he came back from Europe two months ago. If others had been as fair and reasonable as Mr. Morgan was the strike would have been settled a long time ago. I know nothing about Mr. Morgan's financial interests compelling him to seek the settlement, but I am informed that he has keenly felt the responsibility to the public in connection with the fuel famine and has done his best to bring about the end. Mr. Morgan and Mr. Cassat, of the Pennsylvania railroad, were working for a settlement when President Roosevelt made his last and successful movement. Mr. Morgan could not very well be forced to do something which he had been trying to achieve for several weeks. I make this statement in justice to Mr. Morgan. We have had no quarrel with him, but desire his friendship, if he is willing to give it to us. I am credibly informed that he is friendly to organized labor; as an organizer of capital he concedes the right of labor to organize also, and when labor organizations are fair and conservative he believes in dealing directly with them for the advantage of the employer and employes. It is this relationship which the United Mine Workers seek from the anthracite field, and we invite Mr. Morgan to co-operate with us in securing a permanent and scientific solution of the labor problem in this region."

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE--LIVES LOST

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 18.—One of the worst fires in the history of the city of Albany is now raging in the heart of the business district. The big dry goods store of the Boston company is a mass of flames and surrounding property is threatened. It is feared that a number of lives have been lost.

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 18.—By the slipping of a ladder a number of firemen were precipitated to the ground, and one of them, Roseman Thomas Ward, so badly injured that he died a few minutes later.

WALDORF'S IS RICE COAL

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Since the fact that the Waldorf-Astoria is getting a hundred tons of anthracite coal a day was published persons who delight to sow discontent have had a great deal to say about discrimination against the poor man in a crisis like this in favor of the rich. A dealer who understands the situation said yesterday:

"It is true that the Waldorf-Astoria gets 100 tons of anthracite coal a day. For the benefit of those who would make capital out of this I will say that it is rice coal, which can only be used under boilers and in fire boxes especially constructed for it. It is the only kind that the Waldorf-Astoria uses. If you gave the Waldorf-Astoria's hundred tons of it away each day to the poor it would be of as much use to them as so much stone."

The Green-Eyed Monster--Jealousy

BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 18.—George J. Willing, a moulder, this afternoon shot and instantly killed Mrs. Z. V. Morton, his housekeeper, and then fired two bullets into his brain. The surgeons at the emergency hospital say that Willing's chances of recovery are slight. Willing fired three shots at Mrs. Morton, all of them striking her in the head. She died in a few minutes. He then turned the revolver on himself, firing two shots before he became unconscious.

ST. PAUL-U. P. AGREEMENT.

Build to the Pacific. NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad's preparations to extend its lines to the Pacific coast have caused the Union Pacific management to look with favor on a Union Pacific-St. Paul traffic arrangement, such as was recently negotiated between the Missouri Pacific and the St. Paul.

Less than two years ago Chairman Roswell Miller resigned from the Union Pacific directorate because he believed that the interests of St. Paul were subordinated by Union Pacific to the interests of Chicago & Northwestern. There is now good authority for the statement that an agreement has been entered into between the Union Pacific and St. Paul which will give the best named road all the traffic facilities between Omaha and the Pacific coast that it has hitherto demanded and been excluded from.

Officers of the Union Pacific admit that the St. Paul will hereafter have all of the trackage advantages west of Omaha that the Union Pacific can afford. St. Paul trains will later November 1, it is asserted, run solidly from Chicago to the Pacific coast, using the Chicago Pacific tracks as freely as the Chicago & Northwestern trains have used them for the past few years.

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DUMP FUEL IN DEMAND.

Long Lines at the Charity Organization Society's Distributions.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—There were big crowds of men and women at each of the 11 dumps in this city yesterday, where the Charity Organization Society is superintending the distribution of wood and other rubbish for fuel. The two daily distributions have worked an immense amount of good, and after the coal famine is over the scheme may be continued, as the work of the last few days has shown that many tons of combustible materials are thrown upon the dumps daily.

The Charity Organization Society has men who gather the wood and other refuse in the morning and pile it up to keep undeserving persons from getting the fuel, and at every distribution more or less excitement is produced by policemen chasing away from the dumps tramps and speculators, who only want the fuel to sell it. There are numerous disputes among the applicants themselves, but the police manage to suppress these. The latest request to make fighters give up their places in the line and go to the foot. It has proved efficacious, for fighting has almost ceased.

It has been noticed that 80 per cent of the applicants at the dumps are foreigners.

BIG FIRE RAGING.

EASTON, Pa., Oct. 18.—A big fire is raging at Nazareth, near here. The two hosier mills of Henry Kramer have already been consumed and the fire is not under control. Loss thus far is \$100,000.

1,500 Tons Released Solely for Their Benefit--To Be Sold by the Pailful at 15 Cents a Pail--\$.00 a Ton--Nobody Getting Any Profit Out of It

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—As the result of a conference held in this city on Wednesday night between representatives of the Lehigh Valley, Philadelphia and Reading, Ontario and Western, Lackawanna and Pennsylvania railroads, and seven of the best-known coal dealers in this city, 1500 tons of anthracite coal of the stove and chestnut size, so much needed just now by the poor of the city, will be released in the next forty-eight hours and will be sold to whoever wants to buy it at the mere cost of handling.

Wednesday night's conference was called by the railroad men, and the dealers were invited to attend. They state the exact condition of things among the poor of the city. Harry G. Barber of Alfred Barber's Sons of 377 Water street and several other large dealers made speeches in which they said that conditions were very serious, and that they were utterly unable to meet the demands for small quantities of coal made on them daily by poor people.

The railroad men had a conference among themselves at the close of which they announced they would release 1500 tons of anthracite of the sizes mentioned in the next forty-eight hours, and would release more later if it is needed. The dealers were asked if they would handle the coal and they said that they would gladly.

RAILROAD TO BE SOLD.

Foreclosure on Port Jervis, Monticello and New York Railroad.

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—The Central Trust company of New York some time ago brought an action against the Port Jervis, Monticello and New York Railroad company, and the Central Trust company and others, to foreclose two mortgages on the property of the railroad company in Orange and Sullivan counties. The defendants failed to put in an answer or to demur and the matter was referred to George B. Abbott to compute the amount due on the two mortgages. One was for \$284,186.25, the other for \$35,550. Both expired October 1, 1902.

Supreme Court Justice Dickey, in Brooklyn, has confirmed the referee's report and ordered the property to be sold at Port Jervis. The referee is instructed not to accept less than \$250,000 and to exact from each bidder a deposit of \$5000. The mortgages cover the lands, tenements, rolling stock, machinery, franchises and other property acquired by the railroad company, as well as the road running from Port Jervis to the road running from Fallburg, Sullivan county, and also on a line running through Deer Park township to the junction of the New York, Ontario and Western railroad at Summitville.

HONORS IN SIGHT.

LONDON, Oct. 18.—The degree of doctor of laws will be conferred on Prof. Alexander Graham Bell of Washington, D. C., as well as upon Ambassadors White and Choate, and Henry White, secretary of the United States embassy, October 22nd by St. Andrew's University, when Andrew Carnegie is to be reinstated as rector on that day.

would gladly. Mr. Barber agreed to take as much as could be delivered to him at his yard in Water street, just under the Brooklyn Bridge, and other dealers said that they would, too. The condition on which the railroads release the coal is that it be sold by the pailful at the exact cost of handling. There is to be no profit for anybody in the sale of this coal, and each dealer who handles it is pledged to use every effort to prevent small dealers, speculators and others from getting any of it. The dealers are sure that they can arrange this.

Of the coal to be distributed 700 tons is now in this city, where it can be got at immediately. The remainder will be brought here at once. Most of that now here will be taken today to Mr. Barber's yards, where the distribution will begin. Announcement of the other places where the coal will be sold will be made today.

THE GERMAN TARIFF BILL

BERLIN, Oct. 18.—Dr. A. Buchenberger, minister of finance of the Grand Duchy of Baden; Herr Dielembowski Pommern, representing the Polish party, and Herr Gaebel, of the German social reform party, all advocated a compromise based on the government tariff bill. Another scene of excitement was precipitated by Herr Stattdagen, socialist democrat, who violently attacked the supporters of Baron Von Wangenheim, the agrarian leader, characterizing them all as "thieves and robbers." He was called to order and the debate was adjourned to Monday.

Summing up the situation it may be said that the three days' discussion of the bill in the reichstag has rendered the passage of the bill more improbable than ever. Chancellor von Buelow's speech, announcing the uncompromising attitude of the ministers, is regarded as equivalent to dealing the death blow to the bill. Present appearances indicate that the measure will be defeated by an enormous majority.

TWO EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS.

SEWANEE, Tenn., Oct. 18.—Two earthquake shocks were felt here today, the first a light one about 1 p. m. and the second, which was more severe, about 5 p. m. The latter shock was distinctly felt. The duration was but a few seconds, the waves appearing to pass from south to north. Reports from Johnson City and Tracy City say both shocks were felt at these places.

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UNSETTLED CONDITIONS ON ISTHMUS

PANAMA, Oct. 17.—General Perdomo yesterday notified the foreign consuls here that he had assumed the functions of supreme commander of the Colombia forces on the Isthmus as well as those of the minister of state. General Perdomo has taken an active part in the military affairs of Colombia during the last thirty-five years, and today is the right hand man of Minister of War Fernandez.

In an interview this morning with the Associated Press General Perdomo said: "With the exception of the department of Panama, where General Herrera has his forces and a few guerrilla bands in the departments of Magdalena and Bolivar, the republic is pacified. Traders travel through the country and are protected by the government. The revolutionary leaders, Marin and San-Martin, who would have given much trouble, have been compelled to surrender. Not many days ago I received a telegram announcing the defeat of the rebel leader Robles. In the department of Bolivar there remain today not more than one hundred unorganized revolutionists.

"As a result of my conversation with the American consul, I have absolutely no fear that any difficulty will arise from the landing of the American between Colombia and the American company. I think the landing of United States marines has been effective in maintaining free transit over the isthmus. I expect to have a powerful army here soon and will then clear the railroad line of the guerrilla bands, whose only object is to create complications between Colombia and the United States. I then will be able to relieve the American forces doing shore duty on the Isthmus.

"I and the Colombians favor the construction of a canal by the Americans, and my principal object in notifying the United States is to make the way possible for a meeting of the Colombian congress to consider the canal bill. "On the arrival here of our newly acquired cruiser, the Bogota, from San Francisco, and she is expected shortly, I will concentrate my forces in this department and begin my campaign. The Colombian government can send 50,000 men here, but 10,000 is all we require."

SALVATIONIST COULD SCRAP.

Capt. Handel Did Fistic Execution on Man Who Kissed His Wife.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—Jacob Decker, a fireman on the North German Lloyd liner Maria Theresa, stroled into the meeting of the Salvation Army at the barracks on Hudson street, Hoboken, last night and took a short distance from the wife of Captain Handel Handel, who was conducting the meeting.

Decker began to ogre Mrs. Handel, who was too busy exhorting sinners to repentance to notice him. She was in the middle of a final impassioned appeal when he arose from his seat, and gave her a resounding smack on the lips. The meeting was immediately in an uproar. Handel laid aside his cymbal and felled Decker with a right hook on the jaw. He then picked him up and dragged him to the street door, where he struck the man a second blow which sent him crashing down a flight of stairs.

Decker was picked up with a split skull and was arrested by Patrolman Keely.

BRIGANTINE BLAKEY.

The Cocos Island Treasure-Hunting Vessel Sold Under Hammer.

VICTORIA, B. C., Oct. 17.—The treasure-hunting brigantine Blakey, which was libeled to satisfy the claims made by her crew on her return from Cocos island, where she searched for buried treasure, was sold today by order of the admiralty court. The bidding was by Mr. E. W. Jones, a former president of the company. He and Mr. T. A. Jones, of a Vancouver fish company, were the only bidders, and it is probable that Jones will sell to Tyson.

METAL MARKETS.

LONDON, Oct. 17.—Lead @ 13s. 9d. NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—Bar silver, 50 3/8.

EARL ROBERTS ACCEPTS INVITATION

LONDON, Oct. 17.—Generals Corbin, Young and Wood have tendered Earl Roberts an invitation to visit the United States, and Earl Roberts has told the American generals that he has possibly decided to accept their invitation and go to the United States in December, 1903, and there is a possibility of his crossing in time to witness the international yacht races. Earl Roberts is anxious that Generals French and Kelly-Kenny accompany him.

JEW'S HONOR ZOLA'S MEMORY.

Crepe-Banded Assembly in a Dimly Lit Hall Listens to a Dirge for Him.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—The Emile Zola association, composed of East Side Jews, who wish to help along the movement to erect a monument in this city to the French novelist's memory, held a memorial meeting last night in Saltzman's Hall, Essex street. A portrait of Zola hung over the platform. The sides of the hall were draped with black. All the incandescent electric light globes were covered with lamplack and at one stage of the proceedings the other lights were extinguished. There was then just a faint glimmer of light in the hall and while all remained silent an orchestra played a dirge.

About three hundred men, women and children attended. All wore crepe bands on their left arms. Dr. Simon Roth presided and made the principal speech of the evening.

"None but we can realize what Zola suffered for the Jews," he said. "He suffered exile and social ostracism because he knew that Captain Dreyfus was innocent. To his name will go down in history as the greatest and foremost champion of the Jews in the history of the civilized world." Other speakers who made addresses in Yiddish and English included Joseph Barondes, Abraham Miller, the Rev. Joseph Seft, the Rev. Joseph Maslian, and Edward King of the Hebrew Educational Institute. They extolled the virtues of Zola and appealed to the audience to add the monument fund as the most fitting way in which the Jews of this city could show their appreciation of the departed friend of their race.

NICKEL IN TEMISCAMINGUE.

Rich Deposit is Found Where it Was Never Before Known to Exist.

TORONTO, Oct. 15.—It is reported that authentic information has been received in the city of the discovery of a deposit of nickel ore on the Le Blanche river about half way between Lakes Temiscamingue and Abitibi. Outcroppings have been subjected to careful examination, and so favorable has been the report that preparations have been made by a large contracting and railway firm in Toronto, which has acquired the rights of the original discoverer, for the immediate expenditure of a large sum of money in the development of the work for the purpose of determining the extent and value of the deposit.

The deposit is fully 150 miles from Sudbury, in a northwesterly direction, and quite a distance north and east of Lake Wapnapite, which has hitherto marked the eastern limit of recognized nickel belt.

SULTAN'S AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

VIENNA, Oct. 17.—The newspaper Die Information announces that the sultan of Turkey has written his autobiography, which will fall like a bomb-shell on the civilized world. He records without reserve the deceptions practiced by Christian statesmen in trying to gain the support of Mohammedan Turkey.

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