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Thousands of Workers Strike for Increased Wages. Miners in Many Districts and Members of Building Trades in Many Cities Quit to Enforce Their Demands on Employers.

To enforce their demands upon employers thousands of working men went on the strike yesterday. Action was not confined to any particular field of labor, but included miners, machinists, carpenters and puddlers, and members of many allied trades were involved.

In the Pittsburgh district 20,000 to 30,000 coal miners struck, the demand being for a more specific understanding of the scale recently granted by the operators. In the city of Pittsburgh, the employers of the building trades workers settled all differences with their men, and as a result 15,000 employees get the benefit of shorter hours and increased wages.

In the Irwin coal district around Greensburg 4000 miners laid off for the day to impress operators with the seriousness of their demands for an increase from 65 to 70 cents a ton.

Carpenters and painters in towns in the vicinity of New York city struck for an eight-hour day and increase in wages. At Newark 1000 carpenters and 700 painters are out. In the Borough of Bronx 1600 carpenters quit. At New Brighton, Staten Island 260 men building cottages for George W. Vanderbilt were locked out.

At Chicago 5500 machinists returned to work, but many were not taken back. The machinists strike may be renewed. The 50,000 men involved in the strike of the building trades are still out.

St. Louis reports that 1500 carpenters and 2000 painters refused to work longer under the ruling wage and hour scale. At Cleveland, Ohio, 300 plumbers and 300 plasterers are idle. At Boston granite cutters to the number of 175 are out. The demands of 100 were granted.

Magnetic Pole Located.

Survivors of the South Polar Expedition Find the Magnetic Pole Located.

Wellington, New Zealand, April 1.—The exploring steamer Southern Cross, bearing C. E. Borchgrevink and the survivors of the Southern Expedition fitted out in 1898 by Sir George Neaves, of London, arrived here to-day. Mr. Borchgrevink reports that the magnetic pole has been located. N. Hansen, one of the men who reported with the expedition died on the voyage.

The Borchgrevink expedition left Hobart Tasmania, for the Antarctic region on December 19, 1898. During the latter part of February 1899, the members landed from the Southern Cross near Cape Adair, Victoria Land, it having been arranged that the steamer should leave them there with full equipment of every kind, and should return for them early in 1900.

The Borchgrevink party consisted of nine persons, including himself. Lieutenant W. Colbeck, R. N. R., was selected as first magnetic observer. Mr. Hugh Evans was chosen as zoologist and Dr. H. Kloeved as medical officer.

Walked into the Trap.

Burglars Played the Old Joke on Tommy Atkins Saturday. Captured an Entire Convoy. Boers Secured Six Guns, all the Weapons and It is Not Known How Many Men. London Cried at the Loss. General O'Rourke's Big Column.

Bushman Kop, Saturday, March 31.—The British force commanded by Colonel Broadwood, consisting of the Tenth Hussars, household cavalry, two horse batteries and a force of mounted infantry under Colonel Pileher, which had been guarding Taha Naba, was obliged, in consequence of the near approach of a large force of Boers, to leave last night.

Colonel Broadwood marched to the Bloemfontein water works, south of the Modder, where he encamped at 4 o'clock this morning. At early dawn the camp was shelled by the enemy from a new point. Colonel Broadwood sent off a convoy with the batteries, while the rest of the force remained to act as a rear guard.

The convoy arrived at a deep spring where the Boers were concealed and the entire body walked into an ambush and was captured, together with six guns. The loss of life was not great, since most of the British had walked into the trap before a shot was fired. General Colville's division which left Bloemfontein early this morning arrived here at noon and he is now shelling the Boers.

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A large proportion of the students follow technical courses, as engineering, chemistry, agriculture, biology, and the like, but with changes going into effect next year, there is every reason to look for an increase in the number of candidates for the general courses, as language and literature, history, political science, philosophy, and others.

In these general courses, students may hereafter drop mathematics at the end of the freshman year, and then devote their time to the subjects named above and to various branches of science. If one wishes to become a teacher of high rank, or a lawyer, a physician, a journalist, or a well-educated man generally, the new arrangements of studies will afford the best kind of opportunity.

THE MONUMENT FUND STILL GROWING.

The fund for the Curtin Memorial in connection with the Soldiers Monument of Centre county has been lately further enlarged as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Includes Mrs. Mary Campbell (through Dr. R. C. Curtin) Phila. 5.00, R. W. Alexander, Burnham, Pa. 1.50, Col. A. K. McClure, Philadelphia 100.00.

In addition to these contributions, we have pledged of at least \$800.00 which are considered reliable, and it is hoped that these generous contributions and pledges will awaken additional interest among our own people and give assurance of the success of the movement.

Into effect next September will be the division of the work of the year into two periods, the sessions and vacations remaining the same as at present, but with the subjects in the several courses so arranged as to give two regular examination periods instead of three.

Examinations for admission to College will be held the day after commencement and a second examination on Tuesday, September 11th.

Washington, April 5.—There was an exciting scene in the house yesterday as the climax of a discussion of the Kentucky situation when Mr. Wheeler, a Kentucky Democrat, and Mr. Pugh, a Kentucky Republican, faced each other from opposite sides of the main aisle and indulged in a wordy duel.

Peace was restored in the senate yesterday before the body convened and during the proceedings of the session there was only a reminder of the harsh language used just before adjournment Tuesday. The session opened with a lively and interesting discussion of the status of the Quay case.

The Garrote in Puerto Rico. Ponce, P. R., April 5.—The Republican Municipal Council has sent a telegram to Governor General Davis, at San Juan, asking him to cable to President McKinley a request for a commutation of sentence passed by the Puerto Rican supreme court upon five murderers, condemned to be garroted. Three of the five are Republicans. The people generally are in favor of having the sentence carried out, owing to the revolting nature of the crime.

Striking Miners Weakening. Irwin, Pa., April 5.—The Philadelphia officials of the Westmoreland Coal company and the Pennsylvania Gas Coal company yesterday sent their answers to their local representatives in regard to the demand for 70 cents a ton for mining. It was to the effect that the offer of 65 cents was final.

Recipients for a Loan Association. Atlanta, Ga., April 5.—Judge Don A. Pardee, of the United States circuit court, has appointed Judge John T. Pendleton and William H. Henderson receivers of the Southern Home Building and Loan association, of Atlanta. The proceedings were taken by mutual consent to end litigation, and it is expected the receivers will close up the affairs of the concern at once.

Havana Embzezzler Must Go Back. New York, April 5.—Clarence Mayer, the alleged defaulter forger from Havana, was handed over to the custody of the United States marshal by Justice Fitzgerald, in the supreme court, yesterday, and will be taken at once to Cuba for trial. His lawyer claimed that no law existed between the United States and Cuba which permitted Mayer's extradition.

Davy Dunkle, the Lock Haven ball player, has signed to pitch for Providence, R. I. during the coming season. He joined that club Tuesday.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES AT THE LUTHERAN CHURCH.—Religious services will be held in the Lutheran church, every evening during next week at 7:30. On Good Friday evening, preparatory services.

On Easter Sunday, reception of members and holy communion, both morning and evening. A church extension service also, by the Sunday school. Special Easter offerings both morning and evening. You are cordially invited to all these services.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphan's court clerk, A. G. Archey, during the past week: Joseph A. Stover and Julia A. Keatley both of Flemington.

Moses A. Behrer, of Stormstown, and Nellie H. Hartsock, of Matterville. William A. Hoy and Emlene Harrison both of State College. George W. Williams and Lizzie Patterson both of Clearfield Co.

Franklin L. Jacobs, of Curtin Twp., and Katie E. Packer, of Yarnell. R. D. Killian, of White Deer, Union Co., and Susie E. Stiffler, of Centre Hall. Leander Green, of Belleville, and Mary Shanklin, of Wilkesbarre.

THE CENSUS DISTRICTS IN CENTRE COUNTY.—The Hon. H. A. Reed, of Sunbury, supervisor of the census for the 10th Pennsylvania district has apportioned Centre county off as follows: No. 1—Belleville North No. 2—Liberty.

The list of enumerators for the various districts will not be made public until the work of census taking is about to begin. There are a number of applicants and while some have been settled others are being changed, so that supervisor Reed has been ordered not to publish a list of enumerators.

WHAT COLES SAYS OF APRIL WEATHER.—Prof. C. Coles, in Storms and Signs for April, makes the following predictions: The greatest danger periods from storms this month will be between the 1st and 7th, the 9th and 14th, the 16th and 20th, and the 22nd and 30th.

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There is a great awakening all over the West and I expect a complete reversal of the last campaign. I did not intend to write you a long letter and must not weary you. Wishing you success I have the honor to be Yours Truly J. W. Foy.

So SAY WE ALL OF US.—"I don't like its politics, but I must read the Post, to get the news," said a prominent Republican state official the other day, "and the Democrats are to be congratulated for giving us our best newspaper."

We frequently hear remarks like this of the Pittsburgh Post, and when we think of its marvelous special cable and telegraphic service, its many features and the best pictures printed, accuracy of its market reports, its cleanliness, cheapness of price, and that all newsmen sell it, there is not one reason why any Democrat should not read it.

THE FISH LAWS IN BRIEF.—The approach of the date April 15th, upon which it will be lawful to catch trout, prompts us to publish the following summary of the fish laws, as they relate to this section. It will be well to bear in mind that the Sportsman's League of Centre Co., is at work quietly and while the impression might be abroad that the streams are not being watched some of the violators will be hauled up with a sudden and sad jerk.

The season for speckled trout is from April 15th to July 15th. Black bass and Susquehanna salmon from May 30th to Jan. 1st. Pike or pickerel from June 1st to Feb. 1st.

Fish Weirs, etc.—Fish weirs, fish baskets and fyke nets are prohibited by the laws of the State. Penalty, \$50.00 for first offense and \$100.00 for second offense.

Dynamite and Explosive.—The use of torpedoes, giant powder, nitro-glycerine, dynamite, electricity, lime, or any other poisonous or explosive substance of any kind for catching or taking fish, is strictly prohibited. Penalty, \$50.00 and imprisonment.

Fish Under Size.—The catching of black-bass and wall-eye pike under six inches, and trout and rock bass under five inches in length, is prohibited in any of the waters of the State. Penalty, \$10.00 for each fish.

Penalty, \$10.00 for each bass, speckled trout, Susquehanna salmon or wall-eye pike, pike or pickerel taken out of season. Fish Wardens, Constables, or any officer of the State, are authorized to arrest, without warrant, any person violating any of the fish laws. One-half of the penalty goes to the informer.

Says It is the Best. It is certainly a matter of considerable gratification to any person to hear an occasional expression of approval of his or her work. Especially is it so with newspaper workers. For there are so many to condemn and so few to applaud that even in different words of congratulation are appreciated in a newspaper office.

This being the case you can readily imagine how bright the following note made us feel on Friday. Medina, Ohio, March 29th, 1900.

Dear Sir:—I have just found \$1.00 for which please renew my subscription to THE WATCHMAN. It is a welcome guest in our home. I have taken it for nine years and would not like to do without it. It is the cleanest and best paper of the kind I ever read.

A Letter From a Native of the County. The following letter will be of interest to many of our readers because of the fact that Mr. Foy was born in Centre county and, though living in the West, his thoughts still frequently travel back to the hills and valleys of the Bald Eagle. We admire the spirit of his writing and coincide in his belief that there is a great opportunity for Democracy this fall.

Geneseo Ill., March 28th, 1900. Hon. P. GRAY MEEK, Belleville, Pa.

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Centre Hill. Jerry Miller went to Harrisburg on Tuesday on business and pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hanson, of Harrisburg were the guests of Mrs. B. D. Brisban this week. Will Shoop is employed in J. F. Smith's store at the station and waits on the trade in his usual good style.

Peter Smith, of Centre Hill, spent Sunday with his aged father, Dr. Charles Smith, of Lamar, who is in his ninetieth year. The boys were out of a loafing place several nights this week, owing to the fact that Wolf & Crawford had the store closed while an invoice of the goods were being taken.

Mrs. James Smetzler got a hard fall Tuesday morning while sweeping the snow from the porch at her home. She was unable to be about the following day. The Centre Hill milliners have been to the city to lay in the spring hats etc.

Mrs. Henney's goods are here and Mrs. Boob will be ready for business in a few days. A car of fine draft horses were shipped from this station to Brooklyn, Wednesday. They were fine specimens of horse flesh and some city drivers will have an opportunity to sit behind first class Centre county teams.

F. M. Crawford is the happy father of a fine son since Sunday morning. You can imagine that he will be well cared for when you think that merchant Crawford went out of business solely that he might devote his entire attention to rearing his son after his own heart.

Thomas Taylor while working at Colyer's mill had the misfortune to get his arm near the stove saw and consequently the flesh of his arm was somewhat torn. It was a narrow escape. Dr. Glesser dressed the wound and in a short time Tom's arm will be strong and sound again.

P. F. Keller has charge of the Centre Hall bakery and promises to give his customers the best a first class baker can furnish. Former baker Nearhood is running the drag wagon and everything moves along just as though no trade had taken place. Keller expects to have cream on hand all the time after a week or two.

The several Christian Endeavor Societies are contemplating holding a sun-rise prayer-meeting Easter morning. A very good idea. Some people who wouldn't go if the meeting was held at some convenient hour might make an effort to be on hand if the time were set at the other end of the day.

Ex-Sheriff Spangler is having the building occupied by squire Dauberman for meat market and confectionaries remodeled. Part of the foundation was removed and the building let down to the level of the walk. An addition will also be built which will be occupied by W. A. Curry for shoemaking.

Mrs. James Durst seriously burned her arm with hot tallow while removing it from a stove. The tallow had been placed in the oven of the stove and while heating a live coal fell into the vessel which at once ignited, and while Mrs. Durst was trying to get out, and while Mrs. Durst was trying to get out, a about thirty five school children took advantage of the trip to State College offered them by the writer on Saturday last.

The children gathered in the grammar school room at seven a. m., and in a few minutes the several hacks and carriages were loaded with jolly, frisky "kids." When the State's educational institution was reached Dr. Gill and Superintendent Patterson were on hand to receive the party. Previous arrangements had been made by President Atherton to have some one in each building to point out what might be of interest. Every nook and corner was inspected, and as the children saw something that impressed them they made note of it in their tablets. In the absence of Dr. Atherton Dr. Gill represented him and made a highly interesting and instructive address.

The strictest attention was given by the scholars to the address and on the way home formed the chief topic for discussion, all of which shows that the youngsters are able to digest solids. The whole party including Miss Anna Bartholomew, teacher of the primary school, and D. W. Geiss, of the grammar, enjoyed the day hugely and feel themselves indebted to the college officials for their kindness.

Among those who materially aided in making the trip a success were Messrs. D. A. Booser, W. H. Dinges, John Heckman and H. G. Strohmeier to all of whom the school children say thanks.

Nittany. Mrs. Charles Beck is seriously ill. William Irvin and wife are both on the sick list at present. Will Dietz closed a very successful term of school last Tuesday.

For choice cattle and hogs Howard Zerby's position is in first ranks. Edward Yearick is taking a course under Bryant and Stratton, at home. Misses Bell Shafer, Helen Beck and Alma Fletcher are attending Lock Haven Normal.

Bossinger is humming his favorite air "Der Rhine Der Rhine" and his heart longs to follow the fitting of Daniel. J. H. Fleisher spent last Saturday in trying to surpass James Mayes in landing a two pound sucker, which one is entitled to the belt has not been decided.

Mrs. Robb and family moved to Belleville on Monday. Saturday being their last evening here quite a number of neighbors assembled and a jolly good time was had among the old folks; mirth reigned supreme. R. F. Emrick now occupies the hotel property and will be on hand at all times to wait upon transient custom. Their rooms are refitted with new furniture, and everything is in first class order, so that with a comfortable house and the best of land lords our hotel will certainly be a delightful resting place for travelers.

Harry Baker moved onto the Charles Beck farm; Mr. Gussallus onto the Shovers property; N. N. Korman and L. C. Gramley onto the property of A. A. Fletcher; Geo. Hoy, onto the Holmes farm; F. Minnick and F. Emrick Jr. into the Winkleman property; Ben Yearick on the Gobbie farm and Will Mauk returned home from Millheim on his own property. It has been the greatest exchange of residences that has taken place for years.

Pine Grove Mention. E. E. Royer is laid up with pleurisy. Miss Katie Bowersox is visiting in Penns valley.

Mrs. Levi Krebs and Mrs. J. M. Kepler enjoyed a drive to Lenont, Monday. Sumner Miller, Wm. Keller and Daniel Koch have gone to the Smoky city in quest of work.

Miss Annie Goben, of Spruce Creek, is visiting at the home of B. J. La Porte in Philadelphia. Sam'l McWilliams, Isaac Campbell and Frank Bowersox are now enrolled at the C. S. N. S. at Lock Haven.

J. C. Goben and wife enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bailey at their Fairbrook home last Monday. John McWilliams has resigned his position in the Alton shops and is back home to assist in tilling his father's broad and fertile acres, this season at least.

Geo. W. Johnson has been appointed post master at Fairbrook to succeed H. C. Shuey resigned. The office has been moved into the old Orange hall at Fairbrook. Andy Jackson Tate, former station agent, has accepted a good position as track master up at Patton. For the present his family will remain in their comfortable quarters here.

T. A. Frank attended the funeral of John Frank, at Millheim, last Monday. Deceased was born and raised here and his sudden death was a shock to his friends and neighbors. Pieras O'Bryan and Wm. Johnson are re-joining over the advent of little Bryanites at their homes, while Dan Grove is singing a lullaby to this snowy weather to a little girl number 3.

The Baileyville creamery has been leased by the Howard Creamery Company. Mr. H. E. Clementine, an expert creamery man, has charge of the plant. Harry is a hustler and means to make it pay. The good people of this vicinity sent a large box of the necessities of life, this week, prepaid to Mrs. Birdie Ruddy, at Millburg.

Mr. Rudy died recently and left his wife with two small children and no means at all. Our old comrade Wm. Hastings, of Gatesburg, is minus the three first fingers of his right hand by reason of coming in contact with a circular saw he was operating at Benore. Dr. Houser dressed the wounds and Hastings is patiently looking out for a single handed job.

Cyrus Powley, while assisting at the John Markle fitting from our town to the Capt. Hunter farm in Half Moon, accidentally fell. A loaded wagon one wheel of which passed over his right arm. He was brought back to our town and Dr. Woods found that his arm was broken above the elbow and also dislocated. He was taken to his home near Baileyville that evening.

On Tuesday evening Penns valley Lodge I. O. O. F. 376 had their semi-annual installation of officers. In the absence of D. D. G. M. Dunkle P. G. Sol. Schmidt, of Philadelphia Lodge, performed the ceremony in his usual graceful way, escorting each officer elected to their stations. A. J. Fortney was installed N. G.; H. W. Franz, V. G. and was hailed to obtain a list of the other officers.

H. C. Good, of Lock Haven, the general agent of the North American Insurance Co., of Philadelphia, was here last week to settle for the loss of the Hopson farm house, at Rock Springs, which was destroyed by fire on the night of the 23rd of March. Mr. Good is a very pleasant man and while here made many acquaintances. From here he went to Johnstown and the western part of the State.

On Wednesday morning Levi Krebs accompanied by Rev. C. T. Aikens left for Philadelphia where he will enter the German hospital for treatment for stomach trouble. On the same day Lowell A. Smith, of this place, accompanied his brother-in-law Dr. Alexander, to the Lafayette hospital where the latter is to undergo a surgical operation. The well known Dr. King will perform the operation and their many friends hope for their speedy return and recovery.

Among the people who changed their place of residence this spring were J. N. Bell, who took possession of his farm up at Edon Hill. D. C. Kocher, of Spruce Creek, moved onto the McWilliams farm in the Glades. William Gates quit farming and returned to the Mrs. Harpster home at Rock Springs. Jas. Harpster moved onto the Sade Glenn farm. W. G. Gardner returned to the farm whence he came two years ago and was succeeded by T. M. Gates, who will till the fertile acres of the Sarah Gardner farm. J. F. Fates moved onto his farm known as the Lest farm, near Seven Stars. John Miller took possession of his Main street house here, while D. H. Krebs succeeded him on his farm in the Glades. H. C. Shuey moved to Tyrone; Luther Dale to the Lower farm; J. I. Markle to the Capt. Hunter farm in Half Moon and Calvin Corl to the late Amos Royer farm. D. C. Heckman, of Spring Mills, occupies the old Glasgow house and will be W. K. Corl's right hand man. Oscar Bowersox is now on the John Hamilton farm north of the college. John Fom is comfortably fixed on the Wm. Foster farm at State College and Clyde Smetzler is located on the McFarlane farm on Buffalo Run where he intends showing his neighbors how to raise big crops and show cattle. George Reed is in possession of his old home among the Cedars at the Junction. James McCool of J. M. Water street, and I. J. Devine of the Musser house here.

Millheim. C. O. Alters has gone to Millroy in search of employment. Mrs. William Maize, who has been ill for some time, is improving.

Miss Eva Auman, of Wolf's Store, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hoy. Evangelist Worden, who is conducting services in the M. E. church, is nightly attracting large crowds to his meetings.

J. Allison Shall returned home Wednesday from Houserville where he had been teaching school. His term closed Tuesday. Misses Sara Harter and Maud Musser, both