

MITCHELL'S FAREWELL

Tells Strike Commission That 3,000 Miners Are Idle.

RESTLESS AND MENACE TO PEACE

Companies Fail to Give Men As Many Cars As They Could Load and Tracks Are Congested—Non-Union Men Betrayed.

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.—In making what will probably prove to be his final address before the anthracite strike commission John Mitchell Saturday called attention to the fact that 3,000 anthracite miners are still without employment, and that the restlessness of these men is something of a menace to the existing peace in the region.

The first witness for the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western was on the stand when the usual hour of adjournment arrived. Mr. Mitchell then indicated his desire to address the commission, and Judge Gray directed him to proceed.

"This will likely be the last session of the investigation that I shall be able to attend. The national convention of the United Mine Workers of America usually continues in session for ten days. At the expiration of that time we meet in our national wage convention with the bituminous coal operators to fix the annual wage scale for the year ending May 31, 1904.

"There has been a large part of the time of the commission taken up by the presentation of evidence to show lawlessness in the coal fields, or that lawlessness existed to a large extent during the strike, or during the latter part of the strike. The non-union man who was brought here, the fellow who was called a scab, was brought here for the same purpose he was put in the mines. He was put in the mines for the purpose of destroying the efforts of the men who went on strike.

"He was decoyed by a plea made before the commission that an effort would be made by those who had his case in charge to secure for him an increase in wages. He came here paid by the companies, hotel bills paid by them, and our men, who went around to see them, say money was furnished to them to enjoy themselves while they were here.

"There is one other question that I feel it is my duty to speak of. As the commission are no doubt aware, several days ago I addressed a communication to all the anthracite mine workers, urging them to cooperate with the management of the mines in increasing the output of the mines for the purpose of relieving this terrible suffering due to the coal famine. Since my communication was received by them I have heard from a large number of our local unions, and in nearly every instance the miners tell me that the production of coal cannot be increased through any effort of theirs; that in most cases the companies are failing to furnish them as many cars as they could load.

"Mr. Mitchell, interrupted Major Everett Warren, 'will you produce proof of any of those cases you are now stating, cases where they cannot get the cars and where the fault is with the companies? You say you gathered your information from your men, your associates, and your locals. I suggest it would be fair to both ourselves and yourself if you would furnish the commission with some facts to justify the statement that the men are not able to get any more coal in these days because of the lack of opportunity afforded them by the companies.

"I am not attempting, of course," replied Mr. Mitchell, "to testify as a witness in the matter. I am giving the sources of my information in each case. I do not say this for the purpose of placing the responsibility on anybody else. The fact of the matter is, my information would indicate that it is impossible to move more coal. The miners tell me the tracks are congested with loaded cars of coal at the mines."

"I want to say this in connection with it: We have 3,000 men who were on strike and have so far been refused the right to work. They are ready to mine coal, and if there is a shortage of coal in the country, and it is possible to move a larger amount of it, they at least can increase it to the extent of putting to work our 3,000 men, whom they agreed to start to work when they submitted to this commission.

"We have waited patiently since the date of resumption for our men to be placed back in the mines. We believe

they ought to be given work. We do not want to, and will not, cause trouble at the mines, but will do all we can to prevent it. But I want the commission to understand that the men who have been idle all this time are getting impatient. They are writing every day asking if something cannot be done to secure them work in the mines. They are charged, of course, with being criminals. It is alleged they left their jobs, and all that, but if they are going to have a term of peace for some years in the anthracite field, it seems to me they ought to stop fighting now, and that any desire to punish men by the companies ought to cease. We are willing and anxious to get along in harmony with those in the coal fields, and will do all we can to establish good relationship there, and we hope the coal operators will meet us half way in doing that."

BAER DENIES CAR SHORTAGE

President of Reading Says Company Has More Than They Can Use.

Philadelphia, Jan. 20.—Inquiry was made of George F. Baer yesterday regarding the statement to the effect that large quantities of coal are being held on the line of the Philadelphia and Reading railway and he replied as follows:

"It is not true that there are large quantities of coal—some reports making it as high as 150,000 tons—on the line of the Philadelphia and Reading railway. The traffic is now moving freely and fully to destination. There is no scarcity of coal cars. We now have more than we can use. The coal movement has been very heavy. Saturday and Sunday 3,618 cars of anthracite coal passed over the Reading division, and during the same time there were unloaded in the city of Philadelphia 481 cars and at Port Richmond 439 cars anthracite coal. There were also 194 cars bituminous coal unloaded at Port Richmond. At Port Reading 364 cars of anthracite and 182 cars of bituminous coal were dumped.

"The car reports show that after filling colliery calls for coal and foreign cars, there is a visible supply of 3,000 cars in excess of the demand. 'Six collieries with a daily production of 4,000 tons were drowned out by the Miners' Union ordering out of the pumping gangs, and we were powerless to keep the water out of them during the strike. Two of these collieries are entirely ruined and must be abandoned. The other four are being pumped out and in the course of time will again be worked. Their destruction prevents the use of these surplus cars, deprives the public of coal, and many men of employment. What would have happened had the strikers succeeded in drowning out all our collieries should give the public serious thought."

ABRAM S. HEWITT IS DEAD

Former Mayor of New York Succumbed to Attack of Jaundice.

New York, Jan. 19.—Abram S. Hewitt, former mayor of New York, and for many years representative in congress, died yesterday morning, in his 81st year, having been critically ill for 10 days. With him at the moment of death were his wife, his three sons and three daughters. Mr. Hewitt, who had been in feeble health for some months, was attacked with obstructive jaundice on January 8, and from the first it was realized by his attending physicians, Dr. E. L. Keyes and Dr. E. L. Keyes, Jr., that there was practically no hope of the aged patient's recovery. On the following Sunday it was thought that Mr. Hewitt could not survive the night, and the members of his family were summoned to his bedside, but his wonderful vitality kept him alive for a week longer. On Thursday Mr. Hewitt rallied so strongly that some hope was entertained that he might recover, but on the following night the relapse occurred, and it was then evident that the end was not far off. The funeral services, which will be conducted by Bishop Potter, will be held in Calvary Church, of which Mr. Hewitt was a member, on Wednesday.

STITCHED UP HIS HEART

Daring Surgical Operation Performed at St. Louis Hospital.

St. Louis, Jan. 20.—A remarkable surgical operation was performed at the city hospital Sunday night to save the life of Edward Spilker, aged 19, who had attempted suicide by shooting himself in the left breast. An aperture was made and between pulsations was closed with three stitches. The bullet had also perforated the apex of the left lung. A portion an inch and a half square was cut away, a heavy silk ligature tied about the lung, draining tubes being established, and the chest cavity closed. The patient speedily rallied and it is believed he will recover.

Raced to Rescue Shipwrecked Sailors.

Chatham, Mass., Jan. 19.—Two life saving crews, one from Monomoy and the other made up of volunteers from Chatham, rowed out into Nantucket Sound yesterday to the assistance of the crew of the Macblas schooner Emeline G. Sawyer, Captain Keith, in the teeth of an icy northwest gale. The volunteer crew won the race and carried the shipwrecked mariners to land. The schooner, which is ashore on Common Flats, will probably be a total loss.

Tore Half Her Tongue Away.

Hazleton, Pa., Jan. 19.—Five-year-old Edna Ruch, of this city, is dying as a result of placing her tongue on an iron post outside her home, on a recent day when the thermometer registered below zero. In extricating her tongue, which adhered to the cold iron, nearly half of the member was torn away.

TILLMAN'S VICTIM DEAD

N. G. Gonzales Succumbs to Peritonitis, Due to Bullet Wound.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 20.—Editor N. G. Gonzales, who was shot by Lieutenant Governor Tillman, died at 1 P. M. yesterday, after battling almost four days for his life. Septic peritonitis set in yesterday morning. Mrs. Gonzales was with her husband when death came.

Soon after the death of Mr. Gonzales a telephone message carried the news to the county jailer, and he apprised Colonel Tillman. It is stated that the latter received the intelligence without any expression or betokening any emotion one way or the other. He was asked if he would make a statement, and replied through his brother-in-law, ex-Judge Buchanan, that he had nothing to say. It is believed that Tillman's defense will be that Gonzales approached him in a manner and with a bearing that led him to think he was armed and intended shooting, and that in anticipation of this he shot at once.

Hundreds of telegrams of sympathy have poured in, not only from communities, newspapers and citizens from all over South Carolina, but from many American citizens, North and South. Among them were expressions from Hugh S. Thompson, of New York, ex-governor of South Carolina and the Cuban minister at Washington. The whole city of Columbia is deep in sorrow. There is no apparent anger or excitement, but an unnatural quiet, as though a great calamity had occurred.

The funeral will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock. These services will be at Trinity Church, and will be presided over by Bishop Capers, of Yorkville, S. C.

LINER'S DREARY VOYAGE

Passengers of the St. Louis Loud in Their Complaints.

New York, Jan. 19.—A great crowd gathered at the American line pier and cheered the big American liner St. Louis as she came slowly up the river Saturday forenoon, 13 days out from Cherbourg and nearly seven days overdue from leaking boilers and heavy gales. The anxiety that had been felt by friends and relatives of those aboard was relieved and they crowded the big dock to welcome the passengers. It did not take long for the first and second cabin passengers to cross the gang planks once the lines were fast, and as they got beyond the rope enclosure they were gathered to the arms of their waiting relatives.

Hardly had the passengers set foot on land before they were pouring out their complaints against the steamship company. Many of them declared their belief that the agents of the line who booked the passengers were fully aware that the ship was not in condition to make a speedy voyage. Some of them declared that not only was she suffering from leaky boilers, but that she did not have a sufficient supply of coal.

WORKMAN'S TERRIBLE DEATH

Caught in Machinery in Coffee Roast-Plant and Instantly Killed.

Camden, N. J., Jan. 20.—Louis McDowell, employed in the coffee roasting plant of P. Rogers & Sons, met a terrible death yesterday. He was literally ground to pieces by the machinery. No one was about him at the time, but when he was drawn into the machinery he uttered a number of piercing shrieks for help. These frantic cries from the doomed man attracted other workmen. The machinery was stopped, and the remnants of the unfortunate McDowell were gathered up. It was learned that McDowell, while oiling the machinery, had had his shirt caught and had been drawn to his death.

Department Stores Burned.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 20.—The large brick department stores of the Ambrose Mulley estate and William Chappell were destroyed by fire yesterday, entailing a loss of over \$200,000. The fire started in the cellar of the Mulley store at 1902-4-8 North Main avenue, and spread to the Chappell store adjoining, at 1908-10-12-14 the same avenue. The Mulley loss was \$90,000, Chappell's \$100,000, and the loss to surrounding property damaged by the flames in the neighborhood of \$15,000. The loss is about three-fourths covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is not known.

\$25,000 For Jeffries-Corbett Fight.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 19.—J. H. Herrman, manager and matchmaker for the Fort Erie Athletic Club, announced last night that he will offer a purse of \$25,000 for a 20-round boxing contest between Jeffries and Corbett. He has written to the champion and ex-champion making the offer, and if satisfactory answers are received he will, he says, at once post a forfeit of \$5,000 as a guarantee that the contest will take place without interference. The fight will be pulled off in June if possible.

Killed Five Bolomen.

Manila, Jan. 17.—Constabulary Inspector Fletcher, while traveling alone in the province of Albay, Luzon, last Wednesday, was attacked by 50 bolomen. Fletcher killed five of his opponents, but was himself wounded. He escaped, however, and formed a party which pursued the bolomen, overtook them, and killed six more.

Gunner Dismissed From Navy.

Washington, Jan. 20.—Gunner George Ford has been dismissed from the navy as the result of his conviction by court-martial of charges arising from his leaving his station without permission October 15, and remaining away until December 21.

GOING OUT

Shopping is not always the amusing pastime for women which newspaper paragraphers would have us believe. Many a woman who must needs practice economy attends bargain sales in absolute dread of the eager, jostling crowd which she must encounter. For her back aches at the start, and she knows that she must pay for her shopping with a nervous headache.

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COURT PROCLAMATION

Whereas, the Honorable J. G. Love, President Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the 19th Judicial District, consisting of the county of Centre, having issued his precept, bearing date the 25th day of Dec., 1902, to me directed for holding a Court of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery and Quarter Sessions of the Peace in Bellefonte, for the county of Centre and to commence on the 4TH MONDAY OF JANUARY, being the 26th day of January, 1903, and to continue one week, notice is hereby given to the Coroner, Justices of the Peace, Aldermen and Constables of said county of Centre, that they be then and there in their proper persons, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of the 26th with their records, inquisitions, examinations, and their own remembrances, to do those things which to their office appertain to be done, and those who are bound in recognizances to prosecute against the prisoners that are or shall be in the jail of Centre county, be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just.

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