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LIVE NEWS OF THE INDUSTRIAL WORLD

APPOINTMENTS IN FREIGHT DEPARTMENT.

R. B. Vaughan, Who Is in Charge in This City of the Freight Business of the Lackawanna Company, Has Announced His Staff—Carpenters Say That Building Is Not as Slow as Reported by the Architects. The Iron and Steel Trade—Condition of the Coal Trade.

R. B. Vaughan, general freight agent in the local office of the Lackawanna road, yesterday announced the appointments to new positions created by him.

Michael Burke, jr., was yesterday appointed auditor of the incoming freight and all matters pertaining to that department will be under his supervision.

Ernest Brownell will be chief rate clerk, having charge of the billing records of the office and auditing of the outgoing freight.

Walter Wilbur is the appointee as head of the car department. All requisitions for cars will be referred to him.

The appointees are all old men of the freight department. To a Tribune reporter Mr. Vaughan said yesterday: "These appointees will be masters of the situation and will have full control of their departments."

Chris Powderly has resigned his position in the freight department. Milton Reinhardt has been chosen to succeed him.

In Fairly Good Condition, They Say.

There was no material change in the strike situation yesterday beyond the statements given out by the carpenters that they had secured several more contracts. The men do not appear to have the same views on the building trades situation as the architects whose opinions were published in yesterday's Tribune. They maintain that the building trade is in a fairly good condition.

A number of members of the Builders' exchange deny the statement made some time ago to the effect that they were asking the men to come back at the old scale now, with the promise of the eight hour and the thirty cents an hour next spring. One of the members said: "Such a statement is absurd as we have conclusively shown that we have all the men we require to do the work on hand and we do not need to go out soliciting for men."

Iron and Steel Trade.

The impression is gaining ground in iron and steel trade circles that there will shortly be another sharp advance in the prices for raw material. Pig iron is very scarce, and it is upon this fact that these predictions are based. Up to the present time nearly all of the steel mills have been able to run on full time, but with increasing difficulty in securing material, it is extremely likely that most of them will have to go on three-quarter time the remainder of the year.

Small Buying and Selling.

Commenting upon the coal trade for the week, the Coal Trade Journal says: "If one may judge of anthracite conditions by the reports which come to hand, it would seem that August is the dull month this year. At the same time there is coal being mined and sent off to distributing points where it will be needed later on, but the actual buying and selling is confined to rather small transactions just at present. We have had some lively months already this year in the way of tonnage, and it is telling upon the trade at present, so that no one is boasting about having plenty of orders at the full circular. What business is being done is for the most part on a cash basis."

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ness is being done by the larger concerns is at the scheduled list, but there are some not up to their grade that always sell at less, and they are so quoted today:

"Soft coal is in good request, and in some parts of the west there has been an advance in price, and further changes in that direction are expected before the close of the season. In the seaboard trade the demand is on a liberal scale from all points short of tide, but the average consumer at the eastward has coal and does not pay much attention to the reports that it will be worth more money later on. He will have to pay for any hesitancy in buying, as both freights and coal will range higher than they did at the close of last season. At prices f. o. b. at which the New Englander is getting his supply, or can do so, at the present time, fuel is the cheapest thing in the running of the mill or factory. Coal has not recently had its chance of betterment, but the time is near when it will."

Baldwin Is General Manager.

O. A. Baldwin of this place, secretary and treasurer of the State Line and Sullivan railroad company, was last week chosen general manager of the company and of the Benice mines, and on Tuesday the announcement was made of his appointment to the superintendency of the Barclay railroad company and the Long Valley Coal company. Both offices have been accepted by Mr. Baldwin and he will enter upon his duties at once. The vacancies to which he has been appointed were both caused by the death of I. O. Blight, under whose management the two corporations were. Mr. Baldwin will also continue to act as secretary of the company.

Mr. Baldwin was favorably spoken of as the successor to Blight in the management of the two companies and his townsmen are glad that his abilities have been appreciated in so flattering a manner. He has been a faithful official for the company and his experience, combined with his business qualities and personal popularity, insure a successful career for him in the responsible position to which he has been appointed. N. N. Betts, cashier of the First National bank, has been elected treasurer of the State Line and Sullivan to succeed Mr. Baldwin.—Towanda Reporter-Journal.

This and That.

P. O'Keefe, chief detective of the Lackawanna road, left yesterday for a visit over the Morris and Essex division of the road. He will return to the city tomorrow.

Plans are being prepared for a new interlocking plant at Port Bowkley to control the switches at the junction of the Lehigh Valley main line with the Bowman's Creek branch. Plans have been prepared also for remodeling the interlocking plant at Farview at the junction of the main line with the "L" cut-off.

C. H. Warner, first vice-president of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, W. W. Wentz, general superintendent, C. F. Lippincott, assistant superintendent, D. W. Twining, superintendent of maintenance of the road, arrived in the city Wednesday night on a special train. The party was on a tour of inspection of the road and came to the city to remain over night. The officials left yesterday morning.

CAPITAL AND LABOR.

Considered from Capitalists Point of View—Article in September Letter of Anthracite Operator's Association.

The September Letter of Anthracite Coal Operators' association, a monthly publication which is the official organ of the association from which it takes its name, has the following on the question of capital and labor: "The period of dissatisfaction among the mine workers has come around and, on the eve of prosperity, they are endangering the very result they have been wishing for. The complaint throughout the anthracite regions has been that there is not enough working time. That the capacity to produce was so largely in excess of the market requirements, that working 150 days in the year, filled the demand. This has, unfortunately, been the case and has wrought hardships on the operators as well as workmen. When 20 per cent. of the entire product, pea and smaller, sells at far less than its cost of production, it must be evident that even the utmost skill will hardly bring a return to the capital invested, when this must be had from the remaining 70 per cent., and the plant idle 215 days in a year.

"A man who can work 300 days in a year and earn \$1.50 each day, makes more, and at no more cost to himself, than the one who earns \$2.50 and can work but 150 days. This does not require research into the theories of economics, but plain, every-day common sense. The trouble is, the average workman will look rather to his earning power for one day, and this readiness to grasp a detail and ignore the broader question has always been the cause of labor agitators. "This is a particularly unfortunate time for both miners and operators. The former, if earnest in their expressed desire to increase their earnings, have the opportunity to do so by taking advantage of the rapid increase in the demand for their product and working more days each month than has been possible before. Then to the operators, the larger product produced by their investment has offered a chance to make good some of the heavy losses incurred in previous years. "It is, of course, fair to assume that the miners really believe that their various demands are just, but there are times when there is a fair doubt as to whether this is the case, or they simply desire a temporary vacation with attendant gatherings, parliament-

ary proceedings and the appointment of committees. "Strikes are always serious matters. There may be no acts of violence and a settlement may be reached, and usually is, on exactly the same basis as before, but there is harm done in the impression given to the younger workers, and the more ignorant ones, that this is the proper manner in which to adjust a difference of opinion. The worker has at stake the day's food for his family, but he willingly throws this in the balance, with credit and charity to back him.

"On the other hand, the employer is risking everything. Enforced idleness may allow his competitors to secure the market for his products. He has often contracted for materials to manufacture, depending upon the returns from the finished articles to pay these accounts. He risks his investment, his credit, his business itself.

"The average employer objects to labor unions not so much because the workers are combined, as because they are in almost every case wholly irresponsible bodies, making demands without consultation as to their fairness, and backing them without loss or injury to themselves, but great injury to the employer. It is probable that if labor organizations were duly incorporated, and offered a negotiable guarantee that men would faithfully perform the duties allotted them, the employers who would not contract with them would be the exception."

MUSHROOMS THAT INTOXICATE

A Fungus Used in Asia as a Means of Exhilaration. The inhabitants of the northeastern part of Asia use a mushroom to promote intoxication. It is known as the fly-brown mushroom, and is also very abundant in Scotland. The fungus is regularly gathered in the hottest part of the year, and is then hung up by a string in the air to dry. Some are dry before gathered, and these are stated to be far more narcotic than those artificially preserved.

Usually the fungus is rolled up into a mass, and taken without chewing, for, if masticated, it is said to disorder the stomach, asserts "Anecdotes." One large or two small fungi produce what is looked upon as a pleasurable state of intoxication for one day. The effect is the same as that produced on taking a quantity of spirits or wine, except that it is delayed from one to two hours after the mass has been swallowed.

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