

TO WITHDRAW FROM PEKIN

First Step Towards Redemption of Pledge to Russia.

FORCE TO BE REDUCED

General Chaffee Instructed by Cable to Reduce the American Army to Proportions of a Legation Guard.

BY EXCLUSIVE WIRE FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Washington, Sept. 25.—The United States government today took the first step toward the redemption of its pledge, made to the Russian government August 29 last by cablegram...

GERMANY AND CHINA MAY SOON BE AT WAR

Events Drafting in That Direction. Waldersee's Ultimatum Expected to Open Hostilities.

BY EXCLUSIVE WIRE FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

London, Sept. 25, 3.50 a. m.—Only through the Associated Press advices from New York, published in this morning's papers, does the British public learn that the United States and Great Britain are once again ranged together in opposition to the continental powers.

MR. HANNA AT COOPER UNION

Great Crowd Drawn by Announcement That He Would Speak.

THE ISSUES DISCUSSED

Senator Hanna Is Given a Hearty Reception Upon His Appearance. Some Plain Business Propositions Are Submitted to the Audience—A Story Illustrating the Arguments of Democracy—Other Speakers Present.

BY EXCLUSIVE WIRE FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

New York, Sept. 25.—Cooper Union was entirely filled tonight when the Republican club meeting began. The great crowd was drawn by the announcement that Senator Mark Hanna was to speak.

COURSE IN CUBA ALL A MISTAKE

Senator Beveridge Believes Independence Will Mean Merely New Necessity for Intervention.

BY EXCLUSIVE WIRE FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Chicago, Sept. 25.—At a meeting held tonight in the auditorium under the auspices of the Marquette club Senator Beveridge of Indiana said:

If the opposition declares that we ought to set up a separate government over the Philippines because we are setting up a separate government over Cuba, I am sure that we are making a mistake.

ANXIETY AT HAZLETON

Officials Are Alarmed at Night Marches of the Strikers.

CALL FOR MORE TROOPS

Sheriff Harvey, of Luzerne Telegraphs to Governor Stone, Expressing Inability to Guarantee the Safety of Persons and Property. The Markle Answer Pleasing to the Strike Leaders—Mitchell Advises Strikers Not to Accept Markle's Offers but to Continue on Strike.

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SCHUYLKILL DISTRICT WILL SOON EMBRACE EVERY MAN EMPLOYED THERE

On the whole, we are well satisfied with the status of the strike. Coxie Bros. & Co. admitted today that their collieries at Derringer and Gowen were slightly affected this morning, but claim that those men who did not go to work were intimidated by the marchers.

NO TROOPS CALLED

It was learned here that Governor Stone will not issue an order for troops to be sent to Luzerne county, but will let the matter go over until tomorrow, when the advisability of calling out more troops will depend upon further developments.

MARKLE'S ANSWER

To the committee of the employees of G. B. Markle & Co. Men: Believing that arbitration was the proper method of settling all differences between employer and employee, as far back as 1885, an arbitration clause was embodied in the agreement with our men, which is as follows:

At this time when the answers to your grievances are due we find a number of men absent from work. Of course, such absence is not a restraint from working through fear, while others, we know, have connected themselves with labor organizations.

ANSWERS TO GRIEVANCES

Our answers to your grievances are herewith set forth in the order of their submission: Grievance No. 1.—That we receive our pay on the 15th of each month, in arrears of our work.

BIG WASHERY ONCE MORE UNDER WAY

D., L. & W. Makes Good Its Declaration That It Would Operate Hampton.

HAS MUCH SIGNIFICANCE

Tends to Bear Out the Claims That the Operators Have Been Making Regarding Their Ability to Resume Work, at Least on a Small Scale, if They Deemed It Expedient—Bellevue Had a Full Force of Men at Work Yesterday After Having Been Badly Crippled by Day Before—Statement from Superintendent Loomis—Soft Coal to Be Used in New York.

At last a change has come in the strike tie-up situation. One more washery has started up, making nine in all now in operation in this region, not taking into account the two Pennsylvania Coal company washeries that are working at Pittston.

It's a slight change, as far as surface appearances go, but when analyzed has an important significance. It tells that the companies can start up a colliery if they so desire.

They have also declared, as have other operators, that they could start up some of their mines any time they felt it expedient to do so, and that they were only restrained from doing so by their firm conviction that the strike would not last long.

In case the developments of the present week should tend to indicate that the strike is not going to break up right away, it is as likely as not that the operators will change their policy of apparent inactivity about the first of the coming month and proceed to show that they were making no idle assertion when they claimed they could begin mining if they wanted to.

WILLING TO GO TO WORK

It is hardly disputed but that here and there individual operators have enough employees willing to return to work to insure the operation of their collieries. It is also generally conceded that many miners who went on strike because it was a general movement, giving up good places and accepting the probability of hardships that come with a strike, are not only willing, but anxious, to return to work.

With the tie-up making slow progress in the lower districts and bituminous coal coming in here in large quantities, the local operators figure that the starting up of a few mines here by the larger companies would be followed by the resumption of work at the above mentioned individual collieries and that when gradually, but surely, the miners not inclined favorably to the strike movement would go back to work.

This would not only be the entering wedge to the breaking up of the strike, locally, it is figured, but would have a discouraging effect on the progress of the strikers in the lower districts, and once there is a decided turn against the strike in the lower regions, the whole region will experience a similar turn.

The strikers laugh at the idea of the operators being able to break the tie-up here. The men of District No. 1, they claim, are sold to a man, almost, for the strike, and that the operators are badly misled by whoever gives them the idea that there is a great number of men wanting to return to work. The strikers declare that enough hands could not be secured in the whole county of Lackawanna to man one mine, and this will remain true until the union officers give the word to return to work, which will be only when the strike is won.

Offers to Arbitrate. The offer of President Mitchell to have the differences arbitrated by a board that will have no connection whatever with the Mine Workers' Association.

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FREIGHT TRAINS IN A COLLISION

Three Trainmen Killed—Two Others Are Injured—Disregard of Orders Causes Accident.

BY EXCLUSIVE WIRE FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Harrisburg, Sept. 25.—Two freight trains collided this evening on the Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Pittsburg branch of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad at Grantham, ten miles from Harrisburg, killing three trainmen and injuring two others.

ARCHBISHOP RYAN VISITS PRESIDENTS.

New York, Sept. 25.—Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, came to this city today to hold a conference with President Robert M. La Follette, of Wisconsin, and Mr. H. H. Tweed, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad. The archbishop's mission was to try to induce the two presidents to consent to arbitrate the coal strike.

COAL PRICES UNCHANGED.

New York, Sept. 25.—Prices for hard coal and soft coal at wholesale were reported unchanged today. Soft coal was in greater demand than hard coal, but President Burpee, of the United States, today issued a warning against a revival of the smoke nuisance.

DIED ON OPERATING TABLE.

New York, Sept. 25.—Miss Ethel Bates, aged 28 of Pittston, a striking miner, had both legs amputated today. She was suffering from a tumor which was found to be cancerous.

RESPONSIBILITY WITH THE VOTER.

We have established ourselves so, now, that this country is producing from a quarter to a third more than our consumption. It is a fact of which our industries will slow down the rate of production.

MR. POTTER IS APPOINTED SUPREME COURT JUDGE.

Other Selections Announced by Governor Stone Yesterday. Harrisburg, Sept. 25.—Governor Stone today announced the following appointments: William P. Potter, of Pittsburg, supreme court judge to fill the vacancy created by the death of Chief Justice Marshall Brown.

WORLD'S RECORD BROKEN.

Marvelous Exhibition of Trotting at Terre Haute. Terre Haute, Ind., Sept. 25.—Two world's records were broken this afternoon on the famous four-cornered track.

RESULT OF TRAIN RACE.

An Engine Jumps the Track and Causes Bad Wreck. Springfield, Ills., Sept. 25.—While the Chicago and Alton trains were racing for the state fair grounds this afternoon on parallel tracks, the locomotive of the Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis jumped the track, struck the other engine and both were badly wrecked.

HOWARD JURY DISAGREES.

Elizabeth Van Lew Dead. Richmond, Va., Sept. 25.—Miss Elizabeth Van Lew, who during the war between the states furnished the Union army with valuable information against the Confederate government, died at her residence here at 4.30 this morning.

OBJECTIONS TO CANDIDATES.

Harrisburg, Sept. 25.—Objections were filed today to the candidates for nomination to T. B. Martin, Democratic candidate for commonwealth judge of Luzerne county, and A. R. DeWitt, Democratic candidate in the Berks county school district. The court fixed Oct. 1 for hearing on the cases.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

- Weather indications today: Fair; warmer. General Markle's attitude toward the strike. The Markle answer pleasing to the strike leaders. The Markle answer to the strike leaders. The Markle answer to the strike leaders.

WEATHER FORECAST.

- Washington, Sept. 25.—Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday: Eastern Pennsylvania—Fair and warmer Wednesday, Thursday, fresh south to southwest winds.