NEWS OF THE LABOR WORLD

THEY DISCREDIT THE TALK OF A STRIKE.

Local Officers of the United Mine Workers Deplore the Sensational Stories Being Printed—Stereopticon Lecture to Be Given for Lackawanna Trainmen—Make-up of the D., L. & W. Board for Today—Facts Contained in Inspector McDonald's Report—Odds and Ends.

There was considerable discussion at the United Mine Workers' headquarters yesterday over the sensational reports sent out from Wilkes-Barre of the possibility of another big strike in the anthracite coal regon. The local mine workers' leaders scout the news sent out from the little city down the valley.

Secretary Dempsey yesterday said to a Tribune man: "The situation is quiet and encouraging. Preparations are on for the anthracite conference, which is to be held in March at Hazleton, but as yet the operators have not been invited to attend. They will be, however, during the course of next week."

Stereopticon Lectures.

Lectures will be given to Lackawanna trainmen under the auspices of the International Correspondence schools, on "Train inspection and handling air brakes. The lectures will be given at 2:30 and 8 p. m., on March 1, 15, 29, April 12 and 26.

The Railroad Young Men's Christian association will be used for the purpose and the lectures will be illustrated with stereopticon views.

Caterer William Hanley has been awarded the contract for equipping and operating the new restaurant at the Lackawanna railroad's Binghamton station. He will open there on March 1. It will be pleasing news to his many friends also to learn that the Scranton restaurant will continue under his supervision.

Inspector McDonald's Report.

Mine Inspector Hugh MacDonald, of the Third anthracite district, today sent his report for the operations of the collieries in this district to the state department.

The total production for 1900 was 6,292,931 tons, which is 565,780 less than in 1899. The days worked was 154, and notwithstanding the idleness caused by the strike, this is only twelve and one-half days less than in 1899. There are 18,609 persons employed in the district, an increase over 1899 of 1,444.

The fatal accidents were 59 and the non-fatal, 139, the latter being 67 less than for the year previous.

D., L. & W. Board.

The following is the make-up of the D., L. and W. board for today:

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

Wild Cats East—8 p. m., O. Kearney; 10 p. m., J. Burkhart; 11 p. m., J. J. Murray, C. Bartholomew's men.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22.

W. Cats East—12:30 a. m., M. J. Hennigan; 2 a. m., W. A. Bartholomew; Frank McDonnell's men; 4 a. m., P. Cavanaugh; 5 a. m., M. Finnerty; 6 a. m., T. McCarthy; 7 a. m., H. Belding; 8:30 a. m., F. D. Secor; 9 a. m., O. W. Fitzgerald; 10 a. m., J. Costello; 11:30 a. m., A. L. Hallet, E. M. Hallet's men; 1:30 p. m., F. Hallet; 3:45 p. m., F. F. Stevens; 4:45 p. m., O. Randolph; 5 p. m., M. Longmey; 6 p. m., J. H. McCann.

Summits, 11:30 a. m., east, J. Hennigan; 6 a. m., west, George Fromfeller; 8 a. m., west, N. H. Nichols; 6 p. m., east, James Carrigg; 7 p. m., east from Nay Aug, Ed McAllister; 7 p. m., west from Cayuga, three engines, James Ginley; 7 p. m., west from Cayuga, McLaine.

Pullers—10 a. m., F. F. Secor.

Pushers—8 a. m., M. Ginley; 11:30 a. m., Moran; 7 p. m., Munley; 9 p. m., Lamping.

Passenger Engines—7 a. m., Gaffney; 7 a. m., Singer; 3:30 p. m., Stanton; 7 p. m., Magovern.

Wild Cats West—4 a. m., J. K. Masters; 5 a. m., J. J. O'Hara; 6 a. m., A. Elwood, with H. Doherty's men; 8 a. m., John Baxter; 10 a. m., W. A. Bartholomew; 11 a. m., J. R. Swartz; 1 p. m., J. W. Divine; 2 p. m., S. O'Connor, with A. Barr's men; 4 p. m., D. Haggerty; 6 p. m., John Gallagan.

NOTICE.

Conductor W. H. Bartholomew will run Conductor Frank McDonnell's crew until further notice.

Brakeman W. Mariman will go out with H. J. Larkin next trip.

Brakeman John McAllister will go out with F. D. Secor next trip.

Brakeman M. Tigue will go out with F. D. Secor next trip.

Brakeman Holler will go out with M. J. Hennigan next trip as flagman.

Mr. Harvey, Round House: Please furnish a second class engine to help Scranton at 3:45 p. m. each day commencing tomorrow, February 22, to handle fast freight between Scranton and Port Morris. Crew to double back from Port Morris without layover. Please furnish regular engineman and fireman for this run.

This and That.

The trainmen and station agents of the Central Railroad of New Jersey are being measured for new uniforms. A special car was in the city yesterday for that purpose.

There will be a meeting of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western mine committee held at Division No. 1 headquarters tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock. All committee men are requested to attend.

Messrs. Harry Smith, Charles Weldaw, Frank Bryant, John Wardell, J. W. Doellner, Justo Rodriguez and W. W. Adair, members of the Railroad Young Men's Christian association, left yesterday to attend the annual state convention of the Young Men's Christian association, which is now in session at Lancaster.

Improved Train Service to Florida via Southern Railway.

Effective Feb. 17, Southern railway fast mail train, No. 35, which leaves Washington at 11.15 a. m., connecting train leaves Broad street station, Philadelphia, at 7.20 a. m., will arrive Jacksonville, Fla., at 7.20 the next morning, shortening the time between eastern cities and Florida points two hours and five minutes.

This train carries through Pullman drawing room sleeping cars and dining car.

In addition to the above the Southern railway operates two other fast through trains to Florida. The Florida Limited leaves Broad street station, Philadelphia, at 3.16 p. m. and the Florida Express at 6.05 p. m. Charles L. Hopkins, District Passenger Agent, Southern Railway, 828 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, will take pleasure in furnishing all information. **

$7.75 Scranton to Washington and Return for the Inauguration.

Central Railroad of New Jersey will sell excursion tickets to Washington on March 1, 2 and 3, good to return on or before March 8, at $7.75 for the round trip. Stop-over will be allowed at Philadelphia and Baltimore within the time limit of the ticket. **

A GOOD DEAL OF NONSENSE.

About "Blood Purifiers" and "Tonics."

Every drop of blood, every bone, nerve and tissue in the body can be renewed in but one way, and that is, from wholesome food properly digested. There is no other way and the idea that a medicine in itself can purify the blood or supply new tissues and strong nerves is ridiculous and on a par with the rol-de-rol that dyspepsia or indigestion is a germ disease, or that other fallacy, that a weak stomach which refuses to digest food can be made to do so, by irritating and inflaming the bowels by pills and cathartics.

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People who enjoy fair health take Stuart's Tablets as regularly as they take their meals, because they want to keep well, prevention is always better than cure and Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets do both; they prevent indigestion and they remove it where it exists. The regular use of one or two of them after meals will demonstrate their merit and efficiency better than any other argument.

MORE SPEAKEASY ARRESTS.

Blind Man Committed in Default of Fine.

There were two "speakeasy" proprietors arrested yesterday at the instance of Robert Wilson, agent for the Municipal league. Both men were committed to the county jail in default of $100 fines.

"The world owes me a living; I am blind," said John Rumley, of 1082 West Market street, when arraigned before Alderman Millar, "and I sell beer and whiskey because I can't earn my living any other way."

Rumley was quite indignant at his arrest, and was firm in his conviction that his blindness would make amends for his wrongdoings.

The second man arrested was James Black, of 2653 Frink street.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.

Probable That Insurance Rates Were Not Raised Tuesday.

None of the local insurance agents have received any word regarding Tuesday's meeting of the Department Board of Insurance Adjusters held in Philadelphia, and this is taken as an indication that nothing was done regarding the raising of insurance rates in this city.

One of the best informed fire insurance men in the city stated yesterday afternoon to a Tribune man that he had received assurances that inasmuch as there was a sentiment asserting itself in this city in favor of a paid fire department, nothing would be done regarding the raising of rates until councils had a fair chance to act.

OPPOSITION WITHDRAWN

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data to say, but we believe it will be as large as that with regard to the mileage of jurors.

The government will also be benefited as we believe from having more accessible courts at its command in the territory covered by the proposed district. Many infringements of the law pass unnoted and unpunished in a large district because of the difficulty of their discovery and prosecution. This is important because it is only where the heavy hand of the law is brought down upon them that offenders fear and respect it. They have little regard for a court which is peacefully located 300 miles distant.

In conclusion this bill is not to be regarded as a new discovery nor as a scheme for the benefit of any particular section or set of individuals. It represents an agitation of over a quarter of a century and is based on its intrinsic merit. A similar bill was advocated in the house by Mr. Shoemaker, of Wilkes-Barre, in the Forty-third or Forty-fourth congress; by Mr. Scranton in the Forty-ninth, and by Mr. McCormick, of Williamsport, in the Fifty-first. Harrisburg, as we have already seen, has been counting on it for nearly twenty years and congress by the building which it has provided there has recognized its right to do so. The measure has been several times favorably reported and in the Forty-ninth congress was passed by the house but failed through the ultra conservatism of the senate. Its merits are bound to be recognized in the end and ought in justice to be so now without further denial or delay.

MAJOR WARREN'S REMARKS.

Major Warren followed Mr. Torrey in a strong, able and eloquent argument in favor of the bill. The major started out by saying that the vast extent of this district has compelled the provision, from time to time, for sessions of the Federal court at three other places outside of Pittsburg—Williamsport, Erie and Scranton—but Pittsburg is still and always will be the center around which the whole district is compelled to revolve and from which it is and will be controlled, the rest being discriminated against in its interest. There are kept the permanent records of the courts, with their clerks, marshal and judges, and where these are there of necessity is the court itself.

Neither judges nor officers, however desirous of doing their duty, can make it otherwise. Nor can any judge—it may be added—with any satisfaction to himself or to the public, hold court in the four different places so widely separated. The demand that he shall, however, serves to show the needs of the district at the same time that it demonstrates its unwieldy and overgrown character. Comparisons with other sections of the third circuit of which we are a part emphatically proves this. Delaware has a district judge and now recently a circuit judge.

Philadelphia has a judge for the circuit and a judge for the district court, neither judge going one step outside of the city. This leaves Judge Acheson, of Pittsburg, to take care of the sessions of the circuit court at four different points mentioned in the Western district, as well as at Trenton, in the state of New Jersey.

WHAT PENMAN SAID.

Major Penman was the next speaker and commenced by saying that the proposed middle district is made up of the Central and Northeastern parts of Pennsylvania, the main portion of it coming from the Western district, but eleven counties being also taken from the Eastern.

A comparison of the population of the state and its Federal districts at the time the present division was made in 1826, with the present population, as shown by the census of 1900, will indicate how strong the present demand for a division is. Under the new apportionment as effected by the pending bill, the population of the three districts by the census of 1900 will show as follows: Eastern district, 2,209,811; Western district, 2,275,659; Middle district, 1,816,615.

Congressman Connell was the last speaker. He commenced by saying that he hardly thought it necessary for him to go into any extensive argument after the question had been so thoroughly discussed by attorneys whom he considered were better able and better prepared to speak than he. However, he did not forget to impress the committee with the fact that the bill had been passed without an objection in the house, and that it was the unanimous wish of the entire delegation in the house from Pennsylvania that the bill be passed and become a law at this session of congress.

He said in reply to a question from Senator Hoar that there had been some opposition to the bill by some members of the house and that they had refused to consent to the passage of the bill until they had more time to study its merits.

THEY NOW FAVOR IT.

"I refer particularly," said the congressman, "to Mr. Dalzell and Mr. Acheson, but they had made a careful study of the bill and it must be remembered that they are from the Western district, out of which a large number of counties is taken to make the new district, and they withdrew their opposition and favored the passage of the bill."

The congressman continued by saying that the proposed district is more populous than such important states as Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, West Virginia, South Carolina, Minnesota, and a number of other states of lesser note.

"I also want to mention another fact," said Mr. Connell. "When this bill was first considered by the house judiciary committee during the last session, Mr. Littlefield, of Maine, was opposed to the bill, but during the last campaign he traveled considerably over the state and particularly through the northeastern section, and when I returned to Washington for this session the first time I met Mr. Littlefield he told me that he was in favor of the passage of my bill. That he had been entirely convinced of its necessity."

This ended the arguments, and after adjournment Senator Hoar told the congressman that he had been informed only this morning that Judge Buffington had withdrawn his opposition to the bill, that he would request the judiciary committee at their meeting next Monday to make a favorable report and urged its immediate passage in the senate.

From this it can be seen that the committee was favorably impressed by the arguments of the attorneys and congressman.

BOTH FAVOR IT.

Senator Lindsay asked if it was known whether Senator Quay was in favor of the passage of the bill or not, and in reply Senator Hoar said that both Senator Penrose and Senator Quay were earnestly in favor of the bill, and that Senator Quay had wired him, as well as other members of the committee, asking for a favorable report from the committee and its early passage in the senate. Mr. Connell and the other speakers, as well as the subcommittee, regretted that Senator Penrose was not present, but he was unavoidably detained at a special meeting of the committee on postoffice appropriations.

Major Warren left for home immediately after the meeting, but Mr. Torrey is accompanied by Mrs. Torrey and they will remain for a few days. Major Penman has business with the treasury department and he will not leave for home until some time tomorrow.

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LOT 6—Men's Heavy Working and Dress Shoes at **98c, $1.29 and $1.40.** Men's Felt Shoes, felt soles, at **98c,** worth $2.00. Men's Rubber Boots, Woonsocket, at **$2.25.**

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LOT 1—200 pairs Ladies' Fine Vici Kid, Patent Leather and Enamel Shoes, made to sell at $3.50. Sale Price only **$2.48.**

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LOT 4—144 pairs Ladies' Fine Kid, Goodyear Welt, Button and Lace, Kid and Patent Shoes, worth $2.50, at **$1.69.**

LOT 5—135 pairs Ladies' Fine Vici Kid, Kid Tip Lace Shoes, worth $2.00, at **$1.49.**

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