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BOTH SIDES HEARD AGAIN. THEY RENEW THEIR FORMER DECLARATIONS. Receives a Letter from Superintendent Davis in Which is Set Forth the Employers' Reasons for Not Wanting to Confer with an Employees Committee—Strikers Say They Will Not Recede from Their Original Demand—Girl Has a Lively Experience.

Jersey girls receive for doing a much finer grade of work. At any rate, we can do nothing on the arbitration question until the return of Valentine Blaes and Superintendent Davis from the South. We are prepared to do the fair thing by our help, and indeed I think we have always done this. Excellent proof of my assertion is the fact that our girls were the last ones to go out, and then only after I struck, I think, out of sympathy with the employees of the other mills. The strikers deny that they ask the same wages as the Paterson mill girls, and declare that this clause of the resolutions passed by the executive committee was a misstatement. A meeting will be held of the Klotz mill strikers Tuesday night, at which a scale will be drawn up.

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LETTER FROM MR. DAVIS. My Dear Sir: Your wire came duly to hand. My reason for not wishing to confer with your committee, was from the fact that the majority of our hands are between 12 and 15 years of age, and any agreement that we might arrive at, would not bind our hands in any way, and would simply bind us. Our position is as follows: We will grant from 8 to 12 per cent. increase to take effect as soon as our employees return to work. We will also agree not to discriminate against any one employed by the mill after they have taken the strike. Of course, should we start up at any time within the next four weeks it will be readily understood that owing to the stoppage of our works, and owing to the large number of other places, it will be almost impossible at the beginning, to employ all of the hands that went on a strike, owing to a certain loss of business. However, eventually all will be re-employed, or as soon as business warrants it. Our only reason for not wishing to confer with the committee, is on account of the large number of young help. We are, in this case, making a compromise every day in one office for one reason or another after work is resumed, and this will cause more or less discontent among the sales and employees, which we wish to avoid. You can see this letter as you may see fit. Very respectfully yours, G. B. HAND, Secretary.

MEETING THIS MORNING. A meeting will be held in Carpenter's hall this morning of the grievance committees from all the Sauquoit departments, and a complete list of grievances will be then drawn up and submitted to the executive committee. One of the leading officials of the Sauquoit workers yesterday stated to a Tribune man that in her opinion the firing system was a just and necessary precaution on the part of the mill authorities to prevent insubordination and shirking of work. Thursday evening a slight outbreak occurred at the Petersburg mill of Rolling, David & Schoen. Miss Mary Malton, who has been working as a book-keeper in the office since the beginning of the strike, left the mill about 8 o'clock and started for her home in Dunmore. She had only gone a short distance when she was surrounded by numerous breaker boys and strikers, who shouted at her in derision, threw blocks of the road and placed so many obstacles in the way that her homeward trip took fully an hour and a half. By the time she reached her residence several hundred small boys and girls were at her heels, and even after she entered the house, remained about premises, shouting bloodthirsty threats and uttering vile menaces.

AS TO ARBITRATION. Superintendent Bachofen, of the Petersburg mill, operated by Rolling, David & Schoen, was yesterday asked by a Tribune man his views on the arbitration question, and replied: "If the laborers insist on receiving Paterson wages, as was announced by them in the resolutions passed by their executive committee, arbitration is simply out of the question, as it would be impossible for us to pay them anything like the wages which the New Jersey girls receive."

TWO MORE CONFESSED. Ex-Councilmen Williams and Godshall Told About Bribery Transactions. BOTH ADMIT HAVING ACCEPTED MONEY. Williams Received \$1,700 in All from the Old and New Telephone Companies—Money Was Left in a Room at the St. Charles—Admitted the Existence of a Cabal of Twelve Select Councilmen Who "Held Up" Legislation—Godshall Got \$200 from ex-Chief John H. Walker. General Manager S. E. Weyland Refused to Answer Questions and Was Held in Jail for Contempt of Court.

Two more ex-councilmen, Richard H. Williams and Charles R. Godshall, both of whom up to a few months ago represented the Fifth ward select and common council respectively, yesterday took the stand in Alderman Fuller's office and made confessions, telling of all the money they received while in council. The cases being heard were those brought by the Municipal League against Councilmen Thomas C. McElvin, John J. McAndrew, Thomas O'Rourke, E. J. Coleman and ex-councilmen Edward James, Jr., for bribery, and against R. H. Williams for perjury.

Mr. Williams was the first witness examined. When the league entered into an agreement with the eleven indicted councilmen some few months ago, Mr. Williams, who had not been indicted, took advantage of the offer made by the league at that time and resigned from council, agreeing to abide by the same conditions which were imposed upon the other councilmen. He was examined yesterday by Attorney James H. Torrey, representing the league. He started right out by asking Mr. Williams if he knew E. J. Maloney, the former local manager of the Central Pennsylvania Telephone company, and if he had ever received any money from him. Mr. Williams replied that he knew Maloney very well and that some time in 1898, when the Lackawanna Telephone ordinance was up for the first time, Maloney had come over to the witness' home in West Scranton, and had given him \$50 in an envelope, to "stick by the ordinance."

After that he received money on a number of occasions from the old company. He would receive a postal card telling him to come down to the St. Charles hotel on a certain night, and when he got down there he would find a bundle of money and always find an envelope on the table marked "Fifth Ward." These envelopes would sometimes contain \$50 and sometimes \$75. He would get them at intervals varying from one to two months. It was understood that the money was coming from E. J. Maloney, and that he was supposed to vote against the new telephone franchise. He always voted against the ordinance until the night of its first passage. Mr. Torrey then began a series of questions with the idea of eliciting something about the combination or cabal of select councilmen which, it is alleged, was in existence for a considerable length of time. Mr. Williams admitted the existence of such a combination. He said it was comprised of twelve members.

Meetings, he said, were often held in the St. Charles hotel and at those meetings ordinances were passed of various kinds pending in council would be discussed. The combination was formed, he said, to get legislation through. It was formed originally by a number of the West Scranton councilmen because the select councilmen didn't support the vindictive ordinance. Asked to name some of the members of this combination, he mentioned the names of Thomas O'Rourke, T. C. McElvin, John J. McAndrew, Simon Thomas, H. T. Fellows, T. J. Coyne, John Shea and Edward James, Jr.

WOULD GIVE THE WINK. A number of these members would generally be in and around the hotel when he would be summoned there by postal card. Some of them, he couldn't remember which, would "give him the wink" and he would go back and get his envelope. He had no positive knowledge that any of the other members were receiving money, but he supposed that everybody got it. The night before the Lackawanna telephone ordinance was finally passed in select council on third reading he received an unsolicited letter telling him that if he voted for the new franchise he would not regret it, and telling him to go around after the meeting to the new Wyoming hotel, at the corner of Wyoming avenue and Center street, and meet in the toilet room of that place a certain man.

HE WAS COMMITTED. Lewis Osterhout, a Peddler, Sent Up as a Nuisance. Lewis Osterhout was again arrested yesterday by Patrolman Dave Davies for obstructing the sidewalk. Osterhout is a peddler who goes about the street distributing oranges from baskets. Very often in a fit of absent-mindedness, or something of that sort, he would deposit the basket on a prominent portion of the walk to the annoyance of pedestrians and busy himself about other matters. Although repeatedly warned he persisted in his pranks. On Wednesday when he was arrested the recorder discharged him. Yesterday, however, he was committed to the county jail for ten days.

Thursday night Osterhout purchased a big quantity of collars and cuffs and ladies' garments at the rummage sale on Washington avenue. Yesterday morning he arranged his wares on the curb on Lackawanna avenue and, with the aid of a good pair of lusty lungs, soon gathered a big crowd of curious spectators. Patrolman Davis arrested him while he was trying to make the assemblage believe that his goods could be obtained much cheaper than at the store. The goods were confiscated and removed to the Center street station. Osterhout was gaily gowned in a lady's cloak, which he had also secured at the sale. It was one of those affairs with a big row of two-inch pearl buttons running down the whole length of the garment and the way it fitted to his shapely figure was enough to excite the admiration of all.

POLICE MAGISTRATES. It Is Proposed to Amend the Alworth Ordinance so as to Give One the Bulk of the Work. The ordinance introduced on Thursday night by Common Councilman H. S. Alworth, establishing police magisterial districts and creating the offices of five police magistrates, will undoubtedly be very much amended. It is known that if it is passed in its present form it will not meet with the approval of Recorder Moir. It is proposed to amend the ordinance so as to provide for an entire rearrangement of the districts. The ordinance in its present form provides for the following districts:

First district—First, Second, Third and Third and Sixth wards. Second district—Fourth, Fifth, Fifth and Twenty-third wards. Fourth district—Seventh, Twelfth, Nineteenth and Twentieth wards. Fifth district—Seventh, Ninth, Sixteenth, Seventeenth and Tenth wards. It is held that the central part of the city, in which the largest number of cases are made, should be all included in one district. It is proposed to include in such district the Fourteenth, Eighth, Sixteenth and Ninth wards and to have the presiding magistrate hold court in the Municipal building. Inasmuch as this magistrate would issue all the warrants which the police would require for special arrests, it is believed by those who favor amending the ordinance, that his salary should be fixed at \$1,000 a year.

Mr. Alworth's ordinance fixes a uniform salary of \$500 for each of the five magistrates. The First, Second, Third and Thirteenth wards would be left, according to this plan, the same as in the original ordinance, comprising one district, and the salary of the magistrate would be fixed at \$500. The West Scranton district is planned to include the Fourth, Fifth, Twentieth, Sixth, Eighteenth and Fifteenth wards, and to fix the magistrate's salary at \$500 a year. The Seventh, Seventeenth and Tenth wards would be included in a fourth district, and the Eleventh, Twelfth, Nineteenth and Twentieth wards in a fifth. It is proposed to make the salary of the magistrates of these districts \$250 each per year, on account of the comparatively small number of arrests made in these parts of the city. With the salary of one magistrate to be fixed at \$1,000 a year, of two at \$500 a year, and of the two others at \$250 a year, the total appropriation would need to be only \$2,500, the same as provided by the Alworth ordinance.

In Altogether, while there are five police magistrates, as provided by law, only one of them does any regular work. He has judicial supervision over a district comprising the main portion of the city, and receives a salary of \$1,000 a year. The districts of the other magistrates comprise only one or two wards each, and these magistrates receive only \$50 a year.

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REVIEW OF YEAR'S WORK. Annual Meeting of Women's Foreign Missionary Society. The annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society of the Second Presbyterian church was held yesterday afternoon at the manse, at the corner of Monroe avenue and Vine street. There was a very large attendance, between seventy and eighty members being in attendance. Reports of committees were heard, and a summary of the year's work was then read by Mrs. George H. Russ, the secretary. Her report was concisely and interestingly written and splendidly described the year's work done by the society. Two missions are supported, one in China, which is under the direction of Rev. and Mrs. Henry Luce, and another in Persia, of which Rev. John Watson is in charge. Mrs. Frank Connell, the treasurer of the association also read her annual report, which showed the finances of the society to be in a healthy and flourishing condition. The officers for 1901 were then elected, the same officials being again chosen. They were: President, Mrs. Seiden Blair; first vice president, Mrs. L. B. Powell; second vice president, Mrs. J. A. Price; secretary, Mrs. George H. Russ; treasurer, Mrs. Frank Connell; secretary of missionary literature, Miss Mary H. Line; librarian, Miss Bertha Powell. Refreshments were served after the business meeting.

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and meet in the toilet room of that place a certain man. The business men of West Scranton had been asking him to vote for the new franchise and the next night he accordingly deserted the old company and voted for the Lackawanna ordinance. After the meeting he went around to the new Wyoming and went to the toilet room as directed. He found waiting for him there a man with a dark mustache, whom he had never seen before and whom he did not know. This man gave him a little parcel containing just \$50 in bills of various denominations. He avers that he has never seen the man since.

IN DECEMBER, 1899, when he was running for the Republican nomination he was opposed by George Carson and won out by only a few votes. Maloney helped him out, he said. He gave him various sums of money, which, with the money he received at the St. Charles, would make a total from the old company of about \$900. This sum and the \$50 which he received at the new Wyoming included all the moneys which he got while in council, he said.

WYLAND UNDER FIRE. The next witness examined was S. E. Weyland, general manager of the Lackawanna Telephone company. Mr. Weyland, general manager of the company, who sat by his side, refused to answer a number of questions which were asked him by Attorney Torrey. "Do you know of any money having been raised for the purpose of getting your franchise through council?" "I decline to answer," came the reply. "Will you give us a general idea of the amount of money received through your hands before the ordinance was finally passed?" "I refuse to answer that question," said Mr. Weyland, "on the ground that it may have a tendency to incriminate me."

"Did any money pass through your hands to be used directly or indirectly for the payment of councilmen? If so, how much, and to whom did you pay it?" Mr. O'Brien objected to this question on the ground that it was immaterial. Alderman Fuller overruled the objection, and then Mr. O'Brien directed Mr. Weyland to refuse to answer it. The latter did so, giving the reason that it might have a tendency to incriminate him. Mr. Torrey then asked three or four more questions along similar lines. He wanted to know if witness had any knowledge of any money being used for ill-legal purposes, or given to councilmen as a reward or gratuity for services rendered. Witness declined to answer both questions. Witness didn't know how much money had been expended by the company before the company secured the franchise.

MAKES AN ANSWER. He thought about \$2,000 would cover it. That was the sum paid over to George Hoen for the purchase of the telephone company. He did not know of any other money of the company's having been disbursed before the passage of the ordinance nor after its passage. "Well, then," said Mr. Torrey, "was any money disbursed by anyone connected with the company, whether it was the company's money or not, leaving out of consideration the \$2,000 paid over to George Hoen?" "I decline to answer that question," said Mr. Weyland, "on the ground that it might have a tendency to incriminate me."

"Well, I guess we've found the nigger in the woodpile at last," said Mr. Torrey, "it wasn't the money of the company that was used." At the suggestion of the league's attorneys, the alderman formally directed Mr. Weyland to answer the questions which he had declined to answer. Mr. Weyland refused to do so, and an information was immediately sworn out against him, charging him with the contempt of court. This was served upon him by Special Agent Robert Wilson, and Mr. Weyland entered bail in the sum of \$200, ex-Mayor W. L. Connell qualifying as his bondsman. Mr. Weyland's witness examination was conducted by Charles R. Godshall, Mr. Godshall's client, who was elected a member of the common council in the spring of 1899 to succeed ex-Chief of the Fire Department John H. Walker, who at that time was appointed chief by Mayor Mohr.

MR. GODSHALL'S EVIDENCE. He said, in reply to a direct question, that he had received money while in council in connection with the passage of the ordinance awarding a contract for a term of ten years to the Scranton Electric Light and Heat company. He was the chairman of the light and power committee of common council at the time of its passage. He had the ordinance up for a time because he favored the new company, which had put in a lower bid, but when he learned that the new company had dropped the plan, he voted for the contract ordinance and that ordinance was passed. About four weeks after its passage, he said, he received the sum of \$200 in an envelope from John H. Walker, at that time chief of the fire department. The money was given him by the ex-chief at the Crystal Green company's house on Linden street, and in giving it Walker had said it was a little present from the company for his services. This sum and the \$50 given him by Detective Harris, of the Rudolph, completed all the money he received during his service in council. He had been approached to vote for the new telephone franchise, but money had never been mentioned. He had no positive knowledge of any other councilmen ever having received any money.

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WILL CONTINUE TONIGHT. Rummage Sale Will Be Held in Price Building. The rummage sale conducted by the Ladies of the Linden Street Synagogue proved such a success Thursday and yesterday that it will be continued tonight. The store in the Price building will be opened at 7 o'clock this evening. Several hundred dollars were realized by the ladies in the two days the sale was held and this sum will form a substantial contribution to the building fund of the new temple. Guernsey Hall, Scranton, is the best and most reliable place to purchase a good Piano. It will pay you to call and get prices and terms. J. W. Guernsey, Prop. Steam Heating and Plumbing. P. F. & M. T. Howley, 221 Wyoming Ave. E. Robinson Sons' Celebrated Bock Bier on tap Saturday and all next week. Ask for Kelly's union crackers.

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