

TWO CENTS.

SCRANTON, PA., WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 21, 1901.

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LULL IN THE STEEL STRIKE

Steel Managers Succeed in Starting the Last Idle Mill at the Clark Plant.

THE TIE-UP AT WHEELING

No Effort is Made to Start Up at Any Point—Great Amount of Attention is Being Devoted to Strike Relief Plans—Many Men Who Are Out Need Money Already and the Demands in This Direction are Growing—The Tie-up at Wheeling

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Pittsburgh, Aug. 20.—Following the rapid moves of yesterday on either side of the great steel strike there was a lull today and neither side took decisive action that showed upon the surface. It has been quiet on the steel side with small victories and minor defeats for both sides, but it now seems to be settling down into a hard determined struggle in which neither side will acknowledge defeat while there is hope left. Speculation as to the length of time to which it will be prolonged and the extent of its spread is idle. Jos. Bishop, the Ohio arbitrator, appeared here again today, but both sides promptly repudiated the suggestion that further more for peace was being considered. The steel managers succeeded in starting the last idle mill at the Clark plant and are evidently planning a series of extensions at the other mills. There is a chance of success under existing circumstances. They will probably start the Star tin mills in this city and increase the force at the Lindsay and McCutcheon mills. An interesting feature of the fight against the steel strikers that Mrs. Fred Bough, wife of the superintendent, is escorting the strike breakers to and from the mill. She has always been very popular with the men she escorts. The steel managers are also arranging for more men for the Painter and Monessen mills, but have given no indication of the time that they will move on McCutcheon, Wheeling, New Castle and Belaire, the strongholds of the strikers. Meryl Preston, representing President Schwab, was here today and conferred with a number of the leading officials of the companies federated in the steel corporation and it is understood that general plans for the campaign were discussed. Mr. Preston and the officials whom he met would not talk for publication beyond expressing their satisfaction at the situation.

ALL IS PEACEFUL ABOUT COLON

Officers of Steamship Orizaba Say That Reports of Trouble are Great Exaggerated.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, Aug. 20.—The officers and passengers of the steamship Orizaba, which arrived from Colon today, said that the reports of trouble between Venezuela and Colombia were greatly exaggerated. "We neither saw nor heard anything of any trouble while in the harbor of Colon," said Captain Smith. "I did not go ashore myself but I know that everything was peaceful and quiet. The government had put a few soldiers on the train running across the isthmus, but that is often done." Colonel J. B. Shaler, general superintendent of the Panama railroad, who was a passenger on the Orizaba, ridiculed the reports of a battle and said there was no revolution in Colombia. Neither had there been any interference with his road.

THE CAPITOL COMMISSION IS ORGANIZED

Pennsylvania Architects Will Be Invited to Submit Plans.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, Aug. 20.—The capitol commission, created by the last legislature to complete the state house within the \$4,000,000 appropriation organized today by the election of Governor Stone as president. Edward Bailey, of Harrisburg, was chosen treasurer; Edgar C. Gerwick, private secretary to the governor, was elected secretary, and T. Larry Eyer, superintendent of public buildings and grounds, was chosen superintendent. It was decided to invite Pennsylvania architects to submit plans and specifications for the building. It is expected that the work will begin on the structure within the next three months.

Democrats at Bedford.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Bedford, Pa., Aug. 20.—The Democratic county convention today nominated Jacob T. Anderson, of Bedford town, as county director, and G. W. Backlund, of New Adams, for county surveyor. The resolutions adopted endorsed the platform of the state convention and expressed sympathy for the laboring men in the war against trusts. Extravagance of county officers was denounced, as was also the use of money in politics. Speeches were made by S. G. Starler, county chairman E. F. Kerr and F. E. Colvin.

Steamship Arrivals.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, Aug. 20.—Arrived: Frisland, Antwerp; Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse, Bremen; Grosser Kurftur, Bremen and Southampton; Cleared: Zealand, Antwerp, via Southampton and Cherbourg; Oceanic, Liverpool; Sailed: Aller, Naples; Lahn, Bremen, via Southampton; Southampton, Antwerp; Tarras, New York, via Cherbourg, for Bremen and proceeded; Plymouth—Sailed: Graf Waldersee, from Hamburg and Boulogne, New York; Boulogne—Arrived: Stauden, New York for Rotterdam (and proceeded).

TOWN IS HELD BY A MOB

Frenzied Whites Endeavor to Drive All of the Negroes from Pierce City, Mo.

SHOCKING BRUTALITY

Many Houses Are Burned Down—A Seventy-five Year Old Man Cremated in His Home—Arsenal Broken Open and Militia Rifles Seized—Outcome of Murder of White Girl.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Springfield, Mo., Aug. 20.—Pierce City, where the two negroes, William Godley and French Godley, the grandfathers of William, were lynched last night in connection with the murder of Miss Casselle Wilde, is today in the hands of hundreds of armed men, who are intent on driving all negroes from the town. All negroes' houses in the city are being fired by the enraged whites. One colored man, Peter Hampton, 75 years old, is said to have been cremated in his home. The mob broke into the arsenal of the local military company and is now in possession of improved rifles. So much excitement prevails that it is almost impossible to obtain over the wires a connected story of the outbreak. Correspondents have left here for the scene. Most of the negroes have fled from the town and abandoned their homes, which have been burned. A report was sent out that two negroes in addition to the two Gooleys were lynched early today. That is denied.

DAMAGE FROM THE CLOUDBURST AT YORK

The Storm Proves the Most Destructive in the County for Many Years—Loss, \$100,000.

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York, Pa., Aug. 20.—The flood resulting from yesterday's cloudburst has proved the most destructive in York county for many years. Estimates place the loss at over \$100,000. At Glen Rock, on the Northern Central railway every factory was inundated and numerous stores and dwellings were submerged. The loss there is estimated at \$25,000. Traffic on the Northern Central railway was suspended at noon yesterday, and up to today had not been fully restored. At York Haven the Susquehanna river rose six feet and destroyed the coffer dam constructed in the river by the York Haven Power company. The loss there is estimated at \$15,000. Hundreds of small bridges have been washed away and fields of growing crops are laid waste.

KILLED BY A LIVE WIRE

The Ambulance Corps Who Went After Johnson Badly Injured.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Winnington, Del., Aug. 20.—Harry Johnson, colored, driver of a coal wagon, while passing along Clayton street last night, raised his arm to brush away a wire that was hanging in the street. It was a live wire, and Johnson was instantly killed. The Phoenix ambulance was called to attend Johnson, and while responding was struck by a trolley car, and the four men comprising the ambulance corps were badly injured, as follows: Andrew Munden, the driver, collar bone broken and injured internally; Charles Simms, nose broken, arm sprained and leg strained; Emmet Morrow, ankle sprained, arm mangled and injured internally; Horace Gibson, several ribs splintered, arm wrenched, hip crushed and injured internally. Gibson is in a critical condition.

SCHWAB WILL NOT RESIGN

Number of Steel Magnates in Consultation at New York.

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New York, Aug. 20.—Ernesto Sapelli, steward on board the French line steamer La Gasconne, was arraigned before Commissioner Alexander today on the charge of attempting to bribe a United States examiner. He was held in \$2,500 bail for examination tomorrow. The steward of the steamship last Sunday, it is alleged, offered Boarding Inspector Junker \$5 for the admission without first passing through the baggage office of such married immigrant and \$5 for families. The steward, it is asserted, said that he had been in the habit of paying those prices. It is alleged that the frauds date back six years and that 10,000 immigrants have in this way entered the country.

Lycoming Democratic Ticket.

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THE PENNSYLVANIA KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Thirty-eighth Annual Session Held at Allentown.

THE TICKET AGREED UPON

Judge William Potter and Representative Frank G. Harris Will Make Up the Ticket.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Allentown, Pa., Aug. 20.—The grand lodge of Pennsylvania Knights of Pythias opened its thirty-eighth annual session in this city today. Mayor Shaeff and W. K. Mohr delivered the welcoming addresses and Grand Chancellor Thomson responded on behalf of the order. The report of officers showed the order has 461 lodges throughout the state, a loss of 8, and 4,885 members, a gain of 88; funds on hand and invested, \$1,075,117.83; relief paid, \$176,780.74; paid for burials, \$81,889.66; relief for families of deceased members, \$896.19. The following lodges were awarded prizes for the greatest gains in membership: Pittsburgh lodge, \$100; Lincoln lodge, \$75; Hawkins lodge, \$50; Onward lodge, \$25. Inevitable lodge received honorable mention. The Knights of Pythias grand lodge this afternoon conferred the degrees on 77 past chancellors. Officers were elected as follows: Grand chancellor, Charles G. Ernest; grand vice-chancellor, George M. Fletcher; grand prelate, Calvin Tomlinson; grand keeper of records and scrolls, George Hawick; grand master of exchequer, Julius Mountney; grand master of arms, W. E. Foltz; supreme representatives, H. M. Wadsworth and R. H. Jackson; grand inner guard, W. H. Faber; grand outer guard, Thomas S. Newell; grand trustee, William R. Henninger. The grand keeper of the exchequer reported receipts last year of \$18,888.77; payments, \$20,396.19; balance \$12,492.58. The grand lodge appropriated \$15,785 for the coming year. The membership rank has \$3,542,000 endowments in Pennsylvania and paid \$52,128.12 in death claims in this state. Warrants were refused greater Pittsburgh lodge and the lodge at McKeesport.

PLATFORM SENTIMENT

It Will Commend the Administrations of President McKinley and Governor Stone and Endorse the Official Acts of United States Senators Quay and Penrose—Meeting of the Conference.

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Valuable Jerseys Killed.

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Lancaster, Pa., Aug. 20.—A herd of eight fine Jersey cows belonging to John Hunsel, a farmer living near Maytown, this county, has been killed by order of the health authorities. They were affected with tuberculosis.

Kitchener's Report.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

London, Aug. 20.—Lord Kitchener's weekly report from Pretoria, dated Aug. 19, shows that 54 Boers were killed, 39 were wounded, 248 were made prisoners and 93 surrendered during that time.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today: GENERALLY FAIR

VERY POOR TRACK AT GRAND CIRCUIT

Audubon Boy Steals the \$5,000 Prize—Blue Grass Horse Way Back in the Race.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, Aug. 20.—Judge William Potter, of Harrisburg, for judge of the Supreme court, and Representative Frank G. Harris, of Clearfield, for state treasurer, have been named as delegates to attend tomorrow's Republican state convention, and the indications are their choice will be ratified by the delegates. There are no other candidates and the friends of the prospective nominees credit their nomination by acclamation. The platform will commend the administrations of President McKinley and Governor Stone, endorse the official acts of United States Senators Quay and Penrose, and commend the last legislature in so far as it redeemed party pledges. The campaign will be conducted by General Frank Reeder, of Easton, who will be re-elected chairman of the state committee. Neither Senators Quay nor Penrose, both of whom are on their vacations, will attend the convention. The customary meeting of the state committee the day previous to the convention to prepare the roll of delegates was dispensed with owing to the absence of the anti-Quay Republicans. The nomination of Potter and Harris and the apparent harmony among the delegates presages a small attendance at the convention. Chairman Reeder said tonight that the convention would convene at 10 o'clock and that it would complete its work without a recess within two hours. Mr. Harris has headquarters at the Lochiel hotel and this evening a delegation of his Clearfield friends, with the Du Bois hotel, gave a short street parade. Judge Potter is neither here nor has he headquarters, his canvass being in charge of Attorney General Elkin and other leaders. The judge is at present serving on the Supreme bench by appointment of the former governor. Governor Stone, the speech nominating him will be made by Recorder A. M. Brown, of Pittsburg. John H. Kelly, of Clearfield, will nominate Mr. Harris. A caucus of the Allegheny delegation was held this evening, at which it was decided to endorse no candidates, although it is predicted that the delegates will vote for Potter and Harris. A steering committee, with Senator William Flinn, the former leader of the anti-Quay Republican organization, as chairman, was appointed. There is a strong sentiment among the leaders in favor of the selection of Mr. Flinn for permanent chairman of the convention and it is not unlikely that he will be chosen. A conference of the leaders was held tonight at the executive mansion at which Senator Flinn was tendered the temporary chairmanship. He declined the honor, and J. O. Brown, Pittsburg's director of public safety, was chosen. Mr. Brown is chairman of the Allegheny delegation, and is a personal and political friend of Flinn. David H. Lane, of Philadelphia, will probably be permanent chairman. The platform committee, composed of the following: Philadelphia, will probably be chairman of the resolutions committee. The conference was attended by Recorders Brown, of Pittsburg and Murphy, of Allegheny; Senator Flinn, Director Brown, of Allegheny; General Elkin, Mr. Lane, Chairman Reeder and Vice Chairman Eyre. The platform as agreed upon at the conference endorses the state and national administrations, commends the right of both capital and labor to organize and recommends that the present labor troubles be settled by concussions and mediations; endorses the oleomargarine miners' new contract, and so forth. The platform will be passed by the last legislature; denounces the Democratic party as incapable, untrustworthy and incompetent and congratulates the people on the splendid condition of the state treasury.

Scottish Clans at Pittsburg.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Pittsburg, Aug. 20.—The twenty-fifth biennial convention of the Order of the Scottish Clans opened at this hall in this city today, with 120 delegates present from the United States and Canada. The convention will last three days and the sessions will be secret. The election of officers and the selection of the next place of meeting will be held on Friday. St. Louis will likely be chosen.

Four-Year-Old Girl Drowned.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

St. Bois, Pa., Aug. 20.—Mabel Mather, the 4-year-old daughter of M. C. Huber, of this place, drowned today by falling from the porch of her home into the flood that surrounds the house, owing to the heavy rains that have prevailed here since Saturday, at which flooded many of the low lying sections of the city.

Fort Riley Gun Victim.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Fort Riley, Kan., Aug. 20.—Private Mackey Sikes, one of the victims of Secretary's explosion of a gun cartridge, died today, making three dead. Revere's recovery is doubtful. The fort surgeon today removed one of Sergeant Mahoney's eyes. He will recover. The other injured are in good condition.

The Iowa Sails for Panama.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

San Francisco, Aug. 20.—The battleship Iowa sailed this afternoon for Panama.

OPEN LETTER FROM KNOX

The Attorney General's Reply to Committee of Anti-Trust League is Somewhat Peppery.

CAN GIVE NO INFORMATION

Mr. Knox Resents the Insinuation That He Has Been Officially Connected with the Carnegie Company—He Also Intimates that the Information Desired Could Have Been Procured Through Personal Inquiry, Thereby Avoiding the Doubtful Propriety of Addressing an Official by an Open Letter Delivered to the Press.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Attorney General Knox today sent the following letter to the joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives on the subject of the Carnegie Company, in reply to one from the committee requesting information from Mr. Knox regarding the United States Steel corporation:

Washington, D. C., Aug. 20. Mr. H. R. Martin, Chairman Joint Committee of Anti-Trust League, etc. Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of August 19, 1901, in which you request me to obtain for you certain information with reference to certain agreements and arrangements made between the constituent companies and individuals who organized the United States Steel corporation. You ask me to afford you all the information that I can possibly furnish, and you specifically refer to an alleged "trust or syndicate agreement" which you state the president of the United States Steel corporation, Mr. C. M. Schwab, "refused to furnish to the United States industrial commission when on the witness stand when before that body," and you further state that your request for information is to be understood as covering "any other company" and "any other kind of which you are acquainted or which you can obtain for us." You also request that your request for information be founded upon affidavit and belief that at the time this contract or these contracts were made that it was "in some way officially connected with the Carnegie company," and you therefore assume that the information which you require must be in my "possession or conveniently at hand." I am therefore requested to give the substance of the "trust or syndicate agreement," primarily, permit me to say that your request is founded upon an erroneous assumption. I do not know who the constituent companies are, nor do I know who the persons named in the newspapers as the promoters of that organization, with the single exception of the Carnegie company, and I know, never saw, and was never connected with any of them. I never heard of any agreement of the kind which you refer to, and I do not know of the constituent members of the steel corporation. Neither at the time of the formation of the United States Steel corporation, nor at any time, have I officially connected with the Carnegie company. I was formerly one of its legal advisers in the conduct of its manufacturing business, but was never consulted with reference to the formation of the United States Steel corporation in relation to the sale to that company of shares of stock held by the stockholders of the Carnegie company. I have never seen any papers or agreements to which you refer, nor have I been informed of their contents. I have no knowledge whatever of their existence, terms or substance, and I have no authority to give you both the spirit and the letter of your inquiry. I may say, moreover, that I have no access to the agreement or papers to which you refer, and I know nothing of the one to which you specifically refer, and do not even know that such an agreement is in existence. The information which you request, therefore, cannot be furnished to you, and I am unable to give you any information of the kind which you request. Very respectfully, (Signed) C. D. Knox, Attorney General.

Desire to Have Charter Revoked.

Washington, Aug. 20.—The following telegram was sent today to the Federation of Trades and Unions of New Jersey, at Camden, by the joint committee of the American Anti-Trust League and District Assembly 66, Knights of Labor: "We urgently request your organization authorize its legislative committee to take steps to secure revocation of charter of United States Steel corporation."

Worry Drove Him to Death.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Lancaster, Pa., Aug. 20.—Edward Gilling, 65 years of age, died in the county insane asylum a victim of grief. Four years ago he was a motorman on the Columbia and York line, and his car struck and killed a child. He was in the insane asylum since that time.

Philadelphia Loan Awarded.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Aug. 20.—Mayor Abbridge today awarded the city improvement loan of \$5,000,000, with interest at 8 1/2 per cent, to the applicants of bankers headed by the Citizens' Company at their bid of \$5,002,500 for the entire loan.

Pennsylvania Pensions.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 20.—These pensions have been issued: Marshall H. Smith, of Wilkes-Barre, \$5; Jacob Knight, of Thornhart, Lackawanna county, \$8.

Winery Destroyed.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Santa Rosa, Cal., Aug. 20.—The winery of W. H. Henshaw & Company was destroyed by fire today. The loss is \$150,000.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Forecast for Eastern Pennsylvania: Generally fair; Wednesday and Thursday; winds mostly light southerly.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Local data for August 20, 1901: Highest temperature 88 degrees; lowest temperature 70 degrees; relative humidity 54 per cent; precipitation 24 hours ended 8 p. m., trace.

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