

QUIET DAY AT WILKES-BARRE

Nothing of Consequence Has Developed About the Strike Headquarters.

PERSECUTION OF A FIREMAN'S WIFE

Driven from Home by Neighbors She Returns to Find the House and All of Its Contents Burned. Officials of the Mine Workers Issue Another Appeal to the Public Asking All Persons Not to Accept Employment with the Coal Companies—Fahy Discredits the Reading Story.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Wilkes-Barre, June 20.—This was one of the quietest days around strike headquarters since the mine workers suspended operations, six weeks ago. Nothing developed, and neither President Mitchell nor the coal companies' officials had anything to say regarding the situation. Reports from the entire region were to the effect that all the mining towns were very quiet, and that the 150,000 idle men and boys are keeping away from the collieries. The local unions continue to hold meetings for the purpose of transacting business in connection with carrying on the strike in their localities and to give relief where it is needed.

The flurry occasioned by the call for a special national convention at Indianapolis has entirely subsided. No information on what the probable action of the convention will be could be had here today. News from the West is eagerly awaited by the great body of strikers. President Mitchell's attention was called today to the explosion in the Williamson, W. Va., mine in which five men were reported to have been killed by some one throwing dynamite down the shaft. The national leader said he knew no more about the affair than what he saw in the newspaper, and therefore had nothing to say. He was non-committal when asked whether he had started any investigation as to the cause of the explosion.

District President John Fahy, of the Schuylkill region, arrived here tonight. He said he knew nothing about the report that the Reading company would shortly attempt to start a colliery. He said if the company intended to take such a step it would have an extremely difficult time in securing men to go into the mines to cut coal.

The wife of John Snyder, a fireman employed in the Dorrance colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal company, at North Wilkes-Barre, reported today to the officials of the company that her home and contents were destroyed by fire some time early today. Her husband, on account of annoyance that he has undergone, lives in the colliery. The wife said she has been so annoyed by her neighbors that she decided to move from North Wilkes-Barre to Stanton Hill, some distance away. While her goods were being removed to the new house, a number of men upset the wagon and damaged the furniture. The goods were finally landed in the house, but fearing that she would be harassed if she and her three children remained there alone over night, the woman went to friends in North Wilkes-Barre. Her home stayed until today. When she went to the house this afternoon, she says she found the house and all its contents burned. The company is investigating her story.

THE COAL AND IRON POLICEMEN FINED.

Eleven Are Arrested by the Chief of Police of Nanticoke.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Wilkes-Barre, June 20.—Eleven coal and iron policemen employed by the Susquehanna, Co., were arrested by the chief of police of the borough today, on the charge of firing revolvers and rifles Wednesday morning, in the built-up portion of the borough, without provocation.

Three of them were discharged and the other eight were fined \$5.00 each. The arrests were made so quietly that no guard was needed to protect the prisoners.

IN ROANOKE FIELDS.

Sheriff of Tazewell County Experiences Some Trouble.

Roanoke, Va., June 20.—There was little change today in the strike situation in the Pocahontas coal fields. The sheriff of Tazewell county is experiencing some trouble with miners in the vicinity of Pocahontas, but so far the Norfolk and Western railroad officials have no report of any serious encounters. About 375 cars were loaded yesterday and the output today is about the same. The officials today said they do not expect to make any gain in the tonnage of coal being mined until after the marching bands have worn themselves out, and the other men who are staying around their old haunts have laid down their arms.

any of the men now at work. The railroad people have no confirmation of the report that five miners were killed by strikers throwing dynamite into a shaft near Williamson, W. Va. The story was given out by some miners who passed through here yesterday, on a train bearing the bodies of two miners. The boxes bore certificates that the men had been killed by an explosion of dynamite, but beyond this nothing can be learned.

GILDAY RESTRICTS OUTPUT.

Clearfield Miners Ordered to Work Four Days a Week.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Clearfield, June 20.—Patrick Gilday, district president of the United Mine Workers, issued an official order today restricting that bituminous coal in being shipped to points east to aid in breaking the strike in the anthracite region. In order to prevent this it is ordered that the output of northern and central Pennsylvania be restricted, and the miners are notified not to work more than four days a week.

WILSON'S ESTIMATE OF COAL SUPPLY

A General Suspension of Mining Operations Would Cause Thousands of Factories to Close.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Indianapolis, June 20.—It is estimated by W. B. Wilson, secretary and treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America, that the present supply of bituminous coal in the United States would be exhausted in less than three months if there should be a general suspension of work in the mines.

According to the estimate, if the national convention of mine workers in Indianapolis, July 17, should vote for a general suspension of work, in support of the anthracite strike, as is now proposed, the vast industrial machinery of the United States would be handicapped for fuel so that thousands of factories would have to suspend work.

Mr. Wilson has statistics showing there are approximately 450,000 miners in the country, scattered through thirty states. The miners of twenty-four states would be actively involved in there should be a suspension of operations. In Idaho, Nevada, California, the Dakotas, North Carolina and two or three other states, brown coal is mined, but the organization did not take those states into consideration when it issued a call yesterday for a general conference.

There are now more than 300,000 members of the Mine Workers' organization. Mr. Wilson says that nearly every non-union man would go out if a general suspension of work should be ordered. During the first anthracite coal strike, two years ago, there were only 8,000 anthracite men in the organization, yet more than 125,000 men went out.

The anthracite organization now includes 47,000 men, and since the strike was ordered a few days ago, the Virginia and West Virginia men have been flocking to the union.

In Indiana 18,000 men are employed about the mine. The Indiana operators have a short supply of coal on hand. Probably the largest supply of coal is in the bins at Buffalo, N. Y., and other cities along the great lakes. Mr. Wilson says it is impossible to keep a large supply of bituminous coal long, because of the liability of loss from spontaneous combustion.

Anthracite can be stored indefinitely, but the supply in the collieries is now running short. The bituminous mines in most localities are being worked at capacity, but the supply is shorter than usual. Canada has no coal of the anthracite grade. If there should be a general tie-up, the British isles might supply a part of the market, but at a price that would be almost prohibitive to the manufacturers and ordinary consumers. The tariff on imported coal is sixty cents a ton more than the price of coal as a rule, for mining in the United States.

At the coming convention, the belief is that the competitive district, Western Pennsylvania, Indiana, Ohio and Illinois, will take a hand against a general strike. These states have contracts that they do not want to break. The combined vote of the competitive district, with that of Iowa, is expected to prove strong enough to prevent the success of the proposition for a general strike.

There is a number of states whose agreements will expire July 11, and it will depend largely on the outcome of the deliberations between their operators and miners as to where the balance of power will lie in the convention.

PEACE PROSPECTS GOOD.

Civil Government Established on the Island of Samar.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Manila, June 20.—The United States commission has returned here from the island of Samar, having completed the establishment of a civil government there. Acting Governor Wright says that in spite of the opposition of Guevarra's party the prospects for continued peace are good. All the military detachments have returned to Cebu island.

Cholera Increasing in Manila.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Manila, June 20.—The spread of cholera is increasing. There were 35 cases and 23 deaths from that disease here yesterday. The totals to date are: Manila, 1,599 cases and 1,197 deaths; provinces, 6,539 cases and 5,098 deaths.

COLLECTED PAY IN A NOVEL WAY.

Salesman for Butler Firm Gets His Check at Point of a Gun.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, June 20.—Francis W. Lestrade, a butter merchant, was compelled at the point of a pistol, today, to make out and hand over a check for \$2,500 to a man who entered his store, and later he caused the arrest of David Payne, a salesman. Payne was charged with felonious assault on Mr. Lestrade, and held in \$1,000 for trial.

Payne formerly was a salesman for the firm. He told the court that the firm owed him money for commissions and that he decided, having no money for lawyers, that the only way he could get the money was at the point of the pistol. Payne's arrest occurred before he had time to present the check for payment.

INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY.

Twenty-four True Bills Returned by Philadelphia Grand Jury.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, June 20.—Twenty-four true bills of indictment were returned by the grand jury today, charging Thomas F. G. Selkus, B. Frank Brown, Joseph Travis, Albert W. Wiedler, William H. Stiel and David Johnson with conspiracy to extort money and to commit bribery in connection with the appointment of school teachers. All of the defendants, except Johnson, are members of the Twenty-eighth ward sectional school board. Johnson is said to have acted as an intermediary between persons seeking positions as school teachers and the directors.

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The City is Guarded by Troops. Mayor Hinchcliffe in Control.

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The troops will remain on duty all night and be relieved by the deputies in the morning. No troops will do duty in the day time unless there should be serious trouble.

An organization has been completed, composed of fifty wealthy business men of this city to be known to the public as the Paterson Vigilance committee, but the membership and proceedings are not to be made public. Private detectives have already been engaged to shadow the leading Reds. The anarchists are to be induced to leave Paterson quietly if possible. If they do not go, the committee is said to have its own plan for action. One of the methods to be employed is said to be the keeping of a black list and no matter where in Paterson a man on it obtains work his employer will be notified to dismiss him.

If this plan be carried out it will starve out of the city all anarchists who may come here. It is said the committee has \$250,000 pledged by the men composing it to carry out its purposes.

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DOUBLE SUICIDE.

Bodies of Youraj Krizan and Wife Found Hanging in an Attic.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, June 20.—A double suicide by hanging came to light in Paterson today when the bodies of Youraj Krizan and his wife were found suspended in the attic of their room. A rope had been thrown over a beam and it was apparent that they virtually had hanged each other, and, with hands tied together had died face to face.

The husband was out of work and the couple were poverty stricken, unacquainted with the English language and without friends in this country. Krizan was 33 and his wife 28. The house is near the scene of the riots and it is believed the deed was done while a mob filled the street near the place yesterday.

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

Bad Effect of Prolonged Labor Controversies is Being Felt.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, June 20.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

Trade at the east is more quiet owing to the advancing season, and the bad effect of prolonged labor controversies is also being felt in certain lines. Reports from the interior and the far west are more encouraging; bountiful harvests being expected, while the light stocks carried over from the previous season assure profitable prices.

Uncertainty regarding their ability to secure pig iron at reasonable prices is making producers of steel cautious in accepting contracts that call for delivery at even remote dates. Raw material is undoubtedly in supply and the anthracite coal strike has suspended work at a number of furnaces. Iron production is attaining new records each week in the endeavor to supply all requirements and better delivery facilities are making unprecedented shipments of iron to the Pennsylvania region. Soft coal is beginning to show the effect of an abnormal demand.

In certain lines of finished steel products the addition of new plants to the productive capacity has had a perceptible influence on prices, introducing more competition. This factor is felt in only a few divisions of the industry, notably in steel bars and structural material, orders run far into next year and there is no question of concessions in quotations. Jobs having a surplus of labor and moderate quantities at a lower figure than the market rate, but steel bars are firmer.

It is noteworthy that prices in all textile lines are firmly held, despite the slow movement, indicating confidence on the part of sellers.

Lack of rain in the southwest is the only serious unfavorable crop indication of the week while exceptionally encouraging reports are received from most points. Domestic grain makes good progress but bad news has been received from abroad and the outlook is favorable for large exports.

Failures for the week number 194 in the United States against 181 last year and 19 in Canada against 11 a year ago.

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ANCIENT MONUMENT BILL UP.

Senate Considers a Legislative Legacy Dating Back to 1777.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, June 20.—A bill appropriating \$25,000 for a monument at Fredericksburg, Va., to General Hugh Mercer—a proposition which was authorized by congress in April, 1777—was discussed in the senate today. Mr. Gallinger of New Hampshire and Mr. Platt of Connecticut urged that there were other revolutionary heroes who ought to be honored with monuments, and Mr. Cockerill of Missouri registered his opposition to the bill and all similar measures. The bill went over on objection of Mr. Warren of Wyoming.

MILITARY SERVICE IS RECOGNIZED.

Acknowledgement Made of Ohio Civil War Artillery Regiment.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, June 20.—In the house today a bill was passed to recognize the military service of the officers and enlisted men of the First regiment of Ohio Light Artillery. The regiment served three months at the opening of the civil war, but never was formally mustered into the United States service.

RECHTIN WAIVES AN EXAMINATION.

Grand Jury to Act in Government Embezzlement Case.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, June 20.—Henry Rechten of Cincinnati, who was arrested yesterday on a charge of misappropriating \$7,800 funds in his care as disbursing officer of the department of justice, today waived examination in the police court, and renewed his bond of \$10,000. The case now goes to the grand jury.

SUNDY CIVIL BILL CLASH.

The Senate Insists on Retention of Its Amendments.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, June 20.—A partial conference report on the sundry civil bill was presented in the senate today by Mr. Allison and agreed to.

NO ACTION YET ON CUBAN RECIPROCITY

CANAL BILL IN HOUSE.

The Struggle in Its Interest Will Not Be Protracted.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, June 20.—Soon after the house had sent the canal bill to conference today, reports gained circulation among members that there was not likely to be a protracted struggle in conference, and that the senate amendment probably would be the basis of the ultimate agreement. One of the house conferees, Mr. Fletcher, of Minnesota, frankly stated to his associates that he thought an agreement would be reached on the Panama amendment.

Chairman Hepburn, of the house conferees, was not prepared, however, to concede that the fight was over. He cited the fact that the vote in the house had been practically unanimous in favor of the Nicaragua bill, only two adverse votes being cast. The Democratic conferee, Judge Davey, of Louisiana, also was counted on as strongly favoring the Nicaragua route. At the same time, the lateness of the session and the prevailing desire to avoid further complications in the senate, led to a rather general feeling among the members of the house that the senate amendment had something of an advantage in the conference.

CABINET DISCUSSES THE VENICE AFFAIR

Case of the American Naval Officers Imprisoned in Italian Jails Receives Attention.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, June 20.—The case of the American naval officers imprisoned at Venice was discussed at the cabinet meeting today, but the officials decline to make any statements in regard to it. It is known, however, that Secretary Moody, for the navy, has assured the Italian ambassador that the publication of the findings of the court of inquiry was entirely unauthorized and that the department would not have consented to it, had it been advised. As the ambassador is particularly annoyed by the severe criticism upon the Italian jails in the endorsement on the findings, it is probable that the affair will be smoothed over by an explanation to the effect that the navy department does not share in the same criticism, which is simply that of one of its officers, expressed as a matter of internal administration.

It was the general feeling that Admiral Crowninshield's comment on the course of Captain Dayton, in not attending personally to the defense of his officers called for serious consideration and that some action should be taken to secure from him either a report on this phase of the affair or an explanation of a formal character. Just what action in the circumstances should be taken was not determined.

The subject to which he refers was expressed as to the success of the canal proposition. Secretary Hay had a long conference before the meeting with Senator Morgan and other senators, and all the advice that had come to the white house before the cabinet meeting went to assure the president that some canal legislation at the pending session is a certainty, and almost as strong was the evidence that legislation would be in favor of the Panama project. So well assured is the administration of the outcome that discussion already has taken place of the bill to take to carry out the purposes of the act, and it is understood that the state department will deal with the diplomatic features of the canal project involving, of course, the consummation of the Colombian treaty, while the attorney general will pass upon the question of sufficiency of title to the Panama canal.

SYRACUSE RACES.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Syracuse, N. Y., June 20.—Excellent sport characterized the closing day's events in the Central New York circuit races today.

2 1/2 class, pacing—Sloppy Weather (Sheldon), won; Dora Highwood (Beaver), second; Lucy Posey (Kinney), third. Best time, 2:18.

2 1/2 class, pacing, (unfinished from Thursday)—Uncle Tom (Moody), won; Soubrette (Doer), second; Colonel Palmer (Dean), third. Best time, 2:24.

2 1/2 class, trotting—Hay M (Lobby), won; Gallant Boy (Dunbar), second; Topsy (Smith), third. Best time, 2:24.

Borchgrevink Will Lecture.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, June 20.—Captain C. E. Borchgrevink, the Antarctic explorer, who recently visited the volcanoes on Martinique and St. Vincent in the interests of the National Geographic society, will sail tomorrow on the steamship Campana, to deliver an address on the volcanoes before the Royal Geographic society in London.

Carnegie Declines.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. London, June 20.—Mr. Andrew Carnegie, in declining recently an invitation to become president of some school at Shipley wrote: "My work lies on the other side of the Atlantic. I am here for recreation. Requests to assume official duties on this side are so numerous that I have to make it a rule to decline."

Small Railroad Sold.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Uniontown, Pa., June 20.—The Fayette county railroad, a small line, Uniontown and Camelsville, was sold today to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad company for \$24,000. The road was formerly leased to the Baltimore and Ohio and suit has been pending to annul the lease. All litigation is now at an end.

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The speeches in support of the reciprocity bill were made by Senators Foraker, Beveridge, Lodge, Hale, Warren, Aldrich, McComas and Hanna; Senator Platt, of Connecticut adding a few words to what he had said at the Wednesday evening meeting. The two speeches in opposition to the proposed legislation were made by Senators Burton and Burrows. The speeches for reciprocity were all along the same general line and without exception were pleas for legislation and for party harmony.

Philippine Government Bill.

Debate on the Philippine civil government bill continued today in the house from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m. and at a session held tonight. The speakers were given close attention, each side enthusiastically applauding its respective orators. Mr. Jones, Virginia; the ranking minority member of the insular affairs committee, concluded his speech begun yesterday. The other speakers were Messrs. Hamilton, Michigan, and Kahn, California, for the bill and Mr. Patterson, Tennessee, against it. Mr. Kahn's speech was largely an interesting personal narrative of his experiences in the Philippines last summer. The insular canal bill was sent to conference after the senate amendment had been nonconcurrent in. The house reiterated the position it had taken on the army appropriation bill by ignoring the action of the senate and sending the bill back to the senate after voting to adhere to its disagreement to the objectionable army post amendments.

Senate Sessions.

No