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THE COAL STRIKE IS SETTLED

Washington, Oct. 16.--The strike is settled. Secretary Root at one o'clock announced that a common ground of agreement had been reached.

The President has named a commission of six persons to settle the strike, as follows: Brigadier General John M. Wilson; E. W. Parker, of Washington, D. C., connected with the geological survey; Judge George Gray, of Delaware; E. E. Clark, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Thomas H. Watkins, of Scranton, Pa.; Bishop John L. Spaulding, of Peoria, and Carroll D. Wright, as recorder of the commission.

PRESIDENT APPOINTS A COMMISSION

The Body Consists of Six Members, with Garrol D. Wright as Recorder.

THE OFFICIAL STATEMENTS

Personnel of Men Selected by Mr. Roosevelt--President Mitchell, of the Mine Workers, Will Urge Immediate Resumption of Mining, and Operators Expect to Begin Next Week.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 16.--The great anthracite coal strike is settled at last. A commission of six persons, with a seventh, Mr. Carroll D. Wright, as recorder, will adjust differences between operators and miners.

After a conference with Mr. Mitchell and some further conferences with representatives of the coal operators, the president has appointed the members of the commission to inquire into, consider and pass upon all questions at issue between the operators and miners in the anthracite coal fields.

BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN M. WILSON, United States army, retired, state chief of the geological survey, Washington, D. C., as an officer of the engineer corps of either the military or naval services of the United States.

MR. E. W. PARKER, Washington, D. C., as an expert mining engineer. Mr. Parker is chief geologist of the coal division of the United States Geological Survey and the editor of the Engineering and Mining Journal of New York.

HON. GEORGE GRAY, Wilmington, Del., as a judge of a United States court. MR. E. E. CLARK, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, grand chief of the Order of Railway Conductors, as a sociologist, the president assuming that the purposes of such a commission the term sociologist means a man who has thought and studied deeply on social questions and has practically applied his knowledge.

MR. THOMAS H. WATKINS, Scranton, Pa., as a man practically acquainted with the mining and selling of coal. BISHOP JOHN L. SPAULDING, of Peoria, Ill., the president has added Bishop Spaulding's name to the commission.

HON. CARROLL D. WRIGHT has been appointed recorder of the commission. "George Gray, judge circuit court, Third United States circuit since 1899; born New Castle, Del., May 4, 1849; graduated Princeton, 1870; studied law at Harvard; attorney-general of Delaware, 1878-85; United States senator, 1885-90; Democrat. In 1896 affiliated with the National (Gold Standard) Democrats in the presidential election; member of peace commission, Paris, 1898; member of the international committee of arbitration under the Hague convention, November, 1900.

Edward Wheeler Parker, statesman United States Geological survey and expert special agent twelfth census United States; born, Port Deposit, Md., 1850; educated in city colleges, Baltimore. Author annual report on production of coal in United States; production of coke in United States; production of good salt in United States; and other chapters in annual volumes of United States Geological Survey.

John Lancaster Spaulding, B. C., bishop of Peoria since 1877; born in Lebanon, Ky., June 2, 1840; educated at St. Mary's college, Emmitsburg, Md.; University of Louvain, Belgium and in Rome. Author religious mission of the Irish people, education and the higher life and other works. "John M. Wilson, brigadier-general, chief of engineers U. S. A. since Feb. 1, 1877; born in District of Columbia in 1837; graduate West Point 1860. In civil war reached brevet rank of colonel and volunteers and U. S. A. for gallantry

MR. BAER INTERVIEWED.

He Thinks the Strike Question Is Now Up to the President.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Wilmington, Del., Oct. 15.--President George F. Baer, of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway company, came here this morning on a Baltimore and Ohio Railroad train from Philadelphia. He remained here but a short time and then returned to Philadelphia on the Pennsylvania railroad.

A gentleman, whose identity was not learned and with whom Mr. Baer was in close consultation between Philadelphia and Wilmington proceeded on the Baltimore and Ohio train from Washington. It is known that the gentleman came on the train from New York. Mr. Baer declined to say who the gentleman was, but in reply to a question said he was not a messenger to President Roosevelt.

When questioned here about the strike, Mr. Baer said to a representative of the Associated Press: "I think it is now up to President Roosevelt to do something. I took it for granted that when the coal operators submitted their proposition to the president it was with the understanding that he would appoint a commission as suggested, if he does not do so it will be the end of it."

MITCHELL RETURNS TO WILKES-BARRE

Says That a Convention Must First Pass on the Question of Calling Off the Strike.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Oct. 16.--President Mitchell arrived here from Washington at 1:25 this morning. He was met at the railroad station by National Secretary Wilson. The Associated Press bulletins of the outcome of the Washington conference were read to him while he was surrounded by a small army of newspaper men. He was immediately congratulated and in reply for statement he said:

"Your congratulations should be withheld until we see who the six representatives on the commission are. I understood before I left Washington that there would be a sixth man and that he would represent labor. The whole matter will be placed before the joint meeting of the three executive boards of the anthracite region at their meeting at 10 o'clock this morning. I will wait up to see the full statement issued by Mr. Cortelyou."

In reply if he would comply with the president's request that coal mining be resumed immediately, he said he would make a more definite answer when he knew more about the matter."

After his interview with the reporters in the hotel lobby, Mr. Mitchell went to his office, on the second floor, where he was closeted with Mr. Wilson. While there, the correspondent of the Associated Press again went to him for further enlightenment on the situation regarding immediate resumption, and he made the positive statement that a delegate convention must first pass upon the question of calling off the strike. From the time of the calling of the convention, to its adjournment, is only a matter of three or four days. There is hardly any doubt that a convention will stand by any agreement he has made to President Roosevelt."

When Mr. Mitchell learned the personnel of the commission and was asked for a further statement, he replied that he would have nothing further to say until morning.

Steamship Arrivals.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Oct. 15.--Arrived: Oceanic, Liverpool; Celtic, Liverpool; Aller, Genoa and Naples; Pennsylvania, Hamburg; Cleared: First Bismarck, Hamburg via Plymouth and Cherbourg; Levantier, Havre; Sailed: St. Paul, Southampton; Teutonic, Liverpool; Plymouth--Arrived: Bluebird, New York; Southampton--Arrived: Philadelphia, New York; Glasgow--Arrived: Ethiopia, New York; Lizard--Passed: Priestland, New York for Southampton and Antwerp; Queenstown--Arrived: Germania, New York for Liverpool (and proceeded).

President Marroquin Captured. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Frankfurt am Main, Germany, Oct. 15.--The Frankfurter Zeitung publishes a despatch saying that General Fernandez has captured President Marroquin of Colombia, and has proclaimed himself dictator.

THE MIDNIGHT CONFERENCE

Representatives of the Coal Operators in Consultation with the President.

LONG DISCUSSION OF THE SITUATION

Commissioner of Labor Wright and Immigration Commissioner Sargent Present the Views of a Representative of Operators to Mr. Roosevelt--First Sign of Break in Conference at 12:55--Secretary Root Spreads the Glad Tidings Shortly After 1 O'clock.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 15.--President Roosevelt tonight resumed consideration of the strike situation, taking it up in his two conferences during the day with Mr. Mitchell, president of the Mine Workers' union. He went out for a long drive after these conferences, and on returning, met Mr. Carroll D. Wright, commissioner of labor, and Mr. Sargent, commissioner of immigration, at 12:55 this morning. He was met by Mr. Mitchell, and as a former labor leader himself had talked freely with the head of the miners' union. He gave the president the benefit of his views, and Commissioner Wright was able to communicate some information that has come to him as to the sentiment in the mining regions. Mr. Wright, having made a study of conditions in the anthracite fields, and having sources of information there, was able to be of service to the president. Later, two strangers to those about the temporary white house called and were shown an ante-room. Mr. Wright, having made a study of conditions in the anthracite fields, and having sources of information there, was able to be of service to the president. Later, two strangers to those about the temporary white house called and were shown an ante-room. Mr. Wright, having made a study of conditions in the anthracite fields, and having sources of information there, was able to be of service to the president. Later, two strangers to those about the temporary white house called and were shown an ante-room.

FEARS DYNAMITERS.

The Home of Mrs. Chiniqui Is Guarded by Soldiers.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Shenandoah, Pa., Oct. 15.--Mrs. William Chiniqui appealed to Colonel Rutledge this evening for protection. She said threats had been made to blow up her home with dynamite because her brother is a non-union man. A squad of soldiers is guarding the house tonight.

Molnoux's Second Trial Begins.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Oct. 15.--The second trial of Roland B. Molnoux, for the murder of Mrs. Katherine J. Adams, was begun today in the criminal branch of the Supreme court. Six jurors were empanelled and the court then adjourned till tomorrow.

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APPEAL FOR WARSHIPS

United States Minister Bowen at Caracas, Again Cables to the State Department.

COAST PROTECTION IS INSUFFICIENT

In View of the Present Critical Situation the Minister Asks That One or Two More Boats Be Sent to Reinforce the Marietta--He Fears That the Occupation of the Capital by the Revolutionary Forces Would Result in Riot and Pillage and Be Attended with Dangers to Foreigners.

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Washington, Oct. 15.--United States Minister Bowen at Caracas has cabled the state department, asking that one or perhaps two more warships be sent to reinforce the gunboat Marietta at La Guayra. In view of the present critical situation which has arisen at the Venezuelan capital.

Some time ago, when President Castro left his capital, Minister Bowen expressed to the state department his fears that an occupation of the capital by the revolutionary forces would result in rioting and pillage and be attended with great dangers to unprotected foreigners. Such a situation, it is inferred here, is again imminent.

The nearest war vessel to the scene of trouble is the gunboat Montgomery, which left Hayti, near the mouth of the Magdalena river, in Colombia, to look into a troubled situation. Owing to the interruptions to cable communication, the navy department has received no report from the Montgomery since she left Hayti, and it is feared that even if her services at Santa Maria are not now needed she cannot be reached with despatch. The Panther is still at Colon, and the Cincinnati has just arrived in Haytian waters.

There are several gunboats and cruisers which are destined for the Caribbean squadron which are ready for active service, namely, the Newark, Machias and Hancock, at Boston; the Hbat, at New London, and the Detroit, at Portsmouth, N. H. From Minister Bowen's advice it appears that a vessel is needed at the earliest possible moment, so it is probable that either the Panther or the Cincinnati will be ordered from her present station and sent to the Venezuelan capital.

The following cable message received at the state department this morning from Minister Bowen, dated last night at Caracas, shows the critical condition of affairs in the field.

"The army is still near Valencia. No particulars obtainable. Valencia closely surrounded and battle going on now."

FOOT BALL.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. At Philadelphia--University of Pennsylvania, 30; Gettysburg College, 0. At New Haven--Yale, 20; Wesleyan of Vermont, 0. At Cambridge--Harvard, 25; Wesleyan, 1. At Pittsburg--Westminster, 6; Western University Pennsylvania, 6. At Princeton--Princeton, 20; Haverford, 0. At New York--Columbia, 21; Swarthmore, 0. At Amherst--Amherst, 29; Holy Cross, 5.

The Scranton Truth Company.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 15.--Charters were issued by the state department today to the Scranton Truth Publishing company, Scranton; capital, \$125,000.

Pension Granted.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, Oct. 15.--A pension of \$17 has been granted Freeman Briggs, of Triggsville.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Oct. 15.--Forecast for Thursday and Friday: Eastern Pennsylvania--Fair; Thursday and Friday, variable winds.

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