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## COAL TRUST'S HARD FIGHT

New York Publisher Gives  
Magnates a Scare.

Proof of Their Violations of  
the Anti-Trust Law Piling  
Up Before the Interstate  
Commerce Commission.

The Interstate Commerce Commission returned to New York this week to continue the investigation into the complaint of W. R. Hearst, publisher of the New York Journal, that the coal carrying railroads have violated and are violating the anti-trust law.

The commission declined to postpone the hearing until the United States circuit court has passed on the right of the coal road presidents to refuse to answer questions as to contracts between the coal companies and the railroads.

Robert M. Olyphant, a former president of the Delaware and Hudson, one of the respondent railroads, was the first witness. He corroborated the statements of the other coal men who have testified that the price of coal to the public is to be raised 10 cents a ton a month until a maximum increase of 50 cents a ton is reached. He was not prepared to say that the increased cost of production would not exceed 30 cents. In fixing the increase the company takes everything into consideration.

Former Judge Campbell, the legal representative of the Reading system, declared his clients were ready to concede that the price of coal is about \$5 a ton, and that the price will increase until \$5.50 is reached.

Mr. Moot argued that as the D. and H. Company handles no coal but from its own mines neither the commission nor congress had any authority to investigate its prices. The commission overruled the objections.

A question to Mr. Olyphant relating to the 65-35 per cent contracts was objected to and sustained pending a decision on the point from Judge Lacombe.

When President Baer was recalled yesterday and examined by Commissioner Prouty, in reply to the first question President Baer said the rate on coal charged from the anthracite regions tapped by the Reading system about 180 miles to tidewater, is \$1.55 a ton. Thirty or forty years' experience had shown, Mr. Baer said, that the coal could not be carried for less.

"Notwithstanding the enormous increase of traffic," he said, "the cost of transportation has increased. The rates have not increased, but the cost of all supplies, except steel rails, has advanced within the last few years. In wages alone on the Reading system the in-

crease last year was \$1,200,000." During the strike, Mr. Baer said, the Reading system lost more than \$1,500,000 in freight alone on anthracite.

For nearly an hour Mr. Prouty questioned witness as to the fiscal report by the Reading system and its leased lines. Mr. Prouty wanted to know why a gross item of nearly \$2,000,000 was shown in the report as "improvements" and asked for details. "I do not understand," Mr. Baer replied, "that your commission has jurisdiction over the way the Reading shall keep its books or to what account it shall charge the moneys expended for improvements."

"The commission does not claim such jurisdiction," Mr. Prouty replied, "but has the right under the congressional provision to know what the railroad company does with the money it earns, so as to be able to determine if its charges are fair and reasonable."

M. S. Kommerer, of M. S. Kommerer & Co., operators at Sandy Run, the next witness, has an arrangement with the Jersey Central Railroad for transportation. The rates, he said, on coal approximate 15 per cent of the tidewater price of the product. After a long argument between counsel the commission ruled in favor of Mr. Shearn's contention that the coal purchase contracts are admissible as evidence. The commission decided that the only point before the United States circuit court is: "Can witnesses be compelled to submit their contracts to the commission?"

The array of evidence which Mr. Hearst has already presented to the commission to sustain his charges that the railroads and operators are willfully violating the law is causing the Coal Trust much uneasiness and the brainiest and trickiest lawyers whose services can be bought are being rushed to New York to save the monopolists from further exposure of their non-observance of the laws.

In the publisher of the Journal the Coal Trust has met a foe who will fight the "trustees of Providence" until the public has been shown how little regard these men have for law when its operation interferes with their opportunities to fleece mankind.

### Compromise Effected.

The dispute between Joseph B. Kremery, of town, and the officers of the Slavonian Evangelical Union, relative to pay for publishing the official organ of the organization, has been settled at the national convention, which was held last week at Braddock. By the terms of the settlement the union agrees to pay Kremery his claims up to date, also to pay the expenses of the numerous suits instituted during the past year. The publisher, on his part, waives the benefits of the contract, which was to bind both parties until July, 1904, and will not hold the union responsible for the subscriptions which will accrue from sending his paper to the members.

The Slavonic Truth, Mr. Kremery's paper, will still remain the official organ of the union, and the proprietor will receive \$150 per year for publishing notices, etc., inserted by the officers. The settlement is in the form of a compromise, which is satisfactory to the interested parties.

### Miners Going to Scranton.

The United Mine Workers' leaders yesterday afternoon made good their promise to take the coming convention away from Pottsville, and it was officially announced that Scranton had been chosen instead of Pottsville.

The employees of the Reading Company, whose grievances will be the principal topic of discussion, did not want the convention held in Pottsville, which is the headquarters of the company. At a conference of the leaders many favored not holding any convention, but to throw all the blame for a possible strike on the operators, by offering to leave the whole dispute to Judge Gray.

Owing to the inability to secure accommodations for delegates at Pottsville, however, the convention will be held in Scranton, at Music hall, commencing Monday next.

### Escaped Prisoner Returns.

While Joseph Kuretz was being escorted to the borough lockup Monday evening by Constable Furey the prisoner escaped from the officer. He was followed quite a distance by Constables Furey and Billman, but was not recaptured. Kuretz was arrested for making threats on a neighbor at Pond Creek.

This morning Kuretz voluntarily appeared at Squire Buckley's office and surrendered himself. He gave bail for his appearance at court.

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## BOARD OF TRADE.

Railroad Extension and Iron Works Enlargement Discussed Last Evening.

The weekly session of the Board of Trade was held last evening with Vice President Murphy in the chair. Hugh Malloy reported a recent conversation with Thomas Birkbeck in relation to free sites. He learned that Mr. Birkbeck stands ready at any time to give free sites to any worthy industry the Board of Trade might be able to locate here. No definite place was mentioned, as Mr. Birkbeck stated everybody knew where his lands are located. Mr. Malloy said that he believed Mr. Schwabe also, from conversations he had with him, stood ready to offer free sites.

Mr. Christian, of the railroad committee, reported that the secretary, Mr. Crawford, had received an answer from W. G. Besler, of the Jersey Central Railroad. Mr. Crawford not being present, nothing further was reported from this committee.

Before the above committee began work the matter of railroad extension had been discussed by the industrial committee and the secretary, Mr. Kline, had communicated with the officials. He read a copy of a letter sent to Mr. Besler and dated May 26, in which he called attention to the equipment of the company and the nearness of the same to Freeland and much other information. The answer of Mr. Besler was dated May 28 and stated that the officials had just returned from a visit of inspection of the road, which included a trip over the territory embraced, and the matter of the extension of the road to Freeland was discussed. President Baer decided that at least for this year the extension would not be made.

A discussion took place and some of the members thought the matter was still in a favorable condition and would be taken up at a future time.

The Carbon Stove Works, which desires to enlarge its plant and seek a new location, was brought to the attention of the industrial committee and the latter will correspond with the company.

Hugh Malloy suggested an improvement at the Public park in the form of a roof over the dancing pavilion, which would afford shelter in case of rain. He cited instances where many picnic and pleasure parties had been hastily broken up by rain and threatening weather.

A long discussion on the matter followed and was participated in by Messrs. Kline and McGoarty. It was finally decided to refer the improvements of the park to the improvement committee, to act with the park committee of council and the firemen.

Mr. Bohlin spoke of the necessity of a public fountain. No action was taken.

By invitation of the board, the directors of the Salmon Iron Works were present and President Maley addressed the board. He stated that the plant was firmly established so far as buildings, power, etc., were concerned, but that they lacked capital to install some necessary machinery, principally larger lathes. He said they were compelled to refuse a large order for work from a Philadelphia firm last week for the reason that their lathes were not large enough to face the castings, which were some twelve feet long. In the moulding department they are prepared to handle anything, but firms as a rule do not split their orders and as a consequence the local plant loses much work which they could have if their machine department was properly equipped.

The board will consider the matter of pushing the sale of additional stock of the Salmon Iron Works, so that revenue for necessary improvements to the plant can be made.

### Street Viewers Named.

The petition presented to court on Monday by Borough Solicitor John J. McBrearty, asking for the appointment of viewers for the proposed street extensions, was favorably acted upon by the judges and the following citizens of town have been named by the court to act as viewers to inquire into the advisability of extending the streets:

Extension of Centre street—Frank McLaughlin, Cornelius Gallagher and Hugh Boyle.  
Extension of Ridge street—James McHugh, J. P. McDonald and William Casper.  
Extension of Pine street—James Malloy, James Dennison and John Gallagher.

### Auditors' Report Accepted.

At the special meeting of the Foster township school board, held last evening for the purpose of approving the report of the auditors, all members were present except Secretary Weber. Mr. Johnson was chosen secretary and the audit was read and accepted. It will appear in Friday's issue of the Tribune.

The following bills were approved: J. J. Davis, auditing, \$10; Owen Moyer, auditing, \$10; Josiah Fairchilds, auditing, \$10.

## LOCAL NOTES WRITTEN UP

Short Items of Interest to  
All Readers.

Happenings of the Past  
Two Days in and Around  
Freeland Recorded Without  
Waste of Words.

The union miners' mass meeting at the Grand opera house on Monday evening was largely attended by the Freeland and Drifton members of the U. M. W. of A., and the addresses of the several speakers were well received. This evening the district officers will visit Upper Lehigh and address the members of Local Union 1521.

Roger J. Dever, of town, is one of the graduates of the law department of Dickinson college, Carlisle. His brother, P. J. Dever, left for the latter city on Monday to be present at the commencement exercises. Attorney Dever is a bright young man and his friends predict for him a successful career.

Misses May Evans, Sarah Kuntz, Katie Sippel and Laura Winter, members of this year's High school graduating class, returned this morning from Bloomsburg, where they passed an examination for admission to the second year of the state normal school at that place.

The Tigers will play on Saturday at Reading and the members of the club are practicing daily for the game. Their recent defeat at Berwick has shown them the necessity of devoting their spare time to practice. On Sunday afternoon the Tigers play at Minesville.

One or two fine horses, suitable for pleasure or work, can be purchased from George Hudock, East Main street.

The tenth annual convention of the German Catholic Societies, or the Staats Verband as it is officially known, is in session this week at Wilkesbarre. The national convention of the Emerald Beneficial Association is also being held at the county seat this week.

Samuel Brislin, a brakeman on the night freight on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, while shifting cars at the Lumber Yard this morning fell and had the toes of both feet taken off. He was taken to the Miners hospital for treatment.

Joseph Phillips, of Hazleton, has been appointed superintendent of the Freeland Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, and will assume charge on July 1, the date of Superintendent Meyer's retirement.

The parade and picnic committee of the Citizens' Hose Company met last evening and began their preparations for the big demonstration to be held under the firemen's auspices on July 4.

"Minnesota's Best" flour is sold by A. Oswald. There is none better made.

Michael Fairless has tendered his resignation as foreman of the machinery department of Coke Bros. & Co., at Drifton, to take effect on July 1. He will locate in Lackawanna county.

The Pine street property of John Cannon, of Allentown, consisting of a house and lot, has been sold to Adam Debrosses, of Drifton, for \$1,925.

Mrs. Mary Klose, of Upper Lehigh, was taken this afternoon to Laurytown hospital to receive treatment for an attack of paresis.

The two hundredth anniversary of Methodism will be celebrated at the Park M. E. church on the evening of the 21st inst.

Frank Gallagher, who resigned his position as butcher for W. J. Brogan, has gone to Long Island, N. Y.

B. R. Davis returned last evening from a three days' visit to Columbia county friends.

Andrew Zeman, of Windber, Somerset county, is visiting friends and relatives in town.

Mrs. Thomas E. McHugh and family have removed from Main to Adams street.

The June meeting of the borough school board will be held tomorrow evening.

Miss Maggie Gill is visiting friends in New York city.

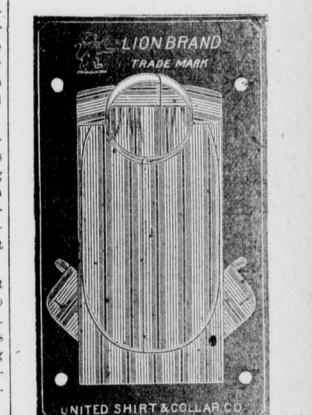
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