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"In many respects it was a most remarkable gathering. It was remarkable in having among its members men from all branches of railway service; it was remarkable that most perfect harmony was a marked characteristic during its entire proceedings; it was remarkable, for it proved that there are just as able minds toiling to maintain the tracks and bridges of the railways or in trucking freight as there are sitting at the telegraph keys, at the throttles, or in the cabooses or Pullmans; it was remarkable as refuting the statements made that concord could never exist in a convention, the members of which were drawn from different branches of the service; and it was also remarkable for the immense amount of work which it accomplished in such a short space of time.

Large Montana Membership.

"We have more than 750 members in Montana alone, 100 of whom are in Butte. The membership is divided up among the various roads in the state, and is increasing every day.

"We are not in favor of strikes. We condemn strikes as injuring the workman only. We believe in having our organization so complete and so effective that reasonable demands will receive the universal support of the members and be met with consideration from the employers.

"There are about a million and a quarter railroad men in the United States and within a year we expect to have at least 250,000 of those members in the United Brotherhood of Railway Employees."

Receiver John F. Harris of the Snohomish and Tramway mines has given the federal court a report on his operations at the mines during December.

In the document he states that no work was done in the Tramway during the month, but from the Snohomish 1406.99 tons of ore were taken and sent to the Butte & Boston smelter for treatment.

The disbursements of money in connection with the operation of the property aggregated \$10,724.70. The cash on hand at the end of the month amounted to \$205,697.23.

The receiver says the Snohomish ore bodies are looking fine, but on account of the low price of copper he has been compelled to reduce the working force.

"I shall not depart from the policy adopted from the start—work the property in such a way that it will always show a safe balance on the profit side of the ledger," says Mr. Harris. "Whenever I shall reach the point where profits are not safely assured I shall ask the court for an order to close down the works until such time as the state of the copper market will insure a reasonably fair profit on the product of the mine."

Much Development Work.

As to development, the receiver says: "During the past year we have done a large amount of work in the Snohomish mine, as follows: Drifts and crosscuts run, 1787 feet; winzes sunk, 181 feet; raises made, 424 feet; total, 2392 feet. The north vein, which has produced nearly all the ore for the year, is a narrow vein the average pay width being less than two feet. Notwithstanding the large amount of stopping done and ore raised, we have a much larger and better ore reserve standing in the mine than ever before.

"I received a notification from the smelter heretofore treating our ores to the effect that it could no longer pay us the same price for our product as that formerly paid. Upon receipt of such notification I invited proposals from the various smelters handling copper ores in this district and in the state. The most favorable bid was that of the Butte & Boston company, which I have accepted, subject, however, to the approval of this honorable court.

"I have also been notified by the Butte & Boston company to the effect that beginning with January 1, 1902, a somewhat higher rate would be charged for the hoisting service heretofore performed for the receiver by that company; also of an increase in the rent for the use of air drills. I have, provisionally, accepted the new scale."

FOUND HIM GUILTY

PALIROVICH, THE PAWN BROKER, CONVICTED.

APPEAL AVAILS HIM NOT

Judge McClernan Takes the View That the City Ordinance Closing Pawnbroker Shops in the Evening Is a Good Law.

Judge McClernan has found Victor Palirovich guilty of the offense of violating the city ordinance closing pawnshops in the evening. Palirovich was convicted in the police court and appealed the case. He had kept open in the evening.

For two days the district court gave the case a rehearing as to the law, it being submitted upon an agreed statement of the facts. The appellant's attorney took the stand that the ordinance was invalid on the ground that the city council has no power to prohibit a pawnbroker from keeping its store open, its powers being confined to that of regulating pawnshops. The court took a different view.

Sentence will be passed upon Palirovich by Judge McClernan on next Saturday.

IS AFTER FIGHTERS

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE DRAWS COMPLAINTS.

HAD THREE LITTLE CONTESTS

Entertainment at Fairy Palace Saloon Monday Night to Result in Arrests—Peters, Jones, McFadden, Pope, Smith and Butler Defendants.