

COAL OPERATORS READY TO FIGHT

MEET IN NEW YORK AND AGREE TO TRY TO BREAK THE STRIKE BY WORKING SCAB MINERS.

INSTRUCTIONS SENT TO MINE SUPERINTENDENTS

Said to Be an Informal Meeting But the Agreement Reached Will Be Lived Up to—Want No Interference From the Civic Federation—Thought That J. P. Morgan Will Keep Out of Fight.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 21.—Presidents of the coal-carrying roads in secret session have discussed plans to break the strike of the miners in Pennsylvania.

Every road operating in the anthracite fields was represented.

"No surrender," was the slogan of the mine operators, and when the meeting was adjourned it was said the railroads were prepared for a protracted struggle, in which every resource would be brought to bear upon the strikers.

Conferences between the miners and the operators have been abandoned and the mine owners now intend to force the fighting.

Instructions embodying the demands of the coal operators will be forwarded to the superintendents of the mines today.

It is believed the mine owners will send non-union miners to the field in sufficient numbers to operate the properties, one at a time.

The meeting was informal, but most of those present admitted that it had been agreed that under no circumstances would the civic federation be allowed to act between them and the miners. If any agreement is reached, it will be with a committee of miners.

It was declared that J. P. Morgan will not interfere in the matter.

COMBINATION RUMORS WEST AFRICAN TRADE

Gigantic Scheme Only Awaiting Few Incidental to Become an Accomplished Fact.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 21.—In its issue of today the Gold Coast Globe will state an authority that the various rumors of a combination in American hands of the Western Africa trade interests have become an absolute certainty.

A gigantic scheme is only awaiting the fulfillment of one or two incidentals to become an accomplished fact.

The capital of this new company will run into many millions and is privately subscribed by parties who will engage in the control of the West African, British and American interchange of trade.

It will be a powerful American combination in the fullest sense of the word, although among the members of the original syndicate will be several of the most prominent West African shippers. The existing shipping interests will be included as well.

FIRE AT WORCESTER, MASS.

Newspaper Plant Insured for \$30,000 Completely Destroyed.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Worcester, Mass., May 21.—A four story brick building owned by John E. Day and occupied by the Spy, as a composing, press and stereotype room and as a wholesale house for the E. G. Higgins Wall Paper company was destroyed by fire early today.

The flames spread to the Dickinson & Flagg building north and south of the burning building and to a three story frame dwelling on Eden street occupied by three families, who escaped.

The insurance of the Spy company is \$30,000 and its loss is total. Losses on the Day buildings is estimated at \$150,000 to \$200,000. This does not include stock.

It was nearly four o'clock when the fire was brought under control.

ASK FOR SHORTER HOURS

Planing Mill Union of Portland May Walk Out.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Portland, Ore., May 21.—Unless the planing mill owners of this city grant a nine hour day to the Planing Mill union the members of every union affiliated with the Building Trades council threaten to walk out.

Planing mill owners say they will not meet the demands of the union and it is probable that 2,500 men in the building trades will be idle tomorrow.

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Mount Vesuvius, the World's Best-Known Volcano, Now Anxiously Watched by Neapolitans.



Residents of Naples are anxiously watching Mount Vesuvius, the best known volcano in the world. Cablegrams from Paris and Rome report it as again in eruption, but this is denied in Naples, the beautiful Italian city whose existence depends upon the gigantic volcano. Its eruptions—which occur at comparatively short intervals—have destroyed thousands of lives and property of incalculable value. That of the year 79 A. D., which covered Pompeii under thirty feet of ashes and killed about 2,000 people, is the most interesting, chiefly because it was the means of preserving the beautiful Roman city near the base of the mountain. The vast volume of smoke which pours out of the crater of Vesuvius is really steam. There is an observatory on the mountain under the charge of a director, and much of the information now possessed by men concerning volcanic action and its causes has been gathered in that place.

STORIES OF THE SURVIVORS

Mate Scott of Steamer Roraima and Several Others Arrive in New York and Tell Their Experiences in St. Pierre Harbor.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] New York, May 21.—The steamer Korona has arrived from Fort de France, Martinique, having on board the survivors of the steamer Roraima, lost in the St. Pierre disaster. These are First Mate Scott and Charles Thompson (colored), assistant purser.

They decline to discuss their experiences. Neither shows much evidence of hard usage.

Joseph H. Fraits, second steward of the Korona, told the following story: "We did not know that St. Pierre had been destroyed when we left Barbadoes. We knew there had been an eruption, because we heard the noises and saw great clouds of ashes which had covered Barbadoes. We went off to St. Pierre to get the passengers and mail, as usual."

"When we arrived off the town we saw that it was in ruins. Clouds of smoke were rising in the air so that we could not see Mount Pelee and streams of lava were running down to the sea and water which was discolored."

Thompson's Story. G. Thompson of St. Louis was traveling in the West Indies and was in Barbadoes when the eruption occurred. He also came up on the Korona, and made this statement:

"About 4:30 p. m. on Thursday, May 8, in Barbadoes, it suddenly became intensely dark. The people were panic-stricken. All the lamps had been lighted in the houses. A shower of volcanic ashes covered the entire place to a depth of three inches or more. The noise of the eruption was plainly heard and sounded like cannonading."

"When the Korona arrived off St. Pierre on Friday morning, May 9, the town was still on fire. The place was a picture of absolute desolation. We went in until we were about 500 yards off shore and did not see a living thing. We could not see Pelee for the cloud of smoke that obscured it. The water was full of floating bodies."

Captain John Carey of the Korona related how he reached St. Pierre, and on learning of the destruction of the Roraima put back to Fort de France, where he took on board four of its survivors—Scott, Thompson and two colored men from St. Kitts.

Rain, Mud and Fire. On the way up Scott told the story of his experience. He said the Roraima got into the harbor about 6:30 a. m. on the 8th, and about 8 or 8:30 a great explosion came from the mountains. Naturally it began to rain and mud and fire over the harbor. Captain Muggah jumped on the bridge, leaved away and got up anchor quickly.

He then went forward, where he began to superintend the work of getting up the anchor. They had not got more than a few fathoms of chain when there came

a great river of lava, reaching down the mountain side and plunging into the bay. It shoved the water in the harbor back and sent the Roraima on her side. Muggah was on the bridge at the time.

During the rush of water the decks were swept clean. All her deck works, boats, and bulwarks were torn away and went overboard.

He saw Captain Muggah swept away with the wreckage. Saved by Colored Men. Scott was dashed to the deck by the crew in their mad flight and trampled under foot, but for the action of two of the steerage passengers, colored men from St. Kitts, he would have perished with the others who were burned to death by the lava which poured in on the vessel.

The men dragged him into a storage room, where he stayed with them, and by wrapping their heads in blankets they succeeded in escaping serious injury. Meanwhile Thompson, the assistant steward, who was on deck when the first outburst came, succeeded in reaching his room and closing the door, and remained there until the worst of the first shock was over.

An open ventilator let the flames reach him and he was burned about the neck and lost one ear.

When the first shock had passed he managed to reach the steerage, where he joined Scott and the two colored men.

Cruiser Came Along. They gathered the passengers who were still alive into the steerage, and all who were able joined them in fighting the flames back and keeping them confined to the afterpart of the vessel until the cruiser Suchet came along and took them off.

Before they were rescued they started to build a raft under Mate Scott's direction, and this was nearly completed and provisioned for the attempt to get away from the death hole in which they were in.

Mate Scott said Captain Muggah was carried away with the ship's superstructure. Daniels, the ship's cooper, jumped overboard and tried to rescue him. He had a hold on the captain and dragged him on a hatch cover which was floating by. He then saw that Captain Muggah was already beyond all help. He said his chest and abdomen were torn away as though cut off with a knife.

Leaving the body on the hatch, Daniels swam back to the ship and helped the survivors fight the flames. He was himself badly burned.

Bob Worley, second officer, was fatally burned. He is among those left in the hospital at Fort de France.

Shower of Ashes. A donkey engineer, Andrew Jettlan, was killed in front of his engine. Mate Scott's son was also among the killed.

Mrs. Reid, stewardess, was in the alleyway forward and is horribly burned, but is among those who will recover.

Thompson saw the tide were coming, and called to Purser Braun, who was leaning on the rail of the promenade deck to run. Braun was swept away with the superstructure.

Second Officer McCarthy of the Korona says the Talisman had even a more peculiar experience than his ship with the shower of ashes. The Talisman was 120 miles south-southwest of Barbadoes when the eruption came. He said:

"When she came into Barbadoes where we were lying, her decks were covered with the fine blue dust. Here was a ship nearly 125 miles from the island on which the eruption occurred, which experienced even a heavier shower of dust than we did at 20 miles."

REPORTED NOISES HEARD ON LEEWARD ISLANDS

Firey Cloud With a Fleecy Cap Seen Off the West Coast of Dominica.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] St. Thomas, D. W. I., May 21.—It is reported here from St. Kitts, in the Leeward Islands, that on Monday night and Tuesday morning noises similar to those heard May 8 were again audible, but louder and with greater distinctness. Some of the houses there were slightly shaken by the concussion.

From the British Island of Antigua, and the French Island of Guadeloupe loud detonations from the south are reported. Another report, which has reached here from the British Island of Dominica, is that at 4:30 Tuesday morning a curious, awe-inspiring, fiery cloud, surmounted by a fleecy white cap resembling highly polished silver was seen from Rosseau (on the west coast of Dominica) on the south-east.

This phenomenon caused much alarm in Dominica, especially as lightning followed in its wake.

NEWS STORIES BRIEFLY TOLD

NEW YORK.—The train bearing President Roosevelt and his party to Washington, left Jersey City at 12:34 o'clock this morning.

NEW YORK.—Carl Mann, the vegetarian, won the pedestrian race from Brest to Vienna, the distance being 127 miles. The next man, a meat eater, finished one hour and fifteen minutes behind Mann.

DENVER.—W. Travers Jerome, district attorney of New York, has accepted the invitation of the Colorado Bar association to be present at the meeting of the association at Colorado Springs June 1 and 2.

FORT DE FRANCE.—The cloud which issued from Mount Pelee yesterday morning was composed of cinders. It was estimated that 20,000 people rushed out into the streets into the town shrieking and praying.

PORTLAND.—James Williams, alias McDonald, who shot and killed George Hicks, alias "Cockey George," on May 11, walked into the county jail and surrendered himself to the jailer shortly after midnight last night. Williams said that he had been in this city all the time, but that he had become tired of hiding to evade the officers.

RUSSIA'S CZAR AND MR. LOUBET

FRENCH NAVAL OFFICERS ACCORDED AN ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION BY RUSSIAN POPULACE.

PRESIDENT RECEIVED BY THEIR MAJESTIES

State Banquet at Which the Muscovite Monarch Toasted the Frenchman and Wished Him a Hearty Welcome—Proof of the Sentiments Uniting the Two Nations—Return of Squadron.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Tsarskoye, Selo, Russia, May 21.—The czar and President Loubet arrived here yesterday afternoon. The czar accompanied his guest to the palace where President Loubet will reside.

The president of France subsequently called on the czar and the czarina. The French naval officials have been accorded a reception from the people only a degree less enthusiastic than that given to President Loubet.

The sight of a French uniform is everywhere the sign of an ovation. It is considered that the French squadron will return home via Copenhagen and in any case it will avoid passing through the Kiel channel.

President Loubet later received their majesties and conversed with them for a quarter of an hour. Then he called on the dowager empress at Gatschina.

Their majesties gave a state banquet in the evening in honor of President Loubet's visit, in the magnificent Salle des Fetes. Guests to the number of 180 were present.

In his toast to the president of France, the czar said he wished him a hearty welcome and that he hoped his visit would afford proof of the sentiments uniting France and Russia.

In his response President Loubet said he reciprocated the friendly sentiments expressed by the emperor of Russia.

CHANGING FLAGS IN CUBA LIBRE

MANY PEOPLE AT SANTIAGO TO WITNESS CHANGE OF NEW GOVERNMENT.

BUSINESS SUSPENDED—ALL SALOONS CLOSED

Cuban Army Paraded the Streets and Had Some Old Cannon That Had Been Kept in Hiding—Band Played Star Spangled Banner—Exchange of Courtesies and Emblems.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.] Santiago de Cuba, May 21.—The ceremonies which took place here yesterday, attendant on the transfer of the island to the Cubans, brought thousands of people from all parts of the province into Santiago.

Mayor Bayardi gave a banquet to General Whiteside and presented him with a cane and Cuban flag. General Whiteside reciprocated with the gift of a beautiful American flag. The Cuban army paraded through the streets of the city and in processions were cannons which heretofore have been concealed in the mountains.

All flags in Santiago were at half mast in honor of Jose Marti and the Cuban soldiers who died in the revolution.

The graves of the dead soldiers were decorated. In the military processions were 500 veterans and it is estimated that as many as 50,000 persons witnessed the parade. The troops and band of the United States cavalry also took part in the parade.

The Band Played. At noon an immense crowd congregated in front of the palace. On the stroke of 12 General Whiteside lowered the American flag which flew above the palace while the band played the "Star Spangled Banner." The Cuban flag was at once raised in its stead.

The American troops then embarked on the Ward Line Segurancero, which steamed away at 1 o'clock.

The farewell to the Americans was most enthusiastic and vociferous.

On account of the general excitement, Mayor Bayardi ordered that all the saloons in Santiago be closed.

At night a general celebration in honor of the new republic was celebrated. All business will be suspended here for three days.

In Silk Attire. (Leslie's Weekly.) Since his accession to the throne an inexhaustible supply of anecdotes has been opened up about King Edward when he was Prince of Wales. A well-known military sporting and traveling baronet was privileged to send his first invitation to his future sovereign to accept his hospitality. The baronet donned knee-breeches and silk stockings, and thus arrayed he received the prince, who, grasping the hand of his host warmly, whispered in his ear, "My dear—run upstairs and put on your trousers. Those things you have on are not worn when I come without the princess." The rapidity of the change made by the baronet surpassed any ever seen on the stage.

As a Matter of Course. (Baltimore News.) We find Farmer Hayricks leaning on his hoe in an attitude of centuries-weighting-on-his-brow, and we ask him gently, "Do you expect to accommodate city people at your place this summer?" Whereupon he removes his depressed atmosphere long enough to reply: "Well, I calculate 't board an' lodge some o' th' fellers that's goin' t' th' coronation, but I don't know as I'm goin' t' be any too durnd accomodatin'."

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