

TALKING OVER SCHWAB OFFER

IN SECRET SESSION MANY HOURS ARE SPENT.

CONSIDERING PEACE PLAN

If Strike Has Not Been Settled Belief Prevails That Is Surely Will Be.

Pittsburg, Sept. 5—The prevailing opinion in Pittsburg is that the great steel strike is practically settled, but absolutely nothing positive can be learned from either side to the controversy.

The day was spent by the Amalgamated advisory board in a secret meeting behind doors that were guarded closer than ever before. The newspaper "dead line" was drawn most effectually. When final adjournment for the day came at about 7 p. m., all who had been inside headquarters refused to say a word in answer to insistent questions, and no one volunteered a statement. When the meeting was over it was learned for the first time that President Shaffer had not been with his colleagues during the afternoon session, and his whereabouts up to 11 o'clock tonight are unknown. Secretary Williams also disappeared shortly after adjournment, and he, too, cannot be located.

It is the belief of those who are familiar with the strike proceedings throughout, that the two gentlemen have started on another unannounced and mysterious visit to New York City. It is believed that the morning session of the advisory board must have decided upon a plan by which President Shaffer could go to New York and complete the arrangements for peace, which it is supposed were started by the conference yesterday between the Steel magnates and presidents of the several trade unions.

The only approach to a statement of the condition of affairs was made by Trustee John Pierce today, who said it was impossible to accept the proposition made by the United States Steel corporation, as by doing so, some of the members of the Amalgamated association would suffer.

"It would be unjust to our members," said Pierce, "to accept such terms. We have made no counter proposition and still insist on terms made and are willing to arbitrate differences. The committee that visited President Schwab had no authority from the Amalgamated association to settle the dispute. The members were acting on their own responsibility. The strike is in the same position today as it was before the conference was held in New York yesterday. The local situation is practically unchanged but it is in better shape than it was last week. We have made some gains and are still confident that we will win. It will be impossible for the corporation to operate its plants satisfactory without the aid of the Amalgamated association men."

Pierce would not say that all negotiations had been broken off, and his intimation that the Amalgamated association is willing to arbitrate differences would indicate that all efforts for peace have not been abandoned. Aside from the mysterious conference there was nothing much of a startling nature transpired in the strike, in this city.

Both at Home.

Pittsburg, Sept. 5—Rumors were current all the evening that the gentlemen had gone to New York, but at a late hour tonight both Shaffer and Williams were found at their homes.

PEACE CONFERENCE.

Schwab Makes Offer But Limits Time It Will Be Open.

New York, Sept. 5—The conference of the members of the steel strike conciliatory committee was resumed at the Ashland house at 5 o'clock and continued until 8:30, during which time there was more telephoning. When the conference adjourned Mr. Mitchell explained the point it reached in the negotiations to be that the proposition of the Steel corporation has not yet been acted upon by the Amalgamated association, but the board will probably reject it tomorrow. Nevertheless he expressed the hope that the strike would yet be amicably settled, though he declined to indicate how he hoped that this would be brought about.

Mitchell while disclaiming that he was for the committee and saying that he was merely giving information to the accommodation of the press when the negotiations between the

Amalgamated association and the United States Steel corporation, in regard to the strike, were broken off, the conciliatory committee of the National Civic Federation endeavored to bring representatives of both interests together or to act as mediators between them.

"We opened communication with the advisory board of the Amalgamated association at Pittsburg and received permission to submit propositions for it to the United States Steel corporation. These propositions we submitted yesterday at the conference. The company rejected the propositions. We then discussed the situation at length with Mr. Schwab and his colleagues and obtained from them conditions upon which they would agree to settle the strike, these terms to hold good until this (Thursday) evening.

"We submitted these terms to Shaffer and his colleagues. We were advised by representatives of the Amalgamated association this afternoon that there was not sufficient time to consider propositions; that officers at Pittsburg headquarters had no authority to accept or decline it; that advisory board is summoned to meet tomorrow (Friday). Officials of the Amalgamated association expressed their opinion that the proposed terms will not be approved.

"We entertain a hope that an amicable settlement of this conflict will yet be reached."

Mitchell declined to make public the proposition made to the Steel corporation or whether the limit for the acceptance of the latter's proposition had been extended.

When asked if conference would be in session tomorrow he said he could say nothing more and would not say whether there had been any further conference with Schwab. None of the other members of the committee would talk.

Extends Time.

New York, Sept. 5—It was learned late tonight that at request of the conciliatory committee Schwab has agreed to accord time for the acceptance of his offer to tomorrow evening.

ENTIRE POSSE RETURN

TRAIL LOST WHERE IT ENTERED MAIN ROAD.

One of the Horses Used by Robbers After They Abandoned Engine Is Found.

Texarkana, Ark., Sept. 5—Six men who robbed the Cotton Belt train at Eylau Tuesday night are still at large. The bloodhounds that were taken to the scene of the robbery were of no service, as the trail was dead. The trail of the robbers, however, was struck by W. H. Ward, a Texarkana newspaper man, and member of the sheriff's posse.

Ward was accompanied by Yardmaster Taylor of the Cotton Belt road. The men discovered where a horse had been hid near the company's fence and where a bag of booty is supposed to have been loaded. It required the efforts of two men to carry this bag from the express car to the engine. Ward and Taylor with a lantern, followed the trail several hundred yards and found where six horses had been tied. For several miles they followed a blind trail until it entered the main county road and it was shown that the horsemen headed for Texarkana. Ward and Taylor were exhausted and returned to the main posse.

When they reported, the entire posse returned here and the trail was abandoned. One of the horses known to have been used by the robbers was found by Ward and Taylor, it being the property of a negro. From this horse the first start toward capture of the men who are believed to be implicated, was made.

News reached here tonight that the agent at Redwater, seven miles below the scene of the robbery, shot a man, who is believed to be one of the bandits. The entire country is swarming with officers who are running down every clew.

An average-sized man has about 2,500 square inches of skin on his body, and in each square inch there are some 2,800 sweat glands. There are over 3,500 glands in the palm of the hand, while the number on the surface of the body is about 7,000,000. This makes every man a millionaire, doesn't it? Each of these sweat glands is about a quarter inch long, therefore the average man has something like twenty-eight miles of tubing in his skin.

New Jersey has been called the "Garden state" from the fact that a large proportion of the farming land in its boundaries is given up to growing vegetables for the markets of New York and Philadelphia.

COLUMBIA IS CHOSEN

OLD CHAMPION WILL AGAIN DEFEND THE CUP.

CONSTITUTION TOO ERATIC

Challenge Committee Make Final Decision After Considering All Points.

Newport, Sept. 5—Columbia, champion of 1899, has been chosen to race against Shamrock II, in defense of the America's cup. This decision was reached today after a conference lasting two hours between the members of the challenger committee. All the members were present. Commodore Lears Cass Ledyard, presided. The discussion was exhaustive. The points of the two boats were gone over systematically and critically compared. The conclusion was that the behavior of Columbia was far more consistent than that of Constitution and that under the circumstances, there was no alternative but to name her as the defender of the cup. It was held that while the decision may be disappointing to the syndicate which owns Constitution, the committee was compelled to choose the Columbia, whose races have shown none of the erratic form manifested by her rival. The formal announcement of the selection of Columbia was posted at the club shortly after 12 o'clock. It read as follows:

"At a meeting of the committee on challenge of the royal Uster Yacht club, held on the flagship at 11:30 a. m., Columbia was selected to represent the New York Yacht club. (signed) J. Y. S. O'Neil, secretary."

Selection Pleases British.

London, Sept. 5—The selection of Columbia to defend America's cup is a matter of great satisfaction to the British.

Chances of the race are now regarded as even, but there is no disposition to express over confidence. It is generally conceded that Constitution might have proved the faster boat had there been sufficient time for further experiments and tuning up.

About 300,000 geese are annually brought from Russia to Saxony. A carload consists of 1,700 and they have no food or drink during the journey.

Only nine per cent of the soldiers actually engaged in war are killed on the field of battle.

FIRE THREATENED TOWN

BLAZE IN WISCONSIN CITY NOW UNDER CONTROL.

By the Aid of Firemen of Neighboring Places Jefferson Is Saved.

Milwaukee, Sept. 5—A Sentinel special from Jefferson, Wis., says: A fire which broke out in the plant of the Wisconsin Manufacturing company, manufacturers of chairs and other furniture today, and threatened to destroy the whole town was subdued this evening with a loss aggregating between \$50,000 and \$60,000, which is only partially covered by insurance.

The Wisconsin Manufacturing company's loss is estimated at between \$40,000 and \$50,000; insurance \$9,500. Other losses are: St. Mary's Episcopal church, \$3,000; Gottlieb Bros., \$5,000; Wm. Rock, \$450; O. J. Kerstenstein, \$600. Frank Weaver, John Roessler, Charles Zohloer, Charles Schweiner and F. L. Reinelt suffered smaller losses.

The fire started in the second story of the Wisconsin Manufacturing company's plant and soon gutted that property. Fire brands carried by a strong southwest wind were blown to other parts of the city and started many smaller blazes.

Citizens were panic stricken and help was summoned from Johnson's Creek, Fort Atkinson, Watertown and Janesville. Visiting fire companies soon subdued the small fires and the rest of the afternoon was devoted to protecting other plants. Hundreds of citizens moved their household goods to places of safety. The Prenzlow Lumber company and Standard Oil property had narrow escapes from destruction.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Of the Board of County Commissioners, Yellowstone County.

Second Day.

Billings, Mont., Sept. 4, 1901. The board met pursuant to adjournment at 10 o'clock a. m., there were present W. O. Parker, chairman, Pat Lavelle and S. K. Deverill. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following quarterly reports of officers were audited, approved and filed:

E. S. Holmes, county treasurer. T. A. Williams, clerk of the district court.

The board adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

Afternoon Session.

The board met pursuant to adjournment at 2 o'clock p. m., all members being present.

The following bills were allowed and warrants ordered drawn:

A. J. Gilsdorf, supplies for poor, \$5.00.

Spear & White, rent for poor, \$30.

E. A. Richardson, supplies for poor, \$30.00.

Jeff Brewer, transporting pauper, \$1.50.

H. E. Armstrong, salary county physician, \$100.00.

P. H. Smith, burial of paupers, \$132.00.

E. S. Holmes, county treasurer, transportation for paupers, \$23.40.

C. W. Harding, salary July and August, deputy sheriff, \$100.00.

Wm. Dickie, viewing road, \$3.00.

F. R. St. John, viewing road, \$3.00.

I. M. Keithler, road work, district No. 2, \$65.00.

Hahn Strang, supplies for bridges, \$48.04.

A. S. Gass, road work, district No. 2, \$66.00.

B. F. Harris, road work, district No. 5, \$18.00.

St. Mary's Academy, poor contract, \$883.92.

P. H. Smith, team for commissioners, \$25.00.

E. S. Holmes, county treasurer, freight road lumber, \$162.80.

Cothron & Todd, teams for commissioners, etc., \$26.00.

E. S. Holmes, county treasurer, cash advanced account sundry expenses, \$324.58.

Geo. T. Hubbard, sheriff, telegrams, \$5.37.

Geo. A. Miller, road work, district No. 26, \$6.00.

Yegen Brothers, road supplies, \$1.00.

Yegen Brothers, supplies for poor, \$42.00.

L. M. Line, medicines, etc., for pauper, \$16.20.

Columbus Mercantile Co., supplies for poor, \$40.64.

Yegen Brothers, sundries, \$9.50.

Yegen Brothers, sundries, \$8.85.

Columbus Mercantile Co., supplies, account smallpox, Columbus, \$45.00.

Billings Gazette, printing, \$207.78.

Billings Gazette, books and blanks, \$284.35.

The following property was sold at public auction to Christian Yegen for the price named, he being the best and highest bidder for said property. Lots six to twelve inclusive, block two hundred and twelve, Billings, for \$26.04. The clerk was directed to issue the usual quit-claim deed to said purchaser. The board adjourned until September 5, at 10 o'clock a. m.

HILL - MORGAN RAILROADS

Chicago, Sept. 4—James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern, is in Chicago conferring with President Harris of the Burlington and with other railroad men and financiers. Mr. Hill said there were no radical plans for the merger of the three systems, Burlington, Great Northern and Northern Pacific, but that the properties would be operated conservatively and economically in the way to produce the greatest revenue. There is little doubt that the three lines will soon be put under a traffic directorship similar to the plan followed by the Southern Pacific, Union Pacific and other roads of the Harriman syndicate.

Mr. Hill said he was not fighting the Harriman people and that all recent reports about extensions of the Great Northern into Nebraska and Kansas were rubbish, the Burlington being a Morgan-Hill line has extensive system of roads through the states named and extends by the Great Northern would be antagonistic to a system under the same ownership.

At the storming of Madgeburg, by Tilly, in 1631, this noted authority on the art of war laid down the general maxim that after a successful assault the soldiers ought to have three hours of pillage. First Publication Sept. 6, 1901.—6. Notice for Publication. Department of the Interior, Land Office at Miles City, Mont., Sept. 2, 1901. Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Clerk of District Court at Billings, Mont., on October 10, 1901, viz: Edward M. Snyder, who made H. E. No. 981 for the NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 22, Tp. 8 N., R. 28 E. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James Buckley of Razor Creek, Mont., Cliff L. Root of Roundup, Mont., Chas. E. Wallace of Musselshell, Mont., W. N. Taylor of Musselshell, Mont. S. GORDON. Register.

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HELD IN SANITARIUM

UNCLE SUES FOR RELEASE OF NEICE FROM ASYLUM.

Where He Claims She Is Held Against Her Will After Regaining Sanity.

Kansas City, Sept. 5—Habeas corpus proceedings to secure release of Lydia Reynolds from local sanitarium were begun here today by Dr. J. A. Fuller of Lane, Kansas, the woman's uncle, who in his petition asserts that she is being held against her wishes. Miss Reynolds is an orphan 32 years of age. She attempted to drown herself last May by jumping into the lake at Washington park, was pronounced insane by the court and ordered sent to a sanitarium. Her relatives quarreled as to whom should become administrator of her estate, which consists of valuable California land and the court appointed the public administrator to look after her affairs. The petition for her release asserts that Miss Reynolds has regained her sanity and is able to manage her own affairs. The case will be heard tomorrow.

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