OPPOSED TO REDUCTION

MINERS WILL OPPOSE ANY EFFORT CUTTING COAL PRICE

MEANS LESS WAGES TO THEM

Look Upon Attorney General West's Opinion as a Joke That He Should Prize the Black Diamonds Accidents in Oklahoma Mines

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 5.—That the miners of Oklahoma will oppose any efforts looking towards a radical reduction in the price of coal, such as is proposed by Attorney General West in his suit now pending before the corporation commission, is the declaration of J. J. Sullivan, representative elect from Sequoyah and Le Flore counties, and a miner of thirteen years' experience. Mr. Sullivan declares that there are more casualties in Oklahoma than in any other mining area of similar extent in the entire world, and that on account of the hazarious nature of their work the miners will oppose any great reduction for fear it would cut down their wages.

"It is really a joke," said Mr. Sullivan, "for Attorney General West who never mined a ton of coal in his life, and never saw the inside of a mine until a few days ago, to come along and propose to tell the men who have been engaged in the mining business all their lives at what price they can mine coal.

"While it has never been published abroad, it is a fact that pledges were made privately to representatives of the Farmers union during the last campaign that by the time the next legislature adjourns the farmer will be furnished with coal delivered at his nearest station at $2 per ton. Why, it costs more than that to dig the coal out of the mine.

"The men who promised the farmer $2 coal, telling him that he and the man who lives in town are being robbed by the coal trust, were simply making a bid for votes. As a matter of fact the farmer uses but very little coal. Most of the farmers burn wood. Most of the larger towns of the state now have natural gas. Who, then, uses the great bulk of the coal from the mines of Oklahoma, and who would receive the greatest benefit from a reduction in prices? The railroads, of course.

"You can bank on it that any radical reduction in the price of coal will come out of the pockets of us miners, who take our lives in our hands every time we go to a day's work in the mines. I have worked in practically every mining district in the United States, and I believe that there are more fatal accidents in the Oklahoma mines than anywhere else in the world."

Mrs. McRaney's Experience.

Mrs. M. McRaney, Prentiss, Miss., writes: I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians but failed to get relief. No human tongue can tell how I suffered, and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. After taking two bottles, I felt like a new person, and feel it my duty to tell suffering women what Foley's Remedy did for me."

Rolly McIntosh Dead.

Muskogee, Okla., Dec. 6.—Rolly McIntosh, 76 years old, ex-chief of the Creeks, is dead at his home near Stidham. McIntosh has been a representative of the tribe in Washington for the past ten years. He was a full-blood of the old school and prominent among the Indians and whites.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS DISCUSSED

COMMISIONER LEUPP SUBMITS ANNUAL REPORT.

DEALS WITH THE OIL CASES

Declares Restrictions Should Be Entirely Removed so That the Indians Could Assist In the Problems of State.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The commissioner of Indian affairs, Francis E. Leupp, has submitted his annual report to the secretary of the interior. The principal part of the report concerns the five civilized tribes and contains much of interest to the state of Oklahoma.

Out of the 101,228 Indians, there are 38,909 who are still restricted. The commissioner states that of these hundreds are applying through district agents to have restrictions removed. The policy of the government is to encourage this, where the Indians are capable, because, says the report, "there are problems of self government in the new state that need the support of the Indians, morally and financially." At the time the report was written, there were 9,732 oil and gas leases in operation and 516 pending in the agent's office. The department has disapproved 6,930 applications for leases.

The commissioner frankly states that the development of the oil business has not been so great, and attributes the cause to low prices and lack of transportation facilities. He states that while the Texas and Gulf pipe lines are operating, they are taking oil principally from their own, or closely allied properties. As to over-production, he calls attention to the fact that there are over 20,000,000 barrels of oil in storage.

The total receipts handled by the Indian agent for the year were $3,475,880. The Choctaw and Chickasaw nations received as royalties, principally from coal and town lots, $608,509. The Cherokee nation received $124,237 in royalties. This does not include oil royalties, paid to individual allottees, referring only to money that went to the tribal treasury. The Creek nation received $35,729, nearly all of which was from the sale of town lots and damages arising from the construction of pipe lines. The Seminole nation received only $2,536.

Referring to the town lot suits, the commissioner says that the delay of getting to trial is caused by the transfer of cases to the state and then back to the federal courts. He does not say that the delay has been caused by dilatory tactics on the part of defendants, as alleged by Mr. Mott.

The Osage nation receives particular attention. The final approved roll of the Osages contains 2,230 names, all of whom are entitled to allotment except one white woman (does not give name), who has lived all her life among the Osages. She was given a life share in the annuities of the tribe but, no land. The allotment schedule shows that 1,065,134 acres of land has been allotted.

The department has ordered a resurvey of the exterior township lines and relocation of section lines along these retracements. It is estimated that this retracement will cost $61,289.

From the sale of town lots in the five government townsites in the nation—Pawhuska, Bigheart, Foraker, Hominy and Fairfax—$16,346 has been received.

The lease of the Indian Territory Illuminating company covering 680,000 acres which Governor Haskell has called upon President Roosevelt to cancel, is passed over with but a few lines. The total amount of crude oil taken from the Osage wells during the year was 3,145,000 barrels. The estimated gas production is given as 350,000,000 cubic feet of casper day.

Medicine That is Medicine.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

DEPARTMENTS OF MUSIC AND DRAWING AND BUSINESS TRAINING.

Heretofore the teachers of music, drawing, business training and penmanship and manual training have found no close professional ties binding them to the state educational association. They have not attended because they were not given the recognition due. President Evans in charge of the work this year is placing an end to such neglect. He has placed upon program these departments and there will be a fine attendance of these specialists at the association at Shawnee Dec. 29th.

Ardmore will be well represented upon these programs. Miss Verna Van Wormer, supervisor of music, and Miss Leslie Woods, supervisor of art in the city schools and Prof. G. P. Selvidge of Selvidge Business College taking prominent places. Prof. Selvidge has been requested and he has consented to take the business training department under his wing and secure a big delegation of the business college men of the state at this meeting.

The departmental programs follow:

Department of Drawing.

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1:30 p. m.

Symposium: "The practical Value of Drawing"—Martha Avey, Oklahoma City; Blanche Weathered, Durant, Louise Houston, Guthrie.

Symposium: "The Illustration o Stories as a Basis for Art Teaching in the Primary Grades, Its Difficulties and its Values"—Rachel White, Kingfisher; Grace Baker, Shawnee; Leslie Woods, Ardmore.

Symposium: "Should the Course in Drawing in the Eighth Grade or in the High School Include the History of Painting?"—Maude Simmons, Elk City; Edith Abell, Ponca City.

Department of Business Training.

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1:30 p. m.

Symposium: "Should High School Students be Given Credit by Universities and Colleges for Work Done in the Commercial Department?"—C. V. Crumley, Enid; G. P. Selvidge, Ardmore; Dora M. Carter, Shawnee.

Symposium: "The Place of the Business College in Our Educational Scheme."—S. F. Romine, Guthrie; A. S. Hill, Oklahoma City; L. W. Weber, Durant.

Symposium: "A Commercial Course for High Schools"—Francis McKay, Shawnee; A. C. Gaffey, Oklahoma City.

Department of Music.

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 1:30 p. m.

Symposium: "How to Make Music part of Community Life."

Mrs. A. E. Van Skike, Bartlesville; John W. Braemer, Weatherford; Miss Verna Van Wormer, Ardmore.

Symposium: "The Rote Song—Its Limits in the Grades"—Rachel Rees, Tulsa; Mrs. Emma Ankeny, Oklahoma City; Kastumine Dornblaser, Elk City.

Symposium: "The Adopted Music Series—Its Virtues"—Oscar Lehrer, Edmond; M. Edith Reynolds, Enid; Elizabeth Johnson, Lawton.

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Notice, Modern Woodmen.

The M. W. A. Camp will meet Monday night, Dec. 7 for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. It is important that every member be present.

D. W. BUTCHER, Clerk.

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SALOME ENTERS FLAT.

Maggie Kelly Gives Her Employer Very Severe Shock.

New York, Dec. 6.—Once upon a time Maggie Kelly went to a certain vaudeville house in harlem and saw a woman dance Salome. Since then she has become ambitious. But cruel necessity forced her to battle with pots and pans till she could convince some unwary manager to give her a trial. She went to work on Saturday for Dr. Albert W. Neufield and his wife in their apartments in the Manitou, 221 West 141st street. On Monday her trunk arrived. It was an enormous trunk. There was no room in a Harlem flat for it.

"Put it in the storeroom in the cellar," said Mrs. Neufield.

An investigation later proved that she had in the trunk a whisk broom and a skirt. She carried her "Salome" costume on her.

Mrs. Neufield had gone out calling last evening, and the doctor sat reading in the library. The Harlem correspondent telephoned that he was reading "Three Weeks"—but there is reason to believe that other novels are read in Harlem.

Be that as it may, the doctor heard a very loud noise in the dining room. He looked out and there was was Maggie, attired in little more than a dishpan. She glared at the doctor—and then smiled, just like Gertrude Hoffman does when she becomes enthusiastic over the head of John the Baptist.

"For shame!" said the doctor. "Maggie, are you going to take a bath?"

"Ol'm dancin' Salomy," said Maggie. "Watch me."

The doctor didn't. Instead he sent out for Patrolmen McNaught and Mulholland. Now, Mulholland is noted in Harlem for his red hair. The moment he put his head in at the door Maggie grabbed him and tried to pull him over to the carving knife.

"That's the kind of a head Ol want for me dance," said she. "This dishpan is too big."

But Mulholland grabbed her and the three men threw some clothing about her and she was hauled off to the J. Hood Wright hospital.

When the doctor recovered he found four empty gin bottle beneath the sink.

More people are taking Foley's Kidney Remedy every year. It is considered to be the most effective remedy for kidney and bladder troubles that medical science can devise. Foley's Kidney Remedy corrects irregularities builds up worn out tissues and restores lost vitality. It will make you feel well and look well.

Call for Caucus.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 5.—Lieutenant Governor George Bellamy has issued a call for a caucus of the democratic members of the state senate for Saturday, Jan. 2, three days before the opening of the legislature, to select candidates for president pro tem, secretary and the various minor offices. The contest for president pro tem seems to be between Clint Graham of Marietta and J. H. Strain of Wann. Clarence Davis and J. Elmer Thomas have been mentioned but both say positively that they will not be candidates. Graham will probably have the administration strength, while Strain will have to depend upon the insurgents.

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BETTTR FREIGHT SERVICEE.

Three Railroads Want Concessions to Shippers.

Dallas, Dec. 6.—Better freight service has been promised the Dallas jobbers by the various railway lines since the transportaiton committee has been conducting a hearing. A hearing of the committee was held this morning and the question discussed. J. C. McCabe, general freight agent of the Rock Island, was to have been present at the meeting, but on account of having been called to Chicago to attend a tariff meeting of the Rock Island traffic officials, it was impossible for Mr. McCabe to be present. This afternoon the transportation committee announced that an arrangement had been made with the Trinity & Brazos Valley, Frisco and Denver roads for better service.

Cars loaded for points on the Frisco will leave Dallas at 12:15 at night, to be delivered to the Frisco at Irving, to be loaded with freight for points on the Frisco in Oklahoma, Kansas and southwest Missouri, and for points in Arkansas and in the Choctaw district of the Rock Island, east and west of Madill, including Ardmore on the west; all points east and west of Randolph on the Choctaw division of the Rock Island; points on the east and west division of Holdenville, not including Oklahoma City, east and west division of Holdenville, not including Oklahoma City, and for points on the Oklahoma City division west of Sapulpa and on the Enid division west of Tulsa.

For points on the Denver road the car will leave Dallas at 12:15 at night, reaching Fort Worth at 2:30 in the morning, and be delivered to the Denver road at 6 o'clock.

The service offered by the Frisco and Denver roads will save from twenty-four to forty-eight hours. The committee recommends the use of those lines using that service.

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OPPOSE PROHIBITION.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 5.—Representatives of the Oklahoma state organization of the Sons of Washington are planning for one of the biggest conventions of the year to be held February 22, Washington's birthday, when they will formulate plans for combating prohibition sentiment rampant in the state. Officials of similar organizations in other states are being communicated with for the purpose or arranging for delegations from those states to attend the meeting here. The national order of the society promises very material support to the Oklahoma organization and will probably send speakers of national reputation to participate in the big meeting.

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