

SUSPENSION INEVITABLE

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Illinois Miners and Operators Must Reach an Agreement Before Any Appreciable Progress Can Be Made in Iowa.

Des Moines, March 29. — (Special). — A lock-out in the coal mines of Iowa after April 1 cannot be prevented unless a radical change comes over the conditions governing the joint convention of miners and operators now in session here.

Conference Does Nothing.

Although the delegates to both miners' and operators' divisions of the joint conference are still in the city, nothing has been done since last week toward reaching a settlement.

Neither Lock-Out Nor Strike.

The suspension of work that is thought inevitable will not be in the form of either a lock-out or a strike but more in the nature of an amicable suspension until an agreement is reached as regards wages.

Agree in Illinois.

Springfield, Ill., March 29. — With the exception of the first district, on northern field, the scale of wages to be paid Illinois miners for the years 1904 and 1905 was agreed upon at yesterday's joint session of miners and operators.

BROWN FILES HIS BOND.

Storm Lake Banker Indicted for Irregularities Puts Up \$4,500. Storm Lake, March 29. — W. E. Brown, the Storm Lake banker under indictment for alleged irregularities, has put up an appearance bond for \$4,500, based on two indictments.

GLOVER MAKES THREATS.

Must Serve Fine Imposed Yesterday Morning and Stand Second Trial. Ed Glover, who was given a thirty day sentence yesterday morning in police court and was allowed to go, providing he got out of town, was in again this morning and was put to work on the stone pile.

IS AN INVENTOR.

Burt Springer of Des Moines Discovers Valuable Method. Des Moines, March 29. — Burt Springer, a young Des Moines machinist, last week discovered a method for the brazing together of cast iron, something hitherto unknown in the mechanical world.

NEW POSTAL CARDS

DIFFERENT STYLE OF DOMESTIC REPLY POSTAL CARDS TO BE ISSUED SOON.

Photograph of General Sherman to Appear on the Card and Photograph of General Sheridan on the Reply Card —World's Fair Stamps.

Postmaster F. W. Wilson of this city received the following advisement yesterday regarding the new issue of domestic reply postal cards:

Description.

2. Message Card. — In the upper right corner is a portrait of the late General William T. Sherman facing left; above the portrait is the word "Postage," below it the name "Sherman" with the years of birth and death, 1820 and 1885, respectively.

3. Requisition for the domestic reply card will continue to be made on the "D" card line in form 3201.

4. If a postmaster receives the old design "D" card on his requisition, he will understand that it is because the stock of the old cards on hand at his distributing agency in the size of package ordered is not exhausted.

5. The "D" cards will continue to be put up in packages of 250, 500, 1,000 and 5,000. When intermediate quantities are ordered, the next higher package will be sent.

6. The "D" cards of the old design in the stock of postmasters will continue to be sold until they last.

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FRANCE IS IN THE GAME

APPOINTMENT OF FRENCHMAN AS CONSULAR AGENT AT NEW CHWANG SIGNIFICANT.

JAPANESE WIN IN FIGHT WITH COSSACKS

Battle Between Anju and Tinja Results in Loss of Fifty for Japanese and 100 for Russians—France's Move Regarded As Only One of Series.

Tien Tsin, March 29.—A Frenchman named Kreutter, an employe of the Russo-Chinese bank, has been appointed French consular agent at New Chwang. He has hoisted the French flag over the bank building.

Japanese Win Land Fight. Seoul, March 29.—A report has been received here that fifty Japanese and 100 Cossacks were killed and wounded in a skirmish that occurred between Anju and Tinja.

Story of a Battle. Che-Foo, March 29.—Information was received last night of a serious clash between a large body of Cossacks and a force of Japanese infantry near Anju, in northern Korea, in which the Cossacks were routed.

Battle March 23. The battle was fought March 23 at a point about midway between Anju and Chang-Ju, about eighty miles south of the Yalu. The Russian cavalry was apparently seeking to break the line of communication between Anju and Chang-Fu when it was met by the Japanese infantry.

Delay Landing in Liao Region. It is reported on apparently good authority that the Japanese will not land an expedition in the valley of the Lio river before April 20, as their transports are still occupied conveying troops to Korea.

The promulgation of martial law at New Chwang Sunday implies a complete stoppage of trade, for merchants cannot possibly deposit the values of their cargoes, as the Russian regulations require.

Home-seekers' Rates. On the first and third Tuesdays of each month the Iowa Central railway sells special home-seekers' round trip excursion tickets to points in the northwest, west southwest, south and southeast, at one fare plus \$2.

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SAYS FIGHT IS ON

LEON BROWN THINKS STAND PATTERS WILL NOT ACCEPT A COMPROMISE.

Des Moines Correspondent Reviews Late Events in Republicanism in Iowa and Thinks the Anti-Cummins Forces Are So Determined.

[BY LEON BROWN.]

Des Moines Bureau of the Courier. Des Moines, March 29. The "stand patters" will not consent to the reaffirmation of the 1903 platform by the state convention of May 18, unless they are whipped into it.

It is true that J. W. Blythe, who is credited with being the leader of the "stand pat" element in the republican party has endorsed the 1903 platform as a fair representation of the views of the state of Iowa on the tariff question, but he cannot control his followers on this question.

It has become evident that the "stand patters" are going to demand a fight to the finish. They are sick of compromises and platforms that nobody interprets alike.

There first appeared in 1901 the "shelter to monopoly" plank. This afforded ground for the Minneapolis speech of the governor in which he advocated revision of the tariff to kill a few trusts which have since died of their own ills.

Then came the bitter fight of 1902, for reaffirmation of this shelter to monopoly plank. The republicans fought about reaffirmation just as the democrats have been fighting about reaffirmation of their silver issue.

Then came the speech of the governor in which he said the platform was stronger than the "shelter to monopoly" plank which he had endorsed followed by the speeches of Cousins and Lacey taking "stand pat" ground.

And so the "stand patters" will insist on fighting it out May 18. The issue is not a revision against let well enough alone. Stand patters take the latter position.

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ATTACKS BALFOUR

SIR HENRY CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN, ENGLISH LIBERAL, MAKES HOT SPEECH.

WANTS PREMIER TO QUIT

He is Answered by Balfour, Who Says He Sees No Need of Resigning While the House is in Accord With Him — Suggests a Vote of Censure.

London, March 29. — The usual motion providing for the adjournment of the house of commons over the Easter holidays gave the liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, an opportunity to make a spirited attack upon the government today.

Wants Balfour to Resign. Sir Henry added that he did not think it in accordance with the spirit of the constitution that Premier Balfour should retain his power when the country had shown at every opportunity that he no longer enjoyed its favor.

Balfour Challenges a Vote. Balfour, replying, said that he noted the anxiety of the liberal leader that he should resign, but he was quite unable to see why the government should take the unprecedented course of resigning its office while it retained the confidence of the house.

Bloomfield. Bloomfield, March 29.—Counsel for proponents in the Townsend will case on trial in the district court made a motion Saturday to take the case from the jury on the ground that contestant had not produced sufficient evidence to warrant a verdict.

Charles E. Watts and Elsie Walker were united in marriage Sunday afternoon at the home of T. J. Bryant, the ceremony being performed by Justice Bryant. Both young people reside near Belknap, the groom being a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Watts, and the bride a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Walker.

Volney Nagle, of Red Oak, was in the city yesterday, having appeared here as a witness in the Townsend will case.

W. A. Herman, of this city, received a fine photograph yesterday of Elbert Hubbard, of East Aurora, N. Y., the noted lecturer of Roycroft fame, who lectured in this city recently, with the autograph of Mr. Hubbard on the same.

Dr. W. H. Rosser, of Troy, was in the city yesterday, having been summoned as a witness in the Townsend will case.

Auditor to State B. F. Carroll and Hon. T. J. Prevo, representative from Davis county, came down from Des Moines yesterday to cast their votes at the city election.

HERDRICK.

Herdrick, March 29.—J. S. Morrison, of Mason City, visited his parents in town Sunday.

D. Snakerberg, U. S. Chacey and Robert Shultz were in Oskaloosa yesterday on business.

H. E. Duke and H. T. Hawthorne were in Mason, Mo., Saturday.

W. D. Houghton returned to Mt. Pleasant today where he is attending school.

J. S. Goldehwait and John McWilliam visited relatives in Sigourney Saturday.

Mrs. Ben Henry left today for Hebron, Nebraska, where she and Dr. Chas. Henry will reside.

Geo. W. Harkins and Geo. Duke returned Saturday from a trip to Texas and Oklahoma.

W. D. Martin, F. W. Stephenson, J. M. Lamb and D. Snakerberg were in Sigourney Friday.

Opportunities In the Southwest

In Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Texas, three of the best of the eighteen "Rock Island States of America," are innumerable opportunities for manufacturers. As a rule, only a moderate amount of capital is required. What is needed is the ability to utilize the raw material which is produced in abundance and which, in many cases, is now going to waste.

- Canning Factories Brick and Tile Plants
Cement Works Salt Works
Creameries Soap Factories
Cotton Mills Stucco Works
Cotton Gins Mattress Factory
Glass Factories Elevators
Flour Mills

Several towns need gas or electric light plants and telephone systems. Details as to locations, supply of labor, markets, etc., will be furnished on application.

JOHN SEBASTIAN, Passenger Traffic Manager Chicago, Ill.

The Wise Man

will prepare for the future and those who fortify themselves with a policy in THE PACIFIC MUTUAL are on the right track, his beneficiaries will not be disappointed when it comes to the settlement. This company is prompt in adjusting its losses.

T. H. CORRICK: State Agent, Electric Building, Ottumwa, Iowa.

NO CHANGE IN SIGHT TORNADO IN ARKANSAS

THE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICTS IN IOWA WILL REMAIN THE SAME.

FIFTY HOUSES BLOWN DOWN AND THREE PEOPLE KILLED.

Little Rock, Ark., March 29.—News of a disastrous cyclone at Gainesville, Ark., Saturday, reached this city last evening.

Residences Destroyed. The injured include: W. Butler, collar bone broken; badly bruised.

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