

## MINE TROUBLES ARE DISCUSSED AT CONFERENCE

Negotiations for Settlement of Wage Dispute in Anthracite Districts Reopened at Philadelphia.

## OPERATORS WANT STRIKE COMMISSION

Make Proposition That Body That Settled Former Troubles be Reconvened; Bituminous Miners Ballot.

Philadelphia, April 10.—Anthracite coal operators at their conference with the miners' representatives this afternoon proposed that an anthracite coal strike commission be reconvened to take up the situation in the anthracite region with a view of arranging a new working agreement.

It was agreed to hold the operators' proposition until a sub-committee of the two sides tried to find common ground on which to come to an agreement without resorting to the services of the strike commission. The sub-committee then began a session.

Three meetings have already been held, all in New York. At the last session, on March 31, negotiations were broken off and today's conference is the result of a request made by the representatives of the miners for another meeting. As the miners took the initiative they are better prepared to meet the operators than they were at the last meeting. This move, according to members of the miners' committee, will be a reiteration of their original demands supplemented by arguments, if the operators will listen.

The miners' committee cannot present any other proposition aside from the nine demands agreed upon at the Pottsville convention last November. If the coal companies have any proposition to present it will have to be voted on by the miners either by referendum or by action comprising the three anthracite districts.

It is believed that today's meeting is only the start of a series of conferences and that before they are ended an agreement will be reached.

President White in discussing the situation declared he and his colleagues would renew the demands which they had presented at the last conference with the operators, and in case of their rejection there would be no arbitration and that the union would not apply for mediation under the terms of the Erdman act.

## Want No Interference

The miners leader said neither Roosevelt nor former President Taft had taken any hand in the present controversy. He declared that no governmental or political interference was desired.

The demands, which again will be submitted, were framed at a convention of hard coal miners in Pottsville last January and call for:

- A one year agreement.
- Eight hours a day for all classes of men.
- Recognition of the union in negotiating wage agreements, and the right to provide a method of collecting revenue for the organization.
- A more convenient and uniform system of adjusting grievances within a reasonable time limit.
- Demand Wage Increase.

A 20 per cent increase in wage. A minimum of \$3.50 a day for all miners and \$2.75 for laborers for consideration work.

That the system whereby a contract miner has more than one working place in the mine or employs more than two laborers shall be abolished.

That the right of check weighing and check docking bosses shall be recognized, and that they shall not be interfered with in the performance of their work.

That all coal be mined and paid for by the ton of 2,240 pounds wherever practicable.

## Bituminous Miners Vote Today

Indianapolis, Ind., April 10.—Soft coal miners today at the meeting places of their local unions are voting on accepting or rejecting the two year wage contract drafted by the recent joint conference of representatives of miners and operators at Cleveland. That more than 90 per cent of the miners will approve is the belief of their national officials.

Three hundred thousand ballots were sent from the headquarters of the United Mine Workers of America in this city. It is expected that 250,000 will be cast.

The terms of the new wage contract, which grants \$1 a ton for mined coal, are:

- Five cents a ton increase for screened coal;
- 3 cents a ton increase for run of mine coal;
- 4 cents a ton increase for machine mined coal;
- 5.26 per ton increase for day work.

The ballots are to be returned to the mine workers' offices here and it is expected that the result of the election will be known by the end of the week.

## TODAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE—In session at 2 p. m.

HOUSE—Met at noon.

Considered bills on regular calendar. Good roads representatives advocated creation of committee to investigate building of post roads with federal aid.

Cotton interests argued before agricultural committee for the necessity for dealing in futures to protect the cotton market.

## PYTHIANS ARE HERE FOR BUSY DAY'S SESSION

K. of P. Members From Southern Iowa are Gathered Here for School of Instruction.

With seventy-five delegates reported at 2 o'clock and over two hundred more expected on the incoming trains this afternoon and evening, the joint convention of the Knights of Pythians of the twenty-sixth, twenty-seventh and thirtieth districts, in session at Castle hall, corner of Main and Green streets, promises to be a great success. Although the program is of but a few hours duration, from 2 o'clock this afternoon until 11 o'clock this evening, the work that is to be accomplished is extensive and will prove of great benefit to the visiting delegates from all over this section of Iowa. The 300 expected by this evening will return to their homes tonight and tomorrow with the feeling that they are better Pythians and that their interest in Pythianism has been greatly stimulated.

The delegates from the three districts began to arrive this morning and report to the castle. Since the evening program is the best part of the convention, the remaining 200 who have signified their intention of attending, will arrive over the Milwaukee, Burlington, Wabash and Rock Island trains tonight. The convention is one of little ostentation but great activity characterizes the work of the Pythians in the secret sessions this afternoon. Still greater activity will be evinced tonight when the big smoker and enthusiasm creator takes place at 9 o'clock. The convention is for the purpose of making better Pythians through instruction and exchange of views on the endeavors of the order and in addition to pave the way for the upbuilding of Pythianism in the three districts. There are already hundreds of knights in the three divisions but the members feel that every new candidate calls for another.

## Secret Session This Evening

The convention proper opened at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon with reception of the visiting knights at Castle hall. Following a half hour of "getting acquainted" and casting off the atmosphere of being strangers for the more pleasant environment of feeling at home, the Pythians gathered in secret session in the hall. Knight J. A. Ballard delivered the address of welcome, extending to the visitors the glad hand of hospitality accorded not only by the resident knights but by all Ottumwa. Grand Chancellor Louis A. Wikeke of Cherokee responded with fitting remarks, dwelling upon the value of the ends attained through conventions. At 3 o'clock began the course of instruction in secret work. Grand Chancellor Wikeke was in charge of this valuable part of the program.

This school of instruction is of interest to none except Pythians and it proved very pleasing to those upon whom its benefits will fall in conducting their respective duties in the future.

## Question Box at 4 O'clock

The question box, an informal discussion matters of interest to the delegates opens at 4 o'clock this afternoon to continue indefinitely. Questions not only of importance to the lodges of the three districts represented but to Pythianism in general will be taken up. Adjournment will then be taken until this evening at 7:30.

The district deputy grand chancellors, George E. Hurst, Leon; Sam Anderson, Albia, and Charles Godown, Milton, will select at 7:30 tonight a team for the conferring of rank upon candidates and members. It is not known this afternoon just how many names will be taken into the order. The second and third degrees will be conferred upon several.

The big time, the social session, starts at 9 o'clock tonight. It will be in the form of a smoker. A good time being the main feature, but with a number of short talks being in order at the close.

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Washington, D. C., April 10.—Col. Roosevelt was portrayed in the senate today as the counterpart of Pontius Pilate.

The picture was drawn by Senator Jones of Washington, who sketched as the ground work the recent Detroit speech of the former president condemning the votes of the majority members of the Lorimer committee, favorable to the Illinois senator, as not being responsive to the sentiment of the constituents.

"This is the latest rule for judicial action suggested by this self-proclaimed leader of progress," said Senator Jones. "Because we have not followed it we are not progressive, but reactionary. This was the rule of action followed by Pilate nearly nineteen hundred years ago. This is the first time, I venture to say, in our history, or in the history of any civilized people, that Pilate's rule of judicial action has met the approval of any man save those who would crucify Jesus, and only despise him for following it."

"If former President Roosevelt had been standing on one side when Pilate delivered Jesus to the Jews, after having examined into the charges and found no fault in him but, at the demand of the people, turned him over to them for crucifixion, he would have clapped his hands and exclaimed, 'Most righteous, most honorable, most just judge.' At least he would have done this if he had been as progressive then as he is now. I am charitable enough to believe, however, that he would have been a reactionary."

Hits Political Vituperation.

Senator Jones prefaced his speech by saying that those who expected to hear the sensational would be disappointed and that those expecting a search for eagerly and we rejoice if we are successful in our search. Slander motives prompt those who disagree with us and none is good save ourselves.

"Under the banner of progression, anarchy is preached in honeyed phrase and fulsome flattery. Our sense of justice and fairness is denuded by loud declamation and insidious suggestion. Until a short time ago supposed new ideas, as old as government."

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## CABINET MEMBERS WILL TOUR WEST

Secretaries Nagel and Fisher Will Speak in Missouri and Nebraska For Taft.

Washington, D. C., April 10.—Two cabinet officers have been added to the force who will speak in the west for President Taft's renomination. Charles Nagel, secretary of commerce and labor today cancelled his Michigan speaking engagements to go to Missouri, his home state, to help care for the political situation there. Walter L. Fisher, secretary of the interior will leave Washington in a day or two for Nebraska, where he is to speak for two or three days. He will speak at Omaha Friday night and at Lincoln Saturday night. The Nebraska primary will be held April 19.

In Missouri where Gov. Hadley has been personally directing the Roosevelt campaign the latter's managers claim an overwhelming majority of the delegates to be elected at the forthcoming district conventions and the state convention.

## DAHLMAN HEADS THE OMAHA TICKET

Mayor Serving Third Term 1,000 Above Nearest Competitor in Commission Plan Primary.

Omaha, Neb., April 10.—About 12,000 votes were cast in yesterday's city primary to choose fourteen candidates for the election May 7 when seven councilmen who are to govern Omaha by the commission plan are to be elected. Of this vote James C. Dahلمان, now serving his third term as mayor under the old plan, received about 5,500 more than 1,000 above his closest competitor. Under the law the candidate receiving the highest vote in the election becomes mayor.

No political lines were drawn. Of the seven receiving the largest vote three are democrats and four republicans. Of the next seven, five are democrats and two republicans.

St. Louis Man Out For Governor.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 10.—Leon W. Quick of St. Louis filed his declaration with the secretary of state as candidate for the republican nomination for governor.

## M'KINLEY NOT SURPRISED AT THE ILLINOIS RESULT; DIXON PLEASUED: "SLUGGED THEM" SAYS COLONEL

Taft Manager Says That the Campaign Was Fought Out on State Issues. Says Day When People Will Take Their Orders From the White House is Past.

Washington, D. C., April 10.—"The result in Illinois was not unexpected to those familiar with the situation," said Representative William B. McKinley, director of the national Taft bureau today in the first comment from the president's side on the Illinois primary.

"The issues which occupied the attention of the people of the state were so peculiarly local as to cause the presidential issue to be lost sight of so far as President Taft was concerned."

"I say this advisedly," Mr. McKinley continued, "and for this reason: 'Mr. Roosevelt recently invaded the state and devoted the major portion of his addresses to subjects which had no relation whatever, for the most part, to the issues on which the republican party must meet the democratic party in November.'

"The questions discussed by Mr. Roosevelt in his speeches had little to do with the actual issues which he raised between himself and Mr. Taft."

"In other words, Mr. Roosevelt participated in the campaign in Illinois with all the freedom of a full-fledged citizen of the state and met and talked to voters of Illinois on the subjects which were uppermost in their minds—namely, state issues."

"The participation of eight candidates for the republican nomination for governor resulted in the 'complete breaking down of all party organizations,'" says Mr. McKinley's statement, "and new alignments were brought about."

"These new organizations Mr. Roosevelt was able to reach by personal contact, an experience which President Taft could not enjoy," says Director McKinley.

"The result in Illinois has no bearing whatever on the outcome of the presidential contest in the republican party except insofar as it expresses the desires of Illinois based on purely local issues."

Says Taft Doesn't Need Illinois.

"I have never, in any public statement, claimed a single delegate from Illinois in the Chicago convention and I have never included it in my calculations when I have said repeatedly that President Taft will have more votes in the Chicago convention this year than he had in 1908 when he received 702 votes. I repeat that prediction now and am absolutely confident of its vindication."

"In no other state in the union are conditions existing where Mr. Roosevelt can make the same kind of a campaign as he did in Illinois. To the voters of other states he will have to confine himself to the national issues, including his proposal of the recall of judges and the third term issue."

Dixon Makes Statement.

"The day of the hand-picked machine-made delegate to nominate a presidential candidate is over. The day of the nomination of the candidates by the direct expression of the will of the voters has come."

That was the comment on the Illinois primary by Senator Joseph M. Dixon, manager of the Roosevelt campaign committee today. "The republicans of Illinois, by an avalanche of one hundred and twenty-five thousand, have served notice that they are unalterably opposed to the reactionary policies of Taft and to the reactionary bosses to whom he has permitted his managers to commit his political fortunes," said Senator Dixon in his statement.

"The overwhelming sentiment in favor of the nomination of Col. Roosevelt has at last forced itself home on the administration managers."

"The time has come when the republican voters of the country will no longer take orders either from the white house or from the machine representatives of big business as to their candidate for the presidency."

Claims Made by Both Sides.

The Roosevelt national headquarters today claimed for Col. Roosevelt 130 delegates, with other figures as follows:

Taft 40; LaFollette 36; Cummins 4; unstructured 94; contested 148.

The Taft headquarters, omitting the 58 Illinois delegates from its figures as to the various districts were not yet available, made the following claims of delegates: Taft 313; Roosevelt 39; LaFollette 36; Cummins 4.

"Slugged 'Em Over the Ropes."

Breensburg, Pa., April 10.—"We slugged them over the ropes." That was Col. Roosevelt's comment today on his victory in the Illinois primary yesterday. The colonel was in high spirits over the news from Chicago.

The first speech of Col. Roosevelt's two days tour through Pennsylvania was at Jeannette.

"I want to see Pennsylvania do on Saturday what Illinois did yesterday and declare for the people against politicians," he said.

## COL. ROOSEVELT DOWNS TAFT IN ILLINOIS VOTE

President Loses the State by 100,000; Deneen and Dunne the Gubernatorial Nominees.

## SHERMAN DEFEATS CULLOM FOR SENATE

Lorimer Met Defeat in Effort to Capture the State Committee; Harrison-Sullivan Fight is in Doubt.

Chicago, April 10.—Theodore Roosevelt defeated President Taft in the preferential primary held in Illinois yesterday by approximately 115,000 votes and Speaker Champ Clark received a majority of more than 140,000 over Gov. Woodrow Wilson, according to revised returns.

Charles S. Deneen has been nominated for governor for the third consecutive term by the republicans, his plurality being estimated at 75,000.

Edward F. Dunne, former mayor of Chicago, received the nomination for governor on the democratic ticket by a plurality close to 40,000.

Owing to the length of the ballot it is expected that another twenty-four hours will be required to complete the count.

Practically complete returns from the city of Chicago and estimates based on about one-half the votes in the state outside of this city give the following totals:

For president—republicans, Theo. Roosevelt 230,000; Taft 119,000; LaFollette 27,000; Roosevelt's plurality 111,000.

Democrats, Clark 220,000; Wilson 80,000; Clark's majority 140,000.

Lawrence V. Sherman president of the state board of administration received the endorsement of the republicans for United States senator over Shelby M. Cullom by a plurality estimated at 25,000.

James Hamilton Lewis had no opposition on the democratic ticket for the senatorship endorsement.

Joseph G. Cannon, former speaker of the house was renominated for congress by vote of 2 to 1 over his nearest competitor.

W. B. McKinley, President Taft's campaign manager, also was renominated for congress in the nineteenth district.

The socialists and prohibitionists nominated full state and congressional tickets.

Complete Cook County Returns.

Complete unofficial returns for the city of Chicago give Taft 44,107; Roosevelt 72,443 and LaFollette 12,103. Roosevelt's plurality is 28,336. The republican vote is 128,553.

Complete unofficial returns for the city give Clark 113,334 and Wilson 32,688.

Clark's plurality is \$0,646. The total democratic vote is 146,022.

List of Congressional Nominees.

A list of congressmen at large and the representatives in congress from the twenty-five Illinois districts chosen by republicans and democrats follow:

Woman's Suffrage Downed.

Chicago expressed its disapproval of woman's suffrage by almost a two to one vote in yesterday's "advisory" election to complete, though unofficial returns today. The figures show that 71,854 men favored the extension of the ballot to women, while 135,410 did not, the "anti" majority therefore being 64,556.

Lorimer Meets Defeat.

Senator Lorimer met defeat in his attempt to capture the republican party organization of the state from Gov. Deneen. His candidates for state commitments were defeated in his home district and as a result, it is said, he will not go as a delegate to the republican national convention. He was defeated in all but one congressional district in his campaign for party leadership and Gov. Deneen will control the new state central committee by a large majority.

Congressmen at Large.

Republicans—William E. Mason and B. L. Chipperfield.

Democrats—L. B. Stringer and W. E. Williams.

District Congressmen.

First district—M. B. Madden, (rep.) renominated; A. Donovan, (dem.) renominated.

Second—James R. Mann, (rep.) renominated; John C. Vaughan, (dem.) renominated.

Third—William W. Wilson, (rep.) renominated; David W. Taylor, (rep.) renominated.

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Sixth—Carl T. Marray, (rep.); Edmund J. Stack, (dem.) renominated.

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Flood, who was sent by the American Federation of Labor to assist the button workers in the management of their strike is charged with being mixed up in a conspiracy which resulted in the throwing of acid bombs into homes of strike breakers.

## CABINET MEMBERS WILL TOUR WEST

Secretaries Nagel and Fisher Will Speak in Missouri and Nebraska For Taft.

Washington, D. C., April 10.—Two cabinet officers have been added to the force who will speak in the west for President Taft's renomination. Charles Nagel, secretary of commerce and labor today cancelled his Michigan speaking engagements to go to Missouri, his home state, to help care for the political situation there. Walter L. Fisher, secretary of the interior will leave Washington in a day or two for Nebraska, where he is to speak for two or three days. He will speak at Omaha Friday night and at Lincoln Saturday night. The Nebraska primary will be held April 19.

In Missouri where Gov. Hadley has been personally directing the Roosevelt campaign the latter's managers claim an overwhelming majority of the delegates to be elected at the forthcoming district conventions and the state convention.

## DAHLMAN HEADS THE OMAHA TICKET

Mayor Serving Third Term 1,000 Above Nearest Competitor in Commission Plan Primary.

Omaha, Neb., April 10.—About 12,000 votes were cast in yesterday's city primary to choose fourteen candidates for the election May 7 when seven councilmen who are to govern Omaha by the commission plan are to be elected. Of this vote James C. Dahلمان, now serving his third term as mayor under the old plan, received about 5,500 more than 1,000 above his closest competitor. Under the law the candidate receiving the highest vote in the election becomes mayor.

No political lines were drawn. Of the seven receiving the largest vote three are democrats and four republicans. Of the next seven, five are democrats and two republicans.

St. Louis Man Out For Governor.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 10.—Leon W. Quick of St. Louis filed his declaration with the secretary of state as candidate for the republican nomination for governor.