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### TROOPS IN CONTROL NATIONAL GUARD CALLED OUT TO QUELL STRIKE RIOTS IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Police and Miners Clash and Fifty Persons Are Wounded, Four Probably Fatally—Officers of the Mine Workers Regret the Occurrence and Fear the Presence of Militia Will Aid in Breaking the Strike.

Shenandoah, Pa., Aug. 1.—Twelve hundred state troops are camped on a hill overlooking Shenandoah. Down in the town where rioters and policemen fought the bloody battle all is quiet and the indications are that so long as the militia remains the peace of the community will not again be broken. The riot, which caused the soldiers to be sent here, came like a flash and was over almost as quickly as it had started and since then there has not been a single case of violence reported. The tens of thousands of idle men and boys in this vicinity who had been gathering in large numbers and marching from place to place, did not repeat their demonstrations during the day and the authorities consequently had little or nothing to do.

The mine workers are greatly incensed over the calling out of the troops. They assert that this action was entirely unwarranted and is an unjustifiable expense on the state. The strikers, through their officials, are making an effort to have the soldiers withdrawn.

All the local leaders of the United Mine Workers deplore the shedding of blood and the calling out of the troops. They say the presence of the soldiers will encourage the operators to start up their mines and after the collieries in the Schuylkill district are put in operation it will only be a question of time until mines in other parts of the strike belt resume, for the miners of the Wyoming and Lackawanna valleys will not be content to remain idle while their brethren in other parts of the region are working.

It is the history of past coal strikes that the presence of the militia is always an indication of the early resumption of mining. Those of the local operators who could be seen are of the opinion that the backbone of the strike is now broken and that it will only be a short time until there will be a general resumption of mining.

### STORY OF THE BATTLE. Thousand Shots Exchanged and Many Persons Wounded.

Shenandoah, Pa., Aug. 1.—The first fatal rioting in the coal region since the great anthracite coal miners' strike was declared took place here.

A thousand shots were exchanged, and fifty casualties resulted. The bloodshed started with a clash in which a nonunion worker was beaten almost to death.

Deputy Sheriff Thomas Beddal was escorting two mine workers through the lines of strikers' pickets. One of the men was jostled and forced to drop a bundle which the strikers discovered contained a miner's blouse and overalls. The owner was dragged into a crowd and kicked and beaten.

Deputy Beddal opened fire and then fled into the railroad depot, which was at once surrounded by a mob of 5,000 strike sympathizers. A cousin of the deputy, Joseph Beddal, a leading merchant of this borough, tried to make his way into the depot. He was beaten into unconsciousness and is in a critical condition.

The entire police force of the borough was marshaled at this juncture and Chief John Frye

Led the Officers to the Rescue. The police escorted the imperiled deputy to a locomotive. The mob pressed around the engine and then the police fired a volley.

The rioters fell back long enough to permit the locomotive to steam away with Beddal. But the mob returned and attacked the police.

Chief Frye gave the order to fire. At the first volley the mob fell back and several were seen to fall.

But the throng returned to the attack and charged the policemen. The officers retreated, turning in their flight and firing at their pursuers.

Two of the officers were caught and beaten. One of them, Stiney Yacopsky, will die.

Policeman Ringelher was shot in the hand and back; Policeman Lauritas was shot in several places and cannot recover.

Shenandoah physicians have dressed the wounds of forty of the rioters. John Fahy, president of the district mine workers' organization, has issued a statement calling upon the miners to do all in their power to preserve order.

### ANNOYING THE TROOPS. Three Night Attacks Made on the Militia at Shenandoah.

Shenandoah, Pa., Aug. 4.—The entire Eighth regiment was called to arms during the night as a result of three attacks made by a band of men in ambush who threw stones at the troops now in camp on the plateau outside the town. These attacks are becoming so frequent that Brigadier General Gobin has decided to adopt stern measures to end them. A double guard supplied with ball cartridges surrounds the camp and the sentries have been instructed that if the stone throwing is repeated they must shoot to kill and investigate afterward. One of the attacking party, a Lithuanian named William Stoppontiz, is under arrest and is confined in the guard tent, and the provost marshal is on the trail of others. It is not known how many were in the crowd, but the officers of the Eighth regiment believe the number to have been more than a dozen.

### IOWA RE-INCORPORATION. Convention Favors Modification of Present Tariff Laws.

Des Moines, Ia., July 31.—The Republican state convention named the following ticket:

Secretary of state, W. B. Martin, Adair county; auditor of state, B. F. Carroll, Davis county; treasurer of state, Gilbert S. Gilbertson, Winnebago county; attorney general, C. W. Mullan, Chickasaw county; judge of supreme court, Scott M. Ladd, O'Brien county; judge of supreme court (short term), Charles A. Bishop, Polk county; clerk supreme court, John C. Crockett, Hardin county; supreme court reporter, W. W. Cornwall, Clay county; railroad commissioner, E. A. Lawson, Bremer.

The platform was adopted without a dissenting vote. Its interesting features are:

"That we assert the sovereignty of the people over all corporations and aggregations of capital and the right residing in the people to enforce such regulations, restrictions or prohibitions upon corporate management as will protect the individual and society from abuse of the power which great combinations of capital wield. We favor such amendment of the interstate commerce act as will more fully carry out its prohibition of discrimination in ratemaking and any modification of the tariff schedules as may be required to prevent their affording shelter to monopolies."

The resolutions heartily endorse Theodore Roosevelt, especially his reciprocity relations with Cuba, and look upon his election in 1904 as "a foreshadowed event demanded by all of the people."

### NORTH DAKOTA DEMOCRATS. State Ticket Named and Anti-Railroad Platform Adopted.

Fargo, N. D., Aug. 4.—North Dakota Democrats, in state convention, nominated the following ticket:

Congressman, L. A. Ueland of Edgeley; V. R. Lovell, Fargo; governor, J. E. Cronan, Fargo; lieutenant governor, M. C. Ginnes, Jamestown; secretary of state, John Quarum, Abercrombie; auditor, J. F. Morrison, Bottineau; treasurer, James McDonald, Grafton; attorney general, M. J. Barrett, Minot; superintendent of instruction, V. Stefanson, Grand Forks; commissioner of insurance, F. A. Wilson, Bathgate.

Judge John M. Cochran of Grand Forks, the Republican nominee for judge of the supreme court, was endorsed.

The ticket is regarded as one of the strongest that could be selected, as it includes some Gold Democrats, a former Populist, and Free Silver Democrats.

The platform is pronouncedly anti-railroad. It bitterly opposes the railway merger and also has a strong plank for the higher taxation of the roads.

### AN UNWELCOME SURPRISE. General Smith Speaks of His Forced Retirement From the Army.

San Francisco, Aug. 4.—General Jacob H. Smith, who returned last Friday from Manila, will spend several days in this city and then go to his home in Portsmouth, O. Speaking on the subject for the first time since his arrival, General Smith said of his forced retirement from the army:

"It was an unwelcome surprise to me. I naturally supposed that I would receive a reprimand, as a result of the verdict of the courtmartial, but nothing more. I have always tried to do my duty in a conscientious manner and conduct myself as a soldier. I am still in the government's service and am not at liberty to discuss recent personal occurrences. I could be as readily courtmartialled now as if I were not on the retired list."

### GRAVEDIGGERS ON STRIKE. Concordia Cemetery, Chicago, Closed as a Result.

Chicago, Aug. 4.—The gravediggers are the latest of the wage-earners of Chicago to go on strike and as a result Concordia cemetery is closed and at the entrance to the burial ground the superintendent has posted a notice which reads:

"There will be no more burials at the Concordia cemetery until further notice."

The twenty-five gravediggers employed at the cemetery are on strike for higher wages and have succeeded in preventing other laborers from taking their places. Three funeral processions which arrived at the cemetery gates during the day were turned back because of the strike. It is stated that similar strikes will be inaugurated at two other cemeteries.

### CUMMINS READY TO FIGHT. Iowa's Governor Will Investigate Rock Island Incorporation.

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 2.—Governor Cummins announces that he will proceed to investigate the right of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railway to incorporate under the laws of the state of Iowa, and if he finds that the law is being violated he will order the attorney general to bring an action to invalidate the incorporation papers filed Thursday.

### NO SECOND OPERATION. King-Edward Well on the Road to Permanent Recovery.

London, Aug. 4.—The Daily Mail says it is in a position to state that there is no question of any second operation on the king being contemplated. It adds that there is every reason to expect that his majesty is well on the road to permanent recovery without further surgical treatment of any kind.

### AUSTRALIAN DISASTER. Scores of Lives Lost in a Mine Explosion.

Melbourne, Victoria, Aug. 2.—So far sixty-seven bodies have been recovered from the Mount Kimbla colliery at Wollongong, where an explosion occurred Thursday. The work of rescue is much hampered by after-damp in the mine.

### DEFEAT FOR REBELS. LONG AND DESPERATE BATTLE ON THE ISTHMUS OF PANAMA ENDS.

United States Cruiser Ranger Reported to Have Gone to Agua Dulce to Bring Wounded Back to Panama. Colombian Gunboat With Reinforcements on Board Missing and Great Anxiety Prevails.

Panama, Colombia, Aug. 4.—Telegraphic communication with San Carlos was re-established during the day and General Salazar received a telegram from San Carlos saying that some revolutionary officers belonging to the forces under General Herrera had passed that town in flight. They report the defeat of the revolutionists at Agua Dulce. This news has not been confirmed and details and further information are awaited.

The United States cruiser Ranger is reported to have gone to Agua Dulce for the purpose of bringing wounded back to Panama. Definite news of the engagement is expected when she returns.

The government gunboat Boyaca, which is missing, left here last Tuesday with reinforcements for General Morales Berti, who is located near the port of Agua Dulce. She was attacked by the revolutionary fleet and obliged to retreat. Since that time nothing has been heard of the Boyaca, but being faster than the revolutionary gunboat Padilla, she is believed to have escaped.

The Boyaca's rudder was recently found to be in very bad order and the repairs made to it were conducted rapidly and not very thoroughly.

General Salazar, governor of Panama, is of the opinion that some accident has happened to the gunboat which has left her helpless at sea or stranded on the coast of some island.

United States Consul General Gudger and Captain Potter of the United States cruiser Ranger have sent cables to Washington asking permission for the sake of humanity, for the Ranger to search for the Boyaca. There are over three hundred men on board the Colombian gunboat and General Salazar hopes that the Ranger will be permitted to go to their rescue.

The government gunboat Chuchuito, which was sent from here with ammunition for General Morales Berti, could not deliver her cargo because the port of Agua Dulce had been captured by the revolutionists. Water communication between the government troops at Agua Dulce and Panama is consequently interrupted.

General Salazar told a representative of the Associated Press that if General Herrera's forces were not defeated within five days he would march with all the forces he has in Panama to attack the revolutionary leader's rear guard.

General Salazar has received a telegram from the Colombian minister of war asking if reinforcements are needed and saying, that if so, he will send them immediately.

### FOR EUROPEAN DISARMAMENT. King of Italy Will Urge It Upon Emperor William.

Rome, Aug. 4.—With regard to the statement in these dispatches, under date of July 13, that one of the principal questions of discussion between King Victor Emmanuel and the czar of Russia upon the occasion of the former's visit to St. Petersburg would be the reduction of armaments, it is learned that the king's visit to Emperor William at Berlin the latter part of this month is intended to continue this same work in the direction of reaching an international understanding in the matter of reduced armaments, the king of Italy having been encouraged in his determination by the czar, who is ready to reassume the leadership of the movement he initiated with The Hague conference.

According to information received from an authoritative source, the sovereigns referred to argue that the time of European wars is almost over, as their interests are so great in other continents that it is now worth while to fight for a strip of land here and there in Europe. Consequently the large armaments which are now intended for European conflicts might be reduced or transformed for the defense of colonial interests, the gain being devoted to the improvement of commerce and industry and for a collective fight against the common danger—American competition.

### MONTANA TREMBLED. Earthquake Shocks Reported From Several Points.

Helena, Mont., Aug. 5.—An earthquake visited Missoula county causing some slight damage. It lasted about two seconds, the vibrations being quick and short.

At Bonner one of the large dynamos of the electrical plant was shaken from its adjustment.

At Clinton the shock was quite severe, the operator reporting that several buildings collapsed.

### CASTRO'S COURSE UNKNOWN. Venezuelan Revolutionists Advancing on Caracas.

Washington, Aug. 4.—The state department has received a cablegram from Minister Bowen, at Caracas, as follows:

"The united revolutionary army now supposed to be about 100 miles away. The president has not announced whether he will make or await attack. Probably nothing decisive will take place for a week."

### Texas Floods Subiding. Dallas, Tex., Aug. 4.—There is no trouble from floods in Texas now except in the extreme northeastern part of the state. Thousands of acres of the Brazos valley are said to be still submerged but the waters are receding rapidly. The Sabine river is four miles wide near Tyler.

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