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BUTTE MINES ALL CLOSED BY STRIKE

Ten Thousand Men Quit Work and Leave Shafts.

Smelters and Other Allied Industries May Be Forced to Suspend—Police Protect Men Who Would Continue Work—Sheriff Threatens to Shoot if Necessary.

Butte, Mont., Sept. 25.—Every mine in Butte is shut down tonight and 10,000 men are idle, with the prospect of 5,000 more being thrown out of work. If the suspension continues for five days the smelters and other allied industries will be forced to suspend. The trouble was caused by a majority of Engineers' Union No. 83 having seceded from the Western Federation of Miners and organized a new union. The Butte Miners' union ordered its members not to go to work in mines employing members of the new engineers' union.

The evening was ushered in with great excitement, when nearly 2,000 miners surrounded the shaft of the Gagnon mine, apparently for the purpose of mobbing 28 miners who defied the command of the union to stop work. A detail of 15 policemen with Captain Thomas Norton in command hurried to the scene, and reinforced by Sheriff John K. O'Rourke, with every deputy of his office at his back, succeeded in reaching the shaft mouth.

Mounting a pile of timbers, the sheriff in plain language told the crowd that the officers proposed to protect the Gagnon miners and intimated that any attempt at violence upon the part of the strikers would result in shooting. It is hardly likely that work will be resumed before a week, and the various smelters throughout the state may be compelled to suspend operations.

WRECK AT SEATTLE.

Trolley Car Jumps Track and Crashes Into Corner Cafe.

Seattle, Sept. 25.—Of the 80 passengers on a big Wallingford avenue car that was wrecked at the curve near the main gate of the World's fair, shortly before noon yesterday, not one escaped being cut or bruised or sharply shaken, but it is believed that none of the injured will die. Frank Hull, of Tacoma, aged 46, an Oddfellow attending the festivities accompanying the Sovereign Grand lodge meeting, died an hour after being taken from the wreck. The car got beyond control of the motorman, attained a speed of 30 miles an hour at the corner of Fourteenth avenue, Northwest, and East Fortieth street, careened, left the track and crashed into a one-story building at the southeast corner of the crossing, demolishing the flimsy building, splitting and wrecking the car and hurling the passengers forward with frightful force. Every pane of glass in the car was broken and the jagged pieces showered upon the passengers, who were tossed one upon another in indescribable confusion.

WRECKAGE LINES GULF.
Southern Coast Strawn With Broken Ships and Launches.
New Orleans, Sept. 25.—With the list of dead from Monday's tropical hurricane well above 100 tonight, every indication points to a much larger number of victims. Many small sloops and launches are lying wrecked on the Gulf shore of Louisiana and Mississippi, and there is little doubt that some of their occupants are lost. Anxiety for the safety of steamers bound for New Orleans during the hurricane period on the gulf, has been relieved. Nearly all of these vessels were many hours late, but finally arrived at this port with the exception of the Ustain, which is four days overdue from Puerto Cortez. She was reported today to have gone aground off Senashore light near the mouth of the Mississippi, with no loss of life.

Juarez Bomb Harmless.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 25.—It developed today that there was no plot connected with the finding of a supposed bomb in Juarez, Mexico. The "bomb" proved to be a small pepper box, three inches long, an inch and a half in diameter, and containing a substance like paraffine poured over the top. Even had it been exploded it would have done no harm. The police have arrested an American tramp who had been sleeping on the premises of Senor Arguelles and had been ordered away. He had made threats against Arguelles.

Spain Turned Back.

Oudja, Sept. 25.—Native reports say that the Spanish advance toward Seouan on September 20 was stopped and turned back by a strong body of Riflians. Similar reports were current during the operations at Souk Beni Sicar, when a number of the tribesmen, fighting for the Spanish cause, were said to have deserted to the enemy, forcing the Spanish troops to retire to Melilla. These reports probably are the basis of a rumored Spanish reverse.

Hundreds Flee in Skiffs.

Biloxi, Miss., Sept. 25.—About 500 storm sufferers are homeless at Bayou la Manre, near the mouth of the Mississippi river, and two lives were lost there. The water rose eight feet in the houses and the people saved their lives by taking skiffs and rowing up the Mississippi river.

HILL GIVES PRIZES.

Railroad Builder Helps Dry Farming Congress With Cups.

Billings, Mont., Sept. 27.—Five silver cups, aggregating \$220 in value, will be features of the list of prizes offered by James J. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern railway, for best exhibits at the International Dry Farming exposition which will be held at Billings, Montana, October 25-29, in connection with the Fourth Dry Farming congress, October 26-28. George J. Ryan, general industrial agent of the Great Northern, has sent to the headquarters of the congress at Billings a list of the prizes and the conditions under which they will be awarded. The aggregate value of all the prizes is \$1,000. This award by Mr. Hill is similar to that made by him in the case of the Omaha Corn exposition, with the exception that the cup feature is made a special one in favor of the Dry Farming congress. In regard to the cash prizes, Oregon, Washington and Montana are given the same list, thereby eliminating the competition of one state against another where conditions for certain crops might be better in one state than the other.

BURNING LAKE STUDIED.

Adventurous Spirits Go Into Grater o Active Volcano.

Honolulu, Sept. 27.—L. M. Hale, J. Reynolds, and Ernest Moses, a photographer, descended today into the pit of the crater of Mount Kilauaeu, remaining half an hour on the edge of a burning lake of lava and fire. This is the first time that this feat has been accomplished. The members of the party ventured almost to the rim of the seething lake and attempted to take photographs. The heat was intense and at times the adventurers walked over partially molten areas. After completing their observations, they returned safely to the rim of the crater, where half a dozen friends had witnessed the descent. Kilauaeu is one of the largest active volcanoes in the world, on the east slope of Maunaloa, Hawaii island. Its altitude is 4,400 feet and the circumference of its crater is about nine miles, with a depth varying from 700 to 1,100 feet, depending upon the level of the molten lava. Violent eruptions occurred in 1797, 1844 and 1886, and since the latter date there have been several outbreaks of less severity.

ENGINEERS TO YIELD.

Settlement of Miners' Differences in Butte in Sight.

Butte, Mont., Sept. 27.—Although no definite statements have yet been made by either side, it developed late tonight that there is plausible prospect that the differences existing between the Brotherhood of Stationary Engineers No. 1 and the Butte Miners' union may be settled, and the miners will return to their work at the various properties before tomorrow morning. It is known that certain overtures have been made to the engineers by the officers of the miners' union, and it is quite probable the engineers will make certain concessions which will be acceptable to the miners. Whether the concessions will be permanent, and whether they will involve a return of the seceding engineers to the Western Federation of Miners, it was impossible to ascertain.

OMAHA STRIKE NEARS END.

Omaha, Sept. 27.—Chances of ending the streetcar employes strike seemed favorable tonight. President Wattles, of the car company, after a meeting with the municipal officials tomorrow, will make a plain statement of what conditions would be acceptable to the company. The striking employes, he says, will be given an opportunity to accept his conditions. In a disturbance just before the cars stopped running for the day, James Murphy, a conductor, was knocked down and seriously injured.

LAUNCH SINKS, 80 DROWN.

Victoria, B. C., Sept. 27.—Mail advices from the Orient tell of a ship disaster on the West river of South China, involving a loss of 80 lives. The launch Wo On, from Weichu for Ho Yuen, on August 11 capsized three miles from her destination. The accident was caused by the strong current. Twenty of her 100 passengers were saved by swimming and by clinging to wreckage. The Chinese authorities at Weichu chartered a steam launch, which proceeded to the scene to recover the bodies of the victims.

MADRID DENIES DEFEAT.

Madrid, Sept. 24.—The government is either unwilling or unable to give a statement of the Spanish casualties in the latest fighting with the Moors in Morocco. The news of a Spanish defeat received at Paris is discredited here, and the government declares the Spanish victory is complete. It is announced that the tribesmen are expected soon to ask for peace. It is known that the loss has been heavy. It is said 400 were killed on each side.

JOHNSON'S WILL IS FOUND.

St. Paul, Sept. 27.—It was learned today that Governor Johnson had left a will bequeathing all his estate, which probably will aggregate \$25,000 to his widow.

DEATH AND RUIN FOLLOW STORM

Dixie Land Is Devastated by Tropical Hurricane.

Forty-Eight Lives Lost and Other Fatalities Rumored—Miles of Territory Are Laid Waste and Crops Ruined—Property Loss Will Reach Into Millions.

New Orleans, Sept. 23.—At least 48 lives were lost in the tropical hurricane that swept this part of the country Monday and Monday night. It is reported 50 others perished in Lower Terre Bonne parish, but this report has not been confirmed.

The property loss is far heavier than was first believed and will run well into the millions. Miles of territory have been laid waste and crops have been practically ruined.

Shipping of all kinds in the bayou inlets was destroyed. Storehouses, sugar mills and dwellings at Houma and other villages were badly damaged.

The damage at Grand island and Chanieri Caminada was heavy, but no lives were lost. The crops on that island were totally destroyed, for the water swept across two or three feet deep. The orange groves were whipped clean of fruit and foliage, hundreds of trees being uprooted.

The first message from the islands was received today when the mail steamer Grand Island reached this city. It was feared before the arrival of the boat that hundreds had lost their lives. In the tropical storm of 1903 no less than 1,500 people were drowned on Chanieri Caminada.

PLOT AGAINST PRESIDENTS.

Bomb Is Found at Meeting Place of Taft and Diaz.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 23.—The discovery tonight of a bomb in a residence in course of erection in Juarez, across the border in Mexico, caused a sensation. The authorities were notified and 12 workmen were placed incommunicado. It was first reported the bomb was found in the rear of the customs house, where President Taft and President Diaz are to meet October 16, but this was later denied by the authorities.

The residence of Camillo Arguelles, where the bomb was found, is a block from the customs house, where the meeting of the presidents is to take place. A visit by President Diaz to Arguelles, who is a close personal friend of Diaz, was thought probable. Colonel Corella, commanding the regular army in Juarez, says the object was a small piece of dynamite.

"It was not more than a quarter of a stick," he said. "It probably was thrown there by a revolutionist some months ago, when arrests were being made of these people."

ROBBERS SLAY SIX.

Thieves Murder Whole Family in West Virginia for Loot.

Bluefield, W. Va., Sept. 23.—An entire family of six persons was murdered and the bodies of all but one of the victims were burned with their home at Hurley, Va., early today. The motive evidently was robbery, as the owner of the house, an aged woman known as "Aunt Betty" Justice, was generally supposed to keep a large sum of money in the place. Mrs. Justice, her son-in-law, George Meadows, his wife and their three children were the victims. Meadows' body, badly mutilated, was found in the yard.

The half-burned bodies of the two women and three children were found beneath the debris of the house, each body bearing evidences of murder before the house was burned.

The thieves are supposed to have secured the \$600 which "Aunt Betty" always carried on her person.

SQUADRON TESTS SPEED.

Honolulu, Sept. 23.—Wireless reports from the armored cruiser squadron of Admiral Stribee received here tonight state that seven of the cruisers took part in the full power run off the Island of Maui. The warships were under forced draught for four hours and the dispatches say no breakdowns of any kind occurred. According to a wireless report received this afternoon, but which has not been officially confirmed, the West Virginia led in the speed tests and made an average of almost 22 knots an hour.

REAR ADMIRAL CLARK ILL.

Fremont, O., Sept. 23.—Rear Admiral Charles E. Clark, United States navy, who commanded the battleship Oregon during the Spanish-American war, was taken seriously ill today. When the war broke out the battleship Oregon was in Pacific waters. The vessel was ordered to hurry to Cuba, and Captain Clark took the big fighting machine around the Horn at full speed all the way. The voyage was a most conspicuous feature of the war.

STRIKERS STONE TROLLEYS.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 23.—Riots resulting from the streetcar strike resulted in serious injury to nine men last night. Two of the injured are motormen who were struck with bricks.

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