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NO UNION MAN NEED APPLY

GOLDFIELD MINE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REDUCES WAGES AND RESOLVES THAT NO UNION MEN NEED APPLY

Will Attempt to Resume Operations, Giving Preference to Old Men, but Will Import Miners if Necessary.

GOLDFIELD, Dec. 10.—The Goldfield Mine Owners' association issued an ultimatum to the miners in Goldfield yesterday in the shape of a set of resolutions adopted at the meeting which had been in progress all day. These resolutions embody the following new scale of wages, which shows a reduction of about 20 per cent:

Miners, \$4; machine men, \$4; chuck tenders, \$3.75; muckers, \$3.75; carmen, \$3.75; top carmen, \$3.75; pumpmen, \$4; timber men, \$4.50; carpenters, \$5; machinists, \$5; electricians, \$5; blacksmiths, \$5.50; tool sharpeners, \$5; blacksmith helpers, \$4; surface laborers, \$3.50; amalgamators, \$4.50; vanermen, \$4; laborers, \$3.50.

The resolutions set forth that no member of the Mine Owners' association employ in or around his mine, or mill any member of Goldfield Local Union, No. 220, or of the Western Federation of Miners, or of any union connected with the Federation.

That all men hereafter employed by the association must sign a written contract declaring no affiliation with the Goldfield union or any other union connected with the Federation.

The association set Thursday, December 12, 1907, for the date of resumption, with men who agree to the conditions, and that all old employees be given preference.

The cost of living is to be reduced at least 20 per cent. The association declares that unless the merchants of Goldfield reduce their prices to the extent of 20 per cent they will institute stores and boarding houses which will make the necessary reductions, and even greater.

The operators' association also announced that if there were not a sufficient number of men willing to go to work upon the terms of the resolutions before December 12, it will employ men from such sources as it may be able to secure them.

The executive committee of the Goldfield Miners union has been in session nearly all day, but no statement has been issued in answer to the one sent out by the mine owners, the contents of which had been anticipated by the miners.

It is the belief of members of the union, expressed today on the issuance of the miners' statements, that no attempt will be made by the owners to do more than clear the mines of water that has accumulated in them during the past week.

Whether an attempt will be made to prevent this much being done is something that cannot be forecasted, but the men say positively that no violence will be resorted to and no disturbance made on Thursday morning when the mines are to be reopened.

Whether the union will undertake to renew negotiations with the Mine Owners' association, in an attempt to bring about some sort of a compromise before Thursday, is something that has not yet been decided by the executive committee of the union.

The troops are patrolling the ground around the Consolidated and other prominent mines of the camp, as also are a large number of deputy constables sworn in by Constable Claude Inman.

It was learned last night that an attempt will be made today to start work on the Mohawk Combination lease. No underground work will be attempted, but Manager Siebert states that he will work the dumps, and that he has men enough to handle the work. He has made no request for deputies or troops to guard

property or protect the workmen.

St. John Leaves Camp in Style

SALT LAKE, Dec. 10.—Vincent St. John, formerly president of the Telluride, Colorado, Miners' union, and whose activity in the labor troubles at Goldfield, Nev., culminated in a shooting affair and a serious wound, passed through here today on the Los Angeles limited. He occupied a stateroom, and told some of his fellow passengers that he was going to Chicago. St. John is now an organizer for the Industrial Workers of the World, and Chicago is the headquarters of the organization.

NO ATTEMPT TO WORK MINES

MINE OWNERS POSTPONE OPENING OF MINES UNTIL THURSDAY—THE MINERS LAUGH AT THEIR PRESUMPTION

GOLDFIELD, Dec. 10.—Contrary to expectations, the attempt to start the work on the Mohawk Combination lease today was abandoned and the men notified they would not be needed until Thursday.

Rumors that the Western Federation men were arming and would attack the guards at the Mohawk proved false. Suppressed excitement prevails everywhere.

The mine owners assert they are fully prepared to open the mines Thursday, while the officers of the Miners' union scoff at the idea and refuse to divulge their plans.

Governor Sparks arrived today and denied that any effort was being made to induce him to ask the recall of the troops. He stated they would remain until the possibility of trouble disappears.

Want Tariff Removed

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 10.—The Implement and Hardware Dealers' association of Southwest Kansas and Oklahoma is in annual session here with a good attendance.

Much dissatisfaction is expressed by the dealers over the high prices asked by the manufacturers and wholesalers, and it is probable the meeting will frame a petition to congress asking that all materials used in the manufacture of wagons, farm machinery, etc., be placed on the free list.

LOOKS BETTER THAN REPORTED

INSOLVENT CALIFORNIA BANK SHOWS TO BE NOT A HOPELESS CASE—WALKER WILL GIVE HIS FORTUNE

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—At a large meeting of the depositors of the insolvent California Safe Deposit Trust company today the sentiment of the majority was that the condition of the bank was not so bad as reported.

Attorneys today examining the affairs of the bank with a view of ascertaining any criminal mismanagement or misappropriation of funds that would warrant criminal proceedings, stated that President Walker was willing to give his and his wife's fortunes to help the bank.

WILL FIGHT FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—Owen Moran of England and Abe Attel of this city will fight 25 rounds for the world's featherweight championship at San Francisco, New Year's day. James Jeffries will be referee.

STOCK YARDS BANK REOPENS

SECOND OF SMALL BANKS CARRIED DOWN BY FAILURE OF NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE RESUMES BUSINESS

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 10.—The Stockyards Bank of Commerce resumed business today. This is the second small bank affiliated with the National Bank of Commerce to reopen.

The directors and stockholders continue to work on plans for reopening the National Bank of Commerce. Nine directors went to Chicago today to confer with Chicago bankers, and may proceed to Washington to confer with Controller Ridgley. It is said they carry assurances that guarantee the raising of \$1,000,000 additional capital.

NEW STATE ELECT HER SENATORS

OWEN AND GORE, BOTH DEMOCRATS, CHOSEN BY LEGISLATURE TODAY—OWEN INDIAN, GORE A BLIND MAN

GUTHRIE, Okla., Dec. 10.—Robert Latham Owen of Muskogee and Thomas Prior Gore of Lawton, both democrats, were elected to the United States senate today by the Oklahoma legislature. Gore has the double distinction of being the first blind member of the senate and the youngest man.

Owen's mother was the daughter of Chisholm, the late hereditary war chief of the Cherokee nation.

OFFICE HOLDERS MUST DESIST

FULL TEXT OF ROOSEVELT LETTER REGARDING OFFICIALS BOOSTING FOR THIRD TERM MADE PUBLIC TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—After the cabinet session today, the following letter was made public:

"I have been informed that the court officers of your department are preparing to attend the national convention as delegates that favor the nomination of myself for president and are preparing to secure my indorsement by state conventions.

"I wish you to inform such officers as you may find advisable and necessary to inform in order to carry out the spirit of these instructions that such advocacy of my renomination or their acceptance of election as delegates for that purpose will be regarded as a serious violation of official propriety, to be dealt with accordingly.

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

It is understood the cabinet officers took action. The letter was addressed to the cabinet November 15.

Jacob Schaeffer left this afternoon for a business visit to the Culdesac section.

TAFT ENROUTE TO NEW YORK

PLYMOUTH, Dec. 10.—The President Grant, with the Taft party on board, sailed early today for New York.

BANK WILL PAY EVERY DOLLAR

TITLE GUARANTEE AND TRUST CO. HAS ASSETS FAR IN EXCESS OF LIABILITIES IS REPORT OF RECEIVER HILL

PORTLAND, Dec. 10.—Allowing for a shrinkage of \$660,503 in assets, the Title Guarantee and Trust company should still be able to pay dollar for dollar, according to the report of Receiver Hill.

The assets are \$3,061,493, liabilities \$2,400,990. The principal assets are in realty.

The savings accounts have been underwritten by W. M. Ladd, and aside from this guarantee the resources appear on the surface capable of taking care of all accounts.

HAWLEY OPENS CASE FOR STATE

DWELLS ON CONSPIRACY LAW IN IDAHO—GIVES HISTORY OF FEDERATION AND ORCHARD'S ARREST AND CONFESSION

BOISE, Ida., Dec. 10.—Hawley outlined the case for the prosecution of Pettibone today, reciting the facts of the killing of Steunenberg. He dwelt at length on the Idaho law which provides that the accessory is equally guilty with the one actually committing the crime. The law on conspiracy was explained to the jury. Senator Borah was present.

Hawley gave a brief history of the Western Federation, the arrest of Orchard, his confession, and said Orchard would take the witness stand and tell all his crimes.

BRING BODIES OUT RAPIDLY

RESCUE WORK AT MONONGAH MORE RAPID TODAY AND EXPECTED ALL WILL BE RECOVERED BY NIGHTFALL

MONONGAH, Dec. 10.—The work of rescue is progressing rapidly and it is expected that most of the bodies will be out by night.

One hundred and twelve were at the surface at 10 o'clock, and 25 more were ready to be brought out of Mine No. 6.

Four were awaiting removal at No. 8, and it was expected the total would reach 140 by noon.

Election Day in Boston

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 10.—Unusual interest in the contest brought out a heavy vote in the municipal election in Boston today, according to early reports from the several wards. A mayor, councilmen, members of the school committee and several minor officials will be elected. Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, who was nominated by the democrats for a second term, is opposed by Postmaster George A. Hibbard, the republican nominee, and John A. Coulthurst, the candidate of the Independent league. The alleged extravagance of Mayor Fitzgerald's administration has been the chief issue of the campaign.

DRY SUNDAY FOR CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—State Attorney Healy announced today he would enforce the laws and close every saloon in Chicago Sunday.

COWBOYS' DUEL ENDS FATALLY

The Woman in the Case Escapes From Five Shots

DEADWOOD, Dec. 10.—Bernard Prentice, a cowboy, is dead and Dick Moran, a cook, probably will die as the result of a duel today over a woman. A dozen shots were exchanged, five of which were fired at the woman.

SPOKANE LUMBER MILL FIRE

Loss of \$25,000 Fully Covered by Insurance

SPOKANE, Dec. 10.—The main building and a portion of the office of the Holland-Herr Lumber mills of this city were destroyed by fire early today. The loss is \$25,000, practically covered by insurance.

COURT MARTIAL OF STOESEL

ACCUSED OF HAVING SURRENDERED PORT ARTHUR BEFORE ALL RESOURCES WERE EXHAUSTED—TRIAL FOR LIFE

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 10.—The final stage of the courtmartial of Lieutenant General Stoessel will begin in this city today. There have been protracted delays in taking the testimony in the case in the far East, but now this material is in order and the proceedings will go ahead rapidly.

General Stoessel is accused of having surrendered the fortress at Port Arthur before he had exhausted all the resources of defense. The punishment for this, under the Russian code, is death. He is to be tried also on the charge of lacking initiative, and with having exceeded his powers. General Fook and General Reiss are codefendants with him. The first is accused of having conspired the surrender of the fortress and the second with having executed the order of surrender. General Smirnov, General Stoessel's most bitter enemy, is to be tried on a minor count.

The court will be composed of nine members. It will include Generals Kuropatkin, Bilderling, Myloff and others. General Garsky will be judge advocate. General Stoessel will be defended by Deputy Syrtlanoff and Col. Vellamoff. The trial is exciting the most intense interest in army circles.

General Stoessel, who has suffered two paralytic strokes since the fall of the fortress, is in a pitiable state of excitement over the final hearing of the case.

GOUCHER IS NOT GUILTY

A jury in Justice of the Peace Erb's court yesterday evening rendered a verdict of not guilty in the case of the state of Idaho vs. Robert Goucher, charged with violating the Sunday rest law by keeping a saloon open at Spalding.

The prosecution was conducted by County Attorney Needham, while Attorney J. L. Harn appeared for the defense. The jury was composed of the following well-known Lewiston citizens: George H. Storer, Harvey Gait, E. L. Russell, Walter Ninneman, C. J. Donaldson and J. O. Maxon.

EDITORS LUNCH WITH BRYAN

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 10.—Fred Dubcis of Idaho, Mayor D. Appleman of Omaha and Editor Hoyt of Milwaukee had luncheon with Bryan today. It is denied that the meeting had any political significance.

FAIR OFFICIALS REPORT WANTED

COMMERCIAL CLUB HAS A BUSY SESSION—FAIR ASSOCIATION REQUESTED TO MAKE REPORT OF CONDITION

Water Committee to Make Early Report—Committee Appointed to Investigate Jail Accommodations—Thanks Senator Heyburn

President John O. Bender of the Lewiston Commercial club last night asked that the Lewiston-Clarkston Fair association make a report of its standing to the club at the earliest possible date.

Mr. Bender explained that while the fair association was an organization entirely outside of the Commercial club, still it was an organization of the people and for the promotion of the resources of the Lewiston-Clarkston country, and that all of the members of the Commercial club were deeply interested in the fair association and its workings.

He stated the time for work for the next year's fair was near at hand, and in order for the club to intelligently labor in the interests of the association it would be necessary for a complete statement of its affairs to be available to the club members and the citizens at large who are asked each year to contribute to the support of the fair association.

President Bender also asked for a report of the water commission as early as the first Monday in January and a report of the secretary and treasurer of the Commercial club by December 23.

The matter of investigating the county jail as to the accommodations for prisoners was also brought before the club by President Bender, and upon motion he was authorized to appoint a committee of five to make such investigations. The three members of the committee named last night are Rev. Patch, G. A. Swanson and T. O. Hanlon.

Mr. Bender stated complaints have been made to him that the jail quarters are much too small for the accommodation of the number of prisoners often confined, and that no provisions are made for separating the petty offenders, who are young in crime, from the hardened criminals held on the most serious charges.

The matter of a government building for Lewiston was discussed at length, and the secretary instructed to prepare a letter thanking United States Senator W. B. Heyburn for his efforts in behalf of the Lewiston building.

In connection with this discussion the president was authorized to appoint a statistics committee for the purpose of collecting complete data relative to the business transacted by the several government offices maintained in the city and to furnish the Idaho congressional delegation with other data relative to the needs of the Lewiston country.

A committee composed of City Attorney E. A. Cox, George E. Erb, D. J. McIlvrey, F. A. Parkyn and J. E. Kincaid was appointed to take up the matter of a new license ordinance for the city of Lewiston which will eliminate the collection of licenses from the ordinary business houses.

The question was discussed at length, and the present ordinance, under which the business house license is collected, was condemned as an unjust taxation.

The condemnation of the Clearwater river as a navigable stream was again before the meeting, and the secretary was instructed to correspond with the commercial bodies of the Clearwater section to ascertain the position of the people in that section to such action.

George M. Peasley left on the morning train for Oakesdale, where he is operating a branch of the Clarkston nursery.