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Indianapolis, Ind.—As a first step to placing the entire 300,000 organized coal miners of all the anthracite and bituminous fields of the United States and Canada behind the anthracite miners' eight hour demands the convention declared for the appointment of a special scale committee, which will present the demands of the anthracite miners to the national convention for discussion and ratification. After being endorsed by the national convention this committee will then be ready to ask the anthracite operators for a conference. The request for a conference will be in the name of the national organization and the demands will be backed by the convention. The demands will be those of 300,000 men instead of only the organized workers of the anthracite field.

Morgantown, W. Va.—Glass workers report that since the strike of the window glass employes at the W. R. Jones factory here, the majority of the Belgian and Swede workers have signed to go to Sistersville, W. Va., where they will work for a new company that has rented the Sistersville factory, and will operate under the name of the Independent Window Glass Company. This new move is said to be something of a co-operative affair, and while the wage scale of the Window Glass Workers' association had been signed a private agreement exists, it is said, that will give the men \$15 a week market money, while the balance of their pay goes into stock in the company. They also agree to make a certain number of boxes of glass each week without remuneration.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The United Mine Workers appointed a special committee to confer with the anthracite operators regarding a wage scale. The scale under which the miners are now working was made by a commission that grew out of a recommendation made by President Roosevelt some years ago, and expires April 1. The miners will ask the anthracite operators for a conference and attempt to agree upon a new scale before the present one expires.

Cleveland, O.—According to a statement made by F. B. Smith, fleet engineer of the Pittsburg Steamship Company, he has all the engineers needed for his fleet signed for next season. He also said that he could have got many more while in Detroit, had he needed them. On the other hand, the local officers of the M. E. B. A. declare that 95 per cent. of the members have taken a determined stand not to work under the contract system.

New York.—At the last session of the legislature, at Albany, the proposition looking to the establishment of an old-age pension system was introduced, but did not meet with favorable consideration, owing to the fact that such measure involved an annual payment of over \$20,000,000. At the coming session, however, a bill embodying the same general principles of old-age pensions is likely to be introduced, it is said.

Pittsburg, Pa.—The seventh annual report of the Carnegie relief fund, applicable to the employes of the Carnegie Steel Company and its nine constituent companies, showing operations for 1908, was made public here. Benefits for the year totaled \$210,423.70, as follows: Accident benefits, \$20,307.70; death benefits, \$109,023, and pension allowances, \$81,093.

Boston, Mass.—About 5,000 operatives employed in the subsidiary factories of the United States Rubber Company, and by one or two smaller concerns, will be idle during the greater part of February, according to notices which have been posted at various plants. The curtailment is due to an accumulation of unsold stock, a condition largely caused by fine weather in November, December and the early part of this month.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The nine workers' convention, which received Mr. Mitchell with the greatest enthusiasm, voted him \$2,500 to help him fight against execution of the jail sentence. Afterward a telegram was sent to Mr. Gompers announcing this fact and saying: "Stay in the game. Three hundred thousand black diamond artists are backing you."

Washington.—On the charges filed with him by the American Federation of Musicians, accusing amusement managers of violating the alien labor law, President Roosevelt has requested that Secretary Straus of the department of commerce and labor investigate and make a full report thereon.

New York.—At the last meeting of the Central Federated union (Manhattan) it was decided to ask the various central labor bodies of the other boroughs to co-operate in a request that Mayor McClellan appoint a labor representative to the board of education from each of such borough organizations.

New York.—It is alleged that the railroads of New York state will fight the semi-monthly pay bill which was passed last session of the legislature. Their intention is said to be to carry it to the courts and have the law declared unconstitutional.

Victoria, N. S. W.—There appears to be the prospect of trouble ahead for the South Wales Miners' federation, as the outcome of the decision of the court of appeals in the trade union levies' case, which has created much interest among the anti-Socialist minority of the Welsh miners, and the conservative miners have already decided to issue a claim against the union for the return of all money paid by them in support of the miners' members of parliament. It is expected that the action will take the form of a test case, the sum being over \$40,000.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Stirred by the recommendation in the report of Secretary Ryan that a national labor party be organized, many of the leaders of the United Mine Workers of America, in their twentieth annual convention, have come out as open advocates of this policy. The decision of Judge Wright in sentencing Mitchell, Morrison and Gompers, the remission of the Standard Oil Company's fine, and the result of the last national election, are said to be the causes for the intended bolt from the old political organizations.

Chicago.—Trouble which may result in the complete paralysis of shipping on the lakes when traffic opens on May 1 is threatened by action of the Lake Seamen's union. Union officials urged every member of the big organization to stand by it, and hinted that the long deferred struggle with the shipping organization will begin when the traffic season opens. If such is the case it will mean that something like 12,000 men will be thrown out of work, and that millions of dollars' worth of shipping will be brought to a standstill.

Detroit, Mich.—A renewed declaration for the open shop principle in regard to the employment of labor on the ships of the great lakes, the announcement that \$60,000,000 worth of vessel tonnage out of a total of \$100,000,000 on the lakes had signed the mutual insurance agreement issued here, and the disclosing of a movement to make the projected Livingstone channel in the lower Detroit river 600 feet wide, instead of 300 feet, were features of the annual convention of the Lake Carriers' association.

Washington.—President Samuel Gompers, Vice-President John Mitchell and Secretary Frank Morrison of the American Federation of Labor, who were recently adjudged in contempt of court and sentenced to terms of imprisonment in the District of Columbia jail, were ordered by Justice Wright of the district supreme court to pay the costs incurred in the proceedings which resulted in the sentence for contempt. The costs aggregate about \$1,500.

Manila.—The launchmen and lightermen of Manila harbor have struck for higher wages and shorter hours. They also demand various other concessions from ship owners. Shipping has been crippled. There is a possibility of the trouble extending to the coast. Extra police precautions have prevented any disorder.

Milwaukee, Wis.—Victor Berger was named chairman of a committee which will draft a resolution requesting the three convicted officials of the American Federation of Labor not to seek clemency from President Roosevelt in the form of a pardon in the event of their being sent to jail.

New York.—Two women have been admitted to membership in the New York Central Labor union—Miss Alice O'Rourke, representing the Badge, Banner and Regalia Makers' union, and Miss Nellie Curley, representing the Bookkeepers' and Accountants' union. They are the first women who have been admitted as delegates in either of the central bodies in Brooklyn or Manhattan.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The annual report of William Dodson as national secretary of the Bricklayers' and Masons' International union for the year ending November 30, 1908, shows that the total number of local unions of the international, December 1, 1907, was 1,014, and that this had been increased to 1,026.

Washington.—Now that the Central Labor union has declared for suffrage in the District of Columbia, it is proposed by certain leaders among the workmen that a suffrage league be formed here.

Woonsocket, R. I.—The Millville rubber boot mill of the Woonsocket Rubber Company at Millville, Mass., employing 700 operatives, closed for four weeks.

Sterling, Ill.—The Royal Trust Company of Chicago, which was named as the receiver of the Illinois Straw Products Company of this city, announces that it will reopen the plant and operate at full capacity.

Waco, Tex.—A strong organization has been formed to work for the initiative and referendum in the next legislature. This organization has the support of the farmers' unions, as well as the trade unions.

New York.—About eight per cent. of the members of the International Fur Workers are unemployed at this time.

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