

## FAR APART ON MINE SCALE

Operators Refuse all Demands in Joint Conference.

ARE OPPOSED TO ANY INCREASE.

Other Issues in Dispute as Far From Settlement as Is Rate Agreement. Matter Is Referred Back to Subcommittee—Position of Miners.

Indianapolis, Feb. 7.—No agreement was reached yesterday by the committee upon which depends a basis of settlement of the differences between the United Mine Workers and the operators of the four competitive mining states. The subcommittee held a session at which the question of the miners' demand for a straight increase of 10 per cent formed the point of discussion. The miners' representatives on the committee were given to understand by Francis L. Robbins that the operators were a unit against an increase of any amount; that this attitude was firm, and as long as the miners insisted upon their demands for the introduction of the run of mine system and the differential between pick and machine mining the matter of a 10 per cent increase or any other increase for that matter would not be even considered by the operators.

This was taken by the miners' delegates as indicating that the operators were not so averse to an increase in the price for digging coal as they were to the other features of the submitted scale, and after an hour's fruitless discussion, without favorable results either way, the committee adjourned to meet at 2 p. m., when the joint scale committee had been called to hear a report of the "committee of sixteen."

The question was referred back to the subcommittee, with instructions to arrive at a conclusion, if possible, this afternoon. It developed that the miners' delegates generally, while a united body for the increased wage demanded, are not in favor of sacrificing the possibility of securing an increase through the abandonment of the run of mine and differential propositions.

**Sattley Strike Declared Off.**  
Springfield, Ill., Feb. 7.—The strike of the employees at the Sattley plow works, which had lasted for almost three months, was declared off last night at a meeting of the plow workers' union. The settlement was brought about through the efforts of the Springfield Merchants' association. The strikers are to go to work as soon as their services are needed, but the Sattley Manufacturing company refuses to recognize their union.

### AGED RECLUSES MURDERED.

Three Believed to Have Been Killed by Same Set of Criminals.

Kansas City, Feb. 7.—Upon the discovery yesterday of the dead body of George Zimmerman, a German farmer, 62 years old, at his home near Morris station, six miles west of Argentine, Kan., his head having been crushed, and the body lying in a pool of blood, which was frozen, the Wyandotte county officers concluded that Zimmerman and two other aged men, all recluses, have been murdered in Wyandotte county since the first of the year by the same persons and in each case it is believed the motive has been robbery. Zimmerman had been dead more than a week. He lived alone and it is said he kept a large sum of money in an old trunk. The murderers made a thorough search of the premises.

Wednesday of last week the dead body of Thomas Carroll, an aged hermit, was found in a well at his home near Argentine. He had been dead nearly a month and the coroner's jury decided that he had been murdered. Two men and women are in the Argentine jail pending an investigation of the mysterious disappearance last week of Noah Long, another aged recluse.

### Lynch Negro at Lynchburg.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 7.—Euliss Whittaker, colored, charged with the murder of John Doster three weeks ago, was taken from jail at Lynchburg and hanged by a mob. Whittaker's case was called in court yesterday and continued. Late last night the mob appeared and, securing possession of the negro, hurried him to the court house, where a rope was placed around his neck and he was hanged.

### Shoots Sweetheart and Self.

Chicago, Feb. 7.—Joseph Kumell, a young Bohemian, shot and killed his sweetheart, Mary Alaxa, at her home, 79 West Sixteenth street, last night and then fired two shots into his own body. It is believed he will die. The tragedy occurred in the presence of the girl's mother. Kumell was despondent because he was out of work.

### Two Must Pay Death Penalty.

Greenville, Miss., Feb. 7.—Cocke and Lauderdale, two of the men indicted for the murder of William Wray on a Mississippi Valley passenger train last month, were convicted last night, the jury rendering a verdict of guilty as charged. The sentence of death will be passed on the men today.

Convicted of Manslaughter. Adrian, Mich., Feb. 7.—The jury

which has been trying Bert Farrington on the charge of having murdered Jesse Cooper, whom Farrington found in a room with Mrs. Farrington about a month ago, returned a verdict against Farrington of manslaughter. The case will go to the supreme court.

### FATAL RESULT FROM A FALL.

Former Prominent Iowa Politician Dies in Chicago of His Injuries.

Chicago, Feb. 7.—M. S. Anderson, a prominent stockman and a politician in Iowa for a number of years, is dead at his home in this city, the result of injuries received in Fredericktown, O., Jan. 24, when he fell on a sidewalk. Mr. Anderson was well known throughout the central and eastern part of the state. He formerly lived at Williamsburg, Ia., where he was known as the "lieutenant" of Captain J. N. W. Rumble of Marengo, Ia., now congressman from that district. He has held several political offices in the state and removed to Chicago a short time ago. He was about 52 years old and was married.

### PLEADS GUILTY OF FORGERY.

Former Insurance Agent Sentenced to Seven Years in Prison.

Tiffin, O., Feb. 7.—Russell B. Drake, the absconding insurance agent, who was captured in Mexico after a two-years' chase, pleaded guilty to the charge of forgery yesterday and was sentenced to the penitentiary for seven years. Drake claimed just before being sentenced that he had been led to commit the crime because of financial straits and disclaimed any criminal intent. He is predisposed to consumption and may not live to serve out his time. The total amount of his peculations is about \$30,000.

### Verdict of Death Impotent.

Constantinople, Feb. 7.—The sultan's brother-in-law, Damad Hamud Pasha, has been sentenced to death. Mahmud has long been prominent in the young Turk movement and was recently expelled from Greece at the behest of the sultan. Mahmud went to Rome and the sultan requested his expulsion from Italy. It was refused, but Mahmud proceeded to Paris, where he remains in safety.

### Sigsbee the Guest of Honor.

Cincinnati, Feb. 7.—Captain Charles S. Sigsbee, chief of the naval intelligence bureau, was the guest of honor of the Business Men's club at their banquet last night. Captain Sigsbee spoke at length on the navy, outlining the work and the generally recognized efficiency of that department of the government and its inestimable value to the commerce of the country.

### Shopmen Lose Their Strike.

Washington, Ind., Feb. 7.—The Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern shop employees, who have been out on a strike several weeks, declared the strike off yesterday, having already conceded every point and lost the contest. The men agree to return to work in a body or singly as the company may desire.

### Three Men Asphyxiated.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 7.—In attempting to repair a feed pipe in a fuel oil storage tank in the Santa Fe railroad yards here, Owen Burnes, Pat Burnes, his brother, and John Day were asphyxiated by the fumes of the oil. Owen Burnes is dead and the other two men are in a critical condition.

### Kills a Cabinet Minister.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Feb. 7.—M. Kamtcheff, the minister of public instruction, was assassinated yesterday in his study by a Macedonian, who pretended he wanted to present a petition. The assassin subsequently committed suicide by shooting himself.

### Count's Intention Not Matrimonial.

Rome, Feb. 7.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Milan says: There is no foundation for the reports that the Count of Turin, a cousin of the king of Italy, is about to visit the United States with matrimonial intent.

### TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

A dispatch from Madrid announces that the Marquis de Jerez's famous library has been sold to an American for £40,000.

The trustees of a church at Newmarket, Md., refused to permit it to be used for the funeral of a tuberculosis victim.

The British, American and Japanese ministers have renewed their opposition to the Manchurian arrangements between China and Russia.

The German foreign office confirmed the story printed in a Berlin paper that England wanted to help Spain in the American war. Russia spoiled the plan.

Lord Salisbury, in a speech, declared England ready to accept any settlement in South Africa that recognized the rights of the sovereign and offered security to the empire. He also said Ireland must be pacified.

Governor Orman has received a letter from General Funston accepting the invitation tendered by the governor to become the guest of Colorado at a banquet to be given to Generals Funston and MacArthur at some future date.

Lieutenant Colonel Henry O. S. Helstand, assistant adjutant general, who returned to this country from the Philippines to appear before the senate committee investigating the charges made by Major Hawkes, has been ordered back to Manila for assignment to duty.



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