MINERS MAY REJECT OFFER

Operators' Proposition Not Satisfactory to the Men.

MITCHELL MAINTAINS SILENCE.

Will Confer With Lieutenants Today and May Submit Counter Proposition for Strike Settlement to President Roosevelt.

Wilkesbarre, Pa, Oct. 15 .- From a thorough canvass of the situation as it exists today, there is every indication that the new arbitration plan proposed by the presidents of the coal companies for ending the miners' strike will not be accepted in its present form. There is a division of opinion among the strikers, but there is no doubt that a majority feel that the offer to have the president of the United States select an arbitration commission along the lines suggested by the operators is not fair and that it unduly limits the president in making up the board. The miners, it is safe to Maunfacturers Submit a Plan to Settle say, will abide the advice of their national president, in whose judgment they have the utmost confidence. President Mitchell declines to say how he personally looks upon the the following statement:

Mitchell's Statement.

"I fully appreciate with what anxlety the people of our country are waiting the end of the coal strike. The coal operators have not addressed the miners' union or its officers in making their public statement. It is therefore impossible for me to state the attitude of the miners at this time. I am now, as I have always been, deeply solicitous of the interests of the public and the welfare of the mine workers who have been on strike for the past five months. A formal statement defining our position and intentions will be issued just as soon as we are in possession of the full meaning of the proposition of the operators."

This statement was made by him after the correspondents, representing newspapers all over the country, called | Santa Fe and Rock Island, however, on him in a body and informed him gave notice at once of their intention that the general public desired to have an answer to the proposition of the the rates into effect to points in the operators. After giving it he was southwest. Considerable surprise asked many questions regarding the and disappointment has been caused attitude of the men and the probabil- to competitors of the Chicago and ity of the acceptance or rejection of Northwestern by that line giving simthe new offer, but he had no reply to liar notice that it would put the rates make to any of these questions. His into effect to points in South Dakota attention was called to the fact that and Nebraska. most of the information from Washington indicated that the proposition would be accepted and that the strike was near an end, but he stoutly maintained that neither his officers nor rank and file of the men had done anything to cause such an impression to

go out. Not Dealing in Gold Bricks.

The district presidents also maintain silence as to their personal opinion on the proposition, excepting Presto how he viewed the new turn of affairs. In reply to a query, he said: "The strike cannot be settled with-

out the consent of the men. We are not dealing in gold bricks of any kind; and you can make any deduction from this that you want."

There will be a conference today between Mr. Mitchell, the three district presidents and Secretary-Treasurer Wilson. It is fully expected that the sentiment of all the strikers will be known today and that action will be taken accordingly. There is talk of a convention being called, but there is nothing definite on which to base this talk. When Mr. Mitchell was asked if he and the district officers had power to end the strike, he said that it is a rule of the organization that no settlement can be made by the officers of the union without the consent of a delegate convention. It is practically certain that Mr. Mitchell's advice will be followed in the conference. While he has not said a word as to what he will do, it is freely predicted by those who understand the situation that he will advise a refusal of the proposition.

The rank and file of the miners view the new proposal in different lights. Those who are opposed to accepting the new offer, look upon the operators' latest move as a counterproposition to Mr. Mitchell's offer to arbitrate, made in the temporary white house at Washington. They compare the two offers and pick out what they allege to be many flaws. Their greatest objection to it is that the operators dictate to the president as to from what class of men he shall select the arbitrators, and they charge the operators with lack of faith in the president when they do not give him a free hand to pick the men he wants.

The arbitration talk has acted as a check upon the movement of men returning to work. The prospect for a coal supply to meet the rapidly approaching cold weather is by no means bright. If the miners should accept the arbitration plan of the operators, it would take at least two weeks before the details of sending them back could be worked out. As the outlook for arbitration is rather dark, it can safely be said that there will be little more coal on the market for some time to come than there is at present.

Ex-Governor Drake's Condition Serious Centerville Is., Oct. 15.—General Drake's condition continues to grow worse. Pleurisy troubles him and he is threatened with pneumonia. He has one rib broken and another torn loose. He is also suffering from his old fall. Conditions are now regarded as alarming.

USE DYNAMITE AT C'RATOGA. Strike Situation is Critical-Mechanicsville Fears Riot.

Saratoga, N. Y., Oct. 15 .- The motormen's strike on the Hudson Valley Storm on the Lake Proves Disrailroad is assuming a more threatening form. Dynamite was used in Saratoga Springs last night and a riot is feared at Mechanicsville. A trolley car passing near the trolley station , of South Broadway was partly wrecked by dynamite that had been placed on the track. The car windows were broken, the track torn up and the windows of a nearby saloon shat-

tered, but no one was injured. Major Andrews of the Second regiment, on strike duty at Mechanicsville, was officially notified by Village President Finnegan of Mechanicsville that he had sworn in a large force of deputies and proposed to arrest and lock up every National Guardsman doing patrol duty in Mechanicsville. As the Second regiment is doing strike duty by orders from Governor Odell, any attempt on the part of Mr. Finnegan to carry out his threat may lead to serious consequences.

OPERATORS HOLD A MEETING.

the Coal Strike.

New York, Oct. 15.-The regular weekly meeting of the coal operators yesterday was preceded by a conference with a committee of the National proposition, but he gave to the press Association of Manufacturers, and at the conference the salient points of a plan to settle the anthracite coal strike were submitted by the manufacturers. The operators will consider the plan while the mine workers are reaching a conclusion in regard to the proposal of arbitration submitted to President Roosevelt, at Washington, Monday. A member of the manufact urers said that he knew the association's plan would be acceptable to Mr. Mitchell. The same member of the committee said that the manufacturers' plan would be considered by the operators if the mine workers re ject the plan submitted to the president Monday.

> Row Over Colonist Rates. Chicago, Oct. 15 .- The substitute proposition for low one-way colonist rates has been voted down by West-ern Passenger association roads. The

Small Riot at Scranton. Scranton, Oct. 15 .- Only one call was made on the soldiers in these parts yesterday. A crowd of boys playing football near the Diamond colliery gave up their sport for the more fashionable pastime of stoning a nonunionist. Deputies came to the scene and fired shots from Winchesters, but the boys and hundreds of others who had come upon the scene gave battle with stones. A detachment of the Twelfth regiment soon appeared and the crowd dispersed.

Pressmen's Strike is Settled.

New York, Oct. 15 .- A settlement was reached of the strike of union pressmen and press feeders employed in the big job printing houses in this city. It is understood the demands of the strikers who numbered nearly 2,000, were granted in regard to an increase of wages, but that nonunion men now at work will be retained and given an opportunity to join the union.

Find Dead Body on Railroad. Geneva, Neb., Oct. 15 .- The dead body of Andy Svec was found on the railroad near Milligan yesterday.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

The Vermont legislature Tuesday re-elected W. P. Dillingham senator. A discovery of gold was made while excavating for the federal building at Butte, Mont.

The collapse of the roof of a mine at Lobo, Spain, has resulted in the death of seven persons. Dr. Francis L. Patton was formally

elected president of the Princeton Theological seminary Tuesday. Speaker Henderson, accompanied by

his wife and daughter, arrived in Washington Tuesday night from Atlantic City. The twenty-first meeting of the

Episcopal church congress of the

United States began at Albany Tuesday with about 200 delegates in attendance. Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Fairchild was knocked down by a trolley car Tuesday as he was on his way to

his office in New York. His injuries are severe but not serious. The body of Captain John Ford, late keeper of the Bar Point (Mich.) Hightship, was found fleating in the Detroit river. He disappeared from a small

sail boat Tuesday while his companion was sleeping. A man who answers perfectly the description of Otto Matthes, wanted at Staunton, Ill., on a charge of killing N. W. Wall on Aug. 15, 1890, is under arrest at Ash Fork, A. T. There is a reward of \$2,000 for Matthes.

Orders have been issued by the navy department directing Commander W. E. Sewell to proceed to Guam and assume the duties of commandant of the navel station at that place, relieving Commander Seaton Schroeder. Mrs. Ella Riley and her son-in-law, Walter W. Cowger, charged with the murder of Mrs. Riley's husband at Carbondate, Ill., were released on bail Tuesday, having deposited \$10,000 in a bank and the bond was furnished by the bank officers.

astrous to Shipping.

WOODEN STEAMER GOES DOWN. looking for two days.

Portion of Crew is Adrift on Lake Erie in Open Boat-Whaleback Barge Sunk in Collision With Steamer on Lake Superior-Crew is Rescued.

Ashtabula, O., Oct. 15.-The wooden steamer C. B. Lockwood foundered in Appleby, Nacogdoches and other a storm about fifteen miles off this port last night. The captain and crew just before the steamer went down. succeded in launching two boats One of the boats, containing the captain, wa picked up near the harbor. The other boat has not yet been heard from. Tugs and life savers are searching for the missing boat, which contained ten members of the crew.

The Lockwood, after being stormtossed throughout the day, sprang a leak and began to settle shortly before dark last night. Nineteen persons were on board. A yawl boat and a life boat were successfully launched. Captain C. Saph and his wife, a woman Spradley and his men slipped on the passenger and six members of the crew were in the yawl boat, while the life boat carried First Mate John Fritz and nine of the crew. The steamer went down soon after the small boats were launched. A terrific sea was rolling and it was necesthe misfortunes of those in the captain's vawl, one of the two oars in the boats was lost soon after it was launched. A seaman was thrown overboard by the violence of the storm. but was later rescued. Finally a shawl was improvised as a sail and VENEZUELA'S FATE IN BALANCE the little craft slowly headed toward this port.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Oct. 15 .-Whaleback barge 129, owned by the United States Steel corporation, was sunk by collision with the steamer yesterday. The crew was all rescued by the steamer Ande. The whaleback went down in deep water and is a total loss. The lost barge was valued to take independent action in putting at \$60,000. It had on board some 2,300 tons of ere, worth \$10,000.

AGED MEN ROUT ROBBERS.

Three Brothers Kill Burglars and Save Their Cash.

Cleveland, Oct. 15 .- In a farm house two miles from the village of Rochester, in Lorain county, a terrible battle was fought last night between three aged men named Meach and six desperate robbers. As the result of the battle, two robbers were shot to death one probably fatally wounded and two

of the Meach boys were badly beaten. There are three of the Meach boys. Loren, nearly eighty years; John, about seventy, and Jarvis, aged sixty-

five. The old men are said to be rich. While John was in the barn, he was to the house, they knocked Jarvis Meach into insensibility. John Meach worked himself loose from his bonds, however, and, secur ing a shotgun, cautiously stole upon the three burglars who were working on the safe. He shot two of them to death and fatally wounded the third man. The three companions of the men, who were watching the house realizing their danger, immediately got away.

Ground to Death in Flywheel. Indianapolis, Oct. 15.-Edward C. Morlatt, a machinist at the Atkins saw works, while repairing a belt in the engine room of the plant yesterday afternoon, was caught in the belting, drawn over the large pulley wheel and thrown into the rapidly revolving flywheel on the mammoth engine be neath and ground to death. A brother and fellow workman, Robert Morlatt, in an attempt to save him from what he knew was instant death, clutched him as he fell and was also drawn down into the engine. He was terri bly mangled, both arms being broken in several places and his right foot literally jerked off. He will die.

Dying Engineer Sticks to Post. Sioux Falls, S. D., Oct. 15 .- After being stricken with apoplexy Engineer Chauncey J. Fox of the Rock Island ran a passenger train from a point a mile out safely to Sioux Falls depot before he collapsed. After being stricken he was dazed and could scarcely retain his seat in the cab, but stuck to his post with heroic devotion until his destination was reached and the train was safe. Fox died in the city hospital last night. The family lives at Estherville, Ia.

Campers Murdered at De Soto. De Soto, Mo., Oct. 15 .- An unidenti fied man, one of four men who have been camping near this city, was killed yesterday and two of his companions have been arrested on suspicion. The fourth man escaped. Three shots had been fired into the man's head, apparently at close range. The dead man was known as "Dutchie. The prisoners refuse to talk.

Falls to Death in Elevator Shaft. St. Louis, Oct. 15.-John L. Young, a local newspaper man, was killed shortly before midnight by falling down the elevator shaft at the Plant ers hotel. In waiting for the elevator, he accidentally pushed against the safety grating, which opened, and he fell three stories, dying instantly.

Mexico Must Pay Money.

States \$1,820,000 in Mexican currency. Savage. Harris was placed in custody, contract, but on no others.

CHERIFF ELUDES MOD.

Resorts to Many numes to have Negro From Lynching.

Shreveport, La., Oct. 15 .- Sheriff Texas, placed in jail here James Buchanan, self-confessed murderer of the Hicks family, for whom a mob of several thousand persons has been

In order to elude the mob the sheriff's posse were compelled to resort to many subterfuges, and during their journey to this city two deputies compelled a party of twenty-five men to lay down their arms. Buchanan was captured in a swamp near Nacogdoches. Mobs had gathered at Tensba, piaces, and to throw the mob at Nacogdoches off the scent the sheriff sent the negro ahead with Deputy Matthews, while he himself took a train with his other companions. Matthews was instructed to watch for the train. The plan miscarried, however, as a mob saw Matthews and he was compelled to hide in the woods with his prisoner. Meanwhile, the crowd, believing the negro to be with Sheriff Spradley, was after that official. At Appleby the trains passed and Spradley and his men got aboard the westbound train as a ruse. The crowd immediately swarmed aboard and then eastbound train, and were greatly relieved when they met Matthews and his prisoner at Logansport, La. The man was brought to Shreveport in safety. All sorts of rumors are rife.

A crowd began gathering around the parish prison in which Buchanan sary to ball water from the yawl boat was held. There was no demonstraconstantly to keep affoat. To add to tion, but Sheriff Spradley spirited the negro away from the jail and put him aboard the westbound Texas and Pacific train. The negro is now on his way to Rusk, to be placed in the pent tentlary.

Castro Is Hard Pressed and Federal

Capital Is on Wheels. Willemstad, Oct. 15.-The latest news from La Victoria, Venezuela, where an important engagement be-Maunola, in the gale on Lake Superior gan Monday between the army of President Castro and the forces commanded by Generals Matos, Mendoza, Pereloza and Riera, states that President said: Castro was surrounded by revolutionists and that his position was critical.

The government of Venezuela, owing to the fear that the revolutionists might make a night attack on Caracas and in view of the fact that Vice President Gomez left that city yesterday, with all troops available, \$00 men, to reinforce President Castro, has been transferred to the "provisional capital" of Venezuela, in the Guaxpuro district, without any town or village being with a great opportunity. All of the stipulated as the headquarters of the

Consequently the seat of the gov ernment may be in a railroad car or in some other place unknown to the general public. The Venezuelan government was also actuated in this matter by a desire not to reply to the questions of the foreign ministers, who have been daily asking for redress as surrounded by three robbers and the result of injuries inflicted on the persons or properties of citizens of the countries which they represent.

Stock Jobbing Suit.

Albany, Oct. 15 .- Whether or not !! is lawful to furnish exclusive and advance news on stock quotations will be passed upon by the court of appeals. James N. Veagey of Cincinnati appeals to secure payment of his share of \$1,000,000 from the former New York Stock exchange firm of instigator of the congressional investigation of the whisky combine, which resulted in that corporation's dissolution. He alleges that he furnished advance information to Allen & Co. of the proposed dissolution, so that the firm made a profit of \$1,000,000 by selling the shares of the combine "short." This profit was to be divided and he, not having received his share, sues to recover. The lower courts have alrecover.

Women Missionaries Meet.

Kansas City, Oct. 15.-Delegates from every portion of the United States are here to attend the twentyfirst annual session of the national board of managers of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church, whose deliberations began today and will occupy an entire week. A notable event will be a dinner given to Mrs. Clinton B. Fiske of New York, president of the national board, tomorrow evening, at the Fiske training school, Kansas City, Kan. This school is named for Mrs. Fiske and maintained by the board.

Panama, Oct. 15.—It is reported that General Herrera has several German officers on board the revolutionary gunboat Padilla acting as gunners. So, it is pointed out here, Americans coming to Celombia with the government's armed steamer Bogota, which

German Gunners on Padilla.

sailed from San Francisco Oct. 7. will have a chance to show their superiority back of the guns against their German rivals. P. B. Ludd, an American who fought in Cuba as captain of the Sixth company of Missouri volunteers, joined the Colombian army by Mrs. Lara M. Johns. The principal yesterday.

Smuggled Opium to Cenvicts. Lincoln, Oct. 15.—Harry A. Harris, carpenter at the state penitentiary, was arrested yesterday on a charge of smuggling opium to the prisoners. The practice has been going on for a long time. The convicts were occasionally stupefied and the prison officials could not account for it. A The Hague, Oct. 15.-The arbitra large quantity of the drug was found tion court in the Pius fund case has in their possession yesterday, and condemned Mexico to pay the United after an investigation by Governor

ICR TARIFF COMMISSION

John prair y of Nacogdoches county, Roosevelt Will Recommend Permanent Board.

SPEAKS FOR THE PRESIDENT.

Postmaster General Payne Says Com mission Would Save Time and En able Needed Revisions to Be Quickly Made by National Executive.

Milwaukee, Oct. 15.-Postmaster General Henry C. Payne, in an inter view, said that the forthcoming annual message of President Roosevelt to congress would probably recommend that a permanent tariff commission be appointed.

"The president's views in regard to the revision of the tariff are substantially the same as those given by Senator Spooner in his speech here," said Mr. Payne. "He will probably favor a reduction of import duties upon products which no longer need protection. He is also inclined to favor the creation of a permanent tariff commission, which can at all times receive testimony subject to expert consideration and the varying interests of production and trade, submitting its reports and recommendations to congress. This will insure the thorough and careful compilation of all information accessible and will save to congressional committees a vast amount of labor.

"Since the adjournment of con gress overwhelming manifestations that the people favor reciprocity with Cuba indicate that the opposition to that measure has faded away and that congress will at an early day redeem the pledge made by President McKin ley for reciprocity with Cuba."

CLEVELAND GIVES VIEWS.

Says Tariff Is the Great Issue Before the American People.

New York, Oct. 15 .- When asked for his views in regard to the outlook Practicing Aleopathy, Homefor and the duty of the Democracy in the approaching congressional elections, ex-President Grover Cleveland

"It seems to me that the Democracy cannot fail largely to increase its representation in the next congress; but in order to do so, I think that there must be a constant and stalwart in sistence upon the things which are recognized by all to be true Democrat ic doctrines. Of course, by far the most important of these is tariff re form. On this issue I am satisfied that the Democracy is face to face signs of the times point to a recogni tion, far beyond all party lines, of the benefits which would accrue to the people by a readjustment of the tariff, and it would be worse than folly for the party, under stress of any tempta tion or yielding to any allurement, to permit this to be subordinated to or overshadowed by any other issue."

Senator Nelson Pumps Handcar. Duluth, Oct. 15.—United States Sen ator Nelson pumped a handcar five miles yesterday afternoon in order to Wolff Junction, the train ran into a wreck and things looked dubious for keeping his engagement. Directly he espied a handcar beyond the wreck and after making a dicker for its use he jumped on and propelled himself to the junction, reaching there just in the bones, granular enlargements and all long-standing diseases properly treated. Henry Allen & Co. Veagey was the and after making a dicker for its use, he jumped on and propelled himself time to make connections.

> Uhlman Succeeds Milliman. St. Joseph, Mo., Oct. 15.-The management of the St. Joseph and Grand Island railway announced yesterday that F. C. Uhlman had been selected as auditor of the road, to take the place made vacant by the resignation of H. W. Milliman. If the road is sold to the Union Pacific no official here is aware of the fact from competent au thority. The annual election of directors and other officers will be held next week, at which time, General

made a desperate attempt to escape last night. They had worked a hole through the brick walls in the corridor nearly large enough to crawl through when discovered. An alarm given by outsiders narrowly prevented a wholesale jail delivery. Two of the prisoners are desperate characters, implicated in helding up and shooting a man last summer. They will be kept in a steel cage hereafter.

Kansas Equal Suffragists Meet. Topeka, Oct. 15.-The first session of the nineteenth annual meeting of the Kansas Equal Suffrage association was held at Representative hall yes terday. John McDonald of the Western School Journal made the address of welcome, which was responded to address was from Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt. About seventy-five accredited delegates are in attendance.

Tin Workers Accept Reduction. Elwood, Ind., Oct. 15 .- Acting upon instructions of President Shaffer, Mc. 54 Commercial block, Fourth and Ne-Kinley lodge, Amalgamated Association of Tin Workers, took another vote yesterday on the proposition of accepting a 25 per cent reduction on orders from the Standard Oil company. The vote was almost unanimous to accept the reduction on the oil company's



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Criminals Almost Escape.

Aberdeen, S. D., Oct. 15.—Several criminals confined in the county jail made a desperate attempt to escape

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