

WATCHMEN GO ARMED

Steel Mills Closed by Strike Assume Warlike Aspect.

SHAFFER DENIES RECEIVING OVERTURES

Says He Hasn't Heard from Employers Since Saturday.

WELLSVILLE EFFORT PROVES A FIZZLE

District Manager Smith Starts Up, but Men Are Dry.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING TO BE HELD THERE

Amalgamated Association President Will Present Millmen's Side and Invite Smith to Speak for the Manufacturers.

PITTSBURG, July 17.—We have not heard from the other side at any time, in any way, or on any subject since we parted at the Lincoln hotel last Saturday.

This positive statement, made by President Shaffer of the Amalgamated association this afternoon in denial of a report from New York that the strike had been settled. Mr. Shaffer stated that no actual negotiations were on between President Shaffer of the Ohio State Arbitration board and himself tending toward arbitration.

HARCOURT SCORES POLICY

Liberal Leader Bitterly Criticizes Government's South African and Financial Policy.

LONDON, July 17.—In the course of a debate on the Finance bill in the House of Commons this afternoon Sir William Vernon Harcourt (liberal) criticized the government's financial policy and said those persons believing in the statement that the general expenditure would fall after the termination of the war were living in a fool's paradise.

The Amalgamated association tonight profess great satisfaction over the results accomplished by the strike.

WELLSVILLE THE PRESENT CENTER

The only man on the companies' side who has said anything up to date is Persifer F. Smith, district manager of the Sheet Steel company.

While Wellsville is the strike center now, the battleground will be shifted to McKeesport next week, if the report is true that the W. Dewey wood plant of the American Sheet Steel company will resume operations.

TOLSTOI FIGHTS THE FEVER

Report from Tula in His Disregard Says He is Some Better Despite Unfavorable Condition.

LONDON, July 17.—According to a telegram from Tula, European Russia, dated yesterday and received today by H. Tcheretoff, Count Tolstoy's representative in Great Britain, the count's fever is said to be violent, but improvement in his condition is perceptible.

VIENNA INVASION OF AMERICAN SHOES

FEAR INVASION OF AMERICAN SHOES. Vienna, July 17.—Deputy Bauman has been commissioned by the representatives of the boot and shoe trade to question the Staatsrat in the lower Austrian Diet as to what that body intends to do with regard to the threatened invasion of the Vienna market by an American syndicate.

DANISH CABINET RESIGNS

COPENHAGEN, July 17.—The De Sehested ministry, formed April 27, 1900, has resigned. King Christian has requested the ministers to retain their portfolios pending the appointment of a new cabinet.

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LIGHTNING KILLS A HORSE

One of the Incidental Expenses of Grand Island's Welcome Rainfall.

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NORTHWESTERN HOME AGAIN

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October Now Set as Time for Offering Up the Omaha & St. Louis Road.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 17.—Today was the day set for the sale of the Omaha & St. Louis railroad at Quincy, but the date of sale has been postponed until October. It is still held that the Kansas City Northern connecting line will be sold July 24. Both roads are leased by the Omaha, Kansas City & Quincy railroad.

CONTRACTORS GIVE IN

ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 17.—After nearly nine weeks' idleness the striking laborers engaged in municipal contract work resumed work this morning. Nine bosses signed the agreement, only two of the contractors remaining firm in their declarations not to grant the men their demands. The men are granted 20 cents an hour for an eight-hour day and time and a half for overtime and double time on holidays.

RUSSELL'S INGENUOUS PLEA

Produce Novel Defense in His Bigamy Before the Lords.

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